

RESULTS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

JUNE 9 & 23, 2026

MACHIAS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

Town Clerk, Sandra N. Clifton, called the meeting to order on June 9, 2026 at the Machias Memorial High School Gymnasium at 8:00 A.M. The Greeting and Officer's Return of Warrant were read.

ARTICLE 1: Nominations were accepted for the moderator and Jane Foss was sworn in. Elizabeth Fitzgerald was later sworn in as Deputy Moderator.

ARTICLE 2: Votes were cast by secret ballot (results are attached).

Before the Town Meeting resumed, the town honored Valdine Atwood with this year's Spirit of America award. Mrs. Atwood was presented with a plaque and a bouquet of flowers.

Deputy Moderator, Elizabeth Fitzgerald opened the meeting at 6:12 P.M.

Andrew Mulholland spoke up regarding the elimination of the SRO at the Machias Schools. He feels the position is very much needed and we should discuss it. It was agreed to have that conversation at a later date.

ARTICLE 3: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Ross Pedersen, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

ARTICLE 4: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Bruce Bacon, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

ARTICLE 5: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

ARTICLE 6: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Bruce Bacon, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

ARTICLE 7: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

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ARTICLE 9: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

ARTICLE 10: Andrew Mulholland asks why the airport increase is so large. Town Manager, Sarah Dedmon explains the budget has increased \$70,000 due to a grant match. Mr. Mulholland asked what we are gaining. Benjamin Edwards replied that there are between 130-150 flights that cannot currently land at the airport. Andrew Mulholland made a motion to amend the article by reducing it \$70,000, the motion was seconded. The amendment failed to pass. The Town voted to accept the article as written.

ARTICLE 11: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

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ARTICLE 29: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written. Heating and Vehicle Fuel Costs is a new line created due to the rising costs of fuel.

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ARTICLE 46: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written. Andrew Mulholland recommended that if this occurs it should be well documented.

ARTICLE 47: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

ARTICLE 48: On a motion by Frank Porcher, seconded by Carol Christianson, the Town voted to accept the article as written.

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Stewart Atwood asked about the TAN loan. The audit for 2024 is almost complete and the 2025 audit will be completed before the 2026 taxes are committed at which point we will pay the TAN loan.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and the meeting ended at 7:57 P.M.

ATTEST A TRUE COPY
Andrea N. Clifton
TOWN CLERK, MACHIAS, MAINE
DATE 7/7/26