

# Town of Waldoboro Resident VOTER GUIDE

## STATE PRIMARY & ANNUAL TOWN MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024

POLLING HOURS:

8:00 AM TO 8:00

PM

WALDOBORO MUNICIPAL BUILDING 1600 ATLANTIC HIGHWAY WALDOBORO, ME The Select Board and Budget Committee are pleased to present to the voters a Town Budget that will not increase the tax burden on the residents. The Town Budget includes the operations of the Town, Emergency Services, Public Works, Town Office and Transfer Station. It does not include the schools or county services.

The budget is a management and planning tool. Because the Town is limited by the amount of resources available, the budget aids officials in determining which objectives have the highest priority, will meet the greatest needs, and produce the greatest positive impact in the community. The annual budget document serves as a plan for how the monies that come into the Town of Waldoboro will be spent to operate and maintain our community.

The Budget Committee is responsible to review all Town Meeting articles which call for an appropriation or expenditure of money as proposed by municipal officers. They may concur with such estimates or in case of failure of concurrence may submit to the Town Meeting its own recommendation for expenditure. If the Budget Committee, by majority vote of members present, recommends a budget item amount that does not concur with the amount proposed by the Select Board, then such line item shall be the subject of a reconciliation discussion between the Select Board and Budget Committee.

The Budget Committee meets throughout the year to consider and advise the Town Manager and Select Board on financial matters, including but not limited to debt management, capital planning and other financial matters.

Our process for presenting a budget to the voters in June begins in December, only 6 months after the approval of the prior years budget. The Department Heads prepare their budgets in consultation with the Town Manager, discussions are held and the Town Manager and Department Heads review the budget line items, at times making adjustments as they review. These adjustments can be based on the needs of the department, current year spending trends, and at times economic forecasts. The budget presented to the Select Board and Budget Committee is the culmination of months of work by the Department Heads, Town Manager, Finance Director and office staff.

The Budget Committee and Select Board then begin their meetings, this year they held seven joint meetings to review and discuss the budget. Department Heads publicly present their operating and capital budgets and the Select Board/Budget Committee ask questions and have discussions about the needs of each department. Many times these discussions include staffing levels, service levels, and what the goals and objectives are in the budget and into the future. What folks do not see is the work that the Select Board/Budget Committee does to revise the budget in order to keep the mil rate stable or from increasing.

The Select Board/Budget Committee were presented with a budget that initially reflected a 14.5% increase over last year, by the time they were done, and after much debate, through the process of making reductions to lines items and the use of fund balance and re-directing capital funding to the paving program, they were able to present to you, the voters a budget that will not create any tax increase and in fact reduces the tax burden of the Town portion of your taxes by 1/3 of a percent.

The following reductions/additions were made by the Select Board/Budget Committee during their review:

General Government expenses were reduced by \$18,279.

Public Safety expenses were increased by \$89,713 this was to continue to fund a full complement of 8 police officers including the Chief.

Public Works expenses were decreased by \$21,700.

Community & Human Services were decreased by \$10,904

Capital Reserves were increased by \$80,000, this included \$50,000 in reserve for fire apparatus, and an additional \$30,000 for paving of roads which allowed the Town to meet the tonnage required in receive a discounted price that allows us to add \$270,000 in more asphalt.

Below is a breakdown of expenditures by percentage and overall categories.

Personnel Costs	56.65%
Capital	18.08%
Other Financing Sources/Transfer	
Station	6.50%
Equipment, Including	
Rental/Maintenance	5.47%
Operating Expenses	2.47%
Utilities	2.40%
Other Expenses	2.12%
Social/Community Services	1.72%
Debt Service	1.68%
Professional Services	1.31%
Insurance	0.88%
Building & Grounds Maintenance	0.74%

The Town of Waldoboro has worked to build our fund balance over the years we currently have a healthy 128 days of fund balance to sustain the Town. This year to offset any tax increase the Select Board/Budget Committee increased our utilization of fund balance, while still keeping reserves for 90 days which is the maximum target level for unrestricted fund balance.

The decision to utilize fund balance was debated by members of the Select Board and the Budget Committee. They determined that it is in the best interest of Waldoboro's taxpayers to use fund balance to reduce Waldoboro's taxes in order to help lessen the burden to the Waldoboro taxpayer of a projected 7.92% increase in the school budget together with a 9.5% increase in the county budget. A hearing on the MSAD 40 School Budget is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Medomak Valley High School.



### Voter Registration Information & Town Office Hours

#### Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 am to 5 pm

#### Tuesday from 8 am to 6 pm

#### FRIDAY CLOSED

Frequently Asked Questions

#### 1. Who can register to vote in Waldoboro?

To **register**, you must be a United States citizen, at least 16 years of age to pre-register (unable to vote until age of 18) and have established a fixed principal home in Waldoboro Maine.

To **vote** in a Referendum or General Election, you must be registered in the Town where you reside and be at least 18 years of age. A 17 year old may vote in a Primary Election, if that person will be 18 by the General Election.

#### 2. How do I register to vote?

You can register to vote by filling out a voter registration card at the Town Office or through any Motor Vehicle branch office, in most state and federal social service agencies, or at voter registration drives. You can also download and print a Maine voter registration application below. Please note that both sides of the card will print on one page.

Maine Voter Registration Application (revised 1/2020) –Fillable PDFWord Instructions for completing the Maine Voter Registration Application

To have a voter registration card mailed to you contact the Town Clerk at 207-832-5369 Ext 5. A printed version of the voter registration card, with your original signature, must be kept on file by the Town Clerk, so the card cannot be transmitted electronically.

Completed voter registration cards may be hand delivered or mailed to the Town Office. When you register for the first time in Maine, you'll need to provide identity documents that show you have established your voting residence in the State of Maine.

The following documents are acceptable proof of identification for the purposes of registering to vote:

- Government document or credential with photo ID (i.e., driver's license, State ID, valid U.S. Passport, military ID, ID card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe)
- Government ID document/credential without photo (i.e., certified birth certificate or signed Social Security card)
- An official document that shows name and address of voter (i.e., eligibility for public benefits, utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck)
- Student photo ID from a state-approved public or private school or institute of higher education in Maine
- Verified unique identifier (Maine driver's license number or last four numbers of Social Security Number)

#### 3. Is there a deadline to register to vote?

There is no cut-off date for registering to vote **in person** at the Town Office. For the June 11, 2024 Election, voters can submit registration forms by mail or by third person by the close of business on May 21, 2024.

#### 4. Can I have help voting?

Yes. If you need help reading or marking the ballot, you may ask a relative or friend for assistance. The helper does not have to be a voter or old enough to vote. An election official can also help you read or mark a ballot. However, your employer or union official cannot help you vote.

#### 5. Do I need to go to the polls on election day to vote?

No. Any registered voter may cast an absentee ballot instead of voting in person at the voting place.

You do not need to have a specific reason or be unable to vote at the voting place on Election Day to use an absentee ballot. Learn more about absentee voting and how to request your ballot on our Absentee Voting page





## ABSENTEE VOTING INFORMATION

Absentee ballots will be available the week of May 11<sup>th</sup> for the June 11, 2024 State Primary & Local Election.

Please call or check the website for availability.

Please note absentee voting hours during the week will be as follows: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 am to 5 pm Tuesday from 8 am to 6 pm Closed Friday 8 am to 8 pm on Election Day

ALL ABSENTEE BALLOTTS MUST BE RETURNED BY 8 PM JUNE 11, 2024

Frequently Asked Questions:

#### Q. Can I vote absentee instead of coming to the election?

**A.** Yes! We always encourage absentee/early voting. This is a convenient, secure way to vote from the comfort of your own home with no lines and no waiting.

#### Q. How do I request an absentee ballot?

- **A.** You can request ballots/vote early in one of the following ways:
  - Complete an online request form (PBF) OR track your ballot on the State of Maine's website at <u>https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/voter-info/absent.html</u>. Your requested ballot for the June election will be mailed to you.
  - Call 207-832-5369 ext. #5 and request ballots to be mailed to your mailing address. (Each voter must request their own ballot when using this method)
  - Come into the Town Clerk's Office and take ballots home to all in your household.
  - Come into the Town Clerk's Office and vote in person once absentee ballots are available.

#### Q. How do I return my ballots?

**A.** Enclose all your ballots in the provided envelope (even if they are blank) and be sure the voter signs the back flap of the envelope. Failure to do so will result in your ballots not being counted.

You have the following options to return your ballots:

- $\star$  Drop them off in the secured Election Drop box located at the Town Office entrance.
- $\star$  Mail them back in the envelope provided. Please note postage indicated on the info card.
- $\star$  Hand-deliver them to the Town Office during regular business hours.
- A relative can return ballots on your behalf in any of the above-mentioned ways. This requires a signature on original absentee ballot application.

ALL ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN 8 PM JUNE 11, 2024



### Town of Waldoboro, Maine Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Lincoln, ss

State of Maine

TO: John F. Lash, a Constable for the Town of Waldoboro, in the County of Lincoln, State of Maine

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Waldoboro, in said County qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the Waldoboro Municipal Building in said Town, on Tuesday, the Eleventh day of June, A.D. 2024 at 8 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles.

The polls for voting on all articles will be opened at 8 o'clock in the morning and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To elect all necessary town officers by secret ballot

SELECT BOARD, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR VOTE FOR TWO (2) 3 YEAR TERM

WRITE IN

Bragg, William McGuirl, Brendan O'Farrell, Sandra Simmons, Abden Stephens, Rebecca

WRITE IN \_\_\_\_\_

S.A.D. # 40 BOARD OF DIRECTORS	VOTE FOR TWO (2)	3 YEAR TERM
Karp, Steven		
MacArthur, Tabatha		
Stickney, Benjamin	WRITE IN	

#### UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Barbour, Kevin Mark Webster, Gordon VOTE FOR TWO (2) 3 YEAR TERM

WRITE IN\_\_\_\_\_

WRITE IN\_\_\_\_\_

#### **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Amico, Michael Burton, Kelli VOTE FOR TWO (2) 3 YEAR TERM

WRITE IN\_\_\_\_\_

WRITE IN\_\_\_\_\_

#### MUNICIPAL BUDGET QUESTIONS

Article 3. Should any municipal budget question fail to pass, shall the Town authorize the Select Board to expend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the previous year's appropriation?

#### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLES**

- Article 4. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,765 for the Office of the Select Board? (5 unpaid Board members, legal services and includes a \$7,500 fuel reserve line item for increased fuel costs)
   Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
   Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 5.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$171,741 for the Office of the<br/>Town Manager? (1 full-time 40 hours/week, 1 part time shared employee 36<br/>hours/week & operating expenses)<br/>Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 0, Abstained1<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0,
- Article 6.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$102,841 for the Assessing<br/>Department? (1 full-time employee 32 hours/week & operating expenses)<br/>Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

Decrease of \$350.00 from initial request by Select Board, Budget Committee and Department Head.

Article 7.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$289,431 for the Finance and<br/>Customer Service Department? (1 full-time 40 hours/week, 1 full-time employee<br/>36 hours/week & increased costs for online services & operating expenses)<br/>Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1

Decrease of \$17,929 from initial request by Select Board, Budget Committee and Department Head.

Article 8. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,530 for the Office of The Town Clerk? (1 full time employee 36 hours/week, 8 ballot clerks & operating expenses)
 Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

Article 9. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,435 for the Municipal Building? (Utilities, maintenance & contracted cleaning has been divided between this article, and the EMS, Fire and Police Departments)
 Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

#### PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLES

- Article 10. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,846,344 for Emergency Medical Services? (9 full-time employees, 9 part-time, 17 per diem employees, operating expenses and utilities, maintenance & contracted cleaning).
   Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
   Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 11.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$269,960 for the Fire<br/>Department? (22 paid volunteers, operating expenses, utilities, maintenance &<br/>contracted cleaning)Select Board recommends. Vote:In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote:

Article 12. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,304,663 for the Police Department? (8 full-time employees, 3 shared employees, operating expenses, utilities, maintenance & contracted cleaning)
 Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1

Increase of \$89,713 from initial request by Select Board, Budget Committee and Department Head

- Article 13. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,921 for the Shellfish Management Program? (1 part-time employee. This budget is fully funded by clamming license fees. <u>No public funds are utilized</u>.) Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 14.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for Animal Control?<br/>(Contracted through Lincoln County Sheriff's Office)<br/>Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absen

- Article 15.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,014 for the EmergencyManagement Agency Department? (1 part-time employee, 4 hours/week &<br/>operating expenses)Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 16.Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$88,320 for Fire Hydrants?Select Board recommends.Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0Budget Committee recommends.Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 17.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 for Street Lights?Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

#### **PUBLIC WORKS ARTICLES**

Article 18.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,286,840 for Public Works?(9 full-time employees, 1 shared employee & operating expenses)

Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0,

Decrease of \$21,701.00 from initial request by Select Board, Budget Committee and Department Head.

Article 19.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,750 for Parks and<br/>Cemeteries?<br/>Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

#### SOCIAL SERVICES ARTICLES

Article 20.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for General Assistance?Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

Decrease of \$3,266 from initial budget by Select Board, Budget Committee

- Article 21. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,886 for New Hope for Women, Inc.?
   Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
   Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 22.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,930 for Healthy Kids?Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0

Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

- Article 23. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,700 for Spectrum Generations?
   Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
   Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 24.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for Waldoboro Food<br/>Pantry?Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 3, Opposed 1, Absent 1<br/>Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 7, Opposed 1, Absent 1
- Article 25.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for Veggies to Table?Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent
- Article 26. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$90 for Kennebec Behavioral Health?
   Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
   Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0
- Article 27.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$650 for Life Flight of Maine?Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1

Decrease of \$638.00 from initial request by Select Board, Budget Committee and Department Head.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES ARTICLES

- Article 28.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$101,338 for the RecreationDepartment? (1 full-time employee 36 hours & operating expenses)Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 1Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 7, Opposed 0, Absent 2
- Article 29. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for Local Access Cable Television (Lincoln County TV)?
   Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 1
   Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 6, Opposed 2, Absent 1

Decrease of \$5,000 from initial request of \$20,000 by Select Board and Budget Committee

- Article 30. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for Waldoboro Public Library? Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 7, Opposed 0, Absent 1, Abstain 1 Article 31. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$604 for Waldoboro Sno-**Crawlers?** Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Article 32. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 for Waldoborough **Historical Society?** Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Article 33. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for Waldo Theatre? Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 3, Opposed 1, Absent 1 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Decrease of \$2,000 from initial request of \$10,000 by Select Board and Budget Committee Article 34. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for Memorial Day Committee? Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1 Article 35. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,800 for Waldoboro Day Committee? Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4 Opposed 0, Absent 1, Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1
- Article 36. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of **\$8,750** for **Sylvania** property for insurance and Land maintenance costs?

Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

#### **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ARTICLES**

Article 37. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$162,867 for Planning & Development? (1 full-time employee 36 hours/week, 1 contract Planner & operating expenses)
 Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

#### **INSURANCE ARTICLES**

Article 38. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,036 for the Property & Liability Risk Pool? (Property & Liability Insurance)
 Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0
 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

#### DEBT SERVICE ARTICLES

Article 39.Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$138,493 for Debt Service?Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 9, Opposed 0, Absent 0

#### **OTHER FINANCING USES ARTICLES**

- Article 40. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$536,882 and transfer such funds to the Transfer Station Fund to fund Waldoboro's share of the transfer station budget? (3 full-time employees, 2 shared employees & operating expenses)
   Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1
   Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1
- Article 41. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,492,773 and transfer to the Capital Reserve Fund for capital improvements?

#### Fleet & Equipment

Α.	EMS Equipment Reserve	\$216,500
В.	Fire Equipment Reserve	\$107,000
	Increase of \$50,000 from initial budget of \$57,000 by Select Board, Budget C Head.	ommittee and Department
C.	Police Equipment Reserve	\$55,500
D.	Public Works Equipment Reserve	\$120,000
E.	Public Buildings	\$150,000
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#### Transportation Improvements

F.	Surface Paving Program \$680,000
	Increase of \$30,000 from initial budget of \$650,000 by Select Board, Budget Committee and Department
	Head.
G.	Highway Construction Reserve

Unemployment Reserve	
H. Unemployment Reserve	\$5,000
Solid Waste Management	
I. Transfer Station Equipment	\$70,000
Other Capital Reserves	
J. Solar	Farm
Purchase	
Capital Fund Total	\$1,546,000
Less transfers from other sources	-\$53,227
Total Waldoboro Share	\$1,492,773
Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Ab	sent 0, Abstain 1
Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 7, Opposed	0, Absent 1, Abstain1

Increase of \$80,000 from initial budget of \$1,466,000 by Select Board, Budget Committee and Department Head.

#### **REVENUE ARTICLES**

Article 42.Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,930,662 from the Estimated RevenuesAccount to be applied to reduce the 2025 tax rate?

Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 5, Opposed 0, Absent 0 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1

Α.	Local Taxes (other than property taxes)	\$1,046,509
В.	Licenses and Permits	\$ 87,782
С.	Intergovernmental Revenues	\$1,066,612
D.	Charges for Services	\$1,369,439
Ε.	Other Revenues	\$ 94,497
F.	Other Financing Sources	\$ 1,265,823

Article 43. Shall the Town transfer the sum of \$86,368 from the Local Road Assistance
 Program Block Grant Fund to the General Fund to be applied toward the Transportation Program?
 Select Board recommends. Vote: In Favor 4, Opposed 0, Absent 0, Abstain 1
 Budget Committee recommends. Vote: In Favor 8, Opposed 0, Absent 1

Article 44. Shall the Town increase the property tax levy limit of \$478,600 established for the Town of Waldoboro by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit?

#### **ORDINANCE ARTICLES**

Article 45. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate from the use of fund balance and TIF funds the sum of \$316,000 for the Town's share of a match for a broadband grant through Lincoln County.

Note: This article would bring fiber optic broadband to most, if not all, business and residential locations in Waldoboro and increase customer options for broadband services.

Article 46. Shall the Town vote to enact changes to the existing Land Use Ordinance that was approved on November 3, 2020? These changes include revisions to Articles 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, and 15 to the Land Use Ordinance? A copy of this proposed ordinance is on file with the Town Clerk for inspection.

*Note: These changes include improvements amending standards for shipping containers and incorporating standards related to state legislation on housing.* 

Article 47. Shall the voters of the Town of Waldoboro adopt amendments to the municipal development and tax increment financing district and the development program for the district known as the "First Waldoboro Tax Increment Financing District Development Program"? These changes shall include amending the project list for eligible uses of funds and adding parcels into the program. A copy is on file at the Town Office for public inspection.

Note: These changes include placing the parcels known as the former Sylvania site (Map U2 Lot 2), the Hoffses House (Map U2 Lot 2A), and 3425 Atlantic Highway (R13 Lot 10F) into this Program and including projects that would allow potential redevelopment without using the Town of Waldoboro General Fund. The amended projects also include allowing funds for environmental protection of the water and sewer lines, upgrades to the town office, and covering administrative costs associated with the TIF program.

#### **OTHER WARRANT ARTICLES**

- Article 48. Shall the Town vote to fix the fifteenth day of November 2024 and the fifteenth day of May 2025 when all 2025 taxes shall be due and payable in semi-annual installments and to instruct the Tax Collector to charge interest at 8.00% per annum on all taxes unpaid after said date(s)?
- Article 49. Shall the Town vote to pay interest at 8.5% per annum on any amount overpaid on property taxes as noted in M.R.S.A. Title 36, §506-A?
- Article 50. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a 2025 Tax Club Plan to taxpayers who enroll no later than July 31, 2024 who pay the total amount of 2025

taxes by monthly payments from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025; who abide by the requirements of said plan; who shall receive from the Town, in return for such payments, full credit for such taxes paid without incurring any charge of interest?

- Article 51. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as it may deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property? Property which, in the opinion of the Select Board, best serves the interest of the Town by remaining Town-owned property need not be sold.
- Article 52. Shall the Town vote to authorize the transfer of all unexpended balances to fund balance and to authorize the overdrafts that may occur in the Town operations in the 2024 budget to be taken from fund balance?
- Article 53. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to accept gifts, real estate, and certain funds, including trust funds and grant programs that may be given or left to the Town?
- **Article 54.** Shall the Town authorize the Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of tax lien mortgages pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §944 upon a finding by the Select Board that ownership of the property subject to the lien would be contrary to the Town's best interest?
- Article 55. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to enter into boundary line agreements with abutting property owners to establish the boundary line of any property of the Town, including the boundary lines of the rights-of-ways?
- Article 56. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to make final determinations regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A., §2953?
- **Article 57.** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to spend funds from various reserve funds as it deems necessary in accordance with a Capital Improvement Program?
- Article 58. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to notify the Commissioner of the Department of Marine Resources that it wishes to exercise its rights to alewives in the Medomak River for the year 2025?
- Article 59. Shall the Town vote to authorize the transfer of unexpended balances of the Shellfish Operating budget to be placed in the Shellfish Capital budget at fiscal year end? (These budget line items are fully funded by clamming license fees. <u>No public</u> <u>funds are utilized</u>.)
- Article 60. Shall the Town vote to authorize the transfer of unallocated proceeds in the amount of \$203,000 from the sale of the Friendship St. School to the Capital Reserve Surface Paving Program?

Given under our hands at said Waldoboro, Maine this 7 day of May A.D., 2024.

Witness to all: Keizer Jul Town Manager

Abden Simmons, Chairman

John Blodgett, Vice-chair

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**Robert Butler** 

Michael Thayer

1.M William Pratt

Board of Selectmen: Town of Waldoboro, Maine

ATTEST: A true copy of the 2025 Annual Town Meeting Warrant as certified to me by the Municipal Officers of Waldoboro on this \_\_\_\_7\_\_\_ day of May A.D., 2024.



s/ PAMELA S. JAMESON ameson

Town Clerk

## Waldoboro Ordinance Explanation

EXHIBIT E

#### Waldoboro Municipal Tax Increment Financing District

WHEREAS, The Town of Waldoboro (the Town) is authorized pursuant to Chapter 206 of Title 30-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, to amend a tax increment financing district and development program for such district; and

WHEREAS, amending the Waldoboro Municipal Tax Increment Financing District (the District) and the District's development program (the Development Program) will help provide new employment opportunities within the Town, provide opportunities for economic development in the Town and surrounding region, improve and broaden the tax base in the Town and improve the economy of the Town and the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS; the Town has held a public hearing on *the* question of creating the District and adopting the Development Program in accordance with the requirements of 30-A M.R.S.A Section 5226, upon at least ten (10) days prior notice published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town: and

WHEREAS; the Town Meeting shall vote to adopt the District and Development Program; and

WHEREAS; it is expected that approval will be sought and obtained from the State of Maine Department of Economic and Community Development, approving the District and Development Program.

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TOWN:

<u>Section I.</u> The Town hereby approves the Tax Increment Financing District and Development Program amendments therefor; such approval to be pursuant to the following findings, terms and provisions:

<u>Section 2.</u> The Town hereby finds and determines the following, demonstrating the District's compliance with the State statute:

- a. At least twenty-five percent (25), by area, of real property within the District is suitable for commercial uses; and
- b. The total area of the District does not exceed two percent (2%) of the total acreage of the Town, and the total area of all existing development districts within the Town (including this District) does not exceed five percent (5%) of the total acreage of the Town; and
- c. The original assessed value of all existing tax increment financing districts (including this District) does not exceed five percent (5%) of the total value of equalized taxable property within the Town as of April 2019; and
- d. The Development program will generate substantial economic benefits for the Town and its

residents, including employment opportunities, broadened and improved tax base and economic stimulus, and therefore constitutes a good and valid public purpose. The Town has considered all evidence, if any, presented to it at the required public hearing with regard to any adverse economic effect on , or detriment to, any existing business, if any, is outweighed by the contribution expected to be made through the District and Development Program.

<u>Section 3.</u> Pursuant to Chapter 206 of Title 30 A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, the Town hereby adopts amended Waldoboro Municipal Tax Increment Development presented at the Town Meeting in the form attached hereto and such Tax Increment Development District is hereby incorporated by reference into this vote as the Waldoboro Municipal tax Increment District and Development Program.

<u>Section 4.</u> Pursuant to the provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 5227, the percentage of captured assessed value to be retained in accordance with the Development Program is to be established as set forth in the Development Program.

<u>Section 5</u>. The Town Manager, or their duly appointed representative, be and hereby is authorized, empowered, and directed to submit the amended Waldoboro Municipal Tax Increment Development District to the State of Maine Department of Economic and Community Development for review and approval pursuant to the requirements of 30-A **M.R.S.A.** Section 5226.

<u>Section 6.</u> The Town Manager, or their duly appointed representative, be and hereby is authorized and empowered to make such revisions to the Development Program as the Town Manager, or their duly appointed representative, deems reasonably necessary or convenient in order to facilitate the process for review and approval of the District by the State of Maine Department of Economic and Community Development, or for any other reason, so long as such revisions are not inconsistent with this article or the basis structure and intent.

<u>Section 7.</u> The foregoing District and Development program shall automatically become final and shall take full force and effect upon receipt by the Town of approval of the District and adoption of the Dev elopement Program by the State of Maine Department of Economic and Community Development, without requirement of further action by the Town, the Town Manager, or the Select board

#### 2024 WALDOBORO LAND USE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

The following pages provide a brief description of amendments for the Waldoboro Land Use Ordinance going

before residents for the June 2024 warrant. The language and full sections can be found online or by

requesting a copy from the Waldoboro Town Clerk or Town Planner.

#### Article 4:

Page 4-1: Corrections made to 4.2.3 (Repair and Maintenance) and 4.3.3.2 (Floodplain Area).

#### Article 6:

Pages 6-6 to 6-17: Corrections to Use Charts to show allowance of Agriculture in Downtown (due to Maine Constitutional enactments); converting Accessory Apartments to Accessory Dwelling Units; allowance of Short-Term Rentals in all districts except Industrial, Resource Protection, and Stream Protection; and Demolition being permitted in all Districts.

Pages 6-19 to 6-20: Clarification is provided on the minimum lot size requirements for Accessory Apartments and Affordable Housing Developments.

#### Article 7:

Pages 7-1 to 7-3: Correcting numbering for 7.1 (Buffer Areas) and removing year for 7.2.2 (NFP Construction Standards) to allow CEO to follow most up to date standards.

Page 7-12: Correcting language from "Municipal Authority" to "Reviewing Authority" regarding site plans.

#### Article 9:

Pages 9-14 to 9-15: Update to 9.3.3.3.9 (Minimum Required Parking) to include standard for Affordable Housing Projects to have 2 spaces for every 3 affordable dwelling units to be in line with state requirements.

Page 9-16: New language allowing site plan reviewer(s) to waive minimum required parking spaces if applicant can demonstrate an alternative proposal that has no impact on neighboring parcels that can be accepted by Public Works and Emergency Services. Any alternatives for parking must be set as a Condition of Approval for the proposed use.

#### Article 10:

Page 10-1: Updated language and standards for Accessory Apartments (now referred to as Accessory Dwelling Units).

Pages 10-20 to 10.22: Updates to utility requirements for Multi-Family projects under 10.18.1 (Water Supply) and 10.18.2 (Sewage Disposal), and the inclusion of standards for Affordable Housing Projects as a subcategory as Section 10.18.7 (Affordable Housing).

Pages 10-30 to 10-31: Updates to Section 10.23 (Shipping Containers, Mobile Homes and Buses as Outdoor

Storage) to remove references to "shipping container permits, allow permanent use of shipping containers in

Route 1 Districts, Industrial Districts, and the Rural Districts with an approved building permit, and requiring

units to be visually screened and buffered to avoid being seen by abutters.

Article 15:

All adjustments to this section are to be in line with state statutes, and use language from the State of Maine

in places where the Town does not have the definitions.

Warrant Article 45 proposes to allocate up to \$316,000 from specified accounts as Waldoboro's match for a collaborative grant application with Lincoln County and Coastal Maine Regional Broadband. This application for a "Partnerships Enabling Middle Mile" internet grant, is scheduled for submission in September 2024. Waldoboro will join a multi-municipal grant application, with each municipality providing matching funds for their community to receive coverage. The approval of this grant will enable the provision of affordable fiber optic broadband to the residents of Waldoboro. Should the application be unsuccessful, Waldoboro's obligation to provide matching funds will expire, and no funds be used. If both the grant and Warrant Article 45 are approved, the existing balances in the accounts will be sufficient to meet Waldoboro's match, thus ensuring no additional use of Waldoboro's fund balance and no resultant increase in property taxes.



	2025 Budget Summary				A	s of: 4/10/	2024 Budge	t Meetings: 03/05, 03/07, 03/14, 03/19, 03/21, 03/28, 04/02/2024
07	/01/2024 - 06/30/2025		-					Town of Waldoboro, Maine
Aco	count Review List						SB total 5; BC total 9	
Ge	neral Fund Expenses	Initial FY2025		FY2025			Vote format below = yes-no-	-abstain-absence
Pag e #	Department	INITIAI BUDGET	14.1	Budget Changes		INITIAL TO VOTE	FINAL VOTE	NOTES
1	Dept: 100 OFFICE OF THE SELECTBOAI	\$ 25,765	\$	25,765	\$	-	3/21/24 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	Discussed added back SB stipend - failed
3	Dept: 120 OFFICE OF THE TOWN MAN.	\$ 171,741	\$	171,741	\$	<u> </u>	3/21/24 SB 4-0-1; BC 9-0	
5	Dept: 150 ASSESSMENT SERVICES	\$ 103,191	\$	102,841	\$	(350.00)	3/21/24 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	Reduction in supply line item
7	Dept: 200 FINANCE/CUSTOMER SERVIC	\$ 307,360	\$	289,431	\$	(17,929.00)	3/21/24 SB 4-0-1-0 BC 9-0; 4/2/24 SB 4-0-1; BC 8-0-1	Approved Initial Budget included 12M deputy position then revisited and approved to fund position for 9 months
9	Dept: 205 TOWN CLERK	\$ 100,530	\$	100,530	\$	-	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
11	Dept: 250 MUNICIPAL BUILDING	\$ 33,435	\$	33,435	\$		3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
13	Dept: 300 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVI	\$ 1,846,344	\$	1,846,344	\$		3/7/24 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
17	Dept: 320 FIRE SERVICES	\$ 269,960	\$	269,960	\$		3/14/24 SB 5-0; BC 8-0-1-0	
20	Dept: 340 POLICE SERVICES	\$ 1,214,950	ş	1,304,663	\$	89,713.00	3/7/24 SB 5-0; BC 9-0; 4/2/24 SB 8-0-0-1	Chief removed funding for 1 Patrol position; Budget Mtg added back/approved; Revisited and funded position for 9 months
23	Dept: 350 SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT	\$ 32,921	\$	32,921	\$		3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
25	Dept: 360 ANIMAL CONTROL	\$ 18,000	\$	18, <mark>0</mark> 00	\$		3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
26	Dept: 380 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$ 7,014	\$	7,014	\$		3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
27	Dept: 400 FIRE HYDRANTS	\$ 88,320	ş	88,320	\$	<u> </u>	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
28	Dept: 450 STREET LIGHTS	\$ 6,000	\$	6,000	\$	-	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
29	Dept: 500 PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 1,308,541	\$	1,286,840	\$	(21,701.00)	3/14/24 SB 4-0-1-0; BC 9-0	Dept head reduced blades 10,000 and sand 11,701 line items
30	Dept: 510 PARKS & CEMETERIES	\$ 11,750	\$	11,750	\$		3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
33	Dept: 600 GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROC	\$ 18,266	\$	15,000	\$	(3,266.00)	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	Budget reduction - non specific line item
35	Dept: 610 SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES	\$ 32,894	\$	32,256	\$	(638.00)	3/28/2024 SB 5-0; BC 8-0-0-1	Reduced Life Flight request by 638; received F/S from all agencies except Life Flight; voted to list separately on annual town warrant. Nancy Lipper from Food Pantry presented; Veggies to Table and Kennebec Behavior Health were new requestors
36	Dept: 620 RECREATION	\$ 101,338	5	101,338	\$	_	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
38	Dept: 635 SYLVANIA	\$ 8,750		8,750			3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	New Dept this year; plan forthcoming
	Dept: 640 COMMUNITY SERVICES AGEI			109,404			3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	Reduced LCTV by 5,000 and WaldoTheatre requests by 2,000.; Received F/S from LCTV, WPL, WHS; Voted to list separately on the annual town warrant. Larry Sidelinger from LCTV presented. Kat Skov from WPL presented
40	Dept: 700 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT	\$ 162,867	s	162,867	¢	<u>_</u>	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	Maxamillion worth 2M

42 Dept: 850 PROPERTY, LIABILITY INSU	\$ 65,036	¢	65,036	\$ -	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
43 Dept: 860 COUNTY TAX	÷ 05,050	1	05,050	4	5,21,252,150,5,6,50,50	8.99% Increase projected
44 Dept: 865 EDUCATION						
		1				
45 Dept: 870 OVERLAY						
46 Dept: 900 DEBT SERVICE	\$ 138,493	\$	138,493	\$ -	3/21/2024 SB 5-0; BC 9-0	
47 Dept: 910 OTHER FINANCING USES	\$ 1,949,655	ş	2,029,655	\$ 80,000.00	3/28/2024 SB 4-0-1 BC 8-0-1	Increased CIP 50K for fire truck line item ; Increased CIP 30K for paving line item (This is a transfer in from Capital Reserve Fund)
Total General Fund - All Expenses - Pag	\$ 8,139,525	\$	8,258,354	\$ 118,829.00	2	
General Fund Total Revenues						
Total General Fund - All Revenues Page	\$ 4,551,207	\$	4,930,662	\$ 379,455.00	4/2/2024 SB 5-0; BC 8-0-0-1	Supplemental EMS revenue info provided; Police SRO billing for equipment suggested; Use of FB to achieve policy level utilized - over 90 days executed
Capital Reserve Fund						
CAP - Revenue	\$   1,466,000	\$	1,546,000	<mark>\$ 8</mark> 0,000.00	3/28/2024 SB 4-0-1 BC 8-0-0-1	Increased Fire Truck line item by 50,000; increased paving line item by 30,000 4/9/24 SB Voted to authorize transfer of 203,000 from Friendship St School CIP balance to Surface Paving CIP balance SB 3-2-0-0 Current Loan rates explored; Lifecyle
CAP - Expenses	\$ 1,466,000	\$	<mark>1,546,000</mark>	\$ 80,000.00		replacement plans of equipment; Current 3 year wait period for Fire Truck purchases; still waiting for two ambulances ordered 2022; pending solar farm purchase
Transfer Station Fund						
TS - Revenue	\$ 1,020,799	ş	1,020,799	\$ -		Revenue shortfalls in L3Y; expenditures up; recycling down; food
TS - Expenses	\$ 1,020,799	\$	1,020,799	\$ -	- 3/14/2024 SB 3-0-2 BC 9-0	waste up. Exploring information PAYT program operations and TS Committee meeting coming in May with more information.
Highway Block Grant Fund						
Highway Grant - Revenue	\$ 86,368	\$	86,368	\$-	3/28/2024 SB 4-0-1 BC 8-0-0-	
Highway Grant - Expenses	\$ 86,368	\$	86,368	\$ -	1	

### TOWN OF WALDOBORO, MAINE

FY2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET SUMMARY		<u></u>		<u>.</u>		<b>E</b> V( 000.4	
		Selectmen	_	Selectmen		FY 2024	
		Final		Day 7-April 9		VS.	Variance
		FY2024		FY2025		FY 2025	Percent
GENERAL FUND TOTAL EXPENDITURES/USES	6	6 957 047	6	0.050.055	c	1 400 439	20.42%
Increase(Decrease) Previous Year	<b>\$</b> \$	<b>6,857,917</b> 818,194	\$ \$	<b>8,258,355</b> 1,400,438	\$	1,400,438	20.42%
Increase(Decrease) Previous Year %	Ф	13.55%	¢	20.42%			
increase(Decrease) Previous rear %		13.35%		20.42%			
General Government	\$	631,490	\$	723,743	\$	92,253	14.61%
Office of the Selectmen	\$	25,765	\$	25,765	\$	-	0.00%
Office of the Town Manager	\$	158,114	\$	171,741	\$	13,628	8.62%
Assessing Department	\$	97,874	\$	102,841	\$	4,967	5.07%
Finance Dept/Customer Service	\$	236,846	\$	289,431	\$	52,585	22.20%
Town Clerk	\$	92,651	\$	100,530	\$	7,879	8.50%
Municipal Building	\$	20,240	\$	33,435	\$	13,195	65.19%
Public Safety	\$	3,169,825	\$	3,573,222	\$	403,397	12.73%
Emergency Medical Services	\$	1,644,041	\$	1,846,344	\$	202,303	12.31%
Fire Department	\$	245,401	\$	269,960	\$	24,560	10.01%
Police Department	\$	1,130,167	\$	1,304,663	\$	174,496	15.44%
Shellfish Conservation Program	\$	31,835	\$	32,921	\$	1,086	3.41%
Animal Control	\$	18,000	\$	18,000	\$	-	0.00%
Emergency Management Agency	\$	6,761	\$	7,014	\$	253	3.74%
Fire Hydrants	\$	88,320	\$	88,320	\$	-	0.00%
Street Lights	\$	5,300	\$	6,000	\$	700	13.21%
Public Works	\$	1,226,818	\$	1,298,590	¢	71,772	5.85%
Public Works	•				\$		
	\$	1,215,068	\$	1,286,840	\$	71,772	5.91%
Parks/Cemeteries	\$	11,750	\$	11,750	\$	-	0.00%
Human Services	\$	46,065	\$	47,256	\$	1,191	2.59%
General Assistance	\$	18,249	\$	15,000	\$	(3,249)	-17.80%
Social Service Agencies	\$	27,816	\$	32,256	\$	4,440	15.96%
Community Services	\$	194,024	\$	219,492	\$	25,468	13.13%
Recreation Department	\$	92,920	\$	101,338		8,418	9.06%
Sylvania Property	\$	-	\$	8,750	\$	8,750	#DIV/0!
Waldoboro Public Library	\$	75,000	\$	75,000	\$	-	0.00%
Community Service Agencies	\$	26,104	\$	34,404	\$	8,300	31.80%
Community Dovelonment	6	470 447	¢	460.967	¢	(45 590)	0 720
Community Development	\$	178,447	\$ ¢	162,867	\$ ¢	(15,580)	-8.73%
Planning & Development	\$	178,447	\$	162,867	\$	(15,580)	-8.73%
Property and Liability Insurance	\$	63,620	\$	65,036	\$	1,416	2.23%
Debt Service	\$	211,898	\$	138,493	\$	(73,405)	-34.64%
Other Einanging Lises	¢	4 495 790	¢	2 020 GEF	¢	002.025	78.71%
Other Financing Uses	\$ ¢	<b>1,135,730</b> 451,227	\$ \$	<b>2,029,655</b> 536,882	\$ ¢	<b>893,925</b> 85,655	18.98%
Transfer Station (Waldoboro Share)	\$				\$		
Capital Reserve Funds	\$ 6	684,504	\$	1,492,773	\$	808,270	118.08%
Insurance Service Org. Project	\$	-	\$	-	*	(0 = 1 1)	
PROPERTY TAXES	\$	3,134,434		3,124,693	\$	(9,741)	-0.31%
Property Tax Levy Limit *	\$	2,411,479	\$	2,646,093			

#### TOWN OF WALDOBORO, MAINE FY2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET SUMMARY

		Selectmen Final		Selectmen Day 7-April 9		FY 2024	Variance
						VS.	
		FY2024		FY2025		FY 2025	Percent
GENERAL FUND							
TOTAL REVENUE/SOURCES	\$	3,723,483	\$	5,133,662	\$	1,410,179	37.87%
Increase(Decrease) Previous Year	\$	202,517	\$	1,410,179			
Increase(Decrease) Previous Year %		5.75%		37.87%			
Taxes	\$	1,040,162	\$	1,046,509	\$	6,347	0.61%
Excise Taxes	\$	985,000	\$	1,000,000	\$	15,000	1.52%
Watercraft Excise Taxes	\$	8,000	\$	8,250	\$	250	3.13%
Interest Taxes & Tax Liens	\$	37,000	\$	28,000	\$	(9,000)	-24.32%
Tax Lien Costs	\$	10,162	\$	10,259	\$	97	0.95%
Licenses & Permits	\$	81,835	\$	87,782	\$	5,948	7.27%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$	989,643	\$	1,066,612	\$	76,969	7.78%
Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$	960,000	<b>₽</b> \$	1,035,969	\$	75,969	7.91%
Other State Assistance	\$	19,973	\$	20,973	\$	1,000	5.01%
Local Governments	\$	9,670	\$	9,670	\$	-	0.00%
Homestead & BETE	Ŷ	0,010	Ŷ	0,010	Ψ		0.0070
Charges for Service	\$	1,268,908	\$	1,369,439	\$	100,531	7.92%
General Government	\$	40,850	\$	36,248	\$	(4,602)	-11.27%
Public Safety	\$	1,228,058	\$	1,333,191	\$	105,133	8.56%
Community Development	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	#DIV/0!
Fines & Fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	#DIV/0!
Other Revenues	\$	57,294	\$	94,497	\$	37,203	64.93%
Interest earnings	\$	33,000	\$	65,000	\$	32,000	96.97%
Registration fees	\$	22,246	\$	27,320	\$	5,074	22.81%
Miscellaneous	\$	2,048	\$	2,177	\$	129	6.30%
Other Financing Sources	\$	285,642	\$	1,468,823	\$	1,183,181	414.22%
Highway Block Grant	\$	74,892	\$	86,368	\$	86,368	115.32%
Recreation Facilty Reserve Fund	\$	-	\$		\$	-	#DIV/0!
Shellfish Reserve Fund	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	#DIV/0!
EMA Grant Reimbursement	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	#DIV/0!
Utilization of Fund Balance	\$	210,750	\$	1,382,455	\$	1,171,705	555.97%

### 2024 LINCOLN COUNTY TAX COMMITMENT

MUNICIPALITIES	2024 State Valuation	2024 Tax Commitment
ALNA	\$ 148,300,000.00	\$174,198.4
BOOTHBAY	\$ 1,502,050,000.00	\$ 1,764,360.4
BOOTHBAY HARBOR	\$ 1,168,500,000.00	\$ 1,372,560.9
BREMEN	\$ 323,950,000.00	\$380,523.0
BRISTOL	\$ 1,566,800,000.00	\$1,840,418.0
DAMARISCOTTA	\$537,100,000.00	\$630,896.4
DRESDEN	\$ 236,300,000.00	\$277,566.2
EDGECOMB	\$ 323,500,000.00	\$379,994.4
JEFFERSON	\$613,800,000.00	\$720,990.9
MONHEGAN PLANTATION	\$89,150,000.00	\$104,718.7
NEWCASTLE	\$ 404,600,000.00	\$475,257.3
NOBLEBORO	\$ 504,250,000.00	\$592,309.7
SOMERVILLE	\$ 79,450,000.00	\$93,324.7
SOUTH BRISTOL	\$ 1,054,550,000.00	\$1,238,711.3
SOUTHPORT	\$ 811,850,000.00	\$953,627.4
WALDOBORO	\$752,250,000.00	\$883,619.1
WESTPORT ISLAND	\$ 337,050,000.00	\$395,910.7
WHITEFIELD	\$ 327,200,000.00	\$384,340.6
WISCASSET	\$ 675,800,000.00	<u>\$ 793,818.3</u>
TOTAL	\$ 11,456,450,000.00	\$13,457,146.4
UNORGANIZED TERRITORY	\$18,350,000.00	\$21,555
GRAND TOTAL	\$11,474,800,000.00	\$13,478,701.00

Dated at Wicasset, ME this 19th day of March A.D. 2024

TOTAL 2024 EXPENDITURE LESS 2024 REVENUE 2024 ADJUSTED BUDGET LESS 2023 SURPLUS TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION \$ 15,502,351.00 \$ 1,758,650.00 \$ 13,743,701.00 \$ 265,000.00 \$ 13,478,701.00 \$ 13,478,701.00

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APPROVED BY: Lincoln County Commissioners

Hamilton Meserve, Chair

William B. Blodgett

Mary R. Trescot

TAX RATE (Commitment divided by Valuation)

#### LINCOLN COUNTY COUNTY BUDGET - 2024

12/5/2023

		12/5/2023		
		COUNTY BUDG		
	2023	2024	2022 VS 2023	Init. Req vs
	BUDGET	REQUEST		Crnt Bdgt %
1000 Courts	447 400		5 000	4 500/
Personnel Services	117,423	122,706	5,283	4.50%
Employee Benefits	<u> </u>	66,621	<u> </u>	<u>28.79%</u> 11.93%
Less Court Revenues	-137,496	189,327 	-3,165	2.30%
Net Impact	<u> </u>	<u>48,666</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net impact	51,007	-0,000	17,005	00.1070
1010 Emergency Management				
Personnel Services	147,258	146,466	-792	-0.54%
Employee Benefits	85,121	85,052	-69	-0.08%
Contractual Services	64,185	64,025	-160	-0.25%
Commodities	10,060	10,025	-35	-0.35%
Capital Outlay	10,300	11,200	900	0.00%
	316,924	316,768	-156	-0.05%
Less EMA Revenue	-68,692	-68,692	0	0.00%
Net Impact	248,232	248,076	-156	-0.06%
1015 District Attorney				
Personnel Services	251,682	260,481	8,799	3.50%
Employee Benefits	137,546	133,908	-3,638	-2.64%
Contractual Services	37,350	35,010	-2,340	-6.27%
Commodities	4,800	5,700	900	18.75%
Capital Outlay	5,500	5,500	0	0.00%
Total Impact	436,878	440,599	3,721	0.85%
1020 Administration				
Personnel Services	387,956	423,623	35,667	9.19%
Employee Benefits	173,935	190,908	16,973	9.76%
Contractual Services	90,050	115,220	25,170	27.95%
Commodities	9,100	11,250	2,150	23.63%
Capital Outlay	3,200	7,200	4,000	125.00%
. ,	664,241	748,201	83,960	12.64%
Less TBRJ Contract	-45,115	-47,580	-2,465	5.46%
Total Impact	619,126	700,621	81,495	13.16%
1035 Buildings				
Personnel Services	139,214	140,380	1,166	0.84%
Employee Benefits	101,720	78,070	-23,650	-23.25%
Contractual Services	182,350	195,433	13,083	7.17%
Commodities	90,300	90,500	200	0.22%
Capital Outlay	20,000	25,000	5,000	25.00%
Total Impact	533,584	529,383	-4,201	-0.79%
1045 Jail Assessment Contractual Services	2,420,839	2,420,839	0	0.00%
Total Impact	2,420,839	2,420,839	<u>0</u>	0.00%
	£,4£0,003	2,720,003	0	0.0070

LINCOLN COUNTY

12/5/2023

FINAI		12/0/2020		
	2023 BUDGET	2024 REQUEST	2022 VS 2023	Init. Req vs Crnt Bdgt %
1050 Jail Transport				
Personnel Services	385,760	364,888	-20,872	-5.41%
Employee Benefits	202,077	202,317	240	0.12%
Contractual Services	213,705	310,988	97,283	45.52%
Commodities	4,750	1,500	-3,250	-68.42%
-	806,292	879,693	73,401	9.10%
Less Jail Transport Revenue	-346,761	-307,645	39,116	-11.28%
Net Impact	459,531	572,048	112,517	24.49%
1060 Communications				
Personnel Services	1,054,040	1,076,005	21,965	2.08%
Employee Benefits	553,003	472,234	-80,769	-14.61%
Contractual Services	156,698	159,950	3,252	2.08%
Commodities	18,600	18,600	0	0.00%
Capital Outlay	32,000	52,500	20,500	0.00%
	1,814,341	1,779,289	-35,052	-1.93%
Less Comm's Revenue	-72,288	-72,288	0	0.00%
Net Impact	1,742,053	1,707,001	-35,052	-2.01%
1065 Deeds				
Personnel Services	106,912	112,321	5,409	5.06%
Employee Benefits	74,713	77,412	2,699	3.61%
Contractual Services	9,150	9,645	495	5.41%
Commodities	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Capital Outlay	54,500	54,500	0	0.00%
TOTAL	247,275	255,878	8,603	3.48%
Less Deeds Revenue	-500,000	-456,375	43,625	-8.73%
Net Impact	-252,725	-200,497	52,228	20.67%
1070 Probate				
Personnel Services	170,735	163,200	-7,535	-4.41%
Employee Benefits	123,612	83,900	-39,712	-32.13%
Contractual Services	32,250	37,240	4,990	15.47%
Commodities	3,100	3,300	200	
Capital	11,000	1,000	-10,000	0.00%
	340,697	288,640	-52,057	-15.28%
Less Probate Revenue	-125,000	-175,000	-50,000	40.00%
Net Impact	215,697	113,640	-102,057	-47.31%
1075 Sheriff's Department				
Personnel Services	2,499,360	2,611,412	112,052	4.48%
Employee Benefits	1,110,251	1,109,300	-951	-0.09%
Contractual Services	447,870	534,900	87,030	19.43%
Commodities	72,000	71,700	-300	0.00%
Capital	62,200	67,000	4,800	0.00%
	4,191,681	4,394,312	202,631	4.83%
Less Sheriff's Revenue	-160,942	-214,942	-54,000	33.55%
Net Impact	4,030,739	4,179,370	148,631	3.69%

LINCOLN COUNTY COUNTY BUDGET - 2024 12/5/2023

	COUNTY BUDGET - 2024							
FINAL	2023 BUDGET	2024 REQUEST	2022 VS 2023	Init. Req vs Crnt Bdgt %				
1095 Debt Service								
Contractual Services	0	0	0	0.00%				
Bonds Payable	610,000	615,000	5,000	0.82%				
Interest on Bonds	92,000	61,500	-30,500	-33.15%				
TOTAL	702,000	676,500	-25,500	-3.63%				
Less Interest Revenue	-35,000	-25,000	10,000	-28.57%				
Net Impact	667,000	651,500	-15,500	-2.32%				
2010 Dianning								
2010 Planning Personnel Services	224.045	005 077	11.000	4.000/				
	224,815	235,877	11,062	4.92%				
Employee Benefits	58,545	89,827	31,282	53.43%				
Contractual Services	20,525	19,975	-550	-2.68%				
Commodities	2,700	3,500	800	29.63%				
Capital Expenditure	2,000	1,500	-500	0.00%				
	308,585	350,679	42,094	13.64%				
Less Planning Revenue	-37,000	-26,000	11,000	<u> </u>				
Net Impact	271,585	324,679	53,094	19.55%				
2015 Recycling								
Personnel Services	260,080	281,583	21,503	8.27%				
Employee Benefits	168,375	149,559	-18,816	-11.18%				
Contractual Services	126,150	135,250	9,100	7.21%				
Commodities	27,800	34,500	6,700	24.10%				
Capital Outlay	45,000	110,000	65,000	0.00%				
	627,405	710,892	83,487	13.31%				
Less Recycling Revenue	-284,000	-200,000	84,000	-29.58%				
Net Impact	343,405	510,892	167,487	48.77%				
2025 Retiree Benefits Contractual Services								
Retiree Health Insurance	112,854	115,253	2,399	2.13%				
TOTAL	112,854	115,253	2,399	2.13%				
Less Retiree Revenue	-23,975	-24,467	-492	2.05%				
Net Impact	88,879	90,786	1,907	2.15%				
2030 Community Programs								
Contractual Services	99,020	109,037	10,017	10.12%				
Total Impact	99,020	109,037	10,017	10.12%				
i otar impact	55,020	109,037	10,017	10.12 /0				
2050 Insurance								
Contractual Services								
Liability	98,692	108,561	9,869	10.00%				
TOTAL	98,692	108,561	9,869	10.00%				
2060 Contingency								
Contractual Services	95,000	95,000	0	0.00%				
TOTAL	95,000	95,000	0	0.00%				
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	2023 BUDGET	2024 REQUEST	2022 VS 2023	Init. Req vs Crnt Bdgt %
Capital Improvement				
Capital Improvement	381,808	850,000	468,192	122.62%
TOTAL	381,808	850,000	468,192	122.62%
Reserves				
Wintess Fee Reserve	500	0	-500	100%
Legal Reserve	0	20,000	20,000	100%
Training Reserve	0	25,000	25,000	100%
Ask Program	0	8,500	8,500	100%
IT Reserve	10,000	80,000	70,000	700.00%
Strategic Planning Rsv	68,000	110,000	42,000	61.76%
TOTAL	78,500	243,500	165,000	210.19%
Total Expenditure	14,445,769	15,502,351	1,056,582	7.31%
Revenue	-1,836,269	-1,758,650	77,619	-4.23%
TOTAL	12,609,500	13,743,701	1,134,201	8.99%

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## MEETING INFORMATION & BUDGET

## TUESDAY MAY 14, 2024, 6:30 PM MEDOMAK VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

#### **SPECIMEN BALLOT**

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#### STATE OF MAINE REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 40 REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE TOWN OF WALDOBORO JUNE 11, 2024

Dannes A. Jobla

Chair of the School Board

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:**

Vote "yes" or "no" by making a cross (X) or check mark ( $\checkmark$ ) in the square of your choice at the left of the article.

Yes	No		
		Article 1:	Do you favor approving the Regional School Unit No. 40 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest Regional School Unit budget meeting?

Pro	posed l	FY 2024-25 Antie	ripato	ed Revenues			
	-		-				05/15.24
		2023-24		2024-25	1	Proposed	Proposed
		Adopted		Proposed	\$	Increase	% Increase
		Budget		Budget	(	Decrease)	(Decrease)
General Fund							
Tuition - Regular Education	S	202,853	\$	202,853	\$	-	
Tuition - Special Education	\$	87,710	\$	87,710	\$	-	
Misc Revenues and Investment Income	\$	45,000	\$	45,000	\$	-	
State Subsidy	\$	14,511,343	S S	15,032,054	\$	520,711	
State Agency Client MaineCare Reimbursement	\$ \$	17,090	s S	17,090 4,000	\$ \$	(159,073)	
Fund Balance	s	163,073 807,310	3 \$	600,000	5	(207,310)	
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	\$	15,834,379	ŝ	15.988.707	s	154,328	0.979
Total Phycenaneous Revenues	3	13,034,377	3	13,766,707	•	134,320	0.975
Town Assessment - Waldoboro							
Local Share - Waldoboro	s	3,871,313	\$	4,016,353	\$	145,039	
Debt Service - Waldoboro	\$	31,939	\$	29,813	\$	(2,126)	
Additional Local - Waldoboro	S	3,206,930	\$	4,021,828	\$	814,898	
Total Assessment - Waldoboro	\$	7,110,182	\$	8,067,994	\$	957,812	13.479
Town Assessment - Washington							
Local Share - Washington	S	1,133,888	\$	1,185,167	\$	51,279	
Debt Service - Washington	\$	9,355	\$	8,797	\$	(557)	
Additional Local - Washington	s	939,293	\$	1,186,782	\$	247,489	
Total Assessment - Washington	\$	2,082,535	\$	2,380,746	\$	298,211	14.329
Town Assessment - Union					$\vdash$		
Local Share - Union	s	1,614,516	\$	1,665,699	\$	51,183	
Debt Service - Union	ŝ	13,320	ŝ	12,364	-	(956)	
Additional Local - Union	ŝ	1,337,438	ŝ	1,667,970	\$	330,532	
Total Assessment - Union	s	2,965,275	s	3,346,033	S	380,759	12.849
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Town Assessment - Warren	-	2 0 2 2 2 2 4		2 050 007	s	30,113	
Local Share - Warren Debt Service - Warren	\$ \$	3,022,224 24,934	\$ \$	3,052,337 22,657	s	(2,277)	
Additional Local - Warren	s	2,503,559	3 \$	3,056,499	s	552,939	
Total Assessment - Warren	\$	5,550,718	s	6,131,493	s	580,775	10.469
	-	3,330,718	3	0,131,473	•	360,773	10.107
Town Assessment - Friendship							
Local Share - Friendship	S	1,337,319	\$	1,383,874.08	\$	46,555	
Debt Service - Friendship	\$	11,033	\$	10,272.33	\$	(761)	
Additional Local - Friendship Total Assessment - Friendship	\$ \$	1,107,812	S S	1,385,760.85 2,779,907	\$ \$	277,949 323,743	12.100
	2	2,456,164	2	2,779,907	2	323,743	13.189
Total General Fund	\$	35,999,253	S	38,694,881	\$	2,695,628	7.499
Adult Education Other Revenue	\$	71,726	\$	81,527	\$	9,801	
Adult Education Assessments:							
Local Share - Waldoboro	\$	19,264	\$	20,273	\$	1,009	
Local Share - Washington	\$	5,642	\$	5,982	\$	340	
Local Share - Union	\$	8,034	\$	8,408	\$	374	
Local Share - Warren	\$	15,039	\$	15,407	\$	368	
Local Share - Friendship	\$	6,655	\$	6,985	\$	331	
Total Assessments - Adult Education	\$	54,634	\$	57,056	\$	2,422	4.49
Food Service Other Revenue	\$	1,044,445	\$	1,113,218	\$	68,773	
Food Service Assessments:							
Local Share - Waldoboro	\$	44,075	\$	19,543	\$	(24,533)	
Local Share - Washington	\$	12,909	\$	5,767	\$	(7,143)	
Local Share - Union	\$	18,381	\$	8,105	\$	(10,277)	
Local Share - Warren	\$	34,408	\$	14,852	\$	(19,556)	
Local Share - Friendship	\$	15,226	\$	6,734	\$	(8,492)	
Total Assessments - Food Service	\$	125,000	\$	55,000	\$	(70,000)	-569
Grand Total	\$	36,178,887	\$	38,806,937	s	2,628,050	7.269

		legional School					
]	Proposed F	Y 2024-25 Antio	ripat	ed Revenues			05/05.04
		2022.24		0004.05	-		05/15.24
		2023-24		2024-25	<u> </u>	roposed	Proposed
		Adopted		Proposed	-	Increase	% Increase
		Budget		Budget	(I	Decrease)	(Decrease)
Changes in Town Assessments							
Waldoboro							
Local Contribution	\$	3,871,313	\$	4,016,353	\$	145,039	
Local Only Debt	\$	31,939	\$	29,813	\$	(2,126)	
Additional Local	\$	3,206,930	\$	4,021,828	\$	814,898	
Adult Education	\$	19,264	\$	20,273	\$	1,009	
Food Service	\$	44,075	\$	19,543	\$	(24,533)	
Total Waldoboro	\$	7,173,522	\$	8,107,810	S	934,288	13.02
Washington					-		
Local Contribution	s	1,133,888	\$	1,185,167	\$	51.279	
Local Only Debt	s	9,355	ŝ	8,797	ŝ	(557)	
Additional Local	s	939.293	ŝ	1.186.782	s	247.489	
Adult Education	Š	5.642	ŝ	5,982	ŝ	340	
Food Service	Š	12,909	ŝ	5,767	ŝ	(7,143)	
Total Washington	ŝ	2,101,087	ŝ	2,392,496	ŝ	291.408	13.87
Total Washington		2,101,007	÷	2,072,170	Ľ	272,100	20107
Union							
Local Contribution	\$	1,614,516	\$	1,665,699	\$	51,183	
Local Only Debt	\$	13,320	\$	12,364	\$	(956)	
Additional Local	\$	1,337,438	\$	1,667,970	\$	330,532	
Adult Education	\$	8,034	\$	8,408	\$	374	
Food Service	\$	18,381	\$	8,105	\$	(10,277)	
Total Union	\$	2,991,690	\$	3,362,546	\$	370,856	12.40
Warren							
Local Contribution	\$	3,022,224	\$	3,052,337	\$	30,113	
Local Only Debt	\$	24,934	\$	22,657	\$	(2,277)	
Additional Local	\$	2,503,559	\$	3,056,499	\$	552,939	
Adult Education	\$	15,039	\$	15,407	\$	368	
Food Service	\$	34,408	\$	14,852	\$	(19,556)	
Total Warren	\$	5,600,165	\$	6,161,752	s	561,587	10.03
Friendship							
Local Contribution	\$	1,337,319	\$	1,383,874	\$	46,555	
Local Only Debt	\$	11,033	\$	10,272	\$	(761)	
Additional Local	\$	1,107,812	\$	1,385,761	\$	277,949	
Adult Education	\$	6,655	\$	6,985	\$	331	
Food Service	\$	15,226	\$	6,734	\$	(8,492)	
Total Friendship	\$	2.478.044	\$	2.793.626	S	315.582	12.74

#### **REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 40**

Friendship • Union • Waldoboro • Warren • Washington 1070 Heald Highway, P.O. Box 701 Union, Maine 04862 207.785.2277

Steve Nolan, Superintendent Christina Wotton, Assistant Superintendent Karen Pike, Business Manager Karen Brackett, Director of Special Services

May 3, 2024

Dear Community Members,

Investing in our schools is an investment in the future of our community. By allocating resources to support vital programs and initiatives, we can ensure that our students receive the education and support they need to thrive. Whether it's providing updated technology, instructional materials, supporting professional development opportunities for educators, or funding extracurricular activities and enrichment programs, every dollar invested in Regional School Unit 40 yields a significant return for our students and community well-being.

Overall, the value of a good education extends far beyond individual achievement. It's important to recognize the broader economic benefits of a strong education system. A well-funded school not only prepares students for success in college and careers, but also attracts families and businesses to our community, driving economic growth and prosperity for all residents.

The proposed \$37,806,937 school budget represents a 4.5% increase over the current budget, including the general fund, food service and adult education. The table below summarizes the percent change in town assessments for each of our five towns over a five-year period (Amounts vary by town due to changes in student enrollment and property valuations for each town.).

Town	<del>2020-21</del>	<del>2021-22</del>	<del>2022-23</del>	<del>2023-24</del>	<del>2024-25</del>	
Friendship	<del>-1.9%</del>	<del>-2.6%</del>	<del>6.0%</del>	<del>12.8%</del>	<del>7.8%</del>	
Union	<del>-0.3%</del>	<del>-1.9%</del>	<del>6.1%</del>	<del>11.4%</del>	<del>7.5%</del>	
Waldoboro	<del>-0.2%</del>	<del>-2.3%</del>	<del>8.2%</del>	<del>11.0%</del>	<del>8.1%</del>	
Warren	-0.2%	<del>-0.3%</del>	<del>6.4%</del>	<del>10.1%</del>	<del>5.2%</del>	
Washington	0.0%	0.0%	<del>7.9%</del>	<del>10.0%</del>	<del>8.9%</del>	
Please see updated numbers from May 14, 2024 School Budget Hearing on previous page.						

Thank you for taking time to review the information contained in this booklet and for participating in our budget process. I encourage you to visit our district website for more information about our budget for the 2024-25 school year and to call me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Steve Nolan Superintendent The table below shows that RSU 40 ranks below the 20<sup>th</sup> percentile in raising additional local funding compared to other midcoast school districts, meaning 80% of midcoast school districts raise more funds locally to support their schools as a percentage of the total budget.

Midcoast School Districts	EPS Total Allocation	State	Local Required	Local Raised*	Over EPS Amount	Over EPS %	Midcoast Percentile Rank
RSU 01 (Bath area)	\$29,227,361	\$15,824,040	\$13,403,321	\$19,109,282	\$5,705,961	20%	0%
AOS 93 (Great Salt Bay)	\$4,828,818	\$1,109,696	\$3,719,122	\$4,728,665	\$1,009,543	21%	5%
AOS 98 (Edgecomb)	\$2,054,562	\$406,771	\$1,647,792	\$2,182,070	\$534,278	26%	10%
RSU 71 (Belfast area)	\$20,220,860	\$11,096,177	\$9,124,683	\$14,389,370	\$5,264,687	26%	14%
RSU 40	\$24,743,128	\$14,081,868	\$10,661,260	\$18,080,779	\$7,419,519	30%	19%
AOS 93 (Jefferson)	\$4,720,829	\$2,106,728	\$2,614,102	\$4,078,683	\$1,464,582	31%	24%
RSU 20 (Searsport)	\$6,812,238	\$3,284,840	\$3,527,398	\$5,712,389	\$2,184,991	32%	29%
RSU 12 (Somerville area)	\$19,173,204	\$11,283,299	\$7,889,905	\$14,308,817	\$6,418,912	33%	33%
AOS 93 (Bristol)	\$3,979,956	\$452,454	\$3,527,502	\$4,864,349	\$1,336,847	34%	38%
Union 69 (Lincolnville)	\$2,961,258	\$564,140	\$2,397,119	\$3,421,311	\$1,024,193	35%	43%
AOS 93 (Nobleboro]	\$2,859,228	\$504,868	\$2,354,360	\$3,435,080	\$1,080,720	38%	48%
Five Town (Camden area)	\$7,741,961	\$945,676	\$6,796,285	\$10,384,388	\$3,588,104	46%	52%
RSU 13 (Rockland area)	\$21,991,660	\$7,259,725	\$14,731,935	\$25,368,771	\$10,636,835	48%	57%
Wiscasset	\$5,232,273	\$1,865,335	\$3,366,938	\$5,910,708	\$2,543,770	49%	62%
Union 69 (Hope)	\$2,194,871	\$1,123,471	\$1,071,400	\$2,164,459	\$1,093,059	50%	67%
RSU 28 (Camden area)	\$8,820,745	\$1,042,554	\$7,778,190	\$12,485,824	\$4,707,634	53%	71%
AOS 98 (Boothbay area)	\$5,810,160	\$802,919	\$5,007,241	\$8,173,147	\$3,165,906	54%	76%
Northport	\$2,035,428	\$187,334	\$1,848,094	\$2,978,133	\$1,130,039	56%	81%
Union 69 (Appleton)	\$1,771,637	\$1,103,758	\$667,879	\$1,762,185	\$1,094,306	62%	86%
AOS 98 (Georgetown)	\$1,481,636	\$150,205	\$1,331,431	\$2,310,603	\$979,172	66%	90%
AOS 93 (South Bristol)	\$1,235,458	\$138,788	\$1,096,670	\$2,031,594	\$934,924	76%	95%
AOS 98 (Southport)	\$567,313	\$62,059	\$505,255	\$1,032,021	\$526,766	93%	100%

Source: Maine Department of Education 2022-23 School Budgets Over/Under 100% EPS \*Excluding local debt The table below shows how funds are allocated across budget articles compared to other Maine school districts by comparing the percentage of the total budget for each budget article (Budget articles include general fund expenditures only.).

Budget Article	Maine Schools	RSU40	Variance	\$Amount
Article 1 - Regular Instruction	39.0%	37.9%	-1.1%	-\$350,798
Article 2 - Special Education	17.8%	21.1%	+3.3%	+\$1,052,394
Article 3 - Career & Technical Education	1.5%	2.0%	+0.5%	+\$159,454
Article 4 - Other Instruction	2.2%	1.8%	-0.4%	-\$127,563
Article 5 - Student & Staff Support	8.2%	8.5%	+0.3%	+\$95,672
Article 6 - System Administration	3.5%	2.9%	-0.6%	-\$191,344
Article 7 - School Administration	5.3%	6.1 <b>o</b> /o	+0.8%	+\$255,125
Article 8 - Transportation & Buses	5.6%	6.6%	+1.0%	+\$318,907
Article 9 - Facilities Maintenance	11.2%	10.6%	-0.6%	-\$191,344
Article 10 - Debt Service	5.4%	2.4%	-3.0%	-\$956,722
Article 11 - All Other Expenses	0.3%	0.0%	-0.3%	-\$95,672

Source: Maine Department of Education 2022-23School District Expenditures by Budget category

#### **Regional School Unit 40** FY 2024-25 - Adopted Budget GENERAL FUND -- PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWELVE

		Adopted FY 2023	12/02/03/0	Proposed FY 2024	
		Budget	Budget	\$ Inc. (Dec)	% Inc. (Dec)
Regular Instruction	• · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	13,499,591	13,969,709	470,118	3.48%
	Regular Instruction Programs	00000000		00.074	2.0544
	Medomak Middle School	1,949,770	1,989,746	39,976	2.05%
	Miller School	2,189,304	2,241,125	51,821	2.37% 6.80%
	Prescott Memorial School	904,769	966,263	61,494	8.90%
	Union Elementary School	957,522	1,042,760	85,237	3.42%
	Warren Community School	2,299,217	2,377,961 902,947	78,744 (29,885)	-3.20%
	Friendship Village School	932,832	3,259,794	72,874	2.29%
	Medomak Valley High School	3,186,921 421,417	500,012	78,595	18.65%
	Pre-K Instruction Programs	461,417	300,012	10,010	10.0070
	Other Instructional Programs	35,395	60,989	25,595	72.31%
	English Learners	445,096	467,011	21,914	4.92%
	Alternative Education	177,349	161,101	(16,248)	-9.16%
	Gifted and Talented		8 0		
Special Education:	Special Ed Programs / Administration	7,950,505	8,518,478	567,973	7.14%
<b>CTE Instruction:</b>	CTE Instruction or Assessment	83,420	92,970	9,550	11.45%
Other Instruction:		594,040	638,323	44,283	7.45%
6	Co-curricular	95,811	115,418	19,607	20.46%
	Extra-curricular	496,976	519,546	22,570	4.54%
	Other Instructional Programs				
	Summer School	1,253	3,359	2,106	168.12%
Student and Staff St	upport:	3,086,638	3.105,148	18,510	0.60%
	Cuidana Constant	746.668	690,799	(55,869)	-7.48%
	Guidance Services	542,012	555,276	13,264	2.45%
	Health Services Instructional Technology	874,965	932,638	57,673	6.59%
	Other Student Support Services	2,071	2,071		0.00%
	Improvement of Instruction	474,901	460,967	(13,933)	-2.93%
	Library Services	439,022	456,397	17,375	3.96%
	Student Assessment	7,000	7,000	32	0.00%
System Admin	System Administration	1,193,307	1,243,742	50,435	4.23%
School Admin	School Administration	2,037,373	2,107,384	70.011	3.44%
		2,439,526	2,575,233	135,706	5.56%
Transportation:	Transportation	1,697,752	1,807,346	109,594	6.46%
	Student Transportation In-District Special Education Transportation	379,655	410,529	30,874	8.13%
	Out-of-District Transportation	282,882	280,504	(2,378)	
	Vocational Transportation	14,030	16,140	2,110	15.04%
	Homeless Transportation	65,207	60,714	(4,493)	
Facilities & Mainte		3,822,725	4,214,383	391,658	10.25%
r activities & manife	Operation & Maintenance of Plant				
	Maintenance/Custodial				
	Medomak Middle School	377,037	393,638	16,601	4.40%
	Miller School	343,875	362,493	18,618	5.41%
	Prescott Memorial School	143,346	149,813	6,467	4.51%
	Union Elementary School	207,651	217,224	9,573	4.619
	Warren Community School	362,010	369,565	7,555	2.09%
	Friendship Village School	128,010	135,228	7,218	5.649
	Medomak Valley High School	634,548	585,730	(48,818)	
	Maintenance of Buildings	1,045,821	1,386,585	340,764	32.58%
	Care and Upkeep of Grounds	235,369	267,248	31,879	13.549
	Security	57,819 287,240	62,445 284,415	4,626 (2,825)	8.00%
D-ha Carrier	Capital Renewal & Renovation	1,292,127	1,229,510	(62,617)	
Debt Service:	Debt Service Payments		and the second se		
<b>Total General Fun</b>	d Expenditures	35,999,253	37,694,881	1,695,628	4.719

#### WARRANT TO CALL **REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 40 BUDGET MEETING** (20-A M.R.S. § 1485)

TO: Karen Overlock, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 40 (the "Regional School Unit") composed of the Towns of Friendship, Union, Waldoboro, Warren, and Washington, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of each of the municipalities within the Regional School Unit, namely, the Towns of Friendship, Union, Waldoboro, Warren, and Washington, that a Regional School Unit Budget Meeting will be held at Medomak Valley High School, 320 Manktown Road, Waldoboro, Maine at 6:30 p.m. on May 14, 2024 for the purpose of determining the Budget Meeting Articles set forth below.

To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting. **ARTICLE IA:** 

#### **ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 11** AUTHORJZE EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER CATEGO\_RIES

ARTICLE 1:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. School Board Recommends \$13,969,708.94
ARTICLE 2:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education. School Board Recommends \$8,518,477.92
ARTICLE 3:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education. School Board Recommends \$92,970.15
ARTICLE 4:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. <b>School Board Recommends \$638,323.08</b>
ARTICLES:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. School Board Recommends \$3,105,148.07
ARTICLE 6:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration. School Board Recommends \$1,243,741.96
ARTICLE 7:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration. School Board Recommends \$2,107,384.34
ARTICLE 8:	To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. School Board Recommends \$2,575,232.76

- ARTICLE 9: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. School Board Recommends \$4,214,383.59
- ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.
   School Board Recommends \$1,229,510.00
- ARTICLE 11:
   To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.

   School Board Recommends \$0.00

#### ARTICLES 12 THROUGH 14 RAJSE <u>FUNDS</u> FOR\_THE <u>PROPOSED</u> SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from prekindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688. Recommended amounts set forth below:

Total Appropriated (by municipality):		Total Raised (and Regional to by municipality):	onal School	Unit assessments
Town of Friendship	\$ 2,085,770.28	Town of Friendship	\$	1,383,874
Town of Union	\$ 3,326,171.54	Town of Union	\$	1,665,699
Town of Waldoboro	\$ 9,844,203.64	Town of Waldoboro	\$	4,016,353
Town of Warren	\$ 8,295,677.22	Town of Warren	\$	3,052,337
Town of Washington	\$ 2,783,660.58	Town of Washington	\$	I,185,I67
Total Appropriated (sum of above)	\$ 26,335,483.26	Total Raised (sum of above)	\$	11,303,429

Explanation: The Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the Regional School Unit must raise and assess in order to receive theJuli amount of state dollars.

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters for non-state-funded school construction projects or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12. School Board Recommends \$83,904.00

*Explanation:* Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the Regional School Unit's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters.

ARTICLE 14: (Written ballot required.) To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$10,318,840.SS), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (Recommend \$10,318,840.55) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

The School Board Recommends \$10,318,840.55, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$10,318,840.55. The School Board gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model: The Board of Directors is committed to maintaining the smaller K-6 elementary schools in the District and recognizes that the EPS model does not provide adequate funding for smaller rural schools.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Regional School Unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Regional School Unit budget for educational programs.

#### ARTICLE 15 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL 8UDG\_ET

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will authorize the School Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 from the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, local funds for non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. School Board Recommends \$37,694,880.81

#### ARTICLE 16 <u>RAISES AND APPROPRIATES FUNDS</u> FOR <u>THE</u> SCHOOL <u>NUTRITION PROGRAM</u>

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Regional School Unit wiJI raise and appropriate **\$55,000.00** for the school nutrition program with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the school nutrition program.

#### ARTICLE 17 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM AND RAISES THE LOCAL SHARE

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Regional School Unit will appropriate \$138,583.00 for adult education and raise \$57,056.00 as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

#### ARTICLE 18 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES OF GRANTS ANDOTHERRECEIPTS

**ARTICLE 18:** In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Board be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school and other program purposes,

#### RSU 40 - October 1st School Enrollment - 4 year history

#### Projected Enrollment - FY 2025

	PreK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Friendship		10	8	12	12	6	10	9							67
Miller	32	40	35	50	49	49	47	SO							352
Prescott	16	18	12	14	11	16	12	16							115
Union	16	18	15	11	17	11	18	17							123
Warren	32	40	39	34	36	29	48	37							295
MMS									133	128					261
MVHS											153	147	129	135	564
Total	96	126	109	121	125	111	135	129	133	128	153	147	129	135	1777

**Total Grades PreK- 6:** 952

> Total Grades 7 - 8: 261

Total Grades 9 - 12: 564

Student Enrollment - Oct 1, 2023 (School yr 2023-24)

	PreK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Friendship		8	13	11	6	10	9	12							69
Miller	31	35	49	49	49	47	50	40							350
Prescott	16	10	13	11	16	12	15	15							108
Union	16	15	10	18	11	17	17	11							115
Warren	26	39	34	36	29	48	37	55							304
MMS									129	147					276
MVHS											148	132	138	142	560
⊤otal	89	107	119	125	111	134	128	133	129	147	148	132	138	142	1782

**Total Grades PreK- 6:** 

Total Grades 7 - 8: 276

Total Grades 9-12:

560

946

Student Enrollment - Oct 1, 2022 (School yr 2022-23)

	PreK	Κ	1	2	3	4	S	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Friendship		15	17	8	8	10	14	12							84
Miller	26	48	45	46	43	51	39	38							336
Prescott		15	14	13	8	15	14	16							95
Union	19	9	16	16	18	15	11	16							120
Warren	28	35	32	32	49	37	50	46							309
MMS									145	147					292
MVHS											137	142	133	152	564
Total	73	122	124	115	126	128	128	128	145	147	137	142	133	152	1800
					Total	Grades	PreK- 6:	944							

**Total Grades PreK-6:** 

Total Grades 7 - 8: 292

Total Grades 9 - 12: 564

#### Student Enrollment - Oct 1, 2021 (School yr 2021-22)

	PreK	Κ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Friendship		19	9	7	11	14	11	13							84
Miller	28	51	44	38	53	39	39	47							339
Prescott		15	15	9	13	14	17	12							95
Union	19	16	15	15	16	9	19	18							127
Warren	26	30	30	52	4 C	54	47	47							326
MMS									143	142					285
MVHS											144	142	141	139	566
Total	73	131	113	121	133	130	133	137	143	142	144	142	141	139	1822

Total Grades PreK - 6: 971

> Total Grades 7 - 8: 285

Total Grades 9 - 12: 566

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