**TOWN OF MONTVILLE**

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

**SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2021**

To: Doug Thomas, a resident of the Town of Montville, in the County of Waldo, State of Maine.

Greetings: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Montville, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at Mount View High School Gym at 577 Mt. View Road in Thorndike, Maine, on Saturday, the **5th day of JUNE, 2021**, at 10:00 in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, to wit:

**There were 99 registered voters at the Town Meeting.**

Article 1 To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

**Glenn Couturier was nominated and elected with 5 votes. Town Clerk Jodie Martin swore him in, and he opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 10:15 am. Glenn took the time to address the voters about the rules of a Town Meeting and how to conduct questions and comments seeing as there were a few new residents present, and the different venue. Bill and Kailey Spaulding asked to come up and speak in front of the Town to honor John York’s 57 years of service to the Fire Departments in Massachusetts and Maine.**

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Article 2 To elect a Town Clerk and Excise Tax Collector/BMV Agent for the ensuing year. Compensation will be fixed in Table B ~ Elected Officials.

**Jodie Martin was nominated and elected with 10 votes.**

Article 3 To elect a Town Treasurer/Tax Collector for the ensuing year. Compensation will be fixed in Table B ~ Elected Officials.

**Terry Fischer was nominated and elected with 9 votes.**

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to change the positions of Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Tax Collector from elected positions to appointed positions. Appointment of these positions would begin following the Annual Town Meeting of 2022.

**Article was moved and seconded. Town discussed the differences in appointed versus elected. Karen York (writer of article) amended article on the floor with Moderator’s approval, to include “and would be for one year”, so that it would read “To see if the Town will vote to change the positions of Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Tax Collector from elected positions to appointed positions. Appointment of these positions would begin following the Annual Town Meeting of 2022 and would be for one year.” Concerns were raised about oversight of positions from both points of view. Moderator moved to vote on amended article with written ballot.**

**Yes – 33 votes**

**No – 59 votes**

**Article FAILED as amended.**

Article 5 To elect a Select Board, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year. Compensation will be fixed in Table B ~ Elected Officials.

1st Selectperson – **Cathy Roberts**

2nd Selectperson – **Robert Leroy**

3rd Selectperson – **Sharon Hibbard**

**Cathy Roberts was nominated as 1st Selectperson and elected with 16 votes.**

**Robert Leroy and Kailey Spaulding were nominated as 2nd Selectperson. Robert Leroy was elected with 57 votes, and Kailey Spaulding received 25.**

**Sharon Hibbard and Jonathan Thornhill were nominated for 3rd Select Person. Sharon Hibbard was elected with 50 votes, and Johnathan Thornhill received 42 votes.**

Article 6 To see if the Town will vote to elect Select Board Members, beginning at next Annual Town Meeting, for staggered three-year terms. The Select Board Members are currently elected for one-year terms.

**Motion moved and seconded. FAILED with hand majority vote.**

Article 7 To elect the following members to the Montville Planning Board:

Three members for three-year terms

**Peter Kassen**

**Karin Look**

**Charles Fletcher**

Two members for two-year terms

**Greg McDaniel**

**John Twomey**

One alternate for a two-year term

**Chris Schmidt**

**Peter Kassen was nominated and elected by hand vote as one of three, three-year term members of the Montville Planning Board.**

**Karin Look was nominated and elected by hand vote as one of three, three-year term members of the Montville Planning Board.**

**Charles Fletcher was nominated and elected by hand vote as one of three, three-year term members of the Montville Planning Board.**

**Greg McDaniel was nominated and elected by hand vote as one of two, two-year term members of the Montville Planning Board.**

**John Twomey was nominated and elected by hand vote as one of two, two-year term members of the Montville Planning Board.**

**Chris Schmidt was nominated and elected by hand vote as alternate for a two-year term for the Montville Planning Board.**

Article 8 To elect the following members to the Montville Budget Committee:

One member for a three-year term – **Susan Shell**

One member for a two-year term – **Diana Chapin**

**Susan Shell was nominated and elected with majority hand vote for a three-year term on the Montville Budget Committee.**

**Diana Chapin and Bonnie Hrichak were nominated, and Diana Chapin was elected with 32 votes, Bonnie Hrichak received 29 votes.**

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to reinstate the Town of Montville Genetically Modified Organisms Ordinance passed at the 2008 Town Meeting and omitting the Sunset Clause. Ordinance with amendment is printed in full later in this Town Report.

**Article moved and seconded. Amendment made to strike out Statement of Law A “for a period of 10 years” from the ordinance. Amendment passed with hand majority vote. Amended article passed with hand majority vote.**

Article 10 To see if the town will vote to approve Montville’s Emergency Management Ordinance, printed in full later in this Town Report. A vote to approve this article would change Montville’s existing Emergency Management Plan, voted on March 25, 2006, to an ordinance.

**Article moved and seconded. Diana Chapin brought forth an amendment which read “ .” Amendment failed by majority hand vote. Article without amendment PASSED with majority hand vote.**

**Bob Price made a motion to move Article 27 forward, as Assessing Agent was available for questions. Motion seconded and passed with majority hand vote.**

Article 27To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a three-year contract with a certified assessing agent to conduct a complete revaluation of town property, totaling $80,000.00; and to see if the town will raise and appropriate $7,000.00 from Unassigned Surplus for payment during 2021. Note: 2022 and 2023 payments will each be $36,500.00.

**Article moved and seconded. Permission for Assessing Agent Amy Dunn was requested by the Town as a non-resident, permission was given via majority hand vote. Assessing Agent Amy Dunn gave a run down on why a Re-Evaluation might be important for the Town’s people as far as getting the full percentage of Tax Exemptions like Homestead Exemption and Veteran Exemption. Some questions were asked to clarify what a re-valuation might look like.**

**Moved to vote, article PASSED by hand count.**

**Yes- 57 votes**

**No – 18 votes**

Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to approve an Intent to Build Ordinance. A copy of the ordinance is printed in full later in this report.

**Article moved and seconded. No Discussion, moved to vote, PASSED by majority hand vote.**

Article 12 To see if the Town will vote to amend Montville’s Site Plan Review Ordinance, as per changes made and approved by the Planning Board. Printed in full, with amendments indicated, later in this Town Report.

**Article Moved and seconded. No discussion, moved to vote. PASSED by majority hand vote.**

Article 13 To see if the Town will vote to approve a lifetime lease of one acre of land, located between the Town Hall and the Town Office, to the Union Harvest Grange with the possibility of the Grange moving their building onto the parcel. The plan to accomplish this is outlined in the 2002 4th Annual Nash Lot Committee report (under Montville Community Area), copies of which will be available at the Town Meeting or in advance at the Town Office.

The Grange requests a rate of $1 per year.

**Article moved and seconded. Mary Thompson as a member of the Union Harvest Grange, was asked to give more details surrounding this article. No further discussion, moved to vote, article FAILED by majority hand vote.**

Article 14 To see if the Town will vote to allow the construction of a pavilion at the Field Day field as outlined in the 2002 4th Annual Nash Lot Committee report (under Field Day field), copies of which will be available at the Town Meeting or in advance at the Town Office. Funds to be taken from the Nash Lot fund and raised through donations.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion, moved to vote. Hand count, PASSES.**

**Yes – 35 votes**

**No – 12 votes**

Article 15 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to spend an amount not

to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2021 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2022 to the 2022 annual Town Meeting.

**Article moved and seconded. Moved to vote, PASSED by majority hand vote.**

Article 16 To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to transfer unexpended balances to any account requiring said funds for the purpose of balancing accounts.

**Article Moved** **and seconded. Moved to vote, PASSED by majority hand vote.**

**Motion was made to break for lunch for one half hour. Passed by majority hand vote.**

**Meeting was reconvened at 12:30 pm.**

**Stanley Paige Zeigler asked to speak concerning upcoming bills in the State House. Cathy Roberts (2nd Select Person) stood up and thanked the town for coming and being supportive. John York, Fire Chief, also stood up and addressed the Town, thanking them for the earlier words that were given in his honor from Bill and Kailey Spaulding, and took the time to thank all the Fire Fighters in Town for all that they do.**

Article 17 To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to take a loan in anticipation of taxes, as necessary, for the purpose of paying Town obligations.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 18 To see if the Town will vote to fix the dates when taxes shall be due and payable. First installment due date: August 1, 2021. Second installment due date: November 1, 2021.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 19 To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. §506, will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed for the year 2021.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 20 To see what discount, if any, the Town will vote to allow on taxes paid in full (both installments up front) prior to commitment or within 15 days after commitment.

Recommend: 1% discount

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 21 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to charge interest on unpaid taxes beginning 60 days after each installment due date at a rate of 6.0% per annum. (In accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. §505.4, the state treasurer established 6.0% as the maximum interest rate allowed in 2021.)

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 22 To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. §506-A, will vote that a taxpayer who pays an amount in excess of that finally assessed may be repaid the amount of overpayment with no interest.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 23 To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for the non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property, giving notice sixty (60) days before the sale by posting in public places in said Town, on Montville’s website, and in the newspaper, except when the property is being redeemed by the owner or when required to use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property of residents 65 years of age or older.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 24 To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during this fiscal year.

Recommend: $20,000 from Overlay

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 25 To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance.

Recommend: $2,500.00 from Taxation

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 26 To see if the Town will vote to allow the Select Board to accept donations and grants to the Town.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 28 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for general administrative operating costs and wages for the ensuing year. (Recommended amounts to be raised itemized in Table A in **bold**.) \*

TABLE A

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Account | **2021 from**  **Taxation** | From Unassigned Surplus | 2021 Totals | Budgeted 2020 | Expended |
| 10 – Administration |  |  |  |  |  |
| **10 – General Government** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 110 – Town Officers | **21,400.00** |  | 21,400.00 | 24,250.00 | 18,149.80 |
| 145 – Deputy Treasurer/Tax Collector | **1,500.00** |  | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 0 |
| 155 – Deputy Town Clerk | **3,500.00** |  | 3,500.00 | 5,000.00 | 4,000.80 |
| 160 – Administrative Assistant | **15,000.00** |  | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 15,337.00 |
| Registrar of voters | **500.00** |  | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| 185 – Elections | **2,500.00** |  | 2,500.00 | 0.00 | 4999.94 |
| 210 – Town FICA/Soc Sec | **6,521.00** |  | 6,521.00 | 5,200.00 | 6,521.00 |
| 215 – Town Medicare | **1,525.00** |  | 1,525.00 | 1,300.00 | 1,525.00 |

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| 240 - Workers Comp | **5,500.00** |  | 5,000.00 | 5,500.00 | 3,874.00 |
| 245 - Unemployment | **3,600.00** |  | 3,600.00 | 3,600.00 | 2,279.44 |
| 260 - Liability Insurance | **15,000.00** |  | 15,000.00 | 14,700.00 | 15319.00 |
| 330 - Heating Fuel | **3,500.00** |  | 3,500.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,526.92 |
| 410 - Advertising | **550.00** |  | 550.00 | 550.00 | 351.82 |
| 420 - Audit Services | **7,000.00** |  | 7,000.00 | 7,000.00 | 6,509.25 |
| 425 - Bank Fees | **20.00** |  | 20.00 | 20.00 | 12.00 |
| 430 - Consulting Fees | **2,000.00** |  | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 5,400.00 |
| 435 - Dues & Subscriptions | **1,900.00** |  | 1,900.00 | 1,900.00 | 2,226.60 |
| 440 – Software Maintenance | **7,000.00** |  | 7,000.00 | 7,000.00 | 5,667.07 |
| 442 - Assessing Agent | **10,000.00** |  | 10,000.00 |  |  |
| 445 - Miscellaneous | **500.00** |  | 500.00 | 1,640.00 | 58.17 |
| 450 - Office Equipment | **3,000.00** |  | 3,000.00 | 2,500.00 | 1,172.82 |
| 455 - Office Supplies | **2,000.00** |  | 2,000.00 | 1,400.00 | 1,995.29 |
| 465 - Postage | **2,000.00** |  | 2,000.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,832.25 |
| 470 - Printing & Publications | **2,000.00** |  | 2,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1040.00 |
| 475 - Training & Education | **2,000.00** |  | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 680.00 |
| 480 - Travel | **1,000.00** |  | 1,000.00 | 600.00 | 1,293.75 |
| **20 - Town Office** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 310 - Electric | **200.00** |  | 200.00 | 200.00 | 174.72 |
| 320 - Phone/Internet | **2,700.00** |  | 2,700.00 | 1,900.00 | 2,425.04 |
| 340 - Security System | **360.00** |  | 360.00 | 360.00 | 1,178.55 |
| 610 - Mowing | **1,800.00** |  | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,900.00 |
| 625 - Repairs/Maint - Town Office | **500.00** | 11,000.00 | 11,500.00 | 500.00 | 685.66 |
| **30 - Town Hall** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 310 - Electric/Heat | **200.00** |  | 200.00 | 200.00 | 174.72 |
| 625 - Repairs/Maint - Town Hall | **0.00** | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 500.00 | 0.00 |
| Final Totals | **126,776.00** | 15,000.00 | 141,776.00 | 113,620.00 | 109,048.54 |
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**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 29 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Elected Officials for the ensuing year. (Recommended amounts to be raised itemized in Table B in **bold**.) \*

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| TABLE B |  |  |  |
| Account | **2021 from** | Budgeted | Expended |
|  | **Taxation** | 2020 | 2020 |
| 15 - Elected Officials |  |  |  |
| **10 - Officials** |  |  |  |
| 120 - Board of Selectmen | **10,000.00** | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| (\*Intended as 1st Select Person at $4,000;  2nd and 3rd Select Persons at $3,000) |
| 130 - Treasurer | **11,700.00** | 8,500.00 | 8,500.00 |
| 140 - Tax Collector | **11,700.00** | 8,500.00 | 8,500.00 |
| 150 - Town Clerk | **20,000.00** | 15,000.00 | 14,999.99 |
| Final Totals | **53,400.00** | $42,000.00 | $41,999.99 |

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**Article moved and seconded. Discussion on why wages were increasing for the Tax Collector, Treasurer, and Town Clerk. Cathy Roberts (2nd Select Person), stood up and addressed the Town, explaining that the Board felt wages were extremely underpaid, and the Town should strive to be more comparable to other towns around. Concerns were raised, both for and against wage increases. Both the Town Clerk and the Tax Collector/Treasurer were asked to speak to the hours worked on a weekly basis. Moved to vote, PASSED by hand majority.**

**HIGHWAY & PUBLIC WORKS**

Article 30 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Boardto enter a lease/purchase agreement for a term not to exceed 5 years to acquire a dump truck, with or without a roller and/or rake, having a total purchase price not to exceed $50,000, on such other terms as they deem in the best interests of the Town; to raise $10,600 from Unassigned Surplus to fund lease payments due during FY 2021; and to authorize the Select Boardto execute any documents necessary to accomplish said purpose.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 31 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to purchase two gravel pits located in the town of Montville to mine gravel for the town to use, for $47,500.00; and to authorize the Select Boardto execute any documents necessary to accomplish said purpose*.* One parcel is a portion of map and lots: **7/5+7/35**; the other is the entirety of map and lot **7/31.1**. Maps of properties are included later in this Town Report. Note: Payment for purchase is included in Gravel line item in Table C.

**Article moved and seconded. Town asked questions about how much gravel were in the pits, Jonathan Thornhill answered, and said about 187,000 yards in one, and approximately 36,000 yards in another. Moved to vote, PASSED with majority hand vote.**

Article 32 To see if the Town will vote to change the Grader Reserve Account to the Public Works Equipment Reserve Account.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 33 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Works and Highway Department for the ensuing year. (Recommended amounts to be raised itemized in Table C in **bold**.) \*

TABLE C

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| Account | **From** | From | LRAP | Equipment | 2021 | Budgeted | Expended |
|  | **Taxation** | Excise |  | Sales | Totals | 2020 | 2020 |
| Public Works |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Road Maintenance** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wages | **35,000.00** |  |  |  | 35,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 31,450.63 |
| Town FICA/Soc Sec | **2,170.00** |  |  |  | 2,170.00 | 300.00 | 1,950.01 |
| Town Medicare | **508.00** |  |  |  | 508.00 | 200.00 | 456.03 |
| Utilities | **1,500.00** |  |  |  | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 628.10 |
| Travel | **2,300.00** |  |  |  | 2,300.00 | 0.00 | 2,306.00 |
| Repairs/Maint | **50,000.00** |  |  |  | 50,000.00 | 50,000.00 | 66,442.10 |
| Gravel | **70,000.00** |  |  |  | 70,000.00 | 30,000.00 | 30,116.42 |
| Culverts | **8,680.00** |  | $2,320.00 |  | 11,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 6,240.14 |
| Paving reserve Fund | **0.00** |  | 40,000.00 |  | 40,000.00 | 90,000.00 | 707.66 |
| Grader/Equipment Reserve Fund | **0.00** |  |  | 7,500.00 | 7,500.00 | 5,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Grader Lease | **8,937.90** |  |  | 6,001.05 | 14,938.95 | 14,938.95 | 14,938.95 |
| **Winter** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plow Subcontractor | **72,500.00** | 187,500 |  |  | $260,000.00 | 251,000.00 | 254,370.00 |
| Sand | **40,000.00** |  |  |  | $40,000.00 | 38,000.00 | 36,234.72 |
| Salt | **22,000.00** |  |  |  | $22,000.00 | 23,000.00 | 13,765.17 |
| **Equipment** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Miscellaneous | **1,500.00** |  |  |  | $1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 49.95 |
| R/M Vehicles | **10,000.00** |  |  |  | $10,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 16,597.31 |
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| **Garage** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sand/Salt Shed | **1,000.00** |  |  |  | $1,000.00 | 1,000 | 120.00 |
| Vehicles - Diesel | **7,000.00** |  |  |  | $7,000.00 | 5,500 | 3,449.57 |
| Final Totals | **$333,095.90** | $187,500.00 | $42,320.00 | $13,501.05 | 576,416.95 | 522,938.95 | 543,653.26 |

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**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

Article 34 To see if the Town will vote to withdraw from the Unity Area Regional Recycling Center (UARRC) Interlocal Agreement.

**Article moved and seconded. Cathy Roberts (2nd Select Person) addressed the Town’s concerns on leaving the UARRC, and why this article was on the warrant. Cathy explained that is was a leftover article for last year’s Town Warrant that never got voted on, and the Town needed to decide if they wanted to stay with UARRC, or think about other options. Stanley Paige Zeigler, who is the Town’s Representative to the Board of Directors for UARRC, stood up and spoke about the center, and the new equipment they were able to get, and how that was going to reduce costs, increase revenue, and better the recycling abilities of the center. He also had Sharon Hibbard stand with him, who helps work on the UARRC Budget, and is very good at keeping the budget as low as it can possibly be. Stanley Zeigler also spoke about a new bill in the legislature that would require Manufacturer’s to pay the recycling costs of their products and their packaging. Will keep Town updated as to the progress of that bill. Moved to vote. Article FAILED by hand majority.**

Article 35 To see if the Town will vote to eliminate Town transportation of recycling to the UARRC for a temporary nine-month trial.

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article FAILED by hand majority.**

Article 36 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to purchase a closed trailer to haul recyclables to UARRC, and to see what sum, if any, the town will vote to raise and appropriate for said trailer.

Recommend: $4000.00 from Unassigned Surplus

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 37 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for hauling recyclables to UARRC.

Recommend: $6000.00 from Unassigned Surplus

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 38 To see if the Town will vote to eliminate Demolition Weekend [Roll-Off].

**Article moved and seconded. Town asked how much Demolition Weekend costs, Select Board said $7,200. Moved to vote, Article FAILED by hand majority.**

Article 39 To see if the Town will vote to establish a fee per load to help offset costs for

Demolition Weekends.

Recommend: Cars $5.00 per load

Recommend: Pick-up Trucks $15.00 per load

Recommend: Trailers (Noncommercial size) $15.00 per load

Recommend: Tires at the rate set by the disposal company

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 40 To see if the Town will vote to increase prices for trash disposal sticker fees.

Recommend: $1.00 bags under 20 gallons (currently $0.75)

Recommend: $1.75 bags 20-35 gallons (currently $1.50)

Recommend: $2.50 bags over 35 gallons & barrels (currently $2.25)

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 41 To see if the Town will vote for one of the following two options for the Montville Transfer station.

1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to sign a one-year contract with the Town of Freedom for disposal of Montville’s municipal waste in their packer truck. Note: The agreed amount of $36,000 for one year also includes tipping fees, this is included as “Solid Waste Disposal” in Table D below.

Recommend: Fail

1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Boardto enter a lease/purchase agreement for a term not to exceed 5 years to acquire a solid waste compactor, having a total purchase price not to exceed $40,000, on such other terms as they deem in the best interests of the Town; to raise and appropriate $8,750 from Taxation to fund the down payment and lease payments due during FY 2021; and to authorize the Select Boardto execute any documents necessary to accomplish said purpose*.* Note: Tipping fees and site preparation costs are included as “Solid Waste Disposal” in Table D below.

Recommend: Pass

**Article moved and seconded. Bob Price stood up and addressed this article and the two parts. Bob moved to vote on B, Article 41 B PASSED with hand majority.**

Article 42 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Health and Sanitation Department for the ensuing year. (Recommended amounts to be raised itemized in Table D in **bold**.) \*

TABLE D

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ITEM | **From**  **Taxation** | From  Stickers | 2021  Totals | Budgeted 2020 | Expended 2020 |
| 30 - Health & Sanitation |  |  |  |  |  |
| **10 - Transfer Station** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 170 - Wages | **6,000.00** |  | 6,000.00 | 13,000.00 | 7,370.20 |
| 210 - Town FICA/Soc Sec | **1,000.00** |  | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 457.01 |
| 215 - Town Medicare | **300.00** |  | 300.00 | 300.00 | 106.83 |
| 455 - Office Supplies | **600.00** |  | 600.00 | 1,000.00 | 548.32 |
| 880 - Repairs/Maint - Garage | **500.00** |  | 500.00 | 500.00 | 1,635.21 |
| 900 - R/M Vehicles | **0.00** |  | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 897.35 |
| 950 - Demolition Day | **5,000.00** | 1,500.00 | 6,500.00 | 6,500.00 | 7,238.98 |
| 960 – Solid Waste Disposal | **20,800.00** | 15,200.00 | 36,000.00 | 9,500.00 | 13,091.32 |
| 965 - Unity Recycling Art. 35 | **11,057.11** |  | 11,057.11 | 11,503.00 | 10,496.02 |
| Final Totals | **45,257.11** | 16,700.00 | 61,957.11 | 46,303.00 | 42,858.24 |

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**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

**PROTECTION AND ENFORCEMENT**

Article 43 To see what sum, if any, the Town will raise and appropriate for the Fire Department for the ensuing year. (Recommended amounts to be raised itemized in Table E in **bold**.) \*

TABLE E

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Account | **2021 from** | Carried | Budgeted | Expended |
|  | **Taxation** | Funds | 2020 | 2020 |
| 20 - Protection |  |  |  |  |
| **10 - Fire Department** |  |  |  |  |
| 170 - Wages | **25,000.00** |  | 15,000.00 | 13,894.79 |
| 210 - Town FICA/Soc Sec | **1405.00** |  | 1,000.00 | 754.09 |
| 215 - Town Medicare | **470.00** |  | 500.00 | 176.35 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 710 - Fire Station | **3,500.00** |  | 3,500.00 | 958.39 |
| 725 - Operations | **24,750.00** |  | 19,650.00 | 16,281.06 |
| 740 - Fire Equipment Reserve | **5,000.00** |  | 3,000.00 | 0.00 |
| 745 - Equipment | **6,180.00** |  | 6,180.00 | 9022.83 |
| 750 - Grants | **2,000.00** | 3634.00 | 1,000.00 | 0 |
| **20 - Emergency Management** |  |  |  |  |
| 445 - EMS | **$600.00** |  | 600.00 | 411.44 |
| **30 - Street Lights** |  |  |  |  |
| 350 - Street Lights | **$900.00** |  | 900.00 | 898.66 |
| Final Totals | **$69,805.00** | 3,634.00 | $51,330.00 | $42,397.61 |

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**Article moved and seconded. Town asked why wages were increasing so much this year. John York (Fire Chief) stood up and said they have almost twice as many volunteers as last year, they entered into another mutual aid contract, and in general had more workers, more calls and more hours. He anticipated a larger wage line to keep them paid. Moved to vote. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 44 To see what sum, if any, the Town will raise and appropriate for protection and enforcement services for the ensuing year. (Recommended amounts to be raised itemized in Table F in **bold**.) \*

TABLE F

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Account | **2021 FROM** | Budgeted | Expended |
|  | **Taxation** | 2020 | 2020 |
| 25 – Enforcement |  |  |  |
| **10 – Animal Control Officer** |  |  |  |
| 445 – Miscellaneous | **$1,500.00** | 1,500.00 | 1,640.88 |
| 480 – Travel | **$500.00** | 500.00 | 328.50 |
| **20 – Code Enforcement Officer** |  |  |  |
| 445 – Miscellaneous | **$100.00** | $100.00 | $0.00 |
| **30 – Planning Board** |  |  |  |
| 445 – Miscellaneous | **$1,000.00** | 200.00 | 0 |
| Final Totals | **$3,100.00** | $2,300.00 | $1,969.38 |

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**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

Article 45 To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Service staff wages. $75,000.00 requested.

Recommend: $37,500.00 from Taxation; and $37,500.00 from Unassigned Surplus

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Article PASSED by hand majority.**

**RECREATION**

Article 46 To see what sum, if any, the Town will raise and appropriate from taxation for recreational activities and properties. (Amounts to be raised itemized in Table G below in **bold.**) \*

TABLE G

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Account | **2021 from** | Requested | Budgeted | Expended |
|  | **Taxation\*\*** | 2021 | 2020 | 2020 |
| 70 – Recreation |  |  |  |  |
| **10 – Program Donations** |  |  |  |  |
| 770 – BUM League Basketball | **$0.00** | $0.00 | $100.00 | $0.00 |
| 771 – Knox Booster Club | **$200.00** | $200.00 | $200.00 | $0.00 |
| Liberty Swim | **$0.00** | $0.00 | $600.00 | $0.00 |
| 773 – Liberty/Montville Little League | **$200.00** | 200.00 | $200.00 | $0.00 |
| 774 – Town of Liberty-Roberts Field Maint | **$1,000.00** | $2,000.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 |
| NEW – North Star Riders | **$0.00** | $500.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 777 – Field Day | **$1,000.00** | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 | $0.00 |
| 000 – Mt View Little League | **$0.00** | $100.00 | $200.00 | 0.00 |
| NEW – Waldo County Trails Coalition | **$0.00** | $150.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Final Totals | **$2,400.00** | $4,150.00 | $3,300.00 | $1,000.00 |

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\*\* The figures in the “2020 from taxation” column in Table H are the same as the amounts that were appropriated for each of these items at town meeting last year. The Select Board believes these amounts should be determined by the voters at town meeting.

**Article moved and seconded. Glen Widmer put for amendment of increasing the budget line for Bum League to $100.00. Amendment PASSED with hand majority. Article with amended budget line of $100.00 for Bum League PASSED with hand majority.**

**SINGLE LINE ITEMS**

Article 47 To see what sum, if any, the Town will raise and appropriate from taxation for local social service organizations. For more information on these organizations, see descriptions located in the annual town report. (Amounts to be raised itemized in Table H below in **bold**.) \*

TABLE H

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2021 from Taxation\*\*** | Requested 2021 | Budgeted 2020 | Expended 2020 |
| Account |  |  |  |  |
| 80 - Social Services |  |  |  |  |
| **20 - Donation** |  |  |  |  |
| 970 - Belfast Area Child Care Serv | **$250.00** | $500.00 | $250.00 | $250.00 |
| 972 - The Game Loft | **$100.00** | $100.00 | $150.00 | $100.00 |
| 973 - Hospice of Waldo County | **$300.00** | $300.00 | $300.00 | $300.00 |
| 974 - Liberty AMVETS Food Pantry | **$600.00** | $600.00 | $600.00 | $600.00 |
| 975 - Liberty Library | **$2,500.00** | $3,000.00 | $2,500.00 | $2,500.00 |
| 976 - Lifeflight Foundation | **$516.00** | 516.00 | $516.00 | $516.00 |
| 977 - New Hope for Women | **$750.00** | $750.00 | $750.00 | $750.00 |
| 978 - Spectrum Generations | **$0.00** | $0.00 | $584.00 | $584.00 |
| 979 - Waldo Community Action Partner | **$1,911.00** | $3,205.00 | $1,911.00 | $1,911.00 |
| 981 - American Red Cross | **$500.00** | $575.00 | $500.00 | $500.00 |
| 982 - Garry Owen House | **$250.00** | $300.00 | $250.00 | $250.00 |
| 000 – Waldo County YMCA | **$0.00** | $50.00 | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| 000 – Waldo County Broadband Coalition | **$0.00** | $500.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Final Totals | **$7677.00** | $9,646.00 | $8,311.00 | $8,261.00 |

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\*\* The figures in the “2020 Donations from taxation” column in Table I are the same as the amounts that were appropriated for each of these items at town meeting last year. The Select Board believes these amounts should be determined by the voters at town meeting.

**Article moved and seconded. Vernon Lecount stood up and made an amendment to include $500.00 for the Waldo County Broadband Coalition. Stanley Paige Zeigler stood up and spoke to benefits of broadband, and that the Legislature is working on it. Amendment moved to vote, PASSED with hand majority. Article 47 with amendment of $500.00 for the Waldo County Broadband Coalition, PASSED with hand majority.**

**PERPETUAL CARE**

Article 48 To see what sum, if any, the Town will raise and appropriate from taxation for the perpetual care and maintenance of Montville cemeteries. (Recommended amounts to be raised itemized in Table I below in **bold**.) \*

TABLE I

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Account | **2021 from** | Budgeted | Expended |
|  | **Taxation** | 2020 | 2020 |
| 60 - Cemetery |  |  |  |
| 170 - Wages | **$500.00** | $500.00 | $132.00 |
| 210 - Town FICA/Soc Sec | **$75.00** | $75.00 | $8.18 |
| 215 - Town Medicare | **$25.00** | $25.00 | $1.91 |
| 610 - Mowing | **$4,000.00** | $6,000.00 | $4,000.00 |
| 745 - Equipment | **$250.00** | $250.00 | $90.00 |
| 980 - Halldale Cemetery Donation | **$250.00** | $250.00 | $0.00 |
| Final Totals | **$5,100.00** | $7,850.00 | $4,232.09 |

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**Article moved and seconded. No discussion, PASSED with hand majority.**

Article 49 To see if the Town, as a result of the budget approved in accordance with the Articles herein, will authorize a one-time exemption from the LD 1 Law governing annual Town expenditures to accommodate for the approved budget.

**Article Moved and seconded. No discussion. PASSED with hand majority.**

Article 50 Motion to adjourn**.**

**Article moved and seconded. No discussion, PASSED with hand majority, meeting adjourned at 1:52 PM.**

Given under our hands this 3rd day of May, 2021 A.D.

Robert Price, First Selectperson

Cathy Roberts, Second Selectperson

Robert LeRoy, Third Selectperson

A True Copy of the Warrant

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Town Clerk, Town of Montville, Maine