

Town of Monson
Annual Town Meeting Warrant
June 9th, 2022

To, Jade Grenier, or any other resident in the Town of Monson, in the County of Piscataquis and the State of Maine

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Monson, in the said County and State, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Monson Community Gym, in said Town, on Thursday the 9th day of June 2022 A.D. at six thirty in the evening then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

Article 1

To choose a Moderator and Deputy Moderator to preside at said meeting and to be voted by written ballot

Article 2

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year:

One, **Selectperson, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor** Term Expires 2025, to be voted by written ballot

One, **Selectperson, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor** Term Expires 2023, to be voted by written ballot

*****Voting for Select Board will be done at the town office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on June 7, 2022*****

One, **Monson Utility District Trustee**, Term Expires 2027

One, **Planning Board Member**, Term Expires 2027

One, **Board of Appeals Member**, Term Expires 2027

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to appoint all other necessary officers as needed.

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to set the commitment date of no later than August 1st.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to offer a discount for taxes paid, within 30 days of the mailing date of 2% which will be covered by overlay

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to apply a 6.00% interest rate (State set Maximum interest rate) to all taxes unpaid as of September 1st.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to sell and convey by Quit Claim Deed tax acquired properties and/or to execute Waiver of Foreclosure documents, or retain for municipal use if that's in the best interest of the town as determined to be by the Select Board, and to further authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506, and to further authorize the Select Board to appropriate funds from Overlay to offset abatements granted throughout the fiscal year.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to transfer all state snowmobile registration funds to the Narrow-Gauge Riders Snowmobile Club.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to accept and expend or utilize for its intended purpose on behalf of the Town any grants or funds awarded or paid to the Town by any State or federal agency, grant or other monetary donation from any other public or private entity, organization or individual, and any gift of personal property. This includes the authority to apply for such grants, funds or donations where an application is required, or take any other action thereon.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 10

To see if the Town will Authorize the Select Board on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any surplus Town owned personal property under \$500.00 in value on such terms as they deem advisable according to the laws of the State of Maine.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board on behalf of the Town to dispose of Public Property with a tax assessed value of less than \$500.00 on such terms as they deem advisable.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to accept all cemetery lot sales and convey all land deeds for said purpose.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
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Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to accept the following revenues for reducing taxes:

Auto Excise Tax	\$100,000
Boat Excise Tax	\$2,000
Agent Fees	\$5,000
Clerk Fees	\$500
Bank Interest	\$2,500
Use of Surplus	\$50,000
Real Estate Tax Interest	\$6,500
Lien Costs	\$3,000
Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$39,000
County Fire Contract	\$18,000
Willimantic Fire Contract	\$9,000
URIP funds	\$28,000
Snowmobile Registration fees	TBA until check is received from the state
Solid Waste Permits	\$400
Demolition Fees	\$30,000
MSW	\$28,000
Universal Solid Waste Fees	\$500
County Solid Waste Contract	\$19,900
Total	\$317,700

****Maine Revenue Sharing, Homestead Exemption Reimbursement and BETE reimbursement will also be used to lower taxes however is included in a separate line on the tax commitment, therefore not listed on other revenue.

<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>Yes</i>

Article 14

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Administration Department**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$171,160</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$171,160</i>

Article 15

To See what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Assessing Services**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$13,750</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$13,750</i>

Article 16

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for an **Animal Control Officer**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$2,500</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$2,500</i>

Article 17

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Cemeteries**. And to authorize the Select Board to spend and carry forward any interest from perpetual care funds.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$12,500</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$12,500</i>

Article 18

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Code Enforcement Officer/Plumbing Inspector**, and to appropriate plumbing and building fees to the CEO/LPI.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$4,000</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$4,000</i>

Article 19

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Debt Service**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$247,764</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$247,764</i>

Article 20

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Fire Department**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$100,647</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$100,647</i>

Article 21

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Contingency Fund**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>

Article 22

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **General Assistance**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>

Article 23

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Gym**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$12,300</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$12,300</i>

Article 24

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Public Works**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$287,475</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$287,475</i>

Article 25

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Town/Employee Insurances.**

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$50,428</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$50,248</i>

Article 26

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Municipal Building.**

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$20,060</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$20,060</i>

Article 27

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Reserve Transfer/Capital Projects.**

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$144,000</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$144,000</i>

Article 28

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Planning Board.**

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$250</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$250</i>

Article 29

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Recreation Department.**

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$4,500</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$4,500</i>

Article 30

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Street Lights.**

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>

Article 31

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **3rd Party Requests/Donations:**

Organization	Amount Requested
Lake Hebron Cost Share	\$5,000
Eastern Area Agency on Aging	\$100
Piscataquis Chamber of Commerce	\$175
Penquis Cap	\$2,528
PineTree Hospice	\$50
American Legion	\$450
American Red Cross	\$50
Partners for Peace	\$150
Community Health and Counseling	\$500

Monson Public Library	\$8,900
Monson Collaborative	\$1,500

Total: \$19,403

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$19,403</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$19,403</i>

Article 32

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Solid Waste/Transfer Station**.

<i>Budget Committee Recommends</i>	<i>\$77,600</i>
<i>Select Board Recommends</i>	<i>\$77,600</i>

Article 33

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to carry forward fund balances as they deem necessary. All other funds will lapse to undesignated fund balance.

Article 34

To see if the Town will vote to ratify the overdraft in the following 2022 Fire Department account from the undesignated/ unrestricted fund in the amount up to \$12,100.

Selectboard and Budget Committee Recommends Yes

The Registrar will be open regular office hours, Thursday, June 9th, 202 for the purpose of correcting the list of voters. You must be a registered voter of the town to vote at the Town meeting.

Given under our hands this 26th day of May 2022 A.D.

_____/S/
Tyler Adkins, Chair

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Susan Chase

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Eric Vainio

True Copy Attest

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Martha Gagnon
Town Clerk