

**SECRET BALLOT ELECTION AND  
TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

**Friday, MARCH 2, 2012**

**And**

**Saturday, MARCH 3, 2012**

To Roxanne Herrick, a resident in the Town of Limington, County of York and State of Maine:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Limington, in said county and state qualified by law to vote in town affairs to meet at the Municipal Complex in said Town, on **Friday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2012 A.D.**, at 8:00 A.M., then and there **to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Articles 2 through 4** as set out below. The polling hours will be from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.;

**And**, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the Municipal Complex in said town on **Saturday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2012 A.D.**, at **9:00 A.M.**, then and there **to act on Articles 5 through 43** as set out below, to wit:

**Friday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2012**

**Article 1:** To choose a Moderator.

**Article 2:** To elect:

- (1) Selectman/Assessor/Overseer of the Poor - (3 year term);
- (2) Planning Board Member positions - (3 year term);
- (4) Old Town Hall Preservation Committee Member - (1, 2 & 3 year terms);
- (1) Davis Memorial Library Trustee - (5 year term);
- (5) Moy-Mo-Da-Yo- Recreational Oversight Committee - (1 & 2 year terms);

**Article 3:** To see if the town will vote to accept an Ordinance enforcing the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC) for the Town of Limington.

**Article 4:** To see if the town will vote to accept the updated, State mandated, Flood Plain Ordinance for the Town of Limington.

**Saturday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2012**

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$537,522 established for the Town of Limington by State law (LD1) in the event that the municipal budget approved under the following articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

**(Selectmen: In Favor)**

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$127,448.00** for Compensation for Town Officials.

Selectman	\$ 6,500.00
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Selectmen's Assistant & Bookkeeper	23,995.00
Tax Collector	6,586.00
Town Clerk	5,480.00
Treasurer	6,850.00
Deputy Town Clerk	22,905.00
General Assistance Administrator	2,353.00
Health Officer (including mileage)	600.00
Animal Control Officer (salary & mileage)	4,950.00
Code Enforcement Officer (32 hrs wkly)	34,229.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$127,448.00</b>

(2011 Budget - \$124,521.00)

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$14,000.00** for payroll taxes.

(2011 Budget - \$13,000.00)

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$378,000.00** for **Solid Waste disposal and recycling**. Said funds to be allocated to:

	<u>2011 Budget</u>	<u>2012 Budget</u>
Acct# 3600-Ecomaine assessment & tonnage	\$300,000.00	<b>\$250,000.00</b>
Acct# 3500-Solid waste pickup contract	\$ 78,000.00	<b>\$ 78,000.00</b>
Acct# 3700-Transfer Station & Recycling operations	\$ 50,000.00	<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$216,200.00** for **Roads & Highways**. Said funds to be allocated to:

	<u>2011 Budget</u>	<u>2012 Budget</u>
Acct# 3300-Tarring & patching town roads	\$150,000.00	<b>\$150,000.00</b>
Acct# 3100-General highway maintenance	\$ 60,000.00	<b>\$ 60,000.00</b>
Acct# 3400-Installation & replacement E911 signs	\$ 1,200.00	<b>\$ 1,200.00</b>
Acct# 3200-Highway brush removal	\$ 5,000.00	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 10:** To see how the Town will vote to spend the 2012 money collected from Excise Taxes on motor vehicles.

(2011 Budget - \$300,000.00 for Snow & Ice)

Selectmen Recommend: (\$300,000.00 for 2011 Snow & Ice with \$5,000.00 dedicated for Road Commissioner Administrative costs, and any yearly ending balance to be placed in reserve savings for upkeep, building maintenance, capital improvement, and replacement of equipment). Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$56,475.00** for the operations of the Limington EMS Department. All expenditures are to be approved by both the Fire/EMS Department Chief and the Selectmen.

(2011 Budget - \$35,000.00 from Surplus, Special Town Mtg, Nov 3, 2011, additional \$7,200.00 from Surplus).

Selectmen: In Favor

Financial Advisory Committee: 6-In Favor, 4-Not In Favor

**Article 12:** To see how the Town will vote to spend a portion of the revenue collected from Medical Billing.

**Selectmen Recommend:** (To cover cost of EMS salaries, EMS run-stipends, ALS intercepts, billing process and insurance/patient overpayments). **Financial Advisory Committee:** 9-In Favor, 1-Abstained

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$10,000.00 from Medical Billing Reserve Account to a special saving account for the future purchase of a new ambulance.

(2011 Budget - \$10,000.00)

**Selectmen:** In Favor **Financial Advisory Committee:** 9-In Favor, 1-Abstained

**Article 14:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$107,000.00** and \$3,000.00 from Surplus for **Public Safety**. Said funds to be allocated to:

	<u>2011 Budget</u>	<u>2012 Budget</u>
Acct# 4600-Deputy Sheriff contract	\$ 34,000.00	<b>\$ 34,000.00</b>
Acct# 2500-Fire Department operations	\$ 34,800.00	<b>\$ 43,000.00</b>
Acct# 3400-Emergency Management	\$ 1,000.00	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
Acct# 3000-Dispatching & tower maintenance at Hosac Mt and State Police, Gray	\$ 26,000.00	<b>\$ 26,000.00</b>
Acct# 2503-Maine Forest Service 50/50 Grant	\$ 2,500.00	<b>3,000.00*</b>

\*We will also need to take \$3,000 from surplus, which will be reimbursed from the Maine Forest Service grant.

**Selectmen:** In Favor **Financial Advisory Committee:** 9-In Favor, 1-Abstained

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$8,000.00** for stipend compensation of **non-stipend** firefighters at \$500.00 each on completion of 50% of all calls and training during 2012. Stipend to cover personal expenses incurred on department operations. (2011 Article the same)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee:** In Favor

**Article 16:** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to compensate volunteer firefighters at a rate of \$10.00 per hour for a major incident or incidents exceeding 8 hours duration. Funding to be taken from surplus up to \$10,000.00, only as required, meeting the needs of a major event and only upon approval of the Selectmen. (2011 Article the same)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee:** In Favor

**Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$179,100.00** for **General Administration & Operation of the Town**. Said funds to be allocated to:

	<u>2011 Budget</u>	<u>2012 Budget</u>
Acct# 0700-Municipal Complex expenses	\$ 25,000.00	<b>\$ 30,000.00</b>
Acct# 1300-Insurance & Town Officers' Bonds	\$ 55,000.00	<b>\$ 65,000.00</b>
Acct# 2100-Town lighting	\$ 16,000.00	<b>\$ 16,000.00</b>
Acct# 0900-Office supplies	\$ 3,000.00	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>
Acct# 2000-General Miscellaneous	\$ 5,000.00	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
Acct# 1900-Legal Miscellaneous	\$ 50,000.00	<b>\$ 30,000.00</b>
Acct# 1800-Ballot Clerks, Wardens, Registrar, & Moderator	\$ 3,750.00	<b>\$ 4,400.00</b>
Acct# 1600-Printing & mailing Town Reports, Ballots, & Warrants	\$ 4,500.00	<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>
Acct# 0800-Postage, postage meter lease and maint. agreement	\$ 4,000.00	<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>
Acct# 1000-Computer license fees, maint. & Support contracts	\$ 10,000.00	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>

Acct# 1700-Maintaining Town maps	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Acct# 1400-Audit of Town books	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,200.00

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$38,000.00** for the Davis Memorial Library. All monies remaining at the end of the year to be held in the library reserve account for future needs of the library.

(2011 Budget - \$25,000.00 and closed out Library Expansion Reserve Acct \$10,907.87 for a total of \$35,907.87)

**Selectmen: In Favor      Financial Advisory Committee: 8-In Favor, 2-Not In Favor**

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to allocate the 2012 Boat Excise Tax revenue for operations, maintenance and/or improvements of the town-owned properties at Pequawket Lake (Moy-Mo-Da-Yo Recreational Area and Public Beach), with said monies to be expended upon authorization of the MMDY Recreational Area Committee under the supervision of the Selectmen.

(2011 Boat Excise Tax - \$3,387.10: Boat Launch/Beach Money - \$7,860.75, AMENDED: ALL MONIES AT END OF YEAR TO GO INTO MMDY RESERVE ACCOUNT).

**Selectmen: In Favor;      Financial Advisory Committee: 7-In Favor, 1-Not In Favor, 2-Abstained**

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$11,000.00** for the installation of a water system for the summer day camp, work to protect the beach and lake from ongoing erosion problems, and initial engineering work on a new boat launch that will meet all current DEP regulations and provide a safer environment at the beach through reduction of vehicular traffic in the beach area.      **(New Article)**

**Selectmen: In Favor      Financial Advisory Committee: 7-In Favor, 3-Not In Favor**

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$13,510** for the Limington Youth League. Said funds to be allocated to:

	<u>2011 Budget</u>	<u>2012 Budget</u>
Acct# 4200-L. Youth League Operating Expense	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 8,760.00
Acct# 4100-L. Youth League Field Maint.	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 4,750.00

Disbursement of any funds contingent upon; 1) providing an annual financial statement of all Limington Youth League funds; 2) the Limington Youth League shall be established as a non-profit corporation in the State of Maine, per MRSA 13B; and 3) providing proof of sufficient liability insurance coverage. Said funds to be expended upon authorization of the Limington Youth League and the Selectmen.

**Selectmen: In Favor;      Financial Advisory Committee: 6-In Favor, 2-Not In Favor, 2-Abstained**

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$6,000.00** and allow fees generated within 2012 from building rental, etc. to be used for the Old Town Hall building supplies, maintenance, repairs, and renovation projects, with monies to be expended upon authorization of the Selectmen and the Old Town Hall Preservation Committee.

(2011 Budget - \$6,000.00)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to change the Old Town Hall Preservation Committee from elected to appointed. The committee shall consist of four (4) members, each serving a term of two (2) years. The Selectmen shall appoint two (2) members each year, effective January 1<sup>st</sup>. Current elected members shall serve the balance of their term. (New Article)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to change the Moy-Mo-Da-Yo Recreational Area Oversight Committee from elected to appointed. If approved, Article 3 Paragraphs 2 & 3 of the Moy-Mo-Da-Yo Recreational Area Oversight Committee Ordinance (Passed on 2-29-2008) will be replaced with the following paragraphs:

2. Committee Terms

The committee shall consist of six (6) members, each serving a term of three (3) years. The membership of the committee shall be appointed by the Selectmen. The Selectmen shall appoint two (2) members each year, effective January 1<sup>st</sup>. Current elected members shall serve the balance of their term.

3. Deleted.

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,330.00** for Boards & Commissions. Said funds to be allocated to:

	<u>2011 Budget</u>	<u>2012 Budget</u>
Acct# 2300-Planning Board	\$ 5,310.00	\$ 4,330.00
Acct# 2200-Zoning Appeals & Financial Advisory	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to allocate CEO revenues received from permit fees, not to exceed \$2,500.00 for mileage; \$4,500.00 for office supplies, fees, and schooling for a total Budget of \$7,000.00. (2011 Budget - \$7,000.00)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$12,000.00** for General Assistance and use what is needed from the State 50% Reimbursement income. (2011 Budget - \$12,000.00)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,771.21** for the Kennebunk Animal Refuge League.

(2011 Budget - \$4,219.73)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 29:** To see if the town will vote to dedicate the franchise fees received from Time Warner, Inc. and any grants received through franchise negotiations to the purchase and maintenance of video and audio equipment (if necessary), operating costs, and Limington's share of the Saco River Community Television Regional Public Access Facility.

(2011 Article Passed As Written)

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 30:** To see if the Town will appropriate all 2012 money received from the registration of snowmobiles to the Limington Cranker's Snowmobile Club for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails. (2011 Registration Fees \$1,251.18)

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for the Limington Parade Committee expenses.

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 32:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,960.00 for the following six Social Services:

	<u>2011 Budget</u>	<u>2012 Budget</u>
Acct# 4300-Southern Maine area Agency on Aging	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700.00
Acct# 4300-HomeHealth-Visiting Nurse Service	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700.00
Acct# 4300-YC Child Abuse Prevention Council	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00
Acct# 4300-York County Community Action	\$ 3,060.00	\$ 3,060.00
Acct# 4300-Caring Unlimited	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Acct# 4300-York County Shelter	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 33:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of a tax lien mortgage by recording a Waiver of Foreclosure at the Registry of Deeds in which the Tax Lien Certificate is recorded, prior to the right of redemption expiring, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 944. Said property is located at Map R5 Lot 25.1 and owned by Dennis Burt.

Selectmen: In Favor; Financial Advisory Committee: 8-In Favor, 1-Not In Favor, 1-Abstained

**Article 34:** To see if the Town will vote to use for the placement of flags, grave markers and ground maintenance of Veteran graves, funds in the Veterans Grave Maintenance reserve account at Gorham Savings Bank, not to exceed \$500.00.

(2011 Funds used from reserve account \$149.68)

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 35:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the following schedule of payment of taxes for 2012: (Two payments on one annual bill.)

First tax payment is due **August 1, 2012** and second payment due **November 16, 2012**.

First payment if unpaid by **August 2, 2012** will draw interest at 7%.

Second payment if unpaid by **November 19, 2012** will draw interest at 7%.

Unpaid taxes after **December 28, 2012** to be published in Town Report.

(2011 interest 7%)

Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor

**Article 36:** To see if the town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted

amount in each budget category of the 2012 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2013 until the annual town meeting in March 2013.

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 37:** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to procure a temporary loan or loans for the purpose of paying obligations of said Town, and loans to be paid back by taxes collected during the current municipal year.

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 38:** To see if the town will vote to accept private donations, grants, and/or state and federal funding available from the following activities:

- A. State Municipal Revenue Sharing
- B. Tree Growth Reimbursement
- C. Local Road Assistance
- D. State Aid to Education (Including Federal Pass Through Funds and Property Tax Relief)
- E. Public Library State Aid
- F. Civil Emergency Funds
- G. General Assistance Reimbursement
- H. Snowmobile Registration Fee Refunding
- I. Veterans Exemption Reimbursement
- J. State Grant, Federal Grant, FEMA Grants, or Other Funding  
(Includes all funds that are received from the state or other sources which are not included in the above categories).

**Article 39:** To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to appoint all necessary officers (other than elected positions) for the ensuing year.

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 40:** To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to sell, by sealed bid, any or all tax liens or deeds held by the town, which in their judgment is in the best interest of the town, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 41:** To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell, by sealed bid, any excess unused/out dated town owned vehicles or equipment, with all monies received to go to the General Fund.

**Selectmen and Financial Advisory Committee: In Favor**

**Article 42:** To see what sum of money the Town will authorize the Selectmen to transfer from Surplus to offset the 2012 tax commitment. (2011 Surplus amount - \$365,000.00)

**Selectmen recommend \$250,000.00**

**Article 43:** Entertain motion to adjourn.

**THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING** will be called to order at 8:00 A.M. by the Town Clerk on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2012, to choose a moderator. The moderator will then open the polls for the purpose

of voting on candidates and referendum questions. The polls shall close at 8:00 P.M. on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and the moderator **shall recess** the meeting until 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2012 to resume the Annual Town Meeting.

Given under our hands, this 3rd day of February, 2012:

**Selectmen, Town of Limington**

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**Charles Huntress, Chairman**

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**Darryl Hubbard**

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**Bruce Rozett**