

**SAMPLE BALLOT
TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 2016**

Instructions to Voters

To vote, completely fill in the oval to the left, like this: ●.
To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.
If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

Article 2

- Yes
- No
- Shall the voters of the Town of Camden authorize the Board of Directors of the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation to enter into a contract for up to 5 years to dispose of Municipal Solid Waste to commence on or about April 1, 2018, for the fixed price of \$57.85 per ton plus annual increases in the Consumer Price Index and on such other terms and conditions that the Board of Directors deem appropriate with ecomaine, a non-profit corporation owned solely by municipalities and located in Portland, Maine?

Explanation: Camden is a member of the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation (transfer station). The contract with the facility where we currently bring our solid waste/trash expires in March 2018. The MCSW Board of Directors recommends entering into a contract with ecomaine. The Town must authorize the MCSW Board to enter into contracts which are longer than 3 years.

Article 3

- Yes
- No
- Shall the Town vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII Section 5, Coastal Residential District (CR), Section B. Permitted Uses, by adding the following commercial uses:
- (12) (9) Outdoor storage of boats, provided the screening standards of Article X, Part II, Section 3(5) are met and indoor storage, maintenance and construction of boats in buildings on lots of 5 or more acres in size provided that the storage facility was in existence on January 1, 2003 and is located at least 125 feet from any residential lot, boundary or a public way.

Explanation: Currently boat storage is allowed in the Coastal Residential Zone. This amendment would add boat maintenance and construction as an allowed use, provided the building is located on 5 or more acres of land and the building has existed since January 1, 2003.

Article 4

- Yes
- No
- Shall the Town vote to amend the Camden Police Ordinance Chapter VIII, Part XII "Public Noise and Conduct Ordinance" by adding a new section 2.5 and amending Section 4 as follows:

Section 2.5 - Unacceptable Noise Level

Any sound level exceeding 65 dBA when measured at the property line and persisting for 5 minutes or more, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., is prohibited unless a permit has been obtained in advance for a specific event.

Section 4 - Designated Area

The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to all areas of the Town of Camden. set forth in Exhibit A, attached to this ordinance and incorporated by reference herein.

Explanation: Camden currently has a noise ordinance that applies to the downtown area. This amendment establishes a noise ordinance for the entire town. It establishes a measurable noise standard of 65 decibels, and prohibits noise that exceeds 65 decibels between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.