Town of Sedgwick The Warrant for 2008 - 2009 (Fiscal Year July 1 - June 30)

Hancock, ss

State of Maine

To Cynthia Reilly, a resident of the Town of Sedgwick, in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Sedgwick, in said County, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Sedgwick Town House, in said Town on Friday, the 7th day of March 2008 A.D. at 12:45 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLES:

- 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.
- 2. Election by secret ballot of the following officials: 1st Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years; Treasurer, for three years; School Committee, one member for three years, and one member for one year.

Polls open at 1 p.m. and close at 6 p.m. on March 7, 2008. The Town Meeting will reconvene at the Sedgwick Town House on Saturday, March 8, 2008 at 9 a.m. to act on the remaining articles.

SECOND SESSION

3. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$229,572.52 established for the Town of Sedgwick by state law in the event that the municipal budget approved following articles will result in a tax commitment that exceeds that property tax levy limit.

- 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,000 for the research, development and maintenance of the town's Public Right of Way Access Points.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$5,000.
- To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$500 for the cleaning, sorting and stabilizing of old Town Records.
 The budget committee recommends raising \$500.
- 6. To see if the Town will vote to continue to set October 31 as the date after which a rate of 9 percent per annum interest on unpaid taxes will be charged.
- 7. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate paid for abated taxes at 5 percent.
- 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$88,662 to pay the County tax.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$88,662.
- 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept and spend State and Federal Funds during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, for State Aid to Education (including Federal pass through funds and property tax relief), Local Road Assistance, Municipal Revenue Sharing, Civil Emergency Management Assistance, Snowmobile Registration Reimbursement, Tree Growth Reimbursement, Public Library State Aid per capita, Veterans' Exemption Reimbursement, state grants and any other funds.
- 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to spend \$202,873 in Federal grant money and up to \$15,000 from the Fire Equipment Reserve Account to purchase a new fire truck.
- 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the compensation and/or rate of pay for Town Officials as follows:

 1^{st} Selectman \$8,000 2^{nd} Selectman \$4,000 3^{rd} Selectman \$4,000

Tax Collector \$17,300, plus fees

Treasurer \$7,000

Clerk \$7,000, plus fees

Registrar \$1,000 Code Enforcement Officer \$3,500

Selectman's Assistant \$11.00(per hr,1000 hr) Road Commissioner State Rate + \$2.00

Animal Control Officer \$1,400

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$10,000 for the Town Office Repair account for improvement and repairs at the town office, such account to be a continuing account.

The budget committee recommends appropriating \$10,000

The budget committee recommends appropriating \$10,000 from surplus.

- 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and enter into a purchase and sale agreement with the Town of Brooksville for an undivided half interest in the 28-acre town property on Walker Pond (Map 2, Lot 19) for a sum of \$107,500.
- 14. To see if the Town will vote to use the proceeds of the sale in article 13 to proceed with Sedgwick's share of securing access and road construction to the beach on Walker Pond.
- 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town to continue the current contract with the Blue Hill/Surry transfer station.
- 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$94,863 to compensate the Blue Hill/Surry Transfer Station.

The budget committee recommends raising \$94,863.

- 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,000 for Town Office expenses and routine maintenance. The budget committee recommends raising \$5,000.
- 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$20,000 to pay the Town's share of a \$80,000 Community Development Block grant to build a heated toilet facility at the Town House.

The budget committee has no recommendation.

- 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,000 for the Town House Improvement Project Reserve. The budget committee recommends raising \$1,000.
- 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$650 for Town House expenses and routine maintenance. The budget committee recommends raising \$650.
- 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,500 for the upkeep and operation of the Town Dock. The budget committee recommends raising \$1,500.
- 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$55,000 for the repair and upkeep of Town Roads and Bridges.

The budget committee recommends raising \$55,000.

- 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract for the purpose of snow removal for town roads.
- 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$125,000 for Snow Removal.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$125,000.
- 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,000 for the Salt/Sand Shed Reserve account.

 The budget committee recommends appropriating \$5,000

from surplus.

- 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$3,000 for operating Streetlights.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$3,000.
- 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$8,500 for Septic Tank and Cesspool Sludge.
 The budget committee recommends raising \$8,500.
- 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,900 for salary and expenses of the Animal Control Officer.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$1,900.
- 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$121,000 for Administration.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$121,000.
- 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,500 for General Assistance.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$5,500.
- 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of property acquired by the tax lien process at public sale, except where it is being sold back to the former owner, or to a party who has succeeded to the title of the former owner, in which case a private sale may be utilized. "Public Auction" shall mean a sale pursuant to published notice in the newspaper of general circulation within the Town as the Selectmen deem appropriate with notification of 30 days prior to the sale. The Selectmen retain the right to refuse any or all offers.
- 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of town equipment when it is deemed no longer needed or useful.

- 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to use money set aside in the Overlay account to pay tax abatements.
- 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply Excise Tax, Homestead exemptions, Tree Growth and Revenue Sharing funds for the purpose of reducing the tax commitment for the fiscal year.
- 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$10,000 for Legal Fees, such account to be a continuing account.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$10,000.
- 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$325 for Emergency Management expenses.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$325.
- 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,850 for Sedgwick's share of the Hancock County Regional Communications Center for Dispatch Services. The budget committee recommends raising \$1,850.
- 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$500 for replacement of Road Signs, such account to be a continuing account.

 The budget committee recommends raising \$500.
- 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$37,200 for Fire Fighting expenses. The budget committee recommends raising \$37,500.
- 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$5,000 for Fire Equipment Reserve account. The budget committee recommends appropriating \$5,000 from surplus.
- 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,000 for Forest Fire Fighting expenses.

The budget committee recommends raising \$1,000

- 42. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$899.12 from undesignated surplus to cover an overdraft in the FY '07 Town Office account.

 The budget committee recommends taking \$899.12 from surplus.
- 43. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2,598.21 from undesignated surplus to cover an overdraft in the FY '07 Fire Fighting Expense account.

 The budget committee recommends taking \$2,598.21 from surplus.
- 44. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$11,711.21 from undesignated surplus to cover an overdraft in the FY '07 Snow Removal account.

 The budget committee recommends taking \$11,711.21 from surplus.
- 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$30,443 for the Fire House Substation payment. The budget committee recommends raising \$443 and taking \$30,000 from surplus.
- 46. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate \$2,500 from the Veterans Grave account for the purpose of maintaining veteran graves in town.
- 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$800 for scraping and painting of the Hearse House. The budget committee recommends raising \$800.
- 48. Shall an ordinance entitled Town of Sedgwick Shoreland Zoning Ordinance as amended and presented at a public hearing on February 12, 2008, be enacted? A copy of the ordinance as amended is available at the town office.

- 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$100 for the Kennebec Behavorial Health.

 The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$811 for Washington Hancock Community Agency.

 The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$540 for Downeast Health Services.

 The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 52. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$8,330 for Peninsula Ambulance Corp.

 The Budget committee has no recommendation.
- 53. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$2,000 for Hancock County Homecare & Hospice. The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 54. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$500 for Hospice of Hancock County.

 The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 55. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$934 for Community Health & Counseling Services. The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 56. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$2,055 for Maine Coast Memorial Hospital.

 The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 57. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$175 for Northeast Contact.

 The budget committee has no recommendation.
- 58. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,300 for Eastern Area Agency on Aging.

 The budget committee has no recommendation.

59. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$1,750 for the YMCA.

The budget committee has no recommendation.

60. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$2,100 for Nichols Day Camp.

The budget committee has no recommendation.

61. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$3,000 for the Blue Hill Library.

The budget committee has no recommendation.

62. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$500 for the Sargentville Library.

The budget committee has no recommendation.

63. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate \$350 for DownEast Transportation.

The budget committee has no recommendation.

Given under our hands at Sedgwick, Maine the 21st day of February, 2008

/s/ Nelson Grindal, First Selectman

/s/ William Jagger, Second Selectman

/s/ Thomas O'Connor, Third Selectman

A true copy Attest: Cynthia Reilly Resident of Sedgwick, Maine