To Kenneth Richardson, a resident of the Town of Denmark, County of Oxford, and State of Maine.

GREETINGS: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Denmark, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Municipal Building in said Town on Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2022 at 8:00 AM to open the Town Meeting, then and there to act on Article 1 to elect a Moderator; then to proceed to act on Article 2 to elect all necessary officers as required by law. The polls will be open for voting on Article 2, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, at which time the meeting will be recessed; the recessed meeting will be reconvened at the Municipal Building in said Town on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June,2022 at 9:00 AM to act on the Articles in the Warrant beginning with Article 3.

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

**ARTICLE 2.** To elect all necessary officers and officials as required by law:

- a. One Selectman and Overseer of the Poor for a term of three years.
- b. One member of the Board of Directors for MSAD #72 for a term of three years.
- c. One alternate member of the Board of Directors for MSAD#72 for a term of one year.
- d. Three members of the Planning Board for a term of three years.
- e. One member of the Planning Board for a term of one year.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will adopt the rules of procedure set forth in the Maine Moderator's Manual for conducting this meeting.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to permit municipal administrators or staff, school department administrators or staff and elected State officials, who are not residents of Denmark, to speak when recognized by the Moderator?

**ARTICLE 5.** To elect members of the **Budget Committee** as necessary to fill any vacancies. (*Two vacancies*.)

a. Two members for a term of 3 years.

**ARTICLE 6.** To elect three (3) members to a one-year term for the **Committee to Assist Selectmen in Disposing of Tax-Acquired Property**.

### **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL ITEMS**

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$406,146 for Administration Town Charges.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to pay the **Selectmen Individual Stipends**, in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$12,000 to cover the compensation of all Board members, such amount to be taken from the amount previously appropriated for Administration (Town Charges).

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$542,007 for the Public Works Department.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$140,568 for the Transfer Station, Septic Waste Disposal and Recycling.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$85,380 for the Public Safety Department (Fire Department).

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for Ambulance Services.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$7,416 for the E911 Officer Department.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$79,437 for the Code Enforcement Department.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done, 5.0)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$30,013 for the Tax Assessment Department.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done 3.0.)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$35,265 for Property & Vehicle Insurance Coverage.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$37,500 for Vehicle Fuel. (Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0) (Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$15,000 for Legal Counsel Services.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$4,200 for **Street Lighting**. (Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0) (Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$2,000 for **General Assistance**.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

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ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$5,350 for the Building and Repair Fund.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$9,378 for the expenses of the Planning Board.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,650 for the expenses of the Board of Appeals.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done.5.0)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$11,614 for Denmark Youth Activities.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to roll over any unexpended funds from the **Denmark Youth Activities** fund to an **Assigned Denmark Recreation** account and to expend out of such account if approved at a properly called board meeting.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$6,000 from the Assigned Fund "Fire Works" for Independence Day Fireworks and to accept gifts from non-Town sources to offset this amount. (Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0) (Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 4.1)

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$3,693 from the Assigned Fund "Animal Control" for Animal Control expenditures.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,150 for the Harvest Hills Animal Shelter.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$101,404 from the Committed Fund "Road Improvements" and \$382,751 from the Unassigned Fund Balance for a total of \$484,155 to cover the cost of Road Improvements.

• Hancock Pond Road Reclaim & Topcoat \$160,980

• Transfer Station Topcoat \$ 19,600

Mountain Road Shim & Overlay \$ 303,575

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommends transferring \$484,155 from the Unassigned Fund Balance. 5.0)

### TOWN OF DENMARK WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Friday, June 3, 2022 and Saturday, June 4, 2022

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$50,000 from the Unassigned Fund Balance to be placed in an Assigned Capital Equipment Account and to allow the Select Board to expend from the account toward the purchase of a Truck/Plow/Sander package for the Public Works Department. (Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0) (Budget Committee Recommend this be done, 5.0)

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will take up to \$5,000 from the Perley Mills Forest Account for expenditures for the Perley Mills Community Forest.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 4.1)

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will take \$3,200 from the Perley Mills Forest Account for payment to the Town of Denmark in lieu of real estate taxes.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done, 5.0)

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate up to \$5,000 from Unassigned Fund Balance (surplus) without the necessity of a town meeting for Emergency Municipal Fuel expenditures, provided that such expenditures are approved at a regularly called meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done, 5.0)

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$8,449 for Agency Requests as detailed below:

Eastern Slope Airport	\$ 500
Community Concepts	\$1,000
MaineHome Care At Home	\$ 969
Lakes Environmental Association	\$1,000
Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services	\$ 300
Saco River Corridor Commission	\$ 400
Salvation Army	\$ 500
Seniors Plus	\$ 500
Southwest Oxford County Nutrition, Inc.	\$ 500
Tri-County Mental Health Services	\$1,200
The LifeFlight Foundation	\$ 580
American Red Cross	\$ 500
Safe Voices	\$ 500
Total of Out of Town Agency Requests	\$8,449
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(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 4.1)

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$7,000 for the Denmark Library.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done, 5.0)

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$2,500 for the Denmark Arts Center Programs & Events.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$1,000 for the Denmark

**Historical Society.** 

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate \$12,000 to meet Unanticipated Expenses and Emergencies that occur during the fiscal year.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$25,000 from the Unassigned Fund Balance for Real Estate Recount Data Entry.

Note: All data collected and updated from the recount is being entered into an older version of a CAMA real-estate software which the Town currently uses as the assessing software. This data will need to be manually inputted into a newer version of the TRIO software. It is in the best interest of the Town to transfer to the TRIO assessing software.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will raise by taxation and appropriate \$5,000 for any expenditures which may arise from reviewing and amending the Town's Water Extraction Ordinance.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$25,000 from the Unassigned Fund Balance to be placed in a Committed Capital Fund for construction of a Future Public Works Garage and to allow the Select Board to expend from the fund for expenditures which may arise during the planning phase. (Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0) (Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to transfer up to the first \$5,000 of funds received from penalties assessed on properties removed from Tree Growth or Open Space status to a Town Conservation Reserve Account for the future purchase of conservation lands, promotion of conservation education, and conduct of conservation projects by the Town independently or in partnership with conservation organizations.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 43.** To see if the Town will vote to apply \$300,000 (\$200,000 Excise Tax, \$100,000 Revenue Sharing) in Estimated Anticipated Revenues and any additional Unanticipated Revenues against the total amount authorized to be raised by taxation.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate to the Restricted Fund Balance "DOT Block Grant" all funding received from the Maine Local Road Assistance Program (LRAP), also known as the DOT Block Grant.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen in consultation with the Public Works Director, to perform winter maintenance on eligible public easements (on record) with the assurance that said winter maintenance may be carried out efficiently and safely, as the Board deems appropriate.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 3.2)

### TOWN OF DENMARK WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Friday, June 3, 2022 and Saturday, June 4, 2022

**ARTICLE 46.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer all monies received from the Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife for snowmobile registration fees reimbursement, received in the 2022-23 fiscal year to the Denmark Draggers Snowmobile Club for trail maintenance.

(Selectmen Recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 47.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of Town equipment and materials with a value of \$30,000 or less and deemed obsolete or surplus by the Selectmen on such terms as they deem proper; to place any sale proceeds in a Capital Reserve Account for the Department that maintains and uses said personal property; and to appropriate and expend said capital reserve funds for the purchase of equipment for said Department. Such expenditures shall be approved at a properly called board meeting.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy established for the Town by Maine State Law LD1, M.R.S. Title 30-A §5721-A, in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit.

(Note: It is not projected that the Town's budget will exceed tax limits established by State Law, but as a preventive housekeeping action it is recommended the Town vote to approve.)

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

### **BUSINESS ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 49.** To see if the Town will vote to fix the date of October14,2022 as the date when the first one-half of property taxes become due and payable, with interest on the first installment to start on October 15,2022 and the date of April 14,2023 as the date when the second one-half of taxes are due and payable, with interest on the second installment to start on April 15,2023 and that an interest rate of 6 % per annum be charged on unpaid taxes. (This is the maximum rate that can be charged)

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 3%

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 51.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted with overlay funds or, if necessary, from the Unassigned Fund. (Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0) (Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 52.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506, with no interest to accrue on any excess prepaid over the amount finally committed.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 53.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer of the Town to waive the foreclosure of any tax lien mortgage before the right of expiration or the right of redemption, after consultation with and upon the consent of the Board of Selectmen in accordance with 36 MRSA § 944.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 54.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to carry forward any unexpended account balances at the end of the fiscal year as it deems advisable, provided that any such transfer is approved at a properly called public meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 55**. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer funds from budget accounts that have unexpended balances at the end of the fiscal year to the budget accounts that have overruns at the end of the fiscal year, provided that any such transfer is approved at a properly called public meeting of the Board of Selectmen.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 56.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, to transfer funds between appropriation accounts as long as the grand total of all appropriations is not exceeded. Any such transfers to be approved only at a properly called public meeting of the Selectmen.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 57.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to cover overruns in the fiscal year budget with overlay funds.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 58**. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept or reject donations of personal property and/or to accept or reject gifts of money to the various accounts of the Town for the ensuing year and to appropriate those moneys donated for specific purposes.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 59.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to accept monies from State, Federal and other sources on the Town's behalf for purposes deemed by the Selectmen to be in the best interests of the Town; to accept such monies, including, when necessary, the authority to sign contract and related documents and to accept conditions of approval; and to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate such monies where they deem is in the best interest of the Town.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

**ARTICLE 60.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to apply for State, Federal and other grants on the Town's behalf for purposes deemed by the Selectmen to be in the best interests of the Town; to accept such grants, including, when necessary, the authority to sign contract and related documents and to accept conditions of approval; and to appropriate such grant funds for any purpose for which the Town has appropriated funds in 2022-23 fiscal year.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done, 5.0)

**ARTICLE 61.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver release deeds at their discretion for the purpose of removing from the public record tax lien certificates that have not been discharged through inadvertence.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done, 5.0)

**ARTICLE 62.** To see if the Town will vote to close the following roads, or portions thereof, to winter maintenance during the months of November, December, January, February, March and April for a period of ten (10) years.

- 1. Beaver Pond Rd from first house on right to the boat launch.
- 2. Walker Falls Rd from the <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile marker to the Brownfield Town Line.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

**ARTICLE 63.** To see if the Town will vote that orders of the municipal officers for the closing of roads in winter under 23 MRSA § 2953 shall be final determinations of said closings. (Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

**ARTICLE 64.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, with the assistance from the Committee to Assist Selectmen in Disposing of Tax-Acquired Property the following actions on behalf of the Town:

- 1. To sell or otherwise dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes on such terms they deem advisable and execute quitclaim/release deeds for the same, except that they shall use the sale process required by state statute if they sell property from qualifying senior, low-income taxpayer to anyone other than the former owner(s).
- 2. To keep any real estate acquired for non-payment of taxes for the use of the Town when they deem it to be in the Town's best interests.

(Selectmen recommend this be done, 3.0)

(Budget Committee Recommend this be done. 5.0)

### **ORDINANCE ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 65.** Shall the Town enact the proposed amendment to the Town of Denmark Comprehensive Plan 2020? (Underlined wording is the proposed amendment)

### Land Titles, Boundary Changes and Settlement

The town of Denmark is formed by various land grants - Fryeburg Academy Grant, Pleasant Mountain Gore and Foster's Grant.

Pleasant Mountain Gore, containing about 9000 acres, was granted by the General Court of Massachusetts to Fryeburg Academy and forms the eastern portion of the town. In a description of a survey of this tract, 2000 acres were reserved for Asahel Foster, the same being a grant to him from the General Court; 648 acres were surveyed to Gideon Lowell, 200 acres to David Porter, 300 acres to Ichabod Warren, and 590 acres to the trustees of Fryeburg Academy. This, it seems, comprised only a portion of The Gore.

In 1805 Oxford County was created from both Cumberland and York Counties by the State of Massachusetts. See Massachusetts Acts Chapter 24, Sections 1 & 2 Pages 573 – 574.

In 1806 the town of Brownfield was reconstructed, by the acts to incorporate both Denmark and Hiram. Many of the land titles issued to settlers in this section thus acquired were from Henry Y. B.Osgood, grandson of Captain Brown, the grantee.

The area of land east of the Saco River was set off to Denmark. Many families who were previously Brownfield

residents now found themselves residing in the new community of Denmark. The landfrom Rocky Knoll Road to Bull Ring Road, once belonging to Brownfield, now became a part of Denmark, by the Act Of Incorporation February 20, 1807.

Massachusetts Acts Chapter 104 February 26. 1813 saw Ichabod Warren Sr and Ichabod Warren Jr's properties leave Fryeburg to become residents of Denmark.

And in 1821 Elisha Hammond, James C. Lord, Job Lord, and Isaac R. Warren properties, formerly in Brownfield, became residents of Denmark. See Maine Private Acts Chapter 55 Page 57 & 58.

A new boundary line between Hiram and Denmark was made in 1828. See Maine Private Acts Chapter 43 Page 800.

In 1830 Denmark gained land from Sebago in the area near Hancock Pond. See Maine Private Acts Chapter 115 Page 194.

The boundary between Bridgton and Denmark changed in 1842 when land from the George and Rebecca Rounds property was annexed to Bridgton. See Maine Private Acts Chapter 16 Page 15.

In 1847, a portion of the land in Denmark, in the western section of town, near present-day Route 302 area, and Fryeburg were annexed to the town of Bridgton. Before this time the land at PleasantMountain and Moose Pond belonged to Denmark. See Maine Laws Chapter 84 Section 1 Pages 110 – 111.

In 1870 the selectmen of both Denmark and Fryeburg signed an agreement to perambulate the lines between each town.

In 1907 the land of Mary E. Warren was set off from Brownfield to Denmark. See Maine Private and Special Laws Chapter 207 Page 430.

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

**ARTICLE 66.** Shall the Town enact the proposed amendment to the Town of Denmark Comprehensive Plan 2020? (Underlined wording is the proposed amendment, Line through is deletion.)

Sub watershed 6 is the Willett Brook sub watershed. Willett Brook runs from downtown Bridgtonthrough south-Bridgton. The brook ends at the Denmark town line at Hilton and Ingalls Roads.

Willett Brook is also one of the region's aquifers, providing water to many residents in Bridgton and the surrounding communities. The brook has a prominent wetland system associated with it, draining southwest into Woods Pond.

Willet Brook starts in a small waterbody just north of Pickerel and Perley Ponds in Denmark and runs northerly toward Bridgton. As it travels northward, it is joined by Jack Brook, Warren Brook, Day Brook and Willis Brook. As it continues in a north-easterly direction, Jack Branch flows into it and then the outlet of Woods Pond flows into Willet/Willis Brook. It then continues northeasterly to the open-water wetland complex just west of Rt. 107 by Sandy Creek. Then the brook continues more or less in a northern direction toward downtown Bridgton for a few miles until it merges with Stevens Brook alongside Pondicherry Park. It all eventually flows into Long Lake and is part of the Sebago Lake Watershed. It is worth noting that Perley and Pickerel Ponds (just south of the origin of Willet Brook) drain to the Saco via Hancock and Barker Ponds).

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

**ARTICLE 67.** Shall an ordinance entitled "June 2022 Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance of the Municipality of Denmark, Maine" be enacted? (A copy of the proposed ordinance amendments can be viewed in it's entirety at the Clerk's office during regular business hours and also is available on the Town's website, denmarkmaine, org)

### **Synopses of Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments**

#### Solar Energy Systems – MDEP And Viewpoint Edits

The proposed amendments to <u>Section 5.16</u>. <u>Solar Energy Systems</u> include adding Maine Department of Environmental Protection review comments, which are all related to the Shoreland District, and amending the Section to include viewpoint restrictions to solar facilities from Public Roads and navigable waterways.

These amendments have been approved by the Planning Board and have been approved at a Public Hearing conducted by the Planning Board.

These amendments were approved by the Selectboard at their December 14, 2021 meeting.

### **Wind Energy Systems**

The proposed amendments include incorporating the current stand-alone Wind Energy Facility Ordinance, adopted in 2017, into the Zoning Ordinance as <u>Section 5.17</u>. Wind <u>Energy Facility</u>, maintaining the principles of the original ordinance and modifying the approval process to that of a Conditional Use Permit.

These amendments have been approved by the Planning Board and have been approved at a Public Hearing conducted by the Planning Board.

These amendments were approved by the Selectboard at their December 14, 2021 meeting.

### Miscellaneous - Grammar, Purpose, And Tree Permits

The proposed amendments mainly include grammatical edits including: spelling, typos, capitalizations, consistency of terms, and reference corrections. Other amendments include expanding the Purpose of the Ordinance, Section 1.2 Purpose, requiring a permit for hazardous tree removal within the Shoreland District Section 6.8.6., and requiring preconstruction and postconstruction photographic record for permits issued in the Shoreland District, Section 8.2.2.5 and 8.2.10.

These amendments have been approved by the Planning Board and have been approved at a Public Hearing conducted by the Planning Board.

These amendments were approved by the Selectboard at their December 14, 2021 meeting.

#### **Stormwater Management Additions**

The proposed amendments to <u>Sections 4.5. Erosion and Sediment Control</u>, and <u>Section 4.14. Stormwater Management</u> include removing rain gardens as a component that stormwater management facilities may rely upon. Amendments also include requirements for design, approval, construction, inspection, reporting,

maintenance, and for on-going responsibility for stormwater management facilities related to any land disturbance of one acre or more of land.

These amendments have been approved by the Planning Board and have been approved at a Public Hearing conducted by the Planning Board.

These amendments were approved by the Selectboard at their December 14, 2021 meeting.

#### **Shoreland District Review Procedures Modifications**

The proposed amendments to Section 1.4. Non-Conformance include updating internal references and clarifying vested rights provisions. Proposed amendments to Section 8.9. Planning Board include re-arranging the order of the sections and paragraphs to better reflect the flow of an application's process, to better define the Shoreland application process so as to follow the conditional use permit process, to require Shoreland photographic evidence before and after a project, and to expanding and moving listings to the Zoning Ordinance Appendix.

These amendments have been approved by the Planning Board and have been approved at a Public Hearing conducted by the Planning Board.

These amendments were approved by the Selectboard at their December 14, 2021 meeting.

### **Roads Definitions And Modifications**

The proposed amendments are mainly made to <u>Section 4.9</u>. Roads and <u>Driveways</u> to consolidate and to eliminate conflicts in road terms and definitions. Proposed edits are made to some road design standards and the Land Use table.

These amendments have been approved by the Planning Board and have been approved at a Public Hearing conducted by the Planning Board.

These amendments were approved by the Selectboard at their December 14, 2021 meeting.

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(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

### If Article 67 passes the following Article shall be voted on:

**ARTICLE 68.** Shall the Town rescind the ordinance titled Wind Energy Facility Ordinance-adopted 1.31.2017 (This Ordinance was incorporated into the Zoning Ordinance of the Municipality of Denmark, Maine, voted in the previous article)

(Selectmen recommend this be done. 3.0)

DENMARK BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

A/True Copy: Attest

Frances Warner Town Clerk Luke Allocco, Chairman

Kirk McDermith

Michael Stacy

The Selectmen hereby give notice that the Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Municipal Office on Thursday June 3, 2021, between the hours of 2:00 P.M. and 3:00 P.M. for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Frances Warner, Registrar