

Town of Mount Desert  
Selectboard Minutes  
February 5, 2024

**Selectboard Members Present:** Chair John Macauley, Rick Mooers, Martha Dudman, Geoff Wood

Board member Wendy Littlefield was not in attendance.

**Town Employees and Officials Present:** Tax Assessor Kyle Avila, CEO Kimberly Keene, Fire Chief Mike Bender, Public Works Director Brian Henkel, Town Manager Durlin Lunt, Town Manager Claire Woolfolk, Finance Director Mae Wyler

Members of the Public were also present.

**I. Call to order at 6:30 p.m.**

Chair Macauley called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**II. Minutes**

*A. Approval of Minutes from January 16, 2024 meeting*

MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, approval of the January 16, 2024 Minutes as presented.

Motion approved 4-0.

**III. Appointments/Recognitions/Resignations**

*A. Consider appointment of Gail Marshall to the Comprehensive Planning Committee as LUZO Advisory Committee liaison*

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, appointment of Gail Marshall to the Comprehensive Planning Committee as LUZO Advisory Committee liaison as presented.

Motion approved 4-0.

*B. Appointment of Carrie Eason as Warden for the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election*

MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, appointment of Carrie Eason as Warden for the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election as presented.

Motion approved 4-0.

*C. Appointment of Heidi Smallidge as Deputy Warden for the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election*

MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Mooers seconding, appointment of Heidi Smallidge as Deputy Warden for the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election as presented.

Motion approved 4-0.

*D. Accept resignation of Paul Accomando as Building and Grounds employee effective February 16, 2024*

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, acceptance of resignation of Paul Accomando as Building and Grounds employee effective February 16, 2024 as presented.

Motion approved 4-0.

1 **IV. Consent Agenda**

2 A. *Survey of Mount Desert Island town's shellfish license allocations*

3 B. *Small Animal Clinic Contract for 2024*

4 C. *Warrant Committee Minutes of January 23, 2024*

5 D. *A Climate to Thrive Sustainability Committee – Climate Action Plan Update; listening*  
6 *session February 7, 2024*

7 E. *Acadia National Park Advisory Commission Minutes for the September 11, 2023 meeting*

8 MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, acceptance of the Consent Agenda  
9 as presented.

10 Motion approved 4-0.

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12 **V. Selectboard's Reports**

13 There were no Selectboard's Reports

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15 **VI. Unfinished Business**

16 There was no Unfinished Business.

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18 **VII. New Business**

19 A. *Public Space Special Event Application 1-2024 – MDI Farmers' Market Northeast Harbor*  
20 *Village Green; Thursdays 9am – noon from June 27 – August 29, 2024*

21 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, approval of Public Space Special  
22 Event Application 1-2024 – MDI Farmers' Market Northeast Harbor Village Green; Thursdays  
23 9am – noon from June 27 – August 29, 2024 as presented.

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25 It was noted the Event Application fee applies to the entire summer.

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27 Motion approved 4-0.

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29 B. *Public Space Special Event Application 2-2024 – Help Portrait MDI Seal Harbor Village*  
30 *Green; Saturday, October 5, 2024; 8am – noon*

31 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, approval of Public Space Special Event  
32 Application 2-2024 – Help Portrait MDI Seal Harbor Village Green; Saturday, October 5, 2024; 8am –  
33 noon as presented.

34 Motion approved 4-0.

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36 C. *Review and approve contract amendment with Haley Ward for CCA-I for the Northeast Harbor*  
37 *Village Center Improvement Project in the amount of \$79,290.91*

38 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Mooers seconding, approval of contract amendment  
39 with Haley Ward for CCA-I for the Northeast Harbor Village Center Improvement Project in the  
40 amount of \$79,290.91 as presented.

41 Motion approved 4-0.

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43 D. *Close of Town Office for election day, March 5, 2024*

44 MOTION: Mr. Wood moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, closing the Town Office for election day,  
45 March 5, 2024.

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47 Clerk Woolfolk explained that with the Town Clerks at the election and not in the office, it becomes  
48 hard on other staff. The public will be able to do things with other departments in the Town Office by  
49 appointment that day. The closure will be advertised.

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51 Motion approved 4-0.

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1 E. Consideration of authorizing Fire Chief Mike Bender to purchase a new 2024 6.5- meter rigid  
2 inflatable boat, motor, and trailer from Ribcraft USA in the amount of \$113,144.00 with said  
3 funds to be used from the Fire Department Equipment Reserve Account Number 4040300-  
4 24471 with a current unencumbered balance of \$436,354.92

5 MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, authorizing Fire Chief Mike Bender  
6 to purchase a new 2024 6.5- meter rigid inflatable boat, motor, and trailer from Ribcraft USA in  
7 the amount of \$113,144.00 with said funds to be used from the Fire Department Equipment  
8 Reserve Account Number 4040300-24471 with a current unencumbered balance of \$436,354.92  
9 as presented.

10 No vote was taken.

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12 Mr. Wood voiced concern that the purchase was not sent out to bid.

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14 Fire Chief Bender explained the type of bought he sought to purchase was the type the Fire  
15 Department has trained on. There are no Maine vendors who make it. The boat will be for both  
16 freshwater and ocean. The boat would be kept at the Somesville fire station. Quick access to both  
17 Long Pond and the ocean can occur.

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19 Further discussion ensued.

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21 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, to table the item for now, until Fire  
22 Chief Bender has a chance to look further into the purchase.  
23 Motion approved 4-0.

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25 *F. Proposed FY25 Revenue Budget review*

26 Finance Director Wyler reported the revenue estimated is derived from a budget analysis. The previous  
27 two years have been higher revenue, due to a variety of factors, including good interest rates and good  
28 deals the Town was able to reach with Bar Harbor Bank and Trust in the past year. These are factors  
29 that may not repeat themselves. Additionally, the budget has increased in the past few years. If the  
30 Town wants to maintain 10 – 12% of expenses coming out of the fund balance, to stay in compliance,  
31 \$400,000.00 is a good, conservative way to go.

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33 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Mooers seconding, endorsement of the numbers presented in  
34 the proposed FY25 Revenue Budget review.  
35 Motion approved 4-0.

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37 *G. DRAFT Warrant articles for review and votes*

38 **Article 1. To elect a Moderator by written ballot.**

39 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 1 titled  
40 "To elect a Moderator by written ballot." as presented.  
41 Motion approved 4-0.

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43 **Article 2. To elect one member to the Selectboard for a term of three years, two members to the**  
44 **Mount Desert Elementary School Board for a term of three years, and one trustee to the Mount**  
45 **Desert Island Regional School District for a term of three years.**

46 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 2 titled  
47 "To elect one member to the Selectboard for a term of three years, two members to the Mount Desert  
48 Elementary School Board for a term of three years, and one trustee to the Mount Desert Island Regional  
49 School District for a term of three years." as presented.  
50 Motion approved 4-0.

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52 **Article 3. To see if non-voters shall be allowed, when recognized, to speak during the 2024**  
53 **Annual Town Meeting.**

1 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 3 titled  
 2 "To see if non-voters shall be allowed, when recognized, to speak during the 2024 Annual Town  
 3 Meeting." as presented.  
 4 Motion approved 4-0.  
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6 **Article 4. Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled "Town of Mount Desert Alewife**  
 7 **Ordinance" be enacted?**

8 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 4 titled  
 9 "Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled 'Town of Mount Desert Alewife Ordinance' be  
 10 enacted?" as presented.  
 11 Motion approved 4-0.  
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13 **Article 5. Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled "Disbursement Warrant**  
 14 **Ordinance" of the Town of Mount Desert be enacted?**

15 MOTION: Mr. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 5 titled  
 16 "Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled 'Disbursement Warrant Ordinance' of the Town of  
 17 Mount Desert be enacted?" as presented.  
 18 Motion approved 4-0.  
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20 **Article 6. Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled "Consumer Fireworks Ordinance"**  
 21 **of the Town of Mount Desert be enacted?**

22 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 6 titled  
 23 "Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled 'Consumer Fireworks Ordinance' of the Town of  
 24 Mount Desert be enacted?" as presented.  
 25 Motion approved 4-0.  
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27 **Article 7. Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled "Special Amusement Permit**  
 28 **Ordinance" of the Town of Mount Desert be enacted?**

29 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 7 titled  
 30 "Shall an ordinance dated May 7, 2024 and entitled 'Special Amusement Permit Ordinance' of the  
 31 Town of Mount Desert be enacted?" as presented.  
 32 Motion approved 4-0.  
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34 **Article 25. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the**  
 35 **Selectboard to accept Conditional Gifts (MRSA 30-A, §5654), Unconditional Gifts (MRSA 30-A**  
 36 **§5655), equipment, proceeds from sale of fire equipment or funds on behalf of the Municipal Fire**  
 37 **Department.**

38 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 25  
 39 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Selectboard to  
 40 accept Conditional Gifts (MRSA 30-A, §5654), Unconditional Gifts (MRSA 30-A §5655), equipment,  
 41 proceeds from sale of fire equipment or funds on behalf of the Municipal Fire Department." as  
 42 presented.  
 43 Motion approved 4-0.  
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45 **Article 26. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the**  
 46 **Selectboard to accept and expend on behalf of the Town additional state, federal and other funds**  
 47 **(including gifts and grants, as well as funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act and**  
 48 **similar legislation) received during the fiscal year 2024-2025 for Town purposes, provided that**  
 49 **such additional funds do not require expenditure of local funds not previously appropriated**

50 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 26  
 51 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Selectboard to  
 52 accept and expend on behalf of the Town additional state, federal and other funds (including gifts and  
 53 grants, as well as funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act and similar legislation) received

1 during the fiscal year 2024-2025 for Town purposes, provided that such additional funds do not require  
2 expenditure of local funds not previously appropriated” as presented.  
3 Motion approved 4-0.  
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5 **Article 27. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the**  
6 **Selectboard to lease a portion of the so-called Visitor Center at the Northeast Harbor Marina to**  
7 **the Ticket Booth operators for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024 under such terms**  
8 **and conditions as the Selectboard, in its sole discretion, deems to be in the best interests of the**  
9 **Town**

10 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 27  
11 titled “To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Selectboard to  
12 lease a portion of the so-called Visitor Center at the Northeast Harbor Marina to the Ticket Booth  
13 operators for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024 under such terms and conditions as the  
14 Selectboard, in its sole discretion, deems to be in the best interests of the Town” as presented.  
15 Motion approved 4-0.  
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17 **Article 28. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the**  
18 **Selectboard, to lease a portion of the so-called Visitor Center at the Northeast Harbor Marina to**  
19 **the Mount Desert Chamber of Commerce for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024 under**  
20 **such terms and conditions as the Selectboard, in its sole discretion, deems to be in the best**  
21 **interests of the Town**

22 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 28  
23 titled “To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Selectboard, to  
24 lease a portion of the so-called Visitor Center at the Northeast Harbor Marina to the Mount Desert  
25 Chamber of Commerce for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024 under such terms and  
26 conditions as the Selectboard, in its sole discretion, deems to be in the best interests of the Town” as  
27 presented.  
28 Motion approved 4-0.  
29

30 **Article 29. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will authorize the Selectboard,**  
31 **to negotiate and enter into an agreement with the Neighborhood House Club, Inc. for**  
32 **management and maintenance of the municipal swimming pool, for a term of one (1) year**  
33 **beginning July 1, 2024 under such terms and conditions as the Selectboard, in its sole discretion,**  
34 **deems to be in the best interests of the Town.**

35 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 29  
36 titled “To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will authorize the Selectboard, to  
37 negotiate and enter into an agreement with the Neighborhood House Club, Inc. for management and  
38 maintenance of the municipal swimming pool, for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2024 under  
39 such terms and conditions as the Selectboard, in its sole discretion, deems to be in the best interests of  
40 the Town.” as presented.  
41 Motion approved 4-0.  
42

43 **Article 35. To see if the inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert (Town) will authorize the**  
44 **Selectboard, to consent to the reallocation of \$16,500 in Town funds originally contributed by the**  
45 **Town to the Mount Desert Community Development Corporation (the “CDC”) in 2019 to**  
46 **partially finance construction of a park, but which the CDC has requested be reallocated to the**  
47 **purchase of refrigeration equipment for the municipal skating rink.**

48 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 35  
49 titled “To see if the inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert (Town) will authorize the Selectboard, to  
50 consent to the reallocation of \$16,500 in Town funds originally contributed by the Town to the Mount  
51 Desert Community Development Corporation (the ‘CDC’) in 2019 to partially finance construction of a  
52 park, but which the CDC has requested be reallocated to the purchase of refrigeration equipment for the  
53 municipal skating rink.” as presented.

1 Motion approved 4-0.

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3 **Article 37. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to approve July 1,**  
4 **each year, as the date on which all taxes shall be due and payable providing that all unpaid taxes**  
5 **on September 1, of each year, shall be charged interest at an annual rate of 8.5% (percent) per**  
6 **year. (Tax Club members are exempt within the terms and conditions of the Town's Tax Club**  
7 **Agreement.)**

8 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 37  
9 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to approve July 1, each year, as  
10 the date on which all taxes shall be due and payable providing that all unpaid taxes on September 1, of  
11 each year, shall be charged interest at an annual rate of 8.5% (percent) per year. (Tax Club members are  
12 exempt within the terms and conditions of the Town's Tax Club Agreement.)" as presented.

13 Motion approved 4-0.

14  
15 **Article 38. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Tax**  
16 **Collector to enter into a standard "tax club" agreement with taxpayers whereby: (1) the taxpayer**  
17 **agrees to pay specified monthly payments to the Town based on the taxpayer's estimated and**  
18 **actual tax obligation for current year property taxes (real estate and/or personal); (2) the Town**  
19 **agrees to waive interest on timely payments; (3) the Town authorizes the Tax Collector to accept**  
20 **payment of taxes prior to commitment of taxes; (4) the agreement automatically terminates if two**  
21 **consecutive payments are missed and the taxpayer thereupon becomes subject to the same due**  
22 **date and interest rate as other nonparticipating taxpayers; (5) only taxpayers who are paid in full**  
23 **on their property tax obligations may participate; and (6) interested taxpayers shall apply**  
24 **annually for participation by the date shown on the application, date and application format to**  
25 **be determined by the Tax Collector.**

26 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 38  
27 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to  
28 enter into a standard "tax club" agreement with taxpayers whereby: (1) the taxpayer agrees to pay  
29 specified monthly payments to the Town based on the taxpayer's estimated and actual tax obligation for  
30 current year property taxes (real estate and/or personal); (2) the Town agrees to waive interest on timely  
31 payments; (3) the Town authorizes the Tax Collector to accept payment of taxes prior to commitment  
32 of taxes; (4) the agreement automatically terminates if two consecutive payments are missed and the  
33 taxpayer thereupon becomes subject to the same due date and interest rate as other nonparticipating  
34 taxpayers; (5) only taxpayers who are paid in full on their property tax obligations may participate; and  
35 (6) interested taxpayers shall apply annually for participation by the date shown on the application, date  
36 and application format to be determined by the Tax Collector." as presented.

37 Motion approved 4-0.

38  
39 **Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept pre-payment of**  
40 **property taxes not yet committed, not to exceed the estimated amount to be committed in the**  
41 **subsequent year, with no interest to be paid on same.**

42 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 39  
43 titled "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept pre-payment of property  
44 taxes not yet committed, not to exceed the estimated amount to be committed in the subsequent year,  
45 with no interest to be paid on same." as presented.

46 Motion approved 4-0.

47  
48 **Article 40. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to set the interest rate**  
49 **to be paid by the Town for abated taxes that have been paid at the rate of 4.25% (percent) per**  
50 **year.**

51 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 40  
52 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to set the interest rate to be paid  
53 by the Town for abated taxes that have been paid at the rate of 4.25% (percent) per year." as presented.

1 Motion approved 4-0.

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3 **Article 41. To see if the inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize**  
4 **expenditures to pay any tax abatements granted by the Assessor, Board of Assessment Review, or**  
5 **Selectboard together with any interest due thereon from the Town, during the fiscal year**  
6 **beginning July 1, 2024, in an aggregate amount not to exceed the property tax commitment**  
7 **overlay.**

8 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 41  
9 titled "To see if the inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize expenditures to pay  
10 any tax abatements granted by the Assessor, Board of Assessment Review, or Selectboard together with  
11 any interest due thereon from the Town, during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, in an aggregate  
12 amount not to exceed the property tax commitment overlay." as presented.

13 Motion approved 4-0.

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15 **Article 42. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the**  
16 **Selectboard to dispose by public bid of Town-owned property, other than real property, with a**  
17 **value of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) or less under such terms and conditions as it deems**  
18 **advisable.**

19 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 42  
20 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Selectboard to  
21 dispose by public bid of Town-owned property, other than real property, with a value of ten thousand  
22 dollars (\$10,000.00) or less under such terms and conditions as it deems advisable." as presented.

23 Motion approved 4-0.

24  
25 **Article 43. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the**  
26 **Selectboard to sell at public auction or by advertised sealed bid, and to convey titles obtained**  
27 **under tax deeds and under deeds of conveyance to the Inhabitants of the Town any land and/or**  
28 **buildings, including trailers, in lieu of payment of taxes except that the Selectboard have the**  
29 **power to authorize redemption. Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by**  
30 **36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than**  
31 **the former owner(s).**

32 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 43  
33 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Selectboard to  
34 sell at public auction or by advertised sealed bid, and to convey titles obtained under tax deeds and  
35 under deeds of conveyance to the Inhabitants of the Town any land and/or buildings, including trailers,  
36 in lieu of payment of taxes except that the Selectboard have the power to authorize redemption." as  
37 presented.

38 Motion approved 4-0.

39  
40 **Article 44. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the**  
41 **Selectboard to contract for services, in amounts not to exceed appropriation for same, under such**  
42 **terms and conditions as it deems advisable.**

43 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 44  
44 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to authorize the Selectboard to  
45 contract for services, in amounts not to exceed appropriation for same, under such terms and conditions  
46 as it deems advisable." as presented.

47 Motion approved 4-0.

48  
49 **Article 48. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and**  
50 **appropriate for Department 200 through 211 General Government – Governing Body**  
51 **(Selectboard), Municipal Management, Town Clerk, Registrar, Elections, Planning Board,**  
52 **Finance, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Assessment, Code Enforcement, Unallocated Funds, Human**  
53 **Resources, Technology, and Contracted Municipal and Community Oriented Services for the**

1 **2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

2 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 48  
3 titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate  
4 for Department 200 through 211 General Government – Governing Body (Selectboard), Municipal  
5 Management, Town Clerk, Registrar, Elections, Planning Board, Finance, Treasurer, Tax Collector,  
6 Assessment, Code Enforcement, Unallocated Funds, Human Resources, Technology, and Contracted  
7 Municipal and Community Oriented Services for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and in  
8 the amount of \$2,187,338.00.

9 Motion approved 4-0.

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11 **Article 49. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and**  
12 **appropriate for Department 300 General Assistance Support for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

13 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 49  
14 titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate  
15 for Department 300 General Assistance Support for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and in  
16 the amount of \$5,000.00.

17 Motion approved 4-0.

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19 **Article 50. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and**  
20 **appropriate for Department 350 Rural Wastewater Support for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

21 MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 50 titled  
22 "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for  
23 Department 350 Rural Wastewater Support for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and  
24 recommending the amount of \$232,580.00.

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26 **Article 51. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and**  
27 **appropriate for Department 406 Street Lights for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

28 MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 51 titled  
29 "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for  
30 Department 406 Street Lights for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the  
31 amount of \$12,250.00.

32 Motion approved 4-0.

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34 **Article 52. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and**  
35 **appropriate for Department 401, 405, 407 and 408 Public Safety – Police and Communications**  
36 **(Dispatch) for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

37 MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, recommending for passage Article 52 titled  
38 "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for  
39 Department 401, 405, 407 and 408 Public Safety – Police and Communications (Dispatch) for the 2024  
40 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the amount of \$ 1,640,915.00.

41 Motion approved 4-0.

42  
43 **Article 53. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and**  
44 **appropriate for Department 403,404, and 409 Public Safety – Fire Department, Hydrants, and**  
45 **Emergency Management for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

46 MOTION: Mr. Wood moved, with Mr. Mooers seconding, recommending for passage Article 53 titled  
47 "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for  
48 Department 403,404, and 409 Public Safety – Fire Department, Hydrants, and Emergency Management  
49 for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the amount of \$ 2,775,992.00.

50 Motion approved 4-0.

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52 **Article 54. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and**  
53 **appropriate for Department 501, 515, 520 and 525 Public Works - Roads, Waste Management,**



**Buildings & Grounds, Parks & Cemeteries, and 530 Environmental Sustainability for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, recommending for passage Article 54 titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 501, 515, 520 and 525 Public Works - Roads, Waste Management, Buildings & Grounds, Parks & Cemeteries, and 530 Environmental Sustainability for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the amount of \$3,224,792.00.

**Article 55. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 505 and 506 Sewers (Wastewater Treatment) for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, recommending for passage Article 55 titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 505 and 506 Sewers (Wastewater Treatment) for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the amount of \$1,237,169.00.  
Motion approved 4-0.

**Article 56. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 605 Recreation (Public Pool ~Utilities & Maintenance) for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, recommending for passage Article 56 titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 605 Recreation (Public Pool ~Utilities & Maintenance) for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the amount of \$5,900.00.

**Article 57. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 701 Economic/Community Development for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, recommending for passage Article 57 titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 701 Economic/Community Development for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the amount of \$10,000.00.

**Article 58. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 801 Debt Service for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, recommending for passage Article 58, Titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 801 Debt Service for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented and recommending the amount of \$2,030,632.00.  
Motion approved 4-0.

**Article 60. To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 991 Capital Improvement Plan transfers for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget.**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, recommending for passage Article 60 titled "To see what sum the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to raise and appropriate for Department 991 Capital Improvement Plan transfers for the 2024 - 2025 Town Budget." as presented, and recommending the amount of \$1,705,927.00.  
Motion approved 4-0.

**Article 62. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to ratify the Selectboard's approval of the Marina Proprietary Fund budget.**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, recommending for ratification Article 62

1 titled "To see if the Inhabitants of the Town of Mount Desert will vote to ratify the Selectboard's  
 2 approval of the Marina Proprietary Fund budget." as presented.  
 3 Motion approved 4-0.  
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5 **VIII. Other Business**

6 *A. Such other business as may be legally conducted*

7 At Ms. Dudman's request, Town Manager Lunt reported on his recent meeting with Acadia National  
 8 Park regarding the Otter Creek Fish House.  
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10 *B. Discussion of March 4 meeting location*

11 Town Clerk Woolfolk reported that the Meeting Room will be set up for the primary election on March  
 12 5 and unavailable for the Board to meet. The Fire Department has offered meeting room space for the  
 13 meeting.

14 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, to accept the Fire Department's offer of  
 15 Meeting space.

16 Motion approved 4-0.  
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18 *C. Discussion of Public Hearings for Appropriation of Funds and Ordinances (March 11 and/or 18)*  
 19 Scheduling of the Public Hearings ensued.  
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21 Clerk Woolfolk suggested the following meeting schedule:

22 February 26 – Third Party Requests

23 March 4 – School Presentation and Third-party Request Votes and other Warrant Articles

24 March 11 – Ordinance Public Hearing and Review

25 March 18 – Appropriations of Funds Public Hearing and Review  
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27 The Board concurred with the schedule outline.  
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29 **IX. Treasurer's Warrants**

30 *A. Approve & Sign Treasurer's Warrant as shown below:*

Town Invoices	AP#2448	2/5/2024	\$970,155.93
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$970,155.93</b>

31 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, approval and signature of the Treasurer's  
 32 Warrant as shown above.

33 Motion approved 4-0.  
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35 *B. Approve Signed Treasurer's Payroll, State Fees, & PR Benefit Warrants as shown  
 36 below:*

State Fees & PR Benefits	AP#2445	1/18/2024	\$1,914.59
	AP#2446	1/25/2024	\$100,852.41
	AP#2447	1/31/2024	\$7,547.26
Town Payroll	PR#2418	1/19/2024	\$111,966.96
	PR#2419	2/2/2024	\$167,612.38
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$389,893.60</b>

37 MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, approval of Signed Treasurer's Payroll,  
 38 State Fees, & PR Benefit Warrants as shown above.

39 Motion approved 4-0.  
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*C. Acknowledge Treasurer's Town Voided Disbursements & School Board AP/Payroll Warrants as shown below:*

School Payroll	PR#15	1/19/2024	\$200,157.63
	PR#16	2/2/2024	\$93,399.78
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$293,557.41</b>

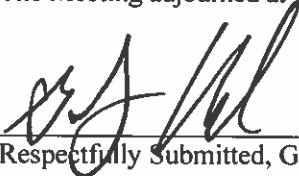
MOTION: Ms. Dudman moved, with Mr. Wood seconding, acknowledgement of Treasurer's Town Voided Disbursements & School Board AP/Payroll Warrants as shown above.  
Motion approved 4-0.

<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>\$1,653,606.94</b>
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**X. Adjournment**

MOTION: Mr. Mooers moved, with Ms. Dudman seconding, to adjourn.  
Motion approved 4-0.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

  
Respectfully Submitted, Geoffrey Wood