

TOWN OF BOOTHBAY WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MAY 4, 2015

State Of Maine
County Of Lincoln

To a Resident of the Town of Boothbay in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the **TOWN OF BOOTHBAY** in said County and State, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Boothbay Town Offices in said town, on Monday, the 4th day of May, 2015 at 8:00 AM, then and there to act upon Article 1. The polls for voting on Articles 2 through 24 shall be opened at 8:00 AM and will close at 6:00 PM.

Article 1.

To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2.

To choose by secret ballot the following public officials:

- Two Selectmen, for three year terms
- One Trustee of the Boothbay – Boothbay Harbor Community School District for a three year term
- One Member of the Boothbay – Boothbay Harbor Superintending School Committee for a three year term
- One Trustee of the Boothbay – Boothbay Harbor Cemetery District for a three year term
- One At-Large-Trustee of the Boothbay Region Water District for a three year term

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Questions:

Article 3.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to establish that the first installment of taxes for Fiscal Year 2016 is due and payable on August 26, 2015, and the second installment of taxes is due and payable on February 17, 2016, and to charge seven percent (7.00%) rate of interest on delinquent taxes, and to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at three percent (3.00%) pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506-A and to authorize such interest paid or abatements granted to be appropriated from overlay funds or, if necessary, from surplus, and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 4.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and accept State and Federal grants, including CDBG applications and grants from non-profit organizations, donations or revenues, on the Town's behalf for municipal purposes, including, when necessary, the authority to sign grant contracts, documents or other paperwork and to accept the conditions that accompany grant funds and to appropriate and expend grant funds and/or other funds for authorized purposes as the Board of Selectmen deems to be in the best interest of the Town during the fiscal year 2016.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 5.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of Town owned non-tax acquired property deemed excess, whether real or personal, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable; provided, however, that if the property has a value of more than \$500, disposal must be by a competitive bid or auction process.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 6.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to carry forward any Unexpended Account Balance as they deem advisable and to authorize the Selectmen to set at a later date the amount of Surplus, if any, to be used to reduce property tax assessment.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 7.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds received from the State of Maine pursuant to the Rural Road Initiative for capital improvements to local roads and/or State Aid minor collectors.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 8.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

Fiscal Year 2016 Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,828,174 for the Town of Boothbay Municipal Budget.

\$530,614 for the General Government Account
\$401,789 for the Public Safety Account
\$711,341 for the Public Works Account
\$8,000 for the General Assistance Account
\$125,230 for the Service Account
\$51,200 for the Insurance Account

[The FY 2016 proposed Town Budget is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk's Office.]

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 9.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$160,524.02 for ambulance services.

[The Boothbay Region Ambulance Service budget is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk's Office.]

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 10.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the Boothbay Region Cemetery District.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 11.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the Boothbay Harbor Memorial Library.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 12. To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the Town of Boothbay Harbor fireworks fund.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 13.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$385,473 for the Boothbay Region Refuse Disposal District.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 14.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the Boothbay Region Community Television.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 15. To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the Boothbay Region Historical Society.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 16.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,520 for the Boothbay Region District Nursing Association.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 17.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 for the American Legion Charles Sherman Post #36.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 18.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$915 for New Hope for Women.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 19.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for Boothbay Region Community Resources to support the Woodchucks program.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 20.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$824,773 from Estimated Revenues to reduce the property tax assessment.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 21.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$177,000 from the Capital Improvement Reserve Account and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$140,000 for implementation of the Capital Improvement Plan.

[The Capital Improvement Plan is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk's Office.]

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 22.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$120,200 from unassigned fund balance for the purchase, pursuant to a limited option to purchase agreement between Paul D. Weaver and the Town, of certain real property and the improvements thereon located at 16 Corey Lane, Boothbay that is currently used for United States Post Office purposes (Assessor's Tax Map R-4, Lot 1A) and more particularly described in a deed dated August 14, 2004 and recorded in the Lincoln County Registry of Deeds in Book 3345, Page 300, subject to the terms and conditions of a lease agreement between Paul D. Weaver and the United States Postal Service dated February 1, 2010.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 23.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$25,000 for Boothbay's share of Boothbay-Boothbay Harbor Joint Economic Development Committee FY 2016 activities.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 24.

To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

To see if the Town will vote by written ballot to increase the property tax levy limit established by State law in the event that the municipal budget for Fiscal Year 2016 approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

Article 25. Shall an ordinance entitled "Floodplain Management Ordinance for the Town of Boothbay," including the accompanying floodplain maps, a copy of all of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, be enacted?

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Approval.

The Registrar of Voters office will be open to correct any errors in or change a name or address on the voting list, to accept the registration of any person who became 18 years of age on the day of this Annual Town Meeting, and to accept new enrollments.

A person who is not registered as a voter may not vote in any election or town meeting.

You are hereby directed to publish this warrant in the Boothbay Register, at least fourteen (14) days before the holding of said meeting. Thereof fail not and have this annual town meeting warrant with your doings thereon at a time and place mentioned. Given under our hands at Boothbay, Maine, the 25th day of March, 2015.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven C. Lewis, Chairman
Dale C. Harmon, Vice Chairman
Stephen W. Ham
Douglas W. Burnham
Charles R. Cunningham