

2006 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Androscoggin s.s.

State of Maine

To Alden Peterson a resident of the Town of Greene, in the county of Androscoggin,

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Greene, in said county, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Municipal Office Building, in said Town, on **Friday the 3rd day of March, A.D. 2006 at 7:00 o'clock** in the forenoon, then and there to act on Articles 1 and 2.

And to notify and warn said voters to meet at the Greene Central School Gymnasium in said Town, on **Saturday, the 4th day of March, A.D. 2006 at 9:00 o'clock** in the forenoon to then and there to act on Articles 3 through 56.

Article 1: To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2: To elect all necessary officers:

1. One Selectman, position includes Assessor and Overseer of Poor Position, (three years).
2. One MSAD #52 School Board Director Position (three years).

The polls for voting on Article 2 will open at 7: 00 o'clock in the forenoon and will close at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

Article 3: To choose two members of the Ella Augusta Thompson Committee.

Article 4: To choose two members of the Julia Adams Morse Library Committee.

Article 5: To choose a Budget Committee for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **Eight Members and Selectmen Chairman (or designee).**

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12ths of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2006 annual budget, except Road Maintenance and Administrative Expense, during the period from January 1, 2007 to the 2007 annual town meeting. The Road Maintenance and Administrative Expense Budgets can be expended up to 6/12ths during the period from January 1, 2007 to the 2007 annual town meeting.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**
Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to set June 26, 2006 as date of commitment for Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**
Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 5% on real estate and personal property taxes paid in full thirty (30) days from the date of tax commitment, July 27, 2006 no later than 4:30 p.m. (Postmarks will not be accepted) to the Tax Collector and raise and/or appropriate for that purpose.

Selectmen recommends: **Accept as read.**
Budget Committee recommends: **No Discount (4-3)**

Article 9: To see if the Town will set a date and fix a rate of interest to be charged on real estate and personal property taxes unpaid after said date.

Selectmen and Budget Committee **(6-1)** recommend: **6 %** per annum interest on all real estate and personal property taxes paid after **September 28, 2006** at 4:30 p.m. (Postmarks will not be accepted)

Article 10: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired from nonpayment of taxes, the Selectmen may sell at a public auction or by sealed bids after advertising for 30 days on Channel 7 and in the newspaper(s) with option for the owner to quick claim deed for payment of all back taxes, interest and costs due prior to the date of advertising.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as Read**
Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of any Town owned personal property with a value of \$ 2,000.00 or less after advertising on Channel 7 and in locations of public notice posting.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**
Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 12: To see if the Town will authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. s.s 506 and to pay no interest on such prepayments.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**
Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to set a rate of interest for overpayment of Real Estate and Personal Property taxes.

Selectmen recommend: **2%**
Budget Committee recommends: **2% (5-2)**

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during this fiscal year.

Selectmen recommend: **2%**
Budget Committee recommends: **2% (7-0)**

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote 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, which are open to the public at all times, and to authorize the Municipal Officers to enter into an agreement with the Club, under conditions that Municipal Officers may deem advisable, for the purpose, to whatever type of vehicle the landowner will allow on his property.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**
Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 16: To see if the Town will adopt an increase to the existing wage scale by 3.0. %.
(This increase reflects a cost of living increase for the town employees.)

Selectmen recommend: **3%**
Budget Committee recommends: **3% (7-0)**

Article 17: To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Administrative Wages Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Dept/Div: 01-05 Administration	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
Compensation	2006	2006
10-01 Town Manager	56,000.00	56,000.00
10-03 Code Enforcement Officer	33,000.00	33,000.00
10-04 Assists to the Town Manager	88,500.00	88,500.00
10-06 Election Workers	1,200.00	1,200.00
10-07 Selectmen	12,500.00	12,500.00
10-12 Custodian	1,500.00	1,500.00
10-13 Health Officer	300.00	300.00
10-14 Unemployment Compensation	7,000.00	7,000.00
Total Compensation	200,000.00	200,000.00

Selectmen recommend: **\$200,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$200,000.00 (6-0-1)**

Article 18: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Employee Expense/Benefit Account** for the ensuing year.

Employee Expense	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
11-09 FICA Medicare	28,732.00	28,732.00
11-12 Staff Mileage	800.00	800.00
11-20 Education	1,500.00	1,500.00
11-22 Health Ins-Town Share	52,125.00	52,125.00
11-23 Town Manager Mileage	1,500.00	1,500.00
11-24 Town Manager Benefits	7,000.00	7,000.00
11-25 CEO Mileage	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Employee Expense	93,657.00	93,657.00

Selectmen Recommend: **\$ 93,657.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$93,657.00 (7-0)**

Article 19: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Administrative Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Contractual Services	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
12-04 Copier	4,000.00	4,000.00
12-07 Septic	250.00	250.00
12-10 Software Licenses	6,000.00	6,000.00
12-23 Dues	8,000.00	8,000.00
12-24 Audit Fees (4)	8,700.00	8,700.00

12-25 Town Report	4,500.00	4,500.00
12-27 Computer Support/Repair	6,000.00	6,000.00
Total Contractual Services	37,450.00	37,450.00
Legal	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
27-00 Legal	15,000.00	15,000.00
Total Legal	15,000.00	15,000.00
Utilities		
14-01 Electric	3,200.00	3,200.00
14-02 Heat	1,800.00	1,800.00
14-04 Telephone	6,000.00	6,000.00
Total Utilities	11,000.00	11,000.00
Building Maintenance		
15-03 Town Office	1,000.00	1,000.00
15-05 Old Town Office	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Building Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00
Supplies		
20-01 General	6,800.00	6,800.00
20-02 Postage	6,000.00	6,000.00
20-21 Flags	500.00	500.00
20-24 Water	400.00	400.00
20-27 Election Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total Supplies	15,200.00	15,200.00
Purchases		
21-01 Computer	700.00	700.00
21-02 Software	1,000.00	1,000.00
21-04 Office Equipment	500.00	500.00
Total Purchases	2,200.00	2,200.00
Assessing Services		
12-06 Assessing Contract (5)	26,000.00	26,000.00
20-25 Maps	0.00	0.00
Total Assessing Services	26,000.00	26,000.00
Unclassified		
22-01 Advertising	1,200.00	1,200.00
22-04 Registrar of Deeds	1,000.00	1,000.00
22-05 Bank Fees	100.00	100.00
22-18 Greene Community Scholarship	3,500.00	3,500.00
22-19 Historical Society	500.00	500.00
22-20 Lien Expense	1,500.00	1,500.00
22-21 Interest Expense	100.00	100.00

Total Unclassified	7,900.00	7,900.00
Insurance	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
23-01 Ambulance	600.00	600.00
23-02 Public Official Liability	4,000.00	4,000.00
23-03 Auto Liability	6,900.00	6,900.00
23-04 Auto Physical Damage	2,200.00	2,200.00
23-05 Contractors Equipment	3,700.00	3,700.00
23-08 Workers Compensation	12,000.00	12,000.00
23-09 Electronic Data	100.00	100.00
23-10 Equipment Breakdown/Boiler	700.00	700.00
23-11 Crime -Theft - Employee	700.00	700.00
23-12 General Liability	4,600.00	4,600.00
23-13 Property	2,200.00	2,200.00
Total Insurance	37,700.00	37,700.00

Total Administrative Expense Account \$154,450.00

Selectmen Recommend: **\$ 154,450.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$154,450.00 (7-0).**

Article 20: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Tax Discount Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$142,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$0 (4-3)**

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to overdraft the **Tax Discount Expense Account** as needed, with the funds coming from Surplus.

Selectmen recommends: **Accept as read.**

Budget Committee recommends: **Leave to Town Meeting**

Article 22: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Emergency Management Account Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$2,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$2,000.00 (8-0).**

Article 23: To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Fire Protection Account Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

05-05 Fire Department	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
Employee Expense		
11-15 Training	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Employee Expense	2,000.00	2,000.00
Contractual Services		
12-03 Security	2,300.00	2,300.00
12-11 Dispatch Services	3,250.00	3,250.00
12-23 Dues	600.00	600.00
12-26 Pagers	4,250.00	4,250.00
Total Contractual Services	10,400.00	10,400.00
Utilities		
14-01 Electric	4,200.00	4,200.00
14-02 Heat	9,210.00	9,210.00
14-04 Telephone	1,800.00	1,800.00
Total Utilities	15,210.00	15,210.00
Supplies		
20-01 General	3,000.00	3,000.00
20-08 Gas/Fuel	3,300.00	3,300.00
20-28 EMS/Medical	3,300.00	3,300.00
Total Supplies	9,600.00	9,600.00
Maintenance		
24-01 Buildings	2,000.00	2,000.00
24-05 Radios	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Maintenance	3,000.00	3,000.00
Fire Equipment		
26-01 2005 Engine 1	600.00	600.00
26-02 2004 Tanker	600.00	600.00
26-03 1985 Pumper Tanker #2	0.00	0.00
26-04 1978 Pumper Tanker #4	1,400.00	1,400.00
26-05 1977 Pumper Tanker #7	1,400.00	1,400.00
26-06 1971 Tanker #5	0.00	0.00
26-07 1972 Snorkel	2,000.00	2,000.00
26-08 1992 Rescue Van	1,100.00	1,100.00
26-09 1995 Rescue Truck	600.00	600.00
26-13 1956 Brush Truck	600.00	600.00
26-14 Special Response	600.00	600.00
26-15 Computer Purchase	0.00	0.00
26-16 Other Equip	4,000.00	4,000.00
26-17 Turnout Gear	2,600.00	2,600.00
Total Equip Maintenance	15,500.00	15,500.00
TOTAL Fire Department	55,710.00	55,710.00

Selectmen recommend: **\$55,710.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$55,710.00 (8-0)**

Article 24: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will raise and appropriate to the **Fire Truck Capital Reserve Account** for the purchase of a fire truck.

Selectmen recommend: appropriate **\$25,000**

Budget Committee recommends: appropriate **\$25,000 (6-1)**

Article 25: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and or dispose of any Greene Volunteer Fire Department miscellaneous equipment. All proceeds shall be deposited into the Greene Volunteer Fire Department Benevolent Fund.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 26: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and or trade any Greene Volunteer Fire Department vehicles toward replacement vehicles. All proceeds shall be deposited into the Fire Truck Capital reserve Fund.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 27: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Street Lights** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$6,250.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$6,250.00 (8-0)**

Article 28: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Animal Control Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

05-25 Animal Control	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
10-08 Wages (1)	5,850.00	5,850.00
12-18 SPCA	5,500.00	5,500.00
12-26 Pagers	180.00	180.00
Total Animal Control	11,530.00	11,530.00

Selectmen recommend: **\$11,530.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$11,530.00 (8-0)**

Article 29: To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Youth Athletics Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$4,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$4,000.00 (8-0).**

Article 30: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Road Construction and Paving Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 250,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$ 250,000.00 (8-0).**

Article 31: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Public Works Road Maintenance Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

06-10 Public Works / Road Maintenance

Compensation	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
10-02 Public Works Foreman	34,280.00	34,280.00
10-05 Public Works Full Time	102,000.00	102,000.00
10-06 Part Time	8,000.00	8,000.00
10-07 Overtime	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total Compensation	154,280.00	154,280.00

Employee Expense		
11-05 Uniforms	1,000.00	1,000.00
11-12 Mileage	3,000.00	3,000.00
11-13 Testing	500.00	500.00
Total Employee Expense	4,500.00	4,500.00

Contractual Services		
12-15 Rental	8,000.00	8,000.00
12-26 Pagers	0.00	0.00
12-33 Lease Purchase	33,849.00	33,849.00
Total Contractual Services	41,849.00	41,849.00

Utilities		
14-01 Electric	2,000.00	2,000.00
14-02 Heat	7,000.00	7,000.00
14-04 Telephone	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Utilities	10,000.00	10,000.00

Building Maintenance		
15-01 Garage	3,000.00	3,000.00
15-06 Salt Shed	5,000.00	5,000.00
15-07 Old Salt Shed	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Building Maintenance	9,000.00	9,000.00

Supplies	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
20-01 General	7,500.00	7,500.00
20-06 Cold Patch	5,500.00	5,500.00
20-07 Culverts	5,500.00	5,500.00
20-08 Gas/Fuel	26,700.00	26,700.00
20-09 Gravel	10,000.00	10,000.00
20-11 Sand	21,000.00	21,000.00
20-12 Salt	41,500.00	41,500.00
20-13 Signs	1,500.00	1,500.00
20-14 Plow Supplies	6,500.00	6,500.00
20-18 Welding	500.00	500.00
Total Supplies	126,200.00	126,200.00

Purchases		
21-05 Public Works Equipment	4,500.00	4,500.00
Total Purchases	4,500.00	4,500.00

Public Works Equipment Maint.		
25-01 2001 International Truck	5,000.00	5,000.00
25-02 2002 International Truck	5,000.00	5,000.00
25-03 1994 International Truck	6,000.00	6,000.00
25-04 2006 International Truck	4,000.00	4,000.00
25-05 1990 Loader	3,000.00	3,000.00
25-06 1999 Backhoe	1,500.00	1,500.00
25-07 Grader	1,500.00	1,500.00
25-09 Misc.	1,000.00	1,000.00
25-10 Mower	500.00	500.00
25-11 Tractor	500.00	500.00
25-12 Excavator	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total Equip Maintenance	30,000.00	30,000.00

Tree Service		
12-09 Tree Removal	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Tree Service	3,000.00	3,000.00

Selectmen recommend: **\$383,329.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$383,329.00 (8-0)**

Article 32: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Planning Board Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 3,200.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$2,600.00 (6-1).**

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate money for **County Tax Expense Account** for the ensuing year. **\$250,494.00**

Selectmen & Budget Committee recommend: **\$250,494.00**

Article 34: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Appeals Board Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen Committee recommend: **\$500.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$400.00 (6-1)**.

Article 35: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **General Assistance Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$ 5,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$5,000.00 (8-0)**.

Article 36: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Conservation Commission Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$6,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$5,000.00 (6-1)**.

Article 37: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate to the **Sabattus Lake Dam Commission Expense Account**.

Selectmen recommend: **\$1,500.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$1,500.00 (8-0)**.

Note: This will be disbursed if Wales and Sabattus vote to pay their share

Article 38: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Cemetery Care Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$6,850.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$6,850.00 (8-0)**.

Article 39: To see what, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Greene Economic and Community Development Group Account**.

Selectmen recommend: **\$8,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$8,000.00 (6-1-1)**

Article 40: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Transfer Station Operational Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

07-02 Transfer Station

Compensation	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
10-06 Part Time	8,300.00	8,300.00
10-08 Wages	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total Compensation	28,300.00	28,300.00

Contractual Services

12-12 Construction	1,000.00	1,000.00
12-15 Rental	1,300.00	1,300.00
12-20 Hauling Fees	41,000.00	41,000.00
12-21 Tipping Fees	166,300.00	166,300.00
12-22 Landfill Closure	2,500.00	2,500.00
12-31 Tire Removal	5,000.00	5,000.00
12-32 Chipping	4,000.00	4,000.00
Total Contractual Services	221,100.00	221,100.00

Utilities

14-01 Electric	600.00	600.00
14-02 Heat	150.00	150.00
14-04 Telephone	350.00	350.00
Total Utilities	1,100.00	1,100.00

Supplies

20-01 General	1,000.00	1,000.00
20-03 Miscellaneous	500.00	500.00
Total Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00

Maintenance

24-01 Buildings	1,500.00	1,500.00
24-02 Equipment	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total Maintenance	3,000.00	3,000.00

Total Transfer Station	255,000.00	255,000.00
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Selectmen recommend: \$ 255,000.00

Budget Committee recommends: \$ 255,000.00 (8-0).

Article 41: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Cable Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: \$11,000.00

Budget Committee recommends: \$11,000.00 (8-0).

Article 42: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Charitable Expense Account** for the ensuing year.

12-01 Charities	Selectmen	Budget Comm.
Abused Women Advocacy	250.00	250.00
Child Health Center	250.00	250.00
Community Concepts	300.00	300.00
Rural Community Action Ministry	5000.00	5000.00
Sexual Assault Center	250.00	250.00
Tri-County Mental Health	250.00	250.00
Androscoggin Health	250.00	250.00
Head Start	200.00	200.00
Advocacy for Children	250.00	250.00
Seniors Plus	250.00	250.00
American Red Cross	0.00	0.00
Kennebec Valley Mental Health	0.00	0.00
	250.00	250.00
Total Charities	7,250.00	7,250.00

Selectmen recommend: **\$7,250.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$7,250.00 (7-0).**

Article 43: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **purchasing books for the Julia Adams Morse Library** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$2,500.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$2,500.00 (6-2).**

Article 44: To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Operations of the Julia Adams Morse Library** for the ensuing year.

Selectmen recommend: **\$24,400.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$24,400.00 (6-2).**

Article 45: To see if the Town will vote to encumber funds (**\$124,136**) designated for the purpose of constructing an **Addition to the Julia Adams Memorial Library** and to allow the use of those funds for the intended purpose under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 46: To see what, if any, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Capital Reserve Account.**

Selectmen recommend: **\$50,000.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$50,000.00 (6-1)**

Article 47: To see-if the Town of Greene will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to expend up to \$15,000 from Surplus for the purpose of replacing malfunctioning waste water disposal systems pursuant to 30-A MRSA 83428 and Dangerous. Buildings pursuant to Title 17 s.s 285 1, but only after the Selectmen have exhausted all other avenues of funding. Any funds expended from Surplus Funds should be recovered by a special tax against any real estate as provided in 30-A MRSA s.s 3428 (4) (B) and Title 17 s.s 2853. Any such tax will be lienied 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

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 48: To see if the Town will vote to transfer **Overlay and Excise Tax Balances** after year end, to Surplus.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 49: To see what action the Town wishes to take in regards to **year-end balances**, except those covered by State Law.

Selectmen recommend: **Lapse to surplus**

Budget Committee recommends: **Lapse to surplus (7-0)**

Article 50: To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and or appropriate for **Debt Service.**

Selectmen recommends: **\$178,437.00**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$178,437.00 (7-0)**

Article 51: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to use the **Capital Reserve Accounts** to meet the town's financial obligations should it become necessary in anticipation of taxes and to return the funds once the taxes are collected.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 52: To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to use to reduce the total Commitment:

	Selectmen Recommend	Budget Recommend
Surplus (Balance Forward)	135,000	135,000
Excise	660,000	660,000
Hwy Blk Grant	75,000	75,000
Projected Income	165,000	165,000
Rev Sharing (Proj Inc & Bal)	345,000	345,000
Fire Dept. Building Fund	28,437	28,437
Total:	\$ 1,408,437	\$1,408,437

Selectmen recommend: **\$1,408,437**

Budget Committee recommends: **\$1,408,437 (7-0)**

Article 53: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Towns of Leeds, Turner and Wales for providing local access television (WGLT TV 7) to these communities.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 54: To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve account for cable television equipment; to accept the amount of negotiated fees from Adelphia Inc., or its successor, for cable equipment as provided under the Town's current or future franchise agreement; to appropriate the said amount received from Adelphia, Inc. or its successor to said reserve account; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend funds in said reserve account for the purchase of cable television equipment.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Article 55: Shall an ordinance entitled "**Ordinance for the Regulation of Barking Dogs Within the Town of Greene**" be enacted?

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Article 56: To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve account for the Greene Village Celebration; to accept appropriations and various revenues for the use of the Greene Village Celebration to said reserve account; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend funds in said reserve account for the benefit of the Greene Village Celebration.

Selectmen recommend: **Accept as read**

Budget Committee recommends: **Accept as read (7-0)**

Note: The Selectmen hereby give notice that the Registrar of Voters will hold office hours at the Greene Municipal Office on the day of said voting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters, from 6:00 o'clock in the morning until the polls close, and at the Greene Central School, the place of the meeting on Saturday, from 8:00 o'clock in the morning until the closing of said meeting. ALL VOTERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER AT THE DOOR OF TOWN MEETING.

Given under our hands this 30th of January, 2006


Ron Grant, Chairman


Mark J. Christman

Timothy Doyle


Kevin S. Mower


Anthony Renf

Greene Board of Selectmen

A true copy of the Warrant, Attest: _____
Alden Peterson, Resident

Return on the Warrant

Greene, Maine
February ____, 2006

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy of said warrant at Greene Municipal Office, Greene Post Office, A&A Hardware, Mower's Market, Brule's Auto Clinic, Greene IGA, Landry's Quick Stop, and Hurricane Cafe, in said town, being public and conspicuous places in said town, on the ____ of February, A.D., 2006, being at least seven days before the meeting.

Alden Peterson, Resident Town of Greene

State of Maine Androscoggin, s.s

Then personally appeared before me the above named Alden Peterson, known to me and sworn that the representations set forth in the above Return of the Warrant are true of his own knowledge: and acknowledged the signature thereon to be his, and that he executed the Return of his own free will [and who signed the above Return in my presence].
Date:

Carol Buzzell, Notary Public
My Commission expires 10/07/2006

Proposed Ordinance for the Regulation of Barking Dogs Within the Town of Greene

SECTION 1- PURPOSE:

This ordinance is adopted in the exercise of municipal home rule powers under the Maine Constitution and 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3001. The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate dogs in the Town of Greene, to end the problems caused by barking dogs.

SECTION 2- DEFINITION:

As used in this ordinance, unless the text clearly indicates otherwise, the following words and phrases have the following meanings.

- a) “Dog” includes both genders of dogs.
- b) “ Owner” means any person or persons, firm, association, corporation or other legal entity amenable to civil process, owning, keeping, harboring, in possession of, or having control of a dog.

SECTION 3- NUISANCE:

Barking dogs are hereby declared to be a public nuisance.

SECTION 4- BARKING DOGS:

No owner or person having custody of any dog within the legal limits of the Town shall keep or maintain a dog which creates a nuisance by continued or repeated barking, howling, making of other loud or unusual noises, or in any other manner disturbing the peace of any person. An owner who keeps or maintains a dog whose barking or howling, sustained for one hour or intermittently for three hours, can be heard at or beyond the boundary of the property on which the dog is located violates this section.

SECTION 5- COMPLAINT:

Upon written complaint by a person disturbed by a barking dog, signed and sworn to, the Town's Animal Control Officer and/or any Police Officer, Constable or Humane Officer representing the Town of Greene, may investigate and may give written notice to the owner of such dog(s) of the violation of this ordinance and that said violation must cease. The written warning shall be made part of the complaint

SECTION 6- PENALTIES:

Any owner who violates this section after the initial written warning commits a civil violation for which a civil penalty of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$250.00 shall be assessed. In determining the amount to be forfeited, the court shall consider any evidence in mitigation, extenuation, or aggravation it considers pertinent to the offense, including but not limited to the civility and degree of cooperation exhibited by the owner. Upon a second and any subsequent violations of this ordinance the penalty shall increase by a minimum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) above the penalty for the immediately preceding violation. Further, upon finding of more than one violation involving the same dog or dogs, the court may order the dog or dogs forthwith removed beyond Town limits, or in the alternative, order the Town to give away or sell the dog or dogs, or some other action the Court may deem appropriate. All penalties awarded, and all sums recovered, shall accrue to the benefit of the Town of Greene. An owner found to have violated this ordinance shall pay all fees and surcharges assessed or required by the court and shall pay all court cost and expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred by the Town of Greene in the prosecution of said violation.

SECTION 7- WAIVER FEE:

Any owner who is charged with violating this Ordinance may choose to pay a waiver fee to the Town as an alternative to having the Town proceed with prosecution of the complaint in court. The waiver fee option shall only be available to an owner for a total of three violations. The waiver fee must be received at the Town Office within 30 days following issuance of the summons. Waiver fees that are tendered more than 30 days after issuance of the summons shall only be accepted by the Town upon payment of an additional sum of money equal to any expenses and fees that have been

incurred by the Town in preparation for the court hearing. The waiver fee schedule is as follows:

First violation: \$50.00

Second Violation: \$100.00

Third Violation: \$200.00

SECTION 8- EFFECTIVE DATE:

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.


SECTION 9- SEVERABILITY:

Should any portion of this ordinance be found invalid for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, then all portions not found invalid shall remain unaffected and continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 10- PREVIOUS ORDINANCE:

This ordinance shall supersede all previous dog ordinances, which are hereby repealed from and after the effective date of adoption of this ordinance.

Attested True Copy:


Charles Noonan, Town Clerk