2023-2024 (FY 24) BUDGET & WARRANT PROCESS SCHEDULE As Amended 1/3/2023		
Date	Meeting / Event / Task	Time
10/17/22	Select Board Meeting - Budget process review & goals discussion	6:30 PM
11/14/22	Select Board Meeting - Warrant discussion	6:30 PM
11/17/22	Budget Committee Meeting - Organizational meeting and budget goals	6:30 PM
11/18/22	Budget process memo sent to Depts., Boards, & Committees - To include PY & YTD #s	N/A
12/12/22	Select Board Meeting - Capital Investment Planning Discussion	6:30 PM
12/30/22	Preliminary Dept., Board & Committee budget #s due	N/A
01/11/23	Budget Committee Meeting - Departments I	6:30 PM
01/23/23	Select Board Meeting - First Budget Draft	6:30 PM
01/25/23	Budget Committee Meeting - Departments II	6:30 PM
02/01/23	Joint Select Board and Budget Committee Meeting - Capital Investment Plan Review	6:30 PM
02/13/23	Select Board Meeting - Second Budget Draft	6:30 PM
02/15/23	Budget Committee Meeting - Departments III	6:30 PM
02/23/23	100 days before vote - Nomination Papers available	N/A
03/03/23	Deadline for warrant article and ordinance submissions - Select Board Review	N/A
03/08/23	Budget Committee Meeting - Budget review	6:30 PM
03/13/23	Select Board Meeting - Budget & Warrant review	6:30 PM
03/15/23	School Board meeting with Select Boards - About 75% of tax bills is education spending	6:30 PM
03/17/23	Deadline for legal review of the proposed warrant	N/A
03/22/23	Public Budget Meeting / Hearing - Public Comment and Recommendations on DRAFT Budget	6:30 PM
04/10/23	Select Board Meeting - Final budget & Warrant review and approval	6:30 PM
04/12/23	Budget Committee Meeting - Final budget review and approval	6:30 PM
04/14/23	60 days before voting - Nomination Papers & Referendum Questions due - Warrant due to Clerk	3:30 PM
04/28/23	Draft annotated Warrant due & Official Ballot sent to printer (46 days prior to voting)	N/A
05/12/23	30 days before voting - Absentee Ballots available (actually 32 as the 14th is a Sunday)	3:30 PM
05/31/23	Public Hearing - Public Comment and Information on COMPLETED Warrant	6:30 PM
06/03/23	10 days before voting - Last day to hold referendum question hearings (Saturday)	N/A
06/08/23	7 days before voting - Town Meeting Warrant posted (absolute deadline)	N/A
06/13/23	Town Meeting	8:00 AM

Notes:

<u>^ Involvement</u> - The Select Board, Budget Committee, Other Boards & Committees, Town Manager, Finance Officer, and interested Residents will have ongoing roles in the budget process. All meetings are public open to public comment.

<u>Select Board Attendance</u> - Joint meetings and regular Select Board meetings will have full Select Board attendance and budget meetings may have members of the Select Board in attendance.

<u>^ Public Budget Meetings</u> - These meetings are intended to provide opportunity for extensive public comment, feedback, and recommendations on the draft budget, budget process, and final budget in conjunction with budget presentations / information.
<u>Departments I</u> - Includes the following: General Government (Administration, Insurance, Office Equipment, Assessing, Code Enforcement, Grants / Planning, Heating Assistance, Legal), Maintenance (General, Buildings, Vehicle / Equipment, Interlocal) Boards
<u>& Committees</u> (Appeals Board, Planning Board), Regional Assessments (Cobbossee Watershed, First Park), Kennebec County Tax (County Tax), General Assistance (General Assist.)

Departments II - Includes the following: **Recreation and Open Space** (Beach, Conservation, Recreation Board, Heritage Days, Town Properties, Trails), **Roads & Drainage** (Roads & Drainage, Winter Maintenance), **Capital Improvements** (Admin Technology, Library Building, Cemetery, Roads, Equipment, Leases, Transfer Station, Maranacook Lake Dam), **Debt Service** (Debt Service),

Departments III - Includes the following: **Community Services** (Animal Control, Kennebec Land Trust, KVCOG, Age Friendly initiatives, Library, Public Access TV, Street Lights), **Protection** (Fire Department, Fire Equipment, Ambulance, Water Holes, Tower Sites, Dispatching, Personal Protection Gear, Emergency Ops), **Cemeteries** (Cemeteries), **Solid Waste** (Transfer Station, Backhoe), **Unclassified** (Abatements / Overlay, Tax Relief, Non-profits, Contingency, Snowmobiling, Enterprise Fund, Revaluation)

Legend:			
Select Board Meetings ^			
Budget Committee Meetings ^	Statutory Deadlines		
Joint Select Board and Budget Committee Meetings ^	Formal Public Hearings ^		