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May 10, 1933

Hon. Samuel B. Furbish
Town Manager
Dexter, Maine

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of May 9, concerning the last sentence of Section 4 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes, I am of the opinion that that particular provision of the statutes was simply intended to force selectmen to insert an article in the Town Warrant when perhaps they would not otherwise do so.

Ordinarily the preparation of the Warrant and the insertion of the articles in it are left entirely to the discretion of the selectmen, and it is within their power to insert such articles as to them seem proper, and it is not necessary to have the request of the voters for any article in the Warrant.

The above provisions of the statutes are intended simply to safeguard the rights of voters and to accord a voter the privilege of having a matter acted on at a town meeting when his desire is supported by nine other voters in writing.

I trust that the above answers your question.

Very sincerely yours,

Attorney General

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