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**TOWN OF CHEBEAGUE ISLAND, MAINE
MINUTES OF
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 9, 2018**

Town Clerk Viktoria Johnson opened the meeting at 9:02AM on Saturday, June 09, 2018 at the Chebeague Island Hall Community Center, 247 South Road, Chebeague Island, Maine.

Article 1: To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Peter Rice was nominated by Karen Corson, seconded by Deb Bowman, and voted affirmatively in writing by five members of the community.

Moderator Peter Rice appointed Karen Corson as Deputy Moderator.

Motion: Moved by Jane Frizzell and seconded by Beth Howe to discuss Article 3

Vote: Motion passed

All in Favor, save 8

**ELECTION AND REFERENDUM VOTING ARTICLES: 2 and 3
VOTING — JUNE 12, 2018 - 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Article 2: To elect two Selectman for three-year terms and two School Board Committee members for three-year terms.

Article 2 results: The following candidates were elected:

**Selectmen:
David Hill
Mark Dyer**

**School Committee:
Jen Belesca
Jeff Putnam**

Article 3: Shall the Town's general obligation bonds (and notes in anticipation thereof) be authorized in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 to finance the renovation, expansion and equipping of the Chebeague Island School, with such bonds and notes having such dates, maturities, denominations, interest rate(s) and other details (including provisions for redemption prior to maturity) as Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen shall determine?

**Article 3 results: Yes: 153
No: 48
Blank: 1**

Article 4: To see if the Town will approve opening the floor of this Town Meeting to all non-registered persons for the purpose of discussion only on each of the following articles of this Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Warrant.

Unanimous Consent

ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Article 5: Shall the Town enact a map entitled Official Zoning Map, Town of Chebeague Island, Maine as amended?

Motion: John-Louis “Bo” Beapr  moved to enact the map, seconded by Jay Corson.

Article 5: Passed

Unanimous

EDUCATION BUDGET ARTICLES

**ARTICLE 6: THROUGH ARTICLE 16: AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN
EDUCATION COST CENTER CATEGORIES**

Article 6: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$623,904 for Regular Instruction?

Motion: Herb Maine moved to approve, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 6: Passed

Unanimous

Article 7: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$82,206 for Special Education?

Motion: Karen Corson moved to approve, seconded by Bo Beapr 

Article 7: Passed

All in Favor, save one

Article 8: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$0 for Career and Technical Ed?

Motion: Bo Beapr  moved to approve, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 8: Passed

Unanimous

Article 9: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$0 for Other Instruction?

Motion: Bo Beapr  moved to approve, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 9: Passed

Unanimous

Article 10: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$25,096 for Student and Staff Support?

Motion: Bo Beapr  moved to approve, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 10: Passed

Unanimous

Article 11: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$68,366 for System Administration?

Motion: Bo Beapr  moved to approve, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 11: Passed

Unanimous

Article 12: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend \$50,266 for School Administration?

Motion: Karen Corson moved to approve, seconded by Ken Pelton

Article 12: Passed

Unanimous

Article 13: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend **\$101,651** for Transportation and Buses?

Motion: Herb Maine moved to approve, seconded by Bo Beaupré

Article 13: Passed

Unanimous

Article 14: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend **\$60,601** for Facilities Maintenance?

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Erika Neumann

Article 14: Passed

Unanimous

Article 15: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend **\$135,128** for Debt Service and Other Commitments?

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 15: Passed

Unanimous

Article 16: Shall the Town Authorize the School Committee to expend **\$46,063** for All Other Expenditures, Including School Lunch?

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 16: Passed

Unanimous

Article 17: THROUGH Article 18: RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Article 17: Shall the Town appropriate **\$717,599.27** for the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and shall the Town raise **\$637,343.70** as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688?

Motion: Leila Bisharat moved to approve, seconded by Bo Beaupré

Article 17: Passed

Unanimous

Article 18: Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$475,681.73** in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by **\$475,681.73** as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee?

Results of Written Ballot:

In Favor: 60

Opposed: 3

Article 18: Passed

\$475,681.73

Article 19: SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Article 19: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend **\$1,193,281** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from Pre-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?

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 19: Passed

Unanimous

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL RELATED ARTICLES

Article 20: Shall the School Committee be authorized to spend through the Chebeague Island School private enterprise checking account unanticipated gifts or donations of money in accordance with their policies in the best interests of the school system?

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Polly Wentworth

Article 20: Passed

Unanimous

Article 21: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend any state, federal and other grants, aid and receipts during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 for school purposes provided that such grants, aid, and receipts do not require expenditure of local funds not previously appropriated?

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Polly Wentworth

Article 21: Passed

Unanimous

Article 22: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the following Revenues, Balances Carried and Fund Transfers, to cover the expenditures appropriated in the previous articles with the remaining funding required to be raised by taxation.

School Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 0
General Purpose Aid	\$ 80,256
School Lunch Sales	\$ 0

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 22: Passed

Unanimous

MUNICIPAL BUDGET ARTICLES

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$100,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance for contingencies related to the renovation, expansion and equipping of the Chebeague Island School.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to appropriate up to \$100,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance for contingencies related to the renovation, expansion and equipping of the Chebeague Island School, seconded by Polly Wentworth

Article 23: Passed

Unanimous

Article 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Administration and Board of Selectmen Accounts (1300).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$241,953.00, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 24: Passed

Unanimous

Article 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Assessor (1400).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$13,250, seconded by Herb Maine

Article 25: Passed

Unanimous

Article 26: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Elections (1650).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$3,000, seconded by Herb Maine

Article 26: Passed

Unanimous

Article 27: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Planning. (1700).

Motion: Herb Maine moved to raise and appropriate \$12,350, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 27: Passed

Unanimous

Article 28: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Legal Services (1900).

Motion: Herb Maine moved to raise and appropriate \$10,000, seconded by Mark Dyer

Article 28: Passed

Unanimous

Article 29: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Law Enforcement Services (2100).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$42,042, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 29: Passed

All in Favor, save one

Article 30: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire and Rescue Department (2200).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$103,825, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 30: Passed

Unanimous

Article 31: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Code Enforcement (2400).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$26,550, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 31: Passed

All in Favor, save one

Article 32: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Harbormaster and Shellfish Warden account (2500).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$30,550, seconded by Mark Dyer

Article 32: Passed

Unanimous

Article 33: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Animal Control (2600).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$5,150, seconded by Mark Dyer

Article 33: Passed

Unanimous

Article 34: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Services (3100)

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$221,623, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 34: Passed Unanimous

Article 35: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Solid Waste (3200).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$155,914, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 35: Passed Unanimous

Article 36: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Cousins Island Blanchard Lot Reserve Fund (4400).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$19,642, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 36: Passed Unanimous

Article 37: To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Contributions (4600) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to disburse the full amount.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$124,500 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to disburse the full amount according to the this table, seconded by Mark Dyer

Contribution Disbursement	Proposed	Notes
3150 Chebeague Island Library	25,000	Same as last year
3151 Chebeague Community Ctr.	34,500	Same as last year
3166 Island Council	7,000	Same as last year
3167 Chebeague Recreation Center	56,500	Same as last year
3169 Island Commons Res. Center	1,500	Same as last year
TOTAL	124,500	

Article 37: Passed Unanimous

Article 38: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Chebeague Recreation Center — Kids Place (4600-3168), and authorize the Board of Selectmen to disburse the full amount upon execution of a Memorandum of Understanding to be drafted.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$20,000, seconded by Leila Bisharat

Motion: Ann Thaxter moved, to vote Article 38 by secret ballot, Leila Bisharat seconded
Vote by show of hands Motion Failed

Motion: Mark Dyer called the question, Lynne Priest seconded.
Vote by show of hands Motion Passed

Vote on Article 38: Passed All in Favor, save three

Article 39: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance (5810).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$500, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 39: Passed Unanimous

Article 40: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Health Services (5910).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$2,000, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 40: Passed Unanimous

Article 41: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Cemetery (6200).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$13,225, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 41: Passed Unanimous

Article 42: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Debt Service (6900).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$267,974, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 42: Passed Unanimous

Article 43: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Benefits & Insurance (7500).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$175,882, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 43: Passed Unanimous

Article 44: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Street Lights (8100).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$10,800, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 44: Passed All in Favor, save eight

Article 45: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend for unexpected expenses as they deem necessary for Contingency (8300).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$16,000, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 45: Passed Unanimous

Article 46: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Tax paid to Cumberland, 50% of Outer Islands Tax (8800).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$44,500, seconded by Herb Maine
Article 46: Passed Unanimous

Article 47: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for County Tax (8900).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$133,532, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 47: Passed Unanimous

Article 48: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, upon a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen, to exceed by no more than 10% annually, the amount authorized for each account approved in Article 23: through Article 47: above, so long as the overall amount spent for the sum total of those articles does not exceed the total appropriation approved for those articles.

Motion: John Ash moved to approve, seconded by Bo Beaupré
Article 48: Passed Unanimous

Article 49: To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Capital Improvements (9000).

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to raise and appropriate \$370,000, seconded by Mark Dyer
Article 49: Passed Unanimous

Article 50: To see if the Town will vote to rename the Stone Wharf Parking Lot (9032) Reserve as Land Acquisition and Development.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 50: Passed

Unanimous

Article 51: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the balance of the Paper Streets Reserve (9042) fund plus any accumulated interest to the Easements & Drainage Reserve (9058). The balance is estimated at \$15,260.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Mark Dyer

Article 51: Passed

Unanimous

MUNICIPAL REVENUE BUDGET

Article 52: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate all funds raised for the overlay to fund any tax abatements and interest for fiscal year 2018-2019.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Karen Corson

Article 52: Passed

Unanimous

Article 53: To see what sum the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate from the undesignated surplus funds to reduce the tax burden for fiscal year 2018-2019.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to appropriate \$150,000 from the undesignated surplus funds to reduce the tax burden for fiscal year 2018-2019, seconded by Mark Dyer

Article 53: Passed

Unanimous

Article 54: To see what sum the Town will vote to take from receipts, sources and designations, to apply against fiscal year 2018-2019 appropriations, and to accept any such funds from the State of Maine and the US Government as provided by the State Legislature or Federal Government for the fiscal year 2018-2019.

Revenue Account	Propose
302 AGENT FEE	3,000
303 EXCISE TAX	95,000
304 BOAT EXCISE TAX	7,500
305 INTEREST & PENALTIES	5,000
316 SHELLFISH LICENSES	2,500
328 VETERANS EXEMPTION REIMB	300
351 POLICE ISSUED FINES	2,500
366 BUILDING PERMITS	9,500
367 ELECTRICAL PERMITS	1,000
368 PLUMBING PERMITS	2,300
369 OTHER PERMITS	500
403 MOORING FEES	7,000
411 URBAN RURAL INIT PROGRAM	14,940
418 CHEB. ISLAND SOLID WASTE	20,000
501 STONE WHARF PERMITS	5,500
502 TRANSIENT TIE-UP FEES	2,000
TOTAL	\$178,540

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved and seconded by Mark Dyer, to take \$408,796 (Education Aid \$80,256, Fund Balance \$150,000 and Table \$178,540) from receipts, sources and designations, to apply against fiscal year 2018-2019 appropriations, and to accept any such funds from the State of Maine and the US Government as provided by the State Legislature or Federal Government for the fiscal year 2018-2019

Article 54: Passed

Unanimous

OTHER MUNICIPAL ARTICLES

**Motion: Herb Maine moved to bundle Articles 55-60, seconded by Bo Beaupré
Motion to Bundle: Passed**

Unanimous

**Motion: Herb Maine moved to approve Articles 55-60, seconded by Bo Beaupré
Motion to Approve Articles 55-60**

Unanimous

Article 55: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts under the following conditions: That the Board place unanticipated gifts or donations of money in the Town of Chebeague Island checking account and respect the wishes of the donor regarding use of donated funds or assets.

Article 55: Passed

Unanimous

Article 56: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to submit grant proposals to other governmental entities or private, non-profit foundations for funding for general administration or project-specific expenditures.

Article 56: Passed

Unanimous

Article 57: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to make final determinations regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 M.R.S. § 2953.

Article 57: Passed

Unanimous

Article 58: To see if the Town will vote to set the date(s) that fiscal year 20182019 Real and Personal Taxes are due as September 28, 2018 and March 29, 2019 and to charge interest at the rate of 8.0% per annum for fiscal year 20182019 Real Estate Property taxes paid after those dates.

Article 58: Passed

Unanimous

Article 59: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rates to be paid by the town on abated and overpaid taxes pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 506-A at 3.0%.

Article 59: Passed

Unanimous

Article 60: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept, without interest, prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 506.

Article 60: Passed

Unanimous

Article 61: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of town-owned assets (excluding land) with a value of \$10,000 or less, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Mark Dyer

Article 61: Passed

All in Favor, save two

Article 62: To see if the Town will conduct a candidates forum here and now to allow the voters to hear statements from candidates (if they wish to make a statement) for the office of selectmen and school committee (both candidates whose names appear on the ballot as well as those interested in being write-in candidates). Each statement is limited to 3 minutes.

Motion: Bo Beaupré moved to approve, seconded by Jay Corson

Article 62: Passed

Unanimous

Article 63: To adjourn the Annual Town Meeting until June 12, 2018 8:00 AM so that secret ballot votes for local and state elections and issues (Article 2 and 3) may be held at the Chebeague Island Hall Community Center, 247 South Road, and then after the closing of the poll at 8:00 PM and the announcement of the results by the moderator, to adjourn the Town Meeting.

Motion: Aaron Rugh moved and Suzanne Rugh seconded to adjourn at 10:50 AM

Article 63: Passed

Unanimous

These minutes respectfully submitted by Christine Auffant, Deputy Town Clerk