

1996 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT VOTE

MARCH 1 & 2, 1996

Judy Biggar, Town Clerk, read the greeting of the Town Meeting warrant.

Article 1: Alden Peterson, elected on motion, second & written ballot. Oath on file.

Article 2: a) Selectmen, Assessor, Overseer of Poor -

2 positions Timothy S. Doyle 171 votes - elected - oath on file.

William B. Nickerson 145 votes - elected - oath on file.

b) MSAD#52 School Board Director -

1 position Sheldon E. Bubier 91 votes elected - oath on file.

Lura A Maxwell 68 votes

Lionel N. Morin 25 votes

199 Votes cast

Article 3: Two members to Ella Augusta Thompson Committee -

Richard Ray & Barbara C Bubier

Article 4: One member to Julia Adams Morse Library -

Patricia Rose

Article 5: Eight members and Selectmen chair to Budget Committee -

Alden Peterson

Steve Goulet

Arthur Lawrence

Phil Moreau

Richard Sanford

Daniel Moreau

Brenda Theriault

Robert Coady

Article 6: One five year member and two one year alternate members to Planning Board -

Robert Valentine (5 year)

Richard Sanford & Bruce Tufts (Alternate)

Article 7: Voted to carry balances and overdrafts for the ensuing year.

Article 8: Voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12ths of the budget amount in each budget category except for the Winter Road Account expend as needed of the 1996 annual budget during the period from January 1, 1997 to the 1997 annual Town Meeting.

Article 9: Voted to accept the following categories of funds listed below as provided by the State of Maine Legislature and transfer those funds to the following accounts.

State Revenue Sharing	Reduce Commitment
Tree Growth Reimburse	Unappropriated Funds
Veteran's Exemption	Unappropriated Funds
Local Road Assistance	Tarring
Library Stipend	Library
Railroad Crossing	Summer Roads
Block Grant for Teacher	
Certification Funds	Reduce Commitment
General Assistance Funds	General Assistance
Snowmobile Registrations	Greene Dragons
Farmland/Open Space	
Exemption	Reduce Commitment
State Grants or Other Funds	Reduce Commitment

Article 10: Voted to set July 15, 1996 as date of commitment for Real Estate and Personal Property.

Article 11: Voted to allow a discount of 5% on Real Estate and Personal Property taxes paid in full thirty days from date of commitment, August 14, 1996 no later than 5 PM (postmarks will not be accepted).

Article 12: Voted to set 10.75% per annum interest on all real estate and personal property taxes paid after September 13, 1996 at 5PM (postmarks will not be accepted).

Article 13: Voted to authorize the Selectmen and Tax Collector to "Write-off" uncollectible personal property taxes to surplus, as recommend by the Auditor.

Article 14: Voted to see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired from non-payment of taxes, the Selectmen may sell at a public auction or by sealed bids after advertising 30 days on Channel 4 and in the newspaper with option for owner to quick claim deed for payment of all back taxes, interest and costs due prior to the date of advertising.

Article 15: Voted to permit the Tax Collector to accept payment of real estate and personal property taxes prior to the date of commitment of the real estate and personal property taxes to the Tax Collector and to pay no interest on such prepayments.

Article 16: Voted to set 8% interest per annum for overpayment of real estate and personal property taxes.

Article 17: Voted to set 8% interest per annum on abated real estate and personal property taxes.

Article 18: Voted to appropriate dollars out of the money received from the registration of snowmobiles to the Greene Dragons Snowmobile Club for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails, to be open to the use of the public at all times, and to authorize the Municipal Officers to enter an agreement with the Club, under such terms and conditions as the Municipal Officers may deem advisable, for that purpose, to whatever type of vehicle the landowner will allow on his property.

Article 19: Voted to transfer the following fees to Unappropriated Fund Account at the end of the year. Town fees collected from: Registrations - Vehicle, ATV, Snowmobile, Watercraft; Licenses - Hunting & Fishing; Marriage; Certificates - Birth & Death; Fees - Building Permits.

Article 20: Voted to accept "Town of Greene - Appeals Board Ordinance".

Article 21: Voted not to accept "Town of Greene - Conservation Commission Bylaws".

Article 22: Voted for the Town to establish a Capital Reserve Fund, Raise \$15,000, incur funds and interest to remain in the fund, expended only at Annual Town Meeting approval.

Article 23: Voted to allow the Cable TV Committee to make copies of the meeting tapes and sell them for costs of reproduction of the tapes, \$5.00 charge for copy, the money is to be used for more tapes.

Article 24: Voted to pay the full-time town employees the following holidays:
New Year's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July Day, Labor Day,
Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Day and
Floating holiday.

Article 25: Voted to direct the Selectmen to pursue the legal steps to institute the line item budget format for MSAD #52. Hand Vote 59 yes 0 no.

Article 26: Voted to the following paid vacations for full-time employees:

After 1 year employment - 1 week vacation
After 2 years employment - 2 weeks vacation
After 8 years employment - 3 weeks vacation

Article 27: Voted to Raise \$9700.00 and carry balance of \$224.45 for Computer Expense Account.

Article 28: Voted to pay town employees the following:

First Asst To Town Manager	\$9.00 hour
Asst to Town Manager	\$8.50 hour
Part-time Office Help	\$6.00-8.00 hour
Road Foreman	\$10.00 hour
Equipment Operator	\$8.50 hour
Truck Driver & Laborers	\$8.00 hour
Custodian & Genl Laborers	\$5.00-7.00 hour
Landfill Equipment Operator	\$8.25 hour
Asst Landfill Operator	\$6.25 hour
Selectmen	\$2000. Salary/year
Town Manager	\$32500. (Salary \$29000. Benefits \$3500)
Health Officer	\$300. Salary
Code Enforcement Officer	\$5720. Salary
Election Clerks	\$5.00 hour
Moderator	\$0.00 - \$100.00 per meeting
Asst Plumbing Inspector	75% of Plumbing Permit fees

Article 29: Voted to raise \$77648.93; transfer \$15000. from unappropriated; carry balance of \$5371.07 and 75% of Plumbing Permit fees for Administrative Wages.

Article 30: Voted to raise \$8159.42; transfer \$15000. from unappropriated; carry balance of \$2840.58 plus income for Administrative Expense.

Article 31: Voted to raise \$918.10 and carry balance of \$1331.90 for Mileage Expense Account - pay \$.25 per mile.

Article 32: Voted to raise \$2136.31 and carry balance of \$363.69 for Photocopier Expense Account.

Article 33: Voted to raise money for County Tax. Amount to be determined at time of commitment.

Article 34: Voted to raise \$16500.00 and carry balance of \$1375.00 for Hired Assessing.

Article 35: Voted to raise \$16000.00 and carry balance of \$7434.08 for Fire Protection Account.

Article 36: Voted to raise \$500.00 and carry balance of \$1586.65 for Emergency Management Account.

Article 37: Voted to raise \$3968.42; transfer \$110000.00 from Excise, carry balance of \$6031.58 plus income for Summer Road Maintenance Expense Account. .

Article 38: Voted to raise \$5756.31; transfer \$80000.00 from Excise and carry balance of \$243.69 for Winter Road Maintenance Expense Account.

Article 39: Voted to overdraft Winter Road Maintenance Expense Account up to 10% with funding from Unappropriated Funds if needed.

Article 40: Voted to Raise \$21311.19; transfer \$23724.81 from Excise, accept grant of \$68664.00 and carry balance of \$21311.19 for Tarring Expense Account.

Article 41: Voted to Raise \$2378.37; transfer \$22000.00 from Excise, and carry balance of \$121.63 for Equipment Repair Expense.

Article 42: Voted to Transfer \$4000.00 from Excise and carry balance of \$276.30 for Equipment Purchase Expense Account.

Article 43: Voted to Raise \$98562.29, carry balance of \$15989.72 plus income for Landfill Operational Expense Account.

Article 44: Voted to Raise \$38734.63 and carry balance of \$6511.37 for Town Insurance Expense Account.

Article 45: Voted to \$23023.40 and carry balance of \$5085.00 for Employee Health Insurance Expense Account. This is to pay employee's share and 50% of dependent coverage for health. Pay employee's share and 25% of dependent coverage for dental. To be voted on at each town meeting.

Article 46: Voted to Raise \$17284.37 and carry balance of \$995.63 for FICA Insurance Expense Account.

Article 47: Voted to Raise \$6239.51 and carry balance of \$1760.49 for Unemployment Compensation Expense Account.

Article 48: Voted to Raise \$27410.56 and carry balance of \$1464.44 for Utilities Expense Account.

Article 49: Voted to Raise \$2450.13 and carry balance of \$3549.87 for Building Maintenance Expense Account.

Article 50: Voted to Carry Balance of \$12985.15 for Legal Expense Account.

Article 51: Voted to Raise \$2500.00 for purchasing books for Julia Adams Morse Library.

Article 52: Voted to Raise \$ 9771.96, plus grants and income for Operations of the Julia Adams Morse Library.

Article 53: Voted to Raise \$ 666.20 and carry balance of \$3333.80 plus income for Planning Board Expense.

Article 54: Voted to Raise \$ 927.18 and carry balance of \$997.82 plus income for Appeals Board Expense.

Article 55: Voted to Raise \$4229.51 and carry balance of \$5770.49 plus income for General Assistance Expense Account.

Article 56: Voted to Raise \$3000.00 and carry balance of \$1731.00 for Town Records Preservation Account.

Article 57: Voted to carry balance of \$5736.11 and income for Cable Expense Account.

Article 58: Voted to allow the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with Community Service Telephone for BBS services and the \$250.00 annual payment to be paid from Cable Expense Account.

Article 59: Voted to Raise \$200.00 for Septic Waste Disposal Contract Expense Account.

Article 60: Voted to Raise \$4000.00 for Youth Athletics Expense Account.

Article 61: Voted to Raise \$7404.88 and carry balance of \$2245.01 for Conservation Commission Expense Account.

Article 62: Voted to Raise \$2895.00 and carry balance of \$55.00 plus income for Animal Control Officer Expense Account.

Article 63: Voted to Raise \$2226.00 and carry balance of \$73.00 for Animal Control SPCA Expense Account.

Article 64: Voted to Raise \$40000.00; transfer \$50000.00 from Excise and carry overdraft of \$9906.84 for Tax Discount Expense Account.

Article 65: Voted to overdraft the Tax Discount Expense Account with funding coming from Unappropriated Fund Account.

Article 66: Voted to Raise \$0.00 and transfer income to Unappropriated Fund Account for Debt and Interest Account.

Article 67: Voted to Raise \$0.00 and transfer income to Unappropriated Fund Account for Tax Cost and Interest Account.

Article 68: Voted to Raise \$2000.00 and carry balance of \$603.97 for Cemetery Care Expense Account.

Article 69: Voted to Raise \$200.00 for Memorial Day Flags Account.

Article 70: Voted to Raise \$9450.00 for Charities Account to be expended as follows:

American Red Cross	\$ 250.00
Community Concepts	\$ 250.00
RCAM	\$3300.00
Sexual Assault Crisis Center	\$ 250.00
Western Area Agency Aging	\$ 500.00
White Dove Food	\$3500.00
Head Start	\$ 150.00
Bicentennial Scholarship	\$1000.00
Advocacy for Children	\$ 250.00

Article 71: Voted to accept money received from the State for Library Capita to be given to the Julia Adams Morse Library.

Article 72: Voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to expend up to \$15000 from Unappropriated Funds for the purpose of replacing malfunctioning waster water disposal systems pursuant to 30-A MRSA 83428 and Dangerous Buildings pursuant to Title 17ss 2851, bout only after the Selectmen have exhausted all other avenues of funding. Any funds expended from Unappropriated Funds should be recovered by a special tax against any real estate as provided in 30-A MRSA ss 3428 (4) (B) and Title 17 ss 2853. Any such tax will be liened against real estate and interest will be charged at the annual rate, 60 days after commitment of said tax. A strict accounting will be maintained at the Town Office.

Article 73: Voted to authorize the Selectment to dispose of any town-owned personel property with a value of \$500.00 or less after advertising on Channel 4 and in local newspaper.

Article 74: Voted to allocate Excise Tax Funds as follows:

Tax Discounts	\$ 50000.00
Summer Roads	\$110000.00
Winter Roads	\$ 80000.00
Tarring	\$ 23724.81
Equipment Repair	\$ 22000.00
Equipment Purchase	\$ 4000.00

Article 75: Voted to allocate Unappropriated Funds as follows:

Administrative Wages	\$ 15000.00
Administrative Expense	\$ 15000.00

Article 76: Voted to transfer Overlay and Excise Tax Balances after transfers to the Unappropriated Fund Account.

A true copy of the minutes taken.

Sally Ann Hebert

Deputy Town Clerk