#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

#### MARCH 7, 2023

CTO: 7:04 P.M.

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: David Atkinson, Moderator, Selectboard Members Scott Lovell, Bruno McKenzie, & Brad McVetty; Mary vonAlt, Selectboard Administrative Assistant; Bob Champagne-Willis, Town Treasurer, Del Tax Collector, Lister, Zoning Board and Planning Commission member; Sandy Gray, Lister, Auditor, & Health Officer; Chris vonAlt, Zoning Board and Planning Commission member; Bill Sanborn, Emergency Management Coordinator and Fire Warden; Suzy Irwin, Assistant Town Clerk; and Amy Pear (Scribe) Town Clerk and Lister.

Also Present: Andy Champagne-Willis, Jo Giampaolo, Linda Sanborn, Sharon Atkinson, Bruce Hobaugh, Heather Grana, Susan Irwin, Kathy Lovell, Lloyd Tippitt, Linwood Mixer, Mike Otis, Gayle Otis, Heather Lefoll, Missy Brashears, and Paul Kamins.

We had one guests: Paul Perchek.

Moderator David Atkinson opened the meeting by reading: "The legal voters of the Town of Maidstone are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall in the Town of Maidstone on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 7:00 pm., to transact the following business from the floor"

### ARTICLE 1: Shall the Town vote to collect its 2023 taxes from October 16, 2023 up to and including April 15, 2024 and pay same to the Treasurer?

Bob Champagne-Willis made a motion to accept the article as written. Lloyd Tippitt seconded the motion. Discussion: Bob Champagne-Willis explained that the October 16<sup>th</sup> date was due to the 15<sup>th</sup> falling on a Sunday and had to be moved to Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>. No additional Discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

### ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town vote to raise \$20,000 and put it in the earmarked "Town Road Rebuild Account" within the Highway fund?

Bob Champagne-Willis made a motion to accept the article as written. Linwood Mixer seconded the motion. There being no discussion a vote was taken and Article 2 carried unanimously.

# ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town vote to raise \$1,000 for a donation to the Maidstone Lake Association to help support the "Aquatic Nuisance Prevention Program" at Maidstone Lake?

Bob Champagne-Willis made a motion to accept the article as written. Chris vonAlt seconded the motion. There being no discussion a vote was taken and Article 3 carried unanimously.

## ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town vote to raise \$3,000 and put it in the "Reappraisal and Maintenance of the Grand List" Fund?

Lloyd Tippitt made a motion to accept Article 4 as written. Linwood Mixer seconded the motion. Discussion: Missy Brashears asked what the Grand List was? Bob Champagne-Willis

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explained what the Grand List was. There was no further discussion a vote was taken and Article 4 carried unanimously.

### ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to raise \$3,000 and put it in the earmarked "Direct Fire Support" Fund?

Suzy Irwin made a motion to accept Article 5 as written. Linwood Mixer seconded the motion. There being no discussion a vote was taken and Article 5 carried unanimously.

### ARTICLE 6: Shall the town vote to raise \$1,000 and put it in the earmarked "Cemetery" Fund?

Lloyd Tippitt made a motion to accept Article 6 as written. Suzy Irwin seconded the motion. Discussion: Heather Lefoll asked what the Cemetery Fund was? Explanations were given by Brad McVetty and Bob Champagne-Willis. There was no further discussion, a vote was taken and Article 6 carried unanimously.

### ARTICLE 7: Shall the town vote to raise \$282,745.50 to pay current expenses as requested in the proposed 2023 Budget plus the amounts raised in Articles 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6?

Suzy Irwin made a motion to accept Article 7 as written. Mary vonAlt seconded the motion. There being no discussion a vote was taken and Article 7 carried unanimously.

### ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town vote to transact any other non-binding business deemed necessary and proper when met?

Lloyd Tippit made a motion to accept Article 8 as written. Linwood Mixer seconded the motion. There being no discussion a vote was taken and Article 8 carried unanimously.

# ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town vote to hold its annual meeting on Tuesday March 5, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.?

Suzy Irwin made a motion to accept Article 9 as written. Heather Lefoll seconded the motion. There being no discussion a vote was held and the motion carried unanimously.

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Sharon Atkinson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Suzy Irwin seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Bradley McVetty, Selectman

David Atkinson, Moderator