

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 13th day of June, A.D. 2017, 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 19th of June, 2017 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 13th day of June, 2017. 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 Amend Article 15, Backlot Section 2, Purpose, p.1 of the Town Of Pownal Land Use Code, as shown in Exhibit A.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to amend Article 15, Backlot, P.3, Section 10 the Town of Pownal Land Use Code, as shown in Exhibit B.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code – Article 15, Backlot, p.4, Section 10.3.f as shown in Exhibit C.

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code – Article 2, Definitions p.3: Backlot as shown in Exhibit D.

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town vote to amend the Town of Pownal Land Use Code – Article 2, Definitions, p.10 as shown in Exhibit E.

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town vote to enact ordinance entitled TOWN OF POWNAL MORATORIUM ORDINANCE ON RETAIL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS AND RETAIL MARIJUANA SOCIAL CLUBS as shown in Exhibit F.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to enact an ordinance entitled TOWN OF POWNAL PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE, as shown in Exhibit G.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to review the various fees charged by the Town, except those established by Town Meeting vote as part of an Ordinance adoption, and to set those fees, on an annual basis after a public hearing, as shown in Exhibit H.

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum, the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate under the terms of the TOWN OF POWNAL PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND \$ 18,500 (funds to be transferred from Fund Balance)
 BUDGET COMMITTEE did not review

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Capital Project Fund.

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Initial	Change \$	Change %
CAPITAL RESERVE							
Capital Reserve	<u>175,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>183,731</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>0</u>	.00%
	175,000	150,000	150,000	183,731	150,000	0	.00%
Board of Selectmen Recommends:			\$150,000				
Budget Committee Recommends:			\$150,000				

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the Capital Project Fund to purchase the following capital items:

1. a Combination Loader / Backhoe with associated equipment (replacement)

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Up to \$ 115,825

CIP Committee Recommends: Up to \$ 115,825

Budget Committee Recommends Up to \$ 115,825

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

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Initial	Change \$	Change %
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
General Government	95,350	87,921	69,370	56,905	74,384	5,014	7.23%
Technology	10,450	11,000	11,000	10,773	11,000	0	.00%
Animal Control	2,500	2,700	2,700	1,916	2,700	0	.00%
Planning Board	3,300	3,300	3,900	2,557	3,900	0	.00%
Compensation	<u>122,838</u>	<u>123,992</u>	<u>138,142</u>	<u>119,877</u>	<u>172,072</u>	<u>33,930</u>	24.56%
	234,438	228,913	225,112	192,029	264,056	38,944	17.30%
BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND				\$ 264,056			
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS				\$ 264,056			

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

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Request	Change \$	Change %
HUMAN SERVICES							
General Assistance	4,500	4,500	4,500	850	4,500	0	.00%
Freeport Community Services	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	0	.00%
Family Crisis Center	500	500	500	500	500	0	.00%
Teen Port Center	350	350	350	350	350	0	.00%
	9,850	9,850	9,850	6,200	9,850	0	0.00%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 9,850

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 9,850

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

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Request	Change \$	Change %
MALLETT HALL							
Maintenance	15,800	15,900	15,900	11,513	14,900	-1,000	-6.29%
Life Safety	2,150	1,700	2,200	458	2,000	-200	-9.09%
Utilities	5,500	5,500	5,500	3,491	4,400	-1,100	-20.00%
	23,450	23,100	23,600	15,462	21,300	-2,300	-9.75%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 21,300

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 21,300

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

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Request	Change \$	Change %
FIRE RESCUE DEPT							
Public Safety	27,274	26,561	26,558	24,336	28,005	1,447	5.45%
Administration	2,778	2,859	2,770	1,892	2,798	28	1.01%
Compensation	34,500	34,125	33,802	21,531	36,002	2,200	6.51%
Buildings	6,906	8,118	11,194	5,842	8,118	-3,076	-27.48%
Operations	39,975	41,155	51,699	34,788	45,746	-5,953	-11.51%
	111,433	112,818	126,023	88,388	120,669	-5,354	-4.25%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 120,669
 Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 120,669

ARTICLE 18: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Public Works Department.

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Request	Change \$	Change %
PUBLIC WORKS							
Facility Maintenance	8,860	5,800	6,240	6,675	10,940	4,700	75.32%
Winter Roads	61,910	70,705	74,500	65,490	81,500	7,000	9.40%
Compensation	200,302	203,370	201,087	173,867	249,532	48,445	24.09%
Fleet Maintenance	31,300	29,700	36,500	35,270	26,000	-10,500	-28.77%
Fuel	43,500	38,500	36,500	18,321	36,500	0	.00%
Road Maintenance	246,300	247,000	259,280	187,422	262,800	3,520	1.36%
Supplies	1,900	600	600	475	1,000	400	66.67%
Administrative	<u>2,720</u>	<u>1,920</u>	<u>2,320</u>	<u>1,317</u>	<u>3,115</u>	<u>795</u>	34.27%
	596,792	597,595	617,027	488,837	671,387	54,360	8.81%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 671,387
 Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 671,387

ARTICLE 19: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Solid Waste Budget.

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Request	Change \$	Change %
SOLID WASTE							
EcoMaine Tipping Fees		13,955	15,495	14,763	16,049	554	
Solid Waste Hauling		72,126	72,126	60,104	72,126	0	
Septic Contract		250	250	250	250	0	
Pownal Pride Day		250	250	250	250	0	
PAYT Bags		6,122	6,400	4,349	6,400	0	
	90,862	92,703	94,521	79,223	95,075	554	.59%
	90,862	92,703	94,521	79,223	95,075	554	.59%
Board of Selectmen Recommends:			\$ 95,075				
Budget Committee Recommends:			\$ 95,075				

ARTICLE 20: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Pownal Center Water Association.

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Initial	Change \$	Change %
POWNAL CENTER WATER ASSOC. PCWA	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,643</u>	<u>1,850</u>	<u>50</u>	2.78%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 1,850

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 1,850

ARTICLE 21: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise in support of the Care of Cemeteries.

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Request	Change \$	Change %
CEMETERIES							
Payroll	1,750	1,750	1,750	2,258	3,750	2,000	114.00%
Town Expense	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>0</u>	
	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,337	4,000	2,000	100.00%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 4,000

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 4,000

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee to update the document entitled TOWN OF POWNAL – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2006 UPDATE and see what sum of money to raise and/or appropriate for such a project.

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Initial	Change \$	Change %
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN							
Comp. Plan Update	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>6,000</u>	100.00%

Board of Selectmen Requests \$6,000

ARTICLE 23: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Debt Service and Other Obligations.

	14-15 Budget	15-16 Budget	16-17 Budget	16-17 YTD	17-18 Request	Change \$	Change %
DEBT SERVICE							
2007 Road Bond	82,874	81,535	79,046	76,604	76,146	-2,900	-3.67%

2007 Fire Truck Bond	33,690	32,483	31,326	31,328	30,300	-1,026	-3.28%
2011 Road Bond	96,007	94,285	93,359	93,360	92,437	-922	-.99%
Equipment Leases	65,799	65,798	51,760	51,759	21,377	-30,383	-58.70%
2016 Road Bond	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,295</u>	<u>11,807</u>	<u>173,010</u>	<u>156,715</u>	961.74%
	278,370	274,101	271,786	264,858	393,270	121,484	44.70%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 393,270

Budget Committee Recommends: \$ 393,270

ARTICLE 24: To see what sum of money the Town would vote to expend from the Recreation Impact Fee Fund to improve the roadways at the Elmwood Road Cemetery to encourage the use of the roadways for recreational walking.

Selectmen Recommend \$3,000

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will appropriate the following estimated revenues to reduce the 2016-2017 Tax Commitment:

	<u>16/17</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>17/18 Request</u>	<u>+/- LY</u>	<u>+/-%</u>
CABLE FRANCHISE FEE	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
AUTO EXCISE	265,000	310,000	45,000	16.98%
BOAT EXCISE	900	900	0	0.00%
IFW AGENT FEES		500	500	
CLERK FEES	160	160	0	0.00%
VITAL STATISTICS FEES	1,000	1,400	400	40.00%
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COPY/FAX FEE	100	0	-100	100.00%
VETERANS REIMBURSEMENT	600	1,100	500	83.33%
LIEN COSTS	1,200	600	-600	-50.00%
INTEREST-REAL ESTATE	6,000	7,000	1,000	16.67%
BMV AGENT FEES	5,000	4,500	-500	-10.00%
STATE PARK FEES	1,500	1,900	400	26.67%
CEO PERMITS	6,000	8,000	2,000	33.33%
CHECKING INTEREST	500	1,000	500	100.00%
ACO FEES	300	250	-50	-16.67%
ACO LATE FEES	250	100	-150	-60.00%
SUBDIVISION APP FEES	100	100	0	0.00%
MDOT ROAD ASSISTANCE FROM FUND BALANCE(TAX RELIEF)	34,596	34,596	0	0.00%
		18,500	18,500	
FROM UND FUND BALANCE		75,000	75,000	
FROM CEMETERY TRUST FUND		2,000	2,000	
MALLETT HALL RENTAL	400	400	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE BAG SALES	22,954	27,000	4,046	17.63%
TOTAL OTHER DEDUCTIONS	356,560	505,006	148,446	41.63%

STATE REVENUE SHARING	<u>66,000</u>	<u>72,700</u>	<u>6,700</u>	10.15%
	422,560	577,706	155,146	36.72%

Board of Selectmen Recommends: \$ 577,706

ARTICLE 26: 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, 2017 and June 30th, 2018 for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Ought to Pass

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for Pownal by state law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax limit.

ARTICLE 28: 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 29: 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 30: To see if the Town will vote to fix September 15th, 2017, December 15th, 2017, March 15th, 2018 and June 15th, 2018 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 31: 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 32: 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 33: 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.

Board of Selectmen Recommend: Ought to Pass.

Given unto our hands this 25th day of May, 2017.

Selectmen of Pownal, Maine

Timothy J. Giddinge

Jonathan W. Morris

George Anderson, Jr.