

WARRANT

TO: Stacey Mahan, Constable of the Town of Limestone, Aroostook County, Maine.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Limestone, in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the MUNICIPAL BUILDING in said Town, on TUESDAY the ELEVENTH (11th) day of JUNE 2019 at EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (8:00 A.M.) then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours thereof to be from EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (8:00 A.M.) until EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING (8:00 P.M.);

And to notify and warn said voters to meet at the LIMESTONE COMMUNITY SCHOOL AUDITORIUM in said Town on WEDNESDAY THE TWELFTH (12th) day of JUNE 2019 and, IF NEEDED, ON THURSDAY the THIRTEENTH (13TH) day of June 2019 at SIX THIRTY (6:30 P.M.) in the evening to act on articles Three (3) through Fifty-Nine (59), all of said Articles being set out below to wit:

ART. 1 To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To elect all necessary town officials by secret ballot.

THE POLLS WILL OPEN FOR VOTING ON ARTICLE 2 AT 8:00 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

ART. 3 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for ADMINISTRATION for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$247,250.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$258,226.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$258,226.00

ART. 3 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for the CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$0.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$21,130.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$21,130.00

ART. 4 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR	\$10,000.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$0.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$0.00

ART. 11 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for INSURANCE for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$64,300.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$70,849.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$70,849.00

ART. 12 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for SOCIAL SERVICES for the ensuing year.

CATEGORY	LAST YEAR	SELECTPEOPLE	BUDGET COMMITTEE
GENERAL ASSISTANCE*	\$20,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 22,000.00
AMBULANCE	\$25,350.00	\$ 25,350.00	\$ 25,350.00
AROOSTOOK COUNTY ACTION PROGRAM	\$ 475.00	\$ 463.00	\$ 463.00
CLINICS	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF MAINE	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00
AROOSTOOK AREA AGENCY ON AGING	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
SENIOR CITIZENS	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00
AMERICAN RED CROSS	\$ 775.00	\$ 775.00	\$ 775.00
NORTHERN MAINE VETERANS ASSOCIATION	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
CHRISTMAS BASKETS	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
TOTAL	\$40,588.00	\$ 50,350.00	\$ 51,838.00

LAST YEAR:	\$50,350.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$51,838.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$51,838.00

[Note: The State reimburses municipalities 70% of general assistance costs. Reimbursed costs are included in Administration Revenue.]

ART. 13 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for UNCLASSIFIED for the ensuing year.

CATEGORY	LAST YEAR	SELECTPEOPLE	BUDGET COMMITTEE
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$ 0.00
RADIO EXPENSE	\$ 0.00	\$.00	\$.00
MEMORIAL DAY	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
JULY FOURTH	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
CENTRAL AROOSTOOK HUMANE SOCIETY	\$4,397.00	\$4,400.00	\$4,400.00
ST. JOHN AROOSTOOK	\$ 160.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$ 00.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$ 00.00

ART. 19 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for the PARKS AND RECREATION RESERVE ACCOUNT for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$3,000.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$2,000.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$2,000.00

ART. 20 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for the REVALUATION RESERVE ACCOUNT for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$2,000.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$2,000.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$2,000.00

ART. 21 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for the VACATION RESERVE ACCOUNT for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$ 00.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$2,000.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$2,000.00

ART. 22 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$44,625.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$44,625.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$44,625.00

ART. 23 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for PUBLIC SAFETY/UTILITY SERVICES for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$105,500.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$85,500.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$85,500.00

ART. 23 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to appropriate from the following Revenue Accounts to reduce the 2019/2020 tax commitment.

CATEGORY	LAST YEAR	SELECTPEOPLE	BUDGET COMM.
ADMINISTRATION	\$623,650.00	\$694,701.00	\$694,701.00
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 24,250.00	\$ 26,250.00	\$ 26,250.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
LIBRARY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 250.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
TOTAL	\$668,150.00	\$746,501.00	\$746,501.00

ART. 29 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to raise and appropriate for COUNTY TAX for the ensuing year.

LAST YEAR:	\$84,600.00
SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS:	\$86,632.00
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:	\$86,632.00

ART. 30 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, the Board of Select People and the Town Manager, in the name of and on behalf of the Town, to borrow an amount not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be appropriated to finance road improvements and repairs in the Town, and to issue the Town's general obligation bond and/or general obligation bond anticipation note for that purpose, under such terms and conditions, including provisions for early redemption or prepayment, as may be approved by the Treasurer, and to further authorize the Treasurer, the Town Manager, and a majority of the members of the Board of Select People, separately, to take any and all other actions and to sign such other documents and certificates as may be necessary or convenient to accomplish such borrowing, and to authorize such other action as the Town Meeting may approve.

ARTICLE 30 TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Town Indebtedness

A. Total debt outstanding and unpaid:	\$70,000
B. Total debt authorized and unissued:	\$0
C. Total Debt to be incurred if this article is approved:	\$500,000

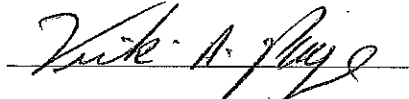
Total Debt Authorized after Passage of Article 30: \$570,000

ESTIMATED COSTS:

Estimated Interest rate:	2.75%
Estimated term:	10 years
Total principal to be repaid:	\$500,000
Total interest to be paid over term:	\$72,000
Total cost of principal and interest:	\$572,000

VALIDITY:

The validity of the note and the bond and of the voters' ratification of the note and bond may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.



Vicki A. Page, Treasurer

ARTICLES 31-40, AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN LIMESTONE COST CENTER CATEGORIES

ART. 31 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction Recommended: \$1,227,816.00

amounts raised for The annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Town budget for Educational programs.]

SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ART 43 To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expand for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-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.

Recommended: \$ 3,413,362.85

ART 44 In the event that the Limestone Community School receives more state education subsidy than the amount included in its budget, shall the School Board be authorized to use all or part of the additional state subsidy to increase expenditures for school purposes in cost center categories approved by the School Committee, and/or decrease the local cost share expectation, as defined in title 20-A, section 15671-A(1)(B), for local property taxpayers for funding public education as approved by the School Committee?

RAISES AND APPROPRIATES FUNDS FOR THE SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

ART 45 Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$1000.00 for the school nutrition program with Authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the Interest and for the well-being of the school nutrition program.

ART 46 In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Committee be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants, programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditures of other funds not previously appropriate?

ART. 47 To see what sum the voters of Limestone will vote to transfer from the SCHOOL REFUND TOWN RESERVE ACCOUNT to be used to benefit the school.

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMEND: \$250,000

[Explanation: As stated in the RSU Reorganizational Plan dated February 10, 2009 town reserve funds that were established for educational purposes had to be turned over to the newly formed RSU and be used to "benefit a school or schools of the SAU". Since these funds would only be used for Limestone, The RSU Board moved to return these funds to the Town to manage the accounts at its discretion. In accordance with the original intent of these funds, they are restricted to uses that "benefit the school". Transfer of funds include \$138,397.05 in October 2017 and \$379,913.04 in June 2018. This transfer will offset the additional cost of Limestone withdrawing from the RSU, including a one-time payment of \$150,000 and a shortfall in ED 279 funds from the state in the amount of approximately \$200,000.

ART. 48 To see if the voters of Limestone will fix a date when taxes are due and payable, when interest begins to accrue, to set such rate of interest.

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMEND: The taxes shall be due and payable upon receipt and

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS: YES

ART. 56 To see if the voters of Limestone 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, and to specify what sum of interest, if any, should be paid; and if an interest amount greater than 0% is chosen to appropriate the resulting expenditures from the Undesignated Fund Balance. (Note, per State law, the interest rate cannot be greater than 8% per annum.)

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS: YES, and 0% interest

ART. 57 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectpeople/Accessors to spend from the Overlay funds to fund any tax abatements and associated fees and interest for the ensuing Fiscal Year.

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS: YES


ART. 58 To see if the voters of Limestone will vote to authorize the Board of Selectpeople and/or its designee to expend any grant funds received throughout the fiscal year for their intended purposes, and to direct any leftover proceeds of such grants to be carried forward into the respective Department's Reserve fund.

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS: YES

ART. 59 To see if the voters of Limestone will vote to adopt a Taxicab Ordinance that allows for licensing of taxicabs and taxi drivers in the town of Limestone.

SELECTPEOPLE RECOMMENDS: YES

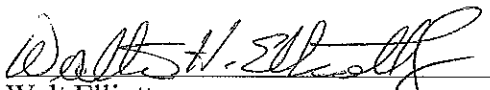
Given under our hands this 5th day of June, 2019 by the Limestone Board of Selectpeople.




Thomas Albert, Chairman

Paul Durepo II, Vice Chair

Fred Pelletier



Walt Elliott



Patrick St. Peter

A true copy of the warrant,

Attested: 

Limestone Town Clerk