

**TOWN OF BURLINGTON**  
**WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**SCHOOL BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM**  
**(20-A M.R.S. §§ 1486 and 2307)**

Penobscot County, ss.

State of Maine

TO: Cheryl Smith, Clerk of the Town of Burlington: You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to cause the voters of the Town of Burlington to be notified of the school budget validation referendum described in this warrant.

**TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF BURLINGTON:**

You are hereby notified that a school budget validation referendum meeting will be held at the Burlington Town Office, 1523 Long Ridge Road in the Town of Burlington on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, for the purpose of determining the following articles:

Article 1A: To elect a moderator to preside at the special town meeting.

Article 1: Do you favor approving the Burlington School Department budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the special town meeting on June 8, 2022?

Article 2: Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in the Town of Burlington for an additional three years?

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE ON QUESTION 2:**

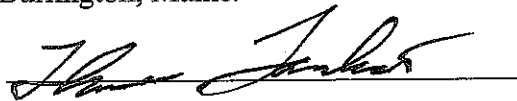
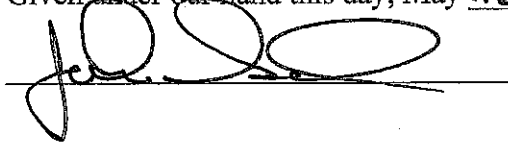
A "YES" vote will require the Town of Burlington to continue to conduct a referendum to validate its annual school budget for the next three years.

A "NO" vote will discontinue the budget validation referendum for at least three years and provide instead that the annual school budget shall be finally adopted at a meeting of the voters of the Town of Burlington.

The voting on Articles 1 and 2 shall be by secret ballot referendum and the polls shall be opened immediately after the election of the moderator at 10:00 A.M. and closed at 8:00 P.M.

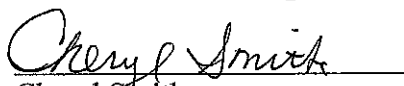
The Registrar of Voters shall hold office hours while the polls are open to correct any error in or change a name of address of the voting list, to accept the registration of any person eligible to vote and to accept new enrollments. A person who is not registered as a voter may not vote in any election.

Given under our hand this day, May 26, 2022, at Burlington, Maine.



A majority of the municipal officers of the Town of Burlington

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

  
Cheryl Smith  
Town Clerk, Town of Burlington

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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF BURLINGTON**

Penobscot County, ss.

State of Maine

TO: Cheryl Smith, Clerk of the Town of Burlington; you are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to cause the voters of the Town of Burlington to be notified of the special town meeting described in this warrant.

**TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF BURLINGTON:**

You are hereby notified that a special town meeting will be held at the Burlington Town Office, 1523 Long Ridge Road in the Town of Burlington on June 8, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. for the purpose of determining the following articles:

**ARTICLE 1A:** To elect a Moderator.

**ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 11 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST  
CENTER CATEGORIES**

**ARTICLE 1:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.

**School Committee Recommends \$565,000.00**

**ARTICLE 2:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Special Education.

**School Committee Recommends \$185,000.00**

**ARTICLE 3:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.

**School Committee Recommends \$3,745.06**

**ARTICLE 4:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.

**School Committee Recommends \$0.00**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.

**School Committee Recommends \$0.00**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for System Administration.

**School Committee Recommends \$18,920.00**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

**School Committee Recommends \$0.00**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.

**School Committee Recommends \$45,000.00**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

**School Committee Recommends \$0.00**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.

**School Committee Recommends \$0.00**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.

**School Committee Recommends \$0.00**

**ARTICLES 12 AND 13 RAISE FUNDS FOR THE  
PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (**School Committee Recommends \$617,244.50**) and to see what sum the Town of Burlington will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from 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 (**School Committee Recommends \$281,160.00**).

*Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from 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 13:** (Written ballot required) To see what sum the Town of Burlington will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**School Committee Recommends \$177,420.56** which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**School Committee Recommends \$177,420.56**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee.

The School Committee recommends \$177,420.56 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$177,420.56: The essential programs and services funding model does not recognize all educational costs, such as Special Education, extra-curricular and co-curricular costs.

*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 kindergarten to*

*grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Town budget for educational programs.*

#### **ARTICLE 14 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 14:** To see what sum the Town of Burlington will authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from 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.

**School Committee Recommends \$817,665.06**

#### **ARTICLE 15 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURE OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS**

**ARTICLE 15:** In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the school committee be authorized to expend 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 16 AUTHORIZES TRANSFERS AMONG COST CENTERS**

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the School Committee be authorized to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or among other cost centers for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, provided that transfers shall not be permitted to increase the authorized total school budget?

#### **ARTICLE 17 APPROVES THE CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION OPERATING BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the regional Northern Penobscot Tech Region III career and technical education operating budget as approved by the cooperative board for the year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 be approved in the amount of **\$2,013,862.81**, and shall Burlington raise **\$3,745.06** as its debt service local share of Northern Penobscot Tech Region III?

#### **ARTICLE 18 APPROVES THE CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ADULT EDUCATION BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the Northern Penobscot Tech Region III approve a budget for adult education in the amount of **\$43,900** for the year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and well-being of its adult education program, and shall Burlington raise \$258.22 as its local share of the adult education budget for the career and technical education region?

**ARTICLE 19 AND 20 APPROVES EXPENDITURES FROM THE RESERVE ACCOUNTS OF THE CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION REGION**

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the Cooperative Board of the Northern Penobscot Career and Technical Education Region III be authorized to expend funds in the **Capital Reserve Account** for the purpose that such reserve account was created and in an amount not to exceed the lesser of \$127,442.38 or the balance of such reserve account for the year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023?

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Cooperative Board of the Northern Penobscot Career and Technical Education Region III be authorized to expend funds in the **Salary/Benefits Reserve Account** for the purpose that such reserve account was created and in an amount not to exceed the lesser of \$70,000 or the balance of such reserve account for the year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023?

**ARTICLE 21 AUTHORIZES THE DISPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL STATE SUBSIDY**

**ARTICLE 21:** In the event that the Town receives more state education subsidy than the amount included in its budget, shall the School Committee be authorized to use all or part of the additional state subsidy to increase expenditures for school purposes in cost center categories approved by the School Committee, increase the allocation of finances in a reserve fund approved by the School Committee, and/or decrease the local cost share expectation, as defined in Title 20-A, section 15671-A(1)(B), for local property taxpayers for funding public education as approved by the School Committee?

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to re-establish the "Burlington Planning Board Ordinance" to re-confirm ordinance approved at Town meeting in 1988. Copies of this Ordinance are available at the Town Office and at the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Special Town Meeting.

**Recommended**

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to establish the "Ordinance to Regulate Automobile Graveyards, Junkyards and Automobile Recycling Businesses" Copies of this Ordinance are available at the Town Office and at the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Special Town Meeting.

**Recommended**

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the "T.I.F. Scholarship for Post-Secondary Education Ordinance" as recommended by the T.I.F. Scholarship Advisory committee. Copies of this amended Ordinance are available at the Town Office and at the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Special Town Meeting.

**Recommended**

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectman to enter into a contract for the maintenance of Winter Road for a period of two years.

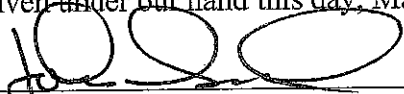
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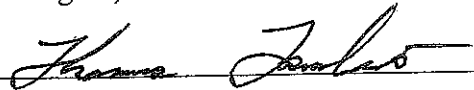
**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to allow a member of the Board of Selectman to be employed by the Burlington/Lowell Transfer Station as a Transfer station attendant.

**Recommended**

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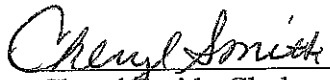
Given under our hand this day, May 25th, 2022, at Burlington, Maine.

  
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Beverly Harding

  
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A majority of the municipal officers of the Town of Burlington

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

  
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Cheryl Smith, Clerk  
Town of Burlington