



Town of Hermon

Public Safety Meeting Room

May 23, 2024

Town Council Meeting

7:00 PM

MINUTES

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I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON:

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

III. ROLL CALL:

IV. PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENTS: *(ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)*

V. REVIEW CONSENT CALENDAR: REGULAR BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, SIGNATURES, AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MINUTES	-APPROVE	5/9/2024
SIGNATURES	-APPROVE	
RESOLVES	-SIGN	
WARRANTS	-SIGN	5/24/2024

VI. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- **Hold** Public Hearing -- School Budget for FY 2024-2025
- **Hold** Public Hearing – Municipal Budget for FY 2024-2025
- **Hold** Public Hearing – Charter amendments – cancelled and moved to June 27, 2024
- **Hold** Public Hearing – Central Maine Harley Davidson: We Ride for Vets fundraiser & 35th Anniversary Party

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:



IX. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

B. NEW BUSINESS:

FR23-24-20 Consider approving 2024-2025 FY Municipal Budget

FR23-24-21 Consider approving 2024-2025 FY School Budget

Council to review and sign School/Municipal warrant

R23-24-30 Consider approving **Central Maine Harley Davidson** for Special Amusement/Concourse Gathering Application for 35th Anniversary Party on June 29, 2024 and “We Ride for Vets” fundraiser on July 13, 2024

R23-24-31 Consider setting Bangor Humane impound fees

C. WORKSHOPS:

D. OTHER ITEMS: (FROM TABLE PACKAGE)

X. APPOINTMENTS:

XI. MANAGER STATUS REPORT:

XII. FINAL PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENT: (ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)

XIII. COUNCIL ITEMS:

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

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Explanatory note #1: All items in the CONSENT CALENDAR are considered routine and are proposed for adoption by the Town Council with one motion without DISCUSSION or deliberation. If DISCUSSION on any item is desired, any member of the Council or public may request the removal of an item for it to be placed in the regular agenda prior to the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Explanatory Note #2: In the interest of effect decision-making: At 10:00 p.m., the Chairman shall poll the Council and Town Manager to identify remaining items which shall be carried forward to the next Regular Meeting.

Explanatory Note #3: A Councilor who feels the need for the Council excusing his/her absence will make the request to the Town Manager or the Town Clerk prior to the meeting.



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May 9, 2024

Town Council Meeting

7:00 PM

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I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON:

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Murphy led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Richard Cyr, Christopher Gray, John Snyder III, Ronald Murphy, Steven Thomas and Derek Wood

Members Absent: Christopher Gray – Excused (arrived at 7:02pm for the meeting)

Others Present: Town Manager Joshua Berry, Town Clerk Kristen Cushman and 13 residents/guests

IV. PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENTS: *(ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)*

No public comments

V. REVIEW CONSENT CALENDAR: REGULAR BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, SIGNATURES, AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MINUTES	-APPROVE	5/2/2024
SIGNATURES	-APPROVE	
RESOLVES	-SIGN	
WARRANTS	-SIGN	5/10/2024

Councilor Wood moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Councilor Cyr seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.



C. WORKSHOPS:

- **Draft warrant - Josh Berry**
Councilor Snyder would like to know the cost of the watercraft and possibly pull back the money to go towards an ambulance etc.
- **Charter Review discussion – Josh Berry**
Discussion on term limits for RSU – would like reconsidered.
Would like to see the RSU seats to be filled by one from Levant and one from Carmel.
- **Animal Control fees – Josh Berry**
Discussion to increase impound fees for dogs and cats

D. OTHER ITEMS: (FROM TABLE PACKAGE)

X. APPOINTMENTS:

Appoint new personnel as required by Charter and State Statute:
Stephen Fields to Town Manager

Councilor Snyder moved to affirm and appoint Stephen Fields as the next Town Manager to start 7/1/2024. Councilor Thomas seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 6-0.

XI. MANAGER STATUS REPORT:

- The FY25 Budget Warrants will be in the next Hermon Connection for residents.
- The dock is in at Jackson Beach.
- Transfer station will be closed May 11, 2024

XII. FINAL PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENT: (ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)

No public comments

XIII. COUNCIL ITEMS:

John Snyder: Hopeful something can be done to help reflect the crossing signal by the High School because it's been hit many times.

Richard Cyr: Thank to the town for replacing the street sign at Bryant Rd due to a vehicle doing donuts in the road. Mr. Cyr thanked the people working on the charter review committee.

Legal Notices

PUBLIC HEARING

By order of the **Hermon Town Council**, the following Public Hearings have been scheduled for **good Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 7:00 PM** in the Public Safety Meeting Room.

TO CONSIDER comments regarding:

- School Budget FY 24-25
- Municipal Budget FY 24-25
- Charter amendments
- Central Maine Harley Davidson - We Ride for Vets fundraiser

The Public shall be given the right to comment before the Council acts.

Per Order 21-22-02, July 12, 2022

May 14, 2024

**FR23-24-20**

Be it resolved by the Hermon Town Council in town council assembled the municipal budget for the period 7-1-2024 to 6-30-2025, including county tax funding, be adopted in the following amounts:

BUDGET SUMMARY 2024-2025

		FY 25	FY 24	Change	Percent
Account#	Expenses	Budget	Budget		Change
10	General Government	\$1,524,974	\$1,421,450.00	\$103,524.00	7.28%
11	Economic Development	\$618,925.00	\$881,014.00	(\$262,089.00)	-29.75%
12	Public Safety	\$1,933,196.00	\$1,675,446.00	\$257,750.00	15.38%
13	Public Works	\$1,583,213.00	\$1,630,115.00	(\$46,902.00)	-2.88%
14	Solid Waste	\$665,555.00	\$530,317.00	\$135,238.00	25.50%
15	Rec/Soc. Serv	\$170,814.00	\$153,743.00	\$17,071.00	11.10%
16	Debt	\$460,710	\$460,710.00	\$0.00	0.00%
17	Capital Reserves	\$440,000.00	\$490,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	-10.20%
19	Special Assessment	\$1,304,000.00	\$1,204,000.00	\$100,000.00	8.31%
25	General Assistance	\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00	(\$2,500.00)	-33.33%
	Total Municipal	\$8,706,387.00	\$8,427,935.00	\$278,452.00	3.30%
	Revenues	FY 25	FY 24	Change	% Chng
10-100	Clerk Fees	\$37,600.00	\$37,600.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-110	Auto Excise	\$3,000,000.00	\$2,800,000.00	\$200,000.00	7.14%
10-111	Truck Excise	\$38,000.00	\$70,000.00	(\$32,000.00)	-45.71%
10-112	Boat Excise	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-115	Dogs/ACO	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-120	Building Permits	\$13,500.00	\$12,000.00	\$1,500.00	12.50%
10-121	LPI fees	\$11,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$1,000.00	10.00%
10-125	Planning & Zoning Apps.	\$6,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00	116.67%
10-130	Hermon Connection	\$750.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	50.00%
10-135	CEM Fees	\$4,500.00	\$1,450.00	\$3,050.00	210.34%

Attest Original: _____

Motion _____

Yeas _____

Date _____

Second _____

Nays _____

14-140	Transfer Station Fees	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-145	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$235,000.00	\$250,000.00	(\$15,000.00)	-6.00%
10-146	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00	(\$1,000.00)	-9.09%
10-148	Cable Franchise	\$15,000.00	\$16,000.00	(\$1,000.00)	-6.25%
14-150	Contract Tip fees	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-160	Sewer Assessments	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-170	Interest - Investments	\$150,000.00	\$130,000.00	\$20,000.00	15.38%
12-185	FD Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-200	Revenue Sharing	\$700,000.00	\$600,000.00	\$100,000.00	16.67%
25-210	GA Reimbursement	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	100.00%
10-250	Snowmobile Registration	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-300	URIP	\$70,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$5,000.00	7.69%
10-167	TIF Revenues	\$750,000.00	\$900,000.00	(\$150,000.00)	-16.67%
10-550	Interest & lien Costs	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
10-175	Unrest. Net Assets	\$700,000.00	\$700,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
	Total Municipal Revenues	\$5,794,850.00	\$5,662,050.00	\$132,800.00	2.35%

Be it further resolved the Recreation Enterprise expenses for the period 7-1-2024 to 6-30-2025 be set at a total amount not to exceed \$519,320 pending receipt of revenues to off-set the approve expenses.

SIGNED this May 23, 2024, by the Hermon Town Council:

Ronald Murphy

Steven Thomas

Richard Cyr

Christopher Gray

John Snyder III

Derek Wood

Vacant

Attest Original: _____

Motion _____

Yeas _____

Date _____

Second _____

Nays _____

**FR23-24-21**

Be it resolved by the Hermon Town Council in town council assembled the School Department budget for the period 7-1-2024 to 6-30-2025 be adopted in the following amounts:

BUDGET SUMMARY 2024-2025

	FY 25	FY 24	Change	Percent
<u>COST CENTER</u>	Budget	Budget		Change
Regular Instruction	\$ 8,317,121.61	\$ 7,953,429.73	\$ 363,691.88	4.57%
Special Education	\$ 3,051,681.08	\$ 2,859,227.92	\$ 192,453.16	6.73%
Other Instruction	\$ 735,458.95	\$ 794,745.10	\$ (59,286.15)	-7.46%
Student/Staff Support	\$ 1,919,766.68	\$ 1,816,740.69	\$ 103,025.99	5.67%
System Admin	\$ 643,806.59	\$ 618,750.50	\$ 25,056.09	4.05%
School Admin	\$ 1,089,281.99	\$ 1,034,140.02	\$ 55,141.97	5.33%
Transportation	\$ 946,238.23	\$ 880,011.64	\$ 66,226.59	7.53%
Facilities/Maint	\$ 2,453,299.84	\$ 2,462,421.52	\$ (9,121.68)	-0.37%
Debt	\$ 571,608.00	\$ 581,731.50	\$ (10,123.50)	-1.74%
All Other	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (50,000.00)	-100.00%
Total School	\$ 19,728,262.97	\$ 19,051,198.62	\$ 677,064.35	3.55%
Revenues	FY 25	FY 24	Change	% Chng
Local for Food Service	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	\$ (50,000.00)	-100.00%
Reserve Transfers	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 296,302.21	\$ (236,302.21)	-79.75%
Local-Oper/Programs	\$ 4,301,014.00	\$ 4,157,837.33	\$ 143,176.67	3.44%
Local for Debt Service	\$ 571,608.00	\$ 581,731.50	\$ (10,123.50)	-1.74%
Local for Other	\$ 1,133,243.03	\$ 1,216,296.20	\$ (83,053.17)	-6.83%
Elementary Tuition	\$ 9,200.00	\$ -	\$ 9,200.00	#DIV/0!
Secondary Tuition	\$ 2,619,000.00	\$ 2,600,000.00	\$ 19,000.00	0.73%
Special Ed Tuition	\$ 352,900.67	\$ 320,000.00	\$ 32,900.67	10.28%
Int. Income	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	300.00%
Misc Revenue	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	75.00%

Attest Original: _____

Motion _____	Yeas _____	Date _____
Second _____	Nays _____	

HS Events Admissions	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	20.00%
Facilities Use	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	#DIV/0!
Transportation	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00	#DIV/0!
State Appropriation-Oper/Prog	\$ 8,920,949.05	\$ 8,632,448.98	\$ 288,500.07	3.34%
State Agency Client Rev. Es&MS	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	1000.00 %
State Agency Rev. HHS	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (5,000.00)	-50.00%
HS JROTC	\$ 92,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	8.24%
E-Rate	\$ -	\$ 26,582.40	\$ (26,582.40)	-100.00%
Balance Forward	\$ 1,399,848.22	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 399,848.22	39.98%
Totals	\$19,728,262.97	\$19,051,198.62	\$677,064.35	3.55%

SIGNED this May 23, 2024, by the Hermon Town Council:

Ronald Murphy

Steven Thomas

Richard Cyr

Christopher Gray

John Snyder III

Derek Wood

Vacant

Attest Original: _____

Motion _____	Yeas _____	Date _____
Second _____	Nays _____	



Annual Town Meeting

Budget Approval

Thursday, June 13, 2024

To: Courtney Brown a Resident of the Town of Hermon, in the County of Penobscot, State of Maine,

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hermon in Penobscot County, Maine, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, the Election in this Municipality will be held at the **Patricia A. Duran School Gymnasium** on Tuesday, June 13, 2024 to act on Article 1 at 6:45 a.m. and Article 2 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Annual Town Meeting will be held at the **Hermon High School in the Auditorium, 2415 Route 2 in Hermon on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** to act on the remaining articles.

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2: To elect all municipal officers and school committee members as are required to be elected.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the revenues received for the following accounts to offset the associated expense accounts, for fiscal year 2025 with approval of the Town Council?

Revenues

10-130 Hermon Connection Revenue
10-121 Local Plumbing Fees
14-140 Transfer Station Fees
14-150 Tipping Fee Revenue (PERC)
12-182 Police Revenue
12-185 Fire Dept. Revenue
35 Recreation Enterprise Revenues

Expenses

10-13-04-05 Hermon Connection Expenses
10-13-05-04 Local Plumbing Expenses
14-01 Landfill Expense
14-02 Household Waste Expense
12-01 Police Expenses
12-02 Fire Dept. Expenses
35 Recreation Enterprise Expenses

(Explanation: The listed revenue accounts are special funds received by the Town for specific purposes. Approval by the citizens will allow the Town Council to expend these revenues for the expense accounts listed above.

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town of Hermon combine reserve accounts Herm 3, Herm 13, Herm, 14, and Herm 34 into the Herm 2, Administration Reserve account?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town of Hermon combine the reserve account Herm 31 into the Herm 5, Public Safety & Fire Department Reserve account?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town of Hermon combine reserve accounts Herm 8, Herm 29, and Herm 32 into the Herm 06, Public Works & Road Reserve account?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town of Hermon combine reserve accounts Herm 4 and Herm 28 into the Herm 9, Parks and Recreation Reserve account?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town of Hermon combine reserve accounts Herm 17 and Herm 19 into the Herm 11, Public Facility Reserve account?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town of Hermon combine reserve account Herm 35 into the Herm 12, Sewer maintenance account?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the following sums of money for each of the listed reserves?

HERM02 Administrative Reserve	\$ 0
HERM05 Public Safety & Fire Dept Res	\$ 160,000
HERM06 Public Works & Road Reserve	\$ 175,000
HERM09 Parks & Recreation Reserve	\$ 45,000
HERM11 Public Facility Reserve	\$ 100,000
HERM12 Sewer Maintenance Reserve	\$ 20,000

Total Appropriation to Reserves \$ 490,000

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town vote to authorize the expenditure of up to \$25,000 from the Parks & Recreation Reserve (HERM04) for the purchase of stone repair/cleaning, gazebo repair and tree removal our cemeteries and veteran memorial park?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town vote to authorize the expenditure of up to \$75,000 from the Parks & Recreation Reserve (HERM04) for the purchase of playground repair, equipment replacement, football & baseball field improvements and canopy construction for the summer rec program at PADS?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town vote to authorize the expenditure of up to \$314,425 from the Highway Improvement Reserve (HERM06) to repair and rehabilitate the Pine Tree Road, Higgins Drive and New Boston Road, including road drainage, tree cutting, shoulder work and repair to various local roads in Hermon, contingent upon approval of Article 4?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town vote to authorize an expenditure of up to \$20,000 from Public Works & Road Reserve (HERM06) to install a new plow on public works truck PW1 and replace sander in PW3?

Recommended by Town Council

ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town vote to authorize an expenditure of up to \$135,000 from Sewer Maintenance Reserve (HERM12) to offset anticipated increases to the roadside refuse collections contract with Casella Waste?

Recommended by Town Council

ARTICLE 16: Shall the Town vote to authorize an expenditure of up to \$65,000 from Sewer Maintenance Reserve (HERM12) for generator installs at Cedar Brook Drive and North Street Extension wastewater lift stations?

Recommended by Town Council

ARTICLE 17: Shall the Town vote to authorize an expenditure of up to \$25,000 from the School Repair Reserve (HERM07) to repair and restore schoolhouse property on Billings Rd?

Recommended by Town Council

ARTICLE 18: Shall the Town vote to authorize an expenditure of up to \$20,000 from Public Facility Reserve (HERM11) for Town Office interior door project?

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 19: Shall the Town vote to authorize the transfer of funds from Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) Revenue in the amount up to \$743,925 to off-set authorized expenditures for Economic Development general accounts #11-01-01-01 to 11-01-20-06 in the amount of \$618,925 including the reconstruction of Logistics Lane, industrial park upgrades, GIS mapping, and Ryder incentive prog.; and account # 19-02-25-03 TIF Credit Enhancement Agreements (\$125,000)?

Recommended by Town Council

ARTICLE 20: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate for municipal purposes for Fiscal Year 2024 for the period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 the following sums of money?

Appropriation by category:

General Government/Administration	\$ 1,524,974
Economic Development/Technology	\$ 618,925
Public Safety	\$ 1,933,196
Public Works	\$ 1,583,213
Solid Waste	\$ 665,555
Recreation/Social Service	\$ 170,814
Debt Service	\$ 460,710
Reserves	\$ 440,000
Special Assessments (includes County)	\$ 1,304,000
General Assistance	\$ <u>5,000</u>
Total Municipal & County Appropriation	\$8,706,387

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 21: Shall the Town set the Fiscal Year 2024 Tax Commitment excluding the Overlay Account as follows:

Municipal Expenses:	\$ 7,527,387
County Assessment	\$ 1,179,000
Local contribution to Schools:	<u>\$ 6,005,865</u>
Total Expenses	\$14,712,252
Less Municipal Revenues	<u>-\$5,584,850</u>

Total Commitment less Overlay \$9,124,402

Recommended by the Town Council

ARTICLE 22: Shall the Town appropriate from Overlay Account an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for tax abatements?

Recommended by the Town Council

**ARTICLES 23 THROUGH 32
AUTHORIZE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER
CATEGORIES**

ARTICLE 23: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$8,317,121.61 for Regular Instruction?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$8,317,121.61

ARTICLE 24: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$3,051,681.08 for Special Education?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$3,051,681.08

ARTICLE 25: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$0 for Career and Technical Education?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$0

ARTICLE 26: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$735,458.95 for Other Instruction (summer School/extra Act)?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$735,458.95

ARTICLE 27: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$1,919,766.68 for Student/Staff Support?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$1,919,766.68

ARTICLE 28: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$643,806.59 for System Administration?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$643,806.59

ARTICLE 29: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$1,089,281.99 for School Administration?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$1,089,281.99

ARTICLE 30: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$946,238.23 for Transportation/buses?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$946,238.23

ARTICLE 31: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$2,453,299.84 for Facilities/Maintenance?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$2,453,299.84

ARTICLE 32: Shall the School Department be authorized to spend \$571,608.00 for Debt/Other Commitments?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$571,608.00

ARTICLES 33-34

RAISE FUNDS FOR THE SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 33: Shall the Town of Hermon appropriate the recommended amounts below for 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 Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

Town Council and School Committee Recommend the Below Amounts:

Total Appropriated: \$13,152,981

Total Raised: \$4,3001,014

***Explanation:** The school administrative unit'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 to receive the full amount of state dollars.*

ARTICLE 34: Shall the Town of Hermon raise and appropriate \$571,608 for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the town voters for non-state funded school construction projects, or non-state funded portions of school construction projects in addition to funds appropriated as local share of the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12.

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$571,608

***Explanation:** Non-state funded debt service is the amount of money needed for annual payments on Hermon's long-term debt service for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters.*

WRITTEN BALLOT REQUIRED

ARTICLE 35: (WRITTEN BALLOT REQUIRED) Shall the Town of Hermon raise and appropriate \$1,133,243.03 in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$1,133,243.03 as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$1,133,243.03

Explanation: Additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Town's contribution to the School Unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the State's Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (EPS) and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the School Unit's budget for educational programs.

SUMMARIZES THE SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 36: Shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend \$19,728,262.97 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 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 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 support of schools?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$19,728,262.97

ARTICLE 37: In addition to the amounts approved in the preceding Articles, shall the Town authorize the School Committee to expend other such sums as may be received from state and federal grants, aid, and receipts during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 for school purposes, provided that such grants, aid and receipts do not require expenditure of local funds not previously appropriated?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend YES

ARTICLE 38: Shall the Region Four Vocational Budget as approved by the Cooperative Board for the year July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 be approved in the amount of \$4,842,937.10?

Explanation: Cooperative Board for Regional Vocational Budget is not subject to amendment from the floor. It may be accepted or rejected by the voters. Hermon's share of the Region Four budget is \$0.

Town Council and School Committee Recommend YES

ARTICLE 39: In the event that the Hermon School Department receives more state education subsidy than the amount included in its budget, shall the School Committee be authorized to use all or part of the additional state subsidy to increase expenditures for school purposes in cost center categories approved by the School Committee and/or the allocation of finances to reserve funds approved by the School Committee?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend YES

ARTICLE 40: Shall the Region Four Vocational Budget as approved by the Cooperative Board for **adult education** for the year July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 be approved in the amount of \$318,528.80?

Explanation: The Region Four Vocational Budget for Adult Education supports adult education classes held at United Technologies Center in Bangor for communities that belong to the Region Four consortium. Hermon's share of the regional adult education budget is \$3,410.77.

Town Council and School Committee Recommend YES

ARTICLE 41: Shall the Town of Hermon create a new reserve account titles "HHS Science Lab Reserve Account" (HERM24)?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend \$50,000.00

ARTICLE 42: Shall the Town of Hermon repurpose the reserve account titled "Unemployment Reserve" to "Special Education Out of District Placement Reserve"?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend

ARTICLE 43: Shall the Town of Hermon allow the transfer of up to \$250,000 from the School Undesignated Fund Balance to the newly created "HHS Science Lab Reserve Account" (HERM24)?

Town Council and School Committee Recommend

Richard Cyr

Christopher Gray

Ronald Murphy

John Snyder III

Steven Thomas

Derek Wood

Vacant

Attest Original/True Copy: _____, Clerk



R23-24-30

Be it resolved by the Hermon Town Council in town council assembled to approve the Central Maine Harley Davidson for two Special Amusement/Concourse Gathering Permit Applications for the 35th Anniversary Party on June 29, 2024 and “We Ride for Vets” fundraiser on July 13, 2024

SIGNED this May 23, 2024 by the Hermon Town Council:

Ronald Murphy

Steven Thomas

Richard Cyr

Christopher Gray

John Snyder III

Derek Wood

Vacant

Attest Original: _____

Motion _____

Yeas _____

Second _____

Nays _____

Date _____



Be it resolved by the Hermon Town Council in town council assembled to set the FY2025 Bangor Humane impound fees as follows:

Cat first offence: \$ _____	Dog first offence: \$ _____
Cat second offence: \$ _____	Dog second offence: \$ _____
Cat third offense: \$ _____	Dog second offence: \$ _____

SIGNED this May 23, 2024 by the Hermon Town Council:

Ronald Murphy

Steven Thomas

Richard Cyr

Christopher Gray

John Snyder III

Derek Wood

Vacant

Attest Original: _____

Motion _____

Yeas _____

Second _____

Nays _____

Date _____