

**RESULTS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
JULY 1, 2020 to JUNE 30, 2021**

Town Clerk, Sarah Hewitt, opened the Town meeting at 10 o'clock in the A.M. on Saturday, September 12, 2020.
This meeting was located at the Alfred Ball Field due to COVID-19 and in regard to an
Executive Order dated August 1, 2020, No. 6 FY 20/21.

There were 59 Voters present, 5 non-voters present.
A total of 64 in attendance.

- ARTICLE 1: John Cook was elected moderator. There were no other nominations.
- ARTICLE 2: It was voted to change the position of Library Trustee from one that is currently elected by ballot to a position that is appointed by the Board of Selectmen, come effective at the 2021 Annual Town Meeting, with the understanding that all elected Trustees presently holding office shall be entitled to serve out their entire terms, with their positions thereafter being filled by appointment.
- ARTICLE 3: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$808,000.00 to pay **SALARIES** in the Town of Alfred.
- ARTICLE 4: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$287,000.00 to pay for **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS** to include Worker Compensation, Unemployment, Payroll taxes, Maine PERS and Medical Insurance.
- ARTICLE 5: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$12,500.00 to pay for the **CONTINGENCY FUND**.
- ARTICLE 6: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$25,500.00 to pay for **TOWN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**.
- ARTICLE 7: It was Voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$14,100.00 to pay for **TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE and UTILITIES**.
- ARTICLE 8: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$26,045.00 to pay for **TOWN INSURANCE**.
- ARTICLE 9: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$15,000.00 to pay for **LEGAL FEES**.
- ARTICLE 10: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$11,025.00 to pay for the annual **AUDIT** of the Town's financial records.
- ARTICLE 11: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$5,000.00 to pay to update and maintain the **CODE OF THE TOWN OF ALFRED**.
- ARTICLE 12: It was voted to appropriate \$27,000.00 of the Designated Cable Franchise Fee account to pay for **COMPUTER SUPPORT**.
- ARTICLE 13: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$550.00 for the support of the **VETERANS COMMITTEE**.
- ARTICLE 14: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,595.00 for the support of the **ALFRED HISTORICAL COMMITTEE**.

- ARTICLE 15: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$400.00 for the support of the **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**.
- ARTICLE 16: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$20,000.00 to add to the **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND**.
- ARTICLE 17: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,945.00 for the support of the **ALFRED PLANNING BOARD**.
- ARTICLE 18: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$920.00 for the support of the **ALFRED CONSERVATION COMMISSION**.
- ARTICLE 19: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$4,672.00 and to appropriate \$1,663.00 of the Designated Animal Control Fund (for a total of \$6,335.00) for the operation of the **ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT**.
- ARTICLE 20: It was voted to appropriate \$150,041.00 of the Unassigned Fund to pay the **ALFRED WATER DISTRICT** for the provision of water necessary for the public fire protection.
- ARTICLE 21: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$13,750.00 to pay for **STREET LIGHTS** and Maintenance.
- ARTICLE 22: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$94,920.00 for the maintenance, operation and equipment of the **ALFRED FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT**.
- ARTICLE 23: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$26,475.00 for the utilities and maintenance of the **ALFRED PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**.
- ARTICLE 24: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$28,958.75 to pay for **PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS/DISPATCH SERVICES**.
- ARTICLE 25: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,000.00 to pay for Hepatitis B, TB and other **IMMUNIZATIONS AND PHYSICALS** required for Fire, Recue 'on call' personnel, Transfer Station Employees and the Animal Control Officer.
- ARTICLE 26: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$9,360.00 to be used by the **ROSS CORNER FIRE COMPANY** for operations and maintenance.
- ARTICLE 27: A motion was made to amend the amount raised to \$160,000.00. Motion failed. After considerable discussion, motion to limit debate was made. It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$174,755.00 for the support of the Town's **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT** program as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.
- ARTICLE 28: It was voted to appropriate \$575.00 of the Unassigned Fund for the support of **CARING UNLIMITED**.
- ARTICLE 29: It was voted to appropriate \$750.00 of the Unassigned Fund for the support of **MAINE HEALTH CARE AT HOME**.

- ARTICLE 30: It was voted to appropriate \$500.00 of the Unassigned Fund for the support of **KIDS FREE TO GROW**.
- ARTICLE 31: It was voted to appropriate \$1,400.00 of the Unassigned Fund for the support of the **SOUTHERN MAINE AGENCY ON AGING**.
- ARTICLE 32: It was voted to appropriate \$1,000.00 of the Unassigned Fund for the support of **YORK COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS**.
- ARTICLE 33: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$338,953.00 to pay for the annual payment of the contract for **PLOWING AND SANDING ROADS**.
- ARTICLE 34: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$125,000.00 to pay for costs of the **SAND AND SALT STOCKPILE**.
- ARTICLE 35: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$245,000.00 to pay for **YEAR-ROUND ROAD MAINTENANCE**.
- ARTICLE 36: It was voted to authorize the municipal officers to make final determinations regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 M.R.S. §2953.
- ARTICLE 37: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$14,028.00 for the support of the **ALFRED PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS**.
- ARTICLE 38: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$840.00 to be used to support the **SHAKER VALLEY SNO-TRAVELERS CLUB** for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails, to be open to the use of the public.
- ARTICLE 39: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$575.00 for the support of the **BROTHERS BEACH TOWN PARK COMMITTEE**.
- ARTICLE 40: It was voted to appropriate \$3,460.00 from the Unassigned Fund to make the payment on the **2020 PROJECT CANOPY GRANT**.
- ARTICLE 41: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$6,172.00 and to appropriate \$8.00 of the Designated Old Cemetery Fund (for a total of \$6,180.00) for the maintenance of **CEMETERIES AND MOWING**.
- ARTICLE 42: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$2,900.00 to pay for the **FIELD CARE/TREE PROGRAM**.
- ARTICLE 43: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$6,000.00 to pay for the Town's **GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**.
- ARTICLE 44: It was voted to raise by taxation and appropriate \$20,010.00 for the support of the **PARSONS MEMORIAL LIBRARY**.
- ARTICLE 45: It was voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to accept any and all funds and real or personal property from any source including but not limited to fines, fees, gifts, sales, grants and reimbursements and to appropriate said funds into various municipal accounts and to use said property in accordance with the purpose for which the funds were received or the gift of property was made.

- ARTICLE 46: It was voted to: (a) convey a .60 +/- acre portion of Town-owned property located at Tax Map 13, Lot 119 (Town's Transfer Station) to an abutter who owns Tax Map 13, Lot 3, for the sum of \$4,000.00, with the Purchaser to be responsible for any and all associated costs (including, but not limited to, title search, transfer tax, and legal fees, including the Town's legal fees); and (b) to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and execute all associated documents relating to said conveyance.
- ARTICLE 47: It was voted to appropriate \$60,413.00 from the Unassigned Fund to make the semi-annual payments on the **TRANSFER STATION BOND**.
- ARTICLE 48: A motion was made to amend the amount appropriated to \$14,172.00. The motion was seconded, and passed. It was voted to appropriate \$14,172.00 from the Unassigned Fund to make the annual payment on the **2019 SERVICE TRUCK**.
- ARTICLE 49: A motion was made and seconded to pass over the Article to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$14,172.00 from the Unassigned Fund to make the annual payment on the **SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS AND COMPRESSOR LEASE**. Article was passed over.
- ARTICLE 50: It was voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to dispose of town-owned personal property, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.
- ARTICLE 51: It was voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to dispose of tax-acquired property, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable, except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S.A. §943-C for qualifying homestead property they choose to sell to anyone other than the former owner(s).
- ARTICLE 52: It was voted to pay abatement of taxes from overlay and set interest to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 4.00% per year.
- ARTICLE 53: It was voted to use the estimated excise tax and other revenues, as approved by the Selectmen, to reduce the tax rate for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.
- ARTICLE 54: It was voted to fix the date of October 1, 2020 when first payment of taxes will be due and payable, and April 1, 2021 when second payment of taxes will be due and payable, and if the Town will fix a rate of interest of 8.00% per annum to be charged on taxes unpaid after said date(s) with interest to begin October 2, 2020 on the first payment and April 2, 2021 on the second payment, and if the Town will forgive interest for members of the Tax Club if payments are made to date.
- ARTICLE 55: It was voted to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §506.

TRUE COPY ATTEST
Sarah Newitt
ALFRED TOWN CLERK
DATE: 09/16/2020