

**WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
HARPSWELL, MAINE
JUNE 12, 2007**

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 (1) Merriconeag Grange, 529 Harpswell Neck Road, for voters who reside on Harpswell Neck; (2) Cundy's Harbor Community Building, 837 Cundy's Harbor Road, for voters who reside on Great Island; and (3) Orr's Island Community Building, 1594 Harpswell Islands Road, for voters who reside on Orr's and Bailey Islands, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of June, 2007 at 9:00am of said day, to act on Articles 1 and 3.

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 8:00 P.M.)

Art. 2 – To vote by secret ballot on the following Referendum Question:

Shall an Ordinance entitled “2007 Amendments to the Town of Harpswell Sign Ordinance” be enacted?

The Town of Harpswell Sign Ordinance shall be amended as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are ~~struck out~~):

3. Regulations

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3.4 The following types of signs are approved for use without the need for a permit in the Town of Harpswell:

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3.4.5 Religious Service/Civic Organization Meeting Signs. A religious or civic organization may erect no more than 4 signs showing the place and time of services or meetings to be held in Harpswell. No such sign shall exceed 24 inches by 30 inches in size. Such signs shall be located outside of the right of way.

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3.5 Standards

The following standards apply to all new signs in the Town of Harpswell.

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3.5.3 Except for signs constructed pursuant to Section 3.4.5, all signs shall be setback 33 feet from the centerline of any Highway, Street, Road or Private Road.

Recommended by Selectmen

Note of explanation: The purpose of this amendment is to allow religious and civic organizations to erect up to four, 24-inch x 30-inch signs displaying meeting places and times without a permit in Harpswell as provided by State law.

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

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen or their designated representatives to negotiate a lease agreement for the proposed development, construction, operation and maintenance of a boatbuilding operation on up to 5 acres of certain upland area and related shorefront, including, but not limited to, the existing deepwater pier, located on the Town-owned former U.S. Navy fuel farm property now known as Mitchell Field (Tax Map 13, Lot 4), by Washburn and Doughty Associates, Inc. or its nominee; provided, however, that (a) any such use shall be integral with, and made a part of, the overall master planning process currently underway for Mitchell Field; and (b) final approval of any such lease agreement (and any related comprehensive plan and/or land use ordinance amendments and development programs) will rest with the voters at a subsequent Town meeting.

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 be accepted at the meeting.

Given under our hand this thirty-first day of May, A.D. 2007.

Samuel W. Alexander

Amy N. Haible

James S. Henderson
Harpswell Board of Selectmen