

**TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
THE WARRANT 2010**

**State of Maine
County of Hancock, §**

To: A Constable of the Town of Cranberry Isles, in said County

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cranberry Isles, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Islesford Neighborhood House, in said town, on the 8th day (Second Monday) of March AD 2010 at 8:30 AM to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article:

1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
2. To elect by ballot a Town Clerk for the ensuing year and to vote compensation.

Recommended: \$6825

3. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will approve use of the Maine Municipal Association's recommended Maine Moderator's Manual "Rules of Procedures" for the conduct of this Town Meeting.
4. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will approve opening the floor of this Town Meeting to all non-registered persons for the purpose of discussion only on each of the following articles of this 2010 warrant.
5. To elect by ballot a Selectman for the term of three years. (Term expiring: Richard Beal).

Ballot _____ (term expiring 2013)

6. To vote compensation for all Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Recommended: \$1,700 for the chairperson, \$1,400 for others.

7. To elect by ballot a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year and to vote compensation.

Recommended: \$9,975

8. To elect by ballot a Collector of Taxes and Collector of Excise Taxes for the ensuing year and to vote compensation.

Recommended: \$25,725

9. To elect by ballot a member of the Superintending School Committee for a term of three years. (Term expiring: Barbara Meyers).

For information of the voters: The elected membership of this committee is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Island</u>	<u>Term expires</u>
Katherine Chaplin	Little Cranberry	2011
Theodore Spurling, JR	Little Cranberry	2012
Barbara Meyers	Great Cranberry	2010

Ballot: _____ (term expiring 2013)

10. To elect by ballot a member of Superintending School Committee for a term of one year to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Katherine Chaplin.

Ballot: _____ (term expiring 2011)

11. To elect by ballot two members of the Shellfish Conservation Committee for term of three years. (Terms expiring: Richard Alley, JR and Cory Alley).

Ballot: _____ (term expiring 2013)

Ballot: _____ (term expiring 2013)

For the information of voters: The elected membership of this Committee is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Island</u>	<u>Term expires</u>
Richard Alley, JR	Little Cranberry	2010
Cory Alley	Little Cranberry	2010
Norman Sanborn, II	Great Cranberry	2012
Nickolas Hadlock	Little Cranberry	2012
Samuel Hyler	Little Cranberry	2011

12. To elect by ballot three members of the Municipal Advisory Commission, which consists of seven elected volunteer property owners or registered voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles, who shall serve a period of three years each. (Terms expiring: Frank Reece, Eve Harrison, and Malcolm Donald).

For information of the voters: The elected membership of this Committee is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Island</u>	<u>Term expires</u>
Frank Reece	Little Cranberry	2010

Malcolm Donald	Great Cranberry	2010
Eve Harrison	Little Cranberry	2010
Chris White	Great Cranberry	2011
Elizabeth Merrill Pratt	Little Cranberry	2011
Phillipe Donald	Great Cranberry	2012
Karin Whitney	Great Cranberry	2012

13. To vote the hourly rate of pay for Town Officials and Employees.

Recommended: \$12 to \$25, at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen, based on the type of work performed.

14. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to collect interest at the rate of seven percent (7%) APR on all 2010 taxes not paid by December 01, 2010. Municipalities may, by vote, determine the rate of interest that shall apply to taxes that become delinquent during taxable year 2010 until those taxes are paid in full. The maximum rate of interest that can be charged per Title 36, MRSA §505.4 is seven percent (7%).
15. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to allow a two percent (2%) discount on all taxes which are paid in full within thirty (30) days of the date shown on the original bill as submitted by the Tax Collector.
16. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Treasurer to expend funds in January 2011, February 2011, and March 2011 equal in aggregate to three twelfths (3/12ths)+ of the Operator's Budget approved for the Year 2010. This authorization will permit the Treasurer to prepare Financial Warrants for approval by the Board of Selectmen, prepare checks, and legally pay bills pending approval of the entire Operations Budget by the Voters in March 2011.

SCHOOLS (17A – 17Q)

Note: Articles 17A through 17K authorize expenditures in cost center categories

- 17A. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Regular Instruction** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee Recommends: \$231,434

- 17B. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Special Education** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee Recommends: \$39,318

- 17C. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Career and Technical Education** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ -0-

- 17D. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Other Instruction** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ 6,200

- 17E. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Student & Staff Support** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ 15,695

- 17F. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **System Administration** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ 13,145

- 17G. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **School Administration** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ 21,476

- 17H. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Transportation and Buses** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ 39,400

- 17I. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Facilities Maintenance** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ 60,620

- 17J. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Debt Service and Other Commitments** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ - 0-

- 17K. To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **All Other Expenditures** for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: \$ -0-

Note: Articles 17A – 17K authorize a total budget of \$ 427,288

Note: Articles 17L & 17M raise funds for the Proposed School Budget

- 17L. To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve (12) as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (**Recommended: \$170,389**) and to see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve (12) as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, §15688 for the Period July 01, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends: **\$150,389**

Explanation: The Town of Cranberry Isles' contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve (12) as described in 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 in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

Written Ballot Vote Required

- 17M. To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will raise and appropriate in additional local funds for school purposes (**Recommended: \$ 202,254**) for the period July 01, 2010 to June 30, 2011, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommended: \$ 204,417**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee.

The School Committee recommends \$ **202,254** for additional local funds and gives the following reason for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$ **204,417**: The State funding model underestimates the actual costs to fully fund the 2010 -2011 budget.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Town of Cranberry Isles' local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve (12) as described in the

Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Town of Cranberry Isles' budget for educational programs.

Note: Articles 17L and 17M raise a total town appropriation of \$ 352,643

Note: Article 17M summarizes the proposed school budget and does not authorize any additional expenditures.

- 17N. To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve (12) as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, §15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Committee recommends: \$ 427,288

- 17O. In addition to the amount in Articles 17A – 17N, shall the School Committee be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year 2010-2011 for school purposes provided such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Current Year Totals: \$ 26,602 School Committee recommends passage.

- 17P. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will authorize the School Committee to have the Islesford School remain open for the 2010-2011 school year with a projected enrollment of eight (8) students.

School Committee recommends passage.

- 17Q. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will authorize the School Committee to have the Longfellow School remain open for the 2010-2011 school year with an unknown projected enrollment.

School Committee recommends passage.

18. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend up to forty-six thousand dollars (\$46,000.00) for an early / late commuter ferry service for the first year of a two year trial period, beginning September 2010.

19. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to borrow up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for a Capital Roads Project for Great Cranberry Island and Islesford.

Note: Passage of this article will allocate two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for road improvement projects. Work on Great Cranberry includes the paving of Cranberry Road with 1½" (one and one half inches) of asphalt, and the reclamation and gravel topping of Harding Point Road, The Lane, and Dog Point Road. Work on Islesford includes the paving of Main Street, Sand Beach Road, and Wharf Street with 1½" (one and one half inches) of asphalt. These funds are for capital expenses and do not include maintenance.

The Selectmen are talking to local banks about financing this project with a five (5) year loan. Based on current interest rates it is estimated that the annual payment of principal and interest will approximate fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00).

20. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to enter into a contract for a Fire Protection Study for the Fire and Emergency Medical Services of the Cranberry Isles and to authorize spending up to \$ 6000.00 (six thousand dollars).

Note: The consultant will be expected to make recommendations regarding:

- i.) necessary steps for the Town to achieve ISO class 9*
- ii.) adequacy of equipment*
- iii.) staffing needs*

It is expected at the end of four to six months that the Town would have a plan for the future relating to our Town's fire and emergency medical services.

21. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will appropriate and authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend up to six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) for a feasibility study and design work to be performed by Kleinschmidt Associates, to investigate and develop options for the extension of the Town Dock at Islesford.

Note: Extending the Islesford Town Dock was identified as a long-term priority in the Docks and Harbors Safety Study conducted in 2009. The proposed project will include site assessment, development of alternatives (including a no-action alternative), design work, and public involvement in the planning process. These elements are required for any construction in the future, and are also critically important when applying for current grant opportunities.

22. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to repeal an Ordinance entitled "Vehicle Waste Disposal Fee Ordinance," which was initially enacted at the March 2004 Cranberry Isles Town Meeting.

23. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to allow the installation of a subsurface sewage disposal field on Town-owned land at the Islesford Town Field, and performance of any attendant roadwork to link the system with the Islesford Neighborhood House, which is to be served by the system. The system will be constructed entirely at the expense of the Islesford Neighborhood House Association, which will provide the Town with full indemnification for work done on Town roads and in the Town Field.

NOTES: All work will be done in coordination with the Town. Installation of this system will allow for a year-round public restroom at the Islesford Neighborhood House.

24. To see if the voters of the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to enact an "Ordinance For The Retention Or Disposition of Tax-Acquired Property In The Town Of Cranberry Isles". (Attached)
25. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will authorize the Selectmen to sign and enter into a five (5) year contract with Eastern Maine Recycling (EMR) "for the disposal of Solid Waste through the use of the Southwest Harbor (SWH) Facility, and for the transportation of Solid Waste from the SWH Facility to Penobscot Energy Recovery Company (PERC), and to provide the Town with a Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) licensed Solid Waste disposal facility for the disposal of non-hazardous Solid Waste, Recyclable Items, Compostable Organic Waste, Wood Wastes, Construction and Demolition Debris, Bulky Waste, Scrap Metal, Tires, and Inert Fill".

Note: Entering into this contract will allow the Town to benefit from collective bargaining with other Acadia Disposal District towns and lower estimated disposal costs. This contract is independent of our current Solid Waste Removal Contract with Gray Enterprises and formalizes existing services performed for the Town by EMR.

26. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five (5) month lease agreement in 2010 with the Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland, Maine for use of the church land on Joy Road in Northeast Harbor, Maine, for parking of residents of, and visitors to, the Cranberry Isles.

27. **FUTURE TOWN MEETING**

To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to hold the next annual Town Meeting in 2011, on Monday, March 14th at the Great Cranberry Island Community Center, Great Cranberry Island, Maine and to open the Meeting at 9:00 A.M.

28. To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to raise and appropriate for each function of Town operations as shown in the Town Operations Budget. Each function shall be voted upon separately.

<u>2010 TOWN OPERATIONS BUDGET</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED</u>	<u>DEPT. TOTAL</u>
Dept. 51 – General Government		274,275
Town Office: Rent & Utilities	12,450	
Office Supplies & Postage	5,500	
Administrative Expenses	10,000	
Insurance	16,000	
Legal	20,000	
Special Legal	10,000	
Accounting	4,500	
Web Site	500	
Selectmen Compensation	4,500	
Contingency Fund	25,000	
Printing	5,000	
Treasurer / Tax Collector / Clerk	42,525	
Elections	1,700	
Planning Board	1,300	
Comp. Plan	5,000	
Tax Assessor	25,800	
Facilities Supervisor	43,680	
Deputy Clerk / Treasurer	18,900	
Payroll Taxes	8,000	
Employee Health Benefits	13,220	
Retirement Obligation	700	
Dept. 52 – Public Safety		60,220
Fire Dept. Zone 1 (GCI)		
Utilities	1,600	
Equipment	5,750	
Heating Oil	2,700	
Gasoline	600	
Admin. Expense	1,000	
Insurance	5,000	
EMS Program	2,000	
Contracts	3,000	
Fire Dept. Zone 2 (Islesford)		
Utilities	1,050	
Heating Oil	1,500	
Gasoline	500	
Equipment	2,000	

Admin. Expense	1,000	
Insurance	4,500	
Training	3,000	
EMS Program	6,000	
Contracts	3,000	
911 Services	470	
Streetlights	5,500	
Animal Control Officer	500	
Training	250	
Constable		
Compensation	2,000	
Admin. Expense	500	
Harbormaster		
Compensation	2,000	
Shellfish Warden	800	
Insurance	4,000	
Dept. 53 – Health & Sanitation		96,900
Solid Waste		
Other	5,000	
Contracts	50,000	
Barging	3,800	
Tipping Fees	14,000	
Hazardous Waste / Metal	5,500	
Capital Improvements	6,000	
Permits	300	
CEO / Plumbing Inspector		
Compensation	8,000	
General Assistance	3,000	
Supplies	500	
Health Officer	800	
Dept. 54 – Public Transportation		374,700
Town Roads		
Maintenance	14,000	
Capital Improvements	250,000	
Engineering	15,000	
Culverts	15,000	
Snow Removal		
Contract	17,500	
Compensation	4,000	
Salt / Sand	11,400	
Town Trucks		
Gas	1,000	
Insurance	800	

Commuter Service	46,000	
Dept. 55 – Schools		427,288
Dept. 56 – Donations		24,750
GCI Library	4,000	
Islesford Library	4,000	
GCI Community Center	2,500	
Islesford Neighborhood House	5,000	
GCI Historical Society	2,500	
Town Cemeteries	550	
Island Explorer	1,700	
NEH Library	500	
NEH Ambulance	1,000	
Life Flight	1,000	
Human Service Donations	1,000	
Hospice of Hancock County	1,000	
Dept. 57 – Debt Service		317,340
SWH Parking – Taxable Bond	47,120	
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond	134,620	
LCI Municipal Garage	22,610	
LCI Pumper Truck	10,990	
Longfellow School	4,000	
County Tax	73,000	
Capital Roads Project	25,000	
Dept. 58 - Municipal Facilities		240,335
Teleconference	1,000	
Transportation Enhancement	35,000	
Longfellow School	15,000	
NEH Parking Lot		
Snow Removal	4,000	
Lease	37,000	
Joy Road Parking Lot		
Insurance	750	
Lease	4,000	
Manset Parking Lot		
Utilities	500	
Grounds	5,000	
Maint. & Improvements	3,500	
Snow Removal	2,000	
Insurance	3,150	
SWH Property Tax	24,000	
Warehouse / Apartment		
Maint. & Improvements	2,000	

Utilities	2,200
Insurance	2,000
Mansell Road Building	
Maint. & Repair	1,000
Insurance	1,000
Grounds	1,000
Snow Removal	1,000
SWH Property Tax	7,100
Restrooms	
Maint. & Improvements	1,500
Cleaning	7,035
Supplies	600
Wharves / Floats / Ramps	
Electricity	2,500
Maintenance	5,000
Capital Improvements	13,000
Moorings	5,000
Insurance	6,400
Contracts	28,000
Engineering	11,000
Permits	100
LCI Municipal Garage	
Town Garage	500
Capital Improvements	5,000
Town Land	
Parking Lots	1,000
GCI Gravel Pit	1,000
LCI Town Field	1,500

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR TOWN OPERATIONS= 1,815,808

**TOWN OPERATIONS BUDGET
APPLIED RESOURCES**

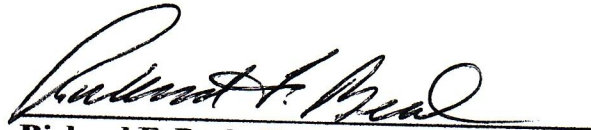
Loans:	250,000
From Manset Reserve:	35,000
Estimated General Fund Receipts:	178,920
School Dept. (Subsidies and Grants):	74,645
Commuter Service Subsidy:	11,000
Property Taxes (2010):	1,266,243
TOTAL=	1,815,808


NOTICE


The Registrar of Voters, Denise McCormick, gives notice that she will be in the Cranberry Isles Town Office, 59 Main Street, Islesford, Maine on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th of March 2010 between the hours of 09:00 A.M. and 03:00 P.M., and at the Islesford Neighborhood House on the day of the meeting, March 08, at 08:15 A.M. for the purpose of correcting the list of voters for said Town.

Given under our hand and Town seal this third (3rd) day of February, 2010.

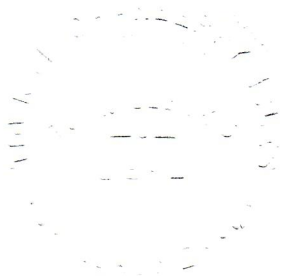



Richard F. Beal, Chairman


Daniel S. Lief


Sally A.B. Rowan
Selectmen of the Cranberry Isles

Attest: I, Denise McCormick, Clerk of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine do hereby attest and certify this document to be a true copy of the Warrant 2010 to be placed before the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles on 08 March 2010.




Denise McCormick