



**Town Meeting Warrant
And
Secret Ballot Election**

**Monday, May 1, 2017
And
Tuesday, May 2, 2017**

County of Hancock, ss.

State of Maine

To: Chief Alan Brown, a Constable of the Town of Southwest Harbor, in the County of Hancock, State of Maine.

Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Southwest Harbor, in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Pemetic Elementary School, First Floor Auditorium, in said Town, on **Monday, the 1st day of May, 2017 A.D. at seven o'clock in the evening**, then and there to act on Articles numbered one [1] through fifty-three [53].

And to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet in the Southwest Harbor Fire Station Meeting Room on **Tuesday, the 2nd day of May, 2017 A.D. at ten o'clock in the forenoon**, then and there to act upon Articles numbered fifty-four [54] through fifty-six [56] by secret ballot, the polling hours therefore to be from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Article 1: Election of Moderator – To choose a Moderator to preside at the meeting.

Article 2: To fix compensation for the Board of Selectmen, Members of the Superintending School Committee and Members of the Board of Trustees of the Mount Desert Island Regional School District.

Article 3: To authorize the Selectmen to choose and appoint all other non-elected municipal positions.

SOUTHWEST HARBOR SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Note: Articles 4 through 14 authorize expenditures in cost center categories

Article 4: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for Regular Instruction for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 1,076,843
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 1,076,843
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 1,076,843

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$1,096,054

Article 5: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Special Education** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 904,693
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 904,693
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 904,693

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 781,811

Article 6: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Career and Technical Education** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ -0-
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ -0-
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ -0-

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ -0-

Article 7: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Other Instruction** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 61,607
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 61,607
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 61,607

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 58,710

Article 8: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Student & Staff Support** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 349,677
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 349,677
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 349,677

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 343,610

Article 9: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **System Administration** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 68,313
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 68,313
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 68,313

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 62,332

Article 10: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **School Administration** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 240,928
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 240,928
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 240,928

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 201,638

Article 11: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Transportation & Buses** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 148,261
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 148,261
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 148,261

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 148,945

Article 12: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Facilities Maintenance** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 382,188
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 382,188
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 382,188

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 378,884

Article 13: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Debt Service and Other Commitments** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 261,050
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 261,050
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 261,050

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 318,598

Article 14: To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **All Other Expenditures** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 75,000
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 75,000
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 75,000

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$75,000

Note: **Articles 4 – 14 authorize a total budget of \$ 3,568,560**

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$3,465,582

Note: Articles 15 – 17 raise funds for the Proposed School Budget (Hand Count)

Article 15: To see what sum the voters of the Town of Southwest Harbor will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the essential Programs and Services Funding Act (Recommend \$1,826,587) and to see what sum the voters of the Town of Southwest Harbor will raise as the Town’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688 for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 1,610,263
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 1,610,263

Explanation: The Town of Southwest Harbor’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education, from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that a municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

Article 16: To see what sum the voters of the Town of Southwest Harbor will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Town of Southwest Harbor’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education, from kindergarten to grade 12, for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 261,050
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 261,050
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 261,050

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the Town of Southwest Harbor’s long-term debt for major capital school construction projects and minor capital renovation projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was approved by the voters on November 2, 1999.

Written Ballot Vote Required

Article 17: To see what sum the voters of the Town of Southwest Harbor will raise and appropriate in additional local funds for school purposes (Recommend: \$1,390,331) for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, which exceeds the State’s Essential Programs and Services allocation model (Recommend: \$1,361,249) as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee.

The School Committee recommends \$ **1,390,331** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State’s Essential Programs and Services funding model by **\$ 1,361,249**: The State funding model underestimates the actual costs to fully fund the 2017-2018 budget.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Town of Southwest Harbor’s local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Town of Southwest Harbor’s budget for educational programs.

Note: Articles 15, 16, & 17 raise a total town appropriation of \$3,261,644

Note: 2016-17 Total Town Appropriation was \$3,256,220

Note: Article 18 summarizes the proposed school budget and does not authorize any additional expenditures. (Hand Count)

Article 18: To see what sum the voters of the Town of Southwest Harbor will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

<i>School Board recommends</i>	\$ 3,568,560
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 3,568,560
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 3,568,560

Note: 2016-17 Total Budget was \$3,465,582

Article 19: In addition to the amount in Articles 4 – 18, shall the School Committee be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year 2017-2018 for school purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Current Year Totals: \$86,504

<i>School Board recommends passage</i>
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends passage</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends passage</i>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Administration** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 310,647
Source: Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 23,200
Fees & Licenses	\$ 30,300
State & Federal Assistance	\$ 84,400
Fines & Penalties	\$ 32,000
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 12,500
Contracted Services	\$ 7,200
Taxation	<u>\$ 121,047</u>
Total:	\$ 310,647
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 310,647
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 310,647

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$252,799

Article 21: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Code Enforcement /LPI** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 45,426
Source: Fees & Licenses	\$ 23,000
Taxation	<u>\$ 22,426</u>
Total:	\$ 45,426
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 45,426
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 45,426

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$46,167

Article 22: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Southwest Harbor Boards and Committees** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 1,900
Source: Fees & Licenses	\$ 500
Taxation	<u>\$ 1,400</u>
Total:	\$ 1,900
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 1,900
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 1,900

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$2,000

Article 23: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Contracted Services** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 638,525
Source: Miscellaneous Income	\$ 25,000
Taxation	<u>\$ 613,525</u>
Total:	\$ 638,525
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 638,525
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 638,525

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$635,775

Article 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Debt Service** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 405,736
Source: Taxation	\$ 405,736
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 405,736
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 405,736

Summary of Debt Service:

Fire Station	\$ 63,713
Water Tank	\$ 18,569
Main Street	\$ 131,000
Wesley-Mansell	\$ 105,904
Ferrero Fire Truck	<u>\$ 86,550</u>
<i>Total:</i>	<i>\$ 405,736</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$408,970

Article 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Insurance Purposes** for various Town properties and activities for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 39,269
Source: Taxation	\$ 39,269
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 39,269</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 39,269</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$35,700

Article 26: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Municipal Offices** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 26,923
Source: Fees & Licenses	\$ 500
Taxation	<u>\$ 26,423</u>
Total:	\$ 26,923
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 26,923</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 26,923</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$28,580

Article 27: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Community Service Organizations** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 34,364
Source: Taxation	\$ 34,364
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 34,364</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 34,364</i>

Summary of Community Service Organizations:

Bar Harbor Food Pantry	\$ 2,500
Downeast Horizons	\$ 1,800
Eastern Area on Aging	\$ 1,500
Hancock Home Care	\$ 1,870

Hospice of Hancock County	\$ 1,000
Island Connections	\$ 2,000
Island Explorer Bus Service	\$ 10,000
MDI Campfire Coalition	\$ 3,000
Mt Height Cemetery	\$ 3,500
Westside Food Pantry	\$ 2,500
Washington/Hancock Community Agency	\$ 3,574
WIC Nutrition Program	\$ 1,120

Total: \$ 34,364

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$31,824

Article 28: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Southwest Harbor Public Library for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.**

Requested:	\$ 55,000
Source: Taxation	\$ 55,000
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends:</i>	\$ 55,000
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 55,000

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$55,000

Article 29: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Harbor House Youth Center and Recreation Programs for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.**

Requested:	\$ 59,640
Source: Taxation	\$ 59,640
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 59,640
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 59,640

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$59,640

Article 30: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Southwest Harbor / Tremont Nursing Service for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.**

Requested:	\$ 58,000
Source: Taxation	\$ 58,000
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 58,000
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 58,000

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$57,500

Article 31: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Southwest Harbor Highway Department** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 280,173
Source: Excise Tax	\$ 261,873
Fees & Licenses	\$ 300
State & Federal Assistance	<u>\$ 18,000</u>
Total:	\$ 280,173
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 280,173
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 280,173

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$323,100

Article 32: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Southwest Harbor Police Department** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 485,814
Source: Fees & Licenses	\$ 1,050
Fines & Penalties	\$ 2,000
Taxation:	<u>\$ 482,764</u>
Total:	\$ 485,814
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 485,814
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 485,814

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$463,498

Article 33: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Southwest Harbor Dispatch Department** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 271,257
Source: Service Revenue	\$ 44,000
Taxation	<u>\$ 227,257</u>
Total:	\$ 271,257
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 271,257
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 271,257

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$255,940

Article 34: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Southwest Harbor Fire Department** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 81,783
Source: Taxation	\$ 81,783
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	\$ 81,783
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	\$ 81,783

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$80,391

Article 35: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Harbor Department of Southwest Harbor for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Requested:	\$ 105,901
Source: Fees & Licenses	\$ 100,600
Taxation	<u>\$ 5,301</u>
Total:	\$ 105,901
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 105,901</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 105,901</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$105,183

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS & RESERVES

Article 36: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Improvement Plan for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from these accounts to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account.

Requested:	\$ 321,300
Source: Excise Tax	\$ 138,127
Taxation	<u>\$ 183,173</u>
Total:	\$ 321,300
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 321,300</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 321,300</i>

Capital Improvement Plan Summary:

Administration	\$ -0-
Municipal Building	\$ 1,000
Police	\$ 12,500
Dispatch	\$ 10,500
Fire	\$ 9,000
Harbor	\$ 15,000
Highway	\$ 173,300
Water/Sewer Infrastructure	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
Total:	<i>\$ 321,300</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$268,637

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the **Unemployment Reserve** in the sum of \$15,000 for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 and credit the **Legal & Accounting Reserve** \$10,000 and the **Salt & Sand Reserve** \$5,000 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from the reserve account to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account.

Requested: Reduction of:	\$ (15,000)
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ (15,000)</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ (15,000)</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$-0-

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the **Tax Abatement Reserve** in the sum of \$3,000 for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 and credit the **Wage & Benefit Reserve** \$3,000 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from the reserve account to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account.

Requested: Reduction of:	\$ (3,000)
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ (3,000)</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ (3,000)</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$-0-

Article 39: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Mapping Update Reserve** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from the reserve account to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account.

Requested:	\$ 300
Source: Taxation	\$ 300
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 300</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 300</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$300

Article 40: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Rhoades Park Reserve** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from the reserve account to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account

Requested:	\$ 5,500
Source: Taxation	\$ 5,500
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 5,500</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 5,500</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$4,500

Article 41: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Tree Fund Reserve** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from the reserve account to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account

Requested:	\$ 2,000
Source: Taxation	\$ 2,000
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 2,000</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 2,000</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$2,000

Article 42: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **HRA Insurance Reserve** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from the reserve account to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account

Requested:	\$ 10,000
Source: Taxation	\$ 10,000
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 10,000</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 10,000</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$48,000

Article 43: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **SWH Historic Cemetery Reserve** for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with the Select Board being authorized to draw funds from the reserve account to be used in accordance with the purpose of the account

Requested:	\$ 2,000
Source: Taxation	\$ 2,000
<i>Board of Selectmen recommends</i>	<i>\$ 2,000</i>
<i>Warrant Committee recommends</i>	<i>\$ 2,000</i>

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$-0-

Article 44: To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$3,491,185.37 established for Southwest Harbor 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 that property tax levy limit.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 45: To see if the Town will vote to allow that the first half of taxes shall be due and payable on or before September 5, 2017 and that the second half of taxes shall be due and payable on or before February 5, 2018 and that interest shall be charged at the annual rate of 7% on any unpaid taxes due on September 5, 2017 beginning September 6, 2017 and on any unpaid taxes due February 5, 2017 beginning February 6, 2018. Also, that a rate of 3% interest per annum is paid for refund of property tax collected in accordance to state statute. (Tax Club members are exempt within the terms and conditions of the Town's Tax Club Agreement.)

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 46: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation by using estimated revenues and fund balances for the Municipal Budget for the fiscal year of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Note: In addition to property taxes, the Town receives other revenues from fees, licenses, excise taxes, et cetera. The Town sometimes uses monies left over from prior years (fund balance). The funds shown in this article reduce the amount of property taxes that have to be raised.

Sources of Revenues	Estimated 2017-2018
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 23,200
Fees & Licenses	\$ 556,750
State & Federal Assistance	\$ 102,400
Fines & Penalties	\$ 32,000
Service Revenue	\$ 51,200
Miscellaneous	\$ 37,000
Estimated Revenue Total	\$ 802,550

NON-EXPENDITURE ARTICLES

Article 47: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select board to apply for and receive money, without further action by Town Meeting, from the State of Maine, which may become available during the ensuing year, including but not limited to the following sources:

Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 54,000	Est.
Local Road Assistance	\$ 19,000	Est.
State Aid to Education	\$ 110,000	Est.
Public Library State Aid per Capita	\$ 100	Est.
Civil Emergency Funds	\$ 100	Est.
Snowmobile Registration Monies	\$ 300	Est.
Tree Growth Reimbursements	\$ 1,500	Est.
General Assistance Reimbursements	\$ 2,500	Est.
State Grants and Other Funds	Unknown	

Together with any other State and/or Federal Grants which may be available at any time during the coming year.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 48: To see if the Town will vote to accept all Trust Funds as received by the Town of Southwest Harbor Trust Officer during the fiscal year of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 49: To see if the Town will vote to have unexpended balances in the Town's accounts at the end of the fiscal year, except those which remain by law or are deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen, transferred to the Surplus Account or to any specified reserve fund, as deemed advisable by the Board of Selectmen, and to fund overdrafts in the Town's accounts from such unexpended balances, as deemed advisable by the Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 50: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and/or dispose of any property acquired by tax liens after first offering the property to the previous owners for payment of all back taxes, fees and interest, and if they decline, advertising for sealed bids on same, and stating the lowest bid acceptable, and to allow the Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to waive automatic lien foreclosures when it is in the best interest of the Town.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 51: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to dispose of town owned personal property with a value of \$20,000 or less under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 52: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §506.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

Article 53: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Municipal Officers to enter into multiyear contracts.

Board of Selectmen recommends passage.

**The following articles will be voted on by secret ballot on
Tuesday, May 2, 2017**

Article 54: Election of Officers – To elect all necessary Town Officers as are required to be elected by secret ballot:

Two [2] members of the Board of Selectmen for a three [3] year term.

Two [2] member of the Superintending School Committee for a three [3] year term.

One [1] member of the Board of Trustees of the Mount Desert Island Regional School District for a three [3] year term.

Article 55: Question 1 –

Shall an ordinance entitled “Disbursement Of Excess Funds Received From The Sale Of Tax Acquired Property Ordinance” be enacted? 30-A M.R.S.A. § 3002(3).

Article 56: Question 2 –

Shall the Town (1) approve a capital project consisting of water line replacement and road reconstruction. including engineering and design costs, transaction costs and other expenses reasonably related thereto; (2) appropriate the sum of \$2,359,005 to fund the project; (3) authorize the Town Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board to accept such grants as may become available through the Maine Department of Transportation or other sources, and issue general obligation securities of the Town (including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale

thereof) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,359,005 to fund the appropriation; and (4) delegate to the Treasurer and the Chair the authority and discretion to fix the dates, maturities, interest rates, denominations, calls for redemption (with or without premium), form, and other details of said securities, including authority to execute and deliver the securities on behalf of the Town?

Explanatory note: The project will include resurfacing Fernald Point Road, Village Green parking, Village Green Way, Clark Point Road (Main St to Herrick), Hillcrest Acres, Shore Road (from Spar Cottage to Kings Lane to Seawall Road), Freeman Ridge and Robinson Lane. It also includes, design work, utilities reconstruction and road resurfacing on Cedar Lane, Robinson Hill and Claremont Road. The sidewalk and railing at the bulkhead across Claremont Road will be reconstructed plus adequate storm water drainage.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Town Indebtedness:

A.	Outstanding balance of the Sewer Department bonds:	\$1,193,278.00
B.	Outstanding balance of the Water Department bonds:	\$2,053,143.92
C.	Outstanding balance of School bonds:	\$1,044,200.00
D.	Outstanding balance of other general obligation bonds:	\$2,657,282.00
E.	Bonds authorized and unissued:	\$ -0-
F.	Anticipated amount of bonds to be issued:	\$2,359,005 .00
	Total:	\$9,306,908.92

Costs: At an estimated net interest rate of 3.5% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated cost of this bond issue will be:

Total Principal	\$2,359,005.00
Interest:	\$ 925,395.00
Total Debt Service:	\$3,284,400.00

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

The polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 for the election of Town Officers and referendum balloting.

The Board of Selectmen hereby gives notice that the Registrar of Voters will be in the Southwest Harbor Town Office in said Town of Southwest Harbor on Friday, April 28, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of registering new voters.

Given under our hands this 11th day of April, 2017

Thomas Benson, Chairman

Lydia Goetze, Vice-Chair

Dan Norwood

George Jellison, Jr.

Chad Terry

The original warrant is on file at the Town Office. Attested copies are posted at the Town Office, Police Station and Post Office.