

TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT
SPECIAL OPEN FLOOR TOWN MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2018

Hancock County §

State of Maine

To: James K. Willis, Jr., a Constable in the Town of Mount Desert

**Kelley Auditorium, Mount Desert Elementary School
8 Joy Road, Northeast Harbor, Maine**

Town Clerk Claire Woolfolk called the meeting to order at two minutes after seven o'clock the evening of Monday, September 10, 2018. Printed copies of the Warrant were made available.

Article 1. To elect a Moderator, by written ballot, to preside at the meeting.

Deputy Town Clerk Claire Woolfolk called for nominations of Moderator. By motion and second William Ferm was nominated to serve as Moderator. A written vote was conducted, three votes were cast for Mr. Ferm, and he was duly declared Moderator. Town Clerk Claire Woolfolk swore in Mr. Ferm as Moderator. Moderator Ferm appointed and swore in Town Clerk Claire Woolfolk as Deputy Moderator.

Article 2. To see if non-voters shall be allowed, when recognized, to speak during the September 10, 2018 Special Town Meeting.

The Warrant Committee moved and seconded to pass Article 2. A voice vote was called and Article 2 passed by the 2/3 Maine Moderators Manual required.

Article 3. Shall the Town of Mount Desert be authorized to issue general obligation bonds or notes of the Town in a principal amount not to exceed \$225,000.00 to finance the purchase of a new street sweeper in accordance with the Town's purchasing policy, under such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen, in their sole discretion, deem to be in the best interest of the Town, and further shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to execute all things necessary or convenient to issue the bonds or notes of the Town, which may be callable, and to complete the purchase?

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT

1. Total Town Indebtedness

A.	Bonds outstanding and unpaid:	\$20,642,236.63
B.	Bonds authorized and unissued:	\$ 0.00
C.	Bonds to be issued under this Town Meeting Article	\$ 225,000.00
	TOTAL	\$20,867,236.63

2. Costs

At an estimated interest rate of 3.1% for a term of 5 years, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 225,000.00
Interest	\$ 18,442.00
Total Debt Service	\$ 243,442.00

3. Validity

The validity of the bonds is not 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 voters is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

Kathryn A. Mahan

The Warrant Committee moved and seconded to pass Article 3.

Questions and comments were heard and answered.

Motion to take a hand-count was called and seconded.

A voice vote was called and the Motion to take a hand-count passed.

A hand-count vote was called and Article 3 passed with 68 Ayes and 61 Nays.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following citizen petition article submitted on June 28, 2018:

That the selectman add to and reconsider Article 25 (Improvements to Main Street located in the village of Northeast Harbor) under Section 2522.

The reconsideration of underground power, telephone and internet on Main Street and supply those utilities from behind buildings with overhead poles.

To consider time line of job schedule so as not to put in danger the viability and profitability of the last existing Businesses on Main Street and surrounding Streets.

To reconsider and convey to developers, the town voters have voted in the positive to improve Main Street and that any development of buildings on Main Street be done first and that the streets and sidewalks be done last so as not to damage the new Street and side walk to further damage due to future utility and construction work.

To consider the options of incentivizing developers, established business and future businesses to help sustain future growth of an economical and viable Main Street.

The Warrant Committee moved and seconded to pass Article 5.

After discussions, Moderator Ferm suggested that a motion be made to call for a written ballot.

Motion to call for a written ballot was made and seconded.

A voice vote was called and the call for a written ballot was indeterminate by the Moderator. Moderator Ferm stated that a hand-count on the motion was needed

A hand-count vote was called and the call for a written ballot was passed with 83 Ayes and 45 Nays.

A written ballot vote was conducted and Article 4 passed with 97 Ayes and 45 Nays.

Article 5. In light of the Town's efforts in advancing the Main Street Project (including the evaluation by the Board of Selectmen after the submission of the Petition on June 28), shall the Town direct the Board of Selectmen to further reconsider the details of implementation of the Main Street Project?

The Warrant Committee moved and seconded to pass Article 5.

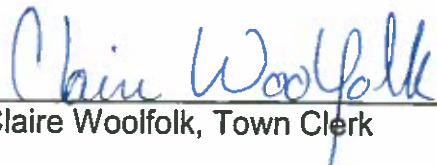
Motion to call for a written ballot was made and seconded.

A voice vote was called the Motion to call for a written ballot was passed.

A written ballot vote was conducted and Article 5 passed with 77 Ayes and 23 Nays.

At 8:40 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

Duly recorded,



Claire Woolfolk, Town Clerk

Attest: A true copy

Town Clerk
Town of Mount Desert