

Town of Passadumkeag

Annual Town Report 2024



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March 25, 2024

6:00 PM

Passadumkeag Town Office

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Town Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday-----11am to 7pm

2nd Saturday of Every Month-----8am to 12pm

Select Board Meetings

1st & 3rd Thursday of Every Month @6PM

***Annual Spring Clean-Up May 15, 2024**

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors & Overseers of the poor-----First-Brad McKechnie
-----Second-Jana Spencer (Board Chair)
-----Third-Bernard Trombley

Tax Assessors Agent-----Steven J. Salley

Tax Collector, Town Clerk & Registrar of Voters-----Michelle Share

Treasurer-----Barbara Boyer

Moderator-----Charles Adams

Fire Warden-----Josh McNally

Director, SAD #31-----Nichole Springer

-----Vacant

Auditor-----James W. Wadman

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Electrical Inspector-----Kern Butler

Code Enforcement Officer-----Dwight Tilton

Plumbing Inspector-----Dwight Tilton

Animal Control Officer-----Amy Alfaro

EMA Director-----Joshua McNally

Local Health Officer-----Jana Spencer

Town of Passadumkeag 2024 Municipal Budget

Selectmens Report 2024	2023 APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED	TRANSFER TO SURPLUS	PROPOSED	
ASSESSMENTS	\$353,859.44	\$353,859.44	0.00	\$ 45,536.66	
County Tax	\$42,519.38	\$ 42,519.38	\$ -	\$ 45,536.66	
Education	\$311,340.06	\$311,340.06	0.00	To be voted on in June	
Capital Outlay	\$15,800.00	\$10,455.37	5,344.63	\$ 16,800.00	
Town Hall Repairs	\$4,000.00	\$ 477.45	3,522.55	\$ 5,000.00	3,000 from surplus
Community Building Utilities	\$8,500.00	\$ 7,229.26	1,270.74	\$ 8,500.00	
Town Storage Building	\$3,300.00	\$ 2,748.66	551.34	\$ 3,300.00	
Gould's Ridge Cemetery	\$3,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	2,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	2,000 from surplus
General Government	\$95,450.00	\$66,540.46	28,909.54	\$ 106,400.00	
MMA	\$2,100.00	1,789.00	311.00	2,100.00	
Incidentals	\$4,500.00	2,792.78	1,707.22	4500.00	1,500 from surplus
Insurance & Auditor	\$21,500.00	5,093.00	16,407.00	\$ 25,000.00	1600 from surplus
IT Services	\$7,100.00	5,537.79	1,562.21	\$ 7,700.00	1,000 from surplus
Legal Fees	\$2,000.00	\$ -	2,000.00	2000	2,000 from surplus
Municipal Salaries	\$55,300.00	49,055.84	6,244.16	57,500.00	5,000 from surplus
Office Supplies	\$2,200.00	1,853.27	346.73	2400	
Postage	\$750.00	418.78	331.22	700	
Updated Tax Maps				4500	
Parks & Recreation	\$700.00	\$ 400.00	300.00	\$ 500.00	
Protection	\$76,057.11	\$ 72,787.62	3,269.49	\$ 131,092.17	
Street Lights	\$10,000.00	\$ 10,625.55	(625.55)	\$ 12,000.00	
Police Patrols	\$7,000.00	\$ 3,364.29	3,635.71	\$ 7,000.00	3,000 from surplus
Fire Contract	\$59,057.11	\$ 58,797.78	259.33	\$112,092.17	if approved
Public Works	\$142,900.00	\$ 69,346.80	73,553.20	\$ 217,170.81	
Town Beautification	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Municipal Roads	\$80,000.00	\$ 6,349.12	73,650.88	\$ 150,000.00	110,000fr surplus
Winter Roads	\$61,800.00	\$ 61,997.68	(197.68)	\$ 66,170.81	
ATV Signs	\$ 100.00	\$ -			
Social Services	\$8,050.00	\$7,050.00	\$1,000.00	\$8,424.00	
American Red Cross	\$150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00	
Eastern Agency on Aging	\$150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00	
General Assistance	\$1,000.00	\$ -	1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	1,000 from surplus
Lifeflight	\$356.00	\$ 356.00	0.00	\$ 356.00	
Penobscot Humane Society	\$900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ 900.00	
Penquis Cap	\$5,394.00	\$ 5,394.00	\$ -	\$ 5,518.00	
4R Animal Shelter				\$ 250.00	
CHCS	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	
Waste Management-Solid Waste	\$63,000.00	\$ 58,942.23	4,057.77	\$ 63,000.00	3,000 from surplus
	\$759,016.55	\$640,581.92	118,434.63	\$ 594,923.64	

MUNICIPAL SALARIES WORKSHEET			Appropriated 2023	Expended 2023	Proposed 2024
Selectman	1		1500	1500	1500
Selectman	2	Board Chair	1500	1500	1800
Selectman	3		1500	1250	1500
Clerk/Tax Collector/Registrar			13,500	13,500.00	15000
Treasurer			13500	13,500.00	13500
Training			700	697.17	800
Plumbing Inspector and Code Enforcement officer			1200	1200	1500
Town Properties Maintenance			400	400	500
Village Cemetery Maintenance			1000	1000	1400
Training fees & Mileage			500	431	500
Animal Control Officer			1000	358.56	1000
Snow Removal			500	500	
Elections			2000	1246.98	2000
Payroll Liabilities			4500	3797.13	4500

CONTRACTED				
Electrical Inspector				per permit
Tax Assessor		12,000.00	8175	12,000.00
Total		55300	49055.84	57500

IT WORKSHEET		Appropriated 2023	2023 expended	Proposed 2024
Trio		2500	1947.59	2600
Web Hosting		1000	1000	1500
Provider		3,600.00	2,590.20	3600
Total		7100	5537.79	7700

Feb '23 - Jan 24

Expense	
Assessments	
County Taxes - 5001	42,519.38
SAD #31 - 5049	311,340.06
Total Assessments	353,859.44
Capital Outlay	
Community Bldg. - 5044	
5037-Community Bldg Maintenance	477.45
Community Bldg. - 5044 - Other	7,229.26
Total Community Bldg. - 5044	7,706.71
Town Storage Bldg. & maint - 5061	2,748.66
Total Capital Outlay	10,455.37
Cemeteries	
Goulds Ridge Cem. - 5046	1,200.00
Total Cemeteries	1,200.00
General Government	
5025 IT Services - 5025	
Trio Maintenance - 5040	1,947.59
Website hosting - 5026	1,000.00
5025 IT Services - 5025 - Other	2,590.20
Total 5025 IT Services - 5025	5,537.79
Dues	
Membership dues - 5041	1,789.00
Total Dues	1,789.00
Incidentals - 5020	
5028-Reg of Deeds Misc Filings	45.81
Costs on taxes & liens - 6088	1,895.28
Mileage - 5021	722.23
Misc. charges - 5023	
5027 misc Printing Charge	129.63
Misc. charges - 5023 - Oth	-0.17
Total Misc. charges - 5023	129.46
Total Incidentals - 5020	2,792.78
Insurance & Auditor - 5047	5,093.00
Municipal Services	
Animal Control Officer - 5072	358.56
Total Municipal Services	358.56
Office Supplies - 5022	1,853.27
Payroll Expenses	
5019- Training Fees & Mileage	431.00
5031 Selectmen Salary	4,250.00
5032-Treasurer's salary 5032	13,500.00
5045 Election Expenses - 5045	1,246.98
Intuit payroll processing- 5030	1,030.76
Payroll taxes medicare - 5006	524.34
Payroll taxes SS - 5007	2,242.03
Plumbing Inspector (5036)	1,200.00
Tax Assessor salary- 5033	8,175.00
Town Hall Maint(snow rem - 5035	500.00
Town Property Lawn Maint.-5052	400.00
TownClerk/collect salary - 5034	13,500.00
Training - 5053	697.17
Village Cemetery - 5054	1,000.00
Payroll Expenses - Other	0.00
Total Payroll Expenses	48,697.28
Postage - 5029	418.78
Total General Government	66,540.46

Parks & Recreation	
Howland Recreation - 5085	400.00
Total Parks & Recreation	400.00
Protection	
Fire Dept. Prot-Fees & Ops-5063	58,797.78
Police Patrol -6091	3,364.29
Street Lights - 5057	10,625.55
Total Protection	72,787.62
Public Works	
5091 Municipal Roads - 5091	6,349.12
Flags - 5094	1,000.00
Winter RoadsMaintenance 5093	61,997.68
Total Public Works	69,346.80
Social Services - 5080	
5071-Penobscot Humane Society	900.00
American Red Cross - 5082	150.00
CHCS-5087	100.00
East Area Agency of Aging-5083	150.00
Lifeflight - 5088	356.00
Penquis Cap - 5086	5,394.00
Total Social Services - 5080	7,050.00
Waste Management	
Solid Waste - 5051	58,942.23
Total Waste Management	58,942.23
Total Expense	640,581.92

Income

Donations/Grants -1090	
Bluetriton Fuel AssistFund-1092	2,500.00
Commissioners Funds-2123	42,000.00
Risk Reduction Grant-1093	0.00
Total Donations/Grants -1090	44,500.00
Excise Tax - 2040	
Auto excise - 2041	74,163.68
IF&W - 2044	690.50
Total Excise Tax - 2040	74,854.18
Operating Transfers	
St. Revenue Sharing - 1025	80,151.47
Total Operating Transfers	80,151.47
Other Income - 1040	
Interest Earned Bank Accts 1042	10,756.06
Mics. income - 1048	2,436.60
Total Other Income - 1040	13,192.66
Property Taxes - 2080	
2022 Year Property Taxes - 2130	-0.45
2023 Property Taxes - 2134	529,452.93
Fees on Taxes & Liens2012-2093	
2020 Fees - 2125	88.83
2021 Fees - 2129	8.13
2022 Fees - 2133	2,062.17
Total Fees on Taxes & Liens2012-2093	2,159.13
Interest on prop.	2,361.95
PILOT Funds - 1041	1,838.55
Total Property Taxes - 2080	535,812.11
State of Maine	
Homestead Exemption - 1022	40,880.00
Local Rd. Assit. - 1023	11,236.00
Snowmobile Refund - 1028	211.84
State Dept. Reimbursement-1024	4.00
Tree Growth - 1026	21,727.83
Veteran's Exemption - 1027	1,021.00
Total State of Maine	75,080.67
Town Fees - 2060	
Agent Fees - 2061	2,543.00
Concealed Weapons Permit - 2065	-50.00
MMA Insurance Refund - 1043	330.00
Plumbing Permit - 2066	710.00
Town Dog Fees - 2062	146.00
Town Vital Records - 2063	230.80
Total Town Fees - 2060	3,909.80
Total Income	827,500.89

Disbursements 2023-2024	
Selectmens Warrants 1-25	\$681,417.06
General Funds (As of January 31, 2024)	
Bangor Savings Checking Account Balance	\$5,033.85
Bangor Savings Corporate Services MMA Aggrate Balance	\$10,122.61
Fire Dept Reserve Fund	\$750.77
Florine Wert Lot Fund	\$214.68
Fred Edes & Melvin White Lot Fund	\$155.05
Joshua Hathaway Lot Fund	\$293.28
Leonard Hacking Lot Fund	\$917.18
Lucy Haynes Lot Fund	\$205.70
TD Bank Money Market Fund	\$116,130.66
Machias Savings Bank Checking	\$49,599.76
Machias Savings Side Account (ICS account)	\$658,194.95

2023 MUNICIPAL TAX RATE CALCULATION FORM - DO NOT FILE

Municipality: PASSADUMKEAG

BE SURE TO COMPLETE THIS FORM BEFORE FILLING IN THE TAX ASSESSMENT WARRANT

1. Total taxable value of real estate	1	<input type="text" value="\$25,852,624"/> <small>(from page 1, line 0)</small>
2. Total taxable value of personal property	2	<input type="text" value="\$124,421"/> <small>(from page 1, line 10)</small>
3. Total taxable value of real estate and personal property (Line 1 plus line 2)	3	<input type="text" value="\$25,977,045"/> <small>(from page 1, line 11)</small>
4. a. Total exempt value for all homestead exemptions granted	4a.	<input type="text" value="\$3,061,644"/> <small>(from Page 1, line 14)</small>
b. Homestead exemption reimbursement value (.76)	4b.	<input type="text" value="\$2,326,849"/>
5. a. Total exempt value of all BETE qualified property	5a.	<input type="text" value="\$405"/> <small>(from page 2, line 15c)</small>
b. BETE exemption reimbursement value	5b.	<input type="text" value="\$203"/>
6. Total valuation base (Line 3 + line 4b + line 5b)	6	<input type="text" value="\$28,304,097"/>

ASSESSMENTS

7. County tax	7	<input type="text" value="\$42,519.38"/>
8. Municipal appropriation	8	<input type="text" value="\$447,676.49"/>
9. TIF financial plan amount	9	<input type="text" value="\$0"/> <small>(must match page 2, line 16c + 16d)</small>
10. Local education appropriation	10	<input type="text" value="\$337,912.64"/>
11. Total appropriations (Add lines 7 through 10)	11	<input type="text" value="\$828,108.51"/>

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

12. Anticipated state municipal revenue sharing	12	<input type="text" value="\$83,250.48"/>
13. Other revenues: (All other revenues that have been formally appropriated to reduce the commitment such as excise tax revenue, T.G. reimbursement, renewable energy reimbursement, trust fund or bank interest income, appropriated surplus revenue, etc. (Do not include any homestead or BETE reimbursement))	13	<input type="text" value="\$88,013.96"/>
14. Total deductions (Line 12 plus line 13)	14	<input type="text" value="\$171,264.44"/>
15. Net to be raised by local property tax rate (Line 11 minus line 14)	15	<input type="text" value="\$656,844.07"/>

16.	<input type="text" value="\$656,844.07"/> <small>(Amount from line 15)</small>	x	<input type="text" value="1.05"/>	=	<input type="text" value="\$689,686.27"/>	Maximum Allowable Tax
17.	<input type="text" value="\$656,844.07"/> <small>(Amount from line 15)</small>	+	<input type="text" value="\$28,304,097"/> <small>(Amount from line 6)</small>	=	<input type="text" value="0.02321"/>	Minimum Tax Rate
18.	<input type="text" value="\$689,686.27"/> <small>(Amount from line 16)</small>	+	<input type="text" value="\$28,304,097"/> <small>(Amount from line 6)</small>	=	<input type="text" value="0.02437"/>	Maximum Tax Rate
19.	<input type="text" value="\$25,977,045.00"/> <small>(Amount from line 3)</small>	x	<input type="text" value="0.02425"/> <small>(Selected Rate)</small>	=	<input type="text" value="\$629,943.34"/> <small>(Enter on page 1, line 13)</small>	Tax for Commitment
20.	<input type="text" value="\$656,844.07"/> <small>(Amount from line 15)</small>	x	<input type="text" value="0.05"/>	=	<input type="text" value="\$32,842.20"/>	Maximum Overlay
21.	<input type="text" value="\$2,326,849"/> <small>(Amount from line 4b.)</small>	x	<input type="text" value="0.02425"/> <small>(Selected Rate)</small>	=	<input type="text" value="\$56,426.10"/> <small>(Enter on line 8, Assessment Warrant)</small>	Homestead Reimbursement
22.	<input type="text" value="\$203"/> <small>(Amount from line 5b.)</small>	x	<input type="text" value="0.02425"/> <small>(Selected Rate)</small>	=	<input type="text" value="\$4.91"/> <small>(Enter on line 9, Assessment Warrant)</small>	BETE Reimbursement
23.	<input type="text" value="\$686,374.35"/> <small>(Line 19 plus lines 21 and 22)</small>	-	<input type="text" value="\$656,844.07"/> <small>(Amount from line 15)</small>	=	<input type="text" value="\$29,530.28"/> <small>(Enter on line 5, Assessment Warrant)</small>	Overlay

(If Line 23 exceeds Line 20 select a lower tax rate.)

Results from this completed form should be used to prepare the Municipal Tax Assessment Warrant, Certificate of Assessment to Municipal Treasurer and Municipal Valuation Return.

Town of Passadumkeag
Schedule of Back Taxes as of 1/31/2024

2021 Back Taxes

Andrus, Mark	85.70
Guy/Clark, Brian & Kimberly	139.31
Harris, Alan	354.36
Lafreniere, Stephen	1994.39
LeBlanc, Marisa M	405.32
McDowell, Joshua	722.43

Total 2021 Back Taxes **\$3,701.51**

2022 Back Taxes

Brophy, April	427.25
Kladder, Matthew & Patricia	330.32
LeBlanc, Marisa	439.64

2022 Liens

Andrus, Mark	193.27
Curtis/Sibley, Walter & Regina ***	335.63
Elian, Richard	162.04
Guy/Clark, Brian & Kimberly	151.11
Harris, Alan	384.37
Jackson, Edward	573.37
Ketch, John Jr ***	520.86
LaFreniere, Stephen	2163.28
LeClair Construction	806.43
Mann, Warren	1534.97
McDowell, Joshua	807.01
Ross, Dale	1965.05
Ross, Dale	360.35
Ross, Joan	2043.24
Spencer, Brent & Jana & Delbert	966.71
Tash, Ruby	431.18

Total 2022 Back Taxes & Liens **\$14,596.08**

Foreclosed Properties

Vigue, Mark / Travis 2012-2017

2023 Back Taxes

A.S Madden Logging Inc ***	502.7
Andrus, Mark	231.83
Bernard, Reginald	2457.06
Brasslett, Tammy	562.92
Brasslett, Warren	752.89
Brown, Vincent & Kim	83.17
Clark, Gary & Priscilla	463.1
Conard, Harriet ***	238.97
Cope, Mason & Laura	90.41
Cope, Relow & Joann	90.41
Cravalho, Thomas	373.47
Curtis/Sibley, Walter & Regina	1125.34
Dudley, Lee B	180.81
Dudley, Lee B	1730.15
Dudley, Lee B	1200.82
Dudley, Lee B	15.07
Faloon, Glendon & Patti	617.31
Faloon, Glendon & Patti	238.97
Faloon, Glendon & Patti	111.5
Ferguson, Scott & Jennifer	1801.62
Fischer, Ryan & Shelby ***	698.42
Frenette, Dennis ***	90.3
Garland, Lonnie	1914.57
Goodine, James	1573.44
Goodmen, Blair	271.01
Guy/Clark, Brian & Kimberly	181.26
Harris, Alan	461.07
HLC LLC	1010.73
Hussey, Hugh ***	545.99
Huston, Alton & Karen	1100.39
Hutchins, Jon ***	1391.03
Irish, Jacob & Deseray	1340.6
Jackson, Edward	687.78
Jipson, Cyrus Jr ***	989.93
Jones, Jason	221.49
Ketch, John Jr ***	624.79
Khan, Zahin Azam/Daglio, David	196.43
Kladder, Matthew & Patricia	401.19
Kusumi, Aizen	1265.67
LaFreniere, Stephen	2132.35
LeBlanc, Marisa	527.36
LeClair Construction	967.33
Lindsay, Stephen	840.16
Lopez, Isaiah & Maria	179.98
Madden, Ryan & Carrie	195.43
Mann, Warren	1841.25
Marston/Seeley, Blaine/Tyler/Barbara	913.22
McDowell, Joshua	968.03
McQuillan, Robert A ***	684.06
Moore, Robert D	954.47
Newkirk, Robert & Erica	477.13
Nicolson, Brady & Aimee	1564.1

*** Paid after Books closed

Town of Passadumkeag
Schedule of Back Taxes as of 1/31/2024

2023 Back Taxes (continued)

Otis, Nicholas	641.27
Otis, Nicholas	1216.55
Otis, Nicholas	20.79
Peacock, William K	131.97
Pelkey, David M	52.43
Pelkey, David M	919.82
Petrone, Kim	463.48
Phillips, Cynyjia	105.56
Rancourt, Gilbert & Alice	578.28
Ross, Dale	1092.9
Ross, Dale	464.08
Ross, Estate of Robert	2450.93
Savage, James ***	180.81
Schmidt, Caleb & Kristen	194.37
Smith, Robert & Lillian	135.7
Spencer, Brent & Jana (Delbert)	1159.59
Spencer, Delbert	1057.73
Spencer, Delbert	858.85
Steward/Leonard, Chad & Joseph	1597.15
Tash, Ruby	517.21
Thibeault, Wayne C ***	217.02
Turner, George/Duffy Nicholas	75.9
Vose, Jon & Heidi	301.35
Williamson, John & Sandra ***	1238.95
York, Frederick (Estate)	828.46
Total 2023 Back Taxes	\$56,580.63

*** Paid after Books closed

PASSADUMKEAG

Voter enrollment totals 315	
Democratic	75
Green Independent	16
Libertarian	1
No Labels	3
Republican	129
Unenrolled	91
Only 255 are active	

Vital Statistics for	
February 2023 to January 2024	
Deaths	8
Births	2
Marriages	0

Be sure to check out the town's new web page!
It is being updated with warrants, and other important information!



<https://townofpassadumkeag.com>

REMINDER: 7§3921. License Necessary

A dog may not be kept within the limits of the State of Maine, unless the dog has been licensed by it's owner or keeper in accordance with the laws of this State.

Male/Female	\$11	Replacement tag	\$1
Spayed/Neutered	\$6	Late fee after January 31	\$25
Municipal Kennel	\$42	Search and Rescue or Service Dog	None
Nuisance Dog	\$30	Late fee for Nuisance Dog	\$70
Dangerous Dog	\$100	Late fee for Dangerous Dog	\$150

FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE
FOR THE
TOWN OF PASSADUMKEAG, MAINE

ENACTED: March 7, 2023
Date

EFFECTIVE: March 7, 2023
Date

CERTIFIED BY: Jana Theriault Spencer
Signature

CERTIFIED BY: Jana Theriault-Spencer
Print Name

Chair of the Select Board
Title

Affix Seal

- Floodplain Management Ordinance for Passadumkeag is available for viewing during posted business hours at the Town office.

**SECRET BALLOT ELECTION AND TOWN MEETING
WARRANT**

Monday, March 27, 2023

2023-2024

To Gina Batchelder, a resident of the Town of Passadumkeag, in the County of Penobscot, State of Maine,

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Passadumkeag in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Community Building in Passadumkeag on Monday, the 27th day of March, 2023 A.D. at one o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from one o'clock in the afternoon until five o'clock in the afternoon;

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the Community Building in Passadumkeag on Monday, the 27th day of March, 2023 A.D. at six o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on Articles 3 through 21 as set out below, to wit:

Article 1. To elect a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Charlie Adams

Article 2. To elect all municipal officers and school committee members as are required to be elected.

Second Select Person Re-Elect Jana Theriault-Spencer

Third Select Person Elect Bernard Trombley

Article 3. To see if the Town will fix a date when taxes shall be due and payable, and to see if the Town will fix a rate of interest to be charged after that date. (Selectmen to determine a time frame based on commitment, and an interest rate of 8%. The rate is set by the state.) **PASSED**

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to approve acceptance of prepayment on taxes not assessed or due. **PASSED**

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate or personal property acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, and to execute a quit-claim deed for the same. After the owner has been given first refusal to purchase the property from the Town at a price equal to the taxes owed on the date of foreclosure, plus interest, fees and costs. The Selectmen may dispose of tax acquired property in any manner in which the Selectmen deem to be in the best interest of the Town and to allow the Board of Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to waive automatic lien foreclosures when it is in the best interest of the Town. **PASSED**

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept a payment plan/contract on past-due or current year taxes to try to prevent any further foreclosure of property. Any missed payments to the Town Tax Collector would result in making the contract null and void and full payment would be expected within a month of the missed payment. Failure to pay in full would result in foreclosure of property by all legal means set forth by the State of Maine. All payments must be paid in full before the legal committed foreclosure date. **PASSED**

Article 7. To see if the Town will approve the collection of excise taxes. **PASSED**

Article 8. To see if the Town will approve utilizing funds from the following sources to reduce the mil rate: **PASSED**

- a. Reimbursement for tree growth
- b. Veteran's exemptions
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Article 9. To see if the Town will authorize officers to receive funds (grants, gifts, donations, etc.) to be used for the purpose stated or if no purpose stated used to offset the mil rate. **PASSED**

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts on behalf of the Town. **PASSED w/Amendment...If the contract exceeds \$1,000.00 it must first be brought to the Town for approval.**

Article 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Assessments. (Selectmen recommend \$42,519.38) **PASSED**

Article 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Capital Outlay. (Selectmen recommend **\$15,800.00** with \$4,000.00 of that total appropriated from surplus.) **PASSED**

Article 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for the care of the Village Cemetery. (Selectmen recommend **\$1,000.00**) **PASSED**

Article 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for the care of the Gould's Ridge Cemetery. (Selectmen recommend **\$3,200.00**) **PASSED**

Article 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for General Government. (Selectmen recommend **\$95,450.00** with \$10,000.00 appropriated from surplus.) **PASSED w/Amendment changed amount to \$94,450.00.**

Article 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Parks and Recreation. (Selectmen recommend **\$700.00**) **PASSED**

Article 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Protection. (Selectmen recommend **\$76,057.11** with \$5,000.00 appropriated from surplus.) **PASSED**

Article 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the officers to spend for Public Works. (Selectmen recommend **\$142,900.00** with \$40,000.00 of that total appropriated to be from surplus and \$102,900.00 to be raised from taxation.) **PASSED**

Article 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Waste Management. (Selectmen recommend **\$63,000.00**) **PASSED**

Article 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Social Services. (Selectmen recommend **\$8,050.00** with \$1,000.00 appropriated from surplus.) **PASSED**

Article 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend with funds transferred from surplus to cover costs of the 2022-2023 budget. (Selectmen recommend 10% per article, based on the limits the State has placed on the authority of the selectmen.) **PASSED**

Dated March 16, 2023

A true copy of the Warrant

Attest: _____

Clerk of Passadumkeag

RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Passadumkeag, Maine March _____, 2023 A.D.

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy of said warrant at the door of the Town Office, at the Post Office bulletin board in said town, and at the bulletin board inside the BNW Variety entrance, being public and conspicuous places in said town, on the ____ day of March, 2023 A.D., being at least seven days before the meeting.

Resident of Passadumkeag



Janet T. Mills
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA MAINE
04333-0001

Spring 2024

Dear Maine Resident:

Since my first day in office, I have been guided by the belief that to strengthen our state, we have to invest in our greatest asset: the people of Maine. With the support of the Legislature, my Administration has invested in what people need to succeed — job training, child care, health care, education, broadband, and housing.

Those investments are working — small businesses are expanding their operations; people are moving here to work and raise their families; and graduates are staying in Maine to pursue rewarding, life-long careers — all encouraging signs that are reflected in the strength of our economy. In fact, Maine has the best rate of economic growth in New England and one of the best rates in the nation.

At the same time, we have our challenges. In late October, a gunman took the lives of 18 innocent citizens and injured many more in an act of senseless and unconscionable violence. Then, in December and January, heavy rains and powerful winds brought massive flooding that destroyed homes and businesses, roads, and bridges, and changed the very landscape of our coast.

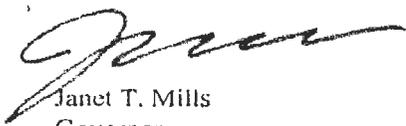
I have proposed legislation to address both issues — first, to rebuild from these storms and prepare for those to come; and, second, to expand mental health services and keep weapons out of the hands of dangerous people to better protect public safety.

We have made good progress over the past five years to ensure that every person can find a good-paying job in Maine; have affordable health insurance; have the peace of mind that their children are safe at home and at school; breathe clean air and drink clean water and enjoy the rolling hills, lush forests, mighty rivers, and bold coast of Maine.

There are still plenty of challenges, particularly when it comes to the affordability of housing, child care, energy, and other things, but thanks to the resilience and the resolve of Maine people, I am more confident than ever before in the future of our state.

It is my honor to serve as your governor.

Sincerely,



Janet T. Mills
Governor



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Jared Golden
Congress of the United States
2nd District of Maine

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I've been working on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District.

In August, I voted for the *Inflation Reduction Act* because it represented a dramatic turnaround from misguided efforts to pass sweeping, ill-designed legislation that tried to accomplish too many things through budget gimmicks, setting up problematic fiscal cliffs in numerous programs and refusing to make the difficult decisions to allow for a fiscally responsible bill.

The *Inflation Reduction Act*, which was signed into law by the president, was fiscally responsible and targeted four key priorities: reducing our national debt and putting our country back on a more sustainable path, lowering the cost of prescription drugs, and making health care more affordable, investing in an all-of-the-above energy strategy to significantly increase oil, gas, and renewable energy production to lower energy costs for Americans, and cracking down on the tax avoidance of billion-dollar multinational corporations. This bill was the first major legislation in the last decade to use the reconciliation process to create a fiscally responsible budget to reduce deficits. The Congressional Budget Office estimated it would reduce deficits by approximately \$300 billion.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I also helped pass the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act, which among other things, included key wins for Bath shipbuilders, UMaine, and servicemembers and their families. For shipbuilders, the bill secured authorization for a third DDG-51 destroyer; established a new contract for up to 15 DDG-51 destroyers over the next five years, many of which will be built at Bath Iron Works; and included funding for shipyard infrastructure. The bill also authorized over \$25 million for defense research programs, including UMaine's large-scale manufacturing program. Finally, the bill authorized a 4.6% pay increase to help servicemembers and their families deal with rising costs due to inflation.

Additionally, at the end of 2022, Congress passed a spending bill to fund the government through September of 2023. The bill funds nearly \$27 million in funding for community projects across the Second Congressional District, a lifeline for our lobster industry that freezes any regulatory action for at least six years, and secures millions in additional funding for the Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to help Mainers heat their homes.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help answer questions about and navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

- **Caribou Office:** 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou, ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009
- **Lewiston Office:** 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767
- **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Suite 101, Bangor, ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2023. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,

Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress

Important

All tax payers should read the following requirement and comply with it.

Section 7, Chapter 180, Public Laws 1933.

Before making an assessment, the assessors shall give reasonable notice in writing to the inhabitants, by posting notification in some public places in town or shall notify them in such other ways as the town in its annual meeting directs to make and to bring in to them true and perfect lists of their polls and other estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they are possessed on the first day of April of the same year.

If any resident owner, after such notice, or any non-resident owner, after being reasonable requested thereunto by the assessors does not bring in such list, he is hereby barred of his right to make application to the assessors, or to the county commissioners for an abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such list with his application and satisfies them that he was unable to offer it at the time appointed. The request upon non-resident owners may be proved by a notice sent by mail direct to the last known address of the taxpayer or given by another method that brings notice to the taxpayer.

Notice to Veterans, Widows of Veterans or Minor Children of Veterans

Veterans, widows of veterans and minor children of veterans claiming exemption from local taxation in accordance with revised statutes 1954. Chapter 10. Paragraph III as amended must file with assessors. Application forms on or before April 1 to be considered for the same year. This application must be accompanied by satisfactory documentary evidence to support proof of exemption.

A Message from the Board

Dear Residents,

As the year 2023 exits and 2024 begins we have said goodbye to another Clerk and have since hired a new one. Kari Krug has moved on to a position for another municipality and we send her our best regards. As well as thanking her for her time here with us. Good luck Kari in All your endeavors!

The Board would like to welcome and to thank our new clerk Michelle Share for joining our team as she is a great asset to our Town Office. Michelle comes with the drive to learn and she is very capable in her duties as well as being a “quick study”. If Michelle doesn’t know...You can bet she will find out! We as a Board enjoy working with her as she learns the ins and outs of a Municipal Office.

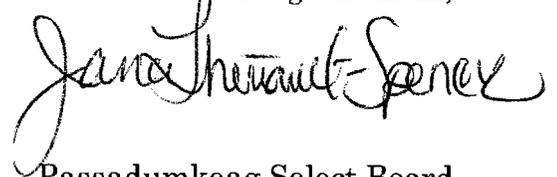
We have some planned projects going on this Spring as well as some potential projects for the near future. Resident input and HELP on these projects are welcome at ALL Select Board Meetings!! Please attend Meetings!

Chair of the Board Spencer has been working on the Committee for the New Fire District for over a year and by July ALL of the Committee’s hard work just might pay off. We have the potential of a Regionalized Fire District. This District gives Our small Town an actual voice when it comes to Fire and Rescue services. Change might be scary but NOT having the best possible services and contractual agreements could be a reality without this District.

On a final note...A huge shout out to Mr. Fred Crosby!! Mr. Fred does the maintenance for the Village Cemetery in Town as well as taking care of the Boat Landing. Which he does very well keeping up with the amount of trash that blows over there! Mr. Fred has been a great asset to Passadumkeag for many years. We Thank You FRED from the bottom of our hearts.

*Residents...PLEASE contain and/or clean-up your yard trash.

With warmest regards from,



Passadumkeag Select Board

Jana Spencer

Chair of the Board

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Passadumkeag
P.O. Box 75
Passadumkeag, ME 04472

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Passadumkeag, Maine as of and for the year ended January 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Passadumkeag, Maine, as of January 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Passadumkeag, Maine, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Town of Passadumkeag, Maine's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for

one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Passadumkeag, Maine's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Passadumkeag, Maine's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Passadumkeag, Maine, as of January 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 8, and 23, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Passadumkeag, Maine's financial statements. The supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements.

The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Respectfully Submitted,

James W. Wadman, C.P.A.

James W. Wadman, C.P.A.
Ellsworth, Maine
December 21, 2022

TOWN WARRANT

Penobscot, ss.

STATE OF MAINE

To Gina Batchelder, Resident in the Town of Passadumkeag, in the County of Penobscot, State of Maine;

Greetings:

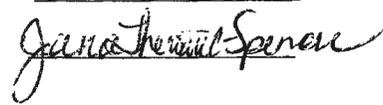
In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters in the Town of Passadumkeag, in said County, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Passadumkeag Town Hall, in said Town, on Thursday, February 29th, 2024 at six p.m. in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To appoint a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectpersons to sign the Special District Agreement for the Provision of Fire and Emergency Rescue Services (a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk) in order to enter into the Central Maine Highlands Fire and EMS District #1 (the "District"), and to enter into preliminary negotiations with the towns of Burlington, Edinburg, Enfield, Howland, Lowell, Maxfield, Passadumkeag and Penobscot County and such other municipalities and municipal entities as the deem appropriate, regarding the potential formation and financing of a regional fire district under Title 30-A, Chapter 164 of the Maine Revised Statutes, subject to the requirement that no assets of the Town shall be transferred to the District, and no obligations of the District shall be binding upon the Town, unless and until approved by the voters of the Town at a special referendum election to be held on June 11, 2024?

Note to **Article #2:** The Select Board recommends approval for purposes of securing efficient, sustainable fire and EMS services to the Town and to regional partners.

Dated February 20, 2024



Municipal officers

A true copy of the warrant,

Attest: _____

Clerk of Passadumkeag

**SECRET BALLOT ELECTION AND TOWN MEETING
WARRANT**

Monday, March 25, 2024

2024-2025

To Gina Batchelder, a resident of the Town of Passadumkeag, in the County of Penobscot, State of Maine,

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Passadumkeag in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Community Building in Passadumkeag on Monday, the 25th day of March, 2024 A.D. at one o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from one o'clock in the afternoon until five o'clock in the afternoon;

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the Community Building in Passadumkeag on Monday, the 25th day of March, 2024 A.D. at six o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on Articles 3 through 21 as set out below, to wit:

Article 1. To elect a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To elect all municipal officers and school committee members as are required to be elected.

Article 3. To see if the Town will fix a date when taxes shall be due and payable, and to see if the Town will fix a rate of interest to be charged after that date. (Municipal Officers to determine a time frame based on commitment, and an interest rate of 8.5%. The rate is set by the state.) per Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 505.4

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to approve acceptance of prepayment on taxes not assessed or due. Not to exceed 2 years on pre-payment and to pay 0% interest on these payments.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to dispose of tax-acquired property as they deem in the best interest of the Town, except that the municipal officers shall first use the sale process in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C if they chose to sell the property to anyone other than the former owner. For sales to someone other than the former owner, excess sale proceeds, as defined in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to approve multiple dates pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 505 for the purpose of establishing a “tax club” payment plan for property taxes and to authorize the tax collector to enter into a standard agreement with taxpayers, whereby: (1) the tax payer signs a completed agreement with the tax collector by a publicly advertised deadline determined by the tax collector; (2) the taxpayer agrees to pay [#] [equal/monthly] installment payments to the Town beginning [date of 1st installment] based on the taxpayer’s estimated and actual tax obligation for current year property taxes; (3) interest will not be charged on timely payments made pursuant to the tax club agreement; (4) per 36 M.R.S. § 506, the collector may accept tax club payments for current year taxes which may be due prior to the commitment of those taxes; (5) the agreement is automatically terminated if a scheduled payment is late and the taxpayer then becomes subject to the same due date(s), interest date(s) and interest rate as taxpayers who are not participating in a tax club; and (6) only taxpayers who do not have outstanding tax obligations for prior tax years are eligible to participate in the tax club program.

Article 7. To see if the Town will approve the collection of excise taxes.

Article 8. To see if the Town will approve utilizing funds from the following sources to reduce the mil rate:

- a. Reimbursement for tree growth
- b. Veteran’s exemptions
- c. The Nature Conservancy’s annual pilot program
- d. Miscellaneous license and permit income
- e. Interest on liens due
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Article 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Capital Outlay. (Municipal Officers recommend **\$16,800.00** with \$3,000.00 of that total appropriated from surplus.)

Article 12. To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Officers to accept the responsibility of the Town acquiring the Gould's Ridge Cemetery upon the dissolution of the existing Cemetery Association.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for the care of the Gould's Ridge Cemetery. (Municipal Officers recommend **\$6,000.00** with \$2,000.00 from surplus)

Article 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for General Government. (Municipal Officers recommend **\$106,400.00** with \$25,500.00 from surplus.)

Article 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Updated Tax Maps. (Municipal Officers recommend using **\$4,500.00** from General Government Funds.)

Article 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Parks and Recreation. (Municipal Officers recommend **\$500.00**)

Article 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Protection. (Protection being Fire & Rescue

Services, Police Patrols & Street Lights). (Municipal Officers recommend **\$131,092.17** with CMHF District member approval Vote pending in June and/ or **\$142,301.39** without CMHF District member approval Vote pending in June (using \$3,000.00 from surplus)

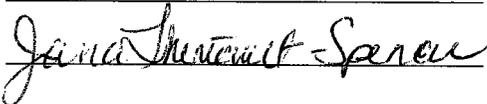
Article 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Public Works. (Municipal Officers recommend **\$217,170.81** with \$110,000.00 from surplus)

Article 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Social Services. (Municipal Officers recommend **\$8,424.00** with \$1,000.00 from surplus.)

Article 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend for Waste Management. (Municipal Officers recommend **\$63,000.00** with \$3,000.00 from surplus)

Article 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the officers to spend with funds transferred from surplus to cover costs of the 2024-2025 budget. (Selectmen recommend 10% per article, based on the limits the State has placed on the authority of the selectmen.)

Dated March 14, 2024



A true copy of the Warrant

Attest: _____

Clerk of Passadumkeag

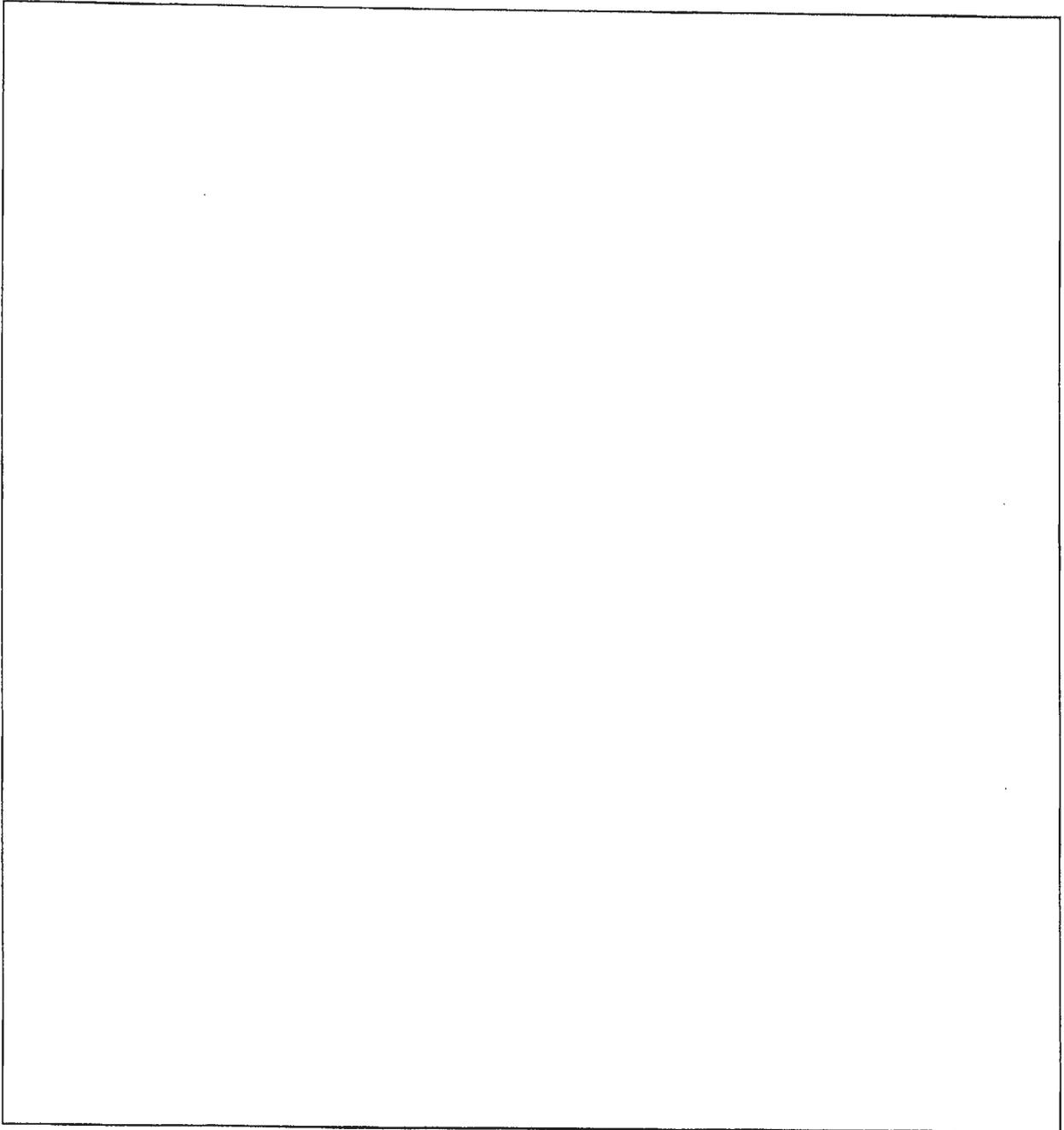
RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Passadumkeag, Maine March 14, 2024 A.D.

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy of said warrant at the door of the Town Office, at the Post Office bulletin board in said town, and at the bulletin board inside the BNW Variety entrance, being public and conspicuous places in said town, on the 14th day of March, 2024 A.D., being at least seven days before the meeting.

Resident of Passadumkeag

Notes

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HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATION

36 M.R.S. §§ 681-689

Completed forms must be filed with your local assessor by April 1.
Forms filed after April 1 of any year will apply to the subsequent year tax assessment.

SECTION 1: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

- 1a. I am a permanent resident of the State of Maine.
- b. I have owned a homestead in Maine for the 12-month period ending April 1.
If you owned a homestead in another municipality in Maine within the past 12 months, enter the address (street number, street name, municipality):

- c. I declare the homestead in this municipality is my permanent residence and I am not claiming or receiving a homestead property tax exemption for any other property.
(Summer camps, vacation homes, and second residences do not qualify)

IF YOU HAVE NOT CHECKED ALL THREE BOXES, STOP HERE
You do not qualify for a Maine homestead property tax exemption

SECTION 2: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

- 2a. Names of all property owners (names on your tax bill): _____
- b. Physical location of your homestead (i.e. 14 Maple St.): _____
Municipality: _____
Email: _____ Telephone #: _____
- c. Mailing Address, if different from above: _____
Municipality: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

SECTION 3: MAINE RESIDENCY IS BASED ON ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING (check all that apply):

- 3a. I file a Maine resident income tax return.
- b. The address on my driver's license is the same as the homestead location on line 2b.
- c. The legal residence on my resident fishing and/or hunting license is the same as the homestead location on line 2b.
- d. I pay motor vehicle excise tax in this municipality.
- e. I am a registered voter in this municipality.

(If you did not check any boxes, please attach an explanation and evidence that shows your residency.)

DECLARATION(S) UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY. I declare that I have examined this return/report/document and (if applicable) accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief they are true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge. A person who knowingly files false information for the purpose of obtaining a homestead property tax exemption is guilty of a Class E crime.

Signature of Homestead Owner(s) _____ Date: _____
_____ Date: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION 1.

Check the appropriate box related to each question. You must check all three boxes to qualify for the Maine homestead property tax exemption. If you have moved during the year and owned a homestead in Maine prior to your move, enter the address of the homestead you moved from on line 1b. Your ownership of a homestead must have been continuous for the 12-month period ending on April 1. If you did not check all boxes in this section, you do not qualify for the homestead property tax exemption.

Line 1a: "Permanent resident" means an individual who has established a permanent residence. A "permanent residence" means that place where an individual has a true, fixed, and permanent home and principal establishment to which the individual, whenever absent, has the intention of returning. An individual may have only one permanent residence at a time and, once a permanent residence is established, that residence is presumed to continue until circumstances indicate otherwise.

A person on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States who is permanently stationed at a military or naval post, station or base in this state is deemed to be a permanent Maine resident. A person on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States does not include a member of the National Guard or the Reserves.

Line 1b: "Homestead" means residential real property owned by an individual or individuals and occupied by those individuals as their permanent residence. Residential real property held in a revocable living trust for a beneficiary who occupies the property as his or her permanent residence also qualifies as a homestead.

An owner of a life estate is considered the owner of the property for purposes of the homestead exemption; however, the owner of a life lease is not. A resident homeowner who is subject to foreclosure and subsequently purchases the home back from the municipality is considered to have no interruption in homeownership for purposes of this exemption.

SECTION 2. Enter your full name(s) as shown on your property tax bill, the physical location of your home, your telephone number, email address, and your mailing address, if different than the physical location.

SECTION 3. This section gives the local assessor information which may be used to determine if you qualify and should support your answers to the questions in Section 1. Please check the appropriate box for each of the applicable statements in this section.

At least one of the owners of the homestead must sign this document. Please file the application with your local municipal assessor. If, for any reason, you are denied exemption by the assessor, you may appeal the assessor's decision under the abatement process found in 36 M.R.S. § 841.

