**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

***TOWN WARRANT***

**STATE OF MAINE**

**TOWN OF LIBERTY**

***To:*** Hannah Hatfield, Resident of the Town of Liberty, in the County of Waldo, and the 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 Liberty in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the **Liberty Town Office, Overlock Room**, 7 Water Street in said Town, on **Monday, the 30th day of July, 2018 at 6:00 PM** in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

### Town Clerk Gail Philippi opened the meeting at 6:00 pm. Pledge of Allegiance.

### ARTICLES

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

 Carrie Peavey nominated Judy Fuller as moderator. Melinda Steeves seconded. **Judy Fuller voted in as moderator**. Gail Philippi swore Judy in as moderator.

1. To see if the town will authorize up to a $25,000 appropriation from surplus to pay for repairs to the Stevens Pond dam and the Lake St George dam.

Judy Fuller read motion requesting $25,000 dollars from the Town of Liberty surplus for the immediate repair of the Stevens Pond dam and the Lake St. George dam.

Linda Breslin, President of CALL, requested permission as a non-resident to speak:

* introduction of self
* She and Tammy Reynolds have worked together for past 4 years, responsible for DEP regulations of water levels on lake
* leaks persist and have increased despite work done a couple years ago ($8000)
* recognize problems with drought
* Tammy in contact with Mr. Fletcher, responsible for all dams in Maine
* commercial divers met for 2 hours at Lake St. George
* Stevens Pond can be fixed for 20 years
* Lake St. George: problems - leaking around new cement culvert - can lessen leak
* if not fixed, LSG dam could collapse
* $25,000 is the most it would cost to repair both dams - requested from Town of Liberty
* ultimate fix will be needed and Town of Liberty must make future plans for Lake St. George dam

Tammy Reynolds showed video of Lake St. George dam issues following the widening of the road.

Much discussion followed regarding the responsibility of the State of Maine following the widening of the road and the results it had on the dam.

The state did not put fabric sheathing in, which according to Tammy Reynolds would have eliminated the leak.

The dams are owned by the Town of Liberty, and therefore the responsibility of the Town of Liberty. The state will only take responsibility for the road. An inspection was done by the State of Maine and signed off by Tammy Reynolds following the completion of the widened road.

Some suggested the Select Board check with a lawyer about pursuing the issue and holding the state liable.

Tammy Reynolds made a **motion to accept the motion requesting $25,000 from the Town of Liberty as written**, as time is of the essence. Kerry Black seconded. **Motion passed**.

Melinda Steeves made a **motion to adjourn**; Carrie Peavey seconded. Meeting adjourned **at 7:37 pm.**

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS, THIS 17th DAY OF JULY, 2018

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Melinda Steeves, First Selectman

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Carrie Peavey, Second Selectman

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Henry Hall, Third Selectman

A True Copy: Attest

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Gail H. Philippi

Town Clerk, Town of Liberty