

May 15, 2019- Town Meeting Minutes

Open Town Meeting
Wednesday, May 15, 2019 - 6:30 PM

Ballot Clerk Marion McDevitt checked in 26 voters at the open town meeting.

Deputy Town Clerk Stuart Marckoon opened the annual town meeting at 6:30 PM at the Lamoine Consolidated School.

1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting. **It was moved and 2nd to select S. Josephine Cooper as moderator. Four ballots were cast and the vote for Mrs. Cooper was unanimous. Deputy Town Clerk Stuart Marckoon administered the oath of office to Mrs. Cooper. Mrs. Cooper appointed Mr. Marckoon as Deputy Moderator. Town Clerk Kovacs administered the oath of office to Mr. Marckoon.**

Mr. Marckoon established that he would operate according to the Maine Moderator's Manual.

It was moved and 2nd to allow non-voters/non-residents to speak at the moderator's discretion. The motion passed by a greater than 2/3rds majority on a hand vote.

2. To see if the town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue a quitclaim deed to Eugenia Kolkas and Eric Davidson for Map 14 Lot 59-1 which was acquired through an automatic lien foreclosure by the town on January 27, 2019. **It was moved and 2nd to approve article as written. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
3. To see if the Town of Lamoine will accept a donation of approximately 41.5 acres land identified as Map 4 Lot 61 from Katherine Dudzinski and a portion of Map 1 Lot 77 from Judith Whitcomb, subject to a conservation easement; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute said donation with the Frenchman Bay Conservancy under such terms as the Board deems to be in the best interest of the town; and to accept a donation of \$5,000 as a stewardship contribution to be deposited into a fund to be established dedicated to stewardship of the land being donated. **It was moved and 2nd to approve article as written. The motion passed on a hand vote.**

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4. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$1,452,040.96**
 - K-2 Regular Elementary Instructional Services
 - 3-8 Regular Elementary Instructional Services
 - 9-12 Regular Secondary Program
 - Gifted and Talented Program**It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. Gordon Donaldson reminded the public about the Public Hearing on May 23, 2019. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
5. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$768,878.58**
 - K-12 Special Education Services**It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. There was a small discussion on Special Education. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
6. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$27,478.10**

- Elementary Co-Curricular
 - Elementary Athletics
- It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
7. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$109,449.25**
- Guidance
 - Health Services
 - Curriculum
 - Instructional Staff Training
 - Library
 - Instructional Technology
 - Student Assessment
- It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
8. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$128,703.22**
- School Board
 - Office of the Superintendent
 - Business Services
- It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
9. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$158,495.13**
- Office of the Principal
- It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
10. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$151,255.00**
It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. It was asked how many buses Lamoine School has. Superintendent Katrina Kane said two. The motion passed on a hand vote.
11. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$192,821.98**
- Operations and Maintenance
 - Capital Renewal
- It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
12. To see what sum the school administrative unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$34,278.74**
- School Nutrition Program
- It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed on a hand vote.**
13. To see what sum the municipality 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 **(The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$1,923,005.25)** and to see what sum the municipality will raise as the municipality'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. **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$1,748,738.50.**

Explanation: The school administrative unit'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.

It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed 26 yes 0 no.

14. Shall the Town of Lamoine raise and appropriate **\$866,390.20** in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$866,390.20** as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee?

The school committee and budget committee recommend **\$866,390.20** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by **\$866,390.20**

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative unit'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 (municipality/district) budget for educational programs.

It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed 26 yes 0 no.

15. Shall the Town of Lamoine raise and appropriate **\$34,278.74** for local nutrition allocation purposes (the school lunch program)? **The School Committee & Budget Committee recommend \$34,278.74**
It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed on a hand vote.

16. To see what sum the municipality will authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 from the school administrative unit'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. The School Committee and Budget Committee **Recommend: \$3,023,400.96**

It was moved and 2nd to pass article as recommended. The motion passed 26 yes 0 no.

There being no further business to transact, Deputy Moderator Marckoon declared the town meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer M. Kovacs, Town Clerk

Attest: A TRUE COPY



Stuart Marckoon, Deputy Clerk