

TOWN OF LYMAN

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

**TO MARGARET MACDONALD, RESIDENT IN THE TOWN OF LYMAN, COUNTY OF YORK, 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 Town of Lyman, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the **Lyman Town Hall on Tuesday, June 11th, A.D., 2024, at 8:00 AM**, then and there to act on Articles numbered 1 through 2. The election of Moderator will take place at 7:50 am.

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

**ARTICLE 2:** To choose, by secret ballot:

- Two (2) Selectmen / Overseer of the Poor 3 Year term:
- Two (2) Budget Committee Members 3 Year term:
- One (1) RSU #57 School Board Director 3 Year term:
- One (1) RSU #57 School Board Director 1 Year term:

**The Select Board hereby gives notice that the Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Lyman Town Hall the day of said meeting, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. until the closing of the polls for the purpose of correcting the list of voters. The Polls will open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.**

**After the closing of the polls, the meeting will be recessed until 6:30 p.m., June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Lyman Elementary School in said Town, at which time the remainder of the warrant will be acted upon.**

*General Note: As per the Town of Lyman Charter, section 2.2.2 – Warrant Articles*

“.....Articles concerning appropriations shall contain the statement of fact in additions to other information contained in three (3) columns

- a. One showing the appropriation for the current fiscal year
- b. One showing the appropriation proposed by the budget committee
- c. One showing the appropriation recommended by the Board.....”

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**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to transfer available funds such as, State Funds and Excise Tax in the amount of \$900,000; Surplus in the amount of \$900,000, and any other funds which might be used to reduce the tax commitment.

**Select Board’s Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: No Vote**

**ARTICLE 4 :** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$7,500** to be deposited into a non-lapsing reserve account to be known as **Compactor Reserve**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 0	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$10,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **Town Hall Reserve**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$22,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **Revaluation Reserve**

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 18,674	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$37,500** to be deposited into a non-lapsing reserve account known as **Property Equalization Project**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 0	\$ 37,500	\$ 37,500

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **Capital Improvement**

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 0

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$5,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **Resident Disaster Relief**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$4,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **Fire Hydrants**

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$7,715** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **Employee Benefit Reserve**

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 7,715	\$ 7,715	\$ 7,715

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$1,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **Charter Commission Reserve**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$20,000** to be deposited into a non-lapsing reserve account known as **Bunganut Park**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 0	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$60,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **GMFR Vehicle Reserve Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 50,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$16,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **GMFR Facility, System & Equipment Reserve Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$14,000** to be deposited into the existing non-lapsing reserve account known as **GMFR Building Reserve**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$785,285** and to vote to appropriate from Excise the sum of **\$60,952** and to vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$126,127** for a total of **\$972,364** for **Salaries & Benefits**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$953,967	\$972,364	\$ 972,364

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$162,935** for the **General Administration Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 136,115	\$ 162,935	\$ 162,935

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$15,517** for the **Elections Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 13,561	\$ 15,517	\$ 15,517

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$38,543** for the **General Administration – Insurance Services Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 43,978	\$ 38,543	\$ 38,543

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Surplus the sum of **\$2,500** for the **Contingency Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$2,500	\$ 2,500	\$2,500

**Select Board Vote: 3-1-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$9,328** for the **Animal Welfare Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 8,457	\$ 9,328	\$ 9,328

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$2,632** for **Health and Human Services**

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 2,131	\$ 2,632	\$ 2,632

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

*Note: Includes General Assistance and a donation to Lifeflight.*

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Excise the sum of **\$839,048** for the **Roads Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 814,350	\$ 839,048	\$ 839,048

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-1-0**

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$814,105** for the **Buildings & Grounds Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 795,511	\$ 814,105	\$ 814,105

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

*Note: Includes care & maintenance, mowing, plowing, waste services, energy, and signage.*

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from FY 25 Revenue the sum of **\$30,000** and to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$315,375** for a total of **\$345,375** for the **Transfer Station Account**

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 335,340	\$ 345,375	\$ 345,375

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$10,310** for the **Parks and Recreation Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 8,960	\$ 10,310	\$ 10,310

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$130,650** for the **Outsourced General Administration Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 194,200	\$ 130,650	\$ 130,650

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

*Note: Includes professional services, legal services, audit services, cemetery, plannings board professional services, Springvale/Sanford YMCA, & mapping services. Town Hall Expansion Next Phase has been moved to Capital Improvement.*

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$207,541** for the **Outsourced Other Account**.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 190,389	\$ 207,541	\$ 207,541

**Select Board Vote: 3-0-1**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

*Note: Includes Library, Lyman Historical Society, and PSAP's fees.*

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$652,630** for the Town of Lyman's share of Goodwin Mills Fire Rescue Department and said sum to be paid to the Treasurer of the Goodwin Mills Fire Rescue pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Lyman and the Town of Dayton. Any unused amounts will be carried forward. To be effective, the Town of Dayton must also vote to appropriate its share of such costs.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 630,191	\$ 652,630	\$ 652,630

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

	Select Board	Budget Committee
Lyman Operating Costs (71.49%)	\$200,271	\$200,271
Lyman Personnel Costs (71.49%)	\$452,359	\$452,359

*Note: Includes ambulance revenue and FY 23 surplus in the amount of \$250,000 and applied to total balance of \$1,166,874 (of which Lyman's portion is 71.18% or \$652,630).*

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$54,065** for the Town of Lyman’s share of Goodwin Mills Fire Rescue Department and said sum to be paid to the Treasurer of the Goodwin Mills Fire Rescue pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Lyman and the Town of Dayton. Any unused amounts will be carried forward. To be effective, the Town of Dayton must also vote to appropriate its share of such costs.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$ 0	\$ 54,065	\$ 54,065

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 5-0-0**

	Select Board	Budget Committee
Lyman Operating Costs (71.18%)	\$	\$
Lyman Personnel Costs (71.18%)	\$54,065	\$54,065

*Note: This article would fund an additional 60 hours per week per diem for needed coverage.*

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from Taxes the sum of **\$95,861** for Capital Improvement Purchases.

Current Year Appropriation	Select Board Recommendation	Budget Committee Recommendation
\$44,335	\$95,861	\$95,861

**Select Board Vote: 4-0-0**

**Budget Committee Vote: 6-0-0**

*Note: Town Hall Expansion Next Phase was reclassified from Outsourced Other.*

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to deposit the balance of funds available on June 30, 2024 that were earmarked for Assessing Services into a non-lapsing reserve account known as **Property Equalization Project**.

*Note: FY24 appropriation is \$20,000 to which \$0.00 has been spent as of April, 30, 2024*

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to close the non-lapsing reserve account known as **So. Waterboro Rd.** and to use those funds to offset the FY 2025 taxes.

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize funding at last year’s (2023/2024) level for all departments/warrants whose new appropriation is not approved by this year’s warrant vote, until such time that any new funding is authorized before the next tax commitment.



**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to take from the State of Maine Snowmobile Registration Fee Fund a sum of \$6.62 per registered snowmobile; said monies to be turned over to the Lyman Snowmobile Club for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails to be open for use by the public. These funds will be released after the Town is reimbursed for the 2022-2023 registration, as determined by the State of Maine.

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept any prepayments of taxes not yet due or assessed. Any taxes paid above the amount finally assessed shall be repaid without interest upon request.

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 3% for the fiscal year.

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$55,000 from overlay to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during the 2025 year. Explanation: Even though 36 M.R.S.A §710 authorizes assessors to raise overlay, the municipal officers have no authority to spend the amount of overlay without an appropriation vote.

**ARTICLE 40:** To see if the Town will vote to set a date for taxes to become due and payable and to fix interest rate of 8% for interest charged on taxes unpaid after this or 30 days after the bills are mailed out, whichever is later.

*Note:*

*Tax Collector Recommendation of 8% (a 1% increase from FY24)*

*based on increase in state Maximum (current state max is 8.50%, as of FY23 and FY24)*

*Tax Collector Recommendation to set dates on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, and April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025*

**ARTICLE 41:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to waive foreclosure of a tax lien mortgage and pursuant to state statute if (1) the taxpayer agrees in writing to pay outstanding balance within one (1) year; and (2) no such waiver has been granted by the Town Select Board within the past three (3) years.

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to waive foreclosure of a tax lien mortgage pursuant to State statute on such terms as may be determined by the Select Board to be in the Town's best interest.

**ARTICLE 43:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to sell any tax-acquired property and/or Town-owned property the Select Board deems no longer purposeful for municipal use and to issue a quit claim deed for the same. Sales to be by sealed bid, public auction or contract with a real estate broker, if to other than the owner of record at the time of foreclosure, and no Select Board member during the term of his or her office may acquire from the Town any interest in real estate acquired by the Town on account of nonpayment of taxes unless the owner of record at the time of foreclosure was the Select Board member or the son, daughter, spouse, or parent of the Select Board member. Except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S §943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell to anyone other than the former owner(s).

**ARTICLE 44:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend State and Federal Grant funds received during the fiscal year.

**ARTICLE 45:** To see if the Town will vote to move **\$3,750.00** from the sale of the 2001 Freightliner (Engine 84) fire truck currently in the GMFR Special Liability Account know as Sale of Fire Truck to the existing non-lapsing reserve Account know as the GMFR Vehicle Reserve Account.

**Select Board Vote: Budget Committee Vote: No Vote**

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Given under our hand at Lyman, Maine this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 2024.

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Ralph "Rusty" Blackington; Chair

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Thomas Hatch; Vice Chair

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Jessica Picard

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Victoria Gavel

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Amber Swett