

**OFFICIAL WARRANT FOR THE TOWN OF NORTHPORT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
To be held on February 26, 2022**

To: Amy Eldridge, Town Clerk of the Town of Northport in the County of Waldo, 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 Northport in said County and State, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to appear at the Northport Community Church on Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., there and then to act upon Articles 1 through 3.

**Article No. 1:** To Choose a Moderator to preside at said Special Town Meeting.

**Article No. 2:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to: (i) seek and support such grants it deems advisable for broadband development within Northport, with or without a third party Applicant working in collaboration with the Town, (ii) commit the total American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds of \$ 187,173.58, as currently promised to the Town, to support grant applications by the Town or a third party working in collaboration with the Town, to provide funding for broadband infrastructure and digital literacy programs, and (iii) in the event that ARPA funds are not received by the Town in the full expected amount of \$ 187, 173.58, then the Select Board may draw the deficiency from the Undesignated Fund Balance.

*NOTE: The Town is following advice that the best way to apply for grant funding for broadband development within Northport is through commitment of the Town's ARPA funds, to be obtained from the federal government and the Waldo County Commissioners, as the Town's proposed matching funds for the project. Broadband development is specifically listed by the federal government as a preferred project for ARPA funds. It is likely that the named applicant for such grants would be an established broadband company working collaboratively under a service and/or development agreement contract with the Town.*

**Article No. 3:** In the event that the above Article No. 2 is adopted by the voters, shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to use the net proceeds obtained from the sale of the Town's tax-acquired property located at 17 Oak Drive, Tax Map U-15, Lot 18-3, to provide funding for broadband infrastructure and digital literacy programs, in the discretion of the Select Board.

The Special Town Meeting will be opened at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday February 26, 2022 at the Northport Community Church, then and there to act upon Articles 1 through 3 in the Warrant.

**IF YOU ARE NOT A REGISTERED VOTER IN NORTHPORT, YOU MAY NOT VOTE AT THE TOWN MEETING.**

The Registrar of Voters will be available at the Special Town Meeting from 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 26, 2022 at the Northport Community Church.

Given under our hands in Northport, Maine on February 15, 2022



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Michelle Patten, Chair




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Jeanne Tucker, Vice Chair

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Breanna Pinkham Bebb, Municipal Officer

A true attest copy:



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Amy Eldridge, Town Clerk