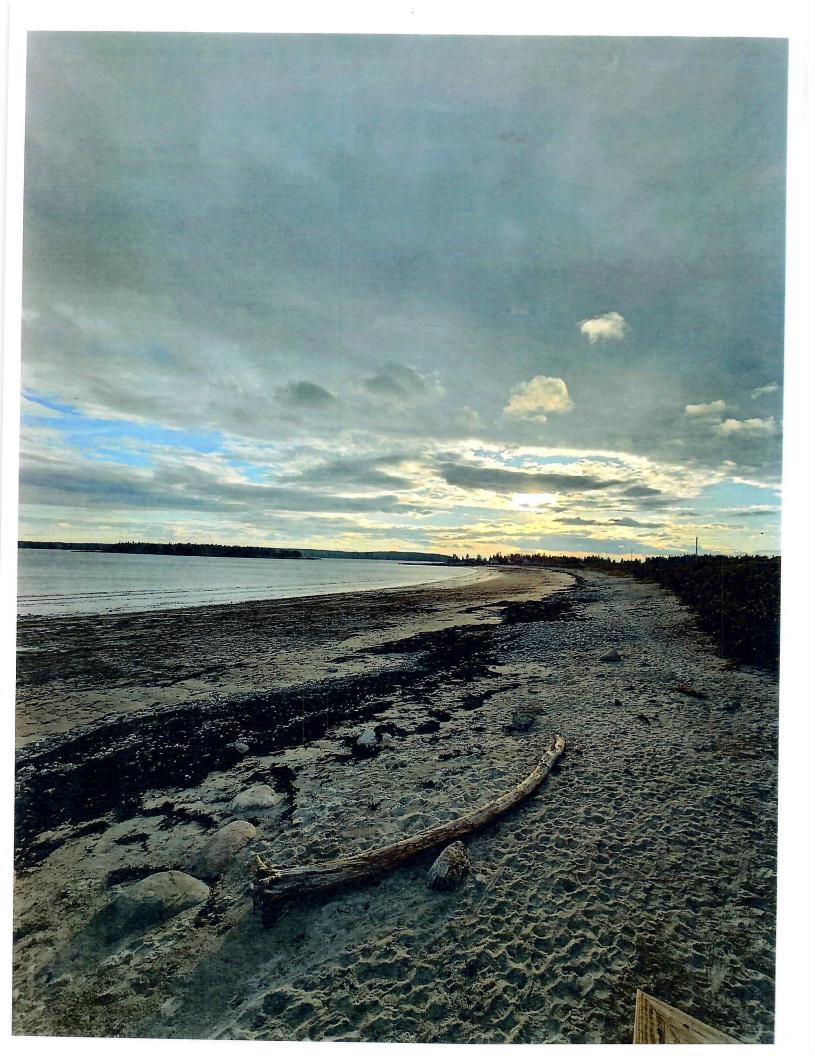
ROQUE BLUFFS - WELCOMES YOU



ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024



ANNUAL REPORT

of the Municipal Officers of the

TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS, MAINE

and the

2024 ANNUAL MEETING WARRANT

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Annual Meeting - Thursday, November 7, 2024

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TOWN OFFICIALS

Selectboard Members	Tristen Nelson (CHAIR) Philip Pinto Ernest Libby	2025 2026 2027	263-3842 520-403-0145 307-850-6085
Certified Tax Assessing Agent	Marc Perry		255-8610
Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters Tax Collector/Treas.	Jennifer Moore		255-3330
Code Enforcement	Betsy Fitzgerald		263-5439
Plumbing Inspector	Betsy Fitzgerald		263-5439
Animal Control Office	Jessica Lewis		401-0333
Shellfish Warden	Jessica Lewis		401-0333
Shellfish Committee Members	Shaun Moody (Vice Chair) Owen Moody Adam Kilton Paul Cox Jr. Brandon Norton Timothy Jordan (Chair)		263-6158 479-5429 263-6062 263-6831 263-6815 263-8227
Warden Harbor Master	Prentiss Harmon		271-7682
Fire Warden Fire Chief Jonsboro/RB E-911 Addressing Officer	Michael Schoppee		460-1746
Deputy Fire Warden Fire Assist. Chief/RB	Joseph Thompson		255-3330 461-9716
Public Health Officer	Jennifer Moore		255-3330
General Assist. Officer	Jennifer Moore		255-3330
E-911 Mapping Alt. Officer	Marc Perry		255-8610

Planning Board Members	Jerrold Erdman		255-4078
	Russell Manchester		557-7901
	Ricky Harmon		460-4124
	Nate Martell		570-4141
	Jim Pearce		263-3255
School Board	Charles Foster	2025	255-8556
*	Jace Farris	2027	271-8055
	Jade Moody	2027	263-8285
Appeals Board	Vacant		

SENATOR

MARIANNE MOORE - R

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To: Jennifer Moore

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Date: Thursday, September 12, 2024

Re: Annual Report Competition

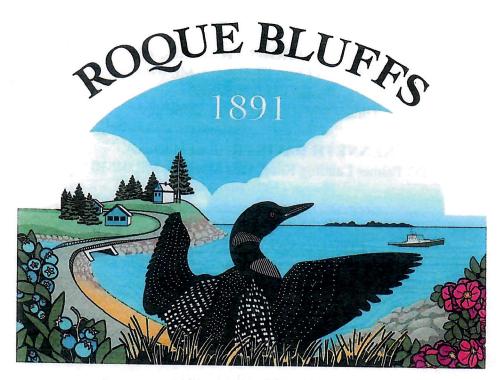
I am pleased to announce that Roque Bluffs has been selected as the "excellence" third place winner of the 2024 Annual Report Competition in the under 500 population category.

The criteria used by MMA's four-person review panel focused on the attractiveness of the cover and layout, as well as reader appeal; the presentation of the materials, including financial statements, statistics, and trends; and the use of tables of contents, photos, and graphics to succinctly inform readers of your community's achievements.

Arrowsic, Kingsbury Plantation, and Dyer Brook also published award winning reports in this population category.

For purposes of bragging rights, your report will be on display during MMA's Annual Convention held on October 2 and 3 in Augusta, Maine. Additionally, a framed certificate of your accomplishment will be sent to your community.

Thank you for participating in this event. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



WELCOMES YOU

State & Local Representatives

Washington County Maine - County Seat: Machias

County Population @ 31,095

Roque Bluffs Year-Round Resident Population @ 306 (2023 Estimate)

Roque Bluffs - Home of Roque Bluffs State Park & Beach

Washington County Sherriff:

-Barry Curtis @ 207-255-4422

Washington County District Attorney:

-Robert Granger @ 207-255-4425

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Washington County District 6 Senate:

-Marianne Moore (R) @ 207-952-2050

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-Susan Collins (R) @ 202-224-2523

-Angus King (I) @ 202-224-5344

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- -Commissioner John Crowley
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WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' DISTRICTS

<u>District I</u> Vinton E. Cassidy

Alexander

Baileyville

Baring Plantation

Beddington Calais

Charlotte

Cooper Crawford Danforth

Deblois

Grand Lake Stream Plantation

Marshfield

Meddybemps

Northfield

Passamaquoddy Indian Township Reserv.

Princeton Robbinston Talmadge

Topsfield Vanceboro

Waite Wesley

Whitneyville

Unorganized Territory of North

Washington County

<u>District II</u> Christopher M. Gardner

Cutler

Dennysville

East Machias

Eastport

Lubec

Machias

Passamaquoddy Pleasant Point Reserv.

Pembroke

Perry

Whiting

Unorganized Territory of East Central

Washington County

<u>District III</u> John B. Crowley, Sr.

Addison

Beals

Cherryfield

Columbia

Columbia Falls

Harrington

Jonesboro

Jonesport

Machiasport

Milbridge

Roque Bluffs

Steuben

Washington County Sheriff's Office

Barry Curtis Sheriff

Michael Crabtree Chief Deputy

Richard Rolfe Jail Administrator

Paula Johnson-Rolfe
Office Manager



83 Court Street Machias, Maine 04654 Telephone: (207) 255-4422 Fax: (207) 255-3641

January 31, 2024

TO THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY:

As I write this annual report, I can't help but feel immense gratitude for the incredible support I've received throughout my tenure as your Sheriff. I want to express my deep appreciation for the unwavering confidence you've shown in me, allowing me to lead the Washington County Sheriff's Office for a third term.

Our agency has continuously evolved to meet the ever-changing needs of our community and beyond. When emergencies strike and calls come into our dispatch center, having access to accurate and comprehensive data becomes crucial in saving lives. To ensure swift emergency services, we've added two additional positions at the Regional Communications Center due to increased call volume.

I'm thrilled to share that we've secured a substantial grant of \$3.1 million, enabling us to make significant improvements to county-wide radio communications. These enhancements include upgrading to digital communications and improving coordination with ambulance and fire departments throughout the County.

Due to the restructuring of the Maine State Police in July of this year, they opted to end our call sharing agreement causing a shift of primary law enforcement duties to our agency. While State Troopers will continue to support us and offer their specialized units as needed, we are now the primary force in the area.

Our dedicated detectives have proven to be an invaluable asset in conducting criminal investigations. With their expertise, we've been able to thoroughly investigate complex crimes and successfully bring several significant felony cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution.

Lastly, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the dedicated employees of the Washington County Sheriff's Office, Washington County Jail, and the Regional Communications Center. Your unwavering commitment and devotion have played a vital role in making our County a safer place to live.

With-utmost respect

Sheriff Barry Curtis

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Jared Golden Congress of the United States

2nd District of Maine

Committee on Armed Services Committee on Small Business

Dear Friends.

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I've been working on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District.

Maine's heritage industries are the backbone of our state's economy. That is why one of the first bills I introduced in this Congress was the Northeast Fisheries Heritage Protection Act, which would prohibit commercial offshore wind energy development in Lobster Management Area I (LMA I) in the Gulf of Maine. LMA I was identified by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) as a potential commercial offshore wind site. LMA 1 is a critical and highly productive fishing ground for a variety of sea life, including lobster. Prohibiting offshore wind development in LMA 1 would help to avoid conflict with the New England commercial and recreational fishing industries. Additionally, the bill would initiate a federal study on the environmental review processes of any relevant Federal agencies for offshore wind projects in the Gulf of Maine.

I also continue to advocate on behalf of our veterans and those providing care to our former service members. The current pay for VA employees in the Kennebec and Penobscot counties does not reflect the critical services they are providing. As the oldest state in the nation, with the fifth highest veteran population, Mainers rely on the services offered at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities. That's why recently, Senator Collins, Senator King, Representative Pingree, and I called on the Biden Administration to increase locality pay for VA employees in Kennebec and Penobscot counties. The level of care received is impacted by job vacancies, and the high turnover rate among its healthcare workforce is often the result of pay and compensation issues, which is further exacerbated by the increased cost of living.

Lastly, I'm excited that Mainers are continuing to reap the benefits of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). Recently, millions of dollars in grants have been awarded across the state, including \$35 million through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Culvert Aquatic Organism Passage (AOP) program to conserve spawning and migratory habitats for native fish species in Maine, \$460,000 through the Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) program for the Princeton Municipal Airport, Stephen A. Bean Municipal Airport, and Dexter Regional Airport, and nearly \$8 million through the Buses and Bus Facilities Program for Bangor's bus system. These investments are critical to ensuring Maine's infrastructure and will help to ensure Mainers and businesses across Maine are connected.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help answer questions about and navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

- Caribou Office: 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou, ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009
- Lewiston Office: 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767
- Bangor Office: 6 State Street, Suite 101, Bangor, ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2024. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully.

Jared F. Golden

Member of Congress

131st Legislature Senate of Maine Senate District 6 Senator Marianne Moore 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003 (207) 287-1505 Marianne.Moore@legislature.maine.gov

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your State Senator. It has been an honor to work on your behalf to make our state an even better place to live, work and conduct business. I assure you, I will continue to work tirelessly on behalf of the people of Senate District 6.

The 131st Maine Legislature adjourned our Second Regular Session sine die in May, ending the Legislature's current two-year term. The Legislature will not convene again until the next one is seated in December.

This Second Regular Session was notable for several reasons, including a record number of new and carryover bills considered. Although our statutory adjournment day is April 17, our final day was on May 10 for what we call "Veto Day." On that day, the Legislature sustained the vetoes of eight bills that were rejected by the Governor.

The Legislature enacted several important pieces of legislation affecting different aspects of Maine life. This session, among other policy successes, we passed bills to protect veterans from financial fraud, aid commercial fishermen, guard our environment against invasive aquatic species, fund Maine Veterans' Homes, protect constitutional rights through the creation of a Public Defense Commission, address the mental health and substance use crises across our state, and increase the state's cybersecurity efforts against foreign adversaries. We also focused on other areas of concern, including education, child welfare, inflation, regulatory overreach, and energy costs, issues that will certainly come up again in the 132nd Legislature. As your State Senator, I will continue to do all I can to advocate for your priorities in Augusta.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. Despite many successes over these two years, lawmakers will have a lot of work to do next session. Please feel free to contact me by calling (207) 287-1505 or emailing me at Marianne.Moore@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

Marianne Moore State Senator

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STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR 1 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0001

Spring 2024

Dear Maine Resident:

Since my first day in office, I have been guided by the belief that to strengthen our state, we have to invest in our greatest asset: the people of Maine. With the support of the Legislature, my Administration has invested in what people need to succeed -job training, child care, health care, education, broadband, and housing.

Those investments are working – small businesses are expanding their operations: people are moving here to work and raise their families; and graduates are staying in Maine to pursue rewarding, life-long careers – all encouraging signs that are reflected in the strength of our economy. In fact, Maine has the best rate of economic growth in New England and one of the best rates in the nation.

At the same time, we have our challenges. In late October, a gunman took the lives of 18 innocent citizens and injured many more in an act of senseless and unconscionable violence. Then, in December and January, heavy rains and powerful winds brought massive flooding that destroyed homes and businesses, roads, and bridges, and changed the very landscape of our coast.

I have proposed legislation to address both issues – first, to rebuild from these storms and prepare for those to come; and, second, to expand mental health services and keep weapons out of the hands of dangerous people to better protect public safety.

We have made good progress over the past five years to ensure that every person can find a good-paying job in Maine; have affordable health insurance; have the peace of mind that their children are safe at home and at school; breathe clean air and drink clean water and enjoy the rolling hills, lush forests, mighty rivers, and bold coast of Maine.

There are still plenty of challenges, particularly when it comes to the affordability of housing, child cure, energy, and other things, but thanks to the resilience and the resolve of Maine people, I am more confident than ever before in the future of our state.

It is my honor to serve as your governor

Sincerely,

Janet T. Mills Governor

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510 January 1, 2024

Dear Friends,

Thank you for allowing me to add my congratulations and gratitude for the positive differences each town and city in Maine makes for its people and ultimately for Maine as a whole. When I travel around the state and visit the various regions in Maine, I see firsthand the differences you all make, the focus you put on excellence, and the helping hands you extend to neighbors. I have learned valuable lessons watching your collaborations with each other. They got the State motto right – Dirigo – because you all certainly do lead the way and exemplify the best of Maine.

First, it was a true honor to be appointed to the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee this year to help address the challenges facing Maine veterans. We owe our way of life to these brave men and women and share a collective responsibility as a grateful nation to give back to our veterans. That means delivering veterans the benefits they have earned, addressing the veterans' suicide crisis, improving transition-to-civilian-status programs, and ensuring every veteran can access essential services, like affordable housing and behavioral healthcare.

Next, one of the most significant infrastructure projects in Maine history is underway: affordable and universal broadband availability throughout the state. Supported through funding in the bipartisan infrastructure bill. We are now within striking distance of broadband service even in our most rural communities. Additionally, infrastructure improvements in our roads and bridges, water and septic upgrades for our towns and support for our workforce and employers are also in the pipeline. Serious steps are being taken to address the toll from substance abuse and to provide our older neighbors with resources to help them continue to stand strong throughout their golden years. It is my goal here to make sure everyone has access to stable employment opportunities and quality healthcare which is of critical importance to keep our families healthy and happy.

1 am thankful for each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. I will do my part to listen to your concerns and work to find useful solutions to the issues you face. My offices throughout Maine remain available to you if you face hurdles with the federal government, whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, tax assistance and more. I hope you will reach out of my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow me the chance to be part of your solutions. Together, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state.

Maine is known for our grit and resiliency and we are making great strides – something others across the country have noticed. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you – it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2024.

Best Rogards.

United States Senate

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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to serve the people of Maine in the U.S. Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share an update on issues important to Maine and America.

One of my priorities for 2023 has been to improve the appropriations process in Congress – the way it decides how to spend taxpayer money. I took over as the Vice Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee last year. Along with Chair Patty Murray, we decided the best change we could make was not to do something new. Instead, it was to do something old - that is, go back to the regular and transparent committee process that we used to have.

Part of restoring this process included holding 50 public Committee hearings, which allowed for input from senators on both sides of the aisle. As a result, for the first time in five years, the Senate Appropriations Committee passed all twelve of its funding bills on time. This was done with strong bipartisan support. In fact, seven of them passed unanimously.

Now, we need to work with the House of Representatives to pass these twelve bills and turn them into laws.

These bills contain funding for a wide range of Maine priorities, including support for the workforce at Bath Iron Works and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, our lobster industry, infrastructure improvements, affordable housing, biomedical research, veterans, and heating assistance programs like LIHEAP. These bills also contain nearly \$590 million in Congressionally Directed Spending for 231 projects throughout the State of Maine. These projects would help promote job creation, expand access to health care, and improve public safety, infrastructure, and important resources in communities across all 16 counties of our state. I will continue to work to get these bills signed into law in the new year.

On October 25, the horrific mass shooting in Lewiston claimed the lives of 18 Mainers and injured 13 others. In response, I led Maine's Congressional Delegation in requesting an independent investigation by the U.S. Army Inspector General into the events leading up to the shooting. On December 15, the Under Secretary of the Army wrote to inform me that such an investigation will take place, and the Army Inspector General has instructed her team to immediately begin preparing to conduct this investigation. While nothing can undo the events of October 25, I will continue to work to understand what happened and what could have been done differently, and to find answers for the victims, survivors, and their families.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and this year I honored that work ethic when I cast my 8.855th consecutive roll call vote.

As we look ahead to 2024, I remain committed to addressing the concerns of Maine families and communities. If you need assistance or wish to share your thoughts, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of my six state offices.

Susan M. Collins

United States Senator

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CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MACHIAS AND THE TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS

This Agreement, made this 1st day of January, 2024, by and between the **TOWN OF MACHIAS**, a municipal corporation located in the County of Washington and the State of Maine, hereinafter referred to as the **TOWN OF MACHIAS**, and the **TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS**, a municipal corporation located in the County of Washington and the State of Maine, hereinafter referred to as the **TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS**.

WITNESSETH:

Whereas the TOWN OF MACHIAS has organized, and is operating, a municipal ambulance service, properly equipped with motor vehicles, patient care equipment and trained attendants; and

Now, therefore, the **TOWN OF MACHIAS**, in consideration of the promises and the mutual covenants and agreements as hereinafter set forth, it is mutually agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

- 1. Should the TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS require the Machias Ambulance Service, said Town shall call said service to request such service of the TOWN OF MACHIAS, of which the TOWN OF MACHIAS shall provide, if able to do so, at the time of such request;
- 2. The **TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS** shall pay to the **TOWN OF MACHIAS**, upon invoice, the sum of Fifteen Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$15,150.00) as an annual retainer fee, for the provision of ambulance service.
- 3. Residents from the TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS shall pay to the TOWN OF MACHIAS, upon invoice, all ambulance services provided to them by the TOWN OF MACHIAS at the approved rates -- as of January 1, 2024 these rates are BLS Emergency, Eight Hundred and Twenty Five Dollars (\$825.00), ALS Emergency, One Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$1,600.00) together with Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) per loaded mile and any other billable charges allowed by the attached fee schedule. These rates will be adjusted upon receipt of notification from the billing company (COMSTAR) that adjustments in the average billing rate schedules have been made. An invoice will be sent at the time of service to the appropriate insurance company and to the patient. A second notice will be sent, after sixty (60) days to the TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS.
- 4. The **TOWN OF MACHIAS** may enter into similar contracts with municipalities adjacent to or within the official jurisdiction of the Machias Ambulance Service in Washington County. Priority of service shall be given to the residents of the **TOWN OF MACHIAS** in the first instance and to the municipalities first making the request in the second instance,
- 5. The TOWN OF MACHIAS shall carry with its insurance agency the proper insurance to protect the TOWN OF MACHIAS, contract towns and patients; however, the TOWN OF MACHIAS shall not be liable to the TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS or to any person, firm or corporation for any failure to provide such ambulance service upon request, nor shall it be liable to said Town or to any patients or passengers receiving the services for any injury incurred or damage suffered as a result of such services;

CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MACHIAS AND THE TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS

- 6. The TOWN OF MACHIAS hereby agrees to operate said ambulance service pursuant to the regulations of the Department of Human Services as contained in Public Law of 1969, Chapter 359 and amended by Chapters 556 and 590, Section 59;
- 7. This contract shall remain in full force and effect until December 31, 2024, unless terminated by either party herein, by written notice not less than thirty (30) days prior to an anniversary date, such notice is to be sent by United States certified mail, postage prepaid. Provided nevertheless, that during each renewal the annual retainer fee provided for in Paragraph 2 shall be paid to the TOWN OF MACHIAS upon receipt of its invoice. It being further understood and agreed that no retainer, or portion thereof, paid pursuant hereto, shall be refundable.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:

The parties thereto have executed this agreement and set their hand and seal at said TOWN OF MACHIAS on the 18th day of January, 2024.

By:

TOWN OF MACHIAS

By:

BOARD OF SELECTPEOPLE



Town of Machias Town Office 7 Court Street, Suite #1 P.O. Box 418 Machias, ME 04654



The following shall be the established billing rates for the Machias Ambulance Service beginning on January 1, 2014:

ALS1 ALS BASE RATE EMERGENCY	\$ 1	1,600.00
ALS2 BASE RA TE	\$ 1	1,200.00
Can only be used if two or more meds are given and only certain ones		
ALSB ALS BASE RATE EMERGENCY NO SERVICES	\$	540.00
ALSC ALS SCT BASE RATE	\$ 1	1,600.00
ALSM ALS MILES	\$	25.00
ALSN ALS BASE RATE, NON-EMERGENCY	\$ 1	1,000.00
BACK ALS BACKUP	\$	225.00
BBNE BLS BASE RA TE, NON-EMERGENCY	\$	750.00
BLSB BLS BASE RATE, EMERGENCY	\$	825.00
BLSM BLS MILES	\$	25.00
CARE REFUSAL OF TRANSPORT	\$	350.00

Telephone: (207)-255-6621 Fax: (207) 255-6492 E-Mail: go to machiasme.org
Visit our: website at machiasme.org
"Town of Machias is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer."

Town of Roque Bluffs Winter Road Maintenance Contract For 2024-2025

This contract is between the *Town of Roque Bluffs* and *J&J Construction/Contracting & Winter Road Services* of Jonesboro, Maine. This contract refers to You, your Employees and Agents.

1. Services:

This contract is for the removal of snow and for the spreading of winter sand/salt on approximately 10.5 miles of town roads; including bus turn around and boat landing parking when needed.

2. Independent Contractor:

You, your agents and employees, during the performance of this contract, shall act in an independent capacity and not as officers, employees or agents of the Town. You shall employ any manpower needed to fulfill the obligations of this contract and you shall be solely responsible for complying with applicable state and federal laws including but not limited to worker's compensation laws, employment security laws, and minimum wage laws. As an independent contractor, you will be responsible for all necessary insurances on vehicles and employees and for the inspection and registration of your sanding/plowing vehicles. You agree to maintain liability for personal injury, death and property damage claims which may arise from snow removal or sanding operations under this contract.

3. Contract Requirements:

- A. Snow plowing and sanding will commence once snow has reached a depth of ½" on roadway surfaces. Sanding will commence upon the start of any frozen precipitation. During severe storms or drifting, plowing will be done to maintain two-way traffic. Immediately after the extreme conditions have subsided snow will be removed to the outside of the shoulders of the roadway. It is the responsibility of the contractor to monitor road conditions. You agree to pay particular attention to the sanding of hills, curves, bridge crossings and intersections, and to apply extra sand/salt to such locations when necessary.
- B. The contractor will respond to all calls for service received from one of the Selectmen or the Washington County Regional Communication Center. You must have supervisory personnel or radio equipped vehicles situated so any urgent messages can reach the plowing or sanding vehicles within a ½ hour period.
- C. On days when school is in session, the bus route and turnarounds will be plowed and sanded before the bus leaves in the morning at 6:40 a.m. and if needed in the afternoon.
- D. The Town of Roque Bluffs will provide sufficient sand and salt for operations required by this agreement. All sand and salt will be located @ the Town's Sand and Salt Shed located on Route 1A in Jonesboro. Any damage done to the Sand and Salt Shed during the mixing, loading, and unloading of the plowing equipment will be the sole responsibility of the contractor. Any & all salt or sand mixture on the outside of the building must be

cleaned up. Town owned sand and salt will not be used by you for private use.

- E. You will follow the Maine Department of Transportation's methods and precautions of plowing and sanding. Such methods and practices, such as excessive speed of plows and disregard of mailboxes must be controlled by you and will be monitored by the Town. You will reimburse the Town and/or resident for replacement of mailboxes, mailbox posts, newspaper boxes, newspaper posts, guard rails, guard rail posts, signs, or sign posts which are damaged by reason of snow removal operation under this agreement, if the Selectmen determines that such damage could have been avoided by you.
- F. You will perform the required duties for the Town before proceeding to private contracts.
- G. You will Provide Current Proof of Independent Contractors Liability Insurance Policy to RB Town Office.

4. Billing:

- A. The contractor will bill the Town of Roque Bluffs for their 1st payment in September in the sum of \$16,666.66 Each Additional Payment will be in the Sum of \$16,666.66 to Proceed in December and continuing through April of the following year, billing the Town a final payment of \$16,666.66 in the month of April for a total of 6 Payments, total contract amount of \$99,999.96. Payment will be made by the Town of Roque Bluffs on or before the 15th of each month. Additional Costs/Expenses are to be billed out separately... Any Maintenance, Sand/Salt Distribution, Cutting Edges, etc...
- B. If the cost of fuel goes above \$4.50/gallon, the Town of Roque Bluffs will reimburse the contractor that cost which is above and beyond the contract amount. The contractor will provide receipt(s) of that cost.

This contract has been accepted and approved on the 4th (day) of September, 2024 (month and year) by:

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(Contractor)	Selectmen of Roque Bluffs:	
		_Tristen Nelson
		_Philip Pinto
•		_Ernest Libby
Attest true copy:	Jeznifer Moore- Clerk	
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2024

Shellfish Management Committee

<u>Municipality: Roque Bluffs, Maine</u>

207-255-3330 (Office)
207-255-0519 (FAX)

For The Period: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

Shellfish Committee Staff:

Chair Name: Timothy Jordan Address: 82 Duck Cove Road

207-263-8227 Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

<u>Vice Chair Name</u>: Shaun Moody <u>Address</u>: 66 Duck Cove Road

207-263-6158 Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

Member Name: Owen Moody Address: 64 Duck Cove Road

207-479-5429 Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

Member Name: Adam Kilton Address: 105 Duck Cove Road

207-263-6062 Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

Member Name: Paul Cox Jr. Address: 581 Roque Bluffs Road

207-263-6831 Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

Member Name: Brandon Norton Address: 7 Great Cove Road

207-263-6815 Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

<u>Member Name</u>: <u>Address</u>:

Shellfish Warden Name: Address: Po Box 174

Jessica Lewis Machiasport, ME. 04655 207-401-0333

Warden Harbormaster Name: Address: 484 Great Cove Road

Prentiss Harmon Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

Selectmen/Council Representative:

Tristen Nelson Address: 115 Duck Cove Road Roque Bluffs, ME. 04654

Secretary Name: Jennifer Moore Address: Machias, ME. 04654

Town of Roque Bluffs

Clerk's Report:

2023-2024

Building Permit Sales:

-22 Applications Sold & Permits Granted = \$779.00

Transfer Station Stickers:

-59 Stickers Sold = \$295.00

Inland Fisheries & Wildlife Boat Excise Tax Collected:

- 45 Registrations = \$815.50

BMV Excise Tax Collected:

- 263 Registrations = \$63,321.60

Shellfish Resident License Fees Collected:

- 10 Applications & Licenses Sold = \$1,500.00

Shellfish Non-Resident License Fees Collected:

- 2 Applications & Licenses Sold = \$600.00
 - David Cale Machiasport
 - Colby Bruchs Jonesboro

Agent Fees Collected:

-307 Transactions = \$1,294.00

Dog Licenses-Town Share:

-14 Tags Sold = \$52.00

2023 Property Tax Collected:

- 400 Payments = 661,365.01

2022 Property Tax Collected:

- 41 Payments = \$40,039.84

2021 Property Tax Collected:

-3 Payments = \$1,023.80



Birth Annual Report

Report Parameters:
Beginning Date
Ending Date

JUL-01-2023 JUN-30-2024 Maine
Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Vital Records

OFFICE: Town of Roque Bluffs

USER: Jennifer.Moore

Child's Name	Place of Birth	Date of Birth	Mother's Residence	
Little, Knox Mark			Roque Bluffs	

Total Records for Town of Roque Bluffs

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Marriage Annual Report

Report Parameters:

Beginning Date Ending Date 01-Jul-2023 30-Jun-2024 Maine
Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Vital Records

OFFICE: Town of Roque Bluffs USER: Jennifer.Moore

Party A Current Name	Party B Current Name	Party A Residence City	Party B Residence City	Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage City
Corbett,Julie Marie	Ahem,Mark Philip Jr.	Roque Bluffs	Roque Bluffs	09/2023	Machias
Peterson,Meagan Leigh	Stanhope,Christopher Jame	es Eastport	Eastport	10/2023	Roque Bluffs
Kim,Kyong Ml	Couto,Michael William	Roque Bluffs	Roque Bluffs	10/2023	Machias

Total Recorde for Town of Roque Bluffs

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Death Annual Report

Report Parameters:
Beginning Date
Ending Date

01-Jul-2023 30-Jun-2024 Maine Department of Health and Human Services Office of Vital Records

> OFFICE: Town of Roque Bluffs USER: Jennifer.Moore

Decendant Name	Age	Resident Town	Town of Death	Date of Death	
Burnett,Karen Lenore	81	Roque Bluffs	**********	05/2024	
Kelley, Avery W. Jr.	54	Roque Bluffs		04/2024	
Manchester, Norma Ellen	84	Roque Bluffs	-	12/2023	
Richards, Darrell W Total	82	Roque Bluffs	ACCIONES ASSESSED.	12/2023	
otal Records for Town of Ro	oque Bluffs				

Grand Total Records

8

7 Total Certified Records Sold = \$87.00 2 Total Applications Sold = \$80.00

9 Total Vital Records Sales = \$167.00

WASHINGTON COUNTY

MAINE REVENUE SERVICES PROPERTY TAX DIVISION

PROPOSED 2025 STATE VALUATION

MUNICIPALITY	STATE VALUATION
ADDISON	\$230,100,000
ALEXANDER	\$84,900,000
BAILEYVILLE	\$405,100,000
BARING PLANTATION	\$18,950,000
BEALS	\$130,900,000
BEDDINGTON	\$69,150,000
CALAIS	\$269,800,000
CHARLOTTE	\$51,450,000
CHERRYFIELD	\$156,150,000
COLUMBIA	\$67,600,000
COLUMBIA FALLS	\$69,550,000
COOPER CRAWFORD	\$35,600,000
CUTLER	\$23,300,000
DANFORTH	\$106,900,000
DEBLOIS	\$100,400,000
DENNYSVILLE	\$45,700,000
EAST MACHIAS	\$24,100,000
EASTPORT	\$148,850,000
	\$228,550,000
GRAND LAKE STREAM PLANTATION HARRINGTON	\$58,750,000
JONESBORO	\$190,950,000
JONESPORT	\$86,650,000
LUBEC	\$265,300,000
MACHIAS	\$299,550,000
MACHIASPORT	\$222,200,000
MARSHFIELD	\$228,600,000
MEDDYBEMPS	\$55,450,000
MILBRIDGE	\$39,500,000
NORTHFIELD	\$305,600,000
PEMBROKE	\$69,950,000
PERRY	\$113,800,000
PRINCETON	\$149,550,000
ROBBINSTON	\$79,600,000
ROQUE BLUFFS	\$67,000,000
STEUBEN	\$124,000,000
TALMADGE	\$282,900,000
TOPSFIELD	\$8,000,000
VANCEBORO	\$26,050,000
WAITE	\$11,200,000
WESLEY	\$10,450,000
WHITING	\$30,550,000 \$116,650,000
WHITNEYVILLE	\$116,650,000
PASSAMAQUODDY NATION	\$18,050,000
	\$7,900,000
TOTAL	\$5,135,250,000





STATE OF MAINE
MAINE REVENUE SERVICES
P.O. BOX 9106
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04332-9106

KIRSTEN LC FIGUEROA COMMISSIONER

MAINE REVENUE SERVICES

JEROME D. GERARD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

September 2024

Municipal Assessors and Chairman of the Board of Selectpersons:

RE: Preliminary 2025 State Valuation

Dear Municipal Official(s):

Enclosed you will find a copy of the <u>preliminary</u> 2025 State Valuation report for your municipality as prepared by a field representative of the Property Tax Division. This valuation represents the full equalized value of all <u>taxable</u> property in the municipality as of **April 1, 2023**. Please note that these figures are preliminary and are being forwarded to you at this time in order to provide for your review and allow time for any contribution of additional comments and/or pertinent data.

The State Valuation is compiled by determining, through field work and meetings with local officials, the approximate ratio of full value on which local assessments are made, and by then adjusting the local assessed values in accordance with the Rules of Procedure Used to Develop State Valuation (08-125 Chapter 201). State Valuation is a mass appraisal estimate of the 100% market value of all taxable property of a municipality and is established annually by the State Tax Assessor. The enclosed report is comprised of five (5) parts: the Sales Ratio Analysis; BETE audit; State Valuation Analysis (PTF303.4); Report of Assessment Review, a three (3) year comparison (PTF303); and Report of Assessment Review, informational review (PTF303.2).

If after reviewing this report you find any errors or inconsistencies, need clarification or simply wish to discuss the report, please call the Property Tax Division at 624-5600 or fax your concerns to us at 287-6396. Alternatively, you may contact your area field representative from Maine Revenue Service, Property Tax Division directly for the purpose of discussing any additional information pertinent to the preliminary State Valuation.

The Proposed 2025 State Valuation Notice will be sent by certified mail on or before September 30, 2024.

Property Tax Division





Municipality	Roque Bluffs		County	Washington (c)
	2023	2024	2025	
1. State Valuation	102,250,000	121,550,000	124,000,000	
2. Amount of Change	21,550,000	19,300,000	2,450,000	
3. Percent of Change	26.70%	18.88%	2.02%	
4. Eff. Full Value Rate (line 6d/1)	0.00712	0.00683	0.00667	
5. Local mil Rate 21-22-23	0.01	0.01125	0.01125	
6a. Commitment 2021-22-23	711,026	810,072	811,623	
6b. Homestead Reimbursement	16,625	20,121	16,006	
6c. BETE Reimbursement				
6d. Total (6a, 6b & 6c)	727,651	830,1 <mark>9</mark> 3	827,629	
6e. % change from prior year (6d.)	10.95%	14.09%	-0.31%	
	2022	2023		
A. Municipal Valuation				
	72,006,400	72,144,280	- Amount of	Percent of
Net Supplements / Abatements			Change	Change
Homestead (Exempt Valuation)	1,788,500	1,422,720	_	
BETE (Exempt Valuation)			_	
Adjusted Municipal Valuation	73,794,900	73,567,000	(227,900)	-0.31%
B. Sales Information Sales Period Used	07/21 - 06/22	07/22 - 06/23		
State Valuation # of Sales	2024	2025	Combined Sales Ratio	59%
# of Appraisals	22	22		
Residential Study			Percent of Change	
Weighted Average Average Ratio	63% 60%	55% 59%	-1.67%	
Assessment Rating Waterfront Study	22	25	-1,0778	
Weighted Average		`		
Average Ratio Assessment Rating				
Condominium Study				
Weighted Average Average Ratio				
Assessment Rating				
Certified Ratio	100%	78%		PTF303 (Rev 11/13)

Property Tax Division

REPORT OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Municipality	Roque Bluffs	County	Washington (c)
I. Valuation System			
A. Land: Tax Maps by Undeveloped Acreage Road Frontage House Lots	James Sewall Company 640/ac on Average 15,000 Developed Lot 22,708 First Acre	Date: Undeveloped Lots Water Frontage Other	1999 18,148 202/FF
B. Buildings : Revaluation By:	Doreen French 2019	Computerized Records	Trio - Full
	Assessed? Y/N ls Cert Ratio Applied? Y/N	Y Method Used:	RCNLD
II. Assessment Records / Condition	Website w/VAL data Y/N	N/A Web Address	N/A
Valuation Book Property Record Cards Veteran Exemption Forms Homestead Exemption Forms III. Supplements and Abatements	Good Fair On File On File	Tree Growth Forms Farm Land Forms Open Space Forms Working Waterfront Forms	On File Not Applicable On File On File
Supplements: Number Made Abatements: Number granted (excluding current use penalties)		Value Supplemented Value Abated	
IV. Statistical Information			
Number of Parcels Taxable Acres Population (2020) V. Assessment Standards	541 5,897 296	Land Area Bog/Swamp	6,403 397
Standards Ratio Assessment Quality: Combined	60.52% 25	= (2023 Municipal Valuation /202	4 State Valuation)
Comments or Plans for Compliance:			
VI. Audit Information			
Municipal Official providing data:	Jennifer Moore, Town C	lerk	
Date(s) of Field Audit: VII. Office Review	7/8/2024		
	Checked by: _ Approved by: _	Yang Partte	9.24.2024
PTF 303.2 (Rev 11/13)	Copies Mailed: (date)		

Tax Collector's Report:

Owed Taxes: As of 06-30-2024

BLUE= 2023 Owed YELLOW= Totals

Acct# 349

7777 Little House, LLC. 8105 Two Coves Drive

Austin, TX. 78730 MAP 08 LOT 10

Owed Taxes: 2023 \$3593.80

Total:

\$3593.80

Acct# 2

Thomas & Susan Aceto

5878 N.Camino, Esplendora

Tucson, AZ. 85718 MAP 08 LOT 23

Total:

Owed Taxes: 2023 \$4269.40

\$4269.40

Acct# 536

Scott Anagnoste

5940 SW 37th Terrace

Fort Lauderdale, FL. 33312

MAP 10 LOT 81

Owed Taxes: 2021 \$324.68

2022 \$333.70

2023 \$320.86

Total: \$979.24

Acct# 184

Shirline Anthony/Justin Anthony

504 Roque Bluffs Road MAP 07 LOT 11-A

Owed Taxes: 2019 \$379.24

2020 \$313.10

2021 \$320.09

2022 \$328.98

2023 \$378.67

Total:

\$1720.08

Acct# 539

Boatita Charters, Inc.

5940 SW 37th Terrace

Fort Lauderdale, FL. 33312

MAP 11 LOT 01

Owed Taxes: 2021 \$316.65

2022 \$325.44

2023 \$312.92

Total:

\$955.01

Acct# 324 Theron Boudakin Owed Taxes: 2021 \$372.87 221 Park Street 2022 \$383.22 N. Attleboro, MA. 02760 2023 \$368.47 **MAP 10 LOT 48** Total: \$1124.56 Acct# 589 James Bradford Owed Taxes: 2023 \$476.90 234 Clark Point Road Total: \$476.90 Bernard, ME. 04612 MAP 02 LOT 55 Acct# 39 Philip & Karen Brown Owed Taxes: 2021 \$219.13 Po Box 111 2022 \$225.22 Wallgrass, ME. 04781 2023 \$216.55 MAP 02 LOT 40 Total: \$660.90 Acct# 40 Philip & Karen Brown Owed Taxes: 2021 \$213.40 (Address Above) 2022 \$219.32 MAP 02 LOT 41 2023 \$210.88 Total: \$643.60 Acct# 41 Philip Brown Owed Taxes: 2021 \$481.86 (Address Above) 2022 \$495.23 MAP 02 LOT 42 2023 \$476.18 Total: \$1453.27 Acct# 42-44 William Brown Jr. Owed Taxes: 2023 \$764.18 Po Box 522588 Total: \$764.18 Marathon Shores, FL. 33052 #42 MAP 09 LOT 21 #43/44 MAP 10 LOTS 174/175 Acct# 45 William Brown Jr. Owed Taxes: 2023 \$1359.17 (Address Above) Total: \$1359.17 MAP 10 LOT 173

Acct# 598 George & Karen Burnett Owed Taxes: 2023 \$446.25 99 Dogwood Drive Total: \$446.25 Weaverville, NC. 28787 MAP 10 LOT 09 Acct# 614 Lauralyn & Daniel Carlson Owed Taxes: 2022 \$214.60 25 Upper Bartlett Road 2023 \$206.34 Quaker Hill, CT. 06375 Total: \$420.94 MAP 09 LOT 66 Acct# 522 James Carr & Owed Taxes: 2023 \$232.78 Amy Carpentier Total: \$232.78 42 Warwick, RI. 02888 **MAP 02 LOT 30** Acct# 308 Cove Bluff Trust Owed Taxes: 2023 \$1939.40 415 Congress Street Total: \$1939.40 Portland, ME. 04101 MAP 05 LOT 11 Acct# 119 Timothy Christensen-Kirby Owed Taxes: 2023 \$423.56 10 Craig Drive Total: \$423.56 Merrimack, NH. 03054 MAP 10 LOT 61 Acct# 661 Michael Dougherty Owed Taxes: 2020 \$209.85 24905 N. Carmel Hills Drive 2021 \$214.54 Carmel, CA. 93923 2022 \$220.50 MAP 09 LOT 60 2023 \$212.02 Total: \$856.91

Acct# 120 James & Joan Durando Owed Taxes: 2023 \$244.12
117-01 Park Lane S #C-2M
Kew Gardens, NY. 11418
MAP 10 LOT 07

Pieter & Shirl Francke Acct# 567 Owed Taxes: 2023 \$463.28 39 Chambers Point Road Total: \$463.28 MAP 02 LOT 71 Acct# 350 Jeffrey & Lori Fernald Owed Taxes: 2023 \$4095.68 8 Avenue Lane Total: \$4095.68 Newbury, MA. 01951 **MAP 08 LOT 21** Acct# 158 Paul Gay Owed Taxes: 2022 \$68.16 Po Box 101 2023 \$2320.92 Dunstable, MA 01827 Total: \$6046.96 **MAP 05 LOT 20** Acct# 159 Paul Gay Owed Taxes: 2022 \$149.91 (Address Above) 2023 \$1130.94 **MAP 05 LOT 92** Total: \$1541.37 Acct# 160 Paul Gay Owed Taxes: 2022 \$2660.10 (Address Above) 2023 \$2557.75 **MAP 05 LOT 93** Total: \$5405.53 Acct# 164 Paul Gay Owed Taxes: 2023 \$555.25 (Address Above) Total: \$555.25 MAP 09 LOT 01 Acct# 199 Aaron Hanscom Owed Taxes: 2023 \$491.67 4 Webb Road Total: \$491.67 Dresden, ME. 04342 MAP 06 LOT 36 Acct# 201 Lisa Hanscom Owed Taxes: 2023 \$508.69 186 Roque Bluffs Road Total: \$508.69 **MAP 06 LOT 23**

Acct# 672 Ronald Hubbard Owed Taxes: 2023 \$12.50 Po Box 231 Total: \$12.50 Jonesboro, ME. 04648 MAP 06 LOT 49-A-MH Acct# 229 Geraldine Jensen & Owed Taxes: 2020 \$239.19 Joseph Bagley 2021 \$250.11 9633 ½ N. Loop Blvd. -APT. B 2022 \$257.05 California City, CA. 93505 2023 \$247.16 MAP 10 LOT 18 Total: \$993.51 Acct# 234 Emily Johnson Owed Taxes: 2021 \$500.22 c/o Johnson Revocable Trust 2022 \$514.10 4606 Carpenter Road 2023 \$494.32 Ashtabula, OH. 44004 Total: \$1508.64 MAP 02 LOT 79-A Acct# 235 **Emily Johnson** Owed Taxes: 2021 \$229.46 c/o Johnson Revocable Trust 2022 \$235.82 (Address Above) 2023 \$226.75 MAP 02 LOT 06-05-A Total: \$692.03 Acct# 445 Seth Kilton Owed Taxes: 2020 \$404.01 16 Maple Drive 2021 \$413.02 Northfield, ME. 04654 2022 \$424.48 MAP 07 LOT 38 2023 \$408.15 Total: \$1649.66 Acct# 616 Seth Kilton Owed Taxes: 2021 \$217.55 (Address Above) 2022 \$235.82 MAP02 LOT 06-03-E 2023 \$226.75 Total: \$680.12 Acct# 301 Diane Lucey Owed Taxes: 2023 \$2699.33 76 Airport Road Total: \$2699.33 Winterport, ME. 04495 MAP 10 LOT 101

Michael & Bernadette Maheu Acct# 247 Owed Taxes: 2023 \$228.26 627 Duck Cove Road Total: \$228.26 MAP 10 LOT 149 Acct# 321 Holly & Abby Marsh Owed Taxes: 2023 \$2184.90 c/o Elizabeth Marsh & Trustees Total: \$2184.90 Marsh Irrevocable Trust 707 Barretts Mill Road Concord, MA. 01742 MAP 09 LOT 41 Acct# 336 Darren & Carmen Maurer Owed Taxes: 2022 \$240.54 6776 Saint Peters Church Road 2023 \$231.29 Dover, OH. 44622 Total: \$471.83 MAP 10 LOT 177 Kathleen Melluzzo Acct# 344 Owed Taxes: 2016 \$127.79 141 Brimfield Road 2017 \$329.09 Wethersfield, CT. 06109 2018 \$319.74 MAP 10 LOT 19 2019 \$261.07 2020 \$244.65 2021 \$250.11 2022 \$257.05 2023 \$247.16 Total: \$2036.66 Acct# 345 Kathleen Melluzzo Owed Taxes: 2020 \$227.81 (Address Above) 2021 \$232.90 **MAP 10 LOT 30** 2022 \$239.37 2023 \$230.16 Total: \$930.24

Acct# 346	Metropolitan, INC. -Jesus Hernandez c/o Ariel Hernandez Santana 1519 Ponce DeLeon Avenue 1st Fed.Bank Building, Suite 818 San Juan, PR. 00909 MAP 10 LOT 12	Owed Taxes: Total:	2020 \$242.36 2021 \$247.81 2022 \$254.69 2023 \$244.89 \$989.75
Acet# 387	Jason & Courtney Milligan 38 Churchill Street Saugus, MA. 01906 MAP 10 LOT 121	Owed Taxes:	2015 \$226.93 2016 \$219.54 2017 \$269.07 2018 \$325.69 2019 \$266.83 2020 \$250.26 2021 \$255.85 2022 \$262.95 2023 \$252.83
		Total:	\$2329.95
Acct# 353	Owen Moody 64 Duck Cove Road MAP 07 LOT 20	Owed Taxes:	2022 \$107.31 2023 \$165.53 \$272.84
		Total.	\$272.84
Acct# 388	Shaun Moody 66 Duck Cove Road MAP 07 LOT 23-A	Owed Taxes: Total:	2021 \$185.28 2022 \$298.32 2023 \$286.84 \$770.44
Acct# 299	Jason Nass & Ross & Zach Wheaton 44 Flaherty Road Storrs, CT. 06268 MAP 10 LOT 75	Owed Taxes: Total:	2019 \$323.28 2020 \$305.25 2021 \$312.06 2022 \$320.72 2023 \$308.38 \$1569.69

Acct# 379 Jeffrey Nichols Owed Taxes: 2023 \$491.95 1204 Main Road Total: \$491.95 Phippsburg, ME. 04562 S ... **MAP 10 LOT 112** Acct# 544 Mikhalina, Novikava Owed Taxes: 2023 \$513.29 503 Overlook Park Drive Total: \$513.29 Oxon Hill, MD. 20745 MAP 02 LOT 46 Acct# 385 Peter & Gail Olson Owed Taxes: 2020 \$241.28 4 Beech Way 2021 \$301.74 Carver, MA. 02330 2022 \$310.11 **MAP 10 LOT 53** 2023 \$298.18 Total: \$1151.31 Acct# 407 Glen & Mina Preston Owed Taxes: 2015 \$838.76 3 Main Street 2016 \$899.22 Milbridge, ME. 04658 2017 \$890.40 482 Roque Bluffs Road 2018 \$1025.98 MAP 07 LOT 08 2019 \$945.32 2020 \$855.15 2021 \$874.23 2022 \$898.49 2023 \$926.28 Total: \$8153.83 Acct# 405 Kristopher Preston Owed Taxes: 2022 \$520.66 75 Duck Cove Road 2023 \$500.70 MAP 07 LOT 30 Total: \$1021.36 Acct#565 **Burton Rankie** Owed Taxes: 2021 \$1588.36 Po Box 850 2022 \$2114.17 Scarborough, ME. 04074 2023 \$2032.82 MAP 01 LOT 02 Total: \$5735.35

Acct# 566 Burton Rankie Owed Taxes: 2020 \$356.88 (Address Above) 2021 \$364.84 MAP 01 LOT 04 2022 \$374.96 2023 \$360.53 Total: \$1457.21 Acct# 237 Jill Reed Owed Taxes: 2022 \$3757.87 11 Sunrise Lane 2023 \$3613.28 85 Johnson Cove Road Total: \$7371.15 **MAP 05 LOT 27** Acct# 525 Jill & Anthony Reed Owed Taxes: 2022 \$3927.66 11 Sunrise Lane 2023 \$3776.54 MAP 02 LOT 33 Total: \$7704.20 Acct# 440 Sofia Reyes Owed Taxes: 2023 \$250.97 c/o Linda Sarin Total: \$250.97 528 Riva Ridge Court Wexford, PA. 15090 MAP 10 LOT 05 Acct# 496 Lee & Lance Sinford Owed Taxes: 2023 \$534.31 449 Great Cove Road Total: \$534.31 MAP 03 LOT 08 Acct# 682 Betty Smith & Donald Vane Owed Taxes: 2023 \$51.11 Po Box 924 Total: \$51.11 Machias, ME. 04654 MAP 07 LOT 11-DO Acct# 662 Thurston & Allison Smith Owed Taxes: 2021 \$214.54 328 Range Road 2022 \$220.50 Atkinson, ME. 04426 2023 \$212.02 MAP 09 LOT 60 Total: \$647.06

Acct# 540 Dennis & Irene St. Aubin

Po Box 265

105 Townsend Road

North Eastham, MA. 02651

MAP 10 LOT 28

Owed Taxes: 2023 \$235.07 Total: \$235.07

Acct# 82 Deanna Stanhope

395 Roque Bluffs Road

MAP 06 LOT 39

Owed Taxes: 2022 \$571.88

2023 \$549.88

Total: \$1121.76

Acct# 241 Kelly & Peter Stevens

321 Court Street

Machias, ME. 04654 MAP 06 LOT 19 Owed Taxes: 2023 \$1517.17 Total: \$1517.17

Acct# 403 The Potters Holdings, LLC.

37 Hoyttown Road Machias, ME. 04654 MAP 07 LOT 33-A Owed Taxes: 2023 \$515.84 Total: \$515.84

Acct# 560 Sanjay & Priya Tikku

30 Mayfair Road

Boxborough, MA. 01719 MAP 02 LOT 06-04 Owed Taxes: 2023 \$1135.60 Total: \$1135.60

Acct# 573 Brian & Jane Van Dam Sr.

32 Laurel Street

Long Meadow, MA. 01106

MAP 02 LOT 48

Owed Taxes: 2023 \$517.83 Total: \$517.83

Acct# 571 Donald Van Dis & Maude Moore

113 Avant Drive

Wilmington, NC. 28411

MAP 08 LOT 05

Owed Taxes: 2023 \$5215.83 Total: \$5215.83 Acct#535

Vincent Watkins

112 Leland Street SE

Port Charlotte, FL. 33952

MAP 02 LOT 65

Owed Taxes: 2023 \$468.64

Total: 900 \$468.64

Acct# 638

Sherry Watts

4606 Carpenter Road

Ashtabula, OH. 44004

MAP 05 LOT 61-A

Owed Taxes: 2021 \$283.14

2022 \$291.25

2023 \$280.04

Total:

\$854.43

Owed Taxes Summary:

-Total 2023 Owed: \$61,268.77

-Total Owed-Back Taxes (Excluding 2023): \$48,358.62

-Total Overall Owed: \$109,627.39



Town of Roque Bluffs Report of the Superintendent

To: The Roque Bluffs Board of Selectmen, Roque Bluffs School Committee and the Citizens of Roque Bluffs:

As the school year comes to a close, AOS 96 administrators and teachers are reflecting on the work that is almost completed and are also looking ahead to next year. The AOS 96 educators have worked diligently to provide a high quality education to Roque Bluffs students. I commend the AOS 96 administrators, teachers and support staff for their commitment to academic excellence for all students that attend AOS 96 schools.

The students that live in the Town of Roque Bluffs have school choice preK-12. AOS 96 is comprised of six elementary schools and one high school. Roque Bluffs elementary students generally attend the Rose M. Gaffney Elementary School, Elm Street Elementary School and Jonesboro Elementary School. Most secondary students attend Machias Memorial High School and Washington Academy. If any citizens have questions about AOS 96 schools, please contact the Building Principal.

The proposed 2024/2025 school budget for the Town of Roque Bluffs is \$309,164.00 which reflects a decrease of \$51,709.00. This decrease is due to fewer elementary and secondary students compared to last year.

The Town of Roque Bluffs tuition secondary students to area high schools. The 2024/2025 proposed budget for secondary tuition costs is?

The Roque Bluffs School Department is supported by the efforts of the AOS 96 central office team. The AOS 96 team members are the following: Scott K. Porter, Superintendent, Mary Maker, Special Education Director, Carol Geel, Administrative Assistant, Laurie Schoppee, Administrative Assistant, Mitchell Look, Federal Programs Manager/Curriculum Coordinator, Amanda Sprague, Business Manager, Lisa Nicely, Administrative Assistant, Amy Albee, Bookkeeper, Heather Wood, Bookkeeper and Shannon Gartrnayer, Bookkeeper. I thank each of them for their dedication to provide support services for the 11 AOS 96 towns.

It has always been a pleasure to work with the members of the Roque Bluffs School Committee. Barbara Anthony and Charlie Foster are always committed to provide the necessary resources to meet the needs of the students that attend our schools.

I welcome the citizens of Roque Bluffs to stop by my office anytime to discuss the school budget or any other educational issues. Thank you for your support of the Roque Bluffs School Department.

Sincerely, Scott K. Porter Superintendent of Schools AOS 96

Minutes of the Roque Bluffs Town Meeting to Decide on the Town School Budget

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

The meeting was attended by five townspeople and Scott Porter for the school district.

As the Town Clerk was not able to make the meeting, the meeting was opened by Selectman Philip Pinto, who called for nominations for a Moderator.

David Dowley was nominated, seconded, and unanimously elected Moderator.

Moderator Dowley read aloud the warrant, and called for a vote on the first article. It passed unanimously.

A motion was proposed to consolidate Articles 2 through 6 and vote on them as one measure. Moderator Dowley called for a second and received one. There followed a brief discussion where it was mentioned that this was a frequent procedure for the town. The motion passed unanimously.

Moderator Dowley called for a motion to vote on the consolidated Articles 2 through 6. The motion was made and seconded. Articles 2 through 6 passed unanimously.

Moderator Dowley read article 7 aloud and called for a motion to vote on it. It was so moved and seconded. There being no calls for discussion, Article 7 passed unanimously.

Moderator Dowley read Article 8 aloud and called for a motion to vote on it, which he noted required a written ballot. It was so moved and seconded. There being no calls for discussion, paper was provided to those in attendance for their vote. Dowley counted the votes, observed by Pinto. The measure passed unanimously.

Moderator Dowley read aloud Article 9 and called for a motion to vote. He received the motion and a second. There were no calls for discussion. Article 9 passed unanimously.

Moderator Dowley read aloud Article 10 and called for a motion to vote. A motion was made, and a second. There being no calls for discussion, the article passed unanimously.

Moderator Dowley read aloud Article 11 and called for a motion to vote. A motion was made, and seconded. Superintendent Porter was asked to comment on Articles 11 and 12, and gave some background information. There being no calls for further discussion, the article passed unanimously.

Moderator Dowley read aloud Article 12 and called for a motion to vote. A motion was made, and a second. There being no calls for discussion, the article passed unanimously.

Having come to the end of the Warrant, Moderator Dowley adjourned the meeting.

WARRANT SCHOOL BUDGET MEETING

Washington County, ss.

State of Maine

TO: This A Town of Roque Bluffs: You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify the voters of the Town of Roque Bluffs of the meeting described in this warrant.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS:

You are hereby notified that a school budget meeting will be held at Roque Bluffs Town Office in the Town of Roque Bluffs on June 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., for the purpose of determining the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town be authorized to expend \$207,058.00 for Regular Instruction?

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town be authorized to expend \$26,074.00 for Special Education?

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town be authorized to expend \$17,928.00 for System Administration?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town be authorized to expend \$48,104.00 for Transportation and Buses?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town be authorized to expend \$10,000.00 for All Other Expenditures?

ARTICLES 7 THROUGH 8 RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town appropriate \$212,398.22 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 \$205,043.49 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 the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688?

Explanation: 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 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 8: (Written ballot required) Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$96,765.78 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$96,765.78 as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee?

The school committee recommends \$96,765.78 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$96,765.78: The Roque Bluffs School Department budget is over the Essential Programs and Services model in system administration, and the difference between the tuition rates and the EPS tuition rates. In addition, the Essential Programs and Services model does not fully fund co-curricular activities and the model has not been fully funded by the State.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Town's local 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 that will help achieve the Town budget for educational programs.

ARTICLE 9 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town authorize the school committee to expend \$309,164.00 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 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?

ARTICLE 10 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS

ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town 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 for school purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

ARTICLE 11 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM AND RAISES THE LOCAL SHARE

ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town appropriate \$650.00 for adult education and raise \$650.00 as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

ARTICLE 12 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM AND RAISES THE LOCAL SHARE

ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town appropriate \$375.00 for adult basic education and raise \$375.00 as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult basic education program.

Given under our hands this O day of JON 2024

Selectmen of Roque Bluffs

RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Washington C	ounty, ss.
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State of Maine

TO: The municipal officers of the Town of Roque Bluffs

I certify that I have notified the voters of the Town of Roque Bluffs of the time and place of the school budget meeting by posting an attested copy of the within warrant as follows:

Date	Time	Location of Posting	
6/10/24	9 am	Machias Valley News Observes	•
6/10/24	1:40,m	Machias Valley News Observes Town Office of Roque Police	Ŝ
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Dated at the Town	of Roque Bluffs: _	<u>le/10/</u> , 2024.	

AOS 96

Machias Bay Area School System

Central Office

Proposed FY25 Budget

2024 - 2025

AOS 96 Machias Bay Area School System Proposed 2024/2025 Budget

Central Office Administration and Support Services
(Superintendent, Special Ed Director and Support Staff Personnel)

	Office of the Su	perin	tendent				
		-	2023/2024		2024/2025		inc/(dec)
Salaries							
Superintendent		\$	120,000.00	\$	122,400.00	\$	2,400.00
Salaries							
Business Manager		\$	62,000.00	\$	65,720.00		3,720.00
Support Staff		\$	179,374.00	\$	197,964.00	\$	18,590.00
3.375 Bookkeepers & 1 Secretary		_				_	
TOTAL All Salaries	-	\$	361,374.00	\$	386,084.00	\$	24,710.00
Medical insurance		ş	65,966.00	\$	66,560.00	\$	594.00
Social Security		\$	14,966.00	\$	16,349.00	\$	1,383.00
Medicare		\$	5,240.00	\$	5,599.00	\$	359.00
MainePers 4.47		\$	5,364.00	\$	2,738.00	\$	(2,628.00)
Unemployment		\$	461,00	\$	384.00	\$	(77.00)
Workers Comp		\$	1,446.00	\$	1,506.00	\$	60.00
Disability Insurance		\$	2,169.00	\$	2,160.00	\$	(9.00
Service Contract		\$	48,558.00	\$	48,709.00	S	151,00
Repairs to Equipment		\$	1,000.00	\$	500.00	\$	(500.00
Repairs to Building		\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	
Building Contents Insurance		\$	2,750.00	\$	3,163.00	\$	413.00
Postage		\$	4,200.00	\$	4,200.00	\$	
Phones/Internet		\$	5,136.00	\$	4,404.00	\$	(732.00
Advertising		\$	500.00	\$	250.00	\$	(250.00
Travel & Conferences		\$	7,300.00	\$	7,300.00	\$	
Office Supplies		\$	9,000.00	\$	9,500.00	\$	500.0
Electricity		s	4,040.00	\$	3,750.00	\$	(290.0
Fuel		\$	3,060.00	\$	3,500.00	\$	440.0
Technology/Equipment		\$	2,000.0	\$	2,500.0	\$	500.0
Lease/Purchase		\$	3,204.0) \$	3,204.0	\$	
Dues & Fees		\$	3,108.0	\$	3,701.0	\$	593.0
Miscellaneous		s	500.0	5 5	500.0	0 8	
TOTAL		5	552,342.0	_	577,559.0	1	25,217.

	Special Ed Adm	<u>rinta</u>	tration	_			
			2023/2024		2024/2025		Inc/(dec)
Salaries						_	
Special Ed Director		\$	75,382.00	5	79,905.00	\$	4,523.00
OCIADIA SAISHOSS		S	38,265.00	\$	42,315.00	S	4,050.00
OYAL SALARIES		\$	113,647.00	_		\$	8,573.00
Medical insurance		\$	35,655.00	3	38,389.00	\$	734.00
Social Security		\$	2,373.00	\$	2,824.00	\$	251.00
hedicare		\$	1,648.00	\$	1,773.00	\$	125.00
MainePers 4.47%		\$	3,370.00	\$	3,572.00	5	202.00
Unamployment		5	432.00	\$	144.00	S	(288.00
Workers Comp		F	DE2 00	Ļ	477.00		
HOLKELS CORID		3	853.00	15	477.00	\$	(376.00
Disability Insurance		\$	938.00	S	828.00	\$	(108.00
Professional Credit		8		3		\$	
Contracted Services		\$	648.00	3	2,148.00	\$	1,500.00
Repairs & Maintenance		\$	500.00	\$		\$	(500.00
Lease Space		\$		3		5	
Postage		3	700.00	S	700.00	8	_ :
Telephone		3	2,000.00	3	2,500.00	5	500.00
Advertising		\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	5	:
Travel/Conference		\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	5	:
Office Supplies		5	1,500.00	8	1,500.00	8	
Equipment		\$		8		\$:
Dues & Fees		\$	1,000.00	5	1,000.00	5	
Assessment / Testing Material		\$		\$		\$:
TOTAL		\$	168,262.00	1 3	178,875.00	\$	10,613.0
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Anticipated Receipts 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025

From Fund Balance \$ 15,000.00

Miscellaneous \$

Local Allocation \$741,434.00

Total \$756,434.00

Proposed Gross Budget 2024/2025 \$ 756,434.00 Gross Budget 2023/2024 \$ 720,604.00

\$ 35,830.00 4.97% Increase

Proposed Net (after applying fund balance) 2024/2025 \$741,434.00 Net Budget 2023/2024 \$700,604.00

\$ 40,830.00 5.83% Increase

Fund Balance

 FY22 Audit
 \$ 29,629.00

 FY23 Estimate Fund Balance Used
 \$ (22,372.00)

 FY23 Carry forward
 \$ 37,000.00

 FY24 Estimate Fund Balance Used
 \$ (20,000.00)

 FY24 Carry Forward
 \$ 8,000.00

 FY25 Estimate Fund Balance
 \$ (15,000.00)

 Carryover Remaining
 \$ 17,267.00

WARRANT TO CALL MACHIAS BAY AREA SCHOOL SYSTEM ALTERNATIVE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE ("AOS") BUDGET MEETING (20-A M.R.S.A. S1485)

TO: Renee Patterson (for Cutler); Kayla Warren (for East Machias); Wendy Schoppee (for Jonesboro); Larry Armstrong (for Machias); Robert Boynton (for Machiasport); Bruce Stevens (for Marshfield); Thomas Manship (for Northfield); Phillip Pinto (for Roque Bluffs); Ronald Hawkins (for Wesley); Steven Presley Sr (for Whiting); and Patricia Brightly (for Whitneyville), each residents of Machias Bay Area School System, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of the municipalities within the Machias Bay Area School System, as shown above following your respective names, that an Alternative Organizational Structure ("AOS") Budget Meeting will be held at the Machias Memorial High School Cafeteria, I Bulldog Lane, Machias, Maine at 6:00 P.M. on March 18, 2024 for the purpose of determining the Budget Meeting articles set forth below.

ARTICLE IA: To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 2 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES FOR THE AOS CENTRAL OFFICE IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES

ARTICLE 1: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Special Education. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$178,875.00**

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for System Administration. AOS School Committee Recommends \$577,559.00

Note: Although Articles 3 through 11 are proposed with no funding, they were included in the event a corrective change was needed. A vote should be taken on each of Articles 1 through 13.

ARTICLE 3: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 4: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 5: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 6: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 7: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 9: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Facilities **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 11: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 12 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED AOS CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the AOS will authorize the AOS School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 for the support of the AOS central office budget. **AOS School Committee Recommends \$756,434.00**

ARTICLE 13 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURE OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS FOR CENTRAL OFFICE PURPOSES

ARTICLE 13: Shall the AOS 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 for central office purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Given under our hands this day, February 29, 2024, at Machias, Maine.

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A majority of the AOS School Committee of the Machias Bay Area School System

A true copy of the Warrant, attest: Muchael Josh

Machias Bay Area School System

PLEASE RETURN by email to: asprague@aos96.org or send to Central Office

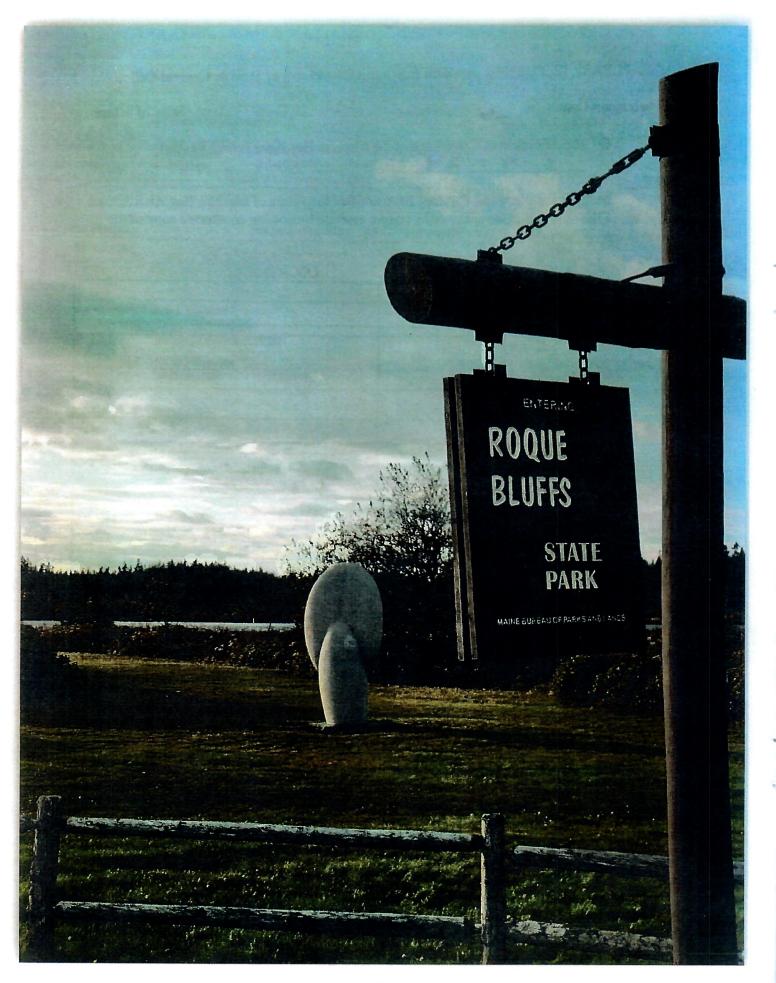
Washington County, ss.	÷	**************************************	State of Maine
TO: The AOS School Co	mmittee of the	e Machias Bay Area School 24	System

The undersigned certify that they have notified the voters of Machias Bay Area School System of the time and place of the AOS budget meeting by posting an attested copy of the within warrant as follows:

	DATE(S)	LOCATION(S)
Town of Cutler		
Town of East Machias		
Town of Jonesboro		
Town of Machias		-
Town of Machiasport		
Town of Marshfield		
Town of Northfield		
Town of Roque Bluffs	8 march ; 24	Tour Office
Town of Wesley		
Town of Whiting		
Town of Whitneyville		

being at least seven days prior to the AOS budget meeting and being public and conspicuous places in each of said municipalities.

Dated:	<u> 3~</u>	8 -	24	,	2024



Warrant 2024 Town Meeting Town of Roque Bluffs, Maine

To: Robin L. Pinto, resident of the Town of Roque Bluffs in the County of Washington, 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 Roque Bluffs, aforesaid, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Office of Roque Bluffs on the Seventh (7) day of November 2024 at five o'clock (5:00) in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles, to wit:

- **ARTICLE 1:** To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- **ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$125.00, to be paid at the rate of \$25.00 per meeting to the Moderator, who will be elected at each meeting, per statute.
- **ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to allow the Select Board to appoint all other officers to various committees as vacancies occur throughout the year.
- **ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to act as the Road Commissioners until a Commissioner is appointed.
- **ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to apply for and accept grants, reimbursements, and donations on behalf of the Town and to appropriate those funds to their corresponding accounts.
- **ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to act as Administrators of General Assistance.
- **ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for General Assistance.
- **ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$101,000.00 from these various funds to reduce the property tax, said funds to include:

Municipal Revenue	\$90,000.00
State Revenue	75,000.00
Undesignated Funds	20.000.00
Total	\$185,000.00

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will set **February 3, 2025**, as the date that the 2024 property taxes are due and to authorize the Town to charge interest at the rate of 7% per annum on taxes paid after said date with interest to continue until the tax is paid. Raise by Taxation

- **ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments on property taxes to be held in a designated general ledger account until taxes would be due and payable, and that the Town shall pay no interest on prepayments or overpayments.
- **ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.
- **ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$71,809.00 for Municipal Salaries which includes payroll taxes, Social Security tax, and Medicare tax.
- **ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$42,552.00 for Administrative Activities.
- **ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$114,475 for Municipal Operations.
- **ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for Curb-side Waste Pickup and Waste Transfer.
- **ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for the Town Salt and Sand Shed. This account includes, but is not limited to, the maintenance of the building and the purchase of winter sand and salt.
- **ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$112,000.00 for Snow Removal, Salting and Sanding.
- **ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for Town Roads.
- **ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$16,000.00 for the Assessors Tax Expense Account. This account includes, but is not limited to, the Assessor's Salary, Trio Dues and Program, and postage.
- **ARTICLE 20:** To see if the town will appropriate from Undesignated Funds the sum of \$64,000.00 for a town-wide Property Revaluation.
- **ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for Contingency.
- **ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for the Fire Substation.
- **ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to help with expenses in caring for Roque Bluffs Cemetery and \$75.00 for the cost of Veterans' flags for all Roque Bluffs cemeteries.

- ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for the Non- Lapsing Shellfish Conservation Account.
- **ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Planning Board Expenses.
- **ARTICLE 26:** To see if the town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the following Third Party Expenses

Life Flight	\$150.00
Eastern Agency on Aging	100.00
Porter Memorial Library	150.00
Washington Hancock County Agency	100.00
American Red Cross	100.00
Total	\$600.00

- **ARTICLE 27:** To see whether the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$6,000,00 for the Code Enforcement Officer and the Licensed Plumbing Inspector.
- **ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$1,400 for the Animal Control Officer.
- **ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$15,150.00 for Ambulance Retainer with Machias Ambulance Service.
- **ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for election expenses.
- **ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to utilize existing funds, not to exceed \$50,000.00 of anticipated tax revenue, to meet the Town's Obligations.
- **ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to borrow funds and appropriate those funds if necessary to meet expenditures until Annual Town Meeting if the previous article is accepted.
- **ARTICLE 33:** To see if the town will vote to enact an ordinance entitled "Ordinance Providing for a Single Assessor" as follows:

Town of Roque Bluffs Ordinance Providing for a Single Assessor

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. §2526(5)(B) by the municipal officers of the Town of Roque Bluffs.

1. There shall be a single assessor appointed by the municipal officers as authorized by 30-A M.R.S.A. section 2526(5). The term of appointment shall be for two (2) years. The assessor shall perform all duties and responsibilities provided for assessors under general law.

- 2. The assessor will be an independent contractor working under written agreement with the Town. The Select Board shall be empowered to enter a contract with an assessor for a term of no more than two (2) years.
- 3. Although appointed by the municipal officers, the assessor's duties and responsibilities are mandated by State law. The assessor exercises considerable independent professional judgment and initiative in administering the Town's assessment program within general policy guidelines and state laws and regulations.
- 4. The assessor is responsible for determining the valuation of all exempt and taxable real and personal property in the municipality. This appraisal work involves gathering information by inspection, research, and examination of records, and using this information to determine the value of properties; executing official documents and ensuring accuracy and validity of the annual property tax commitment; determining the tax rate and preparing the commitment; maintaining accurate assessment records; and interacting with members of the public and other municipal officials on tax related matters.
- 5. The assessor is required to possess and maintain a valid Maine Assessor's Certificate as required by 36 M.R.S.A. section 327(3).
- 6. This Ordinance shall take effect 90 days after the date of the 2024 annual town meeting. However, until an assessor is appointed and qualified, the Select Board shall serve as a Board of Assessors.
- 7. Upon appointment of an assessor in accordance with this Ordinance, members of the Select Board shall be relieved of their titles and duties as a Board of Assessors.

ARTICLE 34: Shall an ordinance entitled, "Amendments to the Roque Bluffs Shellfish Conservation Ordinance" be enacted?

Copies of the revised ordinance, with the proposed changes highlighted, are available in the Town office.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to restore ATV access to all public roads in Roque Bluffs.

Given under our hands this 23rd day of October, 2024.

Tristen Nelson Selectman

Philip A Pinto Selectman

Ernest Libby Selectman

RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Washington County, ss.

State of Maine

To: The Municipal Officers/Selectboard of the Town of Roque Bluffs

I Certify that I have Notified the Voters of the Town of Roque Bluffs of the Time & Place of the Annual Town Meeting by Posting an Attested Copy of the Within Warrant as follows:

Date:	Time:	Location:
10/24/2024	8:00 am	Machias Valley Newspaper
10/24/2024	9:00 am	Roque Bluffs Town Office (I&O)
10/24/2024	9:00 am	RBTO Social Media Page

Duties Performed By: Jennifer Moore - Roque Bluffs Town Clerk

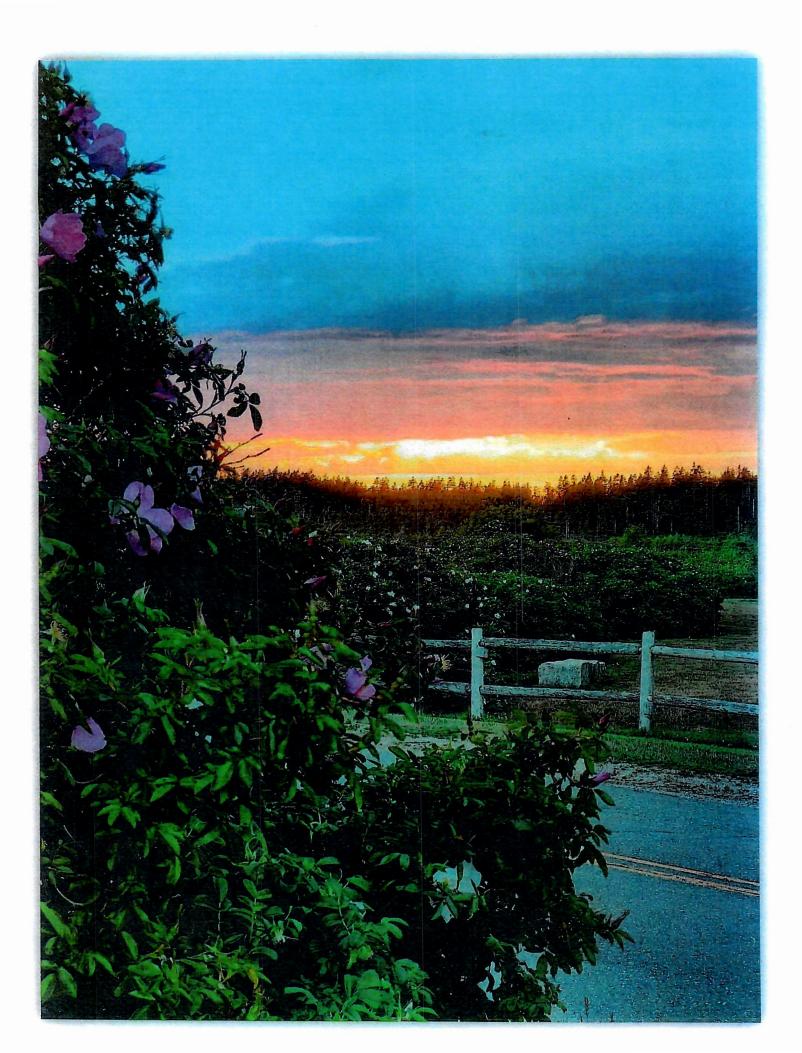
Each Location being a Public & Conspicuous Place in Roque Bluffs, Online, & Newspaper Advertising. Each Location being at least 7 days next prior to the Date of the Annual Town Meeting.

Dated at the Roque Bluffs Town Office:

October 23, 2024

Robin Pinto - Roque Bluffs Resident

~ NOTES ~



ONE COMMUNITY

WORKING TOGETHER

COURTESY - CONSIDERATION - CIVILITY