

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 13th day of March 2021** at eight o'clock in the forenoon 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 elected to be moderator

Article 2: To elect by secret ballot the following Town Officers:

- One Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor (3-year term)
- One Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor (1-year term)
- One School Board Director (3-year term)
- One Road Commissioner (3-year term)

Polls will close at 12:30 pm. Annual meeting will reconvene at 1:00 pm or shortly thereafter to act on the remaining articles.

Town reconvened at at 1:00 p.m. and Elected Officials were announced as follows:

Selectman for 3 year term is James Dolloff with 71 votes

Selectman for 1 year term (write in) is Robert Flint with 45 votes

School Board Member for 3 year term is Betty Lawrence with 91 votes

Road Commissioner for 3 year term is Brian Anderson with 95 votes

It was brought to attention by Gary Mcneil that is was very disturbing and sad that two of our Welcome to Baldwin signs had been destroyed due to vandalism.

It was also with great sadness to hear from our State Senator, Bill Diamond, that he will not be seeking re-election in 2022 and thanks the town for all their support.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to accept, or act upon the report of its Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Clerk and Treasurer, and other Town Officers of the last year.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

OFFICE AND TAXES WARRANT ARTICLES:

Article 4: 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.

2020 Appropriation: \$110,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$91,653.48

Balance: \$18,346.52

Selectmen recommend that **\$105,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 5:

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.

2020 Appropriation: \$60,000.00
2020 Expenditure: \$34,472.98
Balance: \$25,527.02

Selectmen recommend that **\$45,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 6:

ELECTED OFFICERS SALARY & WAGES

To see what hourly rate the Town will vote to pay the Town Officers for the ensuing year. 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

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 7:

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 year. This article includes Town Clerk Wages, Assistant Clerk Wages, Ballot Clerks and the related Town share of FICA and Medicare.

2020 Appropriation: \$80,000.00
2020 Expenditure: \$76,899.64
Balance: \$3,100.36

Selectmen recommend that **\$80,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 8:

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.

2020 Appropriation: \$82,000.00
2020 Expenditure: \$78,374.53
Balance: \$3,625.47

Selectmen recommend that **\$82,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 9: 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.

2020 Appropriation: \$40,892.55

2020 Expenditure: \$41,029.39

Overdraft: -\$136.84

Selectmen recommend that **\$40,892.56** (anticipated cost for 2021 of \$10,223.14 per employee) to be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 10: REVENUES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an estimated **\$658,771.00** from the following non-property tax revenues to reduce the tax commitment.

Estimated State Revenue Sharing	\$106,000.00
Estimated Homestead Reimbursement	\$108,000.00
Estimated BETE Reimbursement	\$15,271.00

Municipal Revenues:

- Building Permits	\$30,000.00
- LRAP DOT	\$40,000.00
- Excise Tax	\$350,000.00
- Agent Fees	<u>\$9,500.00</u>

Total Municipal Revenues \$429,500.00

Fund Balance \$0

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 11: 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 year, these loans made in anticipation of 2021 taxes.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 12: 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.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

- Article 13: **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 7% per annum on all unpaid taxes or part there of beginning 60 days after commitment to Tax Collector.
- Selectmen recommend passage of this article.
- Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.
- Article 14: **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 3% 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 15: **3/12 BUDGET LIMIT**
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12ths of the budget amount in each budget category of the 2021 Baldwin annual budget during the period from January 1, 2022 to the March Annual Town Meeting.
- Selectmen recommend passage of this article.
- Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.
- Article 16: **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 17: **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 18: **BACK TAXES**
To see if the Town will vote to direct the Tax Collector/Treasurer to apply any tax payment received for any property 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 19: **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.
- Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 20:

OVERDRAFTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$7,713.27** to cover overdrafts in the 2020 budget. The overdrafts are as follows:

Art. 9: Health Insurance	- \$136.84
Art. 32: Standish Rescue Unit	- \$2,857.56
Art. 35: Fire Truck Maintenance	- \$1,628.80
Tri-town Truck Payment	- \$704.61
Two Truck Payments	- \$2,385.46
Total Overdraft expenditures	-\$7,713.27

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 21:

REVALUATION RESERVE ACCOUNT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards the Revaluation Reserve Account.

2020 Appropriation: \$5,000.00

Balance in Revaluation Reserve Account: \$6,210.19

Selectmen recommend that **\$5,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

HEALTH & SANITATION ARTICLES:

Article 22:

TRI-TOWN WASTE OPERATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$90,000.00** towards Tri-town waste operations. Reports on pages 57-59.

2020 Appropriation: \$90,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$90,000.00

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 23:

TRI-TOWN RESERVE ACCOUNT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$15,000.00** 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.

2020 Appropriation: \$15,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$11,225.00

Balance: \$3,775.00

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

RECREATION & CEMETERY ARTICLES:

Article 24: CEMETERIES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$9,000.00** for the mowing, restoration, and care of existing cemeteries in Town.

2020 Appropriation: \$10,000.00
2020 Expenditure: \$8,463.03
Balance: \$1,536.97

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 25: SAND POND BEACH

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$6,515.00** for the cost of patrolling, maintenance, and porta-potty rental for Sand Pond Beach during summer months. Any balance left over after December 31, 2021 will roll over into the Sand Pond Reserve account to be used for capital improvements. Sand Pond Beach report can be found on page 60.

2020 Appropriation: \$6,515.00
2020 Expenditure: \$5,918.01
Balance: \$596.99

Sand Pond Beach Committee recommends passage of article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 26: FEE FOR SAND POND BEACH

To see if the Town will vote to charge \$10/year per vehicle for access to Sand Pond Beach.

Sand Pond Beach Committee recommends passage of article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 27: FEE DEDICATION FOR SAND POND BEACH

To see if the Town will vote to dedicate all the Sand Pond sticker fees to the Sand Pond Reserve account for capital improvements.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 28: TRANSFER FUNDS TO SAND POND BEACH RESERVE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the balance left over from 2020 Sand Pond Beach accounts including the Sand Pond Beach sticker fees into the Sand Pond Beach reserve account for capital improvements. The amounts to be transferred are \$596.99 and \$1,300 into the Sand Pond reserve.

Moved as read and seconded. Ben McKenney explains what they would like to do with the money. He would like to start swimming lessons and purchase more picnic tables.
Article was accepted.

Article 29: 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 **\$3,000.00**. Report on page 61.

2020 Appropriation: \$4,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$4,000.00

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 30: 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 31: 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 **\$49,077.74** annual cost for a full-time staffed ambulance at the Steep Falls station. See Standish Rescue Report on page 70.

2020 Appropriation: \$49,077.74

2020 Expenditure: \$51,935.00

Overdraft \$-2,857.56

Selectmen recommend passage of article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 32: 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 respective departments capital reserve accounts. Fire Department report can be found on pages 68 – 69.

2020 Appropriation: \$20,000.00 per station (\$60,000 total)

	EXPENDITURE	BALANCE
East Baldwin Station	\$13,413.74	\$6,586.26
North Baldwin Station	\$13,688.06	\$6,311.94
West Baldwin Station	\$7,070.56	\$12,929.44
Total 2020 Expenditure	\$34,172.36	\$25,827.64

Fire Department recommends passage of this article.

\$20,000.00 to each of the three departments. (Total **\$60,000.00**)

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 33: FIRE TRUCK PAYMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$56,329.13** for the 3rd out of four payments 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 34: 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.

2020 Appropriation:	\$10,000.00
2020 Expenditure:	\$11,628.00
Overdraft :	-\$1,628.80

Fire Department recommends passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 35: FIRE CHIEF AND ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF

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 year. Report on page 64.

2020 Appropriation: \$10,765.00
 2020 Expenditures

Fire Chief & Assistant = \$9,995.00
FICA/ Medicare = \$764.78
Total = \$10,759.78

Fire Department recommends to raise and appropriate **\$10,765.00**

Moved as read and seconded. Article is accepted.

Article 36: FIRE STATION CAPTAINS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for three Fire Station Captains.

2020 Appropriation: \$1,615.00

2020 Expenditures

Assistant Chiefs = \$1,500.00
FICA/ Medicare = \$114.75
Total = \$1,614.75

Fire Department recommends to raise and appropriate **\$1,615.00**

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 37: FIREFIGHTER TRAINING

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the Town firefighters for their training hours and calls. The training is required by the Department of Labor.

2020 Appropriation: \$22,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$11,816.97

Balance: \$10,183.03

Fire Department recommends to raise and appropriate **\$22,000.00**

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 38: CUMBERLAND COUNTY DISPATCH

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$11,544.00** to continue our contract for 2021 with Cumberland County Dispatch for dispatching emergency fire and rescue calls.

2020 Appropriation: \$11,209.00

2020 Expenditure: \$11,209.00

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 39: NEW RADIO PURCHASE AND REPAIR

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$6,000.00** for the maintenance, repair and purchase of new radios as needed.

2020 Appropriation: \$6,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$2,230.55

Balance: \$3,769.45

Fire Department recommends passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 40: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,000.00** for the Radio Repeater Reserve Account.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 41: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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

2020 Appropriation: \$500.00

2020 Expenditure: \$500.00

Selectmen recommend **\$1,500.00** to be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Kyle Estes, Fire Chief, explains the need for the extra money due to more grant writing and for any disasters. Article was accepted.

Article 42: 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.

2020 Appropriation: \$20,000.00

Town garage = 4,131.1 gals of diesel = \$8,332.89
West Baldwin Fire Department = 898.8 gals of diesel, = \$1,852.32

C.N. Brown contract cost: 8/1/19 – 6/30/20 = \$2.331

C.N. Brown contract cost: 7/1/20 – 6/30/21 = \$1.649

Balance: \$9,996.71

Selectmen recommend that **\$20,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 43: STREET LIGHTS

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

2020 Appropriation: \$10,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$8,893.34

Balance: \$1,106.66

Selectmen recommend that **\$10,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 44: 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). Report on pages 71-72.

2020 Appropriation: \$800.00

2020 Expenditure: \$800.00

Selectmen recommend that **\$800.00** be raised and appropriated.

It was moved and seconded to raise \$800.00. Article was accepted for \$800.00

ROAD ARTICLES:

Article 45: 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 December 31, 2021 will roll over into a reserve account for summer road maintenance.

2020 Appropriation: \$100,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$67,950.54

Balance: \$32,049.46

Road Commissioner recommends that **\$75,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 46: 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 December 31, 2021, will roll over into a reserve account for winter road maintenance.

2020 Appropriation:	\$175,000.00
2020 Expenditure:	\$161,522.26
Balance:	\$13,477.74

Road Commissioner recommends that \$175,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 47: ROAD MATERIALS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000.00 for crushed gravel to be purchased.

Road Commissioner recommend passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 48: PLOW TRUCK LEASE PAYMENT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of \$28,847.26 for the second lease payment of the new plow truck from the Town Vehicle Reserve account.

2020 Appropriation:	\$28,847.26
2020 Expenditure:	\$27,119.99
Balance:	\$1,727.27

Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 49: LOCAL ROADS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LRAP)

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to expend monies received from Maine Dept. of Transportation Local Road Assistance (LRAP) for capital improvements of Town ways. The amount received in 2020 was \$41,692.00.

Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 50:

PAVING

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$100,000.00** to add to the monies received from the Maine Dept. of Transportation Local Road Assistance for the hot top maintenance resurfacing of Town ways.

2020 Expenditures

Beginning Balance	\$32,369.56
2020 LRAP Funds received	\$41,692.00
2020 Town Appropriation	\$100,000.00
Total 2020 Budget	\$174,061.56
Total 2020 Expenditure	\$168,676.59
Total 2020 Balance	\$5,384.97

Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 51:

TOWN GARAGE

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

2020 Appropriation: \$10,000.00
 2020 Expenditure: \$8,318.67
 Balance: \$1,681.33

Road Commissioner recommends that **\$10,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 52:

ROAD CLOSURES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Officers to make final determinations regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant 23 M.R.S.A. Section 2953.

Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 53:

RIVER ROAD PETITION ARTICLE

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to act on a petition received by certain taxpayers in the Town of West Baldwin ME / Cumberland County to construct an existing dirt road currently River Rd maintained by the West Baldwin/ Cumberland County/ Public Works Dept. into an asphalt- paved road. Condition of River Road creates a safety issue.

Article seems to be in-accurate. No money can be spent. Needs to have an actual amount to do this project. Motion to move article. Motion was accepted and article fails.

Article 54:

RIVER ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,000.00** 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 55: 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 **\$17,000.00**. Report on page 74.

2020 Appropriation: \$12,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$12,000.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 56: 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 **\$7,500.00**. Report on pages 75.

2020 Appropriation: \$7,500.00

2020 Expenditure: \$7,500.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 57: 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 **\$300.00**. Report on pages 76-85.

2020 Appropriation: \$300.00

2020 Expenditure: \$300.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted

Article 58: 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 **\$600.00**. Report on page 73.

2020 Appropriation: \$600.00

2020 Expenditure: \$600.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 59: SACOPEE TV (TV2)

To see if the Town will vote to dedicate the franchise fees and any other grants received from Spectrum, Inc (formerly Time Warner, Inc.) to Sacopee Valley Media Tech (Sacopee TV- formerly TV-2) for the purchase and maintenance of equipment, and for operating costs. If the Sacopee TV program does not run during the 2021-2022 school year due to the absence of a Sacopee TV Coordinator, the franchise fees will be held in the Sacopee Valley Media Tech account by the MSAD 55I until February 2022. If no Coordinator is found by then and the program is not running, the fees will be returned to the Town. Report on pages 86-88.

The request is 100 % of the fees be transferred to Sacopee TV (TV2).

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

SOCIAL SERVICES ARTICLES:

Article 60: 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 **\$3,750.00**. Report on pages 89 - 91.

2020 Appropriation: \$3,750.00

2020 Expenditure: \$3,750.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 61: 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 **\$900.00**. Report on pages 92 – 94.

2020 Appropriation: \$3,200.00

2020 Expenditure: \$3,200.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 62: 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 **\$3,500.00**. Report on pages 95 – 97.

2020 Appropriation: \$3,500.00

2020 Expenditure: \$3,500.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 63: GENERAL ASSISTANCE
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance.

2020 Appropriation: \$18,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$10,982.31

Balance: \$7,017.69

Selectmen recommend that **\$18,000.00** be raised and appropriated.

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

Article 64: 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 **\$500.00**. Report on pages 98 – 101.

2020 Appropriation: \$500.00

2020 Expenditure: \$500.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

ORGANIZATION ARTICLES:

Article 65: ANIMAL REFUGE LEAGUE OF GREATER PORTLAND
To see if the Town will enter into a contract with the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland for the handling of Baldwin stray animals. Information on pages 63 – 67.

Brandon Ruel, our ACO, explains they have more services and opportunities. Brandon is also the ACO for the Town of Standish and this would make it easier for him to take all animals to the one

facility. There was a motion to move the article and a hand count was required to decide to pass the article. There were 13 yes's and 13 no's. In a case of a tie the article fails.

Article 66: ANIMAL REFUGE LEAGUE OF GREATER PORTLAND (ARL)
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Animal Refuge League for their services of handling of Baldwin stray animals. The ARL is requesting \$2,180.76.

2020 Appropriation for Harvest Hills: \$1,525.00

2020 Expenditure to Harvest Hills: \$1,525.00

There was a motion to amend the article to strike out most of the article and replace with Harvest Hill Animal Shelter with an amount of \$1,525.00 to be raised and appropriated. Amendment passes and the new amendment was moved and seconded and accepted.

Article 67: 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 dues of \$587.00. Southern Maine Planning & Development is requesting \$587.00. Report on pages 102 – 103.

2020 Appropriation: \$587.00

2020 Expenditure: \$587.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

PLANNING AND LAND-USE ARTICLES:

Article 68: PLANNING BOARD
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards Planning Board expenses. Report on page 56.

2020 Appropriation: \$2,000.00

2020 Expenditure: \$1,366.49

Balance: \$633.51

Planning Board recommends raising \$2,000.00

Moved as read and seconded. Article was accepted.

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES:

Article 69: 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.

Moved as read and seconded.

Article 70: Motion to Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Town of Baldwin Selectmen -

Dwight Warren and James Dolloff

Respectfully submitted by the Town Clerk, Deborah L. Wakefield

