

**TOWN OF FRYEBURG  
SECRET BALLOT ELECTION  
AND  
TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

Tuesday, June 6, 2023  
and  
Thursday, June 8, 2023

Secret Ballot Election June 6, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
David & Doris Hastings Community Center, 59 Recreation Drive

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Town Meeting June 8, 2023  
6 p.m.  
Expo Center at the Fryeburg Fairgrounds, 1154 Main Street

To Michael McAllister, a Constable of the Town of Fryeburg, in the County of Oxford, State of Maine:

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Fryeburg in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the David & Doris Hastings Community Center, 59 Recreation Drive, in said Town on Tuesday, the 6th day of June, A.D. 2023 at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon **Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below**; the polling hours therefore to be from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet in person at the Expo Center at the Fryeburg Fairgrounds, 1154 Main Street in said Town on Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D. 2023 at six o'clock p.m., then and there to act on **Article 3 through 53** as set out below, to wit:

- Article 1.** To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting to vote by written ballot.
- Article 2.** To elect all municipal officers and school board directors as are required to be elected.
- Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$593,379 for the Administration Account.
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| Select Board recommends:     | 4-0       |
| Budget Committee recommends: | 4-0       |
| Last Year Appropriated:      | \$538,799 |
- Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$780,096 for the Law Enforcement Account.
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| Select Board recommends:     | 4-0       |
| Budget Committee recommends: | 4-0       |
| Last Year Appropriated:      | \$736,325 |
- Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$561,905 for the Solid Waste Department Account.
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| Select Board recommends:     | 4-0       |
| Budget Committee recommends: | 4-0       |
| Last Year Appropriated:      | \$507,540 |
- Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$796,352 for the Public Works Department Account.
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| Select Board recommends:     | 4-0       |
| Budget Committee recommends: | 4-0       |
| Last Year Appropriated:      | \$761,000 |

- Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$264,722 for the Fryeburg Fire Department Account.  
Select Board recommends: 3-0-1  
Budget Committee recommends: 3-0-1  
Last Year Appropriated: \$228,127
- Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$130,489 for the Library Account.  
Select Board recommends: 4-0  
Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
Last Year Appropriated: \$118,437
- Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$263,283 for the Recreation Department.  
Select Board recommends: 4-0  
Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
Last Year Appropriated: \$146,887
- Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the Equipment Capital Reserve Account for Recreation Department.  
  
Select Board recommends: 4-0  
Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
Last Year Appropriated: \$10,000
- Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the Fire Department Truck Fund Account.  
Select Board recommends: 3-0  
Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
Last Year Appropriated: \$50,000
- Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the Mountain Division Rail Trail Capital Reserve Account.  
Select Board recommends: 4-0  
Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
Last Year Appropriated: \$0
- Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$146,000 for the Public Works Truck Fund Account.  
Select Board recommends: 4-0  
Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
Last Year Appropriated: \$100,000
- Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,000 for Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Account.  
Select Board recommends: 4-0  
Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
Last Year Appropriated: \$65,000

- Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of \$326,000 from the Credit Reserve Account for the rebuilding and paving of Little Chatham Road.
- Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,525 for the Saco Valley Fire Department.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$36,925
- Article 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$142,536 for Fryeburg Rescue.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$128,877
- Article 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,540 for the Debt Service Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$17,652
- Article 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the Board of Appeals Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$500
- Article 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the Planning Board Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$2,000
- Article 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,898 for the Select Board Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 1-0-3  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$15,366
- Article 22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the Conservation Committee Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$5,000

- Article 23.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the Broadband Committee Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$5,000
- Article 24.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the Bicycles, Walkways & Trails Committee Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$2,000
- Article 25.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 for the Parks, Open Spaces, & Beautification Committee Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$2,000
- Article 26.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120,331 for the Professional Services Account.  
 Legal Services \$35,000  
 Auditing Services \$24,750  
 Town Web Site \$ 2,481  
 Mapping Services \$ 5,100  
 Engineering Services \$ 20,000  
 Contract Assessing Services \$33,000  
  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$56,813
- Article 27.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the General Assistance Account.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$10,000
- Article 28.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$159,838 for the Civil Services Account.  
 Animal Control \$ 8,943  
 Generator Maintenance \$ 1,800  
 Tree Removal \$ 9,000  
 Street and Traffic Lights \$ 24,350  
 Hydrants \$115,745  
  
 Select Board recommends: 3-1  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$159,873

- Article 29.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,675 for the maintenance and electricity of Town Parks.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$17,430
- Article 30.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,745 for the annual expenses for Town Buildings.  
 Old Town Garage \$300  
 Former Registry of Deeds \$1,300  
 American Legion \$9,145  
  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$10,000
- Article 31.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the town owned Eastern Slope Regional Airport.  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$20,000
- Article 32.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$209,300 for Unclassified Town Insurance Accounts.  
 Unemployment \$6,300  
 Property, Casualty, Bonding, Liability \$68,000  
 Contingency \$20,000  
 Retirement \$115,000  
  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$191,000
- Article 33.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,882 for Social Service Agencies.  
 Social Service Agencies \$11,322  
 Food Pantries \$9,060  
 Senior Property Tax Assistance \$2,500  
  
 Select Board recommends: 4-0  
 Budget Committee recommends: 4-0  
 Last Year Appropriated: \$21,065

**Article 34.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,071 for Unclassified Service Organizations.

Harvest Hills Animal Shelter	\$3,369
Fryeburg Fish & Game	\$1,000
Maine Municipal Association	\$4,850
Southern Maine Planning/Development	\$1,302
Saco River Corridor Commission	\$1,050
MWV Economic Devel. Council	\$150
Maine Tourism Association	\$350

Select Board recommends:	4-0
Budget Committee recommends:	4-0
Last Year Appropriated:	\$10,630

**Article 35.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,350 for Unclassified Events.

Memorial Day Parade	\$500
Markers and Flags for Veterans Graves	\$850
Miscellaneous Town Events	\$1,000

Select Board recommends:	4-0
Budget Committee recommends:	4-0
Last Year Appropriated:	\$1,350

**Article 36.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000 from the Credit Reserve Account to be used towards sidewalk reconstruction projects.

**Article 37.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of \$126,000 from the Credit Reserve Account to be used towards Public Works truck replacement(s).

**Article 38.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of a \$22,600 surplus in the Transfer Station Vehicle/Equipment Capital Reserve Account from the 2023 fiscal year to resurface and pave areas at the Transfer Station.

**Article 39.** Shall an ordinance entitled "June 2023 Amendments to the Land Use Ordinance Regarding Solar Energy Systems" be enacted?

Copies of the text of the ordinance are available from the Town Clerk.

**Article 40.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to carry forward any fund balance in excess of 15%, in accordance with the Fund Balance Policy, to a Credit Reserve Account, and to authorize the Select Board, by majority vote, to transfer up to \$5,000 for any single occurrence, with a maximum not to exceed \$25,000 in a fiscal year, to be used for unexpected occurrences.

- Article 41.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate 100% of the money received from the State for snowmobile registration fees to the Fryeburg Area Snowmobile Association for the maintenance of snowmobile trails, on the condition that those trails be open in snow season to the public for outdoor recreation at no charge and to authorize the Select Board to enter into an agreement with the Club, under such terms and conditions as the Board deems advisable, for that purpose.
- Article 42.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$5,000 from the cable franchise fee received from Charter Communications to pay to the Town of Conway for the continued coverage of Fryeburg municipal meetings and other Fryeburg events; and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with The Town of Conway, under such terms and conditions as the municipal officers deem advisable, for that purpose.
- Article 43.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed, and pay no interest on those prepayments, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §506.
- Article 44.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to collect taxes twice a year and to establish October 15, 2023 and April 15, 2024 as the due dates, and to charge interest on each of the unpaid balances at 8% annually after October 15, 2023 and April 15, 2024, respectively.
- Article 45.** To see if the Town will vote to pay no interest on abated taxes or on overpayment of taxes for the tax year 2024 pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §506 (A).
- Article 46.** To see if the Town will permit the Tax Collector to waive unintentional tax interest payment shortages in an amount not to exceed \$5.00.
- Article 47.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to accept or reject donations of personal property and/or to accept or reject gifts of money to the various accounts of the town upon such terms and conditions as the Select Board deems appropriate and to expend those moneys donated for specific purposes.
- Article 48.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to accept monies and/or grants from State, Federal and other sources, on the Town's behalf for purposes which the Select Board determine to be in the best interest of the Town; to accept such monies including, when necessary, the authority to sign contract and related documents and to accept conditions of approval; and to authorize the Select Board to expend such monies where they deem is in the best interest of the town.



**Article 49.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon; on such terms as they deem advisable, and to give public notice of sale and solicit sealed bids in a local newspaper, and execute a quitclaim deed without covenants; but before sale, if the former owner or owners of the property, or his or her successor in interest, pays all the outstanding indebtedness due, then the municipal officers may execute a quitclaim deed without covenants to sell and convey the property to him or her.

**Article 50.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of Town owned personal property with a value of \$25,000 or less, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

**Article 51.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all undesignated revenues, to include, but not limited to: Excise Tax, Tree Growth Reimbursement, Veteran Exempt Reimbursement, Boat Excise Tax, Building Permit Fees, Town Agent Fees, Town Clerk Fees, Plumbing & Building Permit Fees, Revenue Sharing, and Miscellaneous Revenues to be used to reduce the property tax commitment.

**Article 52.** To see if the Town will appropriate from credit reserve the overdrafts to Town accounts as of June 30, 2023.

**Article 53.** To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy established for the Town of Fryeburg by Maine State Law LD1 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.

Note: It is not projected that the Town's budget will exceed tax levy limits established by State law, but as a preventative housekeeping action it is recommended the Town vote to approve.

Dated this 27th day of April, 2023 in the Town of Fryeburg, County of Oxford and State of Maine.

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS  
TOWN OF FRYEBURG**

Thomas Kingsbury, Chair



James Tyrrell



Richard Murray



Kimberly Clarke



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ATTESTED BY: Theresa Shaw DATE 5/1/2023  
Theresa Shaw, Town Clerk, Fryeburg, Maine