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## Arrowsic Maine Annual Town Meeting Minutes 2015

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Art.	Description	Surplus & Dedicated Funds	To Be Raised	Amount Voted
5	Salaries		41,478	
6	Election Workers		3,000	
7	Payroll Taxes		3,735	
9	Fire Department Budget		12,000	
11	Fire Department Capital	40,000		
12	Ambulance Services (Bath)		6,500	
13	Scholarship Fund Disbursement	6,000		
15	Roads		74,790	
16	Recycling		8,400	
17	Solid Waste		30,000	
18	Septage		2,500	
19	Utilities		4,500	
20	Town Property Maintenance		5,000	
21	Town Capital Improvement	10,000		
22	Animal Control Services		427	
23	Assessing		3,400	
24	Revaluation Fund	10,000		
25	Auditor's Report		7,500	
26	Insurance		9,000	
27	Legal Services		5,000	
28	Administration		9,000	
29	Annual Report		3,200	
30	Dues		1,500	
31	Contingency		4,000	
32	Planning Board		1,000	
33	Zoning Board of Appeals		120	
34	Conservation Commission		400	
35	Shellfish Conservation	500		
36	LEMA		100	
37	Education Committee		250	
38	Non Profit Contributions	11,716		
41	Tax Reduction from Surplus	-		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78,216</b>	<b>236,800</b>	
	Prior Year	49,793	233,091	
	Variance	28,423	3709	

Total from Surplus & Dedicated	\$	78,216	
To Be Raised		\$	236,800
County Taxes		\$	163,101
Municipal Revenue Sharing		\$	(9,300)
Subtotal	\$	78,216	\$ 390,601
Education Expense		\$	452,562

Total Amount to be Raised

\$ 843,163  
Amount to be Raised  
*Previous Years*

2015	843,163
2014	823,108
2013	845,305
2012	787,064
2011	750,544
2010	741,809
2009	797,379
2008	612,647

### **Warrant for Town Meeting**

Sagadahoc, ss:

To Chris Cummings, Constable for the Town of Arrowsic,  
County of Sagadahoc, State of Maine:

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Arrowsic qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Arrowsic Fire Station on Wednesday, the 17th of June A.D. 2015, at six-thirty in the evening, to act on the following articles to wit:

#### ELECTIONS

**Art. 1.** To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

**Eloise Vitelli was nominated for and unanimously elected as Moderator. 9 Votes in favor and 0 against.**

**Art. 2.** To elect a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

**Linda Warner was nominated for and elected as Town Clerk.**

**Art. 3.** To elect by ballot, for a three-year term:  
Selectman, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor,  
Surveyor of Lumber and Bark, Fence Viewer

**William (Bill) Savedoff was nominated for and unanimously elected as Selectman. Ten votes in favor and 0 against.**

**Art. 4.** To elect for the ensuing year:  
A Treasurer  
**Mary McDonald was nominated for and elected as Treasurer.**

A Tax Collector

**Elizabeth Rollins was nominated for and elected as Tax Collector.**

Any other Town Officers

**None**

*Note: FY 14-15 amounts reflect expenditures through 4/27/2015*

**Art. 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,478 to pay the following salaries to the Town Officers: *Note: Salaries include employee FICA & Medicare taxes (7.65%).*

	<b>FY 13-14</b>	<b>FY 14-15</b>	<b>FY 15-16</b>
Selectman Chairman	5,618	5,618	6,497
Selectmen (2 @ \$3,750)	7,175	7,175	8,124
Town Clerk	4,467	4,467	4,873
Treasurer	4,467	4,467	4,873
Tax Collector	4,467	4,467	4,873
Registrar	487	487	541
LEMA Director	108	108	108
Shellfish Committee	0	0	0
Shellfish Warden	541	541	541
Codes Enforcement Officer	3,113	3,113	3,249
Constable	541	541	541
Animal Control Officer	541	541	541
Fire Chief	3,032	3,032	3,249
Deputy Chief	1,354	1,354	1,624
Captain (1 @ \$200)	217	217	217
Planning Board	541	541	541
Road Commission	541	541	541
Recycling	541	541	541
Board of Appeals	541	0	0
Conservation Commission	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38,292</b>	<b>37,751</b>	<b>41,478</b>

**PASSED**

*Malcolm Persen asked if this was the final increase in salaries. Sukey responded that yes it was the last of the three increases.*

**Art. 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to pay the following wages to Town Election Workers.

	<b>FY 13-14</b>	<b>FY 14-15</b>	<b>FY 15-16</b>
Registrar	450	450	300
Deputy Registrar	250	250	250
Election Wardens	450	450	450
Election Clerks	1,300	1,300	1,000
Election Counters	700	700	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,150</b>	<b>3,150</b>	<b>3,000</b>

**PASSED**

*The Moderator asked the residents to grant unanimous consent to allow the Treasurer, Mary McDonald and Fire Chief, Chris Cummings to speak at town meeting.*

*Passed*

*Karen Robbins asked if RSUI participated in revenue sharing in elections. Linda replied that RSUI does not pay for elections unless there are no state elections taking place at the same time. When there are no state elections RSUI pays for the entire election.*

**Art. 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,735 to pay the payroll taxes on all of the salaries and wages paid (7.65%).

<b>FY 13-14</b>		<b>FY 14-15</b>		<b>FY 15-16</b>
<b>Request</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Request</b>
3,172	3,454	3,172	3,174	3,735

**PASSED**

**Art. 8.** To see if the Town will vote to expend to the Town Codes Enforcement Officer, Town Clerk, and Tax Collector fees collected to these respective individuals in the form of wages.

**PASSED**

**Art. 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 for Fire Protection for FY 15-16.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
12,000	12,000	12,000	3,795	12,000

**PASSED**

*Bill spoke on behalf of the Select Board, stating that the Board recognizes the need for a new mini pumper, they however, felt the need for a process to review the needs of the fire department and did not follow the recommendation of Fire Chief Chris Cummings and instead formed an 8 person Ad hoc Committee to investigate the long term needs of the Fire Department.*

*Fire Chief Chris Cummings spoke to the needs of the Fire Department. He expounded on the need for a new mini pumper since the current mini pumper is very old and in need of repairs. The mini pumper is currently out of service since it is in need of repair.*

*Malcolm Persen spoke on behalf of the Ad Hoc Arrowsic Fire Department Committee. It is an 8 person committee who are serving for a one year term. The committee currently meets every two weeks and will present their proposals to the Selectmen at the end of the year. The committee is asking for input from the residents who are welcome to attend the meetings.*

*Residents comments and questions: Chip Krantz asked if the fire department had also looked at used mini pumpers. Chris responded that yes they had, but it is difficult to find one that fits our specific needs. Phil Favro asked if this is the first line of attack? Is this a main piece of equipment. Chris replied that yes it is. Phil also asked which apparatus responds the most? Chris replied that the tanker and the mini pumper are both used equally. Jeremy Blaiklock stated that we also do Mutual Aid and the mini pumper is ~~the equipment that is vital to~~ requested by Georgetown for Mutual Aid. Fred Hill asked how much money we have in surplus. The Board replied that we have \$350,000 and they like to keep about \$250,000 on hand before tax money starts coming in in November. Tim Harkins asked – if mini pumper breaks down, do any surrounding communities have a mini pumper to help us out? Chris replied that Phippsburg has a similar one (they use it for brush fires). Ken Hnottavange-Tellen – Are monies exchanged with Mutual Aid? Chris - Since we provide Mutual Aid, we don't have to pay Bath or any other towns. We also don't charge other towns. Paul Schlein asked – don't we have to repair it now anyways? Chris – we have Mutual Aid agreement to help us out. Jim Davis – would we be*

financing or paying cash? Bill Savedoff replied that Arrowsic has ~~doesn't not borrowed in the past. borrow money.~~ Although we could. Otherwise, we ~~would~~ have to increase taxes 9% for two years. ~~and build up the capital fund.~~

**Art. 10.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any unexpended Fire Department operating expenses remaining at the end of the fiscal year into the Fire Department Capital Improvement Fund for this and subsequent years.

*Karen Robbins asked if this will be an indefinite thing and Bill replied that yes it is unless changed at a future Town Meeting.*

**PASSED**

**Art. 11.** To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from **surplus** for the Fire Department Capital Improvement Fund. Current fund balance: \$47,854. Selectmen recommend: \$40,000

*Dale Carlton asked what would happen if we voted this article down. Bill responded that the article can be amended up or down. Don Kornrumph asked - if this does not happen does the \$40,000 go in the general fund? Bill replies that the quick answer is yes. Mary McDonald stated the funds have to then be approved at Town Meeting or a Special Town Meeting. Millie Stafford asked – how much do we have in surplus? Mary replied that we have approximately \$350,000 in surplus. Paul Schlein asked – what % total monies should surplus be? Mary replied that according to MMA it should be equivalent to 3 months of expenditures.*

**PASSED**

**Art. 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500 to provide the Town with Ambulance Service for the ensuing year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
6,500	7,591	6,500	4,057	6,500

**PASSED**

**Art. 13.** To see if the Town will vote to expend the following amount from the Scholarship Fund for the purpose of providing scholarships to worthy and deserving students from the Town pursuing post-secondary education at an accredited educational institution; to be selected by the Selectmen on the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee.

FY 13-14	FY 14-15	FY 15-16
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<b>Request</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Request</b>
3,000	3,000	1,000	1,000	6,000

**PASSED AS AMENDED**

*Jeremy Blaiklock, Chair of the Scholarship Committee moved to have this year’s request be amended to \$3600, the actual amount being awarded this year. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.*

*Balt Von Heune, one of this year’s recipients, thanked the Committee for his scholarship. Emily James and Alex Beveridge also were recipients of scholarship this year.*

*Jeremy reported that the annual yard sale is coming up, no date yet, and asked the residents to please donate items for the yard sale. The made \$500 last year. The fund has \$44,593.00 at this time.*

**Art. 14.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept donations to the Arrowsic Scholarship Fund and to provide appropriate receipts thereof.

**PASSED**

**Art. 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$74,790 for general maintenance and repair of Town Ways and other Properties for the ensuing year, including snow removal. The amount to be raised takes into consideration the use of Town excise taxes and the MDOT Block Grant to cover Road expenses.

	<b>FY 13-14</b>	<b>FY 14-15</b>	<b>FY 15-16</b>
Budgeted	157,819	174,500	172,690
Excise Tax	92,718	85,000	90,000
MDOT Block Grant	8,628	8,600	7,900

**Road Commission Proposed Budget 2015-2016**

General Maintenance	2,500
Culverts	3,500
Roadway Grading/Rebuild	10,000



Asphalt and Gravel Maintenance	3,000
Road Sign Replacement	1,000
Paving	75,000
Emergency	2,500
Snowplow	75,190
<b>Total</b>	<b>172,690</b>
Appropriations:	
Excise Tax	(90,000)
MDOT Block Grant	(7,900)
<b>Amount to be Raised:</b>	<b>74,790</b>

**PASSED**

*Jim Stump spoke on behalf of the Road Commission. He said that they will be paving parts of Old Stage Rd (1<sup>st</sup> half mile and near 278 Old Stage about ½ mile) and part of Indian Rest Rd (near Phil Packard's house). And he also stated that we will not likely do 'fill crack' again. He also said that Charlie Collins (Maine Moss) did a great job this last winter.*

*Jim then asked if there were any questions. Fred Hill asked when will be see any changes to the intersection of Rte 127 and Route 1. Sukey stated that she had received an email from the Woolwich Selectmen who was charged with finding out why the intersection hadn't been corrected when MDOT was repaving in Woolwich. MDOT has decided that it wouldn't help so they have chosen not to change it. Paul Schlein also stated that MDOT does not think it is enough of a problem. Jeff Galuza stated that he has a ¾ ton truck and he couldn't see over the snow bank this last winter. He call MDOT and there was no response, he then called the Sheriff's Department and they had it cleared the next day.*

**Art. 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,400 to cover the costs of recycling and other related activities.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
6,750	7,089	6,750	5,543	8,400

**PASSED**

**Art. 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to cover the costs of solid waste disposal.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
27,000	29,133	28,500	20,942	30,000

**PASSED**

*Paul Schlein spoke on behalf of the Committee. The Committee has welcomed 3 new members: Katy Smith, Maggie Woodruff and Jon Biehler. The new brochures were included in the Town Report. They sent out an email [survey](#) to 170 residents. They received 104 replies, which is about half of the total households in Arrowsic. He announced that we had signed a 3 year contract with Casella for recycling and solid waste and that we had signed another one year contract with RC Rogers for trash and recycling pickup. There will be extra brochures at the Town Hall.*

**Art. 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for disposal of septage waste for the ensuing fiscal year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
2,500	974	2,500	1,467	2,500

**PASSED**

**Art. 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 for Municipal utilities for the coming year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
4,000	3,982	4,500	3,107	4,500

**PASSED**

**Art. 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for improvements and maintenance expenses of Town properties.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
5,000	5,004	5,000	1,514	5,000

**PASSED**

**Art. 21.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$10,000 from **surplus** to contribute to the Town Capital Improvements Fund for future capital improvement projects. Current fund balance: \$31,583.

**PASSED**

*Sukey stated that the following are the upcoming projects for the town: Kiosk, Town Hall floor & bathroom.*

**Art. 22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$427 for the purpose of providing animal control support services including housing and sheltering of stray animals.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
320	160	427	427	427

**PASSED**

**Art. 23.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,400 for assessing expenses, including updating tax maps and an Assessor's Agent for the ensuing year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
2,000	1,500	2,000	1,500	3,400

**PASSED**

*Sukey explained that the increase is for the new tax maps.*

**Art. 24.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$10,000 from **surplus** to add to the dedicated fund for the future revaluation of town properties by a licensed assessor. Total cost is estimated to be \$35,000. Current fund balance is \$20,000.

**PASSED**

*Fred Hill asked if we had selected an assessor yet, he still has issues with one of past assessing agents. Sukey let him know that there will be a bidding process for the Assessor for the Revaluation.*

**Art. 25.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 for FY 14-15 Auditor’s Report and associated services.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
7,500	7,300	7,500	7,500	7,500

**PASSED**

**Art. 26.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for Insurance for the coming year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
9,000	8,797	9,000	8,871	9,000

**PASSED**

**Art. 27.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to provide Legal Services.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
4,000	18,061	4,000	1,175	5,000

**PASSED**

**Art. 28.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for Administration expenses such as bank service charges, office supplies, postage, printing, software, payroll processing, small dues and training, small repairs, travel reimbursements, Arrow and website expenses for the ensuing year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
8,500	9,375	9,000	6,978	9,000

**PASSED**

**Art. 29.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,200 for printing the Annual Report for the upcoming year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
3,000	3,129	3,000	0	3,200

**PASSED**

*Malcolm Persen asked why the actual was at 0? The Selectmen noted that all the actual figures only reflect the expenditures through April 27, 2015.*

**Art. 30.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for professional dues including for the Maine Municipal Association in the coming year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
1,310	1,298	1,500	1,385	1,500

**PASSED**

**Art. 31.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for Contingent Expenses for the ensuing year.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
2,000	471	2,000	0	4,000

**PASSED**

*Bill explained that sometimes \$2000 may not be enough and that the Selectmen will have more room to work with at \$4000.*

**Art. 32.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Planning Board.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
2,500	1,034	2,500	353	1,000

**PASSED**

**Art. 33.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120 for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
100	0	100	0	120

**PASSED**

**Art. 34.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the Miscellaneous Expenses for the Conservation Commission.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
450	335	450	167	400

**PASSED**

*The Conservation Commission showed a video created by Charlie Hudson of the new Alewife Culvert. **The meeting was paused at 8:00 PM and resumed at 8:15 PM.** When the meeting resumed the Selectmen thanked Charlie for a beautiful and very professional video. The video will be available on the internet by next week.*

**Art. 35.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 from the **dedicated Shellfish Conservation Fund** for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Shellfish Conservation Committee and the Shellfish Warden.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
500	457	500	270	500

**PASSED**

**Art. 36.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Local Emergency Management Agency.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
100	0	100	0	100

**PASSED**

*Sukey reported that Pauline McLuer has resigned and thanked her for her many years of service. The town is looking for a new director.*

**Art. 37.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250 for the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Education Committee.

FY 13-14		FY 14-15		FY 15-16
Request	Actual	Request	Actual	Request
100	130	250	0	250

**PASSED**

*Karen Robbins asked if we could find out what they do and why they need \$250. Camille Kauffinger, new chair of the Education Committee, spoke on behalf of the committee. The \$250 will be for potential mailings and minor expenses. Camille stated that we now have 41 students in the public schools. The committee is working towards representing all of Arrowsic's students. Tim Harkins, RSU1 Chair, also spoke briefly, introducing himself to new residents and offered to speak with anyone who had interest in the school district. He discussed the Reapportionment Committee ~~who~~ which has been charged with reorganizing the school board. Tim, Sukey and David Howe have all been working on this committee. The district is also progressing on the plans for a new high school.*



**Art. 38.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from **surplus** the sum of \$11,716 to fund the following non-profit organizations:

	<b>FY 13-14</b>	<b>FY 14-15</b>	<b>FY 15-16</b>
Georgetown Historical Society (new)	0	0	100
MidCoast Chapter Red Cross (new)	0	0	100
Bath Food Bank	0	300	300
Bath Freight Shed Alliance	0	100	120
Bath Area Senior Citizens, Inc.	625	625	300
Bath Area Family YMCA	300	300	300
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Bath-Brunswick	500	500	300
Citizens for Squirrel Point	100	100	100
Coastal Trans	300	300	300
Elmhurst Assn. for Retarded Citizens, Inc.	500	500	300
Family Focus	300	300	300
Friends of the Doubling Point Light	100	100	100
SEARCH-GB (formerly GBEON)	100	100	100
Kennebec Estuary Land Trust	100	100	300
LifeFlight Foundation	100	100	100
Maine Public Broadcasting	250	250	250
Maine's First Ship	0	100	100
MCM Community Action	325	325	300
New Hope for Women	200	200	200
Patten Free Library	6,839	6,839	7,046
Senior Spectrum (Meals on Wheels)	350	350	300
Sweetser	504	504	100
Tedford Shelter	200	200	200
The Range Light Keepers	100	100	100
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11,793</b>	<b>12,293</b>	<b>11,716</b>

**PASSED**

| *Bill informed ~~the~~ residents that there is a handout available on the back table describing what the organizations do and all the requests.*

| *Jessica Tyson from MCMMaine Community Action was given permission to speak by a vote from*

the residents. She gave a brief synopsis of what the organization does.

Nancy Brown Stump asked – At what point does the Town's General Assistance GA not provide assistance vs MCM Community e-Comm Action? Michele responded that the town does not apply for state reimbursement for General Assistance and this frees us up to respond to utilize state funds and that we are then able to meet all requests regardless of State limitations.

**Art. 39.** To see if the Town will vote to draw from **surplus** such funds as necessary to meet the Town's legislated responsibilities for providing General Assistance in accordance with the Town's General Assistance Ordinance passed in 2013. (Actual 14-15, \$0).

**PASSED**

**Art. 40.** To see if the Town will vote to draw from **surplus** such funds as necessary to meet the Town's responsibilities for uncollectible ambulance fees. (Actual 14-15 \$682).

**PASSED**

**Art. 41.** To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from **surplus** for reducing the amount of money to be raised by taxes. Selectmen Recommend \$0.00

**PASSED**

**Art. 42.** To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$218,160 established for the Town by State law, in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles results in a tax commitment that is greater than this property tax levy limit.

**PASSED by unanimous written ballot 55-0.**

*Sukey clarified that this article needs to be voted on every year as recommended-required by the State and MMA.*

**Art. 43.** To see if the Town will vote to keep the Town alewife and blueback herring resource closed to harvesting during the 2016 season for conservation purposes.

**PASSED**

**Art. 44.** To see if the Town will vote to correct the erroneous definition of the abbreviation “HBP” in the Key to Table 1 of the Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance from “Home Building Permit” to “Home Business Permit.”

**PASSED**

*Will Neilson spoke on the corrections. He also informed the residents that there is a hard copy of the new FEMA maps at the town office. He also thanked Michael Kreindler for his invaluable assistance and input.*

**Art. 45.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt a new Floodplain Management Ordinance as required to remain covered by the National Flood Insurance Program and repeal all prior Floodplain Management Ordinances. Effective Date: July 16, 2015. (Copy of the ordinance available at Town Hall and at [www.arrowsic.org](http://www.arrowsic.org))

**PASSED**

**Art. 46.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 3.6.1.3 of the Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance as follows: “3.6.1.3 Structures are prohibited in the floodplain and in Resource Protection District areas of steep slope ~~and floodplain~~. (Section 2.3.1.4)

**PASSED**

**Art. 47.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt a new Section 5.9 of the Arrowsic Zoning Ordinance and associated note as follows:

“5.9 Floodplain Management Ordinance: Printed under separate cover.

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NOTE: 3.6.1.3 Structures are prohibited in the floodplain and in Resource Protection District areas of steep slope. (Section 2.3.1.4).”

**PASSED**

**Art. 48.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the categories of State funding listed below, as provided by the Maine State Legislature.

State Municipal Revenue Sharing	Estimated	9,300
MDOT Block Grant	Estimated	7,900
Tree Growth Reimbursement	Estimated	905
Veterans Exemption Reimbursement	Estimated	200
Snowmobile Registration Revenues	Estimated	125
Homestead	Estimated	7,500
State grants or other funds not included above		Unknown

**PASSED**

**Art. 49.** To see if the Town will vote to continue to allocate all revenues from the sale of shellfish licenses, and any fines received for violation of the Shellfish Conservation Ordinance, to the dedicated Shellfish Conservation Fund, to be used by the Shellfish Conservation Committee for shellfish management, conservation, and ordinance enforcement.

**PASSED**

**Art. 50.** To see if the Town will vote to collect all Watercraft Excise Taxes in a dedicated Water Access Fund. Current fund balance: \$71,676.

**PASSED**

*Malcolm Persen asked for clarification on what this funds does. Phine Ewing responded that the Conservation Commission is looking for water access. The Fund will go towards purchase or development of land.*

*Jeff Galuza asked is there anything being done to accomplish this. Phine replied that yes the Commission is always on the lookout. If a property was found it would have to be voted on at Town Meeting or at a Special Town Meeting.*

**Art. 51.** To see if the Town will vote to allocate all revenues from dog license fees to a dedicated Animal Control Account and authorize the Selectmen to draw from that account for the purpose of funding animal control work in town.

**PASSED**

**Art. 52.** To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to accept and expend the following monies for FY 2015-2016: miscellaneous contributions, donations, grants and reimbursements.

**PASSED**

**Art. 53.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to draw from **surplus** such funds as necessary for tax abatements due to overpaid taxes.

**PASSED**

**Art. 54.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

**PASSED**

**Art. 55.** To see if the Town will vote to allocate all proceeds from the sale of tax delinquent property to the Undesignated Surplus.

**PASSED**

*Jeremy Blaiklock moved that we approve moving the funds in the Undesignated Surplus to the Water Access Fund. The motion was seconded and the residents voted the motion down.*

***-The motion to amend failed.***

**Art. 56.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of taxes.

**PASSED**

**Art. 57.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to utilize balances in Town dedicated funds to postpone or eliminate the need to borrow in anticipation of taxes. Funds reduced in this way would be restored with incoming tax revenues.

**PASSED**

**Art. 58.** To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize for Annual Interest on all taxes paid 60 days after posting.

Selectmen recommend 4.0% (State Maximum Allowed—7%)

**PASSED**

**Art. 59.** To see what date the Town will select for the 2016 Annual Town Meeting. Selectmen recommend Thursday, June 16, 2016, at 6:30 PM.

**PASSED**

*Malcolm Persen asked why the meeting was being changed to Thursday. Sukey replied that there is a Primary and a RSU1 Budget Election on Tuesday and moving the meeting to Thursday gives the workers an opportunity to recover.*

*Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM*

Selectmen:

Michele Gaillard      Suzannah Heard      William Savedoff

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Warner

