TOWN MEETING 2024

To: Henry Williams, A Citizen in the Town of Kingfield, County of Franklin, State of Maine.

Greetings: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Kingfield in said County and State, qualified by law to vote in town affairs to meet at **Webster Hall**; located at 38 School Street in said town on **Friday the 31**st **day of May 2024 A.D., at eight o'clock in the forenoon** then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours therefor to be from eight o'clock in the forenoon until eight o'clock in the afternoon, said articles being the following:

Article 1. To elect a deputy moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To vote for officials that are required to be elected.

Selectman/Assessor/Overseer of Poor 2024 Class Seat I (3 year position) 2024 Class Seat II (1 year position)

School Board Director 2024 Class Seat I (3 year position) 2024 Class Seat II (1 year position)

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the **Kingfield Elementary School** in said town on **Saturday, the 1st day of June 2024 A.D., at nine o'clock in the forenoon**, then and there to act on Articles 3 through 43 as set out below, to wit

Article 3. To elect a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 4. To announce the 2024 Elected Officials and to set the pay for all Selectmen.

Article 5. To see if the voters will allow all non-residents officers of the town to speak.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate from the unappropriated fund balance an amount not to exceed **\$10,000.00** to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that may occur during the 2024/2025 fiscal year? Said appropriation to have the approval of the Budget Committee.

Article 7. To authorize the Selectman to appropriate from fund balance any amount necessary for reducing the 2024-2025 Tax Commitment as they deem appropriate.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$357,640.00

and appropriate the sum of **\$9,000.00** from TIF Revenue for the Administrative Account.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,000.00** for Map Updates.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$40,000.00** for Discounts and Abatements.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$6,600.00** for Animal Control.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$55,200.00** for the Fire Department.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of **\$20,000.00** and appropriate the sum of **\$20,000.00** from TIF Revenue to the Fire Equipment Account.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$356,466.00** for the Public Works Department.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of **\$40,000.00** for the Highway Equipment Account.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of **\$10,000.00** for the Highway Sidewalk Equipment Account.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$75,000.00** from TIF Revenue for the Kingfield Wastewater System operating budget.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$5,500.00** for the Kingfield Wastewater System operating budget from the Poland Spring Greywater Lease Agreement.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$31,800.00** for the Caretaker Department.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$238,320.00** for Municipal Services.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$104,685.00 for** Kingfield's share of the Transfer Station Operations. The total budget is \$309,350.00.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money:

American Red Cross	\$ 400.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
Kingfield Historical Society	\$ 1,200.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
Safe Voices	\$ 1,200.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
Stanley Museum	\$ 5,000.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
Tri County Mental Health	\$ 500.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
Kingfield Flags	\$ 500.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
United Economic Ministry	\$ 6,500.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
Webster Library	\$ 12,000.00	Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0
Total	\$ \$27,300.00	

Article 23. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** for Kingfield Festival Days from TIF Revenue. Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for Kingfield Historical Society from TIF Revenue. Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 9/0

Article 25. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for Kingfield Pops from TIF Revenue. Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 8/0 1 abstain

Article 26. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for Kingfield Quad Runners from TIF Revenue. Recommended by Selectman 3/0 Budget Committee 7/1 1 abstain

Article 27. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for Kingfield SnoWanderers from TIF Revenue with a maximum appropriation not to exceed **\$10,000.00** Requested **\$5,000.00**. **\$5,000.00** Recommended by Selectman 3/0 **\$10,000.00** Recommended by Budget Committee 6/0 4 abstain

Article 28. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for Maine's Northwestern Mountains (formerly Maine's High Peaks) from TIF Revenue with a maximum appropriation not to exceed **\$6,000.00.** \$6,000.00 Recommended by Selectman 3/0 **\$2,500.00 Recommended by the Budget Committee 6/4.**

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$392,050.00** necessary to make payment of a bond that was secured after the 2021 town meeting. Amount represents the cost associated with a capital project known as road reconstruction and repair.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$25,000.00** from TIF Revenue for the Village Enhancement Capital Improvements Fund.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to appropriate **\$91,700.00** necessary to make payment of a bond that was secured after the 2021 town meeting. Amount represents the cost associated with a capital project known as sidewalk lights pursuant to the Village Enhancement Plan.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** from TIF Revenue for the Village Parking Fund.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$100,000.00** from TIF Revenue for the TIF Grant Fund.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$46,000.00** from TIF Revenue for equipment and life-saving tools requested by the Kingfield Fire Department.

Article 35. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to accept and expend, on behalf of the town, any State and Federal funds which may be received from time to time in the form of grants and funds from any source deemed appropriate by the municipal officers during the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, or act on anything relative thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to apply for and accept grant funds from a Community Development Block Grant application for the Micro-Enterprise Assistance Grant program or Façade Program or Streetscapes Program for an amount up to \$150,000.00, and if said program is approved, to authorize the municipal officers to accept said grant funds, to make such assurances, assume such responsibilities, and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such programs during the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Further, the Town is cognizant of the requirement that should the intended National Objective of the CDBG program not be met all CDBG funds must be repaid to the State of Maine CDBG program.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all donations of monies, real property, personal property and any items deemed as donation and to allow the municipal officers to sell, dispose, convey or grant any portion of said donations as they deem appropriate.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all monies received from the Registration of snowmobiles to the Sno-Wanderers club for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to have taxes payable when committed, at a discount of $\frac{2\%}{a}$ allowed 45 days from date of tax bill and interest of $\underline{8}$ % to be charged **November 14th 2024** and **April 14th 2025**. The discount provided by this article shall not apply to any taxpayer or property that receives a full or partial reimbursement of property taxes through a tax increment financing credit enhancement agreement.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to dispose of tax acquired property as they deem in the best interests of the Town, except that the municipal officers shall first use the sale process in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C if they choose to sell property to anyone other than the former owner. For sales to someone other than the former owner, excess sale proceeds, as defined in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to sell or dispose of surplus personal property with an estimated value of \$100,000.00 or less on such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept pre-payments of taxes not yet committed, and to pay 0% interest on those pre-payments.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of s______established by State of Maine law if the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit?

The Registrar of Voters will be available every weekday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM in the Town Office and on Town Meeting Day at the Kingfield Elementary School from 8:45 AM until the end of Town Meeting to accept the registration of any person eligible to vote in Town affairs. A person who is not a registered voter may not vote in any election.

Given under our hands the 25th day of April, A.D. 2024

<u>/s/</u>	
Wade Browne	Kimberly Jordan
lsl	/s/
Morgan Dunham	Hunter Lander
Board of Selectmen, Town of Kingfield	
A true copy of the Warrant: <u>/s/</u> Town Cle	erk