

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TO: RESIDENT OF THE TOWN OF BREMEN 2021-2022

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12ths of the budgeted amount in each Operating Account of the 2022-2023 fiscal budget during the period from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Article 10 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Officers' Salaries and Benefits. Board of Selectmen recommends \$176,100. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Selectmen	\$ 10,500	\$ 10,500
Administration	115,500	120,000
FICA-Town Officials/F. Dept	14,500	16,000
Code Enforcement	10,000	11,000
Health Officer	100	100
Ballot Clerks	1,250	1,250
Moderator	250	250
Benefits: Health	24,000	14,000
Retirement	3,000	3,000
Totals	\$ 179,100	\$ 176,100

Article 11 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Operating Accounts. Board of Selectmen recommends \$132,500. Budget Committee concurs

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Workers' Comp Ins	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Property/Casualty Ins	21,600	22,000
Telephone (TC, FD & T.House)	5,500	5,500
Electricity (TC, FD & T.House)	5,000	5,000
Street Lights	4,750	4,700
Fuel (TC, FD & T. House)	8,000	8,000
Office Supplies	3,200	3,200
Office Equipment/IT Services	7,000	7,000
Computer License/Trio	12,000	12,000
Postage	2,000	2,500
Printing	200	200
Town Reports	3,200	4,000
Advertising	1,250	1,300
Mileage	1,000	1,000
Dues	2,800	2,800
Training	2,200	2,500
Tax Liens	3,000	3,000
Repair/Maintenance (TC, FD & T. House)	31,000	32,000
Miscellaneous Contingency	1,000	1,000
General Assistance	500	500
Cemetery Mowing/Maintenance	6,500	7,000
Website	300	300
Totals	\$ 129,000	\$ 132,500

Article 12 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Professional Services. Board of Selectmen recommends \$28,800. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Town Attorney	\$ 14,000	\$ 5,000
Town Auditor	8,500	8,800
Mapping/Survey	1,000	1,000
Property Appraisal	11,640	12,000
Consultant/Grant Writer	2,000	2,000
Totals	\$ 37,140	\$ 28,800

Article 13 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to fund a Legal Reserve Account. Board of Selectmen recommends \$9,000. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 14 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Roads and Bridges. Board of Selectmen recommends \$292,241. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Road Maintenance/Repair	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000
Snow Removal	175,944	184,741
Salt/Sand	20,000	17,500
Totals	\$ 285,944	\$ 292,241

Article 15 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Nobleboro/Jefferson Transfer Station. Board of Selectmen recommends \$48,423. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
	\$ 40,880	\$ 48,423

Article 16 To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town's proportion of Lincoln County taxes. Board of Selectmen recommends \$299,262.

Article 17 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer from Undesignated Funds, and expend as they deem advisable for contingencies that occur during the fiscal year without calling a Special Town Meeting. Board of Selectmen recommends \$15,000. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 18 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Bremen Fire Department. Board of Selectmen recommends \$89,150. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,000
Building Maintenance	1,000	1,000
Fuel (Fuel Force)	1,250	1,350
New Equipment	9,000	9,000
Fire Chief Salary	7,500	7,500
Wages	34,000	39,000
Administrative/Bookkeeping	2,800	2,300
Training	2,500	2,000
Totals	\$ 85,050	\$ 89,150

Article 19 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Truck

Reserve Account. Board of Selectmen recommends \$20,000.

Article 20 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to fund an Employee Maine Earned Paid Leave Reserve Account. Board of Selectmen recommends \$1,000. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 21 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Disability Insurance for the Bremen Firemen and First Responders. Board of Selectmen recommends \$1,200. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200

Article 22 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Bremen Rescue First Responders. Board of Selectmen recommends \$21,000. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Training	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,000
Administration	2,650	2,650
Maintenance	1,000	1,000
New Equipment	2,000	2,000
EMS Membership	550	550
EMS Chief	1,000	500
EMS Deputy Chief	0	500
Compliance Consultant	0	1,300
Wages	7,000	8,500
	<u>\$ 17,200</u>	<u>\$ 21,000</u>

Article 23 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Selectmen to spend for Hepatitis B vaccinations for all Firemen and First Responders as required by OSHA. Board of Selectmen recommends \$800. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 24 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operating expenses of the following committees. Board of Selectmen recommends \$18,500. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Planning Board	\$ 12,830	\$ 14,700
Ordinance Review Committee	1,000	1,000
Board of Appeals	400	300
Conservation Commission	1,150	2,000
Town House Committee	500	500
	<u>\$ 15,880</u>	<u>\$ 18,500</u>

Article 25 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer monies from the Harbor Savings Account to the General Fund and appropriate for Harbor Committee Operations. Board of Selectmen recommends \$7,630. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Harbor Master Salary	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Facility Maintenance	1,000	1,000
Harbor Committee Expenses	630	630
For Discretionary Funds	3,000	3,000
	<u>\$ 7,630</u>	<u>\$ 7,630</u>

Article 26 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer monies from the Shellfish License Account to the General Fund and appropriate for Shellfish Operations. Board of

Selectmen recommends \$13,650. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Shellfish Warden Expenses	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
	7,650	7,650
	\$ 13,650	\$ 13,650

Article 27 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. School Committee recommends \$394,435.55xx. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 28 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Special Education. School Committee recommends \$57,732.21. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 29 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education. School Committee recommends \$200.00. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 30 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. School Committee recommends \$0. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 31 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. School Committee recommends \$1,258.45. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 32 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for System Administration. School Committee recommends \$16,883.80. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 33 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for School Administration. School Committee recommends \$0. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 34 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. School Committee recommends \$37,500.00. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 35 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. School Committee recommends \$0. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 36 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Debt Service. School Committee recommends \$0. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 37 To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures. School Committee recommends \$0. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

ARTICLE 36 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Article 38 To see what sum the Town will authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30 2022 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grade 9 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. School Committee recommends \$508,010.10. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

ARTICLE 36 RAISES FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

School Budget Funding Explanation

Article 36 Required Local (EPS) Raise Amount	\$ 360,958.61
Additional Local Raise Amount	33,973.42
Total Local Funds Raised	394,932.03
Fund Balance Forward Estimate	78,495.18
State Subsidy Estimate	34,582.80

Total School Budget Request

\$ 508,010.10

*Local Required, Additional, and Subsidy figures are preliminary figures provided by the Maine DOE on February 1, 2021.

Article 39 To see what sum the Town 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 (School Committee Recommends \$395,541.41) and to see what sum the Town will raise as the Town'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. School Committee recommends \$360,958.61. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Explanation: The Town'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.

Article 40 (Written ballot required) To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$33,973.42) which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$33,973.42, as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

The School Committee recommends \$33,973.42 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$33,973.42

Statutorily required amounts for secondary tuition, as well as special education, facilities maintenance, and transportation costs, exceed the State's EPS funding model.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Town'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 Town Budget for educational programs.

ARTICLE 39 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURE OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS FOR EDUCATION PURPOSES

Article 41 Shall the Bremen School Committee 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 education purposes, provided that such grants, programs, or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated.

ARTICLE 40 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Article 42 To see if the Town will appropriate \$99,243.17 for Adult Education and raise \$3247 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. Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee concur with the recommendation.

Article 43 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to raise and appropriate monies for Animal Control Operations. Board of Selectmen recommends \$3,419. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Midcoast Humane	\$ 1,048	\$ 1,169
Animal Control - Wages	4,500	2,250
	<u>\$ 5,548</u>	<u>\$ 3,419</u>

Article 44 To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Bremen Conservation Land Use Reserve Fund, as requested. The funds will be used for land conservation efforts, property purchases, and easements. Budget Committee recommends \$3,000.

Article 45 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Bremen Library, as requested. Board of Selectmen recommend \$12,000. Budget Committee recommends

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000

Article 46 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Central Lincoln County Ambulance, as requested. Board of Selectmen recommends \$18,000. Budget Committee recommends \$.

Article 47 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to recommend, raise and appropriate for Memorial Day observation expenses. Board of Selectmen recommends \$400. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 48 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for charitable contributions. Budget Committee recommends \$10,820. Board of Selectmen concurs with this recommendation.

	2020-2021 Appropriations	2021-2022 Request
Eldercare Network	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Healthy Kids	1,500	1,500
Lifeflight Foundation	1,000	1,000
Midcoast Maine Community Action	1,025	1,025
Mobius	400	400
New Hope for Women	1,245	1,245
Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust	500	-
Spectrum Generations	850	850
Waldoboro Food Pantry	800	800
	<u>\$ 11,320</u>	<u>\$ 10,820</u>

Article 49 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Celebration for 200th Anniversary Reserve Account. Board of Selectmen recommends \$1,000. Budget Committee concurs with the recommendation.

Article 50 To see if the Town will vote to NOT operate an alewife fishery in Muscongus Harbor or Muscongus Brook for July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

Article 51 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, and to pay interest at a rate of 0% (zero) as a courtesy to taxpayers who wish to prepay some or all of their uncommitted taxes.

Article 52 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer from Unexpended Funds for the following accounts:

Fire Equipment Reserve Account	6,000
Capital Improvements Reserve Account	5,000
Property Revaluation Reserve	5,000

Digital Map Reserve Account

	<u>8,500</u>
\$	24,500

Article 53 To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer from Unexpended Funds to lower taxes in an amount not to exceed **\$350,000**.

Respectfully submitted by
The Bremen Board of Selectmen
WENDY PIEH, Chairperson
JOHN MARSH
HENRY NEVINS

A True Copy
Attest:
MELANIE L. PENDLETON
Bremen Town Clerk