

TOWN OF CHEBEAGUE ISLAND, MAINE

Minutes

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

TO: Kathleen Kuntz a resident of the Town of Chebeague Island, in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine,

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Chebeague Island in the County of Cumberland, State of Maine, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at Chebeague Island Recreation Center, 382 North Rd, Chebeague Island, Maine on **Saturday, the 11th day of June, 2022 at 9 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act upon Articles 1 and 4 through 62;**

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the Chebeague Island Hall Community Center in said town on Tuesday, the 14th of June, 2022 at 8 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on Article 2 and Article 3 as set out below, the polling hours are from 8:00 o'clock in the morning until 8 o'clock in the evening.

OPEN TOWN MEETING – JUNE 11, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

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

Peter Rice was nominated and voted affirmatively by five members of the community.

Moderator Peter Rice appointed Abigail Julien as Deputy Moderator.

ELECTION VOTING ARTICLE: 2&3

VOTING – JUNE, 14 2022 - 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Article 2: To elect by secret ballot:

A. Two (2) Selectmen for three (3)-year terms.

B. Two (2) School Board members for three (3)-year terms.

C. Two (2) School Board members for two (2)- year terms.

D. One (1) School Board member for a one (1)-year term.

Article 2 results: The following candidates were elected:

Selectperson: Robert Earnest and Carol White

School Board Committee (3) three year term:

Geoff Summa and Nancy Earnest

School Board Committee (2) two year term:

Courtney Doughty and Elizabeth Doughty

School Board Committee (1) one year term:

Jeff Putnam

Article 3: To Vote by secret ballot:

Shall the town vote to require the Board of Selectmen to expend \$60,000 from the Capital Improvements (9195) Indian Point Retaining Wall account of which \$65,000 was approved and added to the previous balance of \$5,308 at the June 12,2021 Town Meeting for the repairs to the Indian Island Seawall. Expenditure is subject to a matching grant in the amount of \$60,000 and when received, Selectmen are required to accept and expend, which is necessary to keep the Indian Island Road passable; said repairs are described by G.E.I Consultants at the Selectmen’s meeting April 6,2022. Work on the retaining wall to be done in 2022.

Motion: Moved by Paul Belesca to appeal the decision to not discuss Article 3 at Town Meeting, seconded by David Lloyd-Rees.

Vote: Yes 53 No 23

Motion Approved

Moderator, Peter Rice explained that the discussion about Article 3 would take place at the end of the meeting before adjourning the meeting.

Article 4: To see if the Town will approve opening the floor of this Town Meeting to all non-registered persons for the purpose of discussion only on each of the following articles of this Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Warrant.

Motion: Mark Dyer moved to open the floor, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 4: Passed

Unanimous

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE ARTICLES

Article 5: Shall an ordinance entitled “2022 Amendments to the Solid Waste Facility Ordinance to Repeal and Replace the Existing Ordinance” be enacted?

Motion: Moved by Robert Earnest to accept Article 5 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 5: Passed

Unanimous

EDUCATION BUDGET ARTICLES

AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN EDUCATION COST CENTER CATEGORIES

Article 6: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend **\$495,990** for Regular Instruction?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$495,900 for Regular Instruction, second by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 6: Passed

All in Favor, save 1

Article 7: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend **\$176,651** for Special Education?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$176,651 for Special Education, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 7: Passed

Unanimous

Article 8: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$0 for Other Instruction?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$0 for Other Instruction, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 8: Passed

Unanimous

Article 9: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$22,570 for Student and Staff Support?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$22,570 for Student and Staff Support, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 9: Passed

Unanimous

Article 10: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$115,310 for System Administration?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$115,310 for System Administration, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 10: Passed

Unanimous

Article 11: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$60,610 for School Administration?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$60,610 for School Administration, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 11: Passed

Unanimous

Article 12: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$114,643 for Transportation and Buses?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$114,643 for Transportation and Buses, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 12: Passed

Unanimous

Article 13: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend **\$59,611** for Facilities Maintenance?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$59,611 for Facilities Maintenance, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 13: Passed

Unanimous

Article 14: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend **\$127,641** for Debt Service and Other Commitments?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$127,641 for Debt Service and Other Commitments, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 14: Passed

Unanimous

Article 15: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend **\$44,706** for All Other Expenditures?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the School Committee to expend \$44,706 for all other Expenditures, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 15: Passed

Unanimous

RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Article 16: Shall the Town appropriate **\$652,936.66** for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and shall the Town raise **\$507,752.36** as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688?

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to authorize the Town to appropriate \$652,936.66 for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to authorize the Town to raise \$507,752.36 as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes Title 20-A, section 15688, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 16: Passed

Unanimous

Article 17: **(Written ballot required.)** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of **\$531,854.34** in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$497,148.34** as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee?

The School Committee gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model: EPS does not fully support all the necessary costs of a Pre-kindergarten to grade 12 education programs, such as (1) special education costs; (2) ferry transportation and bus costs; (3) staff benefits, including health insurance, FICA, Medicare, unemployment benefits, and workers compensation.

Motion: Moved by Nancy Hill to have the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$531,584.34 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$497,148.34 as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 17: Passed

**95 Yes
6 No**

Article 18: SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Article 18: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend **\$1,219,791** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools?

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to authorize the School Committee to expend \$1,219,791 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 18: Passed

All in Favor, save one

AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS

Article 19: In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school and other program purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 19 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 19: Passed

Unanimous

MUNICIPAL BUDGET ARTICLES

Article 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Administration and Board of Selectmen Accounts (1300).

The Board recommends: \$ **258,416**

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$258,416 for Administration and Board of Selectmen Accounts (1300), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 20: Passed

Unanimous

Article 21: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Assessor (1400).

The Board recommends: \$ **14,050**

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$14,050 for the Assessor (1400), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 21: Passed Unanimous

Article 22: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Elections (1650).

The Board recommends: \$ 1,000

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$1,000 for Elections (1650), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 22: Passed Unanimous

Article 23: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Planning. (1700).

The Board recommends: \$ 6,500

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$6,500 for Planning (1700), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 23: Passed Unanimous

Article 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Legal Services (1900).

The Board recommends: \$ 10,000

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for Legal Services (1900), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 24: Passed Unanimous

Article 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Law Enforcement Services (2100).

The Board recommends: \$ 53,000

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$53,000 for Law Enforcement Services (2100), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 25: Passed All in Favor, save one

Article 26: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire and Rescue Department (2200).

The Board recommends: \$ 143,943

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$143,943 for the Fire and Rescue Department (2200), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 26: Passed Unanimous

Article 27: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Code Enforcement (2400).

The Board recommends: \$ 28,080

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$28,080 for Code Enforcement (2400), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 27: Passed Unanimous

Article 28: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Harbormaster and Shellfish Warden account (2500).

The Board recommends: \$29,097

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$29,097 for the Harbormaster and Shellfish Warden account (2500), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 28: Passed All in Favor, save 3

Article 29: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Animal Control (2600).

The Board recommends: \$ 5,250

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$5,250 for Animal Control (2600), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 29: Passed Unanimous

Article 30: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Services (3100).

The Board recommends: \$ 217,485

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$217,485 for Public Services (3100), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 30: Passed Unanimous

Article 31: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Solid Waste (3200).

The Board recommends: \$ 211,887

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$211,887 for Solid Waste (3200), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 31: Passed All in Favor, save one

Article 32: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Cousins Island Dock Reserve Fund (4400).

The Board recommends: \$22,978

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$22,978 for Cousins Island Dock Reserve Fund (4400), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 32: Passed Unanimous

Article 33: To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Contributions (4600) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to disburse the full amount.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$150,341 for Contributions (4600), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 33: Passed All in Favor, save three

Board of Selectmen recommends raising \$150,341 and authorizing the Board of Selectmen to disburse the full amount according to this table:

Contribution Disbursement	Proposed 2-223 To be Raised	Notes
3150 Chebeague Island Library	25,000	Same as last year
3151 Chebeague Community Ctr.	34,500	Same as last year
3164 Visiting Nurse and Hospice	1,000	Same as last year
3166 Island Council	7,000	Same as last year
3167 Chebeague Recreation Center	59,500	\$3,000 increase from last year
3168 CRC – Kids Place	20,000	Same as last year
3169 Island Commons Res. Center	3,000	Double to cover unpaid 2021
3173 Medical-Lifeflight Foundation	\$341	New this year
TOTAL	150,341	

Article 34: To see whether the Town will authorize the additional donation of municipal employee time and materials for the occasional snow plowing and sanding of the parking lots of the Chebeague Recreation Center and Chandler’s Wharf during significant winter weather events.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 34 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 34: Passed

All in Favor, save one

Article 35: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance (5810).

The Board recommends: **\$500**

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$500 for General Assistance (5810), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 35: Passed

Unanimous

Article 36: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Health Services (5910).

The Board recommends: **\$ 2,000**

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$2,000 for Health Services (5910), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 36: Passed

Unanimous

Article 37: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Cemetery (6200).

The Board recommends: \$ 14,050

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$14,050 for the Cemetery (6200), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 37: Passed Unanimous

Article 38: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Debt Service (6900).

The Board recommends: \$ 353,322

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$353,322 for Debt Service (6900), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 38: Passed All in Favor, save one

Article 39: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Benefits & Insurance (7500).

The Board recommends: \$ 208,735

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$208,735 for Benefits & Insurance (7500), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article: 39 Unanimous

Article 40: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Street Lights (8100).

The Board recommends: \$ 8,400

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$8,400 for Street Lights (8100), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 40: Passed All in Favor, save three

Article 41: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend for unexpected expenses as they deem necessary from Contingency (8300).

The Board recommends: \$ 14,000

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise, appropriate and authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend \$14,000 for unexpected expenses as they deem necessary from Contingency (8300), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 41: Passed

Unanimous

Article 42: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment to the Town of Cumberland for 50% of Outer Islands Tax (8800).

The Board recommends: \$ 48,045 (estimate)

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$48,045 for the payment to the Town of Cumberland for 50% of Outer Islands Tax (8800), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 42: Passed

All in Favor, save one

Article 43: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for County Tax (8900).

The Board recommends: \$ 171,517

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to raise and appropriate \$171,517 for County Tax (8900), seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 43: Passed

Unanimous

Article 44: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, upon a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen, to exceed by no more than 10% annually, the amount authorized for each account approved in Article 20: through Article 43: above, so long as the overall amount spent for the sum total of those articles does not exceed the total appropriation approved for those articles.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 44 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 44: Passed

Unanimous

Article 45: To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Capital Improvements (9000).

Board of Selectmen recommends raising \$480,600.

Motion: Moved by Jean-Louis Beaupre to raise and appropriate \$480,600 for Capital Improvements (9000), seconded by Mark Dyer.

Amended Motion: Moved by Jean-Louis Beaupre to amend Article 45 to increase the Capital Account #9050 by \$50,000, seconded by Mark Dyer.

Article 45: Passed

Unanimous

Amended Motion: Moved by John Ash to add \$10,000 to Capital Account # 9032, Land Acquisition & Development, seconded by Donna Damon.

Amended Motion: Passed

Unanimous

Capital Account	Approximate Current Balance	Proposed FY23 to be Raised	Estimated Balance
9010 Dredging	18,702	110,000	128,702
9012 Fire Ponds	4,821	0	4,821
9015 Stone Wharf Reserve	202,725	100,000	302,725
9016 Barge Ramps	10,348	0	10,348
9020 Floats & Ramps	27,629	0	27,629
9025 Fire Truck Reserve	54,752	20,000	74,752
9030 Facilities	15,677	10,000	25,677
9031 New Town Office	45,511	10,000	55,511
9032 Land Acquisition & Development	2,813	0	2,813
9033 Solar Array Purchase	45,132	17,500	62,623
9034 Broadband Reserve	50,043		50,043
9035 Vehicle Reserve	3,281	5,000	8,281
9040 Grant Matching Funds	27,766	0	27,766
9045 Revaluation Reserve	54,980	20,100	75,080
9050 Paving	185,246	125,000	310,246
9055 Public Works Equipment	20,409	50,000	70,409
9057 Recycling Compactors	5	1,000	1,005
9058 Easements & Drainage	71,827	10,000	81,827
9059 Cemetery Capital Reserve	6,739	0	6,739
9060 Harbormaster Vessel	6,507	0	6,507
9070 Coastal Access Fund	10,832	2,000	12,832
9192 Rescue Vehicles & Equipment	96	0	96
9195 Indian Point Retaining Wall	70,341	0	70,341
TOTAL	1,387,778	480,600	1,868,378

The total current balance of reserve accounts is available to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose defined for each account. This balance reflects the current balances at April 30, 2022

MUNICIPAL REVENUE BUDGET

Article 46: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate all funds raised for the overlay to fund any tax abatements and interest for fiscal year 2022-2023.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to accept Article 46 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 46: Passed

Unanimous

Article 47: To see what sum the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate from the unassigned fund balance (surplus) to reduce the tax burden for fiscal year 2022-2023.

Board of Selectmen recommends: **\$ 175,000**

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate \$175,000 from the unassigned fund balance (surplus) to reduce the tax burden for fiscal year 2022-2023, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 47: Passed

Unanimous

Article 48: To see what sum the Town will vote to take from receipts, sources and designations, to apply against fiscal year 2022-2023 appropriations, and to accept and appropriate any such funds from the State of Maine and the US Government as provided by the State Legislature or Federal Government for the fiscal year 2022-2023.

Board of Selectmen recommend: **\$ 231,566.**

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 48 in the amount of \$231,566, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 48: Passed

All in Favor

Article 49: (Written ballot required by statute): To see if the Town would vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for the Town of Chebeague Island by State law if the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 49 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Vote: Yes:89 No:17

Motion Passes

OTHER MUNICIPAL ARTICLES

Article 50: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a Construction Agreement with Axiom Technologies, LLC for the purpose of construction of a fiber optic system to provide high-speed internet service to the Town, with said system to be owned by the Town, and to appropriate the required funds from the proceeds of the bond authorized by the Town Meeting on December 4, 2021.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 50 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beauapre.

Amended Motion: Moved by Paul Belesca to have the Town obtain a performance bond for the execution of the contract with Broadband, seconded by Pam Curran.

Amended Motion: Vote: Yes 18 No 61	Motion Failed
Original Motion: Vote: Yes 89 No 17	Motion Passed

Article 51: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into Franchise Agreement with Axiom Technologies, LLC for the purpose of maintaining and operating the fiber optic system for high-speed internet services.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 51 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beauapre.

Article 51: Passed	Unanimous
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Article 52: To see if the Town will designate three (3) Town owned parcels of land, at the intersection of Roy Hill Road and North Road as shown on Town Assessor's map I03-133, I03-134, I03-135, for future affordable housing project.

Motion: Moved by Eliza-Jane Adams to take no further action on this parcel of land, seconded by Carly Knight.

Article 52: Passed	Unanimous
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Article 53: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into leases for vehicles for Town use, and to appropriate funds from the Vehicle Reserve Capital Account to pay the annual costs of such leases.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 53 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 53: Passed

Unanimous

Article 54: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), on behalf of the Town for municipal purposes, including, when necessary, the authority to sign grant contracts, documents and/or other paperwork and accept the conditions that accompany grant funds, and to appropriate and expend such funds for authorized purposes, as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town during the upcoming fiscal year.

Board of Selectmen estimate the Town will receive **\$19,000**

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 54 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 54: Passed

Unanimous

Article 55: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to submit grant proposals to other governmental entities or private, non-profit foundations for funding of general administration or project-specific expenditures, on behalf of the Town for municipal purposes, including when necessary, the authority to sign grant contracts, documents and/or other paperwork and accept the conditions that accompany grant funds, and to appropriate and expend grant funds for their authorized purposes, as the Board of Selectmen deems in the best interests of the Town during the upcoming fiscal year.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 55 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 55: Passed

Unanimous

Article 56: 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.A § 2953.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 56 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 56: Passed

Unanimous

Article 57: To see if the Town will vote to set the date(s) that fiscal year 2022-2023 Real Estate Taxes are due as September 30, 2022 and March 31, 2023 and to charge interest at the rate of 4.0% per annum for fiscal year 2022-2023 Real Estate Property taxes paid after those dates.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 57 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 57: Passed

Unanimous

Article 58: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rates to be paid by the town on abated and overpaid taxes pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506-A at 1.0%.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 58 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 58: Passed

Unanimous

Article 59: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, with no interest to be paid on same, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A § 506.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 59 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 59: Passed

Unanimous

Article 60: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of town-owned assets (excluding land) with a value of \$10,000 or less, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 60 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 60: Passed

Unanimous

Article 61: To see if the Town will conduct a candidates' forum here and now to allow the voters to hear statements from candidates (if they wish to make a statement) for the office of selectmen and school committee (candidates whose names appear on the ballot as well as those interested in being write-in candidates). Each statement is limited to 3 minutes.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to approve Article 61 as written, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

Article 61: Passed

Unanimous

Motion: Moved by Robert Earnest to have the discussion regarding Article 3 before the end of Town Meeting, and for there to be a limit of 3 minutes per speaker with Vika Wood being the official time keeper, seconded by John Wilson.

Vote: Yes 53 No 23

Motion Carried

At this time the people were given the opportunity to speak in regards to Article 3.

Article 62: To adjourn the Annual Town Meeting until June 14, 2022 8:00 AM so that secret ballot votes for local elections (Article 2, Article 3) may be held at the Chebeague Island Hall Community Center, 247 South Road, and then after the closing of the poll at 8:00 PM and the announcement of the results by the moderator, to adjourn the Town Meeting.

Motion: Moved by Mark Dyer to adjourn the meeting at 11:59AM, seconded by Jean-Louis Beaupre.

These minutes respectively submitted by Christine Auffant, Town Clerk

Christine Auffant, Town Clerk
Town of Chebeague Island, Maine