News and Opinion around and about Arrowsic

The Arrowsic Arrow

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Dear Reader

Two chances to visit Town Hall and Vote this month: Tuesday, June 10 (see below) and Wednesday June 18 at 6:30 (Town Meeting). See you there! Best of Summer to all of you...

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Resident Town of Arrowsic Arrowsic, Maine 04530

From Phine Ewing, Town Clerk

The Town hall will be closed on Friday, July 4. Also, I will be away on Wednesday, July 2, so if anyone needs to register a boat

for use over the holiday weekend, please come in to do so the week before if you can.

The Town Reports were delivered on Saturday. If for some reason you did not receive a copy, please come in to Town Hall and pick one up. Thanks

Shelter for the Brush Truck

The Selectmen have included an article in this year's warrant for the purpose of finding a solution to the problem of housing our brush truck and related equipment. The brush truck, a 1976 Dodge pickup truck outfitted with brush fire fighting equipment, is currently being kept in individual backyards, with the equipment being housed in Ike Heffron's basement during the winter.

In the past we have stored the truck in neighbor's barns, under canvas shelters, and outside. This causes the truck and equipment to be exposed to the elements reducing the life of both.

Your selectmen, with the help of the Properties Committee members, have spent the past 8 months searching for a permanent solution to sheltering our brush truck and related equipment.

We investigated moving our fire barn from its present site to our land beside Town Hall, with an addition. The age and structure of the building plus the expense of moving makes this idea impractical. We asked the owners of the land around our present fire barn if we could put an addition on our present building. They gave it some thought but decided against allowing this to happen. A resident knew of a storage barn in West Bath that could be rented for the winter, but your selectmen felt this was not a permanent solution to our problem.

It is our determination that a "manufactured" garage-type building erected on town property beside Town Hall is the best solution. Therefore, we have included Article 12 "To see what sum the Town will vote to expend for site preparation and construction of a brush truck garage, not to exceed 400 square feet in area, located on the Town-owned lot abutting the Town Hall property", in this year's warrant articles. Costs include: (There are sufficient funds in the Fire Department Capital Fund to cover this expense.)

Building on slab, roof pitch 9/12 with T111 siding	\$1 0,000
Site preparation	1,500
Electrical service	1,500
Site Plan Drive ways- from 127 and Old Stage Road Contingency	1,000 2,000 1,000
Total	17,000

Dear Arrowsic Neighbors,

Thank you for your support, many notes, gifts, and kind words that have entered our home and hearts since the passing of our son and brother. We are glad to be part of this caring Arrowsic Community. With Love, Andrea, Jeff, and Ben Galuza

SUMMER READING begins June 24 in the Children, s Department at Pattin Free Library. Check out the Polar Adventures and the beautiful mosaic glass windows created by Janice Wright, s Morse High School art class. More details in the library newsletter and at www.patten.lib.me.us.

Witness a FLOOD OF CREATURES on July 31, 2pm at the Library. Edie Doughty returns with her musical creation of Dahlov Ipcar, s children, s book. Free tickets available as of July 14. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Find your BOOK BARCAINS at the annual Friends of the Library Heritage Days Book Sale, July 4 & 5, 9am ^ 6pm. Location: Minnie Brown Center on Washington Street across from Library Park.

MARCH in the JULY 4 PARADE with the PFL Children, s Dept. Dress up as your favorite book character or an arctic animal or explorer. Sign up in the children, s room beginning June 16.

ATTENTION REGISTERED VOTERS OF ARROWSIC

There will be a Referendum Election on June 10, 2003 at the Arrowsic Town Hall at 10:00AM until 8:00 PM. This will be a yes or no vote

Do you favor a \$60,000,000 bond issue to stimulate economic growth and job creation through investments in research and development, municipal infrastructure and facilities, the Maine Farms for the Future Program and affordable housing, in anticipation of approximately \$134,150,000 in federal and private funds? The bonds would be used for the following purposes;

The sum of \$6,000,000 to create jobs & reduce property tax burdens by providing grants & loans to municipalities for

public facilities & infrastructure;

 The sum of \$6,000,000 to create jobs and stimulate economic growth through expanded research, development, technology commercialization and business incubation facilities at the Advanced Engineered Wood Composites Center at the University of Maine;

3. The sum of \$3,000,000 to support educational technology improvements at the University of Maine System;

4. The sum of \$3,600,000 in anticipation of \$12,000,000 in federal & private funding for University of Maine System research & development activities;

5. The sum of \$4,400,000 to expand & equip research & development facilities at the Portland campus of the University of Southern Maine;

6. The sum of \$1,000,000 in anticipation of \$1,000,000 in federal & private funding for grants to nonprofit marine institutions for research and development;

The sum of \$20,000,000 for medical research & development by Maine- based biomedical research institutions in anticipation of approximately \$100,000,000 in federal & private funds for health research to cure disease & to retain Maine graduates by providing quality Maine jobs;

8. The sum of \$3,000,000 to create jobs & stimulate economic growth through the design & construction of the Gulf of

Maine Research Laboratory;

10. The sum of \$2,000,000 to support Maine Farms for the Future Program;

11. The sum of \$1,000,000 to support funding for the University of Maine agricultural research farms; and

12. The sum of \$8,000,000 in anticipation of \$21,150,000 in federal & private funds for affordable housing.

A Word from Fire Chief Ike Heffron

As this year comes to an end, with new Chiefs taking over in Woolwich and Georgetown, I find myself the longest serving member of the WAG team. We continue to work together for the good of all.

For your information in preparation for the Town Meeting, you will be seeing a warrant item for a garage to be built on the town land behind the Town Hall to house the Fire Department's brush truck. Currently, the brush truck is parked outside either at my home or at the home of one of Arrowsic's volunteers, which has necessitated taking it apart during the winter months and is not strictly in compliance with the requirements of our state aid. The garage plan was developed by the Properties Committee and has been reviewed by the Board of Selectmen, to whom I provided an assessment of basic requirements. I believe that the 16x24 foot one bay prefab garage which will be presented is a low cost option which would take care of housing for many years down the road. It could be constructed by the end of July at a cost to the town of \$17,000 or less. We evaluated an addition to the existing firebarn but a free-standing, prefab structure is more feasible and lower cost. I support the Properties Committee's proposal, and believe this will put us where we need to be for housing our woods fire equipment. If you would like to speak with me about the plan, please feel free to call me at home (371-9093) between 8:30 A.M. and 9 P.M.

Tip for the month: Keep dead slash and brush away from your home. In spite of the recent rains, we are still in drought conditions and fires outside spread fast.

Please know we work for all of you and many thanks for your support over the last two years! On behalf of the Arrowsic Volunteer Fire Department, Chief Heffron



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