

**2023 – TOWN OF  
ALFRED**

**TOWN MEETING**

**WARRANT**

**TOWN OF ALFRED SECRET BALLOT ELECTION AND  
July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
Tuesday, June 13, 2023  
and  
Saturday, June 17, 2023**

County of York, ss

To: Donna Pirone, a resident of the Town of Alfred:

**GREETING:**

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Alfred, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Conant Chapel, 8 Kennebunk Road, in said Town, on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 8 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act upon Article 1, and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours therefor to be from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the Alfred Elementary School, 21 Sanford Road in said town, on Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., then and there to act on Articles 3 through 59 as set out below, to wit:

**ARTICLE 1:** To elect a Moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting (both on June 13, 2024 and as continued on June 17, 2023).

**ARTICLE 2:** To elect all necessary municipal officers and school committee members as are required to be elected, to wit: 1 Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for a three (3) year term, 1 Director RSU #57, for a one (1) year term, 1 Director RSU #57, for a two (2) year term, 1 Director RSU #57, for a three (3) year term and 1 Alfred Water District Trustee for a three (3) year term.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$981,000.00 to pay **SALARIES** in the Town of Alfred.

\*BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$981,000.00                      5-0-1-0

\*(The four numbers after each Budget Committee recommendation are the votes of the committee Yes - No - Abstain - Absent)

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$363,000.00 to pay for **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS** to include Workers Compensation, Unemployment, Payroll taxes, MainePERS and Medical Insurance.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$363,000.00                      5-0-1-0

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$12,500.00 from the Unassigned Fund to pay for the **CONTINGENCY FUND**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$12,500.00                      6-0-0-0

- ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$23,080.00 from the Unassigned Fund to pay for the **TOWN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.**
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$23,080.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$17,900.00 to pay for **TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE and UTILITIES.**
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$17,900.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$28,270.00 to pay for **TOWN INSURANCE.**
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$28,270.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$27,000.00 to pay for **LEGAL FEES.**
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$27,000.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$13,125.00 to pay for the annual **AUDIT** of the Town's financial records.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$13,125.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$5,000.00 from the Designated Cable Franchise Fee to update and maintain the **CODE OF THE TOWN OF ALFRED.**
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$5,000.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$11,990.00 from the Designated Cable Franchise Fee for **RE-CODIFICATION** of the Town of Alfred's Codes.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$11,990.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$39,000.00 from the Designated Cable Franchise Fee account to pay for **COMPUTER SUPPORT.**
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$39,000.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$122,827.18 from ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) for **TOWN HALL RENOVATIONS** including the installation of a Vertical Platform Lift.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$122,827.18 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$600.00 for the support of the **VETERANS COMMITTEE.**
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$600.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from ARPA funds (American Rescue Plan Act) \$150,000.00 to complete a full **REVALUATION**, which has not been conducted since April 1, 2005.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$150,000.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$21,600.00 to pay for annual **ASSESSING** of all new properties and major improvements.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$21,600.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$2,545.00 for the support of the **ALFRED HISTORICAL COMMITTEE**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$2,545.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$480.00 for the support of the **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$480.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$60,000.00 from the Unassigned Fund to be placed in the **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND** of which \$40,000 will be reserved for repairs/paving of Old Kennebunk Road.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$60,000.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,945.00 for the support of the **ALFRED PLANNING BOARD**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$1,945.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$920.00 for the support of the **ALFRED CONSERVATION COMMISSION**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$920.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2,255.00 from the Designated Animal Control Fund for the operation of the **ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$2,255.00          6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$150,041.00 to pay the **ALFRED WATER DISTRICT** for the provision of water necessary for public fire protection.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$150,041.00          5-0-1-0

- ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$12,000.00 to pay for **STREET LIGHTS** and Maintenance.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$12,000.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$124,850.00 for the maintenance and operation of the equipment of the **ALFRED FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT**.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$124,850.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$38,800.00 for the utilities and maintenance of the **ALFRED PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$38,800.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$31,086.00 from the Unassigned Fund to pay for **PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS/DISPATCH SERVICES**.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$31,086.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,000.00 to pay for Hepatitis B, TB, and other **IMMUNIZATIONS AND PHYSICALS** required for Fire, Rescue "on call" personnel, Transfer Station Employees and the Animal Control Officer.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$1,000.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$9,993.00 to be used by the **ROSS CORNER FIRE COMPANY** for operations and maintenance.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$9,993.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$228,820.00 for the support of the Town's **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT** program.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$228,820.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$575.00 from the Unassigned Fund for the support of **CARING UNLIMITED**.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$575.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$500.00 from the Unassigned Fund for the support of **KIDS FREE TO GROW**.
- BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$500.00 6-0-0-0
- ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,400.00 from the Unassigned Fund for the support of the **SOUTHERN MAINE AGENCY ON AGING**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$1,400.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$300.00 from the Unassigned Fund for the support of **SOUTHERN MAINE VETERANS MEMORIAL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.**

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$300.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,000.00 from the Unassigned Fund for the support of **YORK COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION CORPORATION.**

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$1,000.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$362,560.00 to pay for the annual payment of the contract for **PLOWING AND SANDING ROADS.**

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$362,560.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$125,000.00 to pay for costs of the **SAND AND SALT STOCKPILE.**

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$125,000.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$300,000.00 to pay for **YEAR- ROUND ROAD MAINTENANCE.**

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$300,000.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 40:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$455,932.00 from the Unassigned Fund and to appropriate \$44,068.00 of the State Local Road Assistance Program money (for a total of \$500,000.00) to pay for **PAVING PREPARATION WORK/ PAVING PROGRAM** as approved by the Board of Selectmen.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$500,000.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 41:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the Municipal Officers' **Order of Discontinuance** of a portion of Stone Road, dated May 9, 2023 and filed with the Town Clerk, and to raise and appropriate \$0 to pay damages as stated in the aforementioned Order, as the abutters have waived any claim for damages.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Makes no recommendation

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$2,500.00 for the support of the **ALFRED FESTIVAL DAY.**

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$2,500.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 43:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$16,245.00 for the support of the **ALFRED PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS.**

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$16,245.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 44:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$986.00 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.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$986.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 45:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$575.00 for the support of the **BROTHERS BEACH TOWN PARK COMMITTEE**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$575.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 46:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$11,735.00 for the maintenance of **CEMETERIES AND MOWING** of municipal commons areas.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$11,735.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 47:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$6,900.00 to pay for the **FIELD CARE/TREE PROGRAM**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$6,900.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 48:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$3,500.00 to pay for the Town's **GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$3,500.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 49:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$23,025.00 for the support of the **PARSONS MEMORIAL LIBRARY**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$23,025.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 50:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$41,121.00 from the Unassigned Fund to make the final payment on the **SELF- CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS AND COMPRESSOR LEASE**.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Recommends \$41,121.00 6-0-0-0

**ARTICLE 51:** To see if the Town will vote 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 purposes for which the funds were received or the gift of property was made.

**ARTICLE 52:** To see if the Town will vote 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 53:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to dispose of Town-owned personal property, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

**ARTICLE 54:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen upon request of the Treasurer, to allow the Treasurer to waive foreclosure of a tax lien on a specified property for a specified year with reference to the Tax Lien Certificate recorded at the York County Registry of Deeds, in circumstances where the Board of Selectmen determine that the foreclosure may be disadvantageous to the Town?

**ARTICLE 55:** To see if the Town will vote 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. §943-C for homestead property formerly owned by persons 65 years or older if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s).

**ARTICLE 56:** To see if the Town will vote to pay abatement of taxes from the Unassigned Fund and set interest to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 8% per year.


**ARTICLE 57:** To see if the Town will vote 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, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

**ARTICLE 58:** To see if the Town will vote to fix the date of October 1, 2023 when first payment of taxes will be due and payable and April 1, 2024 when second payment of taxes will be due and payable and if the Town will fix a rate of interest of 8% per annum to be charged on taxes unpaid after said date(s) with interest to begin October 2, 2023 on first payment and April 2, 2024 on the second payment, and if the Town will forgive interest for members of the Tax Club if payments are made to date.

**ARTICLE 59:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §506.

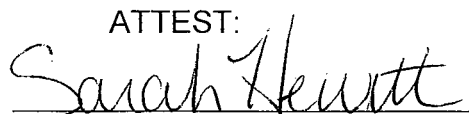
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS WILL BE IN SESSION AT THE CONANT CHAPEL ON TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023, THE SAID DAY OF ELECTION, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON AND EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING THE LIST OF VOTERS. VOTING WILL BE LOCATED IN THE CONANT CHAPEL, 8 KENNEBUNK ROAD, ALFRED, MAINE.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT THE TOWN HOUSE, ALFRED, MAINE ON THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2023.

  
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Tony Palminteri, Chairman

  
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Glenn A. Dochtermann

  
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Rich Pasquini  
Selectmen, Town of Alfred

ATTEST:  
  
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Sarah Hewitt, Town Clerk