Lovell’s 2023 annual Town Meeting

On Saturday March 4th Lovell was scheduled to have their annual Town meeting. Several people had inquired as to why the Town did not cancel the meeting due to the storm that occurred that Saturday.

According to Maine Municipal:

**Canceling/Postponing/Advancing Town Meeting**

**Point of No Return**

If a warrant has been posted for seven days or more, then the meeting cannot be canceled, postponed or advanced, because the meeting has been properly “called” for the date and time announced by the warrant. Promptly after convening and electing a moderator, however, an *open town meeting* can be adjourned by motion and vote to a specified later date for the conduct of the business on the warrant, thus effectively “postponing” the meeting. It can also vote to adjourn without acting on any of the articles after the election of a moderator, thus effectively “canceling” the meeting.

On Saturday March 4th the annual Town meeting started and Jon Bliss was elected as the moderator. There was a motion and a second to cancel the Town meeting.

The moderator acted on the motion. 4 voters out of 69 in attendance, voted to cancel the meeting and so the motion failed and Town meeting continued.