

# MUNICIPAL ELECTION OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE TOWN OF RUMFORD JUNE 9, 2026

*Beth Bellgardle*  
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.

#### SELECTPERSON & OVERSEER OF THE POOR

3 Year Term  
Vote for no more than TWO

KEVIN CAPPONI

JAMES THERIAULT

Write-in

Write-in

#### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

3 Year Term  
Vote for no more than ONE

RICHARD LOVEJOY

Write-in

#### RSU #10 BOARD MEMBER

3 Year Term  
Vote for no more than TWO

STEVEN HAGAN

DANIEL HODGE

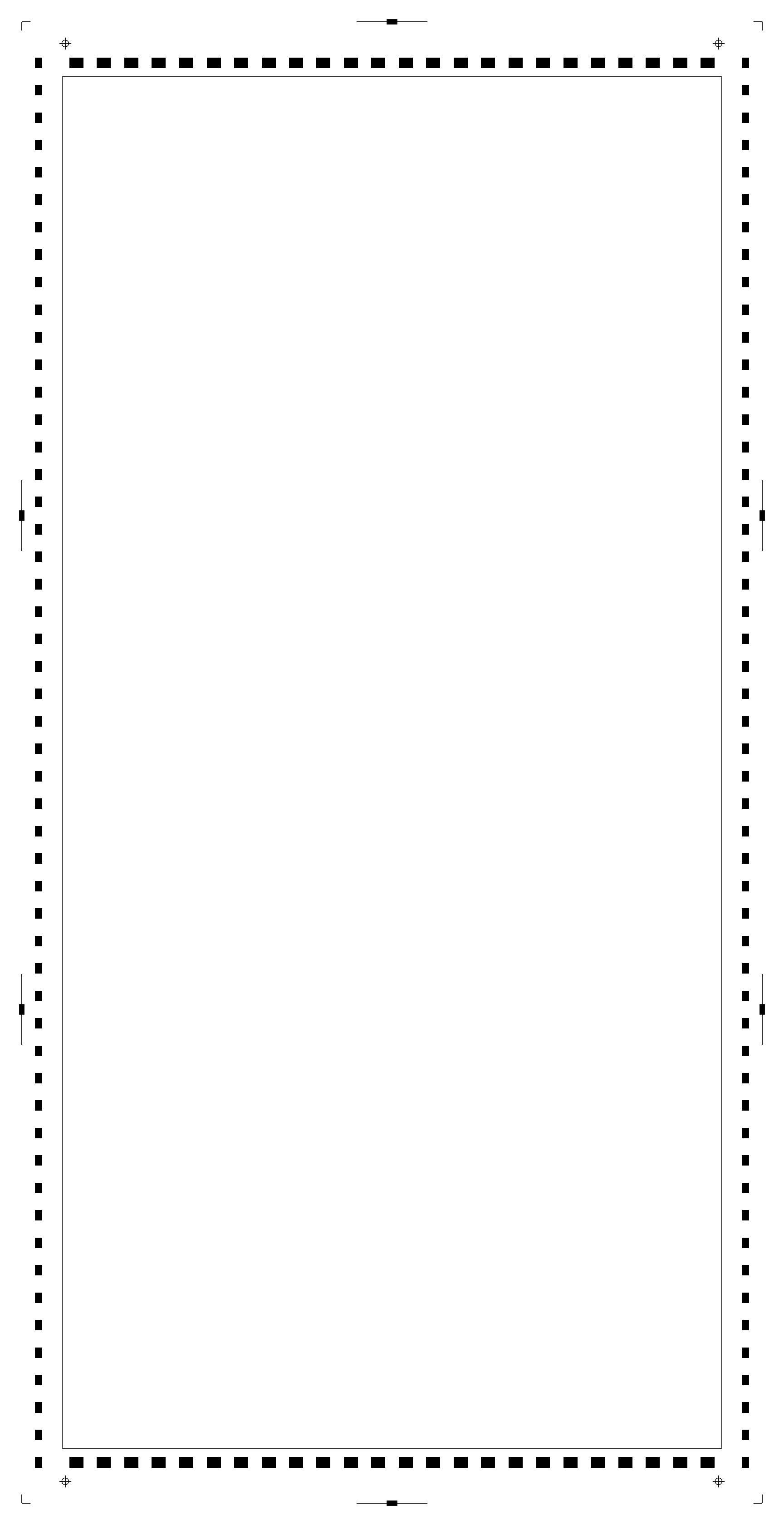
AMANDA KOLLN

JONATHAN STARR

Write-in

Write-in

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**BUDGET ARTICLES ELECTION  
OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE  
TOWN OF RUMFORD  
JUNE 9, 2026**

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**ARTICLE 13.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,648,146.48 for GENERAL GOVERNMENT for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following accounts?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
10-01	Selectpersons	\$ 12,271.25	\$ 12,271.25	7-0
10-02	Town Manager's Office	\$ 365,993.40	\$ 365,993.40	7-0
10-03	Town Clerk-Treasurer	\$ 149,101.58	\$ 154,433.70	7-1
10-04	Tax Collector's Office	\$ 132,325.38	\$ 137,657.50	7-1
10-05	Assessor's Office	\$ 188,648.10	\$ 186,823.63	6-1
10-06	Town Attorney	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	6-0-1
10-07	Town Audit	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	7-0
10-08	Animal Control	\$ 33,297.00	\$ 33,297.00	7-0
10-09	Economic Development	\$ 103,857.00	\$ 103,857.00	7-0
10-13	Elections	\$ 36,530.00	\$ 36,530.00	7-0
10-14	Municipal Building	\$ 132,882.00	\$ 132,882.00	7-0
10-15	Computer	\$ 89,772.00	\$ 89,772.00	7-0
10-16	Information Center	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 8,600.00	7-0
10-19	Maine PERS (Retirement)	\$ 281,029.00	\$ 281,029.00	7-0
		\$ 1,639,306.71	\$ 1,648,146.48	

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 14.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,127,642.00 for the POLICE DEPARTMENT for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following account?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
11-01	Police Department	\$ 2,127,642.00	\$ 2,127,642.00	7-0

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 15.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,769,114.80 for the FIRE DEPARTMENT for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following account?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
11-02	Fire Department	\$ 1,769,114.80	\$ 1,769,114.80	6-1

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 16.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,056,839.64 for PUBLIC SAFETY for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following accounts?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
11-03	Code Enforcement	\$ 125,096.64	\$ 125,096.64	7-0
11-07	Utilities	\$ 475,000.00	\$ 475,000.00	7-0
11-08	Maine PERS (Police & Fire)	\$ 456,743.00	\$ 456,743.00	7-0
		\$ 1,056,839.64	\$ 1,056,839.64	

- YES  
 NO

**CONTINUE VOTING ON BACK OF BALLOT**

**ARTICLE 17.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,108,057.73 for HEALTH AND SANITATION for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following accounts?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
12-01	Health Department	\$ 294,167.00	\$ 294,167.00	7-0
12-23	Solid Waste	\$ 813,890.73	\$ 813,890.73	7-0
		\$ 1,108,057.73	\$ 1,108,057.73	

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 18.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,907,350.87 for PUBLIC WORKS for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following accounts?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
13-01	Summer Roads	\$ 686,000.09	\$ 686,000.09	7-0
13-02	Winter Roads	\$ 852,425.38	\$ 852,425.38	7-0
13-03	Bituminous – Hottop	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	7-0
13-06	State Aid Construction	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 0.00	7-0
13-10	Sidewalks	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	7-0
14-01	Town Garage	\$ 268,916.40	\$ 268,916.40	7-0
		\$ 1,962,350.87	\$ 1,907,350.87	

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 19.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$115,330.00 and appropriate all revenues and reimbursements received by the Town designated for GENERAL ASSISTANCE for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following account?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
15-01	General Assistance	\$ 115,330.00	\$ 115,330.00	7-0

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 20.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$299,117.80 for PUBLIC LIBRARY for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following account?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
18-01	Public Library	\$ 299,117.80	\$ 299,117.80	7-0

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 21.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$335,051.04 for PUBLIC SERVICE for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following accounts?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
18-06	Municipal Planning	\$ 21,050.00	\$ 21,050.00	7-0
18-20	Parks & Recreation – Parks	\$ 267,953.04	\$ 267,953.04	7-0
18-23	Park Department – Cemeteries	\$ 46,048.00	\$ 46,048.00	7-0
		\$ 355,051.04	\$ 355,051.04	

- YES  
 NO

**ARTICLE 22.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$297,110.65 for DEBT SERVICE AND INTEREST for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following account?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
19-01	Bond Obligations	\$ 297,110.65	\$ 297,110.65	7-0

- YES  
 NO

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**ARTICLE 23.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$372,000.00 for CAPITAL ACCOUNTS for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following accounts?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
20-01	Computer (10-15)	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
20-01	Code Enforcement Equipment (10-16)	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
20-01	Fire Equipment (10-24)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
20-01	Highway Equipment (10-36)	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	
20-01	Library Building (10-44)	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	
20-01	Town Hall (10-48)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
20-01	Other Town Properties (10-53)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
20-01	Park Equipment (10-56)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
20-01	Police Equipment (10-57)	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	
20-01	Assessing Revaluation (10-62)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
		\$ 372,000.00	\$ 372,000.00	5-2

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 24.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,173,612.30 for UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 for the following accounts?

Acct #		Requested Amount	Finance Committee Recommendation	Vote
21-05	Insurance – Social Security	\$ 2,104,612.30	\$ 2,104,612.30	7-0
21-21	Contingency	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 69,000.00	
		\$ 2,173,612.30	\$ 2,173,612.30	

YES

NO

**INITIATED ARTICLE REQUESTS**

**ARTICLE 25.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,600.00 for AMERICAN RED CROSS for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$3,600.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 26.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for AMERICAN LEGION, NAPOLEON OUELLETTE POST 24 (for Boy's State) for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 7-0) (Request \$800.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 27.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for AMERICAN LEGION, POST 24 AUXILIARY (for Girl's State) for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$1,000.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 28.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,079.00 for RUMFORD CENTER VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote: 8-0) (Request \$17,079.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 29.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for ANDWELL HEALTH PARTNERS (formerly ANDROSCOGGIN HOME CARE & HOSPICE) for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote: 8-0) (Request \$5,000.00)*

YES

NO

**CONTINUE VOTING ON BACK OF BALLOT**

**ARTICLE 30.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 for BLACK MOUNTAIN OF MAINE for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote: 8-0) (Request \$25,000.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 31.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,300.00 for COMMUNITY CONCEPTS, INC., for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$8,300.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 32.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$130,000.00 for GREATER RUMFORD COMMUNITY CENTER for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 7-1) (Request \$130,000.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 33.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for LARRY LABONTE RECOVERY CENTER for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 7-0) (Request \$5,000.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 34.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for HOPE ASSOCIATION for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$15,000.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 35.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for RIVER VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$5,000.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 36.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for RIVER VALLEY ANIMAL ADVOCATES for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$600.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 37.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for RIVER VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$4,000.00)*

- YES
- NO

**ARTICLE 38.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for RIVER VALLEY HEALTHY COMMUNITIES for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 6-2) (Request \$7,500.00)*

- YES
- NO

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**ARTICLE 39.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for RUMFORD GROUP HOMES for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$6,000.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 40.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for SENIORS PLUS for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$5,000.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 41.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,465.00 for THE LIFEFLIGHT FOUNDATION, LIFEFLIGHT OF MAINE for FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item will be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$1,465.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 42.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for CANCER RESOURCES OF WESTERN MAINE for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$800.00)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 43.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for INLAND WOODS AND TRAILS for FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$5,000)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 44.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,200 for GREATER RUMFORD SENIOR CITIZENS for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$7,200)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 45.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for OLD SCHOOL FOOD PANTRY for the FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided, however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item shall be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 8-0) (Request \$5,000)*

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 46.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for BEAUTIFY RUMFORD for FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; provided however, that if this article is defeated, the appropriation for this item will be \$0?

*(Recommended by the Finance Committee: Vote 7-0-1) (Request \$5,000.00)*

Yes

No

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS AND ENACTMENTS AND CHARTER AMENDMENT**

**ARTICLE 47.** Shall the Town approve the ORDINANCE Amendments and Enactments and the CHARTER Amendment (to be voted by Secret Ballot) at the Secret Poll Meeting on June 9, 2026, which amendments to ORDINANCES and proposed ORDINANCES are on file with the Town Clerk's Office in the Filing Book as Nos. 2026-01 to 2026-05?

1. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled "**Chapter 23 - FINANCE AND BUDGET**", Filing Number 2026-01, as follows?

Change references to "Finance Committee" to "Budget Committee" in Chapter 23. This amendment is necessary to reflect the revisions to the Charter passed in 2025.

- YES
- NO

2. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled "**Chapter 40 - BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES**", Filing Number 2026-02, as follows?

**Chapter 40. Board of Library Trustees**

**§ 40-1. Power and Duties.**

The Board of Library Trustees shall be and is charged with ~~the duty of maintaining and operating the Rumford Public Library, and shall be and is hereby invested with all powers necessary to that end working with the Town Manager, including those duties assigned in the Town Charter, Article XV and making recommendations regarding the operations of the Library and undertaking any tasks assigned by the Town Manager regarding the Library, as well as providing guidance to the Library Director in programming activities and in additions to the collections of the Library. The Board shall accomplish the purposes herein stated within the means provided by appropriations of the Town, assistance rendered by the state and private gratuities.~~ All incidental income resulting from the operation of the Library shall be paid in to the Town Clerk-Treasurer monthly, and shall be allocated to the Library Budget in addition to the Town appropriation, so that the funds may be drawn upon for Public Library expenses.

**§ 40-2. Meetings.**

The Board shall hold regular monthly meetings as determined by the Board to conduct ~~l~~Library business as needed. The annual organizational meeting shall be held as outlined in the Town Charter, Article XV. Special meetings may be held as provided by the Town Charter.

- YES
- NO

3. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled "**Chapter 56 - OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, ARTICLE I -TOWN AUDITOR**", Filing Number 2026-03, as follows?

ARTICLE I  
**Town Auditor**

**§ 56-1. Duties.**

The Town Auditor shall conduct an annual audit of the financial operations of all departments of the Town and of the accounts of all officials who handle funds of the Town. Such audit shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing practices for municipalities and shall at least meet the minimum requirements of the general law. As soon as may be, following the close of the fiscal year, the Town Auditor shall make a final report covering the entire year, which report shall embody the results of ~~his~~the Town Auditor's findings and such suggestions as ~~the~~the Town Auditor may deem advisable concerning the affairs of the Town. ~~He~~The Town Auditor shall render such report to the Board of Selectpersons and a copy to the FinanceBudget Committee and to the State Auditor. ~~He~~The Town Auditor shall do such other things and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by general law of the state.

**§ 56-2. Irregularities.**

Whenever the Town Auditor finds evidence of irregularities in the accounts of the Town or its officials, or of practices which do not comply with the general law, the provisions of the Town Charter, or these ordinances, ~~he~~the Town Auditor shall report the same forthwith to the FinanceBudget Committee and to the Board of Selectpersons.

- YES
- NO

4. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled "**Chapter 60 - PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**", Filing Number 2026-04, as follows?

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**§ 60-1. Powers and duties.**

A. The Parks and Recreation Commission shall be and is hereby charged with working with the Town Manager, including those duties assigned in the Town Charter, Article XV, and making recommendations regarding the operations of the parks and recreational areas of the Town and undertaking any tasks assigned by the Town Manager regarding the parks and recreational areas, as well as providing guidance to the Parks Superintendent in programming activities and for developing rules and regulations for the duty of developing, maintaining and operating all publicly owned cemeteries and all public parks, athletic fields, and recreational and playground areas and facilities, now existing or hereafter established by vote of the Town, excepting playground areas under the control of the School Department, to such extent as funds are provided or made available therefor.

B. The Commission, ~~in its discretion, shall have the authority to permit the use of the athletic facilities under its jurisdiction by persons and organizations, other than public school activities, under such terms and conditions as it may determine~~assist the Town Manager with managing the use of the Town's recreational areas. In connection with public school activities, ~~it shall the Town Manager, with recommendations of the Commission, shall have the right to impose such conditions relative to the use of such facilities as it may determine just and proper to the end that special expenses involved shall be absorbed by the user~~

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- YES
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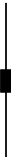
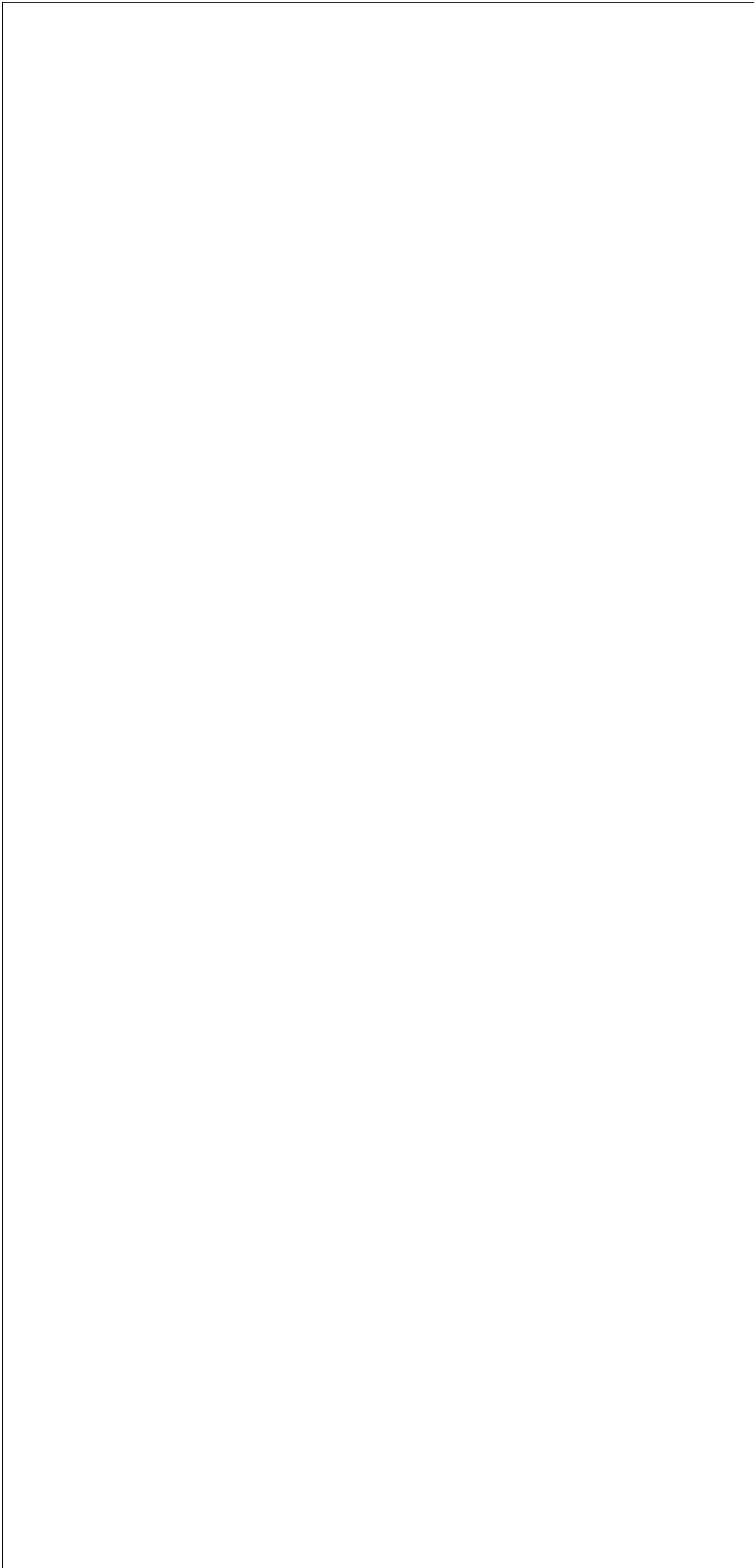
5. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled "**Chapter 303 - SUBDIVISON**", Filing Number 2026-05, as follows?

**Summary and Explanation:** This amendment to Subdivision Ordinance is to reflect changes in the law, to add definitions, to add additional requirements, such as pollution and ground water information, among others, to correct language and grammar issues present in the Ordinance and to improve the procedure. A full and complete version of the amendments to the Subdivision Ordinance are in available in the Town Clerk's office in the Town Hall under Filing Number 2026-05.

YES

NO

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING**



STATE OF MAINE  
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 10  
OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE TOWN OF RUMFORD  
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT BUDGET REFERENDUM  
JUNE 9, 2026

*Gregory R. Buccino*

Chair of the School Board

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:**

◆ Vote "yes" or "no" by filling in the oval ● of your choice at the left of each question.

**ARTICLE 1.** Do you favor approving the Regional School Unit No. 10 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest Regional School Unit budget meeting?

YES

NO

**ARTICLE 2. NON-BINDING ADVISORY QUESTIONS**

The Following is a non-binding expression of opinion for the consideration of the School Board.

I find the school budget for the upcoming year that was adopted at the May, 27, 2026 District budget meeting to be:

Acceptable

Too Low

Too High

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING**

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