

**WARRANT FOR
TOWN SECRET POLL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026**

STATE OF MAINE, COUNTY OF OXFORD

TO: Thomas Bourret, Constable of the Town of Rumford, 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 Rumford, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to assemble and to vote by secret ballot in the AMERICAN LEGION, 184 CONGRESS STREET in said Town, on Tuesday the 3rd day of November AD, 2026 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., on the following Articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. Shall the Town approve the ORDINANCE Amendments, which amendments for adoption are on file with the Town Clerk's Office in the Filing Book as Nos. 2026-06 – 2026-11?

1. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled “**Chapter 174 – PARKS AND PUBLIC AREAS ORDINANCE**”, Filing Number 2026-06, as follows?

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ARTICLE II
Smoking in Parks and Public Areas

§ 174-4. Prohibition of Smoking.

- A. Smoking is prohibited at any playground, designated trails and outdoor athletic facilities in the Town. In addition, smoking is prohibited both at, or within, twenty (20) feet of the following outdoor areas: playgrounds, any outdoor facilities owned and operated by the Town where members of the general public at any age assemble to: engage in physical exercise; participate in athletic competitions, play and/or recreational activities; or witness sports or other outdoor recreational events.
- B. Smoking is prohibited in any Town owned parking lot.

§ 174-5. Fines. Any person who violates this Article shall, upon conviction, be fined a civil penalty of not less than \$25 and not more than \$100 for each separate violation. If the Town is the prevailing party in an enforcement action, it shall be entitled to attorney's fees and associated costs unless extraordinary circumstances make such an award unjust.

YES
NO

2. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled “Chapter 136 – HAWKING AND PEDDLING ORDINANCE”, Filing Number 2026-07, as follows?

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ARTICLE II
Door to Door Solicitations

§ 136-6. Definition.

“Door-to-door sales” means the solicitation of a sale or credit sale of goods, other than farm equipment, or services by a seller or the seller’s employees to a consumer as a result of or in connection with the seller’s or the employee’s direct contact accomplished by means of a personal visit to the consumer, other than at the seller’s place of business, without the consumer soliciting the initial contact.

§ 136-7. Permit Required.

A seller or seller’s employees shall not sell or offer for sale goods, wares, services or merchandise without a written permit from the Chief of Police or the Chief’s agent. The permit shall be carried by the seller or seller’s employees while engaging in door-to-door sales. It shall be illegal for an individual to engage in door-to-door sales without a permit, unless the individual is exempted by this Ordinance. The fee for a home solicitation permit is \$50 annually for the seller and \$25 annually per employee of seller.

§ 136-8. Exemptions.

The following are exempted from the permit requirement:

- A. Charitable, religious, educational, community, recreational or similar non-profit organizations, providing the following criteria are met:
- 1) The individual doing the actual selling or soliciting shall not receive any financial compensation for doing so.
 - 2) If goods are offered for sale, the price of the goods shall be no more than \$10 retail.
- B. Bona fides deliveries of goods, wares, merchandise or food made on a regular route to regular customers.
- C. Individuals engaged in the sale of food.

§ 136-9. Restrictions on Door-to-Door Solicitation.

Solicitation may not occur between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. and may not occur on Sundays.

§ 136-10. Violations and penalties.

Any individual in violation of this Article shall be subject to a fine of \$50 for the first offense and \$100 for the second and subsequent offenses. Any individual also found to have violated this Article shall also be responsible for the reasonable attorney's fees and costs of the Town.

YES

NO

3. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled “**Chapter 239 – STREETS AND SIDEWALKS ORDINANCE**”, Filing Number 2026-08, as follows?

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ARTICLE IV

Permit by Parking Zones

§ 238-16. Designation.

The Board of Selectpersons may designate and establish time limitations and permit fees for parking by “permit only” zones either on public streets or in Town owned parking lots under such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectpersons establish.

§ 238-17. Use Limited.

No individual shall stop, stand, park or leave any vehicle in any officially designated and appropriately marked with signage as a “permit only” zone unless the vehicle is displaying a permit issued by the Town which authorizes that vehicle to utilize that zone.

§ 238-18. Violations and penalties.

Any individual in violation of this Article shall be subject to a fine of \$50 for the first offense and \$100 for the second and subsequent offenses. Any individual also found to have violated this Article shall also be responsible for the reasonable attorney's fees and costs of the Town.

YES

NO

4. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled “**Chapter 306 – SITE PLAN REVIEW ORDINANCE**”, Filing Number 2026-09, as follows?

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§ 306-2. Authority, validity, severability and amendments.

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~~C. Amendments. This chapter may be amended by a majority vote of the Town Meeting. Amendments may be initiated by a majority vote of the Planning Board or by request of the Board of Selectpersons to the Planning Board or on written petition of a number of voters equal to at least 10% of the number of votes cast in the last gubernatorial election in the Town. The Selectpersons shall conduct a public hearing on any proposed amendment.~~

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YES

NO

5. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled “**Chapter 146 – LICENSING ORDINANCE**”, Filing Number 2026-10, as follows?

§ 146-1. Payment of taxes and charges required.

Persons or entities are required to be current in all personal property and real property taxes and sewer charges in the Town in order to be eligible for applying for any license or any type of permit issued by the Town. If a person or entity is not current in payment of said taxes and charges, that person or entity will not be eligible to apply for a license or any type of permit issued by the Town until such time as any outstanding taxes and charges are paid in full.

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6. Shall the Town amend the Ordinance entitled “**Chapter 170 – OUTDOOR DINING IN PUBLIC AREAS ORDINANCE**”, Filing Number 2026-11, as follows?

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§ 170-4. Area requirements.

- A. Maximum width. For all outdoor dining areas, the maximum width of the space in which a restaurant may operate outdoor dining shall be no larger than the width of the establishment frontage and must be contained within a space that directly parallels the establishment's frontage so that it does not encroach on the public area in front of an abutting property. No encroachments are permitted in public spaces in front of abutting

properties without the written permission of the abutting property owner.

- B. Maximum depth. Where the outdoor dining area is adjacent to a restaurant, the maximum depth of space shall allow for a minimum of ~~four~~ five feet of open sidewalk from the outer boundary of the seating area to the curb and/or any fixed objects, and a minimum of five feet on corners, and egress from the building must be maintained free of obstruction per the building code and life safety code.
- C. In public pedestrian areas other than sidewalks or where the outdoor dining area is noncontiguous to a restaurant, the maximum depth of space for outdoor dining shall be no more than half the depth of the public space minus five feet, as measured perpendicular from the side edges of the public pedestrian area to allow for the free flow of pedestrian traffic, and where any fixed object exists within the deducted five feet, the depth shall be measured from the edge of the fixed object minus five feet.
- D. In no case shall the dimensions of the outdoor dining area impede any ingress or egress from any building or infringe upon the space potentially available to another restaurant for outdoor dining use or upon the public space in front of an abutting property without the express written consent of the abutting property owner.

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YES

NO

ARTICLE 2. Shall the Town approve the enactment of new ORDINANCES, which are on file with the Town Clerk's Office in the Filing Book as Nos. 2026-12 - 2026-13?

- 1. Shall the Town enact the Ordinance entitled "**Chapter *** - UTILITIES ORDINANCE**", Filing Number 2026-12, summarized as follows with complete text on file in the Town Clerk's Office?

Summary: This ordinance will allow the Town to make certain that utilities will take care of making all repairs required and that utilities poles are not double wooded. Utilities will be required to remove replacement poles or face penalties.

YES

NO

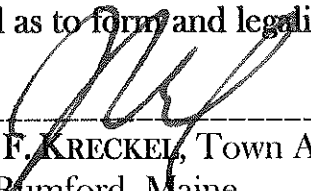
- 2. Shall the Town adopt the Ordinance entitled "**Chapter *** - TEMPORARY HOUSING ORDINANCE**", Filing Number 2026-13, summarized as follows with complete text on file in the Town Clerk's Office?

Summary: This ordinance will prohibit people from living in travel recreational trailers and recreational motor homes on a permanent basis and establishes standards for temporary living under certain terms and conditions, including having water, electric and a sewage method in place.

YES
NO

Notice is hereby given that the Voter Registration Office will be open during business hours at the Municipal Building from October 26 - October 30, 2026 and November 2 - 3, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to hear and decide upon applications of persons claiming the right to have their names entered upon the voting lists. The law requires all persons to show proof of identity and residency at the time of registration. The law also requires that when a voter's address changes, the voter must notify the registration office of such change. The **LAST DAY TO REQUEST** absentee ballots will be October 29, 2026 and all ballots requested **MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER** than November 3, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.

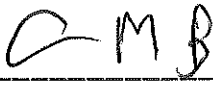
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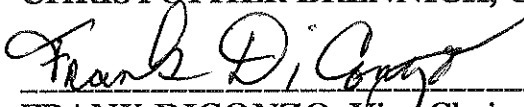
JENNIFER F. KRECKEL, Town Attorney
Town of Rumford, Maine

Given unto our hand this 20th day of August, 2026.

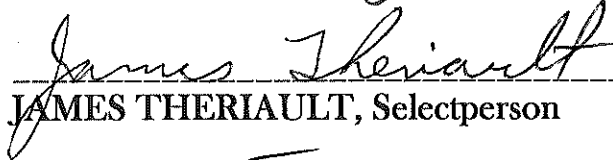
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