

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
June 8 and 9, 2010

County of Knox

To: Philip Roberts, Constable of the Town of Camden, Maine

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Camden, required by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Camden Public Safety Building, Washington Street in said Town on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. in the forenoon to 8:00 p.m. in the afternoon to vote on Articles 1 through 11 at which time the meeting will adjourn. The adjourned meeting will be reopened at the Camden Opera House Auditorium on Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the remaining articles in the warrant. All of said Articles being set out below, to wit:

Article 1

To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

THE POLLS WILL OPEN AS SOON AS ARTICLE ONE HAS BEEN ACTED UPON AND WILL REMAIN OPEN TO VOTE ON ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 11 BY SECRET BALLOT UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

Article 2

To elect by secret ballot

One Select Board Member for three year term (Select Board member shall serve as Overseer of the Poor, Assessor and Wastewater Commissioner); and

One Director of Maine School Administrative District #28/CSD #19 for three year term; and

One member of the Personnel Board for a three year term.

Article 3

Shall the Town amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance to meet the State of Maine guidelines for Municipal Shoreland Zoning Ordinances, as follows:

- a. Article III, Definitions, "Functionally Water-Dependent Use" , by adding the phrase "excluding recreational boat storage buildings" after "boating facilities", and "Normal High Water Mark or Line" by deleting "Coastal And" from the heading;
- b. Article VI, Nonconformance, Section 2(1)(a) by adding the phrase "was created prior to June 12, 1990 and" in the paragraph preceding (iii), after "if the lot";
- c. Article X, Performance Standards, Part I, Section 1, Shoreland Areas, (2)(d), concerning soil disturbance, by adding the phrase "and coastal wetlands" after "waterbodies" in the first sentence;
- d. Article X, Part 1, Section 1, (9)(l)(7), fifth bullet, by changing an incorrect reference concerning footpaths from (9)(i) to (14)(b)(1)?

Note: The full text of the amendments to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board, is available in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and is posted at the polling place on voting day.

Recommended by Planning Board 3-0

Article 4

Shall the Town amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article X, Performance Standards, Part I, Section 1, Shoreland Areas, (9)(j) by adding a new paragraph titled "Nearest Horizontal Distance - Coastal Wetlands" to require a surveyor to determine the 75-foot minimum shoreland setback for any new structure that is proposed to be located within 85 feet of the apparent edge of the coastal wetland?

Note: The full text of the amendments to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours, and is posted at the polling place on voting day.

Recommended by Planning Board 3-0

Article 5

Shall the Town amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article V, Administration and Enforcement, Section 1, by replacing the current requirement to publish building permits granted by the office in a local newspaper, with a requirement to post a monthly report of building permits on the Town website within 15 days of the end of each month?

Note: The full text of the amendments to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours, and is posted at the polling place on voting day.

Recommended by Planning Board 3-0

Article 6

Shall the Town amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article V, Administration and Enforcement, Section 2, Permits Required, (2), by replacing the requirement for a "change of use" permit to a "new use" permit, which shall include a new commercial use, a change in majority ownership of commercial property or a modification that is subject to an ordinance requirement or review criteria for that commercial use?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours, and is posted at the polling place on voting day.

Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0

Article 7

Shall the Town amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII, Section 10, Transitional Business District, B-3(E), Minimum Setbacks, Sewer, Residential, Side, to require a minimum side setback of 15 feet on both sides when an existing structure fails to meet the minimum side setback requirement on either side?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board, is available in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and is posted at the polling place on voting day.

Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0

Article 8

Shall the Town amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article X, Performance Standards, Part II, Section 4(2), Methods of Meeting Parking Requirements, (c)(5) to delete the need for Zoning Board Approval in order to make annual payments to the Parking Trust Fund and to add Transitional Harbor Business district to the other business districts in this provision of the ordinance?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board, is available in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and is posted at the polling place on voting day.

Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0

Article 9

Shall the Town of Camden vote to authorize the Town Manager to submit a Community Development Block Grant Application to the Department of Economic and Community Development for Public Service on behalf of Mind's Eye Travel in the amount of \$50,000, to accept said grant funds, and take necessary administrative action consistent with said application and subsequent approval?

Article 10

Shall the Town of Camden vote to authorize the Town Manager to submit a Community Development Block Grant Application to the Department of Economic and Community Development for a Housing Assistance grant on behalf of the Camden Affordable Housing Organization relating to down payment assistance for moderate income homebuyers for the Lupine Terrace subdivision, in the amount of \$250,000, to accept said grant funds, and take necessary administrative action consistent with said application and subsequent approval?

Article 11

Shall the Town (1) approve a capital improvement project consisting of an upgrade to the Rawson Avenue Pump Station; (2) appropriate a sum not to exceed seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) to meet the costs of the project; and (3) to fund this appropriation (a) authorize the expenditure of \$40,000 from the Town's sewer reserves and (b) authorize the Treasurer and Chair of the Select Board to issue general obligation securities of the Town of Camden, Maine (with or without call provisions and including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed six hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$660,000) including the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), interest rates, call(s) for redemption, denomination(s), form(s), and other details of said securities, and including execution and delivery of said securities on behalf of the Town, and to provide for the sale thereof?"

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid:	\$ 2,603,742
B. Bonds authorized and unissued:	\$ -0-

C. Bonds to be issued if the article is approved:	\$ 660,000
Total	\$ 3,263,742

Costs:

At an estimated maximum interest rate of 1.75% for a fifteen (15) year maturity, the estimated cost of this bond issue will be:

Principal:	\$ 660,000
Interest:	\$ 130,202
Total Debt Service:	\$ 790,202

Validity: The validity of the bonds and the voter’s ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates, the ratification by the voters is nonetheless conclusive and the validity of the bonds is not affected by reason of the variance.

Town Treasurer

Note: In accordance with the Camden Rockport Interlocal Sewer Agreement the Town of Rockport will share in the costs of bond payments for this project. Rockport’s share will be based on its proportional percentage of total dry weather flows processed at the plant at the time of the bond issue.

(The following articles (12-23) will be “FLOOR” articles to be voted on by registered voters on Wednesday, June 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Camden Opera House.)

Article 12

To see if the Town will approve joining the Knox County Public Safety Information Sharing Cooperative Association as set forth in the Inter Agency Cooperation Agreement.

Note: The full text of the proposed Agreement has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board, is available in the Town Clerk’s office during regular business hours, and will be available at the business meeting.

Article 13

Shall the Town vote to set November 1 or the next regular business day thereafter, and May 1 or the next regular business day thereafter, as due dates for taxes and to fix the rate of interest on unpaid taxes at 7% per year?

Article 14

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept grants, gifts, real estate and other funds, including trust funds, that may be given or left to the Town?

Article 15

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property, excluding the former Apollo Tannery property, in any manner which the Select Board deems to be in the best interests of the Town of Camden?

Article 16

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town’s Purchasing Regulations, as amended; and further authorize the Town Manager to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town’s Purchasing Regulations, as amended, which has a market value of less than three thousand dollars?

Article 17

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board, following a public hearing, to transfer an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the unexpended balances from any budgetary category to another budgetary category of the annual budget, subject to the limitations contained in this Article, during the period from April 1 to the date of the annual town meeting in June? The transfer of unexpended balances from various budgetary categories shall not increase the expenditure in any budgetary category by an amount which exceeds two-twelfths (2/12) of the budgeted amount approved for that budgetary category by the annual town meeting?

Article 18

Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$ 1,982,462 from non-property tax revenue sources to be used in reducing the property tax commitment for the expenditures in the following article for the 2010-2011 fiscal year?

The Select Board and Budget Committee recommend approval.

Article 19

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, net of non-property tax revenues, for the 2010-2011 fiscal year budget for the following purposes, or act thereon:

	Budget Comm Recommends	Select Board Recommends
A. GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,423,740	1,423,740
B. PUBLIC SAFETY	1,706,257	1,707,257
C. HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES	1,083,800	1,083,800
D. HEALTH & WELFARE	37,656	37,656
E. LEISURE SERVICES	807,831	807,831
F. CEMETERIES	77,447	77,447
G. DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY	<u>756,304</u>	<u>770,704</u>
Total Proposed Expenditures A through G:	5,893,035	5,908,435

Article 20

To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established by State law to cover the municipal budget approved by all the preceding articles, if necessary.

Article 21

Shall the Town vote to elect one person to serve on the Board of Trustees of the W. H. Pascal Fund for a term of three years and one person to serve an unexpired term for two years?

Note: Marie Connell’s term has expired and Parker Laite, Sr. resigned.

Article 22

- A. To elect eight members for three year terms each (terms expire in 2013) to serve on the Budget Committee.

Names suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee are:

Matthew Lewis Brian Gasser Tom Massey
Meg Sideris Peter Orne Delisa Morong
Darrell McIlwain

- B. To elect one member for a one-year term to expire in 2011 to serve on the Budget Committee.

Name suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee is:

Rebecca Flanagan

Article 23

To elect three members and two alternate members to serve as a Budget Committee Nominating Committee for the following year.

No names were suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee.

Note: It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to submit to the Town Manager, no later than April 1 for publication in the Town Warrant, a slate of nominees to serve on the Budget Committee for three years.

The Select Board gives notice that the Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Camden Town Office for the purpose of accepting and correcting the voting list during regular business hours Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and at the polls Tuesday, June 8, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

You must be a Camden registered voter to vote in any election.

Given under our hands this 20th day of April , 2010

CAMDEN SELECT BOARD

Karen Grove, Chairperson

Deborah Dodge, Vice-Chairperson

John R. French, Jr.

Anita Brosius-Scott

Morgan Laidlaw

A True Attest Copy: _____
Katrina Oakes, Town Clerk

RETURN

I certify that I have notified the Voters of Camden of the time and place of the Town of Camden Annual Town Meeting, Five Town CSD Budget Validation Referendum, MSAD #28 Budget Validation Referendum, State Primary Election Ballot, and State Referendum to be held June 8 and June 9, 2010 by posting an attested copy of the Notice of Warrants a the Camden Public Safety Building, Camden Town Office, Camden Public Library, and the Camden Post Office on _____, 2010.

Philip Roberts, Constable