

**STATE OF MAINE**  
**TOWN OF CLIFTON**  
**COUNTY OF PENOBSCOT**

To: Jan Logan a citizen of the Town of Clifton, State of Maine and County of Penobscot.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Clifton qualified to vote by law in Town affairs, to assemble at the Clifton Municipal Building in the Town of Clifton, County of Penobscot, and State of Maine on March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 8:00 AM. Then and there to act on Articles 1 and by secret ballot on 2 through 27. The polls will open at 8AM and close at 8PM to act upon articles 2 through 27. All articles being set out below.

**ARTICLE # 1 To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.**

**ARTICLE #2 To elect all necessary officers by secret ballot as follows:**

**VOTE for 2**  
**Select Board Position**  
**(Three-year term)**

**Steve Armenia**  
**David Astbury**  
**Gerald Folster**  
**Beckey Pelkey**  
**John Williams II**

**VOTE for 1**  
**School Board Member**  
**(Three-year term)**

**Linda Graban**

**\*Note\***

**\*A person who is not registered as a voter may not vote in any town election. \***

Article # 3 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$16,500** for MUNICIPAL BUILDING UTILITIES EXPENSES? Last year's budget was \$16,700.

(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 4 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$203,622.** for TOWN COMPENSATION?

Last year's budget was \$178,219.

(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 5 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$89,497** for TOWN EXPENSES?

Last year's budget was \$61,248.

(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 6 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$43,300** for PROFESSIONAL SERVICES?

Last year's budget was \$27,100.

(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 7 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$209,877** for PROTECTION?

Last year's budget was \$185,897.

(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 8 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$143,765** for SOLID WASTE AND DISPOSAL MSW disposal. Last year's budget was \$128,000.  
(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 9 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$149,962** for PUBLIC WORKS?  
Last year's budget was \$142,458.  
(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 10 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$11,034** for ORGANIZATIONS?  
Last year's budget was \$10,731.  
(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 11 Shall the Town raise and appropriate **\$1,000** for GENERAL ASSISTANCE?  
Last year's budget was \$1,000.  
(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 12 Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to transfer from UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS to help defray taxes for the ensuing year 2024-2025 **\$250,000** as recommended by the Select Board (Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 13 Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to accept and disburse grant funds from private, state or federal agencies, for the purpose so designated in each specific grant.  
(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 14 Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each category of the annual budget during the period of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, to the 2025 Annual Town Meeting?  
(Select Board recommends YES)

- YES
- No

Article # 15 Shall the Town fix the date when taxes shall be due as October 1, 2024, and establish a delinquency rate of 8.5% on taxes paid after that date?  
Recommended date of October 1, 2024 (State of Maine recommends 8.5%)  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 16 Shall the Town authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept prepayments of real taxes not yet committed, pursuant to 36 M.R.S § 506.  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 17 Shall the Town authorize a rate of 2% discount for real-estate taxes if paid in full within 30 days of commitment.  
(Select Board recommends yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 18 Shall the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to dispose of tax acquired property via quitclaim deed by either (A) offering the property to the former owner(s) or if deceased, to his/her/their heirs/devisees/personal representative for a price equal to all outstanding taxes, interest, fees and costs; or (B) using the process authorized by 30-A M.R.S. § 943-C, provided that if the former owner does not request that process or the board is unable to list or sell the property as required by § 943-C (3), the board may sell the property through a competitive sealed bid process in which a notice advertising sale of the property shall be published at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. For sales other than to the former owner, excess sale proceeds, as defined in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 19 Shall the Town authorize the Select Board on behalf of the Town to enter into contracts for up to five (5) years for necessary services.  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 20 Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to expend up to **\$10,000** from the UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS ACCOUNT for unexpected expenses that may occur during the fiscal year 2024-2025  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 21 Shall the Town vote to accept and expend the categories of funds listed below as provided by the Maine State Legislature: Amounts as follows: Municipal Revenue Sharing \$116,343.97, Local Road Assistance \$15,448, Homestead Exemption \$39,596 Veterans Exemption \$706 Tree Growth Exemption \$14,854 Other Local, State or Federal Funds or Grants – unknown, Civil Emergency Funds-unknown.  
(Note: Actual amounts received may be more or less than stated above)  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 22 Shall the Town appropriate from Pisgah Mountain Tax Increment Financing (TIF) account **\$60,000** for Capital Road Improvements  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 23 Shall the Town appropriate from Silver Maple Wind Tax Increment Financing (TIF) account **\$40,000** for fire protection.  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 24 Shall the Town vote to allow the Select Board to accept from Pisgah Mountain, LLC a Community Benefit of **\$45,000** to go into the General Fund to reduce taxes.  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 25 Shall the Town vote to allow the Select Board to accept from Silver Maple Wind, LLC a Community Benefit of \$45,000 to go into the General Fund to reduce taxes.  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 26 Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to transfer the monies received from the State of Maine, as the Snowmobile Registration Refund, to the Clifton Area Snowmobile Club, the money to be used for municipal trail development and safety. \$271.42  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

Article # 27 Shall the Town allow an increase in the property tax levy limit established for the Town under 30-A M.R.S.A § 5721-A in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles results in a property tax levy that is greater than the property tax limit.  
(Select Board recommends Yes)

- YES
- No

**GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS DAY February 7, 2024**

Gary Ferrill, Chair \_\_\_\_\_  
LeRoy Bryant, Vice \_\_\_\_\_  
Dennis Harvey \_\_\_\_\_  
Gerald Folster \_\_\_\_\_  
Geoffrey Johnson \_\_\_\_\_

SELECTMEN FOR THE TOWN OF CLIFTON

Attested true copy:  
Michele MacFarlane  
Town Clerk