

## WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

To: Darlene Starrett, a Resident of the Town of Appleton, County of Knox, State of Maine.

GREETINGS: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Appleton, in said county, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on **Tuesday, the fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) day of July, AD 2020 at 8 o'clock** in the forenoon, then and there to act on Articles 1 through 27.

**(All Articles will be voted on by SECRET BALLOT.)**

**ARTICLE 1.** To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

**ARTICLE 2.** To elect all necessary Town Officials.

**ARTICLE 3.** Do you favor approving the Appleton Village School (AVS) budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest AVS unit budget meeting and that includes locally raised funds that exceed the required local contribution as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act?

*A yes vote allows additional funds to be raised for K-8 public education; a no vote means additional funds cannot be raised for K-8 education.*

**ARTICLE 4.** Shall the Town accept the categories of funds listed below as provided by the Maine State Legislature.(Dollar amounts listed are estimated amounts to be received in FY20/21)?

a. Maine State Revenue Sharing	\$90,000.00
b. Local Road Assistance	42,000.00
c. State Aid to Education	Unknown
d. Emergency Management Agency Funds	Unknown
e. Snowmobile Registration money	450.00
f. Tree Growth Reimbursement	6,600.00
g. General Assistance Reimbursement	Unknown
h. Veterans Exemption Reimbursement	1,300.00
i. Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	Unknown

j. All other Funds

Unknown

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 5.** Shall the Town carry forward from FY 19/20 into FY 20/21 all unexpended balances in Tax Maps, Planning Board, Wentworth Savings, Comprehensive Plan, Fire Department Building and Utilities, Fire Department Donations, Fire Department King Grant, Emergency Management Agency, Road Maintenance, Town Road Improvement, Barker Flats, Town Land Conservation Expense and Cemeteries?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 6.** Shall the Town appropriate from Surplus the funds needed to fulfill the Town's obligations for FY 20/21 for General Assistance, Unemployment and Maintain Old Landfill?

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 7.** Shall the Town have anticipated revenues from Excise Tax and other Revenues placed into Surplus?

Est. for FY 18/19

Excise Tax	\$250,000.00
Other Revenues*	18,000.00

\*Building permits, clerk fees and other fees. (**Other fees not to include Insurance & Bonds and Workers Compensation refunds, animal control fines and FEMA reimbursement. These are to be credited to and expended from the appropriate accounts.**)

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**Article 8.** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to expend such other sums as may be received from federal and state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for town purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 9.** Shall the Town pay all Select Board Members \$3000.00 each and the Chairman an additional \$2,500.00 for FY 20/21?

*Pay will be appropriated from the Town Officials budget line.*

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 10.** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to appoint and set compensation of all other necessary officials, or act thereon?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 11.** Shall the Town pay Maine DOT 2020 labor reimbursement and private equipment rental rates and bid, contract or rental prices on its Roads and Bridges during FY 20/21?

**Select Board recommends approval**

**ARTICLE 12.** Shall the Town appropriate all State Highway funds received from the Local Roads Assistance Program (L.R.A.P.) this fiscal year (estimated to be \$42,000) for the purpose of maintenance paving of Town road(s)?

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 13.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$243,005.00** for **GENERAL GOVERNMENT** for FY 20/21?

Town Officials	\$112,931.00
Contracted Assessing Services	13,250.00
Computer Expense	13,327.00
Building and Utilities	13,304.00
Municipal & Fire Dept. Electricity	5,000.00
Office Expense	10,195.00
Town Website	carry forward & 500.00
Town Meeting and Voting	7,380.00
Professional Services	13,500.00
Tax Maps	carry forward & 1,000.00
Insurance and Bonds	12,780.00
General Assistance	from surplus

FICA	8,900.00
Medicare	2,150.00
Unemployment	from surplus
Workers Compensation	4,200.00
Health Insurance	22,213.00
Planning Board	carry forward & 500.00
Town Website	carry forward & 870.00
Comprehensive Plan	carry forward & 1,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$243,005.00</b>

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 14.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$191,976.00** for **PROTECTION AND SAFETY** for FY 20/21?

Fire Dept. Labor & Training	\$22,450.00
Fire Dept. Equipment & Operation	13,240.00
Fire Dept. Building & Utilities	carry forward & 6,600.00
Fire Dept. Donation Account	carry forward
Fire Dept. King Grant	carry forward
Fire Truck Reserve	46,640.00
Ambulance	51,667.00
Animal Control	revenue & 5,800.00
Street Lights	3,400.00
Emergency Management Agency	carry forward & 2,500.00
Communication Fee (911)	43,479.00
Health Officer	200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$191,976.00</b>

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 15.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$529,500.00** for **HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES** for FY 20/21?

Road Commissioner Salary	3,000.00
Road Maintenance	carry forward & 125,000.00
Town Road Improvement	carry forward & .00
Winter Road Maintenance	264,500.00
Paving	LRAP & 122,000.00

**Total** **\$529,500.00**

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 16.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$40,050.00** for **SANITATION** for FY 20/21?

T.C.S.W.M.O.	\$38,750.00
Maintain Old Landfill	from surplus
Septage Disposal	2,300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$40,050.00</b>

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 17.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$23,600.00** for **COMMUNITY** for FY 20/21?

Mildred Stevens Williams Memorial Library	\$10,000.00
Cemeteries	carry forward & 13,500.00
Town Park	100.00
Town Land Conservation	carry forward
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,600.00</b>

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 18.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$7,280.00** for **PROVIDER AGENCIES** for FY 20/21?

a. American Red Cross	1,750.00
b. Come Spring Food Pantry	750.00
c. Area Interfaith Outreach	600.00
d. The LifeFlight Foundation	658.00
e. Maine Public Broadcasting	250.00
f. Midcoast Community Action	800.00
g. New Hope for Women	830.00
h. Penquis	608.00
i. Spectrum Generations	940.00
j. Waldo County Community Action	94.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,280.00</b>

**Select Board and Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 19.** Shall the Town appropriate \$300,000.00 from Surplus to reduce the property tax assessment?

**Select Board & Budget Committee recommend approval.**

**ARTICLE 20.** Shall the Town allow a discount of 2% on all taxes paid in full prior to or within one month after the commitment of the list to the Tax Collector, except Excise Taxes, and authorize the Select Board to take the necessary sum from Surplus for this purpose?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 21.** Shall the Town establish that taxes shall be due and payable when billed; and that interest at the rate of 5% per annum be charged on all taxes remaining unpaid after the last day of November, 2020?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 22.** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to procure a temporary loan(s) in anticipation of taxes, for payment of obligations of the Town; such loans(s) to be paid during the current fiscal year by taxation?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 23.** Shall the Town allow the Select Board to take from Surplus the necessary amount of money to cover the interest on loans they have been authorized to procure in anticipation of taxes?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 24.** Shall the Town increase the property tax levy limit of \$ 444,714.00 established for Appleton by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 25.** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to enter into a contract with the Town of Union for Ambulance services?

**This contract to remain in effect until it is modified by the voters.  
A copy of this agreement is posted for viewing with the warrant.**

**Select Board recommends approval.**

**ARTICLE 26.** Shall the Town approve the amendment to the Tri-County Solid Waste Management Organization Interlocal Cooperative Agreement (Part 3, Administration) as appears below?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

TRI-COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION  
INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

Part 3 - ADMINISTRATION

Section 3.2 Joint Board. The operation and management responsibilities of the organization shall be delegated to Directors designated as the Joint Board. ~~At least one Director from each Member Town shall be a municipal officer. Additional Directors and alternates may be Municipal officers or municipal officials.~~ It is desirable, but not required, that Directors and alternates be municipal officers (Selectmen) or municipal officials. The apportionment of Directors among the member communities shall be as follows: one Director from each Member Town with a population of 1,000 or less; two Directors from each Member Town with a population of 1,001 to 2,500; three Directors from each Member Town with a population greater than 2,500. Initial allocation of seats on the Joint Board shall be delegated to Member Towns in accordance with populations reflected by 1988 Maine Department of Human Services census data. Subsequent allocations shall be made based upon United States Census Bureau data, beginning with 1990 reports, or upon population data provided by the Maine Department of Human Services, whichever is more current. Directors and alternates from each Member Town shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen of that town to serve a term of one year. Each Director or alternate may be reappointed to such terms indefinitely. The Board of Selectmen of each Member Town shall appoint one alternate member to the Joint Board. An alternate may be appointed by the chairman of the Joint Board as a voting member of that body at any time a Director from his or her respective Member Town is absent when a vote is

taken. Under no other circumstances may an alternate have voting power. Each Director, or voting alternate where appropriate, shall cast one vote.

**Purpose:** The purpose of this proposed amendment to the Tri-County Solid Waste Management Organization Interlocal Cooperative Agreement is to eliminate the requirement that all members of the Joint Board be either municipal officers (Selectmen) or municipal officials. Restricting membership on the Joint Board to municipal officers or officials has proven problematic. This amendment will allow the Selectmen of each Member Town to appoint non-governmental representatives to the Joint Board.

**ARTICLE 27.** Shall the Town approve the amendment to the Tri-County Solid Waste Management Organization Interlocal Cooperative Agreement (Part 4, Finance) as appears below?

**Select Board recommends approval.**

TM-COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION  
INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

Part 4 — FINANCE

Section 4.2 In-Kind Contributions.

(a) Subject to prior approval by the Joint Board, credit shall be given to the parties for in-kind contributions to the Corporation. Credit amounts shall be based upon actual costs and shall be limited to administrative overhead, office space, telephone, equipment and supplies, and to costs of obtaining real property acquired and provided by a party for a facility site.

(b) The Corporation agrees to provide an annual in-lieu-of-taxes credit ~~payment~~ to the Member Town in which the Facility is located equal to the amount of property tax revenue lost as a result of the Corporation's tax-exempt status.

**Purpose:** The purpose of this proposed amendment to the Tri-County Solid Waste Management Organization Interlocal Cooperative Agreement is to change the manner of recognizing in-kind contributions to a Member hosting the facility from an actual payment to a credit.



Given under our hands at Appleton, Maine this 12day of May, AD 2020.

**Select Board of Appleton:**

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**John Fenner**

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**Peter Beckett**

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**Lorie Costigan**

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**Charles Garrigan**

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**Danielle Gould**