

## TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To Kim Best, a resident in 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 assemble at Mallett Hall in said Town of Pownal on Tuesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D. 2014, at 8:00 o'clock in the morning to act on Articles 1 and 2 of this warrant;

And to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Pownal, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Pownal Elementary School on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June AD 2014 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act upon the remaining articles in the warrant beginning with Article 3:

The polls will open at Mallett Hall at 8:00 AM and will close at 8:00 pm on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June,, AD 2014. 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 the following officers, to wit: one Selectman/Assessor/Overseer of the Poor for a three year term; one cemetery Commissioner for a three year term; one Director of Regional School Unit #5 for a three year term.

Action on all further articles will continue at 7:00 PM on the evening of Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Pownal Elementary School.

Article 3. To hear the report of the Town-Appointed Committees, Commissions and Boards and take any action relative thereto.

Article 4. Shall **Article 1, Introduction** be enacted to repeal and replace the Introduction of the Land Use Code of the Town of Pownal? A True copy of the said **Article 1, Introduction** is available at the Town Clerk's Office in Pownal and copies will be available on the floor of Town Meeting. **Article 1, Introduction** will be designated as Exhibit A. Said **Article 1, Introduction** will have an effective date to coincide with further ordinance amendments to be approved at a Town Meeting to be held at a later date.

Article 5. Shall **Article 2, Definitions** be enacted to replace **Article 2, Definitions** of the Land Use Code of the Town of Pownal? A True copy of the said **Article 2, Definitions** is available at the Town Clerk's Office in Pownal and copies will be available on the floor of Town Meeting. **Article 2, Definitions** will be designated as Exhibit B. Said **Article 2, Definitions** will have an effective date to coincide with further ordinance amendments to be approved at a Town Meeting to be held at a later date.

Article 6. Shall an ordinance entitled **ARTICLE 3, ZONING ORDINANCE** be enacted to repeal and replace the **ZONING ORDINANCE** of the Town of Pownal? A True copy of the said **ARTICLE 3, ZONING ORDINANCE** is available at the Town Clerk's Office in Pownal and copies will be available on the floor of

Town Meeting. **ARTICLE 3, ZONING ORDINANCE** will be designated as Exhibit C. Said **ARTICLE 3, ZONING ORDINANCE** will have an effective date to coincide with further ordinance amendments to be approved at a Town Meeting to be held at a later date.

Article 7. Shall an ordinance entitled **Article 4, Site Plan Review Ordinance** be enacted to repeal and replace **Site Plan Review** of the Land Use Code of the Town of Pownal? A True copy of the said **Article 4, Site Plan Review** is available at the Town Clerk's Office in Pownal and copies will be available on the floor of Town Meeting. **Article 4, Site Plan Review ORDINANCE** will be designated as Exhibit D. Said, **Article 4, Site Plan Review** will have an effective date to coincide with further ordinance amendments to be approved at a Town Meeting to be held at a later date.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to amend the document entitled "TOWN OF POWNAL COMPENSATION POLICY" as adopted March 10, 2003 and amended 2008 and 2011, as shown in " Exhibit E."

Board of Selectmen Recommend

Article 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Capital Project Fund.

	2013 Budget	2014 Budget	2015 Request	Requested vs Curr Bud Change \$	Requested vs Curr Bud Change %
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	95,000	162,000	175,000	13,000	8.02%

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 175,000  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 175,000

Article 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to expend from the Capital Project Fund in support of the purchase of a Plow Truck and associated equipment for the Public Works Department.

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ Up to \$ 150,000  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ Up to \$ 150,000

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and / or appropriate for General Government.

	2013	2014	2014	2015	Request vs	Request vs
	Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
					Change \$	Change %
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	76,381	68,350	76,358	70,350	2,000	2.93%
TECHNOLOGY	10,786	11,100	10,363	10,450	- 650	-5.86%
ANIMAL CONTROL	2,500	2,500	2,011	2,500	0	.00%
PLANNING BOARD	3,300	3,300	4,616	3,300	0	.00%
COMPENSATION	133,085	117,238	91,813	122,838	5,600	4.78%
	<b>226,052</b>	<b>202,488</b>	<b>185,161</b>	<b>209,438</b>	<b>6,950</b>	<b>5.78%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 209,438  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 204,385 (did not review compensation line)

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and / or appropriate to a dedicated fund to conduct a town wide property revaluation in the future.

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$20,000  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$20,000

(NOTE: with this proposed appropriation, the fund will have a balance of \$60,000. A town wide revaluation is projected to cost up to \$80,000)

Article 13. To see if the town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend up to \$60,000 from the dedicated fund for town wide property revaluation to develop a scope of services, procure a qualified property revaluation firm, and to begin the process of revaluing all real and personal property for the Town of Pownal.

(Note: it is envisioned that this will be a 2 year process, with any funds required over and above that authorized to come from funding at a subsequent Town Meeting.)

Board of Selectmen Recommends ought to pass.

Article 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Human Services

	2013	2014	2014	2015	Man Req vs"	Man Req vs
	Budget	Budget	YTD	Manager	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
					Change \$	Change %
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	4,500	4,500	1,060	4,500	0	.00%
FREEPORT COMMUNITY SERVICES	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	0	.00%
FAMILY CRISIS CENTER	500	500	0	500	0	.00%
THE PORT TEEN CTR				300	300	
	<b>9,500</b>	<b>9,500</b>	<b>5,559</b>	<b>9,800</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>3.16%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 9,800  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 9,500 (did not review teen center request)

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

	2013	2014	2014	2015	Request vs	Request vs
	Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
					Change \$	Change %
MAINTENANCE	11,900	11,900	3,877	13,500	1,600	13.45%
LIFE SAFETY	6,195	9,945	782	4,450	- 5,495	-55.25%
UTILITIES	6,200	3,000	1,294	5,500	2,500	83.33%
<b>Expense Totals:</b>	<b>24,295</b>	<b>24,845</b>	<b>5,952</b>	<b>23,450</b>	<b>- 1,395</b>	<b>-5.61%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 23,450

Budget Committee Recommends \$ 23,450

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into an inter-local agreement that will allow the Towns of Durham and Pownal to continue to share the services of Pownal's appointed Road Commissioner, and to allow the terms of such agreement to be outside of the Town of Pownal Personnel and Compensation Policy .

Board of Selectmen Recommends

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

	2013	2014	2014	2015	Request vs	Request vs
	Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
					Change \$	Change %
FACILITIES	8,925	8,460	2,849	8,860	400	4.73%
WINTER ROADS	55,700	59,500	72,696	62,510	3,010	5.06%
COMPENSATION	219,022	195,144	185,783	204,302	9,158	4.69%
FLEET	32,935	34,535	75,999	31,300	-3,235	-9.37%
MAINTENANCE						
FUEL	41,000	43,500	48,866	43,500	0	.00%
ROAD	239,800	237,000	94,616	254,300	17,300	7.30%
MAINTENANCE						
SUPPLIES	2,700	1,100	1,804	1,900	800	72.73%
ADMINISTRATIVE	1,350	2,120	853	2,720	600	28.30%
<b>Expense Totals:</b>	<b>601,432</b>	<b>581,359</b>	<b>483,465</b>	<b>609,392</b>	<b>28,033</b>	<b>4.82%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 609,392

Budget Committee Recommends \$ 609,392

(Budget Committee did not review compensation line)

Article 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and / or appropriate for the Public Safety Budget.

	2013	2014	2014	2015	Request vs	Request vs
	Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
					Change \$	Change %
PUBLIC SAFETY	26,350	27,032	26,682	27,274	242	.90%
ADMINISTRATION	3,928	2,778	2,054	2,778	0	.00%
COMPENSATION	18,687	29,622	21,085	34,500	4,878	16.47%
BUILDINGS	7,610	6,906	5,712	6,906	0	.00%
OPERATIONS	32,373	33,671	22,312	39,975	6,304	18.72%
	<b>88,948</b>	<b>100,009</b>	<b>77,845</b>	<b>111,433</b>	<b>11,424</b>	<b>11.42%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$111,433  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$111,433

Article 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to expend from the Public Safety Impact Fee Account in support of the purchase of a Portable Ground Nozzle for the Fire Department.

Board of Selectmen Recommend up to \$ 3,300 expended from the Public Safety Impact Fund

Article 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise / and or appropriate for the Solid Waste Budget.

	2013	2014	2014	2015	Request vs	Request vs
	Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
					Change \$	Change %
ECOMAINE ASSESSMENT	18,039	14,049	12,878	0	-14,049	-100.00%
ECOMAINE TIPPING FEES	15,572	12,428	12,210	13,215	787	6.33%
SOLID WASTE HAULING	69,556	71,130	65,203	71,130	0	.00%
SEPTIC CONTRACT	250	250	250	250	0	.00%
POWNAL PRIDE DAY	325	250	294	250	0	.00%
PAYT BAGS	7,200	7,200	5,862	6,017	- 1,183	-16.43%
	<b>110,942</b>	<b>105,307</b>	<b>96,697</b>	<b>90,862</b>	<b>-14,445</b>	<b>-13.72%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 90,862  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 90,862

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, by sealed bid, a certain piece of Town-owned property shown as Lot 67 on Pownal Tax Map 6, with the sale being executed with the following provisions and restrictions:

1. The Town makes no representation as to legal title, and will only transfer any interest that the Town may have acquired in the property.
2. The town will convey the property by a municipal quit claim deed.
3. The Town of Pownal makes no representation regarding the boundaries of said property or its depiction on the tax map.
4. The Town of Pownal makes no representation concerning nor bears any responsibility for any objects or materials that are now or may have been on the property.

5. Any issues relating to the property that may be discovered in the future, including environmental or legal claims will be the responsibility of the purchaser.
6. The property being offered for sale shall not be used to access any other property for the purposes of further development of any property; nor shall the property or any portion of it be included as the gross tract area of any other property for the purposes of increasing density of development; nor shall the property be used for any purpose that would be non-conforming under the current Town of Pownal Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance or Building Code.
7. The Town of Pownal reserves the right to reject any or all bids for the property.

Article 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and /or appropriate for the Cemetery Commission Budget.

				Request vs	Request vs
2013	2014	2014	2015	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Change \$	Change %
1,000.00	1,000.00	4,339.88	2,000.00	1,000.00	100.00%

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 2,000  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 2,000

Article 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and / or appropriate for the Pownal Center Water Association

				Request vs	Request vs
2013	2014	2014	2015	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Change \$	Change %
1,600	1,800	1,205	1,800	0	- 0.00%

Board of Selectmen recommends \$ 1,800  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 1,800

Article 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for PCWA Maintenance Fund as established at the 2012 Annual Town Meeting.

Board of Selectmen Recommends \$ 5,000  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 5,000

(Note: with this appropriation, the balance in this account will be \$ 15,000. No additional appropriations are envisioned unless unforeseen expenses are incurred.)

Article 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and / or appropriate for Debt Service and other Obligations.

Board of Selectmen Recommend \$ 277,029  
 Budget Committee Recommend \$ 277,029

Article 26. To see if the Town will appropriate the following estimates to revenues to reduce the 2014-2015 Tax Commitment.

	2013	2014	2014	2015	Request vs	Request vs
	Budget	Budget	YTD	Request	Curr Bud	Curr Bud
					Change \$	Change %
CABLE FRANCHISE FEE	11,000	10,700	10,709	10,700	0	.00%
AUTO EXCISE	200,000	200,000	242,360	225,000	25,000	12.50%
BOAT EXCISE	0	900	1,415	900	0	.00%
TOWN FEES	10,000	6,500	11	6,300	- 200	-3.08%
IFW AGENT FEES	0	0	583	0	0	.00%
CLERK FEES	0	0	170	0	0	.00%
VITAL STATISTICS FEES	0	0	1,294	0	0	.00%
REVENUE SHARING	95,000	72,000	60,363	68,035	- 3,965	-5.51%
COPY/FAX FEE	0	0	75	0	0	.00%
HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION	33,000	36,370	26,975	36,300	- 70	-.19%
VETERANS REIMBURSEMENT	800	940	849	850	- 90	-9.57%
LIEN COSTS	2,000	1,500	640	1,700	200	13.33%
REAL ESTATE INTEREST	0	5,900	9,621	9,000	3,100	52.54%
BMV AGENT FEES	0	0	5,018	0	0	.00%
STATE PARK FEES	0	1,350	1,341	1,350	0	.00%
SNOWMOBILE REIMBURSEMENT	0	0	662	0	0	.00%
CEO PERMITS	0	6,000	7,276	6,000	0	.00%
001 ACO FEE	500	300	282	300	0	.00%
002 LATE FEE	500	300	225	225	- 75	-25.00%
002 SITE PLAN	100	0	100	100	100	100.00%
003 SUBDIVISION	100	500	200	200	- 300	-60.00%
001 MDOT ASSISTANCE	47,436	38,328	38,328	38,328	0	.00%
001 HALL RENTAL	1,200	500	708	500	0	.00%
001 GENERAL ASST REIM	1,000	0	308	0	0	.00%
001 BAG SALES	45,000	45,000	37,546	20,500	-24,500	-54.44%
	<b>447,636</b>	<b>427,088</b>	<b>447,057</b>	<b>426,288</b>	<b>- 800</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>

Board of Selectmen Recommend \$ 426,288  
 Budget Committee Recommends \$ 426,288

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.

Board of Selectmen Recommend Ought to Pass

Article 28. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen and the 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, 2014 and June 30, 2015 for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable.

Article 29. 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 30.      To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506 at a rate of zero interest. (Note: this article is required by State Law at each town meeting in order to collect any prepayment for taxes paid prior to the commitment of said taxes.)

Board of Selectmen Recommend      Ought to Pass

Article 31.      To see if the Town will vote to fix September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as the dates on which one quarter of taxes shall be due and payable and as the dates from which interest will be charged on any unpaid taxes at the rate of 7% per year. (Note: Maximum interest rate allowed is 7% by the State of Maine.)

Board of Selectmen Recommend      Ought to Pass

Article 32.      To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate of 3% to be paid by the Town on abated taxes pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. section 506A.

Board of Selectmen Recommend      Ought to Pass

Article 33.      To see if the Town will vote to authorize the 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 34.      To see if the Town will vote to accept any gifts, unanticipated donations, or pass-through funds that may be provided by individual(s), business associations, charitable groups, or other organizations, which have not been listed in any of the previous or following articles, if the Select Board determines that the gifts, donations or pass through funds and there purposes are in the best interest of the Town.

Board of Selectmen Recommend      Ought to Pass

Given unto our hands this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2014.

Selectmen of Pownal, Maine

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Timothy J. Giddinge

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Alfred N. Fauver