

**WARRANT TO CALL  
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 57 BUDGET MEETING  
(20-A M.R.S. § 1485)**

TO: Jessica Carll, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 57 (the "Regional School Unit") composed of the Towns of Alfred, Limerick, Lyman, Newfield, Shapleigh, and Waterboro, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of each of the municipalities within the Regional School Unit, namely, the Towns of Alfred, Limerick, Lyman, Newfield, Shapleigh, and Waterboro, that a Regional School Unit Budget Meeting will be held at Massabesic Middle School, 134 Old Alfred Road, East Waterboro, Maine at 7:00 p.m. on May 15, 2023 for the purpose of determining the Budget Meeting Articles set forth below.

**ARTICLE 1A:** To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting.

**ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 11**  
**AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES**

- ARTICLE 1:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$18,437,364 for Regular Instruction?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$18,437,364)*
- ARTICLE 2:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$8,393,591 for Special Education?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$8,393,591)*
- ARTICLE 3:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$45,000 for Career and Technical Education?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$45,000)*
- ARTICLE 4:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$1,199,027 for Other Instruction?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$1,199,027)*
- ARTICLE 5:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$4,945,116 for Student and Staff Support?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$4,945,116)*
- ARTICLE 6:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$1,141,537 for System Administration?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$1,141,537)*
- ARTICLE 7:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$2,268,385 for School Administration?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$2,268,385)*
- ARTICLE 8:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend \$4,223,298 for Transportation and Buses?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$4,223,298)*

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend **\$7,509,325** for Facilities Maintenance?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$7,509,325)*

**ARTICLE 10:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend **\$1,339,472** for Debt Service and Other Commitments?  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$1,339,472)*

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 be authorized to expend **\$280,000** for All Other Expenditures.  
*(The Board of Directors recommends \$280,000)*

**ARTICLES 12 THROUGH 15**  
**RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 12:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 appropriate **\$37,653,596.53** for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and shall Regional School Unit No. 57 raise **\$21,810,772.16** and assess as each 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?  
**Recommended amounts set forth below:**

| <b>Total Appropriated<br/>(by municipality):</b> |                         | <b>Total Raised (and Regional School Unit<br/>assessments by municipality):</b> |                         |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Town of Alfred                                   | \$ 4,578,677.34         | Town of Alfred                                                                  | \$ 2,548,632.35         |
| Town of Limerick                                 | \$ 5,553,905.49         | Town of Limerick                                                                | \$ 2,838,453.89         |
| Town of Lyman                                    | \$ 6,468,887.88         | Town of Lyman                                                                   | \$ 3,987,968.82         |
| Town of Newfield                                 | \$ 2,485,137.37         | Town of Newfield                                                                | \$ 1,670,356.18         |
| Town of Shapleigh                                | \$ 3,908,443.32         | Town of Shapleigh                                                               | \$ 3,306,273.14         |
| Town of Waterboro                                | \$ 14,658,545.13        | Town of Waterboro                                                               | \$ 7,459,087.78         |
| <b>Total Appropriated<br/>(sum of above)</b>     | <b>\$ 37,653,596.53</b> | <b>Total Raised<br/>(sum of above)</b>                                          | <b>\$ 21,810,772.16</b> |

*(The Board of Directors recommends a Yes vote.)*

*Explanation: The Regional School 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 the Regional School Unit must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.*

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 raise and appropriate **\$53,010.27** for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters for non-state-funded school construction projects or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.  
*(The Board of Directors Recommends \$53,010.27)*

*Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the Regional School Unit's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters.*

**ARTICLE 14:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 raise and appropriate **\$280,000** to transfer to the school nutrition program?  
(The Board of Directors Recommends **\$280,000**)

**ARTICLE 15:** **(Written ballot required.)** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 raise and appropriate **\$8,262,774.57** in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$8,262,774.57** as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board?

The School Board Recommends **\$8,262,774.57**, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$8,262,774.57**.  
The School Board gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model: This amount is needed to cover costs of RSU schools that the state's funding model does not recognize including the following: 1) costs of special education programming, 2) costs of career and technical education, 3) transportation costs, 4) costs of student and staff support, 5) instructional costs for teachers and educational technicians, and 6) facilities and maintenance costs.

*Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Regional School 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 Regional School Unit budget for educational programs.*

#### **ARTICLE 16 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall Regional School Unit No. 57 authorize the Board of School Directors to expend **\$49,782,115** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 from the Regional School 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, local funds for 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 Board of Directors recommends a **Yes** vote.)



**ARTICLE 17 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM  
AND RAISES THE LOCAL SHARE**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Regional School Unit will appropriate \$408,438 for adult education and raise \$205,575 as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

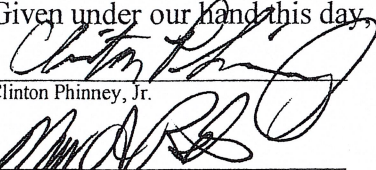
*(The Board of Directors recommends a Yes vote.)*

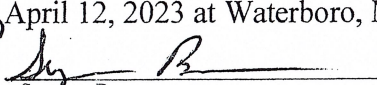
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GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS**

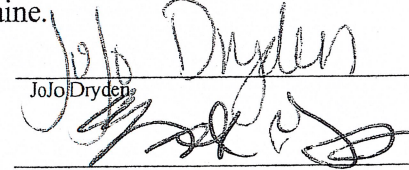
**ARTICLE 18:** In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Board be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school and other program purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

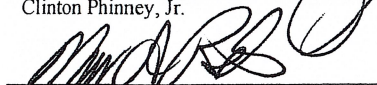
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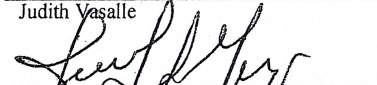
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Clinton Phinney, Jr.

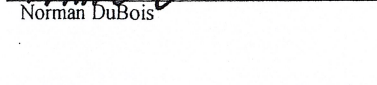
  
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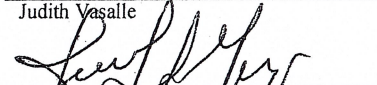
  
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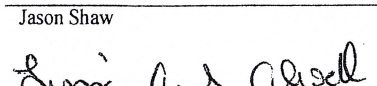
  
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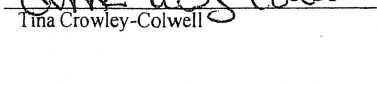
  
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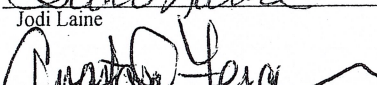
  
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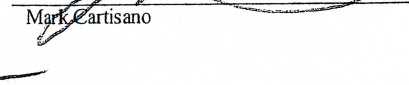
  
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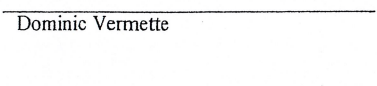
  
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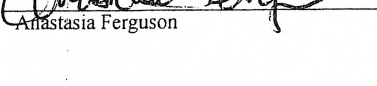
  
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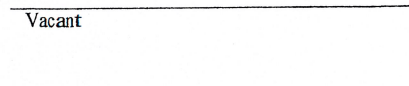
  
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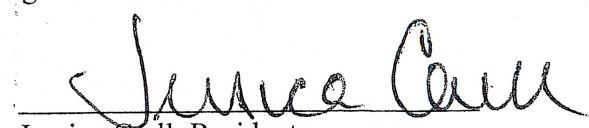
  
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A majority of the School Board of Regional School Unit No. 57

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

  
Jessica Carll, Resident

Regional School Unit No. 57