

**SPECIAL TOWN WARRANT
OCTOBER 15, 2024**

To Laureen Pratt a resident of the Town of Weld in the County of Franklin, State of Maine.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Weld, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday the 15th day of October located at 17 School Street at 7:00 P M to act upon Articles 1 through 4 as set out below, to wit:

Town Clerk, Carol Cochran opened the meeting at 7:01 PM.

Article 1: To choose a Moderator to reside at said meeting.

Nominations were forwarded for Moderator. One nomination for Thomas Skolfield was received. The Town Clerk cast 1 ballot for Thomas Skolfield as moderator. Carol Cochran, Town Clerk swore Thomas Skolfield in as Moderator at 7:05 PM and turned the meeting over to him.

Article 2: Shall the Town of Weld (1) **approve** a capital improvement project consisting of the repair /replacement of Kennedy Bridge, including engineering and design costs, transaction costs and other expenses reasonably related thereto; (2) **appropriate** the sum of \$238,539 to fund the project; which amount includes \$48,539 from the Kennedy Bridge reserve fund; (3) authorize the Town Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board to issue general obligation securities of the Town (including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$190,000 to partially fund the appropriation; and (4) **delegate** to the Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board the authority and discretion to fix the dates, maturities, interest rates, denominations, calls for redemption (with or without premium), form, and other details of said securities, including authority to execute and deliver the securities on behalf of the Town?

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1. TOTAL BOND INDEBTEDNESS

a. Bonds outstanding and unpaid:	\$ 0
b. Bonds authorized and unissued (other than this loan:	\$ 0
c. Maximum amount to be issued if approved:	\$190,000.00

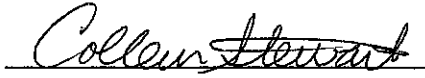
2. COSTS

At an estimated maximum interest rate of 3.87% for a five (5) year maturity, the estimated cost of this bond will be:

Principal	\$190,000.00
Interest	<u>\$ 23,430.81</u>
Total:	\$213,430.81

3. VALIDITY

The validity of the bonds and the vote's ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any error in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service varies from the estimates, the ratification by the voters nevertheless conclusive, and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.


Town Treasurer

Patrick Lowe moved to 1) approve a capital improvement project consisting of the repair /replacement of Kennedy Bridge, including engineering costs, transaction costs and other expenses reasonably related thereto; (2) appropriate the sum of \$238,539 to fund the project; which amount includes \$48,539 from the Kennedy Bridge reserve fund; (3) authorize the Town Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board to issue general obligation securities of the Town (including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$190,000 to partially fund the appropriation; and (4) delegate to the Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board the authority and discretion to fix the dates, maturities, interest rates, denominations, calls for redemption (with or without premium), form, and other details of said securities, including authority to execute and deliver the securities on behalf of the Town. Steve Conant 2nd the the motion. There were 24 votes cast in favor of the motion and 0 opposed.

Article 3: To see if the town will authorize Supplemental Pay in the amount of \$2.50 per hour for the current full-time Equipment Operator, retroactive to August 8, 2024 (when the prior Road Commissioner resigned), and continuing until a replacement Road Commissioner begins work. The total amount of Supplemental Pay shall not exceed \$1,200 and will be appropriated from the Public Works payroll budget account for Road Commissioner in the Town Warrant approved by the Town Legislature at Town Meeting dated March 9, 2024.

Steve Conant moved to authorize Supplemental Pay in the amount of \$2.50 per hour for the current full-time Equipment Operator, retroactive to August 8, 2024 (when the prior Road Commissioner resigned), and continuing until a replacement Road Commissioner begins work. The total amount of Supplemental Pay shall not exceed \$1,200 and will be appropriated from the Public Works payroll budget account for Road Commissioner in the Town Warrant approved by the Town Legislature at Town Meeting dated March 9, 2024. Lise Bofinger 2nd the motion and it was passed by a show of pink cards.

Article 4: Shall an ordinance entitled "Solar Farms and Large Scale Commercial Structures Moratorium Ordinance" be enacted?

Dan Smith moved to enact an ordinance entitled "Solar Farms and Large Commercial Structures Moratorium Ordinance" be enacted. Patrick Lowe 2nd the motion and it passed with 19 yes and 4 opposed.

Note: A copy of the proposed ordinance was posted with this warrant.

A true Copy,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Carol J. Cochran".

Carol J. Cochran, Town Clerk