# The Arrowsic Arrow

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Dear Reader,

Yes, it's true. Town Meeting is next Wednesday, June 22nd at 6:30 pm. Read on for details.

#### From the Road Commission, Jim Stump, chair:

The Road Commission is holding a public meeting at 7:00pm on Monday, June 20 to discuss and answer any questions regarding the end of Steen Road. There will be an article on the warrant at Town Meeting which, if passed, will resolve the definition of the Town Road at that location.

Over the last several months, the Road Commission has been researching old records with respect to this issue. There has been discussion with affected landowners as to how best to resolve the situation.

The Road Commission has been unaware that the Town Way includes the Costs driveway, while what has been assumed to be the end of the Steen Road is actually owned by the Costs. The warrant article, if passed, will allow the Town to trade the two road sections.

A point of major concern for the Road Commission has been establishing provisions for an adequate turnaround at the end of the Town Way. To this end, the Commission is recommending passage of the article.

The public meeting is being held to allow discussion of the issue prior to Town Meeting, thereby allowing more expeditious action on the article at that time.

#### You Should Have Been There...

Your School Committee hosted a public meeting Monday, June 13 with Laura Hickey. They laid out the budget in easy to understand terms, and answered many (sometimes heated) questions. Although there are still mysterious places in the budgeting process, all to do with State mechanisms, the committee did an excellent job of dispersing information. The 15 to 20 of us that attended hope their much appreciated efforts will help slim down Town Meeting time this year.

#### From the Town Clerk, Debbie Basset:

There will be some changes At Town Meeting this year. In 1993 the State Legislature passed some new laws governing Town Meeting. One of these rules is that the Town Clerk has to assure that only voters registered in Arrowsic are voting on warrant articles. If you plan on voting at Town Meeting, and you are not registered, contact Dottie Doyle, Registrar of Voters.

We will be checking you in at Town Meeting. You will be given a card to hold up when articles come up for a vote. No card, no vote. Sorry for any inconvenience, but this is the simplest and cheapest way I can think of

to implement this rule change.

Several residents have asked how to get an article placed on the warrant. Here is the procedure: 1. Draw up a petition requesting that the selectmen place your article on the warrant. 2. Solicit signatures from likeminded registered (in Arrowsic) voters. You must collect a number greater than or equal to 10% of the votes cast in Arrowsic in the last gubernatorial election. Please make sure the language is simple and direct, and easy for the Selectmen to word legally on the warrant. For other forms, contact the Town Clerk.

### From Milly Stafford, Ballot Clerk:

WE DID IT AGAINI 108 voters out of 247 registered Republicans and Democrats voted on Tuesday. 47% of the enrolled Democrats and 37% of the Republicans. Results in next issue.

Voter registration identification cards may now be obtained from the Registrar, Dottie Doyle.

\*\*Town Hall Hours are Wednesday 3-5:30pm and Friday 8:30-11am telephone 443-4609\*\*

## From the Selectmen Manli Ho, chair:

It's less than a week until Town Meeting and we'd like to highlight some items that are on the warrant this year. As you may have noticed, we have changed the order of the articles so that "money" items for municipal services are ahead of education articles and routine business. This will allow them to be voted on earlier in the evening.

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Selectmen, continued:

Solid Waste, recycling and septage are listed as separate articles. We have listed 3 choices for trash pickup: weekly, biweekly, or a combination. We're also asking the Town to consider a volume-based user fee system for trash pickup starting with 52 bags or tags per household per year as an incentive to increase recycling and reduce costs. And we will be voting on Spring pickup, also with a user fee.

All of these items were discussed at a public hearing May 31, attended by some 25 people.

A late entry on the warrant is an article addressing the question of the end of Steen Road. The Selectmen and the Road Commission have looked into this issue at the request of the abutters. The result is article 8A which asks the Town to discontinue the old terminus of Steen Road, now used as a driveway, in exchange for a bypass built in the early 80s which the Town has been maintaining under the mistaken impression that it was already part of the Town road. A vote on this is meant to finally resolve the status of the end of the Steen Road. See above Road Commission meeting notice for more details.

Additional copies of Town Reports are available at the Town Hall.

Final updated tallies of the survey questionnaire are in and available at the Town Hall. The selectmen are still in the throes of typing up the many interesting comments offered. They will be available at the Town Hall, and also printed in the Arrow over the next few months.

Finally, for those of you who volunteered on the questionnaire to participate in various aspects of Town

Government, please make yourselves known to us. See you on the 22nd.

#### From the Boosters of the Arrowsic Volunteer Fire Department:

We have some upcoming and ongoing fundraising projects that are in the works.

First: When you recycle your paper and glass you will notice that there is a new box at the Town Hall parking lot. This is a RETURNABLES BOTTLE box. That funny looking tall white box. Well the Boosters are asking the folks from Arrowsic to leave your deposit bottles, jars, juice containers, in plastic or paper bags, that are returnable in Maine. We have a man come and pick up these returnables and pay us. We have not dedicated the moneys earned from this project to a specific purpose as we do not know what the average take will be, yet. The Tank Truck, a portable pump, and many smaller items are some of the items that the boosters have been able to purchase with money we have raised. Please don't forget to leave your returnables IN BAGS in the Booster's box.

Secondly, on September 17, Saturday, we will have a Lawn/Garage/Rummage/Bake sale. We would like to have you look in your attic/cellar/garage and send us any unused items that are in good condition. Several years ago we had this type of sale and were able to raise most of our year's budget for the Boosters. We have space to store the items until then so all you need to do is decide what you will be able to donate and when you want the Boosters to come and collect the items. Call Dave Foster at 443-2114 for pickup. Leave a

message if no one is available.

From Nancy Brown Stump, outgoing Tax Collector:

Although I will no longer be the town tax collector after July 1, I am still the one committed to raise the 1993 property taxes, and I am still the one charged to file the liens on unpaid 1993 property taxes. Therefore, those folks with outstanding taxes after July 1, 1994 will need to send their checks, payable to the Town of Arrowsic, to: Nancy Brown Stump; Box 296 Old Stage Road; Arrowsic, Maine 04530. If there are any questions, if the interest due on a particular date needs to be calculated, please feel free to contact me.

ELWELL, RONALD E

Yours truly, the ever taxing, NBS.

## The Following registrations are due in these months:

IDERSON, DAVID K ER, ROBERT SSETT, MICHAEL A ETT, JOHN C OOKS, DAVID OWN STUMP, NANCY IRNHAM. BRETT D REY, MATTHEW S ANDLER, PAMELA J ST, WILLIAM T JR ST, WILLIAM T JR DOROTHY ESSER, ARTHUR E AHM, SHIRLEY D ILL, MARIA M NGSBURY, BEVERLY A NGSBURY, RICHARD C OWLES, EUGENIE H VESQUE, CLARENCE R SHER, HARRIET ERS, ERIC R ERS, ERIC R R, ETHEL M

BBINS, KAREN M

ROLLINS, ELIZABETH ROLLINS, ELIZABETH J ROSSIGNOL, TIMOTHY SAFFORD, LILLIA SCOTT, BRIAN D LILLIAN SHUFELT, ERNEST F STAFFORD, GEORGE STINSON, LUCY STOEBE, JEFFREY A STUART, KENNETH N WEISS, DAVID R WISEMAN, ELIZABETH M WRIGHT, SUZANNE M

# JUNE

BERTOCCI, S THEODORE COLEMAN, NANCY J CONNER, PATRICIA M WILLIAM T JR CUNNINGHAM, PAUL K DEION, TAMMY DEION, TAMMY J EDSON, ROBERT W ELWELL, ETHEL H ELWELL, KIMBERLY

ELWELL, SUSAN D FUTTER, MARGARET E GILES, SAMUEL D HUDSON, MARGUERITE M KAHRL, MARGUERITE B KEHL, JANET E KENNEY, DEIDRE MANN, JEFFREY MCKEEN. JACQUELINE E NELSON, BONNIE PIEH, CHRISTOPHER C PIEH. JEROME A PINKHAM, MICHAEL D SMITH, LUCY-DIANE L STONE, PATRICIA M STRICKLAND, LISA SULLIVAN, ELAINE SWAN, MARY E TAVENNER, LISA VITELLI, ELOISE A WEISS, DAVID R

# YULY

BARTER, MARLENE BRAWN, PAMELA BRENNAN, WILLIAM R CARR, KRISTEE CHAPIN, E BARTON II DRAKE, SALLY P ELWELL, GEORGIA K FRYE, BRADLEY J HUDSON, W DONALD JR KENNEY, VIVI M KILBOURN, JABEN F LEVESQUE, CLARENCE LEVESQUE, CLARENCE MCLUER, JOHN W MILLER, ELAINE B

NICHOLSON.

NICOL, JAMES

PIEH, JEROME

PAGE, RONALD M

ROOT, DONALD N

MOODY, BARBARA M MORRISON, GLENNA

SIMMONS, CONNIE SKILLINGS COLEMAN, STONE, ALBERT GRACE W STONE. SULLIVAN, ELAINE M WARNER, DORIS E WARNER, JOHN W III WILLIAMS, SARAH B

NEXT ISSUE MID JULYtown meeting results and more letters annuncements etc can be left at Towl Hall addressed to ARROW Than KS to Milly Stafford