

# WARRANT

To Connie Warren, a resident of the Town of Baldwin, in the County of Cumberland:

## GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Baldwin qualified by law to vote in said town affairs, to assemble at the **Baldwin Community Center, Baldwin in said town on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021 at 9:30 AM** to act on the following articles to wit:

Article 1: To choose or elect a moderator to preside at the said meeting.  
**David Strock was nominated and elected to be moderator**

## OFFICE AND TAXES WARRANT ARTICLES:

Article 2: ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES (CONTINGENT)  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for administrative expenses consisting of legal fees, interest, supplies, office equipment, insurances, workman's compensation, audits, assessing, and operational items not specifically covered by other appropriations.

2021 Appropriation:	\$105,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$83,692.61
Balance:	\$21,307.39

Selectmen recommend that **\$56,500.00** be raised and appropriated.  
**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.**

Article 3: BUILDING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for building maintenance consisting of building insurance, phone, internet, electricity, alarm system, janitorial wages, and minor operational items and repairs pertaining to the Baldwin Community Center.

2021 Appropriation:	\$45,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$27,819.97
Balance:	\$17,180.03

Selectmen recommend that **\$22,500.00** be raised and appropriated.  
**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.**

Article 4: ELECTED OFFICERS SALARY & WAGES  
To see what hourly rate the Town will vote to pay the Town Officers for the ensuing six months.

### The 2020 approved rates are as follows:

- Selectmen annual stipend
  - Chairman: \$10,000.00
  - Other Select Board members: \$8,000.00 each
- Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector \$20.00 per hour (combined)
- Road Commissioner \$22.00 per hour

The Selectmen recommend for Selectmen six-month stipend

- Chairman: \$5,000.00
- Other Select Board members: \$4,000.00
- Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector \$20.00 per hour (combined)
- Road Commissioner \$22.00 per hour

Allan Dolloff made a motion to amend for Town Clerk the amount to \$22.00 and hour. Norman Blake then motioned to modify Allan Dolloff's amendment for Town Clerk to \$23.00 an hour and Road Commissioner to \$26.50 an hour. It was then asked if the town could budget this amount and the answer was yes. Allan Dolloff withdrew his amendment, and the modified amendment was then passed at the new rate for Town Clerk \$23.00 an hour and Road Commissioner \$26.50 an hour. Article was accepted

Article 5:

TOWN CLERK/TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE COMPENSATION

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Office Compensation for the Town Clerk's office for the ensuing six months. This article includes Town Clerk Wages, Assistant Clerk Wages, Ballot Clerks and the related Town share of FICA and Medicare.

2021 Appropriation:	\$80,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$65,667.86
Balance:	\$14,332.14

Selectmen recommend that \$40,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Question was then asked if the \$40,000 would cover the increase of the Town Clerk pay. Norman Blake made a motion to amend the amount to \$44,000. Amendment was passed. Article was accepted

Article 6:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN OFFICE COMPENSATION

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Office Compensation including the three Selectmen, Town Admin. Assistant, Animal Control Officer and Code Enforcement Officer, and the related Town share of FICA and Medicare.

2021 Appropriation:	\$82,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$63,670.32
Balance:	\$18,329.68

Selectmen recommend that \$42,060.00 be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 7:

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate 80% of the cost of health insurance for full time Town employees.

2021 Appropriation:	\$40,892.55
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$37,610.30
Balance:	\$3,282.25

Selectmen recommend that \$20,855.23 (anticipated 6-month cost for 2022 of \$5,213.81 per employee) to be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 8: REVENUES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an estimated **\$410,950.00** from the following non-property tax revenues to reduce the tax commitment.

Estimated State Revenue Sharing	\$53,000.00
Estimated Homestead Reimbursement	\$20,000.00
Estimated BETE Reimbursement	\$0.00
Municipal Revenues:	
- Building Permits	\$19,000.00
- LRAP DOT	\$22,000.00
- Excise Tax	\$175,000.00
- Agent Fees	\$4,750.00
- After School Program	\$31,200.00
Total Municipal Revenues	\$251,950.00
Fund Balance	\$46,000.00
Tax Acquired Property Reserve Account	\$40,000.00

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

**Motion to change the article to read "all revenues" It was moved and seconded.  
Article was accepted.**

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to instruct or authorize the Selectmen to hire sums of money as necessary to pay the current expenses of the Town for the ensuing six months, these loans made in anticipation of 2022 6-month Transition Period taxes.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 10: TAX-ACQUIRED PROPERTY

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quitclaim deeds for such property except that the Town Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s).

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 11: INTEREST CHARGED ON OVERDUE TAXES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to charge and collect interest at a rate of 6% per annum on all unpaid taxes or part there of beginning 180 days after commitment to Tax Collector.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 12: INTEREST PAID ON OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES  
To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of interest paid on overpayment of taxes at 2% per annum, (4% below the per annum rate charged on unpaid taxes.) in accordance with 36 MRSA Section 506A.  
Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 13: DISPOSAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY  
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of town-owned personal property under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable. (Bid process to be used when deemed advisable.)  
Selectmen recommend passage of this article.  
Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 14: TAX PRE-PAYMENTS  
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept pre-payments of taxes not yet committed and pay no (0%) interest in accordance with 36 MRSA Section 506.  
Selectmen recommend passage of this article.  
Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 15: BACK TAXES  
To see if the Town will vote to direct the Tax Collector/Treasurer to apply any tax payment received for any real estate tax to outstanding or delinquent taxes owed and in chronological order beginning with the oldest unpaid tax bill in accordance with 36 MSRA Section 906.  
Selectmen recommend passage of this article.  
Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 16: TAX ABATEMENTS  
To see if the Town will vote to pay for tax abatements and applicable interest granted during the calendar ~~year of 2021~~ from Overlay. The Selectmen, as Assessors, are authorized to raise Overlay under 36 MRSA Section 710 but require voter authorization to spend Overlay. Overlay cannot be more than 5% of the Tax Commitment.  
Need to make a correction to say "January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022 instead of Calender year 2021 Moved as corrected and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 17: REVALUATION RESERVE ACCOUNT  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards the Revaluation Reserve Account.

2021 Appropriation:	\$5,000.00
Balance in Revaluation Reserve Account:	\$6,210.19

Selectmen recommend that \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the six-month budget.  
Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

**HEALTH & SANITATION ARTICLES:**

**Article 18: TRI-TOWN WASTE OPERATIONS**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$45,000** towards Tri-town waste operations for six months.

2021 Appropriation:	\$90,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$82,237.50
Balance:	\$7,762.50

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 19: TRI-TOWN RESERVE ACCOUNT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$7,500.00** for the Tri-town Waste Reserve account and authorize the Selectmen to withdraw funds from the reserve as needed for capital expenses at the Tri-Town Waste Disposal Facility for the six-month period.

2021 Appropriation:	\$15,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$ 0
Balance:	\$15,000.00

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**RECREATION & CEMETERY ARTICLES:**

**Article 20: CEMETERIES**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$4,000.00** for the mowing, restoration, and care of existing cemeteries in Town.

2021 Appropriation:	\$9,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$6,460.02
Balance:	\$2,539.98

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 21: SAND POND BEACH**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,500.00** for the cost of patrolling, maintenance, and porta-potty rental for Sand Pond Beach during summer months. Any balance left over after June 30, 2022, will roll over into the Sand Pond Reserve account to be used for capital improvements.

2021 Appropriation:	\$6,515.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$4,178.81
Balance:	\$2,336.19

Sand Pond Beach Committee recommends passage of article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 22: FEE FOR SAND POND BEACH**

To see if the Town will vote to charge \$10/year per vehicle for access to Sand Pond Beach. All Sand Pond sticker fees to be deposited in the Sand Pond Reserve account for capital improvements.

Sand Pond Beach Committee recommends passage of article.

**Moved as read and seconded. It will be discussed with the taxpayers before any improvements will be done. Article was accepted**

**Article 23: SAND POND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RESERVE ACCOUNT**

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following rules for management of the Sand Pond Capital Improvements Reserve Account.

**Sand Pond Capital Improvements Account:** Funding comes from all Sand Pond Sticker fees plus all operational and maintenance funds budgeted at town meeting that remain unexpended at the end of the fiscal year. The account is to pay for improvements to Sand Pond Beach and supporting equipment and infrastructure. Expenditures will be requested by the Sand Pond Committee and approved by the Board of Selectmen. There is no target or minimum fund level. The maximum fund level is \$10,000 after which excess funds will revert to the Town General Fund.

The Selectmen and the Sand Pond Committee recommend passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 24: SACOPEE VALLEY RECREATION COUNCIL**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to support the Sacopee Valley Recreation Council. The Sacopee Valley Recreation Council is requesting **\$1,500.00**.

2021 Appropriation: \$3,000.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$3,000.00

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 25: BALDWIN BELT BURNERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB**

To see if the Town will vote to dedicate all the snowmobile registration fees to the Baldwin Belt Burners Snowmobile Club.

The request is 100% of the fees be transferred to the Snowmobile Club.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**PROTECTION ARTICLES:**

**Article 26: STANDISH RESCUE UNIT**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Standish Rescue Unit for services. Standish Public Safety proposes an amount of **\$24,538.72** a cost for a full-time staffed ambulance at the Steep Falls station for the six-month period.

2021 Appropriation: \$49,077.74  
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$21,680.94  
Overdraft **should be "Balance"** \$27,396.80

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 27: FIRE COMPANIES**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the three fire companies for expenses and any unexpended balances to be transferred to a consolidated respective capital reserve account.

2021 Appropriation: \$20,000.00 per station (\$60,000 total)

	EXPENDITURE	BALANCE
East Baldwin Station	\$10,794.09	\$9,205.91
North Baldwin Station	\$7,227.05	\$12,772.95
West Baldwin Station	\$6,365.76	\$13,634.24
<b>Total 2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21</b>	<b>\$24,386.90</b>	<b>\$35,613.10</b>

\$10,000.00 to each of the three departments. (Total **\$30,000.00**)

Fire Department recommends passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 28: FIRE TRUCK PAYMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$56,466.51** for the fourth and final payment to Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. for the E-One fire truck.

Fire Department recommends passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 29: FIRE TRUCK MAINTENANCE**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000.00** for maintenance and repairs for the fire department vehicles.

2021 Appropriation: \$10,000.00  
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$5,764.60  
Balance: \$4,235.40

Fire Department recommends passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 30: FIRE CHIEF AND ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF (1/2 of previous)  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire Chief compensation (including Town Fire Chief, and a Town Assistant Chief) for the ensuing six months.

2021 Appropriation: \$10,765.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21

Fire Chief & Assistant = \$6,765.00
FICA/ Medicare = \$517.66

Fire Department recommends raising and appropriate **\$5,382.50**  
**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 31: FIRE STATION CAPTAINS  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for three Fire Station Captains for the ensuing six months.

2021 Appropriation: \$1,615.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21

Assistant Chiefs = \$0
FICA/ Medicare = \$0
<b>Total = \$0</b>

Fire Department recommends raising and appropriate **\$807.50**  
**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 32: CUMBERLAND COUNTY DISPATCH  
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,772.00** to continue our contract for ~~2021~~**should read 2022** with Cumberland County Dispatch for dispatching emergency fire and rescue calls.

2021 Appropriation: \$11,544.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$11,544.00

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 33: NEW RADIO PURCHASE AND REPAIR  
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000.00** for the maintenance, repair and purchase of new radios as needed.

2021 Appropriation: \$6,000.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$1,270.34

Balance: \$4,729.66

Fire Department recommends passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$500.00** for the Radio Repeater Reserve Account for the six-month period.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**



Article 35: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Emergency Management for the six-month period.

2021 Appropriation:	\$1,500.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$807.39
Balance:	\$692.61

Selectmen recommend \$750.00 to be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 36: FUEL

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a fuel account used only for the Municipal Road Crew and Fire Trucks for the ensuing six months.

2021 Appropriation:	\$20,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$6,380.95
Balance:	\$13,619.05

Selectmen recommend that \$12,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 37: STREET LIGHTS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for streetlights for the ensuing year.

2021 Appropriation:	\$10,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$5,188.19
Balance:	\$4,811.81

Selectmen recommend that \$3,500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 38: LIFE FLIGHT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Life Flight services for the ensuing year. Life Flight has requested \$763.00 this coming fiscal year (a rate of \$0.50 per capita).

2021 Appropriation:	\$800.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$800.00

Selectmen recommend that \$400.00 be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

ROAD ARTICLES:

Article 39: SUMMER ROADS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of roads and bridges. Any balance left over after June 30, 2022, will roll over into a reserve account for summer road maintenance.

2021 Appropriation:	\$75,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$74,396.57
Balance:	\$603.43

Road Commissioner recommends that \$50,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. What projects were done this summer? Wentworth Road was done. Article was accepted

Article 40:

WINTER ROADS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for snow removal for the ensuing year. Any balance left over after June 30, 2022, will roll over into a reserve account for winter road maintenance.

2021 Appropriation:	\$175,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$69,270.38
Balance:	\$105,729.62

Road Commissioner recommends that **\$87,500.00** be raised and appropriated.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.**

Article 41:

EMERGENCY ROAD REPAIR RESERVE ACCOUNT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,000.00** for the emergency road repair reserve account. This will replace the 2021 expenditures made from the account to install new culverts under New Road and add \$4,150.00 to the account.

Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

**Motion to amend to "Road Maintenance Account for emergency road repairs". Amendment was accepted. Article was accepted as amended**

Article 42:

LOCAL ROADS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LRAP)

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to expend \$22,282.00 received from Maine Dept. of Transportation Local Road Assistance (LRAP) for capital improvements of Town ways. The amount received in 2021 was \$44,564.00

Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 43:

TOWN GARAGE

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a Town Garage Maintenance.

2021 Appropriation:	\$10,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$2,948.59
Balance:	\$7,051.41

Road Commissioner recommends that **\$5,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 44:

RIVER ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,500.00** for River Road repair. This amount will be added to the River Road Reserve account.

Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**EDUCATION & PRESERVATION ARTICLES:**

**Article 45: AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$25,000.00 for the support of the After School Program for the six-month period starting 1 Jan 2022.

2021 Expenditure <del>should be</del> Revenues as of 11/9/21:	\$56,628.00
2021 Revenues <del>should be</del> expenditures as of 11/9/21:	\$44,970.29
Balance:	\$11,657.71

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Selectman, Dwight Warren does not recommend passage of this article. Norman Blake doesn't like that it is competing with actual daycares. Connie Warren motions to move the question.

Article fails

**Article 46: AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM RESERVE ACCOUNT:**

To see if the Town will vote establish the After School Program Reserve Account to accumulate annual program receipts in excess of expenses. Purpose of the fund is to provide a source of funds for unanticipated expenses that would exceed the program's annual budget.

**After School Program Reserve Account:** Funding is deposited in this account annually at the end of the fiscal year from the general fund in the amount that the After School Program generates more than expenditures. Annual Program expenditures include all salaries and other program costs which can be directly identified and associated with the Program. Expenditures from this reserve account shall be requested by the After School Program Director and approved by the Board of Selectmen. Maximum account level shall not exceed 25% of the previous fiscal year's operating expenses.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Josiah Pierce motions to Passover the article. Motion to Passover is accepted

**Article 47: BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Brown Memorial Library. Brown Memorial Library is requesting **\$8,500.00**.

2021 Appropriation:	<del>\$12,000.00</del> should be \$17,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	<del>\$12,000.00</del> should be \$17,000.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

**Article 48: BALDWIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support the Baldwin Historical Society. Historical Society is requesting **\$3,750.00**.

2021 Appropriation:	\$7,500.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$7,500.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 49: SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Saco River Corridor Commission for its continued water quality monitoring program. Saco River Corridor Commission is requesting **\$150.00.**

2021 Appropriation: \$300.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$300.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 50: SMOOTH FEATHER YOUTH  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Smooth Feather Youth. Smooth Feather Youth is requesting **\$300.00.**

2021 Appropriation: \$600.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$600.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

#### SOCIAL SERVICES ARTICLES:

Article 51: SOUTHERN MAINE AGENCY ON AGING  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Southern Maine Agency on Aging. Southern Maine Agency on Aging is requesting **\$1,875.00.**

2021 Appropriation: \$3,750.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$3,750.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 52: HOME HEALTH VISITING NURSE / MAINE HEALTHCARE AT HOME  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Home Health Visiting Nurse. Home Health Visiting Nurse is requesting **\$450.00.**

2021 Appropriation: \$3,200.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$3,200.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 53: OPPORTUNITY ALLIANCE (formerly known as PROP)  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Opportunity Alliance. Opportunity Alliance is requesting **\$1,750.00.**

2021 Appropriation: \$3,500.00

2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21: \$3,500.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 54: GENERAL ASSISTANCE  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance.

2021 Appropriation:	\$18,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$9,926.05
Balance:	\$8,073.95

Selectmen recommend that **\$9,000.00** be raised and appropriated.  
**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 55: NORTHERN LIGHT HOME CARE & HOSPICE  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Northern Light Home Care & Hospice. Northern Light is requesting **\$250.00**.

2021 Appropriation:	\$500.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$500.00

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

#### ORGANIZATION ARTICLES:

Article 56: HARVEST HILLS ANIMAL SHELTER  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the ~~Animal Refuge League~~ **should read Harvest Hill Animal Shelter** for their services of handling of Baldwin stray animals. Harvest Hills is requesting **\$762.50 for the six-month period**.

2021 Appropriation for Harvest Hills:	\$1,525.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21 to Harvest Hills:	\$1,525.00

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

Article 57: SOUTHERN MAINE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (SMPDC)  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to Southern Maine Planning & Development Commission for 2020 **should be 2022** dues of \$587.00. Southern Maine Planning & Development is requesting **\$293.50 for the six-month period**.

2021 Appropriation:	\$587.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$587.00

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

#### PLANNING AND LAND-USE ARTICLES:

Article 58: PLANNING BOARD  
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards Planning Board expenses.

2021 Appropriation:	\$2,000.00
2021 Expenditure as of 11/3/21:	\$390.45
Balance:	\$1,609.55

Planning Board recommends raising **\$5,000.00 for the six-month period**  
**Moved as read and seconded. Why so much this time? Planning Board Member responds that they need to update the comprehensive plan and the ordinances. Article was accepted**

**MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES:**

**Article 59: ARPA RESERVE ACCOUNT:**

To see if the Town will vote establish the ARPA Reserve Account to hold ARPA related funding distributed to Baldwin pending its' expenditure or return to the state.

**ARPA Reserve Account:** Funding comes from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, the Federal Government American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) distributed to Baldwin via the Maine Local Fiscal Recovery Program. Use of the funds shall be identified and approved in accordance with State program guidance. Expenditures shall be recommended by the Board of Selectmen and approved by a vote of a Town Meeting. There is no target maximum reserve account fund level. Unexpended funds shall be returned to the State when the program expires at which time the reserve account will be deleted.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted**

**Article 60: REPLACEMENT "WELCOME TO BALDWIN" SIGNS**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 to purchase two "Welcome to Baldwin" signs to replace the two destroyed by vandalism in 2019.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

**Moved as read and seconded. Will the new signs be metal? Yes, they will.**

**Article was accepted**

**Article 61: To be voted on by Secret Ballot.**

To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for Baldwin by State Law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than this property tax levy limit.

**6 Yes's and 2 no's Article was accepted as read**

**Article 62: Motion to Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.**

Town of Baldwin Selectmen -

James Dolloff, Dwight Warren, and Robert Flint

Respectfully submitted by the Baldwin Town Clerk,

  
Deborah L. Wakefield