INVITATION TO BID GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND/FINANCING

The Town of Sabattus (the "Town") invites bids for \$360,000 in tax-exempt financing for the purposes of road rehabilitation and construction of Williams Road, Sabattus and \$26,500 for paving the Town's Transfer Station lot.

TERM & RATE

The term of the note shall not exceed five (5) years for the Williams Road project and one (1) year for the Transfer Station project. The first payment for the Williams Road project shall not exceed \$77,100 per voter approval. The Town will consider only lending instruments with a fixed rate for the entire amortization schedule.

COSTS / TAX EXEMPTION

The Town has retained Bond Counsel and all bids shall be subject to receipt of an unqualified opinion from Bond Counsel at the time of the closing. The Town shall certify that the debt is a qualified tax-exempt obligation within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Town will bear the entire cost of bond counsel and shall be accounted for separately from the financing.

All bids shall disclose in detail all costs associated with issuance and closing. A breakdown fee schedule shall be provided in each bid and a tally sum total of all costs (either incorporated into the annual debt service payments, or paid separately at closing) shall be provided.

ADDITIONAL BID REQUIREMENTS

In addition to meeting the other terms contained in this solicitation, bids must include the following details, some or all of which may be expressed on an amortization schedule submitted as part of the bid:

- 1. Interest rate to be charged on funds, borrowed lump sum
- 2. The true interest cost ("TIC") for the issue, assuming no pre-payment;
- 3. The true interest cost ("TIC") for the issue, assuming the first payment of \$77,100 towards the Williams Road project made at closing;
- 4. The total interest cost in dollars for the issue, assuming no pre-payment;
- 5. The total interest cost in dollars for the issue, assuming the first payment of \$77,100 towards the Williams Road project made at closing;
- 6. Financing <u>must</u> permit the Town to pay off the note before the end of the term without penalty; and
- 7. Bids shall remain firm for acceptance by the Town for 14 days from the submission deadline (although the Town anticipates awarding the contract much earlier on 8/16/2018).

BID SUBMISSION DEADLINE & CLOSING

All interested lenders must submit sealed bids by **12:00 p.m.** on **Thursday, August 2, 2018**. The Town will accept bids by mail (U. S. Post Office or nationally recognized carrier) or hand delivery up to 12:00pm on 8/2/2018 and no later. All bids must be sealed, **Marked "FY19 Road Project Bid"** and addressed to:

Anthony, Town Manager Town of Sabattus 190 Middle Road Sabattus, Maine 04280

** No bids will be considered that are sent by fax, email or any other means other than what is stated above.**

All sealed bids will be opened by the Town Manager and read at 12:00pm, Thursday, August 2, 2018. The Board of Selectmen are expected to award the lowest qualified bid and lender with the financing contract at their regular business meeting the evening of August 7, 2018 which begins at 6:30pm.

The closing will take place as soon as the Board of Selectmen has approved the winning bid and all necessary documentation is complete.

OTHER

To obtain an electronic copy of the Town's most recent audit and/or any other information regarding the Town's finances; please call Anthony Ward, Town Manager, during regular municipal office business hours. (M, W, and Thur: 8am-4:30pm, Tue: 8am-6pm and Fri: 8am-1pm) at 207-375-4331, ext. 1107 or contact Tony by email: award@sabattus.org.

The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids for any reason whatsoever and to waive any formality in any or all. The decision of the Selectmen on these matters shall be final and conclusive without appeal.