

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TO: Christopher Lascoux, Constable, Town of Washington.

GREETINGS

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Washington, Knox County, Maine, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Bryant Room of the Gibbs Library, 40 Old Union Road, Washington, on Wednesday, December 27 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on Article 1 through Article 5 as set out below, to wit:

Article 1: To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Nancy Barker checked in 14 voters. Ann Dean opened the Special Town meeting at 7PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Phil Meunier. David Martucci was nominated as moderator, seconded. Ann Dean counted three votes for David Martucci and swore him in.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to take \$1200, received from the sale of the 1982 Fire engine, and start a Fire Truck Reserve Fund.

Article 2 Motion moved and seconded. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously. Article 2 passes.

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to start a Fire Equipment Reserve Fund, and move any monies remaining in the Public Safety account as of December 31, 2017 to this fund.

Article 3 Motion moved and seconded. Peg Hobbs asked what the money was previously used for and how much money is it. Tom Johnston stated the Public Safety account operates the fire department and pays for general maintenance, fuel, equipment, etc. Rather than this money going into surplus at the end of the year it would go into this account. Steve Ocean asked how much money was left in that account. Wesley Daniel stated a little over \$3,000.00. Kathleen Ocean asked if this would reduce the appropriation for the fire department. Phil Meunier stated that it would not. The FCC is mandating that they switch to an analog radio system to a digital radio system in 2018 or 2019 which could cost up to \$20,000. We're trying to save as much as possible now.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 3 passes.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$10,000 from undesignated fund balance to purchase and install a new generator for the Town Garage.

Article 4 Motion moved and seconded. No discussion. Motion carries unanimously. Article 4 passes.

Article 5: To see if the Town of Washington will vote to enact the following changes to the Washington land Use ordinance:

MINERAL PROCESSING: The processes and related mechanical equipment to wash, crush, or otherwise process rock or earth materials, including the mixing of concrete or asphalt or other aggregate processes. Does not include the loading of material into trucks for transport to off-site processing, or the screening of material, or water saw stone cutting.

- To be inserted alphabetically into Chapter XIV, Section 2:

Water Saw Stone Cutting – the use of a water saw to cut and process blocks of stone into marketable dimensions.

- The following changes to Chapter X, District Standards, to be inserted alphabetically into the Table in Article VI, Section 10:

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| MINING AND EXCAVATING | RP | LR | FF | RU | RC | PD | VI | WS | HP |
| Water Saw Stone Cutting | XX | XX | PB | XX | PB | PB | XX | XX | XX |

- To be inserted numerically into
ARTICLE VI – DISTRICT REGULATIONS
Section 2, Farm and Forest District (FF)
E. Prohibited Uses

The following uses in the Farm & Forest District are specifically prohibited:

9. Water Saw Stone Cutting is prohibited except that the Planning Board may grant a permit for Water Saw Stone Cutting In the Farm and Forest District provided that the Planning Board makes the following findings and the application contains the following affirmative sworn statements:

- A. The proposed use shall not cause:
 - a. any noise greater than 35 decibels at the property line;
 - b. odors;
 - c. drainage or water impacts to neighboring property owners.

- B. The parcel or the portion of the parcel in the Farm and Forest District shall be accessed through the applicant’s land in the Rural Commercial District bordering Maine State Route 17.

**David Martucci read the changes only. Article 5 Motion moved and seconded. No discussion.
Motion carries unanimously.**

Article 5 passes.

David Martucci adjourned the Special Town Meeting at 7:10 PM.

Given under our hands on this 13th day of December 2017:

Wesley F. Daniel
Chairman

Thomas N. Johnston
Selectman

Berkley Linscott
Selectman

Attest:
Ann Dean, Town Clerk