



**Official Ballot**  
**Town of Readfield, Maine**  
**Annual Town Meeting Warrant**  
**June 11, 2024**

Kristin Parks,  
 Town Clerk

**Instructions to Voters**

- ◆ To vote for the candidate of your choice, fill in the oval to the left like this: ●
- ◆ To vote for a write-in candidate, fill in the oval to the left of the write-in space and write in the person's name.
- ◆ To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.
- ◆ If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

<u>Article 2</u>	<input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 3:</u> Shall the Town of Readfield vote to allow the Select Board to establish <b>Salaries and Wages</b> of town officers and employees, not elsewhere established, for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025? <input type="radio"/> NO
<b>Select Board Members</b> Elect two for a three-year term:	<input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 4:</u> Shall the Town vote to fix <b>September 27, 2024</b> or thirty days after the taxes are committed, whichever is later, and <b>February 28, 2025</b> as the dates upon each of which one-half of the property taxes are due and payable, and as the dates from which interest will be charged on any unpaid taxes at a rate of 8.5% per year, which is the State rate pursuant to Title 36 MRSA § 505.4?  <input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 5:</u> Shall the Town vote to authorize the Tax Collector to <b>Pay Interest</b> at a rate of 8.5%, which is the same as the State Rate of 8.5%, from the date of overpayment, on any taxes paid and later abated pursuant to Title 36 MRSA, § 506 & 506A?  <input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 6:</u> To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers, <b>If an Article Fails</b> , to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each operational budget category that the town is legally obligated to pay, of the last year's approved budgeted amount during the period July 1, 2024 to October 1, 2024?  <input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 7:</u> Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate <b>\$695,286</b> for the <b>Administration</b> budget category for the following budget lines? <input type="radio"/> NO Municipal Administration      \$ 372,595 Insurance                         \$ 166,269 Office Equipment             \$ 33,000 Assessing                        \$ 30,500 CEO/LPI/BI                     \$ 67,922 Grants/Planning Ser.         \$ 10,000 Attorney Fees                 \$ 15,000  Select Board recommends: Yes Budget Committee recommends: Yes
<input type="radio"/> <b>Doorenbos, Carol</b>	
<input type="radio"/> <b>Keegan, Sean</b>	
<input type="radio"/> <b>Shaw, Jaaron</b>	
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<b>RSU #38 School Board Members</b> Elect two for a three-year term:	<input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 8:</u> Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate <b>\$185,680</b> for the <b>Municipal Maintenance</b> budget category for the following budget lines? <input type="radio"/> NO General Maintenance         \$ 136,630 Building Maintenance        \$ 36,050 Vehicles Maintenance        \$ 13,000  Select Board recommends: Yes Budget Committee recommends: Yes
<input type="radio"/> <b>Clark, Patricia</b>	
<input type="radio"/> <b>Roderick, Shawn</b>	
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<b>Local School Committee Member</b> Elect one for a one-year term:	<input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 9:</u> Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate <b>\$82,527</b> for the <b>Community Services</b> budget category for the following budget lines? <input type="radio"/> NO Animal Control                 \$ 10,890 Kennebec Valley Council of Governments   \$ 4,500 Age Friendly Initiatives        \$ 2,000 Library Services                 \$ 53,467 Readfield TV                     \$ 9,620 Street Lights                    \$ 1,500 Maranacook Lake Dam           \$ 550  Select Board recommends: Yes Budget Committee recommends: Yes
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<b>Local School Committee Member</b> Elect one for a two-year term:	
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<b>Local School Committee Member</b> Elect one for a three-year term:	<input type="radio"/> YES <u>Article 10:</u> Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate <b>\$72,467</b> for the <b>Recreation, Parks &amp; Activities</b> budget category for the following budget lines? <input type="radio"/> NO Beach                             \$ 10,985 Recreation                       \$ 20,800 Community Programming Coordinator   \$ 23,052 Heritage Days                    \$ 6,450 Conservation                     \$ 6,800 Town Properties                 \$ 2,500 Trails                            \$ 1,880  Select Board recommends: Yes Budget Committee recommends: Yes
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YES Article 11: Shall the Town of Readfield authorize the Select Board to apply, on behalf of the Town, for federal financing assistance under the provisions of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act, Public Law 88-578 for the construction of the Fairgrounds Community Park; and further authorize the Select Board to enter into the Land and Water Conservation Fund Project Agreement with the State subsequent to federal approval of the project?

NO

YES Article 12: Shall the Town vote to construct an expanded multi-use recreational field, multi-use sports court, utilities, and amenities at the Fairgrounds property, as generally identified in the Fairgrounds Community Park Concept Plan, with the project construction to be funded exclusively by Federal, State, and private grant sources and donations?

NO

YES Article 13: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$195,703** for the **Protection Department** budget category for the following budget lines?

NO

Fire Department Operating	\$ 79,601
Ambulance Service	\$ 61,677
Tower Sites	\$ 4,600
Dispatching	\$ 48,825
Emergency Operations	\$ 1,000

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 14: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$17,500** for the **Cemetery Materials & Services** budget category?

NO

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 15: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$635,500** for the **Roads & Drainage** budget category for the following budget lines?

NO

Summer Road Maintenance	\$ 169,500
Winter Road Maintenance	\$ 466,000

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 16: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the full remaining balance of approximately **\$190,169** in unexpended **ARPA funds** for use in Road paving projects?

NO

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 17: Shall the Town vote to construct a **sidewalk on Church Road** utilizing up to **\$960,000** in federal grant funds, **\$50,000** in Sidewalk Reserves, and **\$190,000** in Road Reserve balances, consistent with the Church Road Sidewalk grant process?

NO

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 18: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$398,027** for the **Capital Reserves** budget category for the following budget lines with all unexpended account balances to be carried forward?

NO

Administrative Equipment	\$ 5,000
Municipal Building	\$ 40,000
Fire Department	\$ 25,000
Cemetery	\$ 5,000
Roads	\$275,000
Equipment Reserves	\$ 34,177
Transfer Station	\$ 13,850

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 19: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$173,524** for the **Solid Waste** budget category?

NO

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 20: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$46,250** for the **Regional Assessments** budget category for the following budget lines which the town is legally bound to pay?

NO

Cobbossee Watershed	\$ 30,000
First Park	\$ 16,250

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 21: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$140,990** for the **Debt Service** budget category for the following budget lines which the town is legally bound to pay?

NO

2023 Fire Truck Bonds	\$ 47,481
2018 Maranacook Lake Dam Bond	\$ 18,046
2020 Municipal Building Bond	\$ 45,005
2021 Municipal Building and Paving	\$ 30,458

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 22: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$1,000** for **Kennebec Behavioral Health**?

NO

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES Article 23: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$1,513** for the **Central Maine Agency on Aging/Cohen Center/Senior Spectrum**?

NO

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

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11  YES **Article 24:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$1,312** for the **Family Violence Agency?**  
 NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

21  YES **Article 25:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$2,887** for the **Courtesy Boat Inspection Programs**, with **\$2,100** for the **Maranacook Lake Association** and **\$787** for the **Torsey Pond Association?**  
 22  NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 26:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$910** for the **Sexual Assault Agency?**  
 NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

40  YES **Article 27:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$2,625** for the **30 Mile River Association?**  
 41  NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

42  YES **Article 28:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$5,000** for continued restoration of the **Readfield Union Meeting House?**  
 43  NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 29:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the requested amount of **\$1,000** for the **Maranacook Food Bank?**  
 NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

51  YES **Article 30:** Shall the Town vote to appropriate **\$1,695** paid to the Town by the State (based on snowmobile registrations) for the **Readfield Blizzard Busters Snowmobile Club** to be used for trail creation and maintenance?  
 NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 31:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$25,000** for **Property Tax Abatements and Overdrafts?**  
 NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 32:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,000** for the **General Assistance** budget category?  
 NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 33:** Shall the Town vote to authorize **Expenditure of Revenues** from **Federal, State, and private grant sources** for those purposes for which the grant is intended?  
 NO  
 Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 34:** Shall the Town vote to accept the following estimated **Revenues** to reduce the **2024 Tax Commitment?**  
 NO

State Revenue Sharing	\$	370,000
Interest on Property Taxes	\$	15,000
Interest on Investments	\$	75,000
Veterans Exemption	\$	2,000
Homestead Exempt. Reimbursement	\$	217,069
Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$	14,000
BETE Reimbursement	\$	33,623
Boat Excise Taxes	\$	8,500
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	\$	625,000
Agent Fees	\$	15,000
Newsletter Advertisements	\$	100
Business License Fees	\$	50
Certified Copy Fees	\$	1,500
Other Income	\$	5,000
Plumbing Fees	\$	6,000
Land Use Permit Fees	\$	25,000
Dog License Fees	\$	2,500
Rabies Clinic	\$	500
Library Revenue	\$	3,360
Cable Television Fees	\$	28,000
Beach Income	\$	2,000
Recreation Income	\$	19,600
Protection	\$	2,500
Local Roads	\$	42,000
Transfer Station	\$	35,023
First Park	\$	18,000
Snowmobile (State reimb.)	\$	1,695
General Assistance (State reimb.)	\$	2,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,570,520</b>

Select Board recommends: Yes  
 Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 35:** Shall the Town vote to appropriate the following **Designated and Trust Funds** to reduce the **2024 Tax Commitment?**

NO

Conservation Land Special Revenue	\$ 2,650
Legal Services Special Revenue	\$ 15,000
Recreational Special Revenue	\$ 5,000
Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Funds	\$ 10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 32,350</b>

Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 36:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the **Select Board** to raise and appropriate **\$15,000** for one or more purposes as necessary to meet contingencies that may occur during the ensuing fiscal year?

NO  
Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 37:** Shall the Town vote to appropriate **\$350,000** from the **Unassigned Fund Balance** to reduce the **total tax commitment?**

NO  
Select Board recommends: Yes  
Budget Committee recommends: Yes

YES **Article 38:** Shall an ordinance entitled **2024 Amendments to the Town of Readfield Administration Ordinance**, be enacted?

NO

YES **Article 39:** Shall an ordinance entitled the **Town of Readfield Disposition of Tax Acquired Property Ordinance**, be enacted?

NO

YES **Article 40:** Shall an ordinance entitled **2024 Amendments to the Town of Readfield Land Use Ordinance**, be enacted?

NO

YES **Article 41:** Shall an ordinance entitled **2024 Amendments to the Town of Readfield Marijuana Establishments Ordinance**, be enacted?

NO

YES **Article 42:** Shall an ordinance entitled **2024 Amendments to the Town of Readfield Property Tax Assistance Program Ordinance**, be enacted?

NO

YES **Article 43:** Shall an ordinance entitled **2024 Amendments to the Town of Readfield Waste Disposal and Recycling Ordinance**, be enacted?

NO

**YOU HAVE COMPLETED VOTING**