

**WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
HARPSWELL, MAINE**

MARCH 9, 2002

Cumberland, s.s.

State of Maine

To any Constable or Resident of the Town of Harpswell:

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Harpswell qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at Harpswell Islands School, Route 24, Harpswell, Maine on Saturday the ninth day of March, 2002 at 9 o'clock in the forenoon of said day to act on Articles 1 through 4.

The business meeting to act on Article 5 and others that follow will begin at twelve o'clock noon.

Art. 1 – To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

(POLLS WILL OPEN AS SOON AS ARTICLE ONE HAS BEEN ACTED UPON AND WILL CLOSE AT 5:00 P.M.)

Art. 2 – To choose by secret ballot one Selectman, who shall be an Assessor and Overseer of the Poor, for a three-year term; Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer, all for one-year terms; and two M.S.A.D. #75 Directors for three-year terms.

Art. 3 – To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

Should the Town change the method of selection of the Town Road Commissioner from being elected to being appointed by the Board of Selectmen commencing with the 2003 annual Town Meeting?

Art. 4 – To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

Should the Town change the method of selection of the Town Treasurer from being elected to being appointed by the Board of Selectmen commencing with the 2003 annual Town Meeting?

Art. 5 - To see if the Town will vote to fix October 15, 2002 as the date when taxes shall be due and payable, and to see if the Town will vote to charge a 6.75% rate of interest on unpaid taxes after that date.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 6 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept payment of taxes not yet committed, as a service to our taxpayers. Any excess paid in over the amount finally committed shall be repaid without interest. (36 M.R.S.A. § 506). (Excess payment of \$10.00 or less may be credited to 2003 taxes).

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 7 – To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 2.75% for the period of assessment.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 8 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize and direct the Selectmen, at their discretion, to sell by sealed bid or public auction and to convey by quit-claim deed any real estate acquired from tax sources by the Town, or to convey the property to the prior owner upon payment in full of all taxes, interest and charges incurred by the Town. Selectmen reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 9 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept conditional and unconditional gifts of money and to disburse such funds to any purpose for which the Town has appropriated funds or for any purpose consistent with the Town of Harpswell Comprehensive Plan.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art.10 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2002 annual budget from January 1, 2003 to the 2003 Annual Town Meeting.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art.11 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$221,799 for Debt Service.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee

Art. 12 – To see if the Town will vote to ratify the action of the Board of Selectmen in charging to the general fund balance the amounts overdrawn in 2001 in the following accounts:

Legal Expenses	\$37,485
Town Road Maintenance	3,961
Strawberry Creek Recycling Center	9,615
Incinerator Building – Capital	<u>6,364</u>
	\$57,425

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 13 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell by public bid or other competitive process any and all personal property deemed excess by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to such restrictions as the Board of Selectmen may impose.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 14 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer from undesignated fund balance the accumulated interest earned on the Town Office building project, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate these funds for the Town Office building project.

Recommended by Selectmen

GENERAL GOVERNMENT & OPERATIONS

Art. 15– To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$97,420 for the following elected officials’ salaries, for which Tax Collector and Town Clerk are full-time positions, and travel allowances; and when the Selectmen fill a vacancy in any elected position, they are authorized to establish the annual payment, at their discretion, but in no case in an amount less than three-quarters of the amount in this Article. These are annual salary figures, which shall be prorated and effective from the time of election through December 31 of that year.

	Salary	Expense/Travel
Selectman, Chair	\$8,000	\$1,000
Selectman	7,500	1,000
Selectman	7,500	1,000
Tax Collector	33,280	1,000
Town Clerk	29,640	1,000
Treasurer	<u>6,000</u>	<u>500</u>
	\$91,920	\$5,500

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee

Art. 16 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$327,033 for General Administration.

Administration	\$238,743
Assessing	<u>88,290</u>
	\$327,033

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee

Art. 17 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,725 for the Tax Collector’s Office.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee

Art. 18 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,402 for the Town Clerk’s Office.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee

Art. 19 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98,900 for Codes Enforcement.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee

Art. 20 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$76,000 for the Planning Office.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 21 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,260 for the Treasurer’s Office.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 22 – Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town, to join with other participating municipal and quasi-municipal employers in a Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangement for the provision of employee health benefits, as authorized by 24-A M.R.S.A. § 6601 et seq., said Arrangement to be known as the “Maine Municipal Employees Health Trust” (Health Trust); and for that purpose and in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements among participating employers, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a Participation Agreement on behalf of the Town and take whatever other actions may be necessary. The authority granted herein shall continue until revoked.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 23 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$168,450 for employee benefits.

Maine State Retirement	\$4,000
Health Insurance	98,500
Social Security/Medicare	3,550
Deferred Compensation	5,000
IAM Pension Fund	5,600
Short-term Disability	<u>1,800</u>
	\$168,450

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 24 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$67,997 for Risk Management (Insurance and Workers’ Compensation).

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 25 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for legal expenses.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 26 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,905 for memberships.

Maine Municipal Association	\$7,055
Greater Portland Council of Governments	5,250
Chamber of Commerce	<u>600</u>
	\$12,905

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 27 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for public information.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 28 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,125 for Town Boards/Committees' expenses.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 29 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,630 for operations and maintenance of Town-owned buildings and properties, the preservation of Town records, and clean-up of Town properties.

Town Office Buildings & Grounds	\$45,880
Old Town House	3,450
Town Clean-up	1,500
Town Dock	1,800
Preservation of Town Records	<u>3,000</u>
	\$55,630

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 30 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for a standard boundary survey of Town property, Tax Map 42, Lots 4, 70 and 72.

Recommended by Selectmen

PUBLIC WORKS

Art. 31 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$599,656 for Public Works.

Snow Removal	\$298,226
Road Maintenance	276,250
Road Commissioner Wages	17,680 (<i>Not to exceed</i>)
Road Commissioner Travel	3,000
Road/Street Signs	<u>4,500</u>
	\$599,656

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 32 – To see if the Town will vote to approve the Road Commissioner’s Ten-Year Plan for Estimated Road Improvements in substantially the form as shown in Attachment A and subject to the following:

- (1) Funding for the year 2002 as shown on the plan has already been appropriated at the 2001 Annual Town Meeting;**
- (2) Funding for each year 2003 through 2011 shall be subject to an annual appropriation vote starting in 2003;**
- (3) Scheduling changes to the plan may be made by the Road Commissioner subject to review and approval of the same by the Board of Selectmen after notice and hearing; and**
- (4) The Road Commissioner shall not spend in any one year more than an amount equal to the sum of the annual appropriation for that year plus any amount carried forward from a prior appropriation.**

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 33 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$296,540 for Strawberry Creek Recycling Center and Transfer Station operations and personnel.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

PROTECTION AND SAFETY

Art. 34 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$193,725 for Emergency Services.

Operating	\$100,000	<i>(Split evenly among 3 departments)</i>
Capital	65,000	<i>(\$20,000 for CH, \$20,000 for OBI, \$25,000 for HN)</i>
Training	12,000	<i>(Split evenly among 3 departments)</i>
ALS	8,825	
EMS Coordination	1,000	
Central Communication Maint.	1,000	
Fire Warden	3,000	
Emergency Management	<u>2,900</u>	
	\$193,725	

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 35 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the dry hydrant reserve account.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 36 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$217,825 for Law Enforcement services contracted with Cumberland County Sheriff’s Department.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 37 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$130,079 for Shellfish Conservation and boat operations.

Cumberland County Marine Patrol Contract	\$129,079
Boat Operations	<u>1,000</u>
	\$130,079

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 38 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,478 for Communications services with Cumberland County.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 39 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,250 for water quality testing, shoreline surveys, clam flat surveys, New Meadows River Watershed Project and Pump-out Station.

Water Quality Testing & Shoreline Surveys	\$7,000
Clam Flat Surveys	4,250
New Meadows River Watershed Project	1,000
Pump-out Station (Matching Funds for Grant)	<u>1,000</u>
	\$13,250

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 40 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for Street Lighting.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 41 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,665 for Harbor Management.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 42 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,624 for Animal Control.

Animal Control	\$14,962
Coastal Humane Society	<u>5,662</u>
	\$20,624

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Art. 43 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,350 for Health and Welfare.

General Assistance	\$15,000
Health Officer	1,600
Flu Clinic	<u>750</u>
	\$17,350

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 44 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,161 for Health and Welfare Agencies.

CHAN	\$2,500
Jessie Albert Dental Clinic	2,500
Independence Association	3,200
CED	730
Coastal Transportation	3,000
55 Plus	5,000
Senior Spectrum	5,594
Hospice	1,500
Family Crisis Shelter	500
Sexual Assault Response	250
Tedford Shelter	900
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	500
Respite	650
Child Abuse Control	337
Hunger Prevention	<u>2,000</u>
	\$29,161

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 45 – To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the control of browntail moth.

*\$45,000 Recommended by Selectmen
\$45,000 Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL

Art. 46– To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$74,500 to continue the current relationship with Curtis Memorial Library in Brunswick.

*Recommended by Selectmen
\$66,850 Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 47 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$48,700 for Cultural and Educational Programs.

Harpswell Community Broadcasting	\$29,000
Orr’s Island Library	10,000
Cundy’s Harbor Library	6,000
Harpswell Historical Society	2,000
Pejepscot Historical Society	500
Memorial Observances	<u>1,200</u>
	\$48,700

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 48 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,575 for Recreation, including making the Recreation Director a permanent part-time position, and authorize Selectmen to disburse funds received for recreational purposes and also to disburse revenue generated by advertising and concessions for the operating expenses of Trufant-Summerton Field.

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 49 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant an easement to the Harpswell Historical Society to allow it to drill a well and draw water from the Town-owned property on Route 123 (Tax Map 10, Lot 8) for the benefit of the Bailey Store property also located on Route 123 (Tax Map 10, Lot 12). The easement shall be on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate.

Recommended by Selectmen

CAPITAL PLANS

Art. 50 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$96,500 to fund a current capital expense fund for year 2002.

Harpswell Historical Society Building/Archives	10,000
General Vehicle	7,000
Strawberry Creek Recycling & Transfer	71,500
Software Upgrade Fund	5,000
Communications Repeater Replacement	<u>3,000</u>
	\$96,500

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee*

Art. 51 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize that remaining funds in the amount of \$4,500 from the Town’s Clerk’s 2001 Office budget be carried over to the capital reserve account for the replacement of voting machines.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 52 – To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve account for cemetery restoration in the amount of \$8,000 to be funded from general fund balance.

Recommended by Selectmen

ORDINANCES

Art. 53 – Shall an ordinance entitled “2002 Town of Harpswell Harbor and Waterfront Ordinance” be enacted thereby repealing and replacing the current “Town of Harpswell Harbor and Waterfront Ordinance”?

[The proposed ordinance is attached.]

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 54 – Shall the Waters Classification Plan of the Town of Harpswell dated February 28, 2002, prepared by the Town Planner and designed to accompany the 2002 Town of Harpswell Waterfront Ordinance, be adopted?

[The proposed Waters Classification Plan is available for review and inspection at the Town Office and will also be available at the Town Meeting.]

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 55 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘Harpswell Shellfish Ordinance’ be amended as proposed?

Sec. 302 Fees

The following fees will apply unless otherwise determined by the Selectmen.

- 302.1 **Resident Commercial Shellfish License \$200.00.** License fee not refundable if proven a non-resident. For residents 65 years or older who have such a license for at least the two preceding years, the license fee shall only be \$100.
- 302.2 **Non-resident Commercial Shellfish License.** Shall be the maximum fee allowed by the State. For residents 65 years or older who have such a license for at least the two preceding years, the license fee shall only be \$200.
- 302.3 **Resident Recreational Shellfish License \$10.00.** (License fees will be waived for residents 65 years or older for this category.)
- 302.4 **Non-resident Recreational Shellfish License.** Shall be the maximum fee allowed by the State. (License fees will be waived for non-residents 65 years or older for this category.)

304.5 Commercial Renewal License

Applications for Resident Commercial Renewal Shellfish licenses and Non-resident Commercial Renewal Shellfish licenses shall be separated. Applicants for Resident Commercial Shellfish licenses must have held that category of license for the qualifying number of years. Applicants for Non-resident Commercial Shellfish licenses must have held that category of license for the qualifying number of years. Applicants for Renewal licenses must have been licensed in the Town of Harpswell for at least two (2) of the preceding five (5) years, and must have discharged their conservation obligation. Reciprocal licenses from previous years do not qualify for commercial renewal licenses. Renewal licenses will be available during the last five (5) working days of March and will be limited to the number of licenses to be issued that year. In the case that applicants exceed licenses available, licenses will be determined by the number of years in the preceding five (5) years, in decreasing order, a licensee as held a qualifying Commercial Shellfish license in the Town of Harpswell; provided, however, that an applicant for a renewal license who has held a resident license for a shorter time period than an applicant for a renewal license who has held a resident license for at least two (2) of the preceding five (5) years but who has not qualified as a resident in the immediately preceding year shall have priority over the applicant who has held a resident license for at least two (2) of the preceding five (5) years but who has not qualified as a resident in the immediately preceding year. Nothing in Section 307.5 - 307.6.2 shall be interpreted to increase the available number of Non-resident Commercial licenses to more than ten percent of the available number of Resident Commercial licenses.

Sec. 502 Duration

This Ordinance and any amendments thereto shall remain in effect until ~~the Annual Town Meeting 2002~~ repealed by the Town or rescinded by the Commissioner of Marine Resources.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 56 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Site Plan Review Ordinance Regarding Filing of Approved Site Plans’ be enacted?

[The proposed ordinance is attached.]

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Land Use Committee

Art. 57 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Basic Land Use Ordinance Regarding Expiration of Permits’ be enacted?

[The proposed ordinance is attached.]

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Land Use Committee

Art. 58 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Subdivision Ordinance and the Basic Land Use Ordinance Regarding Subdivision Design’ be enacted?

[The proposed ordinance is attached.]

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Land Use Committee

Art. 59 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Basic Land Use Ordinance Regarding Interior Timber Harvesting’ be enacted?

[The proposed ordinance is attached.]

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Land Use Committee*

Art. 60 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance Regarding Parking’ be enacted? [The proposed ordinance is attached.]

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Land Use Committee*

Art. 61 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Harpswell Road Ordinance’ be enacted thereby repealing and replacing the current ‘Harpswell Road Ordinance’ and an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Subdivision Ordinance and the Definitions Addendum Regarding Road Design’ be enacted?

[The proposed ordinance is attached.]

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Land Use Committee*

Art. 62 - Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Harpswell Road Ordinance Regarding Driveway Design’ be enacted? [The proposed ordinance is attached.]

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Land Use Committee*

Art. 63 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Basic Land Use Ordinance, the Subdivision Ordinance and the Definitions Addendum Regarding Stream Setbacks’ be enacted? [The proposed ordinance is attached.]

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Land Use Committee*

Art. 64 – Shall an ordinance entitled ‘2002 Amendments to the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance (both text and map), the Definitions Addendum, the Subdivision Ordinance and the Basic Land Use Ordinance Regarding Wetlands and the Resource Protection Zoning District’ be enacted?

[The proposed ordinance and the proposed Shoreland Zoning Map are available for review and inspection at the Town Office and will also be available at Town Meeting.]

*Recommended by Selectmen
Recommended by Land Use Committee*

FUEL DEPOT

Art. 65 – To see if the Town will vote to establish a Fuel Depot Annual Maintenance Reserve Account and transfer the amount of \$8,236 from a Special Revenue Account to the Fuel Depot Reserve Account, and such funds shall be expended for annual maintenance at the Fuel Depot.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 66 – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,100 for operation and capital expenses at the Fuel Depot.

Capital (roofing)	\$10,000
Repairs (masonry, boat ramp)	20,000
Maintenance & Electric Service	<u>4,100</u>
	\$34,100

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Fuel Depot Committee

Art. 67 – To see if the Town will vote that picnic facilities be placed on the Fuel Depot property and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,440 to purchase picnic tables and to rent portable toilet facilities for the same and to accept cash donations for the same.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Fuel Depot Committee

Art. 68 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate an agreement with Central Maine Power with regard to payment of the so-called CIAC tax for the Fuel Depot property on Route 123 and to appropriate from general fund balance an amount not to exceed \$22,647 to pay for same.

Recommended by Selectmen

OTHER ITEMS

Art. 69 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate a long-term lease agreement, not to exceed 20 years, with Tower Specialists, Inc. of Falmouth, Maine, or its nominee, to build and locate a wireless communications tower, less than 200’ in height, on a portion of the Town-owned land adjacent to Strawberry Creek provided that, at a minimum, the lease provides the Town with free wireless telecommunications use rights on the tower and a fee-sharing arrangement with the Town for any future commercial carriers to locate on the tower.

Recommended by Selectmen

Art. 70 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes in an amount not exceeding \$259,000, hereby authorized, with the dates, maturities, denominations, interest rates and other details of such bonds to be determined by the Board of Selectmen to fund the purchase of a certain lot or parcel of land in Harpswell at Doughty Point, approximately 77 acres in size, and currently depicted as Lot 54 on Town Tax Map 42.

Recommended by Selectmen

Total estimated debt service of this bond issue is \$405,342, of which principal is \$259,000 and estimated interest cost at 5.3% over 20 years is \$146,342.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT – TOWN OF HARPSWELL

The issuance of bonds by the Town of Harpswell (the “Town”) is one of the ways in which the Town borrows money for certain purposes. The following is a summary of the bonded indebtedness of the Town of Harpswell as of the date of this Town Meeting:

* Bonds Now Outstanding and Unpaid	\$1,550,000
* Interest to be Repaid on Outstanding Bonds	\$ 389,082
* Total to be Repaid on Bonds Issued	\$1,939,082
* Additional Bonds Authorized But Not Yet Issued	\$ 0
* Total Additional Bonds (now proposed) to be Issued if Approved by Voters	\$ 259,000
* Estimated Potential New Interest	\$ 146,342
* Total Additional Bonds To Be Issued and Estimated Interest if Approved by Voters	\$ 405,342

When money is borrowed by issuing bonds, the Town must repay not only the principal amount of the bonds but also interest on the bonds. The amount of interest to be paid will vary depending upon the rate of interest and the years to maturity at the time of issue. The validity of the bonds and of the voters’ ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the estimates made of the costs involved, including varying interest rates, the estimated cost of interest on the bond amount to be issued, and the total cost of principal and interest to be paid at maturity.

Kathleen M. Sylvester
Town Treasurer

Art. 71 – To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate \$200,000 from undesignated fund balance, \$240,000 from Municipal Revenue Sharing, and \$1,322,315 of 2002 non-property tax revenue to reduce the tax commitment.

Recommended by Selectmen

The Selectmen hereby give notice that the Registrar of Voters will be available at the Town Office during regular business hours for the entire week preceding said meeting to receive applications of persons claiming the right to vote at said meeting and to make corrections to the list of voters. Registrations will also be accepted at the meeting.

Given under our hand this twenty-eighth day of February, A.D. 2002.

David I. Chipman

George H. Swallow

David S. Mercier
Selectmen, Town of Harpswell