

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF SABATTUS
MAY 18, 2017**

State of Maine
County of Androscoggin, ss.

To Police Chief Gary Baillargeon, a Constable of the Town of Sabattus, County of Androscoggin, State of Maine,

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Sabattus, in said county, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Sabattus Town Office Building in the Community Room at 190 Middle Road in said Town, on Thursday, May 18, 2016, at 6:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. Section 505(1), will vote that the tax lists specified in 36 M.R.S.A. Section 709 be committed for collection on or before September 01, 2017

Board of Selectmen Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. Section 505(2) will vote to establish September 01, 2017 or 30 days after the tax bills are postmarked and mailed, whichever is later, as the due date for the first payment of the fiscal year 2017-2018 taxes and March 01, 2018 as the due date for the second payment.

Board of Selectmen Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. Section 505(4), will vote that property taxes shall be delinquent if not paid by the dates established in Article 3 and that interest, at the rate of 7.0% per annum, shall be charged on all delinquent property taxes.

Board of Selectmen Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506-A, will vote that a taxpayer who pays an amount in excess of that finally assessed shall be repaid the amount of the overpayment plus interest from the date of the overpayment at the annual rate of 7.0%.

Board of Selectmen

Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to receive and appropriate non-property tax revenues to reduce the property tax commitment for the 2017-2018 fiscal year?

Anticipated non-property tax revenues for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2017 include the following approximations of State and Town Revenues:

I. Excise Tax	\$ 750,000
II. Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 270,000
III. Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	\$ 301,875
IV. <u>All Other Non-Property Tax Revenues</u>	<u>\$ 382,691</u>
Total ESTIMATED Non-Property Tax Revenues	\$1,704,566

Board of Selectmen

Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 7. Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$ 125,000 from Undesignated Fund Balance ("Surplus") to reduce the Property Tax Commitment for the 2017-2018 fiscal year?

FY 15/16
\$125,000

FY 16/17 (Current)
\$125,000

Board of Selectmen

Ought to Pass @ \$125,000

PROPOSED FY18 OPERATIONAL BUDGET

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 386,327 to fund ADMINISTRATION and CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (CEO)/Building Inspector (BI)/Licensed Plumbing Inspector (LPI) & Health Officer.

FY 15/16	FY 17/18 (Current)
\$377,000	\$375,845

\$ 363,077	Administration
\$ 23,250	CEO
\$ 386,327	Total

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 386,327
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 386,327

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 485,290 to fund the POLICE DEPARTMENT.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)
\$486,320	\$485,112

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 485,290
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 485,290

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 30,548 to fund ANIMAL CONTROL.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)
\$27,611	\$30,313

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 30,548
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 30,548

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 143,226 to fund the FIRE DEPARTMENT.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)
\$139,116	\$143,000

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 143,226
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 143,226

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 14,500 to fund the EMERGENCY FIRST RESPONDER PROGRAM (EMS).

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$14,500	\$14,500	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 14,500
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 13,500

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,760 to fund EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$3,760	\$3,760	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 3,760
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 3,760

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 484,089 to fund the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$485,000	\$470,000	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 484,089
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 484,089

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 206,633 to fund the TRANSFER STATION.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$191,965	\$198,739	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 206.633
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 206,633

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 467,416 and appropriate the sum of \$ 548,821 to fund INSURANCES, PAYROLL TAX & RETIREMENT.

FY 15/16
\$487,447

FY 16/17 (Current)
\$482,020

SELECTMEN

\$ 322,326 Insurances
\$ 97,839 Payroll Taxes
\$ 42,251 ICMA Retirement
\$ 462,416 Total

BUDGET COMMITTEE

\$ 322,326 Insurances
\$ 102,839 Payroll Taxes
\$ 42,251 ICMA Retirement
\$ 467,416 Total

Board of Selectmen
Budget Committee

Ought to Pass @ \$ 462,416
Ought to Pass @ \$ 467,416

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 21,000 to fund BOARDS & COMMITTEES.

FY 15/16
\$21,000

FY 16/17 (Current)
\$22,000

SELECTMEN

\$ 15,000 Selectmen
\$ 6,000 Planning Board
\$ 21,000 Total

BUDGET COMMITTEE

\$ 15,000 Selectmen
\$ 6,000 Planning Board
\$ 21,000 Total

Board of Selectmen
Budget Committee

Ought to Pass @ \$ 21,000
Ought to Pass @ \$ 21,000

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 63,600 to fund PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

FY 15/16
\$70,350

FY 16/17 (Current)
\$70,350

SELECTMEN

\$1,5000 Legal
\$ 7,500 Engineering
\$ 500 Planning
\$ 15,000 Audit
\$ 25,660 Annual Assessment
\$ 63,660 Total

BUDGET COMMITTEE

\$1,5000 Legal
\$ 7,500 Engineering
\$ 500 Planning
\$ 15,000 Audit
\$ 25,660 Annual Assessment
\$ 63,660 Total

Board of Selectmen
Budget Committee

Ought to Pass @ \$ 63,600
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ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 30,000 to fund STORMWATER MANAGEMENT.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$53,650	\$ 38,400	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass@	\$ 30,000
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 30,000

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 54,618 to fund DISPATCH & E911/PSAP.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$55,148	\$57,293	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 54,618
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 54,618

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 85,000 to fund PUBLIC UTILITIES.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$84,750	\$87,000	
\$ 16,000	Street Lighting	
\$ 69,000	Sanitary District/Water Division	
\$ 85,000	Total	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 84,000
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 85,000

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 17,070 to fund ORGANIZATIONS.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$17,575	\$16,205	
\$ 4,600	Maine Municipal Association	
\$ 6,320	Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments	
\$ 2,000	Sabattus Lake Dam Commission	
\$ 1,500	Sabattus Mountaineers**	
\$ 2,350	Sabattus Veterans	
\$ 300	Androscoggin County Chamber of Commerce	
\$ 17,070	Total	

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 17,070
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 17,070

** \$ for the Sabattus Mountaineers would be appropriated from the fiscal year 2017-2018 snowmobile registration fee refund from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and not raised from property taxes. Said funds to be used to support recreational programs such as maintaining snowmobile trails, and for related conservation activities on land within the Town of Sabattus, that is available for use by the public.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 0.00 to fund GENERAL ASSISTANCE.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$0	\$0	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 0.00
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 0.00

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to designate a representative to apply for and manage a grant from the Dept. of Conservation to help maintain snowmobile trails within Sabattus and authorize expenditure of funds to be reimbursed 30% by the snowmobile club and 70% by State Grant.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 4,376 to support the below Non-Profit Organizations that provide services to Sabattus residents.

Rural Community Action Ministry	\$ 2,700
Tri-County Mental Health Services	\$ 1,250
Seniors Plus	<u>\$ 426</u>
Total	\$ 4,376

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 0
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$4,376

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate OVERLAY of an amount not to exceed the state limitation in the calculation as set by the annual Municipal Valuation Return to cover abatements during the fiscal year.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass
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PROPOSED FY18 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT/EQUIPMENT BUDGET

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$61,500 for the finance costs and first annual debt service payment, not to exceed a five-year finance agreement, to demolish, remove debris and cap the property of the old Webster Rubber Mill.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 61,500
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 61,500

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 7,000 to install a fence around the Police Departments external evidence storage area.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 7,000
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 7,000

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 from existing Police Department Capital Equipment funds for a total appropriation of \$30,000 to purchase and retrofit a new police cruiser.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 30,000
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 30,000

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 63,000 and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 from existing "Public Works Capital Equipment" funds for a total appropriation of \$188,000 to purchase a new loader with plow package.

Board of selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 188,000
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 188,000

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 16,608 to pay the fourth of five annual debt service payments for the Public Works Backhoe/Loader Lease Purchase Finance Agreement.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)
\$16,608	\$16,608

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 16,608
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 16,608

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$32,740 for the third of five annual debt service payment, for the Public Works Dump Truck/ Plow Lease-Purchase Finance Agreement.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$35,000	\$32,740	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 32,740
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 32,740

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$ 4,527 for the third of five annual debt service payment, for the small tractor/sidewalk machine for the Public Works Department.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$ 5,000	\$ 4,527	
Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 4,527
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 4,527

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,500 for the first annual debt service payment, not to exceed a three-year finance agreement, for paving portions of Transfer Station.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 26,500
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 26,500

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$ 25,000 for the deposit into the "Fire Department Capital Equipment" account for the future replacement of Fire Department vehicles.

FY 15/16	FY 16/17 (Current)	
\$15,575	\$ 50,000	
Board of Selectmen	Ought not to Pass	
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 25,000

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 32,500 from existing "Fire Department Capital Equipment" account to purchase Air Frame Packs.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 32,500
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 32,500

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum, not to exceed \$ 65,000 from the "Fire Department's Capital Building" account for installation of diesel exhaust systems in both fire Stations.

Board of Selectmen	Ought to Pass @	\$ 65,000
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 65,000

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 35,000 for purchasing by the Fire Department of Extrication Equipment (Jaws of Life).

Board of Selectmen	Ought not to Pass	
Budget Committee	Ought to Pass @	\$ 35,000

ORDINANCES

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amendments to the Sabattus Ordinance Book (in the form on file with the Town Clerk).

Given under our hands in the Town of Sabattus this 18th day of April, 2017.

Michelle Ames, Chair

Mark Duquette, Vice-Chair

Guy Desjardins, Selectman

Jean Paul Curran, Selectman

Richard Lacombe, Selectman

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