

TOWN MEETING WARRANT
Tuesday, March 30, 2010

To Gerald E. Grierson Sr., a resident of the Town of South Thomaston, in the County of Knox, State of Maine,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of South Thomaston in the County of Knox and State of Maine, qualified to vote by law in Town affairs, to meet at the Gilford B. Butler School in said Town on Tuesday, the 30th day of March 2010 A.D., at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there, to act upon the following articles to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To elect by ballot one Selectman, one Assessor and one Overseer-of-the-Poor for a term of three years.

Article 3. To elect by ballot one Selectman, one Assessor and one Overseer-of-the-Poor to fill a vacancy for a term of two years.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize payment to the Selectmen and Assessors quarterly.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Proposed Town of South Thomaston Shoreland Zoning Ordinance.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the revised Comprehensive Plan.

Article 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for General Government and how the same shall be raised. (see lines 42-62 of proposed 2010 budget)

Administration (69-87)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	\$35,200
From Excise	\$16,676
By Appropriation	\$95,840
From Surplus	<u>\$ 3,500</u>
Total:	\$151,216

Assessors (89-104)

Budget Committee Recommends:

By Appropriation	\$ 9,123
From Reserve	<u>\$27,000</u>
Total:	\$36,123

Planning Board-Board of Appeals (106-118)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	<u>\$1,000</u>
Total:	\$1,000

Buildings & Grounds (120-139)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	\$ 7,130
By Appropriation	<u>\$22,577</u>
Total:	\$28,707

Town Landing (141-151)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	<u>\$780</u>
Total:	\$780

Code Enforcement & Plumbing Inspector (153-168)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	\$ 4,100
By Appropriation	<u>\$13,506</u>
Total:	\$17,606

Article 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Public Safety and how same shall be raised. (see lines 170-188 of proposed 2010 budget)

Fire Department (190-212)

Budget Committee Recommends:

From Excise	\$16,176
By Appropriation	\$66,930
From Surplus	<u>\$ 3,500</u>
Total:	\$86,606

Ambulance Service (214-232)

Budget Committee Recommends

From Excise	\$16,176
By Appropriation	\$89,758
From Surplus	<u>\$ 3,500</u>
Total:	\$109,434

Unclassified Public Safety (234-251)

Budget Committee Recommends:

By Appropriation	\$14,695
Anticipated Revenue	<u>\$ 1,300</u>
Total:	\$15,995

Street Lights (253-260)

Budget Committee Recommends:

From Excise	<u>\$ 7,000</u>
Total:	\$ 7,000

Article 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Public Works and how same shall be raised. (see lines 268-287 of proposed 2010 budget)

Public Works (268-287)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	\$ 16,020
From Excise Tax	<u>\$131,771</u>
Total:	\$147,791

Article 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Health & Sanitation and how same shall be raised. (see lines 289-309 of proposed 2010 budget)

Health & Sanitation (289-309)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	\$ 21,300
From Excise	\$ 9,000
By Appropriation	<u>\$132,230</u>
Total:	\$162,530

Article 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for General Assistance and how the same shall be raised. (see lines 311-326 of proposed 2010 budget)

General Assistance (311-319)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	\$ 1,695
By Appropriation	<u>\$ 805</u>
Total:	\$2,500

Article 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Culture & Recreation and how the same shall be raised. (see lines 321-338 of proposed 2010 budget)

Library (340-350)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	<u>\$1,025</u>
Total:	\$1,025

Recreation (352-362)

Budget Committee Recommends:

Anticipated Revenue	<u>\$300</u>
Total:	\$300

Article 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Debt Services and how the same shall be raised. (see lines 364-373 of proposed 2010 budget)

Debt Services (364-373)

Budget Committee Recommends:

By Appropriation	\$1,300
From Excise	<u>\$6,700</u>
Total:	\$8,000

Article 14. To see what sum of monies the town will vote to raise or appropriate for the following Reserve Funds and how the same shall be raised. (see lines 375-391 of proposed 2010 budget)

Fire Truck Reserve

From Excise	<u>\$25,000</u>
Total:	\$25,000

Paving Reserve Fund:

From Excise	<u>\$30,000</u>
Total:	\$30,000

Town Landing Reserve Fund:

From Boat Excise	<u>\$9,000</u>
Total:	\$9,000

Anderson Reserve Fund:

From Excise	<u>\$500</u>
	\$500

Article 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for Unclassified and how the same shall be raised. (see lines 399-416 of proposed 2010 budget)

Unclassified (399-416)

Budget Committee Recommends:

By Appropriation	\$12,613
Anticipated Revenue	<u>\$ 1,200</u>
Total:	\$13,813

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$375,373 established for the Town of South Thomaston by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

Article 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to utilize surplus funds to reduce the amount of funds raised at the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint all town officials as necessary or required by law.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes thereon, under such terms as they may deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to accept gifts and certain funds that may be left to the Town during the coming year.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept or dispose of all equipment, bought or donated.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer funds from unexpended balances and surplus as necessary.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept and expend on behalf of the Town, federal, state, and or other funds which may be received.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following method for collecting taxes: Taxes to become due October 1st. An interest rate of 7.00 % per annum to be charged after October 1st of the current year. Requests for abatements to be made within 185 days of commitment.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to give a 1% discount on any portion of property taxes paid on or before June 1st of the current year.

The Registrar will be in session at 6:30 o'clock in the evening of March 31, 2010 at the Gilford B. Butler School for the registration of voters and correcting the voting list. A PERSON WHO IS NOT REGISTERED AS A VOTER MAY NOT VOTE IN ANY ELECTION.

Given under our hands at South Thomaston on this _____day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten.

Board of Selectmen:

Jeffrey Northgraves, Chairman

Penelope Alley