

Town of St. Albans

2024

Special Town Meeting

Warrant

May 4, 2024

TOWN OF ST. ALBANS
WARRANT FOR
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

County of Somerset

State of Maine

To: Samantha Fencer, Resident of the Town of St. Albans, Maine in the County of Somerset.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby requested to notify and warn the voters of the Town of St. Albans in said County, qualified by law to vote in the town affairs, to meet at the St. Albans Town Hall, in said Town on Saturday, the fourth of May A.D., 2024 at 9 o' clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To elect a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will approve the use of existing funds in the amount of \$333,911.00 from the Fire Department Reserve Account and \$57,723.00 from the Fasse Fire Department Gift Account for a total of \$391,634.00 to be used as matching funds in lieu of being awarded the CDS Grant for a new fire station.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend \$333,911.00 from the Fire Department Reserve Account and \$57,723.00 from the Fasse Fire Department Gift Account for a total of \$391,634.00.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to purchase the Grange Hall and property adjacent to the current town property.

The Selectmen recommend \$30,000.00 from taxation.

There is no recommendation from the Budget Committee.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will retroactively ratify the overdrafts for the previous years. (This money has been expended and does not involve raising additional money.)

Selectmen recommend favorable action.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to dispose of tax-acquired property as they deem in the best interests of the Town, except that the Municipal Officers shall first use the sale process in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C if they choose to sell property to anyone other than the former owner. For sales to someone other than the former owner, excess sale proceeds, as defined 36 M.R.S. §943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.

Selectmen recommend favorable action.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will approve up to \$262,700.00 from the unassigned fund balance for fixing and upgrading the Finson Road.

2024 Request	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual
\$262,700.00	\$55,000.00	\$0.00	\$18,000.00	\$10,450.00

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend \$262,700.00 from unassigned fund balance.

****NOTE**** LRAP Funds were received from MDOT in the amount of \$53,764.00 in 2023 and was transferred into the Maine DOT Highway Reserve Account.

(Local Road Assistance Program)

Art. 7. To see what the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for payment to the Public Works Capital Reserve Equipment Account.

2024 Request	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual
\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00

Selectmen and Budget committee recommend \$85,000.00 from taxation and/or operational revenue and/or unassigned fund balance. (This expenditure is a General Fund – surplus transfer to the Public Works Capital Reserve Account.)

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for the Town of St. Albans 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 the tax levy limit.

Selectmen recommend favorable action.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to appropriate \$210,048.00 from Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (AKA ARPA – American Rescue Plan Act) received by the Town from the Federal Government for purposes they deem advisable so long as they adhere to the specific terms and conditions that limit the use of the funds.

Selectmen and budget committee recommend favorable action.

Art. 10. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for additional Town Insurance.

Selectmen recommend \$32,000.00 from taxation.

Art. 11. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate to increase the administration account.

Selectmen recommend \$60,000.00 from taxation.

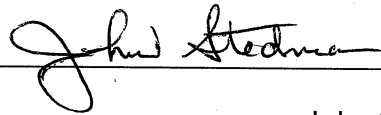
The Registrar of Voters will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters and accepting registrations of any person eligible to vote on Saturday, May 13, 2024, in the forenoon from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the Town Hall

A person who is not a registered voter of St. Albans may not vote at town meeting.

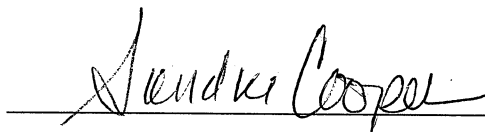
You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting in a public and conspicuous place seven (7) days at least before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and have this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place mentioned.

Given under our hands at St. Albans, Maine, this 25th day of April 2024.



John Stedman, Chairman



Sandra Cooper, Vice-Chair

St. Albans Board of Selectmen

Constable's Return

State of Maine
Somerset County
St. Albans, Maine

April 25, 2024

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purpose therein named, by posting a copy of said warrant, attested by me at the St. Albans Town Hall, St. Albans Post Office, Indian Lake Market, Wavelengths Salon, St. Albans Convenience Store, and Jonathan Bowman Center for Enrichment, in said town, being public and conspicuous places in said town on April 26, 2024 being at least seven (7) days before said meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Smith", is written over a horizontal line.

Resident, Town of St. Albans