

WARRANT

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

JUNE 13 AND 14, 2017

JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

To:

Amy Hanscom, a resident of the Town of Bethel in the County of Oxford.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Bethel, in said County, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at **CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL IN SAID TOWN ON TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017 AT 8:00 A.M.** in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1:

To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ACTION: THE TOWN CLERK CALLED FOR THE ELECTION OF THE MODERATOR. THE NAME OF HARRY "DUTCH" DRESSER WAS PLACED IN NOMINATION. IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED, AND ONE WRITTEN BALLOT WAS CAST AND COUNTED FOR HARRY "DUTCH" DRESSER. HE WAS DECLARED THE WINNER AND SWORN IN BY THE TOWN CLERK.

ARTICLE 2:

To choose by ballot: TWO Selectmen, TWO School Board Directors, and TWO Assessor, all for three year terms. ONE School Board Director for a one year term.

ACTION: THE MODERATOR OPENED THE POLLS, RESULTS OF THE VOTE WERE AS FOLLOWS:

SELECTMEN – THREE YEARS – VOTE FOR TWO

SCANLON, NEIL	168	
SWAIN, LORI	227	ELECTED
SWEETSER, LLOYD	240	ELECTED

ASSESSOR – THREE YEARS – VOTE FOR TWO

BENNET, DONALD	311	ELECTED
BLAKE, ROBERT	286	ELECTED

SAD#44 DIRECTOR – THREE YEARS – VOTE FOR TWO

FORBES DEVIVO, AMY	227	ELECTED
SCANLON, MARY	203	
WALKER, JOHN	215	ELECTED

SAD#44 DIRECTOR – ONE YEAR – VOTE FOR ONE

LAMBERT, DARCY	313	ELECTED
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The polls will remain open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Following the announcement of the election results the meeting will be adjourned to:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017
7:00 P.M.
CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL

ACTION: THE SECOND HALF OF THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00PM BY TOWN CLERK CHRISTEN MASON. CLERK MASON INTRODUCED SELECTMEN BENNETT TO THE PODIUM TO PRESENT THE SPIRIT OF AMERICA AWARD TO ARLENE GREENLEAF. CLERK MASON THEN TURNED THE MEETING OVER TO THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to enact an ordinance entitled “Commercial Wind Energy Facility Ordinance?”

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE THE ENACTMENT OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “COMMERICAL WIND ENERGY FACILITY”.

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of certain property located at Map 25 Lot 139, 21 Philbrook Street, also known as the former Ethel Bisbee School, upon a recommendation from the Ethel Bisbee School Committee and as determined by the Board of Selectmen to be in the best interest of the Town

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 4 AS WRITTEN. DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. I WAS MOVED, AND SECONDED TO AMEND THE MOTION TO STIPULATE THAT THE BOARD HAD TO SELL THE PROPERTY WITH THE PROCEEDS BEING SPLIT EVENLY BETWEEN CHILDRENS RECREATION AND THE VETERANS HONOR ROLL. DICUSSION FOLLOWED. MODERATOR DRESSER CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT, IT FAILED. MODERATOR DRESSER CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE ORGININAL MOTION, IT PASSED.

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town of Bethel will vote to authorize the Board of selectmen to move up to ten percent (10%) of unexpended balances from various accounts, as needed, to provide for smooth transition of town business

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 5 AS WRITTEN

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to accept cash donations and donations of materials, equipment, labor and services, all for the benefit of the Bethel Recreation Committee and the recreational programs it administers, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend such cash and use such donations as directed by the donor or, absent direction from the donor, as the Board of Selectmen deem necessary.

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 6 AS WRITTEN.

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote to accept the assets of the South Bethel Cemetery Association, including the land of the South Bethel Cemetery and trust funds of approximately \$340.00, and

authorize the Board of Selectmen to make expenditures necessary for the ongoing care and maintenance of the cemetery and take all other action that the Board deems necessary in regard thereto?"

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 7 AS WRITTEN.

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the Town will vote to ratify the actions of estimated overdrafts in the Fiscal Year 2017 budget.

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>OVERDRAFTS</u>
Administration	
Town Clerk	
Assessors	
Finance Office	634
Planning & Development	
Police Department	
Fire Department	
Ambulance Service	
Solid Waste	
Public Works	
Cole Block	2,140
Fire Station	12,223
Town Garage	
Greenleaf Station	
General Assistance	
Recreation	19,266
Angevine Park	
Fountain, Park & Cemeteries	
Contributions - Local	
Contributions - Agencies	
Employee Benefits	
Municipal Insurance	106
Capital Improvements	
Debt Service	
TOTAL	\$ 34,369

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED AND VOTE TO APPROVE ARTICLE 8 AS WRITTEN

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to fix dates when property taxes will be due and payable, and see if the Town will fix a rate of interest on property taxes unpaid after said dates.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Taxes will be due and payable in two equal installments, October 2, 2017 and April 2, 2018, and interest will be charged on any unpaid amounts at a rate of 7% (annual) as of November 2, 2017 and May 2, 2018.

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 9 AS WRITTEN.

ARTICLE 10:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Mahoosuc Heart & Soul in FY18:

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$5,000

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 10 AS WRITTEN. MOTION FAILED.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to accept estimated federal, state, and local non-property tax revenues, and designated donations, to reduce the FY18 property tax commitment, as described below:

CATEGORY	APPROVED	ESTIMATED	CATEGORY	APPROVED	ESTIMATED
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	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FOR FY2018</u>		<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FOR FY2018</u>
Auto Excise Tax	435,000	450,000	Planning Board Fees	1,200	1,200
Boat Excise Tax	3,000	3,000	Sewer/Airport Support Fees	12,500	12,500
Excise Fees/State	3,750	3,750	General Gov't Misc.	350	350
Town Clerk	8,200	7,500	Returned Check Fees	100	100
Auto Registration Fees	12,000	12,000	Rental Utilities	300	200
RV Registration Fees	600	600	Animal Control Fees	1,	1,000
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Street Opening Permits	50	50	Fire Services (UT)	29,088	29,000
Plumbing Permits	7,000	7,000	Transfer Station Fees	2,500	2,500
Basketball Court Donations	1,500	1,500	Ambulance Service Fees	10,197	10,200
Building Permits	6,800	6,500	Ambulance Revenues	175,000	140,000
Floodplain Permits	0	0	Solid Waste Service Fees	165,750	165,750
Shoreland Zoning Permits	50	50	Waste Materials Rev.	5,000	5,000
Sign Permits	100	100	Recreation	10,000	10,000
Auto Graveyard Permits	150	150	Town Common Fees	500	500
Oxford County Bridge Funds	0	15,000	Public Works Misc.	15,000	5,000
Snowmobile Registrations	1,000	1,000	Tax Acquired Proceeds	0	5,000
Local Roads Assistances	78,000	75,000	Interest on Taxes	40,000	40,000
General Assistance Reim.	1,200	1,750	Investment Interest	500	3,000
State Tax Reimb.	60,000	70,000	Cole Block Rents	6,480	6,480
State Revenue Sharing	80,316	81,000	Other Misc.	10,000	12,000
State BETE Reimb	8,000	8,000	Pmt. In lieu Taxes	10,000	10,000
MMA Safety Grant	2,000	2,000	Timber Harvest Sales	5,500	0
Copy Fees	300	200	State Snowmobile Grant	25,000	20,000
TOTAL				1,234,981	1,225,930

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 11 AS WRITTEN. DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. A MOTION WAS MADE TO AMEND THE ARTICLE TO REMOVE THE \$15,00S UNDER OXFORD COUNTY BRIDGE, WHICH WOULD LEAVE THE TOTAL REVENUES AT \$1,210,930. THE MOTION TO AMEND RECEIVED A SECOND. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT IT PASSED. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE MOTION AS AMENDED. IT PASSED.

ARTICLE 12:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for ADMINISTRATION in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017

\$196,503

Fiscal Year 2018

\$209,221

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$209,221

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 12 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$209,211

ARTICLE 13:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the TOWN CLERK DEPARTMENT in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$85,538

Fiscal Year 2018
\$87,587

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$87,587

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 13 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$87,587

ARTICLE 14:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the ASSESSORS DEPARTMENT in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$46,205

Fiscal Year 2018
\$45,000

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$45,000

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 14 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,000

ARTICLE 15:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the FINANCE DEPARTMENT in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$86,288

Fiscal Year 2018
\$89,737

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$89,737

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 15 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$89,737

ARTICLE 16:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$71,104

Fiscal Year 2018
\$72,593

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$72,593

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 16 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$72,593

ARTICLE 17:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of POLICE SERVICES in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$332,500

Fiscal Year 2018
\$332,500

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$332,500

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 17 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$332,500

ARTICLE 18:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the FIRE DEPARTMENT in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$223,095

Fiscal Year 2018
\$223,345

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$223,345

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 18 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$223,345

ARTICLE 19:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the AMBULANCE SERVICE in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$247,795

Fiscal Year 2018
\$257,365

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$257,365

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 19 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$257,365

ARTICLE 20:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT program in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$434,344

Fiscal Year 2018
\$439,049

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$439,049

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 20 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$439,049

ARTICLE 21:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$557,634

Fiscal Year 2018
\$566,397

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$566,397

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 21 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$566,397

ARTICLE 22:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the COLE BLOCK in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$28,315

Fiscal Year 2018
\$27,300

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$27,300

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 22 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,300

ARTICLE 23:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the FIRE STATION in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$21,110

Fiscal Year 2018
\$21,836

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$21,836

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 23 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,836

ARTICLE 24:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the TOWN GARAGE in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$17,900

Fiscal Year 2018
\$18,000

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$18,000

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 24 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,000

ARTICLE 25:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of GREENLEAF STATION in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$15,185

Fiscal Year 2018
\$22,635

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$22,635

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 25 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,635

ARTICLE 26:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the GENERAL ASSISTANCE program in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$2,500

Fiscal Year 2018
\$2,500

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$2,500

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 26 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500

ARTICLE 27:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of the RECREATION BOARD in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$44,600

Fiscal Year 2018
\$41,400

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$41,400

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 27 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,400. DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. A MOTION AND A SECOND WERE RECEIVED TO ADD \$5,000 TO THE BUDGET LINE FOR A FENCE AROUND THE NEW BASKETBALL COURTS. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT. IT PASSED. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE MOTION AS AMENDED. THE ARTICLE PASSED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,400

ARTICLE 28:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of ANGEVINE PARK in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$10,960

Fiscal Year 2018
\$10,910

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$10,910

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 28 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,910. DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. A MOTION AND A SECOND WERE MADE TO ADD \$3,000 TO THE BUDGET LINE. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT. IT FAILED. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,910. IT PASSED.

ARTICLE 29:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation of FOUNTAIN, PARK & CEMETERY in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$15,450

Fiscal Year 2018
\$15,450

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$15,450

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 29 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,450.

ARTICLE 30:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for CONTRIBUTIONS - LOCAL in FY18:

<u>Fiscal Year 2017</u>		<u>Fiscal Year 2018</u>
\$17,500	Bethel Library	\$18,500
1,250	Memorial Day	1,250
13,977	Channel 11	12,000
500	Independence Day Band	500
2,000	Independence Day Fireworks	2,000

2,000	Mollycokett Day	2,000
1,105	Snowmobile Trails	550
3,490	Winter Decorations	3,400
1,000	Project Graduation	1,000
	Municipal Allocation for	
25,000	Snowmobile Grant	20,000
850	Art Fair	850
	Age Friendly Community	
0	Initiative	1,000
\$68,672	TOTALS	\$63,050

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$63,050

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 30 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$63,050

ARTICLE 31:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for CONTRIBUTIONS - AGENCIES in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017

Fiscal Year 2018

\$2,212	Androscoggin HHC	\$ 2,212
1,979	Seniors Plus	2,941
4,900	Community Concepts	4,900
175	Western ME Veterans Adv.	0
	Rape Education and	
600	Crisis Hotline	600

1,000	AARP	0
\$10,866	TOTALS	\$10,653

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$10,653

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 31 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,653

ARTICLE 32:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for EMPLOYEE BENEFITS in FY18:

<u>Fiscal Year 2017</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2018</u>
\$368,444	\$375,490

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$375,490

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 32 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$375,490

ARTICLE 33:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for MUNICIPAL INSURANCE in FY18:

<u>Fiscal Year 2017</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2018</u>
\$37,058	\$36,885

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$36,885

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 33 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,885

ARTICLE 34:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS in FY18:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>2018</u>
Ambulance	180,000	0	Fire Dept. Pumper Reserve	0	45,000
DPW Trailer	7,500	0	Smith Farm Bridge	0	30,000
Transfer Station Well & Septic	35,000	0	DPW Truck Reserve	0	30,000
Calcium Tank Set Up	12,000	0	Ethel Bisbee Demo	0	35,000
Grover Hill Road (1.61)	104,000	0	Transfer Station Upgrade	0	5,000
Baker Road (.24)	28,000	0	Transfer Station Containers	0	5,000

Paradise Road (.9)	85,000	0	DPW Truck	0	160,000
Intervale Road (1.015)	87,000	0	Lower Main Sidewalk	0	20,000
Taylor Smith (.71)	57,000	0	Intervale Road shim (1.206)	0	88,000
Chandler Hill (.875)	9,500	0	Ferry Road shim (.32)	0	21,000
Barker Road (.453)	5,000	0	Osgood Road shim (.84)	0	62,000
Barker Road (.819)	9,000	0	Paradise Road shim (.47)	0	35,000
Philbrook Street (.24)	12,725	0	Smith Farm Road Patch (.381)	0	4,100
Airport Road (.054)	6,730	0	Spring Street shim	0	12,000
Revaluation Reserve	10,000	10,000	Mason Street shim (.25)	0	30,000
Cole Block Upgrades	40,000	40,000	Broad Street shim (.267)	0	37,300
Drainage Improvements	20,000	20,000	Stevens Road Patch (.439)	0	4,000
Sidewalk Maint. & Rehab	5,000	5,000	North Road (1.011)	0	88,000
Crack Seal Streets	5,000	5,000	Gore Road (.261)	0	17,500

TOTALS \$718,455 \$808,900

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$808,900

ACTION: IT WA MOVED, AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 34 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$808,900. DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. A MOTION AND SECOND WERE RECEIVED TO REMOVE THE \$30,000 FOR SMITH FARM BRIDGE. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT. IT PASSED. THE MODERATOR CALLED FOR A VOTE ON THE MOTION AS AMENDED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$778,900. IT PASSED.

ARTICLE 35:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for DEBT SERVICE in FY18:

Fiscal Year 2017
\$223,521

Fiscal Year 2018
\$168,801

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$168,801

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED, AND VOTED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 35 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$168,801

ARTICLE 36:

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate from its undesignated fund balance to reduce the FY18 property tax commitment:

SELECTMEN AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND \$200,000

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED, AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLE 36 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000. DISCUSSION FOLLOWED. A MOTION AND SECOND WERE RECEIVED TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT TO \$300,000. MOTION TO AMEND FAILED. MOTION TO APPROVE ARTICLE 36 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000 WAS PASSED.

A MOTION WAS MADE, AND SECONDED TO RECONSIDER ARTICLE 10 (HEART & SOUL). THE MOTION FAILED.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:50PM. THERE WERE 108 REGISTERED VOTERS IN ATTENDANCE.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

**CHRISTEN MASON
TOWN CLERK**

Given under our hands this FIFTH day of June, 2017

Donald G. Bennett

Peter J. Southam

Patricia G. Carter

Lloyd W. Sweetser

Andrew R. Whitney

Attest:

Christen Mason, Town Clerk

RESIDENT'S RETURN

Pursuant to the within warrant, to me directed, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of Bethel, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the time and place and for the purpose within named by posting up on the sixth day of June 2016, an attested copy of the within warrant at the Town Office being public and conspicuous place in the Town of Bethel.

Amy Hanscom, Resident