

## TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To: Kim Best, a resident of the Town of Pownal, in the County of Cumberland and the State of Maine;

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Pownal, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to the assemble at Mallett Hall in said Town of Pownal on Tuesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D. 2016, at 8:00 O'clock in the morning to act upon Articles 1 and 2, of this warrant.

AND to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Pownal, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to the assemble at Pownal Elementary School on Monday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of June, 2016 at 7:00 O'clock in the evening to act on the remaining articles in this warrant beginning with Article 3.

The Polls will open at Mallett Hall at 8:00 am and will close sharply at 8:00 pm on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016. Voting on Articles 1 and 2 will be by secret ballot.

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

ARTICLE 2: To elect by secret ballot, the following officers, to wit: One Selectman/Assessor/Overseer of the Poor for a three year term; One Director of the Regional School Unit #5 for a three year term; and One Cemetery Commissioner for a three year term.

ARTICLE 3: To hear the reports of the Town-Appointed Committees, Boards and commissions and take any action thereto.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town vote to Repeal Article 5 of the Town of Pownal Land Use Ordinance for Creation of a Single Lot, and replace it with **ARTICLE 5 – SINGLE LOT ORDINANCE**, as shown in Exhibit A.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code by enacting **ARTICLE 15-BACKLOT ORDINANCE**, as shown in Exhibit B.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code – Article 2, Definitions by adding definitions of **BACKLOT; LOT OF RECORD; RECREATION; PUBLIC RECREATIONAL STRUCTURE**, and by amending the definition of **RESUBDIVISION** as shown in Exhibit C.

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code – Article 7, Driveway & Driveway Entrance Ordinance by amending **Section 5 Driveway Standards (B) Construction** by adding language as shown in Exhibit D.

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code – Zoning Ordinance, Article 3, Space and Dimensional Standards by adding column for Backlot standards as shown in Exhibit E.

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code – Article 8 Road Ordinance, Section 5 (F) Road Naming as shown in Exhibit F.

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Capital Project Fund.

	2014 Budget	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	2017 Initial	Curr Bud Change \$	Curr Bud Change %
	<b>162,000.00</b>	<b>175,000.00</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>.00%</b>
Board of Selectmen Recommends:		\$150,000				
Budget Committee Recommends:		\$150,000				

ARTICLE 11: To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the Capital Project Fund to purchase the following capital items:

1. a heavy duty plow dump truck with plow and related equipment – Up to \$ 194,750
2. Diesel exhaust removal systems for the two (2) Fire Stations –Up to \$ 14, 188

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Up to \$ 208,938  
 Budget Committee Recommends: Up to \$ 208,938

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to expend up to \$1,500,000, such amount to be funded by a general obligation bond borrowing, hereby authorized, for the purpose of financing costs of improvements to the following roads in the Town of Pownal: Lawrence Road and Brown Road (or such portions thereof as the funds permit), with the bonds to be issued with such dates, maturities, denominations, interest rate(s), redemption provisions (including provisions that the bonds may be subject to call for redemption with or without premium prior to the date(s) fixed for payment) and other details as the Municipal Officers shall determine. (Total estimated debt service of \$1,655,711 of which principal is \$1,500,000 and estimated interest at interest rates of 1% to 2.34%, depending on the year of maturity, over 10 years is \$155,711.00).

The Board of Selectmen recommends a Yes vote.  
 The Budget Committee recommends a Yes vote.

Financial Statement: The issuance of bonds by the Town of Pownal is one of the ways in which the Town borrows money for certain purposes. The following is a summary of the bonded indebtedness of the Town of Pownal as of the date of Town Meeting.

Bonds Now Outstanding and Unpaid	\$2,213,813
Interest to be Repaid on Bonds Outstanding	<u>\$ 1,084,138</u>
Total to be Repaid on Bonds Outstanding	<u>\$3,297,951</u>
Additional Principal Amount of Bonds Authorized but not yet Issued	\$ 0.00
Total Additional Bonds to be Issued if Approved by the Voters	\$1,500,000
Estimate of Potential New Interest on Such Additional Bonds	\$ <u>155,711</u>
Total Additional Bonds to be Issued and Estimated Interest if approved by voters	<u>\$1,655,711</u>

When money is borrowed by issuing bonds, the Town must repay not only the principal amount of the bonds but also the interest on the bonds. The amount of interest to be paid will vary depending upon the rate of interest and the years to maturity at the time of issue. The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the estimates made of the costs involved, including varying interest rates, the estimated cost of interest on the bond amount to be issued and the total cost of principal and interest to be paid at maturity.

*Scott W. Seaver, Treasurer*  
*Town of Pownal, Maine*

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for General Government Budget.

	2014	2015	2016	2016	2017	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Balance	Request	Change \$	Change %
General Government	82,801	95,350	87,921	19,258	<b>69,370</b>	-18,551	-21.10%
Technology	11,100	10,450	11,000	1,428	<b>11,000</b>	0	.00%
Animal Control	2,500	2,500	2,700	775	<b>2,700</b>	0	.00%
Planning Board	3,300	3,300	3,300	266	<b>3,900</b>	600	18.18%
Compensation	117,238	122,838	123,992	20,110	<b>138,142</b>	14,150	11.41%
	216,939	234,438	228,913	41,837	<b>225,112</b>	- 3,801	-1.66%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$225,112  
 Budget Committee Recommends: \$225,112

ARTICLE 14: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Social Services Budget.

	2015	2016	2016	2017	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Balance	Request	Change \$	Change %
General Assistance	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$3,820	<b>\$4,500</b>	\$0	.00%
Freeport Community Services	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0	<b>\$4,500</b>	\$0	.00%
Family Crisis Center	\$500	\$500	\$500	<b>\$500</b>	\$0	.00%
Teen Port Center	\$300	\$300	\$300	<b>\$350</b>	\$50	16.67%
	<b>\$9,800</b>	<b>\$9,800</b>	<b>\$4,620</b>	<b>\$9,850</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>.51%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 9,850  
 Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 9,850

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Mallett Hall Budget.

	2015	2016	2016	<b>2017</b>	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Balance	<b>Request</b>	Change \$	Change %
Professional Services	13,800	0	-670	<b>0</b>	0	.00%
Janitorial	0	2,800	1,840	<b>2,800</b>	0	.00%
Elevator Repair	0	1,000	1,000	<b>1,000</b>	0	.00%
Elevator Maintenance	2,000	1,000	-25	<b>1,000</b>	0	.00%
Furnace Maintenance	0	600	345	<b>600</b>	0	.00%
General Maintenance/Repairs	0	10,000	6,886	<b>10,000</b>	0	.00%
Life Safety Services	2,150	0	-110	<b>0</b>	0	.00%
Alarm Monitoring	0	500	115	<b>500</b>	0	.00%
Licensing/Smoke Testing	0	500	500	<b>500</b>	0	.00%
Fire Ext. Tests and Replacement	0	700	350	<b>700</b>	0	.00%
Sprinkler Maintenance	0	0	-137	<b>500</b>	500	100.00%
General Utilities	3,000	0	0	<b>0</b>	0	.00%
Electricity	2,500	2,500	1,543	<b>2,500</b>	0	.00%
Heating Fuel	0	3,000	1,024	<b>3,000</b>	0	.00%
	23,450	23,100	13,140	<b>23,600</b>	500	<b>2.16%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 23,600

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 23,600

ARTICLE 16: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Public Safety Department Budget.

	2014	2015	2016	2016	<b>2017</b>	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Balance	<b>Initial</b>	Change \$	Change %
Public Safety	27,032	27,274	26,561	167	<b>26,558</b>	- 3	-.01%
Administration	2,778	2,778	2,859	870	<b>2,770</b>	- 89	-3.11%
Compensation	29,622	34,500	34,125	14,659	<b>33,802</b>	- 323	-.95%
Buildings	6,906	6,906	8,118	2,001	<b>11,194</b>	3,076	37.89%
Operations	33,671	39,975	41,155	18,966	<b>51,699</b>	10,544	25.62%
	100,009	111,433	112,818	36,663	<b>126,023</b>	13,205	11.70%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 126,023

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 126,023

ARTICLE 17: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Public Works Department.

	2014	2015	2016	2016	<b>2017</b>	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Balance	<b>Request</b>	Change \$	Change %
Facilities Maintenance	8,460	8,860	5,800	-2,221	<b>6,240</b>	440	7.59%
Winter Roads	59,500	62,510	70,705	21,556	<b>74,500</b>	3,795	5.37%
Compensation	195,144	200,302	203,370	38,482	<b>201,087</b>	-2,283	-1.12%
Fleet Maintenance	34,535	31,300	29,700	13,779	<b>36,500</b>	6,800	22.90%
Fuel	43,500	43,500	38,500	25,115	<b>36,500</b>	-2,000	-5.19%
Road Maintenance	237,000	248,300	247,000	27,068	<b>259,280</b>	12,280	4.97%
Supplies	1,100	1,900	600	- 318	<b>600</b>	0	.00%
Administrative	2,120	2,720	1,920	1,221	<b>2,320</b>	400	20.83%
	581,359	599,392	597,595	124,682	<b>617,027</b>	19,432	3.25%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 617,027

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 617,027

ARTICLE 18: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Solid Waste Budget.

	2014	2015	2016	2016	<b>2017</b>	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Balance	<b>Request</b>	Change \$	Change %
EcoMaine Assessment	14,049	0	0	0	<b>0</b>	0	.00%
EcoMaine Tipping Fee	12,428	13,215	13,955	839	<b>15,495</b>	1,540	11.04%
Solid Waste Hauling	71,130	71,130	72,126	6,011	<b>72,126</b>	0	.00%
Septic Contract	250	250	250	0	<b>250</b>	0	.00%
Pownal Pride Day	250	250	250	115	<b>250</b>	0	.00%
PAYT Bags	7,200	6,017	6,122	6,122	<b>6,400</b>	278	4.54%
	105,307	90,862	92,703	13,086	<b>94,521</b>	1,818	1.96%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 94,521

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 94,521

ARTICLE 19: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Pownal Center Water Association.

	2015	2016	2016	<b>2017</b>	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Balance	<b>Request</b>	Change \$	Change %
Town Expense	700	700	-209	<b>700</b>	0	.00%
Electricity	1100	1100	96	<b>1100</b>	0	.00%
	1800	1800	-113	<b>1800</b>	0	.00%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 1,800

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 1,800

ARTICLE 20: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise in support of the Care of Cemeteries.

	2014	2015	2016	2016	2017	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Balance	Request	Change \$	Change %
Wages	0	0	1,750	-1,234	1,750	0	.00%
Town Expense	1,000	2,000	250	69	250	0	.00%
	1,000	2,000	2,000	-1,166	2,000	0	.00%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 2,000

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 2,000

ARTICLE 21: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Debt Service and Other Obligations.

	2014	2015	2016	2016	2016	2017	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Budget	YTD	Balance	Request	Change \$	Change %
<u>2007 Road Bond</u>								
Principal	69,416	39,416	39,416	30,000	9,416	<b>39,416</b>	0	.00%
Interest	49,030	43,458	42,119	47,235	-5,116	<b>39,630</b>	-2,489	-5.91%
total	118,446	82,874	81,535	77,235	4,300	<b>79,046</b>	-2,489	-3.05%
<u>2007 Fire Truck</u>								
Principal	0	30,000	30,000	39,416	-9,416	<b>30,000</b>	0	.00%
Interest	0	3,690	2,483	9,701	-7,218	<b>1,326</b>	-1,157	-46.60%
total	0	33,690	32,483	49,117	-16,634	<b>31,326</b>	-1,157	-3.56%
<u>2011 Road Bond</u>								
Principal	45,724	45,724	45,725	45,724	1	<b>45,724</b>	-1	.00%
Interest	52,423	50,283	48,560	24,511	24,049	<b>47,635</b>	-925	-1.90%
total	98,147	96,007	94,285	70,235	24,050	<b>93,359</b>	-926	-.98%
<u>Leases</u>								
Fire Truck Lease	30,382	30,382	30,382	30,381	1	<b>30,381</b>	-1	.00%
Grader Lease	21,378	21,378	21,378	21,378	0	<b>21,378</b>	0	.00%
Excavator Lease	14,039	14,039	14,038	14,038	0	<b>1</b>	-14,037	-99.99%
total	65,799	65,799	65,798	65,798	0	<b>51,760</b>	-14,038	-21.33%
Grand Total	282,392	278,370	274,101	262,385	11,716	<b>255,491</b>	-18,610	-6.79%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 255,491

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 255,491

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will appropriate the following estimated revenues to reduce the 2016-2017 Tax Commitment:

	2014	2015	2016	2016	2017	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
	Budget	Budget	Budget	YTD	Budget	Change \$	Change %
Cable Franchise Fee	10,700	10,700	10,400	10,173	10,000	- 400	-3.85%
Auto Excise	200,000	225,000	265,000	257,597	265,000	0	.00%
Boat Excise	900	900	900	1,354	900	0	.00%
Misc. Town Fees	6,500	6,300	6,300	3	0	- 6,300	-100.00%
IFW Agent Fees	0	0	0	434	600	600	100.00%
Clerk Fees	0	0	0	170	160	160	100.00%
Vital Statistics	0	0	0	1,546	1,000	1,000	100.00%
St. Revenue Sharing	72,000	68,035	60,000	54,534	66,000	6,000	10.00%
Copy/Fax	0	0	0	98	100	100	100.00%
Homestead Exemption	36,370	36,300	36,300	43,174	43,000	6,700	18.46%
Veterans Reimbursement	940	850	850	1,013	1,000	150	17.65%
Lien Costs	1,500	1,700	1,200	763	1,200	0	.00%
R/E Tax Interest	5,900	9,000	8,000	7,158	6,000	- 2,000	-25.00%
BMV Agent Fee	0	0	0	4,761	5,000	5,000	100.00%
State Park Fees	1,350	1,350	1,300	1,491	1,500	200	15.38%
Snowmobile Reimbursement	0	0	0	702	0	0	.00%
CEO Permits	6,000	6,000	6,000	10,788	6,000	0	.00%
Checking Interest	0	0	0	604	500	500	100.00%
ACO Fee	300	300	300	335	300	0	.00%
Late Fees-ACO	300	225	190	353	250	60	31.58%
Site Plan Fees	0	100	0	0	0	0	.00%
Subdivision Fees	500	200	100	0	100	0	.00%
MDOT Assistance	38,328	38,328	34,244	34,596	34,596	352	1.03%
Mallett Hall Rental	500	500	500	571	400	- 100	-20.00%
General Assistance Reimburse	0	0	0	821	0	0	.00%
PAYT Bag Sales	45,000	20,500	27,000	18,623	22,954	- 4,046	-14.99%
Metal Collection	0	0	0	684	0	0	.00%
	<b>427,088</b>	<b>426,288</b>	<b>458,584</b>	<b>452,347</b>	<b>466,560</b>	<b>7,976</b>	<b>1.74%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 466,560

Budget Committee Recommends: Did not review

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Town Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to rent, sell or otherwise dispose of any parcel of real estate or any portion thereof acquired by the Town of Pownal between July 1, 2016 and June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer not more than 3% of the Town's budgeted expenditures between budget line items provided that the Town's total budgeted expenditures shall not be increased.

Board of Selectmen Recommend: Ought to Pass.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 MRSA Section 506 at a rate of zero interest. (Note: this article is required by state law at each Annual Town Meeting, in order to collect any prepayments for taxes paid prior to the commitment of said taxes.)

Board of Selectmen Recommend: Ought to Pass.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to fix September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as the dates on which one quarter of taxes shall be due and payable as the dates after which interest will be charged on any unpaid taxes at the rate of 7% per year.(Note: 7% is the maximum interest rate allowed by the State of Maine.)

Board of Selectmen Recommend: Ought to Pass.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to set 3% as the rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes pursuant to 36 MRSA section 506a.

Board of Selectmen Recommend: Ought to Pass.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and expend any other revenue from the State, Federal, local and private sources for the support of the Town.

Board of Selectmen Recommend: Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to accept any gifts, unanticipated donations, or pass-through funds that may be provided by individuals, business associations, charitable groups, or other organizations, which have not been listed in any of the previous articles, if the Board of Selectmen determines that the gifts, donations or pass-through funds and their purposes are in the best interest of the Town.

This Warrant was correct and up to date as of the day of printing of the Town Report.....It is possible that some changes could be made prior to officially posting the warrant.