

# Warrant of Town Meeting

To: \_\_\_\_\_ Constable or Resident of Edgecomb, GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Edgecomb, in Lincoln County, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Edgecomb Town Hall on Route 27, in said Town, on Friday, the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019 at 1 o'clock to 7 o'clock in the afternoon, there and then to act on Articles 1 and 2. And to notify and warn the voters of Edgecomb to meet at the Edgecomb Town Hall, on Town Hall Road, in said Town, on Saturday, the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, there and then to act on Articles 3 through 66, all of said articles being set forth below, to wit:

ART 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART 2. To elect the following Town Officials by secret ballot: One Selectman, Assessor of Taxes and Overseer of the Poor (3 years), One Treasurer (1 year), One Tax Collector (1 year), One Town Clerk (1 year), One Member of the School Committee (3 years), One Road Commissioner (1 year), two Members of the Planning Board (3 years).

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

ART 3. To see if the Town will vote to set the limit on receipt of taxes as of October 31, 2019, with an interest rate of 7% starting on November 1, 2019.

ART 4. To see if the Town will vote to set the limit on interest of 4.0% on refunds of taxes.

ART 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to carry over or transfer to surplus any account balances at the end of the fiscal year.

ART 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes as they deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such payment.

ART 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to dispose of Town owned personal property with a value of \$1,500.00 or less in their judgement, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

ART 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the overlay to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

ART 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,500.00 for the Annual 2018 Audit.

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$8,500

ART 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,194.00 for general government and town expenses.

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$70,194

ART 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,344.00 and appropriate \$4,500.00 from the Wastewater Department for Town Officials' salaries:

Selectman – chairman	5,000
Selectman	4,000
Selectman	4,000
Tax Collector	7,500
Treasurer	7,500
Town Clerk	7,500
Registrar of Voters	808
School Board – chairman	1,000
School Board	750
School Board	750
Town Accounting	4,250

Planning Board – chairman	600
Planning Board – member	200
Planning Board – member	200
Planning Board – member	200
Planning Board – member	200
Planning Board – alternate	200
Planning Board – alternate	200
Harbor Master	2,000
Asst. Harbor Master	500
Public Health Officer	500
Secretarial & Website Admin	2,500
Other Employees	3,500
Custodial	1,200
Animal Control Officer	1,912
Code Enforcement Officer	11,200
Town Share – Medicare, SS	5,674
EMA Coordinator	1,000

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$70,344 and appropriate \$4,500 from Waste water account

ART 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Wastewater Department \$500.00 for Administrative costs to the Town.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: \$500

ART 13. To see if the town will vote to permit the retail sales of marijuana within the town of Edgecomb. Retail sales will not be permitted until ordinances are written and approved at a future town meeting or election.

ART 14. To see if the town will vote to permit the commercial cultivation of marijuana within the town of Edgecomb. Commercial cultivation will not be permitted until ordinances are written and approved at a future town meeting or election.

ART 15. To see if the town will vote to permit the commercial testing of marijuana within the town of Edgecomb. Commercial testing will not be permitted until ordinances are written and approved at a future town meeting or election.

ART 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$584.00 for Website Maintenance.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: \$584

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

ART 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,000.00 and appropriate \$3,000.00 from surplus for the Central Lincoln County Ambulance Service, Inc.

ART 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,223.00 and appropriate \$27,699.00 from the TIF Project Town Cost Sub Account for new fire truck equipment (4 SCBAs and thermal camera), pending approval of the Second Amendment to the Davis Island TIF District from the State of Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD). This amendment voted by the Town of Edgecomb January 14, 2019.

ART 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$47,600.00 from the TIF Project Town Cost Sub Account for the fire station exhaust removal system.

ART 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$52,770.25 from the TIF Project Town Cost Sub Account for a SCBA air filling station.

ART 21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to sell the 1981 GMC 3500 4X4 fire truck with Amthor's mini pumper body.

ART 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Funds \$5,516.46 to reimburse the Fire Department for expenses charged to their budget during the 2017 storm.

ART 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$13,537.36 and appropriate \$40,612.08 from the TIF Project Town Cost Sub Account for the fire truck loan payment, pending approval of the Second Amendment to the Davis Island TIF District from the State of Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD). This amendment voted by the Town of Edgecomb January 14, 2019.

ART 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$43,300.85 from the TIF Project Town Cost Sub Account for the Fire Station loan payment.

ART 25. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from surplus \$14,201.19 for the Fire Department payroll make-up hours and balance of 2018-2019 hours. (Make-up hours \$9,440.91, balance of 2018 – 2,019 hours Jan. 1, 2019 – June 30, 2019 \$4,760.28)

ART 26. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$4,500.00 from the TIF Project Town Cost Sub account for legal fees rendered for preparation of the second amendment to the TIF.

ART 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98,208.00 for the operation of the Fire Department.

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS Raise \$98,208.

ART 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,010.00 for Fire Department salaries:

Fire Chief	8,500
Assistant Chief	2,000
Captains (2)	2,000
Lieutenants (2)	1,000
Firefighters	15,525
Custodian	1,697
Town Share – Medicare, SS	2,488
Clerk	1,800

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS Raise \$35,010

ART 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for the operation of the Emergency Management Agency.

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS Raise \$700

#### OTHER

ART 30. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$1,500.00 from State Park and Veterans Reimbursements for cemetery maintenance.

ART 31. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Wiscasset Public Library and for the Boothbay Harbor Memorial Library.

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$3,500 and appropriate \$1,000 from the cable television franchise fees for Wiscasset Public Library and Raise \$1,000 and appropriate \$1,000 from the cable television franchise fees for Boothbay Harbor Memorial Library.

REQUESTED: Wiscasset Public Library \$7,500;  
Boothbay Harbor Memorial Library \$3,000

ART 32. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate for the support of the annual operation of Lincoln County Television (LCTV).

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Appropriate \$500  
from cable television franchise fees.  
REQUESTED: \$1,000

ART 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from surplus the sum of \$1,500.00 for facility repairs.

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:  
Appropriate from surplus \$1,500.

ART 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the General Assistance program.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$2,000

ART 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,220.00 for the Schmid Preserve Advisory Board expenses.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$2,220

ART 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,436.00 for its contract with the Lincoln County Animal Shelter for the disposition of animals.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$1,436

ART 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from surplus the sum of \$10,000.00 for legal fees.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:  
Appropriate from surplus \$10,000

ART 38. Shall the boat excise tax collected be added to the existing Woodend account for the purpose of acquiring property to provide public access to the water in Edgecomb.  
BY PETITION

ART 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money collected from boat excise tax to the Harbor Master's operating fund annually until rescinded.

ART 40. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$1,446.00 from the 2018-2019 boat excise taxes for the Harbor Master's budget.

#### **ROADS**

ART 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$646.00 for the Road Commissioner's expenses.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$646

ART 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$170,322.67 and appropriate \$29,000 from State subsidy for the Road Construction and Paving Loan payment.

ART 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$122,459.00 and appropriate \$190,000.00 from surplus for the snow plowing contract and to authorize the selectmen to enter into a contract for snow plowing and related road work under such terms as they deem advisable.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$122,459,  
Appropriate \$190,000 from surplus

ART 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$67,210.00 for repair and maintenance of the Town's highways and bridges.

ART 45. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$94,000.00 for Cross Point Road repair/paving project.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$94,000

#### **REFUSE DISPOSAL**

ART 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$127,729.00 for Edgecomb's share of the operation of the Boothbay Region Refuse Disposal District.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$127,729

#### **EDGECOMB ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

ART 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 for future signage development within the Town of Edgecomb, with \$500.00 designated for the creation of a town brochure.  
BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$1,500

**PLANNING BOARD**

ART 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,000.00 for the Planning Board and Ordinance Review Committee.

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$6,000

**COASTAL WATERS ORDINANCE**

ART 49. Shall an ordinance entitled the “May 17, 2019 Amendments to the Coastal Waters Ordinance” be enacted? (Note: Changes in text are indicated by underscores for additions and ~~strike through~~ for deletions.)

Section 5

**MOORING LOCATIONS**

No mooring shall be placed or moved in the tidal waters except under the direction of and with permission from the Edgecomb Harbormaster. The Harbormaster/s shall keep a record for each approved mooring and a copy of the original application and a chart indicating each mooring location. Approvals for moorings will apply only to the assigned location. ~~Riparian owners will have priority for moorings adjacent to their property.~~ The assigned location is not transferable.

Riparian owners may apply for mooring location directly adjacent to their property in Edgecomb for their use or may apply as a proxy applicant for another person to use that location. Riparian owners applying for a mooring location as a proxy for another person shall also obtain a notice of consent from their riparian property abutters. All mooring applications shall be subject to approval by the Harbormaster.

**SOCIAL SERVICES**

ART 50. To see if the Town will vote to allow the requirement of a form letter and not a petition for social service requests for funding in the next annual town meeting warrant to those services approved at this year’s town meeting.

ART 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,320.00 for the following Social Services:

Spectrum Generations	\$1,025
Midcoast Maine Community Action	\$1,000
Healthy Kids	\$2,000
New Hope for Women	\$695
Woodchucks	\$600

BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Raise \$5,320

ART 52. To see if the voters of the Town of Edgecomb will appropriate, and authorize a majority of the municipal officers of the town to borrow on behalf of the town, a principal amount not to exceed \$86,500 through the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town of Edgecomb, which may be callable bonds or notes, the proceeds to be used to finance a school bus and further to authorize the municipal officers to do any and all things and execute any and all contracts of documents necessary or convenient to issue the bonds or notes of the Town and accomplish the purchase of a school bus.

**Financial Statement of Town Treasurer**

- Total Town Indebtedness
  - a. Bonds outstanding and unpaid \$3,072,289.30
  - b. Bonds authorized and unissued 0.00
  - c. Bonds to be issued if question is approved 86,500.00
  - Total \$3,158,789.30
- Costs
 

An estimated interest rate of 3.5% for a term of 5 years, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be:

  - Principal \$86,500.00
  - Interest 7,925.00
  - Total Debt Service \$94,425.00

**3. Validity**

The validity of the bonds and of the voters’ verification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issued varies from the estimate, the ratification by

the voters is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.  
/s/ Claudia P. Coffin, Treasurer, Town of Edgecomb, Maine

**ARTICLES 53 THROUGH 63 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES  
IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES**

- ART 53. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.  
Recommend \$1,664,332.64
- ART 54. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Special Education.  
Recommend \$610,221.92
- ART 55. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.  
Recommend \$0.00
- ART 56. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.  
Recommend \$1,800.00
- ART 57. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.  
Recommend \$72,668.63
- ART 58. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for System Administration.  
Recommend \$99,730.58
- ART 59. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for School Administration.  
Recommend \$171,318.99
- ART 60. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.  
Recommend \$117,877.17
- ART 61. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.  
Recommend \$195,367.17
- ART 62. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.  
Recommend \$234,265.25
- ART 63. To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures/School Lunch.  
Recommend \$19,935.00

**ARTICLES 64 THROUGH 65 RAISE FUNDS  
FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

ART 64. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (**Recommend \$1,933,061.25**) and to see what sum the Town will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-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.

**Recommend \$1,708,429.14**

*Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-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.*

ART 65. (Written ballot required) Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$970,163.64** in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by **\$950,228.64** as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee.

The school committee recommends **\$970,163.64** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by **\$950,228.64**: This amount is needed to cover costs of the Town

school that the state's funding model does not recognize including the following: (1) costs of maintaining student-teacher ratios, (2) costs of special education programming, (3) Costs of tuition for students in grades 7-12, and (4) food service costs.

*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 pre-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 66 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

ART 66. To see what sum the Town will authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten 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.

Recommend \$3,187,517.35

Municipal Officers

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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Edgecomb