

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
JUNE 24, 2024**

6:30 PM Kristy Crawford opens the Meeting.

ARTICLE 1 TO CHOOSE A MODERATOR BY WRITTEN BALLOT.

Larry Hill nominates Kenneth "Skip" Colson as moderator. 3 votes for, 0 votes against. Motion passes.
Skip appoints Winthrop "Ted" Carter as deputy moderator.

ARTICLE 2 TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM.

Emma Hill Nominates Stephen Seavey. 9 Votes for, 0 against. Nomination passes.

**ALEXANDER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
WARRANT ARTICLES 2024-2025**

ARTICLE 3 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR THE REGULAR EDUCATION PROGRAM.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$673,374.00

Motion made to accept as written by Winthrop Carter, Seconded by Larry Hill. 26 YES 17 NO.
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 4 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR THE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$241,563.00

Motion made to accept as written by Emma Hill, Seconded by Winthrop Carter. 29 YES 16 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 5 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$0.00

Motion made to accept as written by Brittany Seavey, Seconded by Larry Hill. 37 YES 0 NO
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 6 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR OTHER INSTRUCTION.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$7,431.00

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, Seconded by Amanda Posick. 28 YES 16 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 7 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR STUDENT AND STAFF SUPPORT.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$31,747.00

Motion made to accept as written by Emma Hill, Seconded by Stephen Seavey. 31 YES 19 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 8 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$85,080.00

Motion made to accept as written by Winthop Carter, Seconded by Stephen Seavey. 31 YES 15 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 9 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR **SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION.**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$81,457.00

Motion made to accept as written by Brittany Seavey, Seconded by Logan Lord. 28 YES 18 NO
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 10 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR **TRANSPORTATION AND BUSES.**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$85,500.00

Motion made to accept as written by Emma Hill, Seconded by Logan Lord. 29 YES 16 NO.
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 11 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR **FACILITIES MAINTENANCE.**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$119,830.00

Motion made to accept as written by Larry Hill, Seconded by Stephen Seavey. 31 YES 18 NO
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 12 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR **DEBT SERVICE AND OTHER COMMITMENTS.**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$0.00

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, Seconded by Amanda Posick. 43 YES 0 NO.
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 13 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR **ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES.**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$63,206.00

Motion made to accept as written by Betty Wallace, Seconded by Larry Hill. 28 YES 18 NO
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 14 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL APPROPRIATE FOR THE TOTAL COST OF FUNDING PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM GRADE K TO GRADE 12 AS DESCRIBED IN THE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FUNDING ACT **(RECOMMEND \$752,523.06)** AND TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL RAISE AS THE TOWN'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOTAL COST OF FUNDING PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM GRADE K TO GRADE 12 AS DESCRIBED IN THE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FUNDING ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUES, TITLE 20-1, SECTION 15688.

EXPLANATION: THE TOWN'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOTAL COST OF FUNDING PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM GRADE K TO GRADE 12 AS DESCRIBED IN THE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FUNDING ACT IS THE AMOUNT OF MONEY DETERMINED BY STATE LAW TO BE THE MINIMUM AMOUNT THAT THE TOWN MUST RAISE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE FULL AMOUNT OF STATE DOLLARS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$418,825.34

Motion made to accept as written by Winthrop Carter, Seconded by Stephen Seavey. 27 YES 18 No Motion passes.

ARTICLE 15 SHALL THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$420,664.94 IN ADDITIONAL LOCAL FUNDS WHICH EXCEEDS THE STATE'S ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FUNDING MODEL BY \$420,664.94.

THE COST OF EDUCATION PER STUDENT IS GENERALLY HIGHER AT SMALL, RURAL SCHOOLS, AND THE COST TO DELIVER K-8 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES IN ALEXANDER FOR 2024-2025, EXCEEDS THE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES GENERAL FUNDING MODEL BY \$420,664.94.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A "YES" VOTE

Motion made to accept as written made by Stephen Seavey, Seconded by Josie Wallace. 25 YES 19 NO Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 16 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND \$83,206.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025 FOR THE 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.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A "YES" VOTE

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, Seconded by Amanda Posick. 28 YES 18 No Motion passes.

ARTICLE 17 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO EXPEND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025 FROM THE TOWN'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOTAL COST OF FUNDING PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM GRADE K TO GRADE 12 AS DESCRIBED IN THE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FUNDING ACT, NON-STATE-FUNDING 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.

EXPLANATION: THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE BUDGET ADOPTED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ON MAY 14TH, 2024 TOTALS \$1,472,394.00 WHICH IS ACHIEVED WHEN ARTICLES 15 AND 16 ARE COMBINED.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$1,389,188.00

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Winthrop Carter. 27 YES 19 NO Motion Passes:

ARTICLE 18 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS

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 OR PROGRAMS OR OTHER SOURCES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR FOR SCHOOL AND OTHER PROGRAM PURPOSES, PROVIDED

THAT SUCH GRANTS, PROGRAMS OR OTHER SOURCES DO NOT REQUIRE THE EXPENDITURE OF OTHER FUNDS NOT PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED?

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A "YES" VOTE

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Brittany Seavey. 43 YES 0 NO
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 19 AUTHORIZES USE OF ADDITIONAL STATE SUBSIDY

IN THE EVENT THAT THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER RECEIVES MORE STATE EDUCATION SUBSIDY THAN THE AMOUNT INCLUDED IN ITS BUDGET, SHALL THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE BE AUTHORIZED TO USE ALL OR PART OF THE ADDITIONAL STATE SUBSIDY TO INCREASE EXPENDITURES FOR THE SCHOOL PURPOSES IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, INCREASE THE ALLOCATION OF FINANCES IN A RESERVE FUND 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?

SCHOOL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS A "YES" VOTE

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, Seconded by Larry Hill. 44YES 0 NO
Motion Passes.

**ALEXANDER MUNICIPAL
WARRANT ARTICLES 2024-2025**

ARTICLE 20 TO ASK IF THERE ARE ANY DISCUSSIONS OF THE OFFICERS' REPORTS.
None

ARTICLE 21 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES OF STATE FUNDS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024.

MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING
LOCAL ROAD ASSISTANCE
STATE AID TO EDUCATION (INCLUDES FEDERAL PASS-THROUGH FUNDS AND PROPERTY RELIEF)
SNOWMOBILE REGISTRATION MONEY
TREE GROWTH REIMBURSEMENTS
VETERAN'S EXEMPTION REIMBURSEMENTS
HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION REIMBURSEMENTS
OPEN SPACE REIMBURSEMENTS
GENERAL ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENTS
CIVIL EMERGENCY FUNDS
STATE GRANTS OR OTHER FUNDS

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A "YES" VOTE.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Ralph Feck. 38 YES 0 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 22 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF REIMBURSED MONEY RECEIVED FROM THE REGISTRATION OF SNOWMOBILES TO THE BREAKNECK MOUNTAIN SNORIDERS, INC. CLUB FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING THEIR SNOWMOBILE TRAILS TO BE OPEN FOR THE USE OF THE PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CLUB UNDER SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS MAY DEEM ADVISABLE, FOR THAT PURPOSE.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A "YES" VOTE.

Motion made to accept as written by Ralph Feck, seconded by Brittany Seavey. 38 YES 0 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 23 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR ADMINISTRATION FOR TOWN BUSINESS.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$92,238.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, Seconded by Ralph Feck. 33 YES 7 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 24 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE \$35,000.00 FROM THE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE INTO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNT.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A "YES" VOTE.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Betty Wallace. 29 YES 8 NO
Motin Passes

ARTICLE 25 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR ANIMAL WELFARE.

EXPLANATION: THE ANIMAL CONTROL RESERVE ACCOUNT HAS \$3586.00, AND THAT MONEY WILL BE USED TO PAY THE ACO FOR THE YEAR. STIPEND REMAINS AT \$1,500.00

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$0.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Deborah Feck. 40 YES 0 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 26 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR COUNTY TAX.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$123,005.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Betty Wallace. 28 YES 8 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 27 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE OPERATIONAL COSTS, STIPENDS, AND EARNINGS OF THE ALEXANDER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

AMOUNT REQUESTED:

OPERATIONAL COSTS; \$14,000.00

STIPENDS AND EARNINGS; \$5,000.00

FIT TEST; \$200.00

TOTAL; **\$19,200.00**

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$19,200.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Dave Sullivan, seconded by Stephen Seavey. 38 YES 2 SPOILED
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 28 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR GENERAL ASSISTANCE.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$3500.00.

Motion made to accept as written Stephen Seavy, seconded by Betty Wallace. 26 YES 1 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 29 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE **\$55,000.00** FROM THE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE FOR SOLID WASTE.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A "YES" VOTE

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Ralph Feck. 30 YES 2 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 30 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE **\$140,000.00.** OF EXCISE TAX FUNDS INTO THE ROAD ACCOUNT.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A "YES" VOTE.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Ralph Feck. 31 YES 2 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 31 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE **\$21,000.00** FROM THE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE FOR THE ROAD ACCOUNT.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A "YES" VOTE.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Betty Wallace. 31 YES 2 NO
Motion Passes.

ARTICLE 32 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE AMBULANCE SERVICE (DEEMS).

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$12,072.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephe Seavey, seconded by Emma Hill. 28 YES 1 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 33 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE FOREST FIRE FUND.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$6,000.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Betty Wallace, seconded by Emma Hill. 26 YES 1 NO Motion
Passes

ARTICLE 34 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE CEMETERY ACCOUNT

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$5,000.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Betty Wallace, seconded by Dorthy Sullivan. 27 YES 0 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 35 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE CAPITAL INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$1,000.00.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Dorthy Sullivan. 23 YES 2 NO 1
SPOILED Motion Passes

ARTICLE 36 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR DOWNEAST COMMUNITY PARTNERS.

EXPLANATION: THE DONATION RESERVE ACCOUNT HAS \$2660.00, DCP HAS REQUESTED \$3242.45

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$583.00

Motion made to accept as written by Cassie Oakes, seconded by Joe Manza. 24 YES 1 NO Motion
Passes

ARTICLE 37 TO SEE WHAT SUM THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE TOWN BUILDING MAINTAINANCE ACCOUNT.

SELCECTMEN RECOMMEND \$3000.00

Motion made to accept as written by Betty Wallace, seconded by Edward Richard. 24 YES 1 NO
Motion Passes

ARTICLE 38 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO ALLOW INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON PROPERTY TAXES, WHICH REMAIN UNPAID 120 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF COMMITMENT AT THE MAXIMUM RATE OF INTEREST THAT CAN BE CHARGED PER M.R.S.A 505(4).

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A "YES" VOTE.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Ralph Feck. 22 YES 11 NO Motion
Passes

ARTICLE 39 TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDER WILL VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECTMEN, ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN, TO SELL AND DISPOSE OF ANY REAL ESTATE ACQUIRED TO THE TOWN FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES THERE ON IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

“AFTER THE LIEN ON SAID PROPERTY IS EXPIRED THE SELECTMEN SHALL ADVERTISE IN THE LOCAL CALAIS ADVERTISER AND SELL OR CONVEY BY QUIT-CLAIM DEED TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER (BUT RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS) OR THE PROPERTY MAY BE KEPT AND MAINTAINED BY THE TOWN, SHOULD THE SELECTMEN DECIDE THIS TO BE MORE ADVANTAGEOUS.”

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A “YES” VOTE.

Motion made to accept as written by Stephen Seavey, seconded by Jane Manza. 29 YES 0 NO Motion Passes

IF ALL ARTICLES ARE APPROVED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET (NOT INCLUDING SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS OR COUNTY TAX) WILL BE \$393,593.00

Respectfully Submitted:

Lesliann Howard Barnard
Deputy Clerk.