

Results of the Annual Town Meeting, March 08, 2010

The Annual Town Meeting was held at the Neighborhood House on Islesford, on March 8th, 2010. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by Denise McCormick, Town Clerk.

The articles were voted on as follows:

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

Barbara Stainton nominated Barbara Fernald.
5 Votes Cast, 5 Votes Barbara Fernald.

The Moderator took the oath of office, and continued with the meeting.

2. To elect by ballot a Town Clerk for the ensuing year and to vote compensation.

Daniel Lief nominated Denise McCormick.
7 Votes Cast, 7 Votes Denise McCormick.

Barbara Stainton motions to set compensation at \$6,825, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

The Moderator swore the Town Clerk in, and continued with the meeting.

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.

Bruce Fernald motions to approve, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

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.

Barbara Stainton motions to approve, seconded by Anna Fernald.
Unanimous vote to approve.

5. To elect by ballot a Selectman for the term of three years.

Malcolm Donald nominated Richard Beal.
9 Votes Cast, 8 Votes Richard Beal, 1 Vote spoiled.

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

Bruce Fernald motions to set compensation at \$1700 for Chairman and \$1400. for others, seconded by Barbara Stainton.

Unanimous vote to approve.

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

Nanette Hadlock nominated Denise McCormick.

10 Votes Cast, 10 Votes Denise McCormick.

Barbara Stainton motions to set compensation at \$9,975, seconded by Richard Beal.

Unanimous vote to approve.

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

Daniel Lief nominated Denise McCormick.

10 Votes Cast, 10 Votes Denise McCormick.

Barbara Stainton motions to set compensation at \$25,725, seconded by Kelly Sanborn.

Unanimous vote to approve.

9. To elect by ballot a member of the Superintending School Committee for a term of three years.

Malcolm Donald nominated Barbara Meyers.

Iann Krasnow nominated Katelyn Damon.

Beverly Sanborn nominated Kelly Sanborn. Kelly Sanborn declined the nomination.

45 Votes Cast, 28 Votes Barbara Meyers, 17 Votes Katelyn Damon.

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

Barbara Meyers nominated Kelly Sanborn.

Sheila Krasnow nominated Katelyn Damon.

50 Votes Cast, 21 Votes Kelly Sanborn, 29 Votes Katelyn Damon.

11. To elect by ballot two members of the Shellfish Conservation Committee for a term of three years.

Ballot 1: Jasmine Samuel nominates Jeremy Alley.

8 Votes Cast, 8 Votes Jeremy Alley.

Ballot 2: Bruce Fernald nominated Cory Alley.

Jeri Spurling nominated Richard Alley, Jr. Nomination was declined by Richard.

6 Votes Cast, 6 Votes Cory Alley.

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.

Ballot 1: Daniel Lief nominated Ron Axelrod.

Nanette Hadlock nominated Frank Reece. Nomination was declined by Frank.
6 Votes Cast, 6 Votes Ron Axelrod.

Ballot 2: Nanette Hadlock nominated Malcolm Donald.

8 Votes Cast, 8 Votes Malcolm Donald.

Ballot 3: Richard Beal nominated Cory Duggan.

Jeri Spurling nominated Kelly Sanborn. Nomination was declined by Kelly.
7 Votes Cast, 7 Votes Cory Duggan.

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

Barbara Stainton motions to set the hourly rate at \$12 to 25 per hour. Seconded by Richard Beal.

Unanimous vote to approve.

14. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to collect interest at the rate of 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 the 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%).

Bruce Fernald motions to approve, seconded by Barbara Stainton.

Unanimous vote to approve.

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.

Ruth Westphal motions to approve, seconded by Barbara Stainton.

Unanimous vote to approve.

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 to aggregate to three twelfths (3/12ths) of the Operations 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.

Victoria Johnston motions to approve, seconded by Malcolm Donald.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Schools:

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

Article 17A To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Regular Instruction** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends **\$231,434**

Cynthia Thomas motions to approve \$231,434, seconded by Daniel Lief.
Majority vote to approve, 1 vote to oppose.

Article 17B To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Special Education** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends **\$ 39,318**

Barbara Stainton motions to approve \$39,318, seconded by Cynthia Thomas.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 17C To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Career and Technical Education** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends **\$ -0-**

Daniel Lief motions to approve \$-0-, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 17D To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Other Instruction** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends **\$ 6,200**

Barbara Stainton motions to approve \$6,200, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 17E To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Student & Staff Support** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ 15,695

Richard Beal motions to approve \$15,695, seconded by Kelly Sanborn.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 17F To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **System Administration** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ 13,145

Richard Beal motions to approve \$13,145, seconded by Barbara Stainton.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 17G To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **School Administration** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ 21,476

Sally Rowan motions to approve \$21,476, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 17H To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Transportation & Buses** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ 39,400

Richard Beal motions to approve \$39,400, seconded by Nanette Hadlock.

After a lengthy discussion about what this money could be spent on, Ralph Stevens motions
To call the question, seconded by Nanette Hadlock.
Unanimous vote to call the question.

Unanimous Vote to approve \$39,400.

Article 17I To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Facilities Maintenance** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ 60,620

Barbara Stainton motions to approve \$60,620, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 17J To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Debt Service and Other Commitments** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ -0-

Richard Beal motions to approve \$-0-, seconded by Barbara Stainton.
Unanimous Vote to approve.

Article 17K To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **All Other Expenditures** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ -0-

Richard Beal motions to approve \$-0-, seconded by Beverly Sanborn.
Unanimous Vote to approve.

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

Article 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 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (**Recommend \$170,389 \$157,331**) 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 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688 for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

School Committee recommends \$ 150,389 \$148,426

Richard Beal motions to approve \$157,331, seconded by Ruth Westphal.
Richard Beal motions to approve \$148,426, seconded by Ruth Westphal.
42 Votes Cast, 42 Votes to approve.

Written Ballot Vote Required

Article 17M To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will raise and appropriate in additional local funds for school purposes (**Recommend: \$ 202,254 \$ 204,217**) for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend: \$ 204,417 \$ 200,643**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee.

Richard Beal motions to approve \$204,217 & \$200,643, seconded by Malcolm Donald.
31 Written Ballots Cast, 30 Votes Yes, 1 Vote No.

Articles 17L & 17M raise a total town appropriation of \$ 352,643

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

Article 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 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 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, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Committee recommends **\$ 427,288**

Barbara Stainton motions to approve \$427,288, seconded by Richard Beal.
34 Votes Cast, 34 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No.

Article 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 that 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.

Cynthia Thomas motions to approve \$26,602, seconded by Sally Rowan.
Unanimous Vote to approve.

Article 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 approximately eight students.

School Committee recommends passage.

Victoria Johnston motions to approve, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Article 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.

Barbara Stainton motions to approve, seconded by Cynthia Thomas.

18. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend up to \$46,000 for an early/late commuter ferry service for the first year of a two year trial period, beginning September 2010.

Richard Beal motions to approve, seconded by Phil Whitney.
51 Votes Cast, 36 Votes Yes, 15 Votes No.

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) for a Capital Roads Project for Great Cranberry Island and Islesford.

Barbara Stainton motions to approve, seconded by Beverly Sanborn.

Victoria Johnston motions to amend the article to read "...borrow up to one hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000) for a Capital Roads Project...", seconded by William Dowling. Unanimous vote to amend the amount.

Unanimous vote to approve the Article as amended.

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 (six thousand dollars).

Richard Beal motions to approve, seconded by Robert Johnston.

Unanimous vote to approve.

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) 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.

Sally Rowan motions to approve, seconded by Ruth Westphal.

Unanimous vote to approve.

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.

Daniel Lief motions to approve, seconded by Bruce Fernald.

After a lengthy discussion of the pros and cons of the Ordinance and repealing it, Jason Pickering motions to call the question, seconded by Kelly Sanborn.

42 Written Votes Cast, 14 Yes, 28 No.

Ordinance remains.

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.

Daniel Lief motions to approve, seconded by Richard Beal

Unanimous vote to approve.

24. To see if 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".

Richard Beal motions to approve, seconded by Ruth Westphal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

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".

Barbara Stainton motions to approve, seconded by Richard Beal.
Unanimous vote to approve.

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.

Victoria Johnston motions to approve, seconded by Barbara Stainton.
Unanimous vote to approve.

27. 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 AM.

Richard Beal motions to amend the article to read... at the GCI Fire House, seconded by Phil Whitney.
Unanimous vote to amend.
Unanimous vote to approve.

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.

Dept 51 \$274,275

Richard Beal motions to approve amount, seconded by Sally Rowan.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Dept 52 \$ 60,220

Barbara Stainton motions to approve amount, seconded by Daniel Lief.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Dept 53 \$96,900

Barbara Stainton motions to approve amount, seconded by Beverly Sanborn..
Daniel Lief motions to amend Solid Waste contract amount to \$75,000, seconded by

Sally Rowan.
Unanimous vote to amend.
Unanimous vote to approve **Dept 53 to \$121,900**

Dept 54 \$254,700

Richard Beal motions to approve amount, seconded by Barbara Stainton.

Dept 55 \$427,288

Daniel Lief motions to approve amount, seconded by Richard Beal.

Dept 56 \$ 24,750

Daniel Lief motions to amend Dept 56 totals to include \$5,000 for Island Institute Fellow, seconded by Richard Beal.

Unanimous vote to amend.

Victoria Johnston motions to amend NEH Ambulance to \$1100 and Lifeflight to \$1100, seconded by Chris Johnston.

Unanimous vote to amend.

Unanimous vote to approve **Dept 56 to \$29,950.**

Dept 57 \$317,340

Richard Beal motions to approve, seconded by Barbara Stainton.

Unanimous vote to approve.

Dept 58 \$240,335

Barbara Stainton motions to approve, seconded by Richard Beal.

Unanimous vote to approve.

Total Budget for 2010: \$1,726,008.

Applied Resources:	Loans:	130,000.
	Manset Reserve:	35,000.
	Gen'l Fund Receipts:	178,920.
	School Dept Receipts:	74,645.
	Ferry Service Subsidy:	11,000.
	Property Tax 2010:	1,296,443.