



BUDGET COMMITTEE



Thank you for considering me for reelection as a member of the Town Budget Committee. Betsy and I live on her family land, Bowie Farm, on Stackpole Road. We have three grown children who live in Georgia, Indiana and Buxton, Maine. For Betsy, it is a return to her roots where her father, Frank Bowie, and brother Eric were active in Town committees. I hope to bring their sense of civic duty to my service.

In 1998, I retired from the U.S. Army after 23 years followed by 23 years in the real estate development industry. In those experiences, I learned about duty, leadership, personnel management, and budgets. My educational experience includes a Bachelor of Science from the United States Military Academy, West Point, Masters of Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley and Masters from the Naval War College, Newport, RI. In addition to the Budget Committee, I served on the Union Church Committee and as Chair of the Planning Board. I believe that these experiences and educational background have prepared me for the Committee.

There are lots of challenges to maintaining the continued high quality of services the Town provides while recognizing the impact of taxes especially on those with limited income. With the School and County having significant increases, we must continue to get the best service we can with the Town's portion of the taxes. We have a great Town staff and need to continue to recognize their efforts and provide them the tools they need to do their work.

I enjoy my time on the Committee working with the great members of the Committee, Select Board and Town staff. I look forward to continuing to serve you for another term.

Thank you.



JOHN TALBOT