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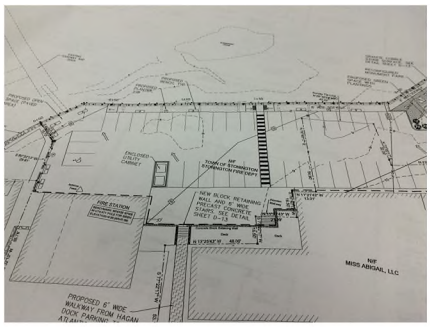
Town of Stonington
Annual Report 2017



Dedication

Our 2017 Town Report is proudly dedicated to retiring Selectman, and current Chairman, Chris Betts. For more than 30 years Chris has faithfully served the people of Stonington. During his nine terms, Chris has helped to lead Stonington with dignity and common sense. We are very grateful for all the hours of hard work he has put into our Town and wish him nothing but the very best in the future.

In Memoriam

Galen Leon Thompson, Jr.	**02/24/2017**
John Thomas Himpler	**04/21/2017**
Sylvia Tate	**05/06/2017**
William Sumner Hutchinson	**05/18/2017**
Joan Carroll Robbins	**05/25/2017**
Ingrid Bengis-Palei	**07/13/2017**
Alan Hatch Webb	**09/06/2017**
Rita Bertha Shepard	**09/15/2017**
Lynn James Verhey	**10/01/2017**
Geraldine Hazel Nowak	**10/10/2017**
James McCracken, Jr.	**11/10/2017**
Anita Rosalind Oliver	**11/13/2017**

"Gone yet not forgotten, although we are apart, your spirit lives within me, forever in my heart."

Author Unknown

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Report of the Town Manager 2017

I am pleased to say it has been another busy year for all of us here at the town office. All of the staff has worked hard this year in their respective departments in our town on various projects. The highlights are:

- The road crew was able to do a good amount of ditching and many culvert replacements on Airport road for paving. We have more paving projects for that area and downtown as we finish up the sidewalk project when spring arrives. Other areas they will focus on for paving in future years are Greenhead, and Indian Point road for tree trimming and ditching.

- We continue to make progress on the new compactor at the Transfer Station for the expansion project and will continue our goals to improve the layout of the facility. Each year trash is increasing at our facility and with the recycling crisis going in our country, we really need to take a hard look at how we deal with this issue as many other towns and cities are grappling with the same problem.

- The Fish Pier and Harbor is well managed by the Harbormaster and Harbor Committee as they work on upgrades and improvements for our busy fishing fleet. Parking continues to be challenging, but a project is being planned to add some spaces by expanding the wall on the west side. Also, a generator is planned to be installed in case we have more extended power outages like the one we experienced with the October windstorm.

- Downtown Projects-Hagen Dock was completed and looks great. The waterline project going up Thurlow's Hill was replaced and the road will be paved with the final coat this spring after we install the sidewalks up to North Seabreeze Avenue. The Parking Committee recommendations were reviewed with implementations of paving the walking path up Pink Street and new signage installed for hourly parking limits in different areas. We wish to thank everyone for working with us to keep improving downtown and keep it viable for all.

- A committee was tasked with developing an update to our Comprehensive Plan over the summer and fall. We had a well-attended hearing facilitated by consultant Bob Gerber who was hired to help get it together with our residents input. If this updated Comprehensive Plan is approved by a town meeting vote, we will be eligible to apply for grant funding for various projects that can help keep taxes down.

I wish to thank to the town employees who really give 110% to this town with their many years of dedication and support to work on behalf of you all. I can't thank them enough for what they do for me each day, they truly make my days much smoother. I am lucky the Select Board has the devotion our town needs to be effective and relevant in these challenging times, as well. It makes my job easier!

Kathleen Billings, Town Manager

Board of Selectmen
2017 Chairman's Report

It is with great pleasure that I give you this report on behalf of our Select Board as their Chairman. I have considered it a privilege to work with the other Selectmen over the course of my 32 years in public service, beginning in 1986 with my time on the Planning Board and then as a Selectman starting in 1990. As my final year of service comes to a close, I have been reflecting on all the changes and improvements to the town that have happened during that time.

The Town went from having its own town police department, which had its ups and downs, to the current contracted coverage with the Sheriff's Department as different ways to meet our law enforcement needs. When DEP regulations changed, we covered up the old landfill and built the Transfer Station, and soon we will have a second compactor up and running to keep up with the increased volume of trash over the years. Our Water Company drilled a series of wells to provide better quality drinking water instead of pumping from Burntland Pond, and has also replaced many old waterlines in recent years. Airport Road was moved away from the airstrip, the old sand pile was moved, and we built a new Town Garage. The school and gym buildings were given back to the town and we've worked to keep them going by leasing to the Island Community Center and 15 businesses. After looking at several options, the voters chose to keep the Town Hall on Main Street and the building was renovated to bring it up to code, meet ADA standards, and better serve the public. The Fish Pier was built in the mid-80s and expanded about 15 years later. Colwell Ramp was purchased jointly with Isle au Haut for public waterfront access to benefit both towns. Bill Ralston's house was bought and demolished, and the Public Works crew built a great little waterfront park. In 2012, Moose Island Causeway was totally rebuilt after years of frustrated efforts and planning. And just during the past year Hagen Dock was completely reconstructed to provide a safe and welcoming Public Landing for our town for years to come.

When I look back over all of this and so much more, I feel thankful for all that we have accomplished as a town through the years. We may be a small town, but we have risen to the task time and again to build, improve and pay for all that we have, and I am very proud of that. It has been deeply rewarding to see our town grow, and I hope this report can help others see just how fulfilling public service can be. We will need the next generation to come up behind us and fill our leadership roles as we pass the torch. I'm pleased I can say that all these years I've always put the Town's best interests ahead of personal agendas or bias, and hope that those who lead our town in the future do the same.

Many thanks to our town employees from the whole Board. They are really great; they work hard to serve you cheerfully in the office, at elections, work on your roads and plow snow through the night, take care of the dump, oversee the Harbor and Pier and they all deserve our sincere appreciation for their dedicated service through long hours, emergencies, and giving up their family time, too, for our town.

Respectfully,

Christopher Betts, Chairman

Town Officials 2017

Board of Selectmen

Christopher Betts	2018	367-2829
Evelyn Duncan	2018	367-5814
Donna Brewer	2019	367-5100
John Robbins	2020	367-5842
John Steed	2020	

Employees

Kathleen Billings	Town Manager, Treasurer, Tax Collector	townmanager@stoningtonmaine.org	
Lucretia Bradshaw	Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters	367-2351	x12
Bridget Brophy	Deputy Clerk, Deputy Registrar	367-2351	x12
Lyndsey Dow	Deputy Clerk, Deputy Registrar	367-2351	x12
Raelene Pert	Harbor Master, Pier Manager, Shellfish Warden	367-5891	
Judith Jenkins (Tuesdays)	Code Enforcement & Health Officer	367-2351	x11
Benjamin Pitts	Water Company Operator	367-2351	x15
Roger Stone	Plumbing Inspector	367-2601	
Matt Byard & Shaun Eaton	Public Works	367-2644	
Thomas Brophy	Transfer Station Manager	367-5996	

Fire Department Officers

Chief	Ryan Hayward	367-5076 (h), 610-3106 (c)
Assistant Chief	David Thompson	
Captain	Chris Hutchinson	
Fire Police	Kevin Clough	
Secretary, Treasurer	Theresa Gove-Eaton	

Sanitary District Trustees

In District	Benjamin Pitts	2018
	Diana Turner	2018
	Allison Edinger	2019
At Large	Ronald M. Eaton	2018
	Jeannine Buckminster	2019

DI-Stonington CSD Directors

Loring Kydd	Deer Isle	2018
Stephen York	Stonington	2018
Elizabeth Perez	Deer Isle	2019
Jane Osborne	Deer Isle	2019
Lawrence P Greenlaw Jr	Stonington	2020

Town Committees & Boards 2017

Airport Committee

Meets Monthly, May-October

Mark Robinson	2019
Erik Walter	2019
Jim Jackson	2020

Donna Brewer-Selectmen's Rep

Appeals Board

Meets As Needed

John Coombs	2018
Donald Colson	2018
Doug Johnson	2019
Robert Dodge	2020

Economic Development

Meets 1st Thursday, 7:30 AM

Samuel Ostrow	2018
Bill Baker	2019
Roger Bergen	2019
Meg Taintor	2019
Barrett Gray	2020
Julie Morringello	2020
Suzy Shepard	2020

Evelyn Duncan-Selectmen's Rep

Planning Board

Meets 3rd Thursday, 6:30 PM

Ted Crouch	2018
Roger Bergen	2018
Bill Baker	2018
Ann Foster	2019
Renee Sewall	2019

If you are interested in serving on a Board or Committee, please contact the Town Office at 367-2351

Colwell Ramp

Meets 1st Tuesday, 5:45 PM

Dean Eaton	2019
D. Gay Atkinson	2020

Evelyn Duncan-Selectmen's Rep

Harbor Committee

Meets 2nd Tuesday, 6:00 PM

Justin Boyce	2019
Richard Larrabee, Jr.	2019
Ryan Larrabee	2019
Hilton Turner	2019
George Stevens	2019

John Robbins-Selectmen's Rep

Island Rec Board

Elissa Haskell	2019
Elaine Parke	2019
Heidi Shepard	2019

Shellfish Committee

Meets 4th Wednesday, 6 PM

George Powell	2019
Robert Ray	2019
George Robbins	2019
Benjamin Hardie	2020
Mabel Robbins	2020

Evelyn Duncan-Selectmen's Rep

Microloan Committee

Meets As Needed

James Bray	2019
Rich Howe	2019
Vern Seile	2019

Donna Brewer-Selectmen's Rep

Town Clerk's Report
2017

Registrations

Passenger Cars	1,086
Commercial	129
Antiques	32
Vanity Plates	86
Specialty Plates	331
Transfers	96
Motor Homes	6
Motorcycles	28
Mopeds	2
Transit Plates	26
Trailers	227
ATV	48
Snowmobile	32
PWC	7
Boats	352
Documented Vessels	94

Hunting/Fishing Licenses

	2017	2018
Season Hunt	43	0
Junior Hunt	10	1
Archery	4	2
Expanded Archery	4	1
Crossbow	2	1
Muzzleloader	9	3
Migratory Waterfowl	2	1
Spring/Fall Turkey	7	2
Bear	2	1
Coyote Night Hunt		3
Apprentice Res Hunt	2	0
Hunt/Fish Combo	4	11
Season Fish	17	3
Non Res Season Fish	1	0
1/3/7 Day Fish	5	0
Saltwater Registry	47	0
Superpack	2	1

Shellfish Licenses

Commercial						
Resident:	Jr	0	Adult	23	Sr	4
Non Res:	Jr	0	Adult	3	Sr	0
Recreational						
Resident:	Jr	0	Adult	47	Sr	13
Non Res:	Jr	1	Adult	96	Sr	33

Vital Statistics Recorded

Births	10
Deaths	12
Marriages	21

Dog Licenses

	2017	2018
Unaltered	2	2
Spayed/Neutered	35	69
Kennel	1	0

The Town Office is open Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, except for major holidays.

By State law, all dogs must be licensed by January 31st each year. Fees for spayed/neutered dogs are $6.00 and $11.00 for unaltered dogs. Dog licenses issued after January 31st must be charged a late fee of $25.00 in addition to the annual license fees. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required and you must provide a spay/neuter certificate to obtain the spay/neuter rate.

Notary services are available during regular business hours.

Tax Maps and Commitment Books are available online at www.StoningtonMaine.org

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucretia Bradshaw, Town Clerk

Code Enforcement Officer's Report 2017

To the Citizens of the Town of Stonington:

In 2017 the Code Enforcement Officer issued a total of 54 permits and the Planning Board issued three.

1	Town Trash Compactor pad, footings	2	Wharfs, piers, docks
1	Mobile Home Park	1	Ramp, float
2	Commercial Shop/offices	2	Steps to shore
4	New Residences or re-builds	4	Shops
9	Additions to residences	2	Garages
7	Decks, Porches	4	Parking areas, roads, pads
2	Cottages, camps	2	Fences
1	Mobile Home	4	Sheds

6 Flood Hazard Permits

There were six less permits issued in 2017 than the previous year. Many renovations, roofing and painting jobs and household repairs were going on in town. There was one After-the-Fact permit issued. There was also one After-the-Fact application denied. There were several requests to the Board of Appeals this year. The Planning Board and Board of Appeals provide a great service to the town.

Thank you to: Kathleen, Lucy, Bridget, Roger, Ben, Gay. Ted Crouch and Doug Johnson for their help and assistance in making my job interesting and rewarding.

Questions and comments are welcome concerning building applications, permits and non-compliance issues. My hours are 9AM-4PM every Tuesday at the Town Office or my cell # 266-0785.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Jenkins, CEO, LHO

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2017 Plumbing Permits

Permit	Name	Total Fee	LPI	Town	State	DEP Fee
1755	Siebert, Becky	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1756	Habor View Store	60.00	30.00	15.00	15.00	-
1757	O'Donnell, Colum	140.00	70.00	35.00	35.00	-
1758	Joyce, Clayton	120.00	60.00	30.00	30.00	-
1759	Compton, Elizabeth	110.00	55.00	27.50	27.50	-
1760	Haskell, Clay	250.00	125.00	62.50	62.50	15.00
1761	Haskell, Clay	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1762	Boisvert, Roger	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1763	Neumayr, Rudi	50.00	25.00	12.50	12.50	-
1764	Stevenson, Tom	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1765	Framptom-Price, Michael	250.00	125.00	62.50	62.50	15.00
1766	Seile, Vernon	110.00	55.00	27.50	27.50	-
1767	Farrar, Robert	50.00	25.00	12.50	12.50	-
1768	Rogers, Cliff (fee pd 2013)	-	-	-	-	-
1769	Capute, Courtney	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1770	St. Amand, Maggi	90.00	45.00	22.50	22.50	-
1771	Alley, Elizabeth	250.00	125.00	62.50	62.50	15.00
1772	Sitting Pretty Stonington LLC	250.00	125.00	62.50	62.50	15.00
1773	Wilson, Paul A	250.00	125.00	62.50	62.50	15.00
1774	Taylor, Robin	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1775	Plimpton, Polly	150.00	75.00	37.50	37.50	-
1776	Warner, Geoffrey	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1777	Warner, Geoffrey	40.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	-
1778	Warner, Geoffrey	150.00	75.00	37.50	37.50	-
1779	Stoessel, Andrew	250.00	125.00	62.50	62.50	15.00
1780	McGuire, Mary A	30.00	15.00	7.50	7.50	-
1781	Greenlaw, Lawrence P	150.00	75.00	37.50	37.50	-
	Totals:	**3,030.00**	**1,515.00**	**757.50**	**757.50**	**90.00**
	Roger Stone, LPI					

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

2017

The Stonington Planning Board meets monthly on the third Thursday, 6:30 PM in the selectmen's room of the Town Hall. We currently have five regular members, which is two shy of our total complement of seven. We must have a quorum of three members at each meeting in order to conduct official business. Agendas for our meetings, which are open to the public, are published in the notices section of the *Island Advantages* newspaper. Anyone interested in serving on the Planning Board should contact the Town Hall, Selectboard, or Planning Board member.

All permit applications are received and reviewed initially by Judy Jenkins, CEO, and when appropriate are passed on to the Planning Board for action. Generally, all permits for one and two-family dwellings, whether in or outside of the Shoreland Zone are processed by the CEO. Planning Board responsibilities are defined by the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance are extensive and include, but are not limited to commercial, industrial, governmental and roadways.

We would like to thank Planning Board secretary, JoAnna Haskell and the Code Enforcement Officer, Judy Jenkins, for their support and expertise at our monthly meetings; both do an outstanding job.

Finally, as Chairman, I would like to thank our dedicated planning board members for their many hours of volunteer service to the Board!

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Crouch, Chair
Bill Baker, Vice Chair
Roger Bergen
Ann Foster
Renee Sewall

Permits addressed by the Planning Board in 2017

Subject	Approved
R/R BLDG LOBS CO-OP	1
MOBILE HOME PARK	1
HOUSE RECONTRUCTION	1

Stonington Volunteer Fire Department
PO Box 472 Stonington, ME 04681
(207)610-3106
(207)367-5137 fire station

To: The Residents of the Town of Stonington

From: The Stonington Volunteer Fire Department

Last year was as busy as 2016. We ended the year with 39 calls where last year was 35. We applied for multiple grants last year. One being from Maine Forestry and Agriculture for a new portable pump and 400 ft. of hose for $2050.00.. This is a 50/50 matching grant where we will have to pay for half the cost.
I also applied for an AFG grant to replace our very aging Air Packs. They are 21 yrs. old and need to be updated to meet OSHA standards. The cost of 10 new Air Packs were $62,500.

On another note.. We are talking about relocating the Fire Station. We are located in the Towns Flood Zone and with parking issues that are arising, The Fire Department feels like this is a good chance to move. We have discussed that the Ball Field would be a PRIME spot for a location for a new Station. There also might be tax acquired property that might get looked at as well.

We would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who has donated to the Fire Department. With the half purchase of the pump and hose, We also bought 2 new Light up signs to use at Traffic accidents. The signs light up and will help with firefighter visibility.

Please remember that you need to have a fire permit to do any open burning. It is against the law to burn without a permit and if caught, you might be subject to a fine. Please contact either Adelbert Gross or myself to obtain one.

Finally I would like the thank all the members of the Stonington Fire Department, The Town Manager, Selectmen and Town Clerks. Your support has made my job a lot easier. Here's to a wonderful and safe 2018

Sincerely,
Ryan Hayward
Fire Chief

Incident Report for 2017

Fire Alarm: 6 LZ Setup: 1 Car Accidents: 4 Power lines: 3 Lift Assist w/ MAC: 5
Smoke Investigation: 4 Unpermitted burn: 1 False Alarm: 1 Flooded basement: 2
Transfer Station(brush pile): 2 Fire investigation: 1 Water Rescue: 1 Propane tank leak: 1
Mobile light fire: 1 Carbon Monoxide investigation: 1 Trees down: 5

Please remember to check your smoke detectors periodically and have your 911 house number visible on your home or mailbox

Report of the Fish Pier Manager 2017

I'm not sure where 2017 went! We have replaced our diesel fuel tank, built and installed a new ladder on the west side of the pier, refastened all the existing ladders, replaced two lights and removed, straightened and re-installed the rods that connect the gangway. One of the biggest changes was numbering and assigning all the parking spots to the permitted users. This has worked out really well!

The pier has always been a very busy place and every year it seems to get busier! Thank you to all the fishermen who've been leaving their trap trailers up at the ballfield while they are setting out and taking up traps, it really helps to ease congestion on the pier.

The Pier Manager is responsible for recordkeeping, billing pier fees to users, updating the fuel records daily, making sure the fuel system itself is operating properly, keeping the Harbor Committee and Selectmen updated, and maintenance: greasing hoists, changing rope, running the dump pump, stocking soda machines, changing nozzles and fuel filters on the fuel pump. The Harbor Committee meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Of course, these meetings are open to the public.

The pier has currently no available parking spots but we do keep a waiting list; you can stop by and add your name if you'd like a spot.

A reminder to all boaters: Boat registrations, and Excise Tax for Documented Boats, expire December 31st—remember to renew in your residence town and make sure to display your current stickers!

In 2018, we plan to use two 10-yard dumpsters instead of the trash trailer and to purchase and install a generator so we can keep things going during power outages. We also hope to reconfigure an area on the west side of the pier to get a little more usable space.

Being the manager of the Stonington fish pier is a challenging job and definitely keeps me busy. Please stop by if you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Raelene Pert
Fish Pier Manager
harbormaster@stoningtonmaine.org
(207) 367-5891

2017 By The Numbers:	
Buyer Permits	4
Parking Permits	66
Punts	79
Boats	80
Service Vehicles	20
Gallons of Diesel Sold	697,972

Town of Stonington
Fish Pier Profit & Loss
January through December 2017

		Jan - Dec 17
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
2-4120 · FISH PIER RESERVE INCOME		
Diesel Fuel Add'l $0.10	29,699.88	
Diesel Fuel Sales	625,963.27	
Fees & Permits	65,770.00	
Fines & Violations	400.00	
Fish Pier Misc Income	7,910.00	
Pier Soda Machine Income	1,947.60	
Reserve Interest & Fees	972.60	
Total 2-4120 · FISH PIER RESERVE INCOME		732,663.35
Total Income		732,663.35
Gross Profit		732,663.35
Expense		
2-5120 · FISH PIER EXPENSES		
Fish Pier Assistant Wages	2,790.40	
Fish Pier Diesel Purchases	604,280.72	
Fish Pier Electricity	2,921.14	
Fish Pier Equipment & Repairs	17,915.33	
FISH PIER EXP to RESERVES	5,811.00	
Fish Pier Health Insurance	9,920.32	
Fish Pier Liability Insurance	3,928.42	
Fish Pier Manager Overtime Wage	1,785.48	
Fish Pier Manager Wages	16,805.16	
Fish Pier Misc Exp	2,918.25	
Fish Pier Payroll Taxes	1,824.57	
Fish Pier Postage	294.00	
Fish Pier Printing/Copies	243.73	
Fish Pier Professional Services		
Fish Pier Professional - Office	1,680.00	
Total Fish Pier Professional Services	1,680.00	
Fish Pier Sales Tax to State	3,647.27	
Fish Pier Sewer	412.00	
Fish Pier Snow Removal	2,535.98	
Fish Pier Soda Machine Expense	1,447.09	
Fish Pier Supplies	207.83	
Fish Pier Telephone/Internet	1,056.69	
Fish Pier Trash Removal	7,800.00	
Fish Pier Travel	30.60	
Fish Pier Water	291.62	
Fish Pier Workers Comp	2,389.17	
Total 2-5120 · FISH PIER EXPENSES		692,936.77
Total Expense		692,936.77
Net Ordinary Income		39,726.58
Net Income		**39,726.58**

Report of the Harbor Master 2017

The Hagen Dock rebuilding project is completed and came out so nicely! We now have a much safer public landing. We have 12 dinghy permits at the public landing, if we have any more than that it gets difficult for boats to tie up so let's keep them tied up close to the wall and south side of the float. The public landing is recreational not commercial so there should not be any commercial skiffs over there.

Dana Webb and I got all of the Burnt Cove moorings mapped this year and we will work on another cove this year. Moorings applications need to be filled out and returned each year with proof of current boat registration or documented boat excise tax receipt.

I'm really happy that people are using the free Life Jacket Loaner program—we loaned out 93 times this year! We have all sizes of life jackets available to borrow, from small children to large adults; please take advantage of this great resource, it could save your life.

Unfortunately we had some violations of the "no-wake zone" and I had to issue a few tickets. I hope there are fewer tickets in 2018. I was enforcing the zone by boat and by land, and will do the same next year. Remember to go slow and watch out for each other. You are responsible for your wake and if someone gets hurt, property is damaged, or oil/fuel spill it could cost you money.

We patrol the harbor most every day to keep the wake issue down and sometimes have patrols from Coast Guard Auxiliary, too. We will back out there again this year patrolling the harbor so if you see anything let us know and give us as much detail as you can. If you don't report it, we can't address the issue.

The boat races were very busy, and scary, with a lot of heat exhaustion. Please remember to drink lots of water and keep out of the sun on when out on the water. Let's all work together to have a safe and enjoyable 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Raelene Pert
Harbor Master
harbormaster@stoningtonmaine.org
(207) 367-5891

2017 Incidents:	
Boats Sinking	3
Fuel Spills	1
Boating Accidents	4
Medical Calls	7

Town of Stonington
Harbor Reserve Profit & Loss
January through December 2017

		Jan - Dec 17
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
2-4160 · HARBOR RESERVE INCOME		
Boat Excise	13,743.00	
Dinghy Fees	4,000.00	
Misc Harbor Income	50.00	
Mooring Fees	65,360.00	
Reserve Interest & Fees	652.40	
Total 2-4160 · HARBOR RESERVE INCOME		83,805.40
Total Income		83,805.40
Gross Profit		83,805.40
Expense		
2-5160 · HARBOR EXPENSES		
Hagen Dock Expenses	946.34	
Hagen Dock Float	12,950.00	
Harbor Assistant Wages	1,728.00	
Harbor Boat Expense	878.59	
Harbor Electricity	1,844.17	
Harbor Health Insurance	6,613.54	
Harbor Liability Insurance	951.12	
Harbor Misc Expense	2,637.21	
Harbor Misc Gas	12.50	
Harbor Payroll Taxes	1,096.65	
Harbor Postage	343.00	
Harbor Printing	89.65	
Harbor Professional Services		
Harbor Professional - Office	1,120.00	
Total Harbor Professional Services	1,120.00	
Harbor Sewer	411.99	
Harbor Snow Removal	86.26	
Harbor Supplies	96.57	
Harbor Telephone/Internet/Cell	1,050.67	
Harbor Travel	34.70	
Harbor Water	291.61	
Harbor Workers Comp	2,071.22	
Harbormaster Overtime Wages	1,403.94	
Harbormaster Wages	11,203.41	
Total 2-5160 · HARBOR EXPENSES		47,861.14
Total Expense		47,861.14
Net Ordinary Income		35,944.26
Net Income		**35,944.26**

REPORT OF THE STONINGTON WATER COMPANY
2017

In 2017, the Stonington Water Company had one of the busiest years of its existence. No less than three major construction projects took place this last year involving Water Company infrastructure. On top of our normal operation duties, we oversaw an upgrade to our treatment facility, a total replacement of our entire Hagen Dock infrastructure, and a replacement of our North Main Street water line with a short extension added to the end of the line for several future water company customers.

- The Water Company Treatment Plant has seen many changes in the last 100 years, and 2017 was the most recent upgrade to our treatment process. New metering equipment for all of our water sources was installed. Our chlorine injection system was redesigned. New electronic monitoring equipment was installed which will allow us to have an alarm system that will call out to our operators if there is a treatment failure. Our uranium treatment system had better controls installed on it, bringing us up to Maine Drinking Water Program standards. New particulate filters were also installed on all of our incoming water source lines. We also installed a backup clear well pump further improving reliability. During this project, we were also able to install new control systems at all of our wells, and install a new propane generator at the pump house which is a major step in our future ability to provide water even during power outage events. This project was primarily funded with grant monies and a low interest loan from Rural Development.

- During the Town's Hagen Dock reconstruction project, the Water Company took the opportunity to replace its entire Hagen Dock infrastructure. The 2" HDPE line had broken previously in several places and was determined to be undersized for the potential demand of the serviced businesses, so the line was upgraded to 4" HDPE and was installed deeper than the original, and insulated. A new service line was also installed for the town at their new Hagen Dock green space, which allows for landscaping and development of this new community area.

- The North Main Street project was one of the largest reconstruction projects in the distribution system in Water Company history. Replacing and extending over 1,200 linear feet of water main and adding an additional fire hydrant to our system, this project also allowed us to decommission several sections of old galvanized water main. Starting down by the library and extending up to the Fairpoint Communications building, the new 8" water main replaced aged lines that historically had experienced several significant water main breaks and numerous service supply issues. In fact, the water main broke as the contractor was hooking up temporary water to the side streets and several customers were without water for a day as the construction crew completed the temporary water setup. The 6" ductile iron line on North Main Street was also upgraded to 8" ductile iron which is the minimum size recommended; and all customer services, water main isolation valves, and fire hydrants in the area were replaced during the project. Final paving and landscaping repair will be done in the Spring of 2018. This entire project was only possible by the funding provided by a Community Development Block Grant.

- The Maine Drinking Water Program has allowed us to finally bring one of our test wells online. We will be employing it during the upcoming year; however, one of the requirements is an expanded water testing regime to ensure water quality for our customers. We will be expanding our Lead Copper testing this year in addition to extra combined Radium and Uranium tests.

- The Standpipe is recommended to be inspected and cleaned every 5 years, and this year it came due. The inside was cleaned of sediment and the welds were inspected. The inside looked fine, but the outside is starting to show its age. We are currently in the process of preparing a water rate increase which will include a standpipe upgrade/maintenance fund for the expected work that will be required in the future.

Our summer season water usage was down this year, which we believe reflects an effort by our customers to show more awareness of water conservation needs, along with improved water losses due to all of the above improvements. This is important, because even as our summer water usage was down, our water production remains inadequate during the elevated demand condition which occurs in the summer season. The coast of Maine and many other surrounding areas experienced drought conditions over the past year. The additional well we are bringing online, will improve our water production, but will not solve it, so water conservation remains a top priority for the Water Company. We will continue with our Meter Replacement project in an effort to improve accountability, and appreciate all efforts made by our customers to remain cognizant of their own water usage. Our improvements to our aged infrastructure will continue, as will our commitment to our customer's satisfaction. Once again, in 2017 the Water Company met all of the quality control and compliance standards set by the state and will continue these efforts as we move into our 2018 season.

Please feel free to contact us at the Town Office if you have any questions. 367-2351 (x15)

Respectfully submitted:

Annaleis Hafford, P.E.
Water Company Manager

Benjamin Pitts
Water Company Superintendent

D. Gay Atkinson II
Water Company Operator

Transfer Station Report 2017

The new signs in the recycling building have gone up this year and they have worked well. Thank you to everyone for putting things where they belong it makes it much easier to process them.

We are extending the office and closing in the new hopper. Starting this spring we will have two hoppers running and this will hopefully eliminate any need for an open top. If one hopper is down we still will have one running. There also will be a new traffic pattern when you enter the transfer station to make getting rid of your trash quicker and keep everything flowing smoothly.

Please remember that Transfer Station stickers are still required for all vehicles. If you purchase a new vehicle remember to get a new sticker at the Town Office when you register it. Anyone who has a summer rental please get a pass at the Town Office for your renters.

Thank you to the road crew for all the hard work keeping the Transfer Station going.

The Bottle Fund Scholarship has helped 45 students and taken in over $112,000 to date. Thank you to all that have donated and thanks to Dave, Gilbert and John for your help. There will be two scholarships available this year.

Thomas Brophy,

Transfer Station Manager

2017 Waste Summary	
Waste Type:	**Tons Shipped:**
Solid Waste	1168.60
White Goods	70.81
Demolition	191.07
Ash	34.37

2017 Recycling Summary		
Material Type	**Tons On Site:**	**Tons Shipped:**
Plastics	0.75	2.40
Glass	8.70	0.00
Tin	0.50	3.90
Cardboard	3.85	24.75
Mixed Paper	3.60	21.60
Asphalt	18.2	59.40

2017 Microloan Report

The Town of Stonington operates a Micro-Loan Program that can provide up to $25,000 to qualifying businesses.

Small businesses who demonstrate the ability to be successful, but are not always able to access bank financing, may qualify for a Micro-Loan for startup, expansion, or working capital needs.

With the help of Stonington's Micro-Loan Program, we may be able to provide this financial assistance for your small business or start up with a friendly one-on-one atmosphere, so bring your business plan, and download our loan application at www.stoningtonmaine.org.

Loan information-

- Up to $25,000.
- Interest rate set by Micro-Loan Committee and fixed for the life of the loan.
- Collateral will be required in the form of business and / or personal assets.
- Terms determined by Micro-Loan Committee
- Must provide jobs for Low / Moderate Income individuals.

Micro-Loan Checking Balance 12/31/17	**$ 139,409.85**
Loan Payments received through 12/31/17	**$ 5,204.60**
Loan Receivables as of 12/31/17	**$ 45,077.49**
Total Assets	**$ 189,691.94**

Contact us at 367-2351 for more information.

2017 Old School Building Rental Report

This past year, as you can see from our 2017 Profit and Loss report, we had a good year with a full building. The tenants in the building bring a variety of professional services such as insurance, accounting & tax preparation, legal, therapeutic offerings, and non-profits, who provide jobs and services which enhance the retail/service center of our Town. Our building is a self-sustaining enterprise fund of the Town, which means very few tax dollars go to support the facility as it is primarily funded by its rental income. We continue with improvements each year both inside and out with interior painting this coming year and replacing common area flooring.

Our ongoing capital planning efforts to preserve the building are continuing with plans and designs to renovate the front porch and the ADA ramp as one of the next big projects for the building. The renovation loan incurred in 2010 for building improvements as a local match for the Stimulus grant we received a year earlier will be paid off in 2020, and we continue to add funds from rents received to the building reserve fund to keep improving the building. We have around $105,000 in the fund for future projects.

If you have questions or would like to be on our waiting list for rental space please contact the Town Manager at 367-2351.

Town of Stonington
School Building Profit & Loss
January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
2-4320 · SCHOOL BUILDING RESERVE INCOME		
Rent Income	52,375.00	
Reserve Interest & Fees	237.86	
Transfers In from GF	500.00	
Total 2-4320 · SCHOOL BUILDING RESERVE INCOME		53,112.86
Total Income		53,112.86
Gross Profit		53,112.86
Expense		
2-5320 · SCHOOL BUILDING EXPENSE		
School Bldg Bank Loan	4,223.28	
School Bldg Clean/Snow Rem.	2,754.48	
School Bldg Heating Oil	6,718.28	
School Bldg Insurance	3,228.72	
School Bldg Maintenance	3,230.34	
School Bldg Misc	546.46	
School Bldg Supplies	477.95	
School Bldg Trash Removal	624.00	
School Bldg Utilities	4,302.97	
School Building Reserve Expense	2,765.00	
Total 2-5320 · SCHOOL BUILDING EXPENSE		28,871.48
Total Expense		28,871.48
Net Ordinary Income		24,241.38
Net Income		**24,241.38**

Deer Isle-Stonington Shellfish Conservation Committee

2017 Report

Deer Isle	Stonington
Charles Cochran	George Robbins
Judith Crocker	George Powell
Derek Crocker	Ben Hardie
	Robert Ray

The Shellfish Committe meets on the fouth Wednesday of the month. Meetings are open to the public and people are encouraged to come.

2017 was a good year for clam diggers on The Island. The water quality improved enough that a number of coves were reopened to clam harvesters; such as Western Cove' Webb Cove and Crocket Cove. Another positive event was the passing of the amended Shellfish Ordinance by both Towns. This Ordinance changes when licenses expire, they will now expire on the 31 first of Mayinstead of the last day of April. There will also be a lottery for nonresident Commercial licenses holders. It is important to note that our Ordinance is reciprocal with the Town of Deer Isle. Although Stonington has over half the commercial harvesters it has far less landings. The State Softshell Clam landing Report for 2016,(the last year we have data for),shows Deer Isle landed 410,515 pounds with a value of 822,625 dollars, Stonington landed 82,094 pounds with a value of 152,897 dollars, but The Island as a whole was 492,609 pounds for a value of 975,522 dollars.

Respectfully sumitted,

George Thomas Powell

George T. Powell Shellfish Committee Chair.

Town of Stonington
Shellfish Profit & Loss
January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
2-4340 · SHELLFISH RESERVE INCOME	
Reserve Interest & Fees	124.05
Shellfish Licenses	13,390.00
Transfers In from GF	500.00
Total 2-4340 · SHELLFISH RESERVE INCOME	14,014.05
Total Income	14,014.05
Gross Profit	14,014.05
Expense	
2-5340 · SHELLFISH EXPENSES	
Shellfish Advertising	1,056.14
Shellfish Misc	357.88
Shellfish Payroll Taxes	730.66
Shellfish Travel	6,726.20
Shellfish Wages	9,551.15
Shellfish Workers Comp	877.10
Total 2-5340 · SHELLFISH EXPENSES	19,299.13
Total Expense	19,299.13
Net Ordinary Income	-5,285.08
Net Income	**-5,285.08**

(Photo by Bob Gerber)

Colwell Ramp Committee Annual Report 2017

We appreciate all the users of the Colwell Ramp for sharing & keeping the ramp area clean. There are no trash cans at the sight, so please continue to remove your trash.

The site is for 45-minute temporary tie-ups & parking, to pick up passengers, load & un-load supplies or for quick errands to town. No overnight parking or unattended vehicles are permitted & will be towed, at the owner's expense, per Stonington's Parking Ordinance.

We are excited to have received a Harbor Management Access Grant from the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry Submerged Lands Program to replace and extend the existing concrete ramp planks. The Grant will cover 75% and Colwell Ramp will match 25% of the project costs. The Project should be finished fairly quickly, and will start sometime after mid-March depending on availability, weather, and tides. The project will be completed on or before May 17, 2018.

A special Thanks goes out to Kathleen Billings & Bob Gerber for their many hours of hard work to make this project possible.

We will continue to search for grants to help finish blocking-up the wharf walls. Contributions, funded through private donations & tax payer dollars, helps manage the property & fund future improvements! We would like to thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Gay Atkinson, Evelyn Duncan & Dean Eaton – Stonington &
Danny McDonald, Bob Gerber & Linda Greenlaw Wessel – Isle au Haut

Stonington Economic Development Committee
2017 Report

The Economic Development Committee has had a very productive year working in collaboration with Town staff to develop a number of projects to stimulate and support commerce in Stonington.

Local Business Support
On April 20, the SEDC, in partnership with the Deer Isle-Stonington Chamber of Commerce hosted a breakfast with local businesses. This meeting was part of an on-going project to gather data on concerns and issues from community, and was planned in follow-up to a series of interviews with local business owners and entrepreneurs. From both the interviews and the breakfast meeting, a clear picture of the most pressing challenges facing our local businesses emerged: housing and workforce shortages; Cell/internet unreliability; and a need for shared marketing/promotion.

Housing/Workforce Shortage
The SEDC will be convening a sub-committee specifically tasked with exploring opportunities for increased workforce housing on the island.

Broadband & Cellular access
The SEDC has been working in collaboration with the Island Institute to develop an approach for increased broadband service to the island. Preliminary steps in this process have included the creation of a detailed report examining existing structures, possibilities for expansion and pathways to create said expansion. An RFP for broadband access has also been created, which will allow the committee to evaluate possible solutions.

Comprehensive Plan
For the first time in 10 years, a new comprehensive plan was completed by a collaboration of SEDC, town staff and community members. After a town hearing on October 25, the plan moves to Town Meeting for approval. Following that, it can be submitted to the state.

Downtown Parking
The committee worked on changes to Downtown Parking ordinances to improve and enhance downtown parking – encouraging employees to park off street and allow for more short-term visitors. Pink Street path was paved, and parking at the ball field was used more often.

Community Days
A series of community-wide celebrations has been developed over the past few years, and this year came into real fruition with a series of three off-season events (Stonington Spooktacular, Holiday Hoopla, and the Great Down-Easter Egg Hunt) that provide free family-friendly experiences for the island. Participation has grown dramatically, and the events now enjoy island-wide support, with partners from all business sectors across both Deer Isle and Stonington.

SEDC in the coming year
The SEDC has been busy this year, and we hope to continue that path into the year to come. We will be focusing on creating more island-wide/inter-town collaboration, especially with regards to dump and transfer station. We also hope to launch our housing sub-committee to approach year-round and work-force housing shortages.

Stonington Economic Development Committee

Meg Taintor, Chair
Bill Baker
Roger Bergen
Evelyn Duncan
Barrett Gray
Leigh Kearney
Julie Moringello
Sam Ostrow
Susan Robinson
Annie Taylor-Gray
Stroud Watson

Trust Funds Reconciliation 2017

Athletic Award Trust

December 31, 2017

Fund Name	Beginning Basis	Beginning Cash Value	Income/ Interest Earned	Disbursements / Other Transfers	Ending Basis	Ending Cash Value
BARTLETT, DONALD, Scholarship	853.65	973.78	0.39	-	853.65	974.17
MCDONALD, STEPHEN, Scholarship	346.46	386.27	0.16	-	346.46	386.43
Grand Totals	**1,200.11**	**1,360.05**	**0.55**	**-**	**1,200.11**	**1,360.60**

Cemetery Trust

December 31, 2017

Fund Name	Beginning Basis	Beginning Cash Value	Income/ Interest Earned	Disbursements / Other Transfers	Ending Basis	Ending Cash Value
Anderson, Mabel	500.00	963.54	0.40	-	500.00	963.94
Anderson, Millard	200.00	209.15	0.09	-	200.00	209.24
Bailey, Marjorie Estate	2,000.00	2,084.91	0.86	-	2,000.00	2,085.77
Barter & Burrill	400.00	506.99	0.21	-	400.00	507.20
Barter, Mary	300.00	582.13	0.24	-	300.00	582.37
Billings, Llewelyn & Ursula	500.00	2,446.97	1.00	-	500.00	2,447.98
Billings, Mabel & William	300.00	354.56	0.15	-	300.00	354.71
Eban Candage & George Eaton	500.00	1,393.67	0.57	-	500.00	1,394.24
Castallucci-Donatelli	200.00	209.15	0.09	-	200.00	209.24
Collins, Charles & Lucy	100.00	472.14	0.19	-	100.00	472.34
Coombs, James & Celeste	150.00	536.83	0.22	-	150.00	537.05
Cousins, Percy	400.00	489.72	0.20	-	400.00	489.92
Cripps, Ernest T	300.00	594.61	0.24	-	300.00	594.86
Dunham, George & Florence	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dunham, Laura	500.00	647.37	0.27	-	500.00	647.63
Eaton, Chester	1,000.00	4,116.52	1.69	-	1,000.00	4,118.21
Eaton, Joseph	100.00	99.01	0.04	-	100.00	99.05
Eaton, Nora	300.00	1,037.60	0.43	-	300.00	1,038.03
Fifield, Lila E	245.86	716.23	0.29	-	245.86	716.53
Frink	1,000.00	1,384.92	0.57	-	1,000.00	1,385.48
Greene, Amanda & Sullivan	200.00	318.05	0.13	-	200.00	318.18
Greene, Sullivan	200.00	251.51	0.10	-	200.00	251.61
Greenlaw, William L	500.00	1,392.00	0.57	-	500.00	1,392.58
Gross, Frank	200.00	-	-	-	200.00	-
Gross, Lawrence	300.00	660.31	0.27	-	300.00	660.58
Hamlin-Gross	200.00	125.07	0.05	-	200.00	125.12
Judkins, Edith	9,576.66	21,006.86	8.63	-	9,576.66	21,015.49
Judkins, Ruel & Harry	600.00	1,006.25	0.41	-	600.00	1,006.67
Knowlton & Coombs	200.00	675.72	0.28	-	200.00	676.00
McDonald, Stephen	100.00	98.91	0.04	-	100.00	98.95
McGuire, Frank	300.00	573.20	0.24	-	300.00	573.43
McKenzie, Smith, Goodrich	200.00	912.32	0.37	-	200.00	912.69
McMahon, Dennis	350.00	647.72	0.27	-	350.00	647.99
Merrill & Merrill	1,000.00	1,985.81	0.82	-	1,000.00	1,986.62
Milne, Alexander	500.00	732.81	0.30	-	500.00	733.11
Morey, Lena	377.00	519.43	0.21	-	377.00	519.64
Noyes, George B	200.00	878.85	0.36	-	200.00	879.21
Parson, Celia	300.00	566.60	0.23	-	300.00	566.83
Pray, Jessie M	50.00	17.35	0.01	-	50.00	17.35
Richardson, Gordon & Lida	300.00	428.33	0.18	-	300.00	428.51
Robbins, Abbie	200.00	209.15	0.09	-	200.00	209.24
Robbins, James & Sarah	300.00	362.31	0.15	-	300.00	362.45
Saunders, William & Mary	100.00	189.27	0.08	-	100.00	189.35
Sturdee, Thomas	500.00	812.53	0.33	-	500.00	812.86
Thurlow & Hundley	2,900.00	3,916.95	1.61	-	2,900.00	3,918.56
Thurlow, Louise	150.00	242.32	0.10	-	150.00	242.42
Turley-Herrick	200.00	235.70	0.10	-	200.00	235.79
Webster, Nattie	300.00	936.62	0.38	-	300.00	937.01
Welch, Hattie & Guy	100.00	356.37	0.15	-	100.00	356.52
Grand Totals	**29,399.52**	**58,904.35**	**24.19**	**-**	**29,399.52**	**58,928.54**

The Stonington Municipal Airport Annual Report for 2017

The Stonington Municipal Airport continues to serve the vital and diverse needs of our island towns, and our wide spread inter-island community. Last year's newly paved runway (with the exception of some minor cracks) has come through the 2016-2017 winter and summer months in excellent shape. During this past "fly in" season, Jim Jackson (Chairman of the Airport Committee) has regularly mowed the grass, emptied the trash, and monitored visiting aircraft traffic. The terminal office is clean and organized, and the grounds maintained and attractive. The culverts, off of the runway edge (professionally excavated by the Stonington town maintenance crew in 2016), are very effective in siphoning off water from the runway surface.

As of December 3, 2017, the sign-in log at the terminal building listed 71 cycles (landings and takeoffs) for the year. We know that many pilots do not "sign in", so we estimate an "average" of three aircraft in and out each day all year long. Airplane traffic has been somewhat reduced this year, but all who land and takeoff at (93B) love our small airfield. The work at the airport is all volunteer. Regular upkeep such as grass cutting and terminal office cleaning are done by the Airport Committee at no cost to the taxpayer. Thirty three new industrial orange traffic cones were donated this fall, and placed by volunteers along the runway and taxi ways as snowplow guides.

Penobscot Island Airways, based in Rockland, has logged the most flights in and out of the airport in 2017. Most trips were business and commercial in nature, such as assisting Billings Marine in dispatching personnel and urgently needed repair parts to the entire Mid-Maine coastal geographic region. Many flights supported personal charters, and community activities such as the Lupine Festival.

UAS - Drones continue to be an item of interest and concern. Flight safety is the guiding principle pertaining to formulating a "Drone" policy as it pertains to the island and the airport. Our main goal is to formulate a set of guidelines to maximize the safe non-interaction of drones (over land and water) and private and commercial aircraft approaching and departing the 93B runway. We are discussing formulating an official Stonington Airport set of rules and restrictions through the town selectmen, and publishing the results on Facebook, and the town web page (airport link), and in the newspaper as often as necessary to inform aviators of drone activity, and how to effectively and safely separate area traffic.

Airport Committee representatives participated in the Stonington Comprehensive Plan meeting in August, 2017. The subject was "Transportation" and how it relates to Deer Isle and Stonington including the airport. Jim Jackson and Mark Robinson volunteered to attend and answered many questions pertaining to the viability of our airport as it compliments the transportation matrix to and from the Island.

On October 11, 2017, a LifeFlight helicopter participated in a joint training exercise with the Deer Isle Fire Department, Stonington Fire Department, and the Memorial Ambulance Corps. This was a chance to coalesce and update all emergency organizations and volunteers on the Island, and surrounding area. Many new Fire Department and ambulance corps individuals had never worked a helicopter extraction before. The event involved determining a safe landing area, and preparing a suitable landing zone (LZ), allowing the aircrew to hover land and "taxi" the helicopter, and how to safely approach a helicopter with rotating blades. LifeFlight dispatched its Bangor based Agusta 109 helicopter, and 16 minutes later it was parked at the Stonington Airport. Once the helicopter has shut down, the patient may be transloaded on board. In this training session, Charlie Beller (the Bangor Ground Safety Coordinator and crew member for LifeFlight) gave a thorough briefing on how to prepare the patient for transport, and a detailed explanation of the extraordinary array of high tech life saving and monitoring equipment onboard.

The Airport Committee wishes to thank the airport manager, Kathleen Billings, and the town maintenance employees for guidance and assistance throughout the year. The Airport Committee meets monthly from May through October at the Stonington town hall. Our meetings are open the the public, and guests are encouraged to attend.

Jim Jackson, Committee Chairman
Kathleen Billings, airport manager
Donna Brewer, Stonington Town selectman representative
Mark Robinson
Harlan Billings
Erik Walter

Stonington Public Library, PO Box 441, 64 Main Street, Stonington, Maine
367-5926 • stoningtonlibrary.org • stoningtonlibrary@stonington.lib.me.us

Fifty-nine years ago the Stonington Library Association bought an old grocery store building for $3,500 to provide the Town with a library. This organization's dedication and commitment are exemplified by their successful fundraising that paid off the mortgage in just three years. Since then much has been done to improve the building and expand the services offered.

The library's board of trustees appreciates the ongoing support the townspeople have shown the library over the years. This year, the board requests $10,000 from the townspeople at town meeting. The extra funds will allow the library to open an additional day per week, a dream the board and library director have had for a long time. That would increase our hours to 20 per week.

August 2017 was our busiest month on record, with 1,162 visitors; circulation is holding steady with a 9 percent increase in children's books. A new router allows us to count Wi-Fi users: from June 1 to the end of 2017, 2,601 people used our free, 24-hour internet service. In 2017, we held 50 programs for patrons of all ages (attended by 850 people) and made 30 home deliveries of books. New programs include Baby Rhyme Time for newborns and parents, and Tech Tuesdays for adults who need help with their devices. In addition to our goal of being open an additional day, we want to increase attendance at programs to 1,000 people in 2018.

While the Town of Stonington seems to be experiencing a baby boom right now, we also have an aging population. Library Director Vicki Zelnick notes that 25 percent of our patrons have difficulty entering the library. We do not have a public bathroom, and our furnace is aging. With that in mind, we have been actively seeking grants to upgrade the building. You'll see on our statement of income and expenses that we have received $77,000 in grants and designated donations to start these projects. In 2018 we will replace the old oil furnace with an efficient gas furnace and remove the crumbling chimney. The old furnace on the first floor will be removed and the raised floor in that area brought down to the main floor level. A handicapped accessible public bathroom will be built in that area along with usable workspace to maintain our collections of materials. These are the first two stages. The third stage will be access to the building. That phase of the project is still very much in the planning stages but will likely include some sort of lift into the main floor, allowing, for the first time in our history, wheelchair access to the library.

The community and voters, with generous support and donations, continue to appreciate the foresight and hard work of those early library board members. Your donations and town meeting support sustain us, as we improve our facility and services, and we are grateful.

The Stonington Library Board of Trustees:
Co-Presidents Sandy Ward and Rosalie Robbins; Co-Vice Presidents Larry Estey and Richard Paget; Secretary Jill Larrabee; Corresponding Secretary Karen Chapman; Treasurer Caroline Spear; Board Members Mickey Jacoba, Ellen Stevenson, Gail Sytsema, Leslie Landrigan and Dick Barnes
Library Director Vicki Zelnick

Stonington Public Library Statement of Income and Expense 2017	
INCOME	
Fundraising Activities	
Cemetery Tour	2,340.00
Used Book Sales	10.49
Copies	54.25
Fines	115.00
Annual Appeal	21,883.00
*Grants/Designated Donations**	77,000.00
Undesignated Donations	3,180.93
Newsletter	2,485.00
Town Appropriation	6,000.00
Interest	5.05
Total Income	**$113,073.72**
EXPENSE	
Business/Administrative Fees	209.13
Building/Equipment	
Routine Maintenance/Repairs	1,921.31
Snow Removal	0.00
Property Insurance	1,997.00
Utilities	
Fuel Oil	690.45
Electric	643.10
Water/Sewer	1,056.76
Telephone	520.96
Operations	
Books/AV/Periodicals	5,750.26
Catalog (Online Public Access Catalog)	439.00
Subscriptions	561.37
Interlibrary Loan Postage	22.79
Interlibrary Loan Lost Book	27.00
Postage (Box Rental/Stamps)	369.64
Supplies	1,472.88
Computers/Printer/Router/Website	1,905.44
Summer Reading/Programs	390.80
Fundraising (Postage, Printing, Ads)	1,756.50
Payroll	
Wages/Salary	13,820.04
Payroll Taxes	1,057.17
Workers' Comp. Insurance (2017 & 2018)	571.00
Total Expense	**$35, 182.60**

**These funds are designated for building renovations, programs, books.*

Deer Isle-Stonington Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 490, Deer Isle, Maine 04627

Dear Stonington Residents:

The Chamber of Commerce continues to advocate for the Stonington business community in a manner pursuant to the Island's traditions. We encourage new and sustainable opportunities and fully support the premise of Buy Local/Hire Local that enables a flourishing Island economy.

This past year, the Chamber has added 30 new members and has maintained a significant presence in the community with our participation in the Stonington Economic Development Committee and several Island nonprofits, inclusive of Healthy Island Project, Opera House Arts Events, the Deer Isle/Stonington Farmer's Market, the Fourth of July, and the Island Heritage Trust. We have consistently promoted Island businesses through Facebook and the DIS Chamber website. We advocate for our Community of Artisans, the Lobster and Fishing industry and Tourism. Over several months, we have created an advertising collaborative, a separate entity from the Chamber, that is open to all businesses to participate in and promote the Island through select print media. The SEDC/Chamber held a breakfast meeting in April which was well attended and the plan to continue this endeavor is supported by the community.

In 2017, the Welcome Center greeted well over 1800 visitors during the summer months and into the fall. Eight countries were represented. Eventually we hope to keep the Center open year around as the town fosters growth during the shoulder season and winter months. It is here that our Volunteers play an essential role in informing our visitors as to all that is available on the Island. We are indebted to them. We always welcome new volunteers who have a passion and desire to promote the Island.

The Chamber is appreciative of the Town of Stonington for their continuing support of our endeavors. This year we are requesting a financial contribution of $600.00 to enable us to bring in additional programs and provide forums of interest to Island residents and visitors. Additionally, the Chamber would like to be considered for a financial contribution of $3600.00 which would be applied towards the July 4 celebration—tagged by many as the best fireworks on the coast.

Please visit our website at www.deerisle.com, our Facebook page or you can consult the Island Guide for business and professional information.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Taylor Gray
Executive Director
Deer Isle-Stonington Chamber of Commerce
December 8, 2017

Board of Directors—*Henry Borntraeger IV, president, Dan Landrigan, vice president, Amy Bernhardt, Candy Eaton, Morgan Eaton, Barrett Gray, Dean Haskell, Tegan McGuire, Leslie Miller, Jean Wheeler*

HIP HEALTHY ISLAND PROJECT

December 2017

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Dear Friends of HIP,

Healthy Island Project had a fantastic year of programming in 2017 for our island community! We started it off with **WinterFest** — a free, all-island weekend-long event in mid-January - our 14th consecutive year. With family-fun activities indoors and out, including a community fair and meals, entertainment, a pickleball tournament, fireworks, music, and dancing, there was something for everyone.

Our **Salt Air Seniors** program flourished this year under the guidance of Barrett Gray and René Colson Hudson and has quickly become a main point of contact for senior resources in the community. Participation increased 6-fold in 2017 to over 70 new Salties. Our meeting space at Deer Run is bursting with life as participants enjoy activities featuring local artists, storytellers, and school groups as well as trips to Isle au Haut, the Opera House and Bridge End Park. New this year, HIP coordinated with EAAA to facilitate the distribution of **Food Commodity Boxes** for more than twenty income-eligible senior households on-island. Boxes are plentiful and new recipients are welcomed to apply. With the ending of the Thriving in Place Downeast (TIPD) project and funding, HIP, a vital TIPD partner, has taken a leadership role in the new **Age-Friendly Coastal Communities** initiative of which both Deer Isle and Stonington have joined. Along with our partners at Healthy Peninsula, HIP led in conducting a comprehensive survey on the island which will serve to inform our Select Boards, our own HIP programs, and other island organizations on the growing needs of our aging residents.

HIP continues to bring people together in many other ways including our bi-monthly **Community Breakfasts** which bring many interesting conversations and collaborations to the table that may have never been otherwise realized. HIP's **Move-It-To-Lose-It** (MITLI) program had 48 registered participants during the January to June program. MITLI attendees were thrilled with their weight loss and overall health gains under the healthful tutelage of Alix Sarain. In May, we conducted another successful **Bicycle Rodeo** with a giveaway of child helmets, provided free of charge through our Active Island program. Lastly, **Queen's Closet** continues to thrive with hundreds of new bridal gowns and dresses which they offer free of charge to those in need of formal wear for a special occasion.

HIP applies the funds from Stonington to three of our programs - **WinterFest, Community Breakfasts,** and **Salt Air Seniors**, including the Food Commodities distribution. As a result of our recent growth and subsequent increased program expenses, our overall budget is increasing from $42,738 in 2017 to $48,465 in 2018. We are grateful to the Town of Stonington for your past support and the requested funding of $3500 for 2018 is needed as we continue to strive to serve our island community with vital programs and services to enhance our health and wellbeing.

Sincerely,

George Fields
President, Board of Directors

René Colson Hudson
Executive Director

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ISLAND COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.

Together we grow...

Report to the taxpayers and residents of Stonington for the year 2018

As the Island Community Center concludes its fifteenth year, the Board of Trustees and staff are happy to report that we once again have experienced significant growth in activities and involvement. We have created many new programs and events that has dramatically increased usage of the center. Without a doubt, the center continues to be an integral part of the lives of island residents.

Our emphasis this year was to continue to offer a diverse set of programs and events for our community, increase our informational outreach, as well as expand collaboration efforts with area organizations to enrich both our programs and theirs. Again, this year we were part of a collaborative effort to offer the Great DownEaster Egg Hunt, Halloween Spooktacular, & Holiday Hoopla. The tree lighting at Hagan Dock proved to be very popular with double the attendance of last year. The center is used daily for a variety of programs including new offering like tumbling and yoga. It our aspiration to embrace every use that falls within our mission to offer programs that will enhance the lives of our community. Our commitment continues to be to offer programs for all community members regardless of the participant's ability to pay for them. This year Camp Kooky saw 80 children over a 4-week session. Thanks to generous donors we were able to offer 62 campers some financial assistance. It is why we are here and without the generosity of the community we could not do what we do. To increase our outreach, we updated our website to include accepting online donations and daily Facebook uploads. We embrace every opportunity to make a difference.

The towns' contributions, our programs, generous contributors and grants, along with many hours of volunteer time and donations of service have provided the much-needed funding that allows us to continue. Each year we organize several fundraising events to help with operating funds for power, insurance, heat, water and sewer costs. Despite revenue growth in a number of categories, coupled with decreased expenditures in some areas, the increased usage of our space has kept our operating costs at essentially the same as last year. But for each new program and activity we incur added expense which needs to be addressed. Although we fund nearly 80% of our operations and programs through usage fees, contributions, grants, and special events, the support we receive from the Towns of Deer Isle and Stonington is critical to keeping our doors open and responding to community needs for specific programs. **This year we are asking for $ 10,800 from each town.** We recognize the need to use these monies appropriately, with much effort placed in wise choices, and pledge to do so. We are committed to meeting the needs of this community and to reaching out to wider segments of our island population. We are deeply grateful for your generosity in the past and for your serious consideration of this year's request. We encourage any questions regarding our finances, facility, programs and plans. (367-2735)

Respectfully submitted,
The Island Community Center Board of Trustees

Lydia MacDonald, President; Nat Barrows, Vice-President; Richard Paget, Treasurer; Leslie McDonald-Rice, Secretary; Glenn Billings; Chris Page; Phil Elkin; Renee Sewell, Don Colson, Becky Hutchins, Loring Kydd; Sherry Rochefort, John Steed, ST Representative; Twyla Weed, DI representative, and Executive Director – Jeannie Hatch

ISLAND RECREATION BOARD

Serving the communities of Deer Isle and Stonington, Maine

Island Recreation Board
Report for 2017

Dear Citizens,

The Island Recreation Board is an official joint Municipal Board for the towns of Stonington and Deer Isle. The Board consists of volunteer members from both towns who work in cooperation and conjunction with the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, and other organizations to organize and facilitate recreational activities and opportunities for all members of the Island Community.

2017 proved to be another busy year for the Island Recreation Board. A trip to Acadia Fun park was put together and enjoyed by many. Youth basketball and soccer were offered and a Bonfire event at the Community Center was organized by the Rec Board as part of Winterfest. Cross-fit classes were also offered for adults.

The Island Recreation Board held our annual Pumpkin Carving in 2017 at the Island Community Center.

Several island young people applied for and were awarded scholarships through the Island Recreation Board Scholarship Program in 2017

Ski/ride trips to Hermon Mountain; annual Pumpkin Carving; and seasonal and holiday activities are among the recreational activities planned for 2018, as well as the youth basketball clinic, youth soccer, and bonfire activities at the Island Community Center. The continued financial support of the community is vital for the Island Recreation Board to continue to offer and add to the many activities that have been popular in past years.

Sincerely,

Dana Morey, Chairman, Deer Isle
Elissa Haskell, Treasurer, Stonington
Elaine Parke, Secretary, Stonington
Leslie Rice, Stonington
Jennifer Larrabee, Stonington
Becca Emerson, Deer Isle
Pam Wendell, Deer Isle
Heidi Shepard, Stonington
Liz Perez, Deer Isle

Opiate-Free Island Partnership

Warrant Request to the Town of Stonington

The opioid crisis continues, but there is a growing consensus on how communities like ours can begin to work on the issues. **Education** and **community awareness** are a basis of prevention. **Treatment** is required for those in addiction. **Support** is essential for those in recovery. Programs and services to help bring these about are slowly becoming available, but small rural communities will continue to be underserved unless they stand up and reach out to take full advantage of them. OFIP has made substantial progress in establishing links to these opportunities by proactively collaborating with and helping to fund them, so that they will extend to the Deer Isle-Stonington community.

This year OFIP has joined with CSD 13 to help fund the school's Five-Year Substance Use Prevention Plan. The purpose of the plan is prevention, support, and instilling resiliency skills that help students cope with adverse experiences in their lives that can affect their learning, behavior, decision making, and well-being. For 2017-2018 the plan is providing the structure for in-school programs and activities, including: teacher training and coaching in the use of restorative justice practices and Dr. Ross Greene's Collaborative and Proactive Solutions behavior intervention model, extra counseling, and classroom substance use prevention education. For 2018-2019, combined OFIP and CSD 13 funding will support continuing and expanding the 2017-2018 initiatives as well as developing and implementing expanded after-school programming.

OFIP continues to sponsor community forums to promote awareness about the opioid crisis. In the past year OFIP has sponsored seven community forums on topics that included understanding opiate addiction, recovery coaching and support for those in recovery, what recovery looks like, and Narcotic Anonymous, among others. In 2018 OFIP plans additional awareness programs including an expanded resource guide for those seeking primary information on sources of treatment and recovery support; community discussion groups for family members, friends and others concerned with opioid abuse issues; and a forum for employers concerned for the well-being of their employees and worried about the potential implications of opiate abuse for their business.

OFIP has been instrumental in bringing a new opioid addiction treatment program to the Island. This Hancock County collaboration among Blue Hill, Maine Coast and MDI hospitals; Aroostook Mental Health Center; and Healthy Acadia will provide centralized, intensive initial opioid abuse treatment and counseling, substantially easing that initial burden on primary care practices like Island Family Medicine (IFM). OFIP has been involved with this "Downeast Treatment Center" for over a year, working to assure that our community is among the first to reap its benefits by offering to fund individual counseling at IFM for those who cannot afford it, as well as new group counseling for all those in treatment. OFIP is also working to develop the training materials needed as the medical staffs at Blue Hill and the other hospitals become more involved in opiate abuse treatment.

OFIP has been collaborating with Healthy Acadia and other social services organizations to train volunteer coaches to work with those in recovery. "Recovery coaches" can help those in recovery to develop strategies to maintain abstinence and to connect with community services, and they are expected to play an important role in expanded treatment at IFM and throughout the community. OFIP has funded recovery coach training for seven Island residents thus far, and has reached agreement with Healthy Acadia to fund the "recovery coach coordinator" required to oversee their work so that Deer Isle-Stonington can become the first local community in Hancock County with its own recovery coach program.

In order to take full advantage of these opportunities, we need the support of the Deer Isle-Stonington community. In addition to a $30,000 commitment from Island Health & Wellness Foundation, OFIP is requesting $20,000 from the Town of Stonington for 2018, and a like amount from the Town of Deer Isle. Half of the Town's $20,000 will be earmarked for OFIP's continuing collaboration with CSD 13; the other half will help to fund expanded behavioral health counseling at IFM and the recovery coach coordinator position required to oversee the community's recovery coach volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Bergen
OFIP Co-chair

Charlie Osborn
OFIP Co-chair

November 27th, 2017

Town of Stonington
PO Box 9
Stonington, ME 04681

Dear Town of Stonington Selectmen,

In 2015, the voters of the town of Stonington approved a $1,500 request from Project Launch (PL). It made such a difference to our program! It helped us to better serve our established students, increase the number of family & student events and develop a new brochure and website. Thank you! **Although we did not request town funding in 2016, this year we are once again requesting $1,500 to further our program efforts**.

In 2012, PL was created to help local high school students and their families make a successful transition from high school to college. In the past, only 55% of local students who enrolled in a college program after high school actually earned a degree. Today, for those students enrolled in PL that number has risen to 75%. We are making progress! To date, more than 100 students have enrolled in our program and over 60% of them are the first in their family to go to college. In the fall of 2016, every PL student that entered college successfully completed their first semester and returned for the second.

What has made PL successful? A combination of family and student-centered efforts that include:

- College Gurus: Using a "peer-to-peer" approach, each PL student is matched with a "College Guru". Gurus are past Deer Isle-Stonington high school graduates who have had college success. They provide critical support to the new college students during transition and beyond. The connection to those who have "gone before" is truly invaluable!
- One-to-One Support: To help parents and students find solutions to challenges including college selection, financial aid, adjustment to campus life, making friends, mental health concerns, special needs and academic requirements.
- College Readiness: Efforts to increase the college comfort level of high school seniors through an 8-week seminar course, "College or Bust" and monthly pizza lunches with students and Gurus, a time to share about any issues, concerns and triumphs.
- Student, Guru & Family Events: To develop the strong relationships essential for successful college transition and include "Empty Nest" parent dinners, family picnics, hikes, informational presentations and "Movie & Pizza" nights at the Opera House and off-island trips.

Project Launch was started with funding from the Maine Community Foundation and Island Education Foundation. It is critical that we continue to raise local support to help us continue this much-needed program.

With sincere appreciation,

Kimberly Hutchinson, MSW

Kimberly Hutchinson, Executive Director

Serving Eastern Maine
Since 1973

Eastern Area Agency on Aging
450 Essex Street,
Bangor, ME 04401
(207) 941-2865 (800) 432-7812
www.eaaa.org

Town of: Stonington

Greetings,

Did you know that last year Eastern Area Agency on Aging (EAAA):

- Provided health insurance counseling to over 4,800 community residents,
- Saved community residents $874,000 in Medicare premiums, deductibles and copays,
- Provided 66,776 meals to homebound seniors, and
- Provided 29,000 hours of volunteer services across our region?

Because of the generosity of towns across our region, last year we were able to feed **60 older adults for an entire year.** It is through the continued support of towns and municipalities like yours we are able to offer much needed services and resources to community residents in Washington, Hancock, Piscataquis, and Penobscot counties. Included you will find a report listing services EAAA provided to benefit your residents over the past 12 months as well as their associated costs.

As you prepare your town's budget, we ask that you consider Eastern Area Agency on Aging in next year's budget allocation.

- **Total cost of services in your town last year: $ 20,322.84**
- **Your town's allocation to EAAA last year: $ 2,600.00**
- **Amount requested for 2018 $ 2,600.00**

In the meantime, if you have questions, please call Laurie Qualey at 1-800-432-7812 or lqualey@eaaa.org. We have also enclosed a one page sheet that provides a summary of the programs and services we provide. Please visit www.eaaa.org to learn more about Eastern Area Agency on Aging's work.

Sincerely,

Dyan Walsh
Executive Director

Eastern Area Agency on Aging is a 501(c)3 - Private, Non-Profit Organization

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Services Provided to the town of Stonington: Hancock County

Program Name:	Description:	Units Served:	Cost For Service:
Amish Heaters	Supplemental heat source via electric heater		$ 0
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	Supplemental food for eligible seniors	24	$ 936
Congregate Meals	Delicious meals and socialization for seniors	288	$ 3168
EZ Fix	Minor home repair program	14	$ 350
Family Care Giver Services	Support and education to individuals caring for loved ones - including Alzheimer's/dementia	6.00	$ 474
Food Insecurity Solutions	Individual analysis, solutions and assistance in addressing food insecurity issues	4	$ 100
Furry Friends	Supplemental pet food		$ 0
Home Delivered Meals	Meals on Wheels & 3D Catering	366	$ 4026
Information & Assistance	Office appointments, home visits and telephone calls linking individuals with available services, including but not limited to Medicare counseling*	115	$ 1840
Legal Services	Free legal assistance for seniors	7	$ 140
Money Minders	Aids in budgeting, checkbook balancing and bill paying services		$ 0
Pantry Partners	Links seniors with farmers who grow produce for them	180	$ 5580
Transportation	Transportation - limited transportation for medical appointments and personal errands for those who qualify (where available)	0	$ 0
Wellness Programs	Wellness program supporting older adults living well and aging well in their communities		$ 0

1,004.00 Unit Services Provided to Resident(s).

- In 2017, Our Respite Caregiver program provided assistance valued at $

*In 2017, Our State Health Insurance Assistance Program staff and volunteers helped residents save **$3,708.84** by comparing their health insurance options, including Medicare Part D.

Total cost of services provided: $ 20,322.84

Eastern Area Agency on Aging is a 501(c)3 - Private, Non-Profit Organization

November 27, 2017

Selectmen and Residents of Stonington
PO Box 9
Stonington, ME 04681-0009

R: Third Party Request

Dear Selectmen and Residents:
Please find this as Downeast Transportation's funding request for FY '19.

Our request is that the town of Stonington appropriate $800 for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. This is the same amount we have requested from the town for many years.

We continue to strive to provide the best public transportation possible, in the face of significant cost increases, without increasing our burden on the communities of Hancock County.

Please note: If Downeast Transportation finds itself with a surplus at the end of our fiscal year, we will carry that surplus over to defray operating costs in the next fiscal year. Please let us know if that is not satisfactory to you.

Please call if you have any questions.

Best regards,

Paul J Murphy

Paul Murphy
General Manager

Downeast Transportation, Inc. PO Box 914 Ellsworth, ME 04605 info@exploreacadia.com (207) 667-5796

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November 10, 2017

Town of Stonington
Ms. Lucy Bradshaw
PO Box 9
Stonington, ME 04681-0009

Dear Ms. Bradshaw:

VNA Home Health Hospice (VNA) is most grateful to the Town of Stonington for their continued support of our efforts to care for your frail older residents. We have been here for many years and, although we are members of a large healthcare system, EMHS, our clinicians are from your community or one close by.

Enclosed is an overview of the services we provided in your community during fiscal year 2017. Statewide, our teams of nurses, rehabilitation therapists, home health aides and social workers made 167,891 visits to provide care to 8,068 patients at home recovering from illness or surgery and 46,328 visits to 1,116 hospice patients who made the decision to stop curative treatment. That is an average of 1,339 patients under our care on any given day.

In addition to providing homecare and hospice services, VNA provides telehealth services to those living with chronic illness. This enables our nurses to remotely monitor blood pressure and other vital signs on a daily basis. We can then alert patient and physician of changes that require attention.

We also want to inform you that our reimbursements from Medicare, MaineCare and other insurers fall short of our expenses. In fact, we have not received a per visit rate increase from MaineCare since 1999. This challenges us to raise more and more money to cover our costs because we provide care regardless of ability to pay, insured or uninsured.

Your commitment to VNA is directed to the care of your residents, enabling them to remain at home for as long as they possibly can. It also covers our ability to provide telehealth services. Therefore, it is our hope that the Town of Stonington will continue to provide municipal funding with a grant in the amount of $7,526.00.

I am available to answer your questions or concerns, as are the dedicated members of our board of directors (list enclosed). Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Colleen Hilton

Colleen Hilton
SVP, President of VNA & Rosscare
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~ Volunteer Service Since 1980 ~

October 31, 2017

Third Party Request
Selectmen and Residents of Stonington
Town of Stonington
P.O. Box 9
Stonington, ME 04681

Dear Selectmen and Residents of Stonington,

Bright fall greetings to you and the residents of Stonington!

Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County sincerely values our partnership with the communities we serve! Our trained and compassionate volunteers come from their own communities and serve their neighbors with commitment and caring during some of life's most challenging times.

We respond to the needs of those we serve and have made a commitment to broadening our reach so that more people benefit from the support available to them for a longer period of time. Areas of focus for our current outreach efforts include education and support related to Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, support for aging and loss issues, and the comfort and tools needed to identify and convey desires for care should debilitating illness become a factor in a family's life.

Our core mission services are offered **free of charge** and include Patient Care & Caregiver Support, Bereavement Support and Community Education and Advocacy. We also serve the community broadly with our Evensong singers, our Equipment Sharing Program and our Veterans and Caregivers Outreach Program. All of these services are offered without charge and without reimbursement from state or federal programs.

During the past year, the mission services we provided to local residents were extensive:

- **Patient Care and Caregiver Support to 165 patients and families, including three residents of Stonington.**
- **Well over 1300 gestures of Bereavement support, including to four residents of Stonington.**
- Multiple Community Education programs, including eight showings of the Atul Gawande film *Being Mortal,* each featuring a local panel of service providers, reaching over 350 local residents.

These extensive services really are a partnership with our community! **We appreciate the support we have received from the Town of Stonington in the past and look forward to your continued support during the coming year with a contribution of $1000**.

As always, we invite your feedback and/or requests if there are ways that you would like to see us serve the residents of Stonington. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jody Wolford-Tucker
Executive Director

CARING HEARTS
Bereavement Program

THE LIFEFLIGHT FOUNDATION

PO Box 899 | Camden, Maine 04843 | (207) 230-7092
www.lifeflightmaine.org

Town of Stonington
P.O. Box 9
Stonington, ME 04681

November 1, 2017

Dear Stonington Citizens:

Over the last few years, more than 170 towns have made donations to LifeFlight of Maine, totaling nearly $200,000, proving that every gift, no matter how big or small, makes a real difference for critical care in Maine.

LifeFlight is an important piece of the emergency medical services network in every town in the state, including Stonington. Our teams of nurses and paramedics bring the skills, technology and equipment found in a major trauma center directly to the patient, no matter where they are. More than just a fast ambulance, LifeFlight is a flying hospital that plays an essential role in caring for the critically ill and injured patients all over Maine.

In fiscal year 2017, LifeFlight completed 1,929 missions – the highest yet – and responded directly to 124 towns in the state. In all, since inception, LifeFlight has cared for more than 23,000 patients. We take care of all patients regardless of location, insurance status, or the ability to pay for the cost of care.

LifeFlight of Maine supports local EMS, Fire/Rescue, and hospital providers in every community across the state in a 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year partnership. LifeFlight is among the most efficient providers of critical care air medical services with the lowest costs and charges in New England. We work hard to provide the highest quality and safety of services while benchmarking charges to be in the lowest 5% nationally. There is a cost to this readiness – and as a nonprofit charity we ask all communities to support us to assure this service is available to all on their day of need.

60 Stonington citizens have been transported by LifeFlight of Maine to specialized care since the service began in 1998, including 4 this past year alone.

Through fundraising efforts, LifeFlight added a third helicopter program based in Sanford this year. Extending our resources throughout the state has been a long term goal and all three helicopters (and our new airplane) are regularly in the air, serving critical care patients. All of LifeFlight's aircraft serve *all of Maine* – our crew and aircraft fly wherever and whenever needed most.

Thank you for supporting this important work. I hope Stonington will consider a donation of $522 this year (a rate of $0.50 per capita). Your contribution helps us purchase things like aircraft and medical equipment, provide training and education, install helipads in communities and upgrade weather and GPS systems that make the airspace safer for all flights.

Please contact Melissa Marchetti at 207-230-7092 or mmarchetti@lifeflightmaine.org with any questions, or if additional information is required with this request. Thank you for supporting this vital public service.

Sincerely,

Thomas Judge
Executive Director
LifeFlight of Maine and LifeFlight Foundation

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Maine

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Provide Immediate Assistance to Families in Stonington

The American Red Cross responds to nearly 70,000 disasters each year, and the vast majority of those are home fires. We work in communities across Maine to prepare for, prevent and respond to natural and man-made disasters and help families to recover.

The Red Cross is committed to meet the emergency needs of each and every family in Stonington. The Red Cross is there to help and last year, we served 40 people from across Hancock County. In FY2017, the Red Cross responded to the emergency needs of 1025 people from 447 families in Maine!

The American Red Cross respectfully requests a municipal allocation in the amount of $750 from the residents of Stonington for the coming year. This money will be put to use locally, right here in Maine to support individuals and families following a disaster.

Within minutes of learning about a home fire, local Red Cross volunteers are on the scene providing care and comfort to those affected. One way we help is by ensuring that their immediate needs, such as food and shelter, are met. We do this by providing families with client assistance cards, which they use to purchase essential items that were lost in the fire. This card often represents the first step in recovery following a home fire, but we need your continued support to offer these vital financial resources to your neighbors.

All Red Cross disaster relief is provided free of charge to individuals and families. The American Red Cross is not a government agency. Though our services are congressionally mandated, the American Red Cross relies on voluntary contributions from individuals, companies, municipalities and charitable organizations to deliver on our mission to alleviate human suffering.

The Red Cross is counting on the people of Stonington because we must be there 24 hours a day to answer the call. With the support of neighbors like you, Red Cross will always be ready.

Warm regards,

Caroline King

Caroline King
Executive Director
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WIC Nutrition Program

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Ellsworth, Maine 04605
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October 23, 2017

Selectmen and Residents
Town of Stonington
P.O. Box 9
Stonington, ME 04681

Dear Selectmen and Residents,

I am writing this letter to ask you for your support for the WIC Program.
We offer vouchers for nutritious foods for low-income women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or recently had a baby, and to infants and children to their 5th birthday. We also provide nutrition education, health screenings and support, focusing on the strengths and needs of individual families.

Last year, 30 residents from the Town of Stonington participated in WIC, receiving $21,600 in food vouchers. This year, the Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program respectfully requests financial assistance in the amount of $1,200, representing $40 per resident served last year from the Town of Stonington . Federal funding will match up to $2,000 of municipal contributions, enabling WIC to serve even more young families in need.

Because transportation often is a difficult issue for many families who need the benefits WIC can offer them, providing access to WIC at the local level is vital. As in the past, WIC will continue to accommodate rural families at its main offices in Ellsworth, Machias, and Calais, as well as in satellite locations in Stonington, Bucksport, Harrington, and other small island communities. **Local community support is absolutely necessary for WIC to maintain its critical rural access points.**

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

With sincere appreciation,

Tawney Jacobs

Tawney Jacobs
WIC Program Director
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P.S. Please remember that the Town of Stonington 's support of WIC makes a difference in the lives of women, infants, and children in your community. Thank you.

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Dear Selectmen:

On behalf of the Board and staff of the Down East Family YMCA, I would like to thank the Town of **Stonington** for their continued support of the YMCA. The accomplishments of the YMCA could not be attained without the support of the town.

This letter is our request to continue the funding for the YMCA. During the past two decades the YMCA has asked towns to support the YMCA financially and in return receive benefits for all citizens. This year the YMCA would like the Town to continue the support at the same level of last year of **$750.** The YMCA has continued to offer more to the citizens of **Stonington** while keeping costs reasonable. The following list is examples of the value that is offered by the YMCA.

- Presently, there are 12 Citizens of Stonington who are members of the YMCA. I am pleased to inform that these members now have the ability to utilize any YMCA in the country. This constitutes over 2,700 independent YMCA's throughout the country. A tremendous value of the YMCA.
- Families, who cannot afford fees associated with the YMCA, can request financial assistance. Last year the YMCA provided $195 in scholarship funding to citizens of Stonington.
- Towns, who are able to recruit enough children to form a sports team, may participate in the YMCA leagues free of charge. If a town does not have the ability to form a team, individual children can play in the Y league and the Y scholarship program is available for families who cannot afford the nominal program fee. In 2016 the Town of Stonington had an average of 3 teams participating in the Y leagues - a savings of $1200.
- Lastly, all citizens have the ability to utilize the YMCA FREE of Charge on Saturday and Sunday from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm. What a great way for families to have fun together throughout the year. Last year the YMCA had 110 visits from citizens of Stonington that has a cash value of $ 1110.

Selectmen, the above opportunities are provided because of the town's support of the YMCA and I hope you will consider funding the YMCA at the same level as last year - **$750**. Please let me know the date and time of the town's budget and/or town meeting, and I would gladly attend to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Peter D. Farragher
Chief Executive Officer

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Dear Friends,

Representing Maine in the United States Senate is an honor.

I continue my work on the Senate Armed Services Committee, each year authorizing the funding required to build our military capabilities and ensuring that our service members are trained and equipped to defend our nation. I was pleased to be part of a bipartisan effort to enact a new law to simplify the appeals review process to reduce the backlog our veterans are facing, as well as a new law that provides critical funding to the VA Choice Program, allowing veterans in rural Maine to access services closer to home.

While my committee work is important, working to combat the opioid epidemic is one of my top priorities. Although Congress has made some important strides, much remains to be done to provide additional funding for prevention, treatment and enforcement. I am working with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to pressure the Drug Enforcement Administration to reduce the amount of opioids produced and to thwart the flow of fentanyl and other deadly drugs into our country.

I am very optimistic about the integrated, multiagency effort I led with Senator Collins to foster innovation and commercialization in Maine's forest economy. Through the Economic Development Assessment Team (EDAT) we are already experiencing increased federal investments that will strengthen our existing forest products industry and help support job creation in rural communities. Initiatives like Cross Laminated Timber, Combined Heat and Power, nanocellulose, 3D printing with biobased materials and other biobased products will mean that Maine's wood-basket will continue to be a major jobs and economic contributor for our future.

Finally, the coming year will continue the work of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in the ongoing investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election. Our Committee has held seven public hearings and numerous classified sessions, reviewed tens of thousands of pages of documents and conducted hundreds of interviews. I remain focused on the security of our elections and committed to developing strategies to prevent interference by foreign governments in our democracy.

May 2018 be a good year for you, your family, your community and our great State.

Best,

Angus S. King
United States Senator

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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate. I am grateful for the trust the people of our State have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments from this past year.

Maine has the oldest average age in the nation. As Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, my top three priorities for the Committee are fighting fraud and financial abuse directed at our nation's seniors, increasing investments in biomedical research, and improving retirement security. Following the Committee's investigation into skyrocketing prescription drug costs, I authored bipartisan legislation to foster generic competition, which was signed into law. The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for seniors to report suspected fraud and receive assistance. To support the 40 million family caregivers in the United States, I am proud to have authored the RAISE Family Caregivers Act to create a coordinated strategy to support family members who make countless personal and financial sacrifices to care for their loved ones.

The opioid crisis touches families and communities across our state. As a member of the Appropriations Committee, I fought for significant increases in funding to support community, law-enforcement, and public health efforts. In April, the State of Maine was awarded over $2 million to fight this devastating public health crisis. Additionally, I have authored legislation to support grandparents and other extended family members who are raising grandchildren as a result of the nation's opioid epidemic.

Biomedical research has the potential to improve and save lives, and also supports good jobs at research facilities here in Maine. Last year, the Appropriations Committee approved a $2 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health for the third consecutive year. This includes an increase of nearly 30 percent for research on Alzheimer's, our nation's most costly disease. As founder and co-chair of the Senate Diabetes Caucus, I work to raise awareness of the threats posed by diabetes, invest in research, and improve access to treatment options. My bill to establish a national commission of health care experts on diabetes care and prevention was signed into law in 2017.

We owe our veterans so much. Last year, I worked to secure the authorization of a Community-Based Outpatient Clinic in Portland to support the health care of Maine's veterans in the southern part of our state. I also worked to secure funding extensions to help veterans throughout rural Maine receive health care within their communities. I also worked to secure funding for housing vouchers for veterans to reduce veterans' homelessness.

Maine's contributions to our national security stretch from Kittery to Limestone. I successfully advocated for critical funding for projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for construction of an additional ship that will likely be built at Bath Iron Works. This funding will strengthen our national security and preserve great jobs in our state.

As chairman of the Transportation and Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I worked to increase funding for the TIGER program that has provided Maine with more than $122 million for vital transportation projects. For housing, I worked to provide $160 million to help communities protect children from the harmful effects of lead poisoning.

Growing our economy remains a top priority. I supported the comprehensive tax reform bill because it will help lower- and middle-income families keep more of their hard-earned money; boost the economy; and encourage businesses, both small and large, to grow and create jobs here in Maine and around the

country. This legislation contains key provisions I authored that are important to Mainers, including preserving the deduction for state and local taxes, expanding the deduction for medical expenses, and enabling public employees such as firefighters, teachers, and police officers, as well as clergy and employees of nonprofits, to make "catch-up" contributions to their retirement accounts. I led the effort to ensure that the tax cut will not trigger automatic budget cuts to Medicare or any other programs.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. As of December 2017, I have cast more than 6,500 consecutive votes, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Hancock County and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Bangor office at 207-945-0417 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2018 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,

Susan M Collins

Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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Fellow Mainers,

It is a true honor to serve on behalf of the honest and hardworking men and women of our Great State. As your Representative, I am proud that, by working with everyone – Republicans, Democrats, and Independents – we were able to achieve some major victories for Maine in 2017.

Creating and protecting jobs has been and remains one of my top priorities in Congress, and this year we had some big successes. Continuing our work from last Congress, I joined forces with Senators Collins and King to fight to ensure the Department of Defense uses American tax dollars to purchase American made products, like the shoes made by the nearly 900 hardworking Mainers at New Balance. Too often in the past, our foreign competitors made these shoes for our troops, but we won the fight this year and now those shoes can be made in the Pine Tree State. This is a huge victory for the 900 hardworking Mainers at New Balance in Skowhegan, Norway, and Norridgewock.

In addition, the House of Representatives voted 418 – 1 to pass my bill to help business development and job creation in Old Town, and the House Natural Resources Committee voted unanimously in favor of my bill to help worm and clam harvesters settle boundary disputes with Acadia National Park. These are two more big wins for job creation in Maine, and I will not let up one inch until they become law.

Thankfully, this year we stopped the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) in its tracks and fought against other unfair trade deals. I testified before the International Trade Commission (ITC) on behalf of Colombia Forest Products in Aroostook County when illegal Chinese products were hurting their business and threatening its 161 workers. I was thrilled the ITC ruled in favor of Mainers and against illegal Chinese manufacturers. Mainers are the hardest working people in the world and we can compete and win against anyone, but the rules must be fair.

As a new member of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, I created a Veterans Advisory Panel comprised of Maine Veterans from all corners of our Great State. This panel gives Maine Veterans a direct seat at the table and a voice in Washington, D.C. Together, we worked to address malpractice at Togus, resolved numerous late payments from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to several rural Maine hospitals, and settled dozens of Maine Veteran's disability claims at the VA.

Unacceptably, this past year multiple members of Congress committed sexual harassment in the workplace. This is reprehensible behavior and should not be tolerated anywhere. As the lead Republican, I joined Democrats and Republicans to pass a resolution that significantly changes outdated sexual harassment procedures in the House of Representatives. Employees should always feel safe and comfortable in their own workplace, and it is past time Congress resolves this issue.

Lastly, I am extremely proud of the services that our Congressional office has been able to provide to help hundreds of Mainers in the past two years. Whether it is a helping a Veteran navigate the bureaucracy at the VA, assisting an elderly Mainer with Medicare issues, or advising a Mainer with a case at the IRS, my office is always available to help. I encourage anyone who is experiencing problems with a government agency, including our Veterans when dealing with the VA, to contact one of my Congressional offices in Maine—Bangor (942-0583), Lewiston (784-0768), Caribou (492-1600)—or visit my website at Poliquin.House.Gov.

We have made great progress, but our work is far from over. The Great State of Maine and our Nation face many critical challenges. Please know that I am working hard, every day, to serve you and that I will continue to work here at home and in Washington D.C. for our families, Veterans, elderly Mainers, local small businesses and communities. It is an honor to represent you and our fellow Mainers in Congress.

Best wishes,

Bruce Poliquin
Maine's 2nd District Congressman

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PAUL R. LEPAGE
GOVERNOR

Dear Citizens of Stonington:

For the past seven years as your Governor, my priority has been to make Maine—our people—prosper. Helping you keep more money in your wallet by reducing taxes has been part of that mission.

Too many Maine families are facing skyrocketing property taxes that strain household budgets. Our elderly on fixed incomes are particularly vulnerable to these increases. School budgets are often blamed for annual increases in property taxes. But there's another reason. A tremendous amount of land and property value has been taken off the tax rolls, leaving homeowners to pick up the tab.

As of 2016, towns and cities owned land and buildings valued at nearly $5.5 billion statewide. Large and wealthy non-profits, such as hospitals and colleges, often escape paying property taxes on their vast real estate holdings—totaling more than $5.1 billion statewide.

In Maine, nearly 2.5 million acres of land have been set aside for conservation by the federal and state governments and non-profit organizations, including land trusts. Municipalities are losing out on property taxes on an estimated $2 billion in land that has been either removed from the tax rolls or prohibited from development—shifting the cost of municipal services to local homeowners through higher property taxes.

It's time to recognize the results of taking property off the tax rolls and identify solutions to reduce the burden on our homeowners. My administration's proposals have been met with staunch resistance.

In 1993, about 35,800 acres of land were documented as land-trust owned. That number has increased by an astonishing 1,270 percent. Land trusts now control over 490,000 acres with an estimated value of $403 million. We must restore the balance. We will be working this session to ensure all land owners are contributing to the local tax base. It's time for them to pay their fair share.

I encourage you to ask your local officials how much land in your municipality has been taken off the tax rolls, as well as how much in tax revenue that land would have been contributing today to offset your property taxes.

If ever I can be of assistance to you or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor.

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage
Governor

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to represent you in the Maine Senate. It has been an honor to serve you for four terms and I can hardly believe that I will be termed out after this coming November. I have met thousands of people living in Hancock County that I never would have met any other way. Representing this district with its unique communities ranging from islands to unorganized territories has truly been the best experience of my life.

On August 2, Maine lawmakers finally adjourned for the year, after what proved to be the longest session in recent memory due to a brief government shut down over budgetary disagreements. While no state budget is ever perfect, the end product was a state budget that makes a record investment in our students, supports our communities and will tremendously benefit small businesses and our economy.

Perhaps the most significant action the Legislature took last year, as part of the biennial budget, was the removal of the burdensome, job-killing surtax that was already hurting small businesses, doctors and other professionals that we so critically need. In November 2016, voters sent a clear message that education funding was to be a priority of the 128th Legislature, and we heard that message loud and clear. However, the funding mechanism which was included in the measure – the surtax – presented a serious threat to the state's economy. This new tax gave Maine the ominous distinction of being the highest-taxed state in the country and primarily impacted small businesses, which are the backbone of our economy, taxing them at a rate that is higher than larger corporations are subject to pay. I am proud to say that after much hard work and negotiating and thanks to our rebounding economy, we were able to support our local schools at a level we have never been able to before – without any additional taxation.

The Homestead Exemption, which provides much-needed property tax relief for homeowners, was also preserved in the budget with an increased exemption of $20,000.

The Legislature also passed a measure to make Maine compliant with the REAL ID Act. As a result of this important new law, the federal government has granted Maine a waiver, meaning that Maine citizens can continue to use their driver's licenses to board commercial airplanes and access certain federal buildings.

While we accomplished much, there is still a lot of work ahead of us next session. Again, thank you for putting your trust in me to represent you. Please feel free to contact me if you need help in navigating the state bureaucracy. I can be reached in Augusta at 287-1505 or by email at brian.langley@legislature.maine.gov. Thank you for allowing me to be your senator.

Sincerely,

Brian D. Langley

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Dear Stonington Residents,

It is an honor to serve once again as your State Representative. As I enter my final year in office due to term limits, I intend to work hard throughout the session to provide responsive constituent services and advance legislation that benefits the people of our island and coastal communities.

This year the Legislature's agenda will be limited mostly to emergency legislation and bills carried over from 2017. We are scheduled to adjourn by the end of April.

The bills we will be taking up cover a wide range of topics, but our chief focus will be on making sure Maine properly implements the MaineCare expansion overwhelmingly passed by voters last November. We will also work to implement the recommendations of a task force that studied Maine's opioid crisis, continue to wrestle with education costs and property taxes, revisit our approach to energy and technology infrastructure in the wake of recent storms, find consensus on the voter-approved citizen initiative legalizing the limited recreational use and sale of marijuana and address any unexpected situations that might arise during the spring.

This year I will once again co-chair the Legislature's Marine Resources Committee. We will continue to work with the Department of Marine Resources on licensing and permitting issues, more effective enforcement, preventing unreasonable fee increases, providing more flexibility for fishermen and harvesters who experience medical issues and continuing to support ways to improve to health of our fisheries. The committee clerk maintains a list of interested parties that get email notification of the committee schedule. Please let me know if you would like to be added to that list.

Whether we are dealing with the above issues or any other topic, I will continue to work with all of my colleagues, regardless of party affiliation, to make sure we're doing the best work we can for the people of our district and all the people of Maine.

Please contact me if I can be of any help or if you want to discuss or testify on any legislation. My email is wkumiega36@gmail.com. My cellphone is 207-479-5459 for voice or text message. I also send out e-newsletters from time to time. Let me know if you would like to receive them.

Respectfully,

Walter A Kumiega III

Walter Kumiega
State Representative

District 134 Cranberry Isles, Deer Isle, Frenchboro, Isle au Haut, North Haven, Southwest Harbor, Stonington, Swans Island, Tremont and Vinalhaven, plus the unorganized territory of Marshall Island Township

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Unpaid Taxes as of December 31, 2017

Real Estate 2016

Acct.	Name	Balance 12/31/17
100	Blastow, Florence M	682.38
103	Bolton, Graham J	130.37 *
191	Dunham, Glen	231.21
504	Freeway Investments Inc	486.78
389	Furrow, Cecilia M Personal Rep.	1,386.31
1119	GK Hospitality LLC	3,549.39
431	Greene, Tracy S	447.11
1293	Grindal, Clare	274.04
1294	Grindal, Clare	274.04
1295	Grindal, Clare	272.19
1296	Grindal, Clare	283.27
1297	Grindal, Clare	257.40
1299	Grindal, Clare	270.34
1300	Grindal, Clare	281.42
461	Grindal, Clare & Nelson	5,571.73
1292	Grindal, Darcy J	263.75
561	Hunt, Aimee A	1,924.42
567	Hutchinson, Alan K	2,049.80
622	Johnson-Suenaga, Elizabeth	355.52
629	Jones, David Jr	909.93
289	Jones, Molly K	825.98
401	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry; Glover, Eli:	1,483.32
644	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry; Glover, Eli:	4,036.12
645	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry; Glover, Eli:	1,661.77
647	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry; Glover, Eli:	418.97
669	Klemenz, Laurie Ann	506.63
976	Kunkel, Yelena Rovnyansky	2,073.03
820	Nevells, Richard L	239.91
899	Powers, Scott T	8,283.38
917	Ray, Lorena A	547.63
560	Rhodes, Travis	1,583.11
12	Scott, Priscilla Grace	4,143.10
366	Tea Hill Enterprises LLC	92.70 *
1252	Tea Hill Enterprises LLC	112.50 *
	2016 Total for 34 accounts:	**45,909.55**

Personal Property 2001-2017

Acct.	Name & Year	Amount
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2001	880.00
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2002	880.00
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2003	880.00
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2005	605.00
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2006	622.50
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2007	615.50
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2008	629.50
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2009	625.50
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2010	624.75
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2011	621.25
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2012	392.17
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2013	409.80
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2014	436.39
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2015	495.63
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2016	488.41
2	68 Main LLC - 2017	1.13
3	68 Main LLC - 2017	32.22
18	Cormier, Frances A - 2017	465.58
103	The Seasons Store - 2017	0.46
	Total Personal Property:	**9,705.79**

*** denotes accounts paid in full after 12/31/2017**

Tax Bills are traditionally issued in July and interest begins September 1st. A 1% Discount is available if you pay in full within 30 days of the bill date.

If your mailing address changes, please notify the Town Office in writing as soon as possible.

By State law, all tax changes must be in place by April 1 of the current year.

The tax assessing agent holds office hours one day per month. Call the Town Office to make an appointment.

Ask us about the Tax Club if you are interested in convenient monthly payments! If your account is paid in full before December 31st, you can join the Tax Club for the next year

Unpaid Taxes as of December 31, 2017

Real Estate 2017

Acct.	Name	Balance 12/31/17	
559	1820 Properties, LLC	3,633.36	
433	Betts, Matthew B	995.60	
100	Blastow, Florence	641.18	
103	Bolton, Graham J	2,745.14	
107	Bovee, Kenneth & Terry	80.55	
108	Bowker, Lindsay N	2,245.74	*
1340	Buxton, Jeffrey & McIsaac, Melissa	794.52	
177	Castaneda, Jorge	348.57	
199	Coleman, Brett	15.50	
1258	Cram, Holly P/R Hope Young Estate	428.72	
960	Dennison, Rebecca	1,466.01	
191	Dunham, Glen	56.71	
859	Eaton, Cheryl	547.32	
291	Eaton, David	455.16	
294	Eaton, Ellen	330.26	
329	Edwards, Raymond W	170.97	*
85	Fernandez, Luis B	3,287.95	
362	Fitzpatrick, Nancy	1,114.27	
377	Frangoulis, George & Kristen	2,294.06	
504	Freeway Investments Inc	816.78	
389	Furrow, Cecilia M Personal Rep.	1,076.15	
1119	GK Hospitality LLC	5,665.89	
406	Gorham, William Revocable Trust	1.98	*
415	Gove, Jeffrey	130.49	
659	Granite Cliff LLC	4,476.68	
426	Gray, Everett G	655.68	
431	Greene, Tracy S	322.20	
457	Grigaitis, Eleonora	4,989.00	
1293	Grindal, Clare	177.21	
1294	Grindal, Clare	177.21	
1295	Grindal, Clare	175.60	
1296	Grindal, Clare	185.27	
1297	Grindal, Clare	162.71	
1299	Grindal, Clare	173.99	
1300	Grindal, Clare	183.65	
461	Grindal, Clare & Grindal, Nelson	4,795.95	
1292	Grindal, Darcy J	173.99	
486	Hagerthy, George R Jr	484.91	
488	Hagerthy, Tammy Lynn	1,445.07	
545	Hodgkins, John & Hodgkins, Diane	1,288.28	
677	Huggins, Cleo	826.44	
561	Hunt, Aimee A	2,313.40	
562	Hunter, Joyce	2,529.27	*
567	Hutchinson, Alan K	1,731.82	
572	Hutchinson, Howard W	1,333.91	

Real Estate 2017

Acct.	Name	Balance 12/31/17	
573	Hutchinson, Mary	980.65	
265	Jackson Investment Trust	18.00	*
597	Jackson, Donna & Milford	3,225.22	
622	Johnson-Suenaga, Elizabeth	248.09	
629	Jones, David Jr	720.12	
289	Jones, Molly K	641.18	
642	Joslin, Cynthia	0.11	
401	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry & Jones, Eli	1,195.36	
644	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry & Jones, Eli	3,871.23	
645	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry & Jones, Eli	1,414.46	
647	Jost, Gretchen; Jost, Henry & Jones, Eli	309.31	
669	Klemenz, Laurie Ann	799.06	
976	Kunkel, Yelena Rovnyansky	1,739.88	
703	Lawson, Kim	14.40	
711	Levy, Meridith & Nathaniel	93.05	*
869	Long, Susan	6,740.42	*
741	McArthur, Kimberly	149.82	
343	McHenry Family Trust Fund	3,289.66	
779	Michaelson, Carl	0.14	
787	Mitchell, Randall A	520.97	
820	Nevells, Richard L	376.97	
1318	Nevells, Tony	441.41	
1302	Nolan, Heidi D; Allen, Danielle M; All	752.43	
870	Parkinson, Penny	0.46	
871	Parkinson, Penny	0.08	
873	Patch-Furlong, Carol A	594.85	
887	Pitts, Benjamin Alexander	1,303.30	
899	Powers, Scott T	7,165.73	
901	Pringle, William G	8,235.43	
917	Ray, Lorena	333.48	
924	Reed, Barry	0.50	
560	Rhodes, Travis	1,324.24	
955	Robinson, Craig J	629.90	
972	Rose, Margie L	761.13	
986	Sandler, Susan	2.67	
12	Scott, Priscilla Grace	3,521.65	
1064	Stinson, Robert K Jr	1,207.46	
1071	Stonington Management Trust	5,450.01	*
1072	Stonington Management Trust	173.99	*
1113	Taylor, David C	517.13	
1116	Tea Hill Enterprises LLC	293.86	
366	Tea Hill Enterprises LLC	1,453.12	
1252	Tea Hill Enterprises LLC	2,574.38	
1126	Thompson, Reginald L	394.70	
	2017 Total for 89 accounts:	**57,945.12**	

2017 MUNICIPAL TAX RATE CALCULATION FORM

Municipality: Stonington

BE SURE TO COMPLETE THIS FORM BEFORE FILLING IN THE TAX ASSESSMENT WARRANT

1.	Total Taxable Valuation of Real Estate	1	211,001,180		
2.	Total taxable valuation of personal property	2	971,500		
3.	Total Taxable Valuation of real estate and personal property (Line 1 plus line 2)			3	211,972,680
4.	(a) Total exempt value for all homestead exemptions granted	4(a)	4,738,600		
	(b) Homestead exemption reimbursement value	4(b)	2,369,300 (Line 4(a) multiplied by .5)		
5.	(a) Total exempt value of all BETE qualified property	5(a)	421,200		
	(b) BETE exemption reimbursement value	5(b)	210,600 (line 5(a) multiplied by 0.5)		
	Municipalities with significant personal property & equipment may qualify for more than 50% reimbursement. Please contact MRS for the Enhanced Tax Rate Calculator form.				
6.	Total Valuation Base (Line 3 plus line 4(b) plus line 5(b))			6	214,552,580
	Assessments				
7.	County Tax	7	116,940.80		
8.	Municipal Appropriation	8	1,600,673.00		
9.	TIF Financing Plan Amount	9	0.00		
10.	Local Educational Appropriation **(Local Share/Contribution)** (Adjusted to Municipal Fiscal Year)	10	1,770,941.17		
11.	Total Assessments (Add lines 7 through 10).....			11	3,488,554.97
	ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS				
12.	State Municipal Revenue Sharing.....	12	35,738.35		
13.	Other Revenues: (All other revenues that have been formally appropriated to be used to reduce the commitment such as excise tax revenue, tree growth reimbursement, trust fund or bank interest income, appropriated surplus revenue, etc. **Do Not Include any Homestead or BETE Reimbursement**	13	120,000.00		
14.	Total Deductions (Line 12 plus line 13).....			14	155,738.35
15.	Net to be raised by local property tax rate (Line 11 minus line 14).....			15	3,332,816.62

16.	3,332,816.62	X	1.05	=	3,499,457.45	Maximum Allowable Tax
17.	3,332,816.62	/	214,552,580	=	0.015534	Minimum Tax Rate
18.	3,499,457.45	/	214,552,580	=	0.016310	Maximum Tax Rate
19.	211,972,680	X	0.01611 (Selected Rate)	=	3,414,879.87 (Enter on MVR Page 1, line 13)	Tax for Commitment
20.	3,332,816.62	X	0.05	=	166,640.83	Maximum Overlay
21.	2,369,300	X	0.01611 (Selected Rate)	=	38,169.42 (Enter on line 8, Assessment Warrant)	Homestead Reimbursement
22.	210,600	X	0.01611 (Selected Rate)	=	3,392.77 (Enter on line 9, Assessment Warrant)	BETE Reimbursement
23.	3,456,442.06 (Line 19 plus lines 21 and 22)	-	3,332,816.62	=	123,625.44 (Enter on line 5, Assessment Warrant)	Overlay

(If Line 23 exceeds Line 20 select a lower tax rate.)

Results from this completed form should be used to prepare the Municipal Tax Assessment Warrant, Certificate of Assessment to Municipal Treasurer and Municipal Valuation Return.

RHR SMITH & COMPANY
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Proven Expertise and Integrity

February 8, 2018

Board of Selectmen
Town of Stonington, Maine
Stonington, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Stonington, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Stonington, Maine as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2017 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town Office.

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STATEMENT C

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2017

	General Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 1,676,069	$ 1,485,100	$ 3,161,169
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	134,585	-	134,585
Liens	49,061	-	49,061
Loans	-	47,129	47,129
Due from other governments	10,335	-	10,335
Other	5,831	24,388	30,219
Inventory	-	12,935	12,935
Due from other funds	696,581	143,253	839,834
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 2,572,462	$ 1,712,805	$ 4,285,267
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	$ 69,772	$ -	$ 69,772
Payroll related liabilities	7,811	-	7,811
Other payables	5,005	19,223	24,228
Due to other funds	143,253	696,581	839,834
Due to other governments	5,435	-	5,435
Bond anticipation note	260,000	-	260,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	491,276	715,804	1,207,080
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	21,404	-	21,404
Deferred revenue	147,500	-	147,500
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	168,904	-	168,904
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	12,935	12,935
Restricted	-	284,653	284,653
Committed	76,715	815,340	892,055
Assigned	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,835,567	(115,927)	1,719,640
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,912,282	997,001	2,909,283
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	$ 2,572,462	$ 1,712,805	$ 4,285,267

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STATEMENT E

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	General Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property Taxes	$ 3,444,989	$ -	$ 3,444,989
Excise taxes	259,782	-	259,782
Intergovernmental	100,633	208,706	309,339
Charges for services	82,309	847,453	929,762
Interest/costs on liens	17,534	-	17,534
Investment income, net	3,762	6,951	10,713
Other income	33,965	45,715	79,680
TOTAL REVENUES	3,942,974	1,108,825	5,051,799
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	324,387	-	324,387
Public safety	201,755	-	201,755
Health and sanitation	268,754	-	268,754
Public works	373,678	-	373,678
Special assessments	1,887,882	-	1,887,882
Social services	9,875	-	9,875
Culture and recreation	16,438	-	16,438
Unclassified	108,047	784,081	892,128
Debt service	78,255	4,223	82,478
Capital outlay	-	802,765	802,765
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,269,071	1,591,069	4,860,140
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	673,903	(482,244)	191,659
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	-	470,146	470,146
Transfers (out)	(346,085)	(124,061)	(470,146)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(346,085)	346,085	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	327,818	(136,159)	191,659
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	1,584,464	1,133,160	2,717,624
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	$ 1,912,282	$ 997,001	$ 2,909,283

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SCHEDULE 1

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS
BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1	$ 1,584,464	$ 1,584,464	$ 1,584,464	$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Property taxes	3,414,880	3,414,880	3,444,989	30,109
Excise taxes	-	-	259,782	259,782
Intergovernmental	79,800	79,800	100,633	20,833
Charges for services	38,200	38,200	82,309	44,109
Interest/Costs on liens	-	-	17,534	17,534
Investment income, net	1,000	1,000	3,762	2,762
Other revenues	3,300	3,300	33,965	30,665
Transfers from other funds	6,000	6,000	-	(6,000)
Amounts Available for Appropriation	5,127,644	5,127,644	5,527,438	399,794
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	364,400	364,400	324,387	40,013
Public safety	217,985	213,174	201,755	11,419
Health and sanitation	288,525	288,525	268,754	19,771
Public works	423,300	423,300	373,678	49,622
Special assessments	1,887,882	1,887,882	1,887,882	-
Social services	10,795	10,795	9,875	920
Culture and recreation	19,220	17,546	16,438	1,108
Unclassified	218,211	218,211	108,047	110,164
Capital projects	330,000	100,000	-	100,000
Debt service	78,262	78,262	78,255	7
Transfers to other funds	109,600	346,085	346,085	-
Total Charges to Appropriation	3,948,180	3,948,180	3,615,156	333,024
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	$ 1,179,464	$ 1,179,464	$ 1,912,282	$ 732,818
Utilization of unassigned fund balance	$ 405,000	$ 405,000	$ -	$ (405,000)

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SCHEDULE 2

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
REVENUES				
Property taxes	$ 3,414,880	$ 3,414,880	$ 3,444,989	$ 30,109
Excise taxes:				
Auto excise	-	-	259,782	259,782
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State revenue sharing	35,738	35,738	35,435	(303)
Homestead exemption	38,169	38,169	36,330	(1,839)
Local road assistance	-	-	19,260	19,260
BETE reimbursement	3,393	3,393	-	(3,393)
Tree growth	-	-	2,869	2,869
Other intergovernmental	2,500	2,500	6,739	4,239
Interest/Investment income, net	1,000	1,000	3,762	2,762
Interest/Costs on liens	-	-	17,534	17,534
Charges for services:				
Municipal agent fees	4,500	4,500	9,111	4,611
Snow removal contract	-	-	11,395	11,395
Building permits	3,000	3,000	6,663	3,663
Tipping fees	21,000	21,000	22,158	1,158
Demo debris income	5,000	5,000	18,352	13,352
Administrative fees	-	-	6,694	6,694
Trash fees	3,500	3,500	-	(3,500)
Other fees	-	-	2,354	2,354
In lieu of taxes	1,200	1,200	5,582	4,382
Other income:				
CATV fee	2,000	2,000	3,822	1,822
Miscellaneous	1,300	1,300	30,143	28,843
TOTAL REVENUES	3,537,180	3,537,180	3,942,974	405,794
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfers in	6,000	6,000	-	(6,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	6,000	6,000	-	(6,000)
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	$ 3,543,180	$ 3,543,180	$ 3,942,974	$ 399,794

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Appropriations	Budget Adjustments	Total Available	Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Administration	$ 97,550	$ -	$ 97,550	$ 86,504	$ 11,046
Wages, salaries and taxes	181,600	-	181,600	166,945	14,655
Employee healthcare	62,600	-	62,600	51,984	10,616
Town hall maintenance	20,500	-	20,500	17,466	3,034
Planning board	1,900	-	1,900	1,395	505
Appeals board	250	-	250	93	157
Total	364,400	-	364,400	324,387	40,013
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Animal control	4,950	-	4,950	4,116	834
Hydrant rental	59,000	-	59,000	59,000	-
Code enforcement	14,700	-	14,700	14,573	127
Health officer	250	-	250	250	-
Fire department	49,950	(4,811)	45,139	45,139	-
911-Road signs	600	-	600	89	511
Sheriff services	68,000	-	68,000	63,891	4,109
Communication center	4,235	-	4,235	4,362	(127)
Parking enforcement	6,000	-	6,000	-	6,000
Street lights	10,300	-	10,300	10,335	(35)
Total	217,985	(4,811)	213,174	201,755	11,419
HEALTH AND SANITATION					
Transfer station	288,525	-	288,525	268,754	19,771
Total	288,525	-	288,525	268,754	19,771

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Appropriations	Budget Adjustments	Total Available	Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
PUBLIC WORKS					
Town roads	170,450	-	170,450	164,839	5,611
Winter roads	191,950	-	191,950	160,257	31,693
Equipment	44,200	-	44,200	30,631	13,569
Town garage	11,700	-	11,700	12,951	(1,251)
Colwell ramp	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-
Total	423,300	-	423,300	373,678	49,622
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS					
School	1,770,941	-	1,770,941	1,770,941	-
County tax	116,941	-	116,941	116,941	-
Total	1,887,882	-	1,887,882	1,887,882	-
SOCIAL SERVICES					
General assistance	1,500	-	1,500	580	920
Hospice of Hancock County	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Eastern Area Agency on Aging	2,600	-	2,600	2,600	-
WHCA	4,345	-	4,345	4,345	-
YMCA	750	-	750	750	-
American Red Cross	600	-	600	600	-
Total	10,795	-	10,795	9,875	920
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
Stonington Library	6,000	-	6,000	6,000	-
Island Recreation Board	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Athletic field	1,000	(730)	270	270	-
Town parks	10,720	(944)	9,776	8,668	1,108
Total	19,220	(1,674)	17,546	16,438	1,108
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
Transfer station upgrade	200,000	(200,000)	-	-	-
Sidewalks and drainage	100,000	-	100,000	-	100,000
Roof repairs	30,000	(30,000)	-	-	-
Total	330,000	(230,000)	100,000	-	100,000

	Appropriations	Budget Adjustments	Total Available	Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
DEBT SERVICE					
Backhoe	19,848	-	19,848	19,848	-
Fire truck	23,670	-	23,670	23,664	6
Moose island causeway	34,744	-	34,744	34,743	1
Total	78,262	-	78,262	78,255	7
UNCLASSIFIED					
Downeast Transportation	800	-	800	800	-
Economic Development	22,500	-	22,500	21,664	836
Fourth of July	3,600	-	3,600	3,600	-
Child & Family opportunities	3,080	-	3,080	3,080	-
Healthy Island	2,500	-	2,500	2,500	-
Hancock County Planning	1,250	-	1,250	1,410	(160)
Chamber of Commerce	600	-	600	600	-
Memorial Day	450	-	450	450	-
Hospice of Hancock County	7,526	-	7,526	7,526	-
Island community center	10,800	-	10,800	10,800	-
WIC program	1,480	-	1,480	1,480	-
Tax discounts	28,000	-	28,000	27,330	670
Sand beach	8,500	-	8,500	7,950	550
Cemeteries	3,500	-	3,500	1,957	1,543
Overlay/Abatements	123,625	-	123,625	16,900	106,725
Total	218,211	-	218,211	108,047	110,164
Transfer to other funds	109,600	236,485	346,085	346,085	-
Total	109,600	236,485	346,085	346,085	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 3,948,180	$ -	$ 3,948,180	$ 3,615,156	$ 333,024

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SCHEDULE G

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Airport	Athletic Field	Seawall Reserve	Conservation Commission	Fire Dept Capital	Fish Pier	Gym Building	Harbor
REVENUES								
Intergovernmental income	$ -	$ -	$ 84,645	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Charges for services	851	-	-	-	-	721,433	3,434	69,360
Investment income	27	35	1,148	22	634	973	101	652
Other income	4,904	-	-	-	14	10,258	-	13,793
TOTAL REVENUES	5,782	35	85,793	22	648	732,664	3,535	83,805
EXPENDITURES								
Capital outlay	-	-	487,161	-	-	-	-	12,950
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	1,812	-	-	4,500	-	680,002	10,653	34,911
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,812	-	487,161	4,500	-	680,002	10,653	47,861
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	3,970	35	(401,368)	(4,478)	648	52,662	(7,118)	35,944
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in	-	730	139,061	100	19,811	-	20,000	-
Transfers (out)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	730	139,061	100	19,811	-	20,000	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	3,970	765	(262,307)	(4,378)	20,459	52,662	12,882	35,944
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - JANUARY 1	2,393	4,768	148,894	4,465	128,688	170,541	15,866	112,042
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - DECEMBER 31	$ 6,363	$ 5,533	$ (113,413)	$ 87	$ 149,147	$ 223,203	$ 28,748	$ 147,986

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Playground Reserve	Rainy Day Reserve	Road Equipment	School Building	Shellfish
REVENUES					
Intergovernmental income	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Charges for services	-	-	-	52,375	-
Investment income	5	75	462	238	124
Other income	-	-	-	-	13,390
TOTAL REVENUES	5	75	462	52,613	13,514
EXPENDITURES					
Capital outlay	-	-	43,523	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-	4,223	-
Other	-	-	-	24,649	19,299
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	-	43,523	28,872	19,299
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	5	75	(43,061)	23,741	(5,785)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers in	944	-	40,000	500	500
Transfers (out)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	944	-	40,000	500	500
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	949	75	(3,061)	24,241	(5,285)
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - JANUARY 1	1,508	15,581	83,177	57,510	24,924
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - DECEMBER 31	$ 2,457	$ 15,656	$ 80,116	$ 81,751	$ 19,639

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Swimming Pool	Town Hall	Harbor Float	Transfer Station	Unemploy Fund	Total
REVENUES						
Intergovernmental income	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 84,645
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	847,453
Investment income	9	151	78	447	34	5,215
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	42,359
TOTAL REVENUES	9	151	78	447	34	979,672
EXPENDITURES						
Capital outlay	-	31,000	-	218,874	-	793,508
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	4,223
Other	-	-	-	-	5,681	781,507
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	31,000	-	218,874	5,681	1,579,238
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	9	(30,849)	78	(218,427)	(5,647)	(599,566)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in		34,000	1,000	210,000	3,500	470,146
Transfers (out)	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	34,000	1,000	210,000	3,500	470,146
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	9	3,151	1,078	(8,427)	(2,147)	(129,420)
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - JANUARY 1	1,831	18,679	15,818	23,328	296	830,309
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - DECEMBER 31	$ 1,840	$ 21,830	$ 16,896	$ 14,901	$ (1,851)	$ 700,889

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SCHEDULE I

TOWN OF STONINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – NONMAJOR PERMANENT FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Cemetery Fund	Bartlett/ McDonald	Total
REVENUES			
Investment income	$ 285	$ 7	$ 292
TOTAL REVENUES	285	7	292
EXPENDITURES			
Other	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	-	-
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	285	7	292
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	-	-	-
Transfers (out)	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	-	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	285	7	292
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	58,635	1,354	59,989
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	$ 58,920	$ 1,361	$ 60,281

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

Town of Stonington
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	2017 Actual	2017 Budget	2018 Proposed	2018 Final
5000 · ADMINISTRATION				
5001 · Admn Advertisements	2,481.52	1,800.00	2,500.00	
5002 · Admn Assessing	26,900.00	26,900.00	22,000.00	
5003 · Admn Audit	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
5004 · Admn Bank Fees	20.00	100.00	100.00	
5005 · Admn Bond Counsel TAN	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
5006 · Admn Copier	2,311.78	2,400.00	3,400.00	
5007 · Admn Dues & Books	3,063.25	3,100.00	3,200.00	
5008 · Admn Election Costs	4,258.25	4,300.00	5,000.00	
5009 · Admn Equipment/Computers	15,904.92	15,000.00	17,000.00	
5010 · Admn Liability Insurance	6,726.51	7,000.00	7,500.00	
5011 · Admn Legal Services	(1,618.50)	8,500.00	8,500.00	
5012 · Admn Misc. Expense	1,601.27	2,000.00	2,000.00	
5013 · Admn Postage	3,356.28	3,500.00	3,500.00	
5014 · Admn Printing	5,303.50	2,650.00	2,650.00	
5015 · Admn Recording Fees	1,835.32	2,600.00	2,600.00	
5016 · Admn Supplies	2,405.22	2,500.00	2,500.00	
5017 · Admn Telephone	2,169.50	3,000.00	3,000.00	
5018 · Admn Training	635.00	600.00	1,000.00	
5019 · Admn Travel	1,975.56	2,400.00	2,800.00	
5020 · Admn Workmen's Comp	2,174.77	1,200.00	2,200.00	
Total 5000 · ADMINISTRATION	**86,504.15**	**97,550.00**	**99,450.00**	
Administration Budget				99,450.00
5050 · HEALTH INSURANCE				
5051 · Health Insurance Staff	51,983.58	62,600.00	58,000.00	
Total 5050 · HEALTH INSURANCE	**51,983.58**	**62,600.00**	**58,000.00**	
Health Insurance Budget				58,000.00
5060 · ADMINISTATIVE SALARIES				
5061 · Admn Payroll Taxes	11,863.74	13,100.00	13,100.00	
5062 · Admn Selectmen	15,000.00	15,000.00	17,500.00	
5063 · Admn Town Clerks	80,081.60	93,500.00	93,500.00	
5064 · Admn Town Manager	60,000.00	60,000.00	62,000.00	
Total 5060 · ADMINISTATIVE SALARIES	**166,945.34**	**181,600.00**	**186,100.00**	
Administrative Salaries				186,100.00
5070 · TOWN HALL EXPENSES				
5071 · Town Hall Cleaning	2,348.51	2,700.00	2,700.00	
5072 · Town Hall Electric	1,836.27	2,200.00	2,200.00	
5073 · Town Hall Equipment	299.69	750.00	750.00	
5075 · Town Hall Heat	4,734.66	6,000.00	6,000.00	
5076 · Town Hall Insurance	1,345.31	1,600.00	1,600.00	
5077 · Town Hall Maintenance & Repairs	5,027.49	5,000.00	5,000.00	
5078 · Town Hall Misc	259.11	350.00	350.00	
5079 · Town Hall Supplies	314.57	300.00	300.00	
5080 · Town Hall Water & Sewer	1,300.56	1,600.00	1,700.00	
Total 5070 · TOWN HALL EXPENSES	**17,466.17**	**20,500.00**	**20,600.00**	
Town Hall Budget				20,600.00

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5100 · ANIMAL CONTROL				
5101 · Animal Control Kennel	0.00	500.00	500.00	
5102 · Animal Control Miscellaneous	594.12	600.00	1,000.00	
5103 · Animal Control Payroll Taxes	193.16	250.00	250.00	
5104 · Animal Control Travel	732.34	1,500.00	2,000.00	
5105 · Animal Control Wages	2,524.92	2,000.00	2,500.00	
5106 · Animal Control Workers Comp	71.43	100.00	100.00	
Total 5100 · ANIMAL CONTROL	**4,115.97**	**4,950.00**	**6,350.00**	
Animal Control Budget				6,350.00
5110 · CODE ENFORCEMENT				
5111 · Code Enforcement Misc	2,408.88	650.00	650.00	
5112 · Code Enforcement Payroll Taxes	821.25	875.00	875.00	
5113 · Code Enforcement Travel	234.27	300.00	350.00	
5114 · Code Enforcement Wages	10,485.23	12,500.00	12,500.00	
5115 · Code Enforcement Workers Comp	623.60	375.00	625.00	
Total 5110 · CODE ENFORCEMENT	**14,573.23**	**14,700.00**	**15,000.00**	
Code Enforcement Budget				15,000.00
5120 · PLANNING BOARD				
5121 · Planning Board Advertising	864.31	1,200.00	1,200.00	
5122 - Planning Board Misc	30.48	100.00	100.00	
5123 · Planning Board Training	0.00	100.00	100.00	
5124 · Planning Board Wages	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Total 5120 · PLANNING BOARD	**1,394.79**	**1,900.00**	**1,900.00**	
Planning Board Budget				1,900.00
5130 · TRANSFER STATION				
5131 · Transfer Station Ash Removal	3,495.61	5,000.00	5,000.00	
5132 · Transfer Station Demo Debris	20,427.60	17,000.00	20,000.00	
5133 · Transfer Station Equip Maint	9,644.19	10,500.00	10,500.00	
5134 · Transfer Station Insurance	538.12	800.00	800.00	
5135 · Transfer Station Misc	2,715.66	3,500.00	3,500.00	
5136 · Transfer Station Monitor Wells	0.00	0.00	-	
5137 · Transfer Station Mowing	2,100.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	
5138 · Transfer Station Payroll Taxes	5,921.18	5,825.00	6,000.00	
5139 · Transfer Station Recycling	2,733.02	10,000.00	10,000.00	
5140 · Transfer Station Telephone	390.39	600.00	500.00	
5141 · Transfer Station Tipping Fees	93,927.66	110,000.00	120,000.00	
5142 · Transfer Station Transportation	37,203.99	40,000.00	40,000.00	
5143 · Transfer Station Utilities	1,764.80	2,000.00	2,500.00	
5144 · Transfer Station Wages	77,401.03	76,100.00	76,100.00	
5145 · Transfer Station Workers Comp	10,490.71	5,000.00	11,000.00	
Total 5130 · TRANSFER STATION	**268,753.96**	**288,525.00**	**308,100.00**	
Transfer Station Budget				308,100.00

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5500 · THIRD PARTY REQUESTS				
5501 · 4th of July	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	
5502 · Chamber of Commerce	600.00	600.00	600.00	
5503 · Child & Family Opportunities	3,080.00	3,080.00	-	
5505 · DownEast Transportation	800.00	800.00	800.00	
5506 · Eastern Area Agency on Aging	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,600.00	
5507 · Hancock County Homecare & Hospice	7,526.00	7,526.00	7,526.00	
5508 · Healthy Island Project	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,500.00	
5509 · Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
5510 · Island Community Center	10,800.00	10,800.00	10,800.00	
5511 · Island Rec Board	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
5512 · Stonington Public Library	6,000.00	6,000.00	10,000.00	
5514 · Memorial Day	450.00	450.00	450.00	
5516 · American Red Cross	600.00	600.00	750.00	
5518 · WHCA	4,345.00	4,345.00	-	
5519 · DownEast Family YMCA	750.00	750.00	750.00	
5521 · WIC Program	1,480.00	1,480.00	1,200.00	
5522 · Project Launch	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	
5523 · Opiate Free Island Partnership	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	
5524 · LifeFlight Foundation	-	-	522.00	
Total Third Party Requests	**47,631.00**	**47,631.00**	**67,098.00**	
Third Party Request Budget				67,098.00
5601 · Fire Dept Electric	1,358.88	1,050.00	1,050.00	
5602 · Fire Dept Equipment	1,484.51	5,000.00	5,000.00	
5603 · Fire Dept Fuel	302.25	350.00	350.00	
5604 · Fire Dept Heat	2,744.97	4,500.00	4,500.00	
5605 · Fire Dept Insurance	5,823.20	6,000.00	6,000.00	
5606 · Fire Dept Misc. Expenses	909.21	1,400.00	1,400.00	
5607 · Fire Dept Parts & Repair	10,595.73	13,500.00	13,500.00	
5608 · Fire Dept Payroll Taxes	1,097.78	1,100.00	1,100.00	
5609 · Fire Dept Telephone	1,977.03	1,700.00	1,700.00	
5610 · Fire Dept Wages	14,350.00	12,850.00	12,850.00	
5611 · Fire Dept Water and Sewer	1,256.76	1,300.00	1,300.00	
5612 · Fire Dept Workers Comp	3,238.26	1,200.00	3,500.00	
Total 5600 · FIRE DEPARTMENT	**45,138.58**	**49,950.00**	**52,250.00**	
Fire Department Budget				52,250.00
5620 · PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT				
5621 · Public Works Diesel & Gas	10,762.56	17,500.00	15,000.00	
5622 · Public Works Insurance	4,009.00	4,200.00	4,300.00	
5623 · Public Works Repairs	12,480.79	18,000.00	18,000.00	
5624 · Public Work Supplies & Equip	2,717.82	3,000.00	3,000.00	
5625 · Public Works Misc	660.96	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Total 5620 · PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT	**30,631.13**	**44,200.00**	**41,800.00**	
Public Works Budget				41,800.00

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5630 · TOWN GARAGE				
5631 · Town Garage Electricity	2,101.09	2,300.00	2,300.00	
5632 · Town Garage Equipment	3,531.52	3,000.00	3,200.00	
5633 · Town Garage Heat	69.42	700.00	500.00	
5634 · Town Garage Maintenance	5,371.02	3,500.00	3,500.00	
5635 · Town Garage Misc	994.92	1,000.00	1,000.00	
5636 · Town Garage Telephone	883.18	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Total 5630 · TOWN GARAGE	**12,951.15**	**11,700.00**	**11,700.00**	
Town Garage Budget				11,700.00
5640 · ROAD MAINTENANCE				
5641 · Road Maint Cold Patch	1,126.33	6,000.00	4,000.00	
5642 · Road Maint Culverts	5,412.35	5,500.00	5,500.00	
5643 · Road Maint Gravel	1,152.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
5644 · Road Maint Guardrails	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
5645 · Road Maint Misc	2,474.57	2,000.00	2,000.00	
5646 · Road Maint Mowing	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	
5647 · Road Maint Payroll Taxes	4,964.40	5,250.00	4,000.00	
5648 · Road Maint Cellular	750.00	600.00	1,200.00	
5649 · Road Maint Sidewalks	28.95	3,500.00	3,500.00	
5650 · Road Maint Signs	2,388.27	3,000.00	3,000.00	
5651 · Road Maint Tarring & Ground Prep	61,728.72	62,000.00	100,000.00	
5652 · Road Maint Wages	67,363.64	68,000.00	42,000.00	
5653 · Road Maint Workers Comp	12,049.49	6,200.00	9,000.00	
Total 5640 · ROAD MAINTENANCE	**164,838.72**	**170,450.00**	**182,600.00**	
Road Maintenance Budget				182,600.00
5660 · WINTER ROADS				
5661 · Winter Roads Misc	2,945.87	3,000.00	3,000.00	
5662 · Winter Roads Parts & Equipment	21,973.53	23,000.00	23,000.00	
5663 · Winter Roads Payroll Taxes	4,824.70	6,950.00	6,950.00	
5664 · Winter Roads Salt & Sand	53,575.22	63,000.00	60,000.00	
5665 · Winter Roads Subcontract	3,035.31	5,000.00	5,000.00	
5666 · Winter Roads Wages	62,808.54	84,000.00	84,000.00	
5667 · Winter Roads Workers Comp	11,094.08	7,000.00	15,000.00	
Total 5660 · WINTER ROADS	**160,257.25**	**191,950.00**	**196,950.00**	
Winter Roads Budget				196,950.00
5670 · TRANSFER TO RESERVES				
5671 · Seawall	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
5672 · Conservation	100.00	100.00	50.00	
5673 · Fire Dept Equip	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
5674 · Gym Building	20,000.00	20,000.00	500.00	
5676 · Road Equipment	40,000.00	40,000.00	10,000.00	
5677 · School Building	500.00	500.00	500.00	
5678 · Town Hall	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00	
5679 · Transfer Station Equipment	10,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	
5680 · Unemployment	3,500.00	3,500.00	8,000.00	
5681 · Harbor Float Reserve	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,500.00	
5683 · Shellfish Conservation	500.00	500.00	2,500.00	
Total 5670 · TRANSFER TO RESERVES	**109,600.00**	**109,600.00**	**61,050.00**	

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5690 · DEBT SERVICE				
5691 · Debt Service Loader lease/purch	19,847.76	19,848.00	19,848.00	
5697 · Debt Service Moose Island	34,743.12	34,744.00	34,744.00	
5698 · Debt Service Peterbilt Truck	23,663.52	23,670.00	23,670.00	
5699 · Debt Service Hagen Dock Rebuild	0.00	0.00	23,754.00	
57 Municipal Facilities				
5701 · Athletic Field	269.88	1,000.00	1,000.00	
5702 · Cemeteries	1,957.40	3,500.00	3,500.00	
5703 · Colwell Ramp	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Total 5700 · MUNICIPAL FACILITIES	**7,227.28**	**9,500.00**	**9,500.00**	
5900 · PARKS				
5901 · Parks Mini Village	303.03	400.00	400.00	
5902 · Parks Public Bathrooms	4,211.86	5,000.00	7,000.00	
5903 · Parks Stinson Park	482.31	320.00	500.00	
5905 · Parks Trash	2,793.89	3,500.00	3,500.00	
5906 · Playground	55.16	1,000.00	1,000.00	
5907 · Parks Small Cove	822.13	500.00	800.00	
Total 5900 · PARKS	**8,668.38**	**10,720.00**	**13,200.00**	
6001 · HANCOCK COUNTY PLANNING COM	1,410.00	1,250.00	1,290.00	
6006 · GENERAL ASSISTANCE	580.02	1,500.00	1,500.00	
6007 · HEALTH OFFICER	250.00	250.00	250.00	
6008 · APPEALS BOARD	93.00	250.00	250.00	
6011 · ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	21,663.80	22,500.00	22,500.00	
6013 · 911 ROAD SIGNS	88.76	600.00	600.00	
6014 · FIRE HYDRANTS	59,000.00	59,000.00	65,750.00	
6015 · SHERIFF SERVICES	63,891.00	68,000.00	73,632.00	
6016 · STREETLIGHTS	10,334.92	10,300.00	10,500.00	
6017 · COUNTY TAX				
6018 · EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT				
6019 · ABATEMENTS FROM OVERLAY				
6020 · TAX DISCOUNTS	27,329.73	28,000.00	29,000.00	
6021 · HANCOCK COUNTY RCC	4,361.62	4,235.00	4,703.00	
6030 · SAND BEACH				
6031 · Insurance	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
6032 · Rent	6,450.44	7,000.00	7,000.00	
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	2017 Actual	2017 Budgeted	2018 Proposed	
Totals	**1,473,888.37**	**1,600,673.00**	**1,652,139.00**	

TOWN OF STONINGTON
ANNUAL ELECTIONS
TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Hancock, ss State of Maine

To: Benjamin Pitts, resident of the Town of Stonington, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stonington, qualified by law to vote in said Town affairs, to assemble at the Stonington Town Hall 2nd Floor Meeting Room in said Town on Monday the **5th day of March**, A.D., 2018 at eight o'clock in the morning until twelve o'clock noon **(8:00 AM to 12:00 PM)** to act upon the following articles to wit:

ARTICLES

1. To choose a moderator to preside at said Town Meeting.

2. To choose the following Town Officers:
   Two Selectmen for 2 three-year terms
   Two Sanitary District Trustees, In District for 2 three-year terms
   One Sanitary District Trustee, At Large for 1 three-year term

Given under our hands this 5th day of February, 2018 at Stonington, Maine

Christopher Betts

Donna Brewer

Evelyn K. Duncan

John Robbins

John Steed

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Lucretia Turner Bradshaw, Town Clerk

TOWN OF STONINGTON
ANNUAL
TOWN MEETING WARRANT

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To: Benjamin Pitts, resident of the Town of Stonington, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stonington, qualified by law to vote in said Town affairs, to assemble at the Stonington Town Hall in the 2nd Floor Meeting Room at 32 Main Street in said Town on Monday, the **5th day of March**, A.D., 2018 at three o'clock in the afternoon (**3:00 PM**) to act upon the following articles to wit:

ARTICLES

1. To choose a moderator to preside at said Town Meeting.

2. To see if the town, in accordance with Title 36 M.R.S.A., Section 506, will vote to authorize the Tax Collector and the Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed and to pay no interest thereon.

3. To see if the Town will vote to fix a date when taxes shall be due and payable, and to see if the Town will vote to fix the rate of interest to charge on taxes unpaid after such date.

The Selectmen recommend the due date be September 1, 2018 and the rate of interest be 8.0% per annum.

4. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 1% on taxes paid in full within thirty days from commitment of the tax list to the Tax Collector, with an appropriation of **$29,000** added to the annual tax commitment.

(In 2017, the discounts given to taxpayers totaled $27,329.73. The town's auditor has requested that an estimate for the discount be included in the commitment process.)

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to issue a Tax Anticipation Note which will be repaid at the end of the tax year and to pay interest on the note as necessary from investment returns.

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and convey by quit-claim deed, at the Selectmen's discretion as to terms, but at a price not less than the total of unpaid taxes, interest, and costs, any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, unless the Selectmen, at their discretion, decide that the acquired property is beneficial for the Town to keep. It is understood that the Selectmen will advertise the sale of such real estate, except when the real estate is to be sold to the original owner.

7. To see if the Town will grant the authority to the Selectmen to appropriate from overlay to cover any tax abatements.

8. Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to accept gifts, donations, real estate, personal property, and certain funds, including trust funds that may be given or left to the Town and to appropriate and expend such money for such public purposes as the Board deems to be in the interest of the Town.

9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to accept conditional gifts of money to the Town and to appropriate and expend the funds for the purposes for which the gift was made and in accordance with any conditions imposed by the donor and to accept conditional gifts of personal property to the Town and to use the property in the manner specified by the donor.

10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and accept State and Federal grants and grants from nonprofit organizations on behalf of the Town for municipal purposes, including when necessary, the authority to sign the grant contract and accept the conditions that accompany the grant funds, and to appropriate and expend grant funds for authorized purposes.

11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to act as the Trustees for the Stonington Water Company and vote the stock held by the Town to keep the Stonington Water Company operating and transact other business at any meeting of the stockholders of the Stonington Water Company.

12. Shall an Ordinance Prohibiting Retail Marijuana Establishments and Retail Marijuana Social Clubs in the Town of Stonington be enacted?

13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the updated Stonington Comprehensive Plan for March 5, 2018 proposed by the Comprehensive Plan Committee.

The Selectmen recommend

14. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Waterfront Reserve account.

The Selectmen recommend

(This article is being submitted to show a commitment of support for preserving waterfront access here in Stonington, identified in our recent Comprehensive Plan update as a priority, and funding it for the future.)

15. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus (Undesignated Fund Balance) to fund the Waterfront Reserve account.

The Selectmen recommend $50,000

16. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus (Undesignated Fund Balance) as matching funds for a Broadband Study grant to determine the feasibility of bringing high-speed fiber internet options to Stonington.

The Selectmen recommend $10,000

(This article is being submitted as a commitment to explore High-Speed Fiber Internet to enhance Economic Development planning for the future per the identified priorities of our recent Comp Plan update.)

17. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus (Undesignated Fund Balance) to fund the Downtown Sidewalk project.

The Selectmen recommend $100,000

18. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus (Undesignated Fund Balance) to put into the Transfer Station Reserve for facility upgrades at the Transfer Station.

The Selectmen recommend $200,000

19. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the administration account.

The Selectmen recommend $99,450

20. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for wages, salaries and the Town's portion of Social Security and Medicare Payroll Taxes for Town Officers and employees.

The Selectmen recommend $186,100

21. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Hall operation and maintenance.

The Selectmen recommend $20,600

22. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Hall Reserve.

The Selectmen recommend $2,000

23. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for employees' Health Insurance.

The Selectmen recommend $58,000

24. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Unemployment Reserve.

The Selectmen recommend $8,000

25. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Animal Control wages and expenses.

The Selectmen recommend $6,350

26. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Code Enforcement wages and expenses.

The Selectmen recommend $15,000

27. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Planning Board.

The Selectmen recommend $1,900

28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **$73,632** for law enforcement.

(This for 3 days a week for $73,632)

29. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for 911 sign expenses.

The Selectmen recommend $600

30. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Hancock County Regional Communication Center (911 dispatch) charges.

The Selectmen recommend $4,703

31. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Health Officer.

The Selectmen recommend $250

32. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Appeals Board.

The Selectmen recommend $250

33. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Stonington Conservation Commission.

The Selectmen recommend $50

34. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for dues to the Hancock County Planning Commission.

The Selectmen recommend $1,290

35. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Stonington Shellfish Conservation Committee.

The Selectmen recommend $2,500

36. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Economic Development.

The Selectmen recommend $22,500

37. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance.

The Selectmen recommend $1,500

38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **$52,250** for the Stonington Fire Department.

The Selectmen recommend

39. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Department Equipment Reserve.

The Selectmen recommend $15,000

40. To see if the Town will vote to accept ownership of all the Stonington Volunteer Fire Department's equipment now owned by, or to be purchased by the Department during the ensuing year, and then allow the Stonington Volunteer Fire Department to use said equipment.

The Selectmen recommend

41. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire Hydrants.

The Selectmen recommend $65,750

42. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for disposal of solid waste and the operation of the Stonington Transfer Station.

The Selectmen recommend $308,100

(The Town receives tipping fee reimbursements from MRC of about $4,000 in revenues to offset Transfer Station costs until April 2018, when our agreement ends with MRC/PERC.)

43. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Transfer Station Equipment Reserve.

The Selectmen recommend $5,000

44. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Moose Island Causeway Debt Service.

The Selectmen recommend $34,744

45. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation and maintenance of Public Works Equipment.

The Selectmen recommend $41,800

46. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Garage operation and maintenance.

The Selectmen recommend $11,700

47. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for town Road Maintenance.

The Selectmen recommend $182,600

48. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for snow removal.

The Selectmen recommend $196,950

49. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from surplus (Undesignated Fund Balance) for constructing a new salt/sand shed at the Town Garage.

The Selectmen recommend $400,000

50. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Streetlights.

The Selectmen recommend $10,500

51. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Road Equipment Reserve.

The Selectmen recommend $10,000

52. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Backhoe Debt Service.

The Selectmen recommend $19,848

53. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Peterbilt truck Debt Service.

The Selectmen recommend $23,670

54. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Hagen Dock Debt Service.

The Selectmen recommend $23,754

55. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Seawall Reserve.

The Selectmen recommend $15,000

56. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Dedicated Capital Reserve Float fund.

The Selectmen recommend $2,500

57. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Parks.

The Selectmen recommend $13,200

58. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for building reserves for the purpose of undertaking major repairs or improvements.

The Selectmen recommend:

Former Elementary School Building reserve	**$500**
Gym building reserve	**$500**

59. The Town of Stonington affirms the importance of the Island Community Center to the health and well-being of the island and votes to save the building complex of the former school building and to extend the lease with the Island Community Center for 6 months past its current lease which ends in December 2018. Also that the Community Center Board and Stonington town officials will collaborate to create a long-term plan for the building improvements and continued program enhancement.

60. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operation and improvements to the Colwell Ramp property.

The Selectmen recommend $5,000

61. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **$7,000** for the Sand Beach property lease.

62. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **$1,500** for the Sand Beach insurance fee.

63. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the upkeep of the athletic field, with any unexpended amount going to the athletic field reserve.

The Selectmen recommend $1,000

64. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the upkeep and maintenance of cemeteries.

The Selectmen recommend $3,500

65. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Island Recreation Board.

Requested: $1,500

66. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Stonington Library.

Requested: $10,000

67. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Chamber of Commerce.

Requested: $600

68. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fourth of July fireworks.

Requested: $3,600

69. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day observances.

Requested: $450

70. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for DownEast Transportation.

Requested: $800

71. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Eastern Area Agency on Aging.

Requested: $2,600

72. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Healthy Island Project.

Requested: $3,500

73. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Hancock County Homecare and Hospice.

Requested: $7,526

74. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Island Community Center.

Requested: $10,800

75. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the American Red Cross.

Requested: $750

76. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Downeast YMCA.

Requested: $750

77. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Hospice of Hancock County.

Requested: $1,000

78. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for WIC.

Requested: $1,200

79. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Project Launch.

Requested: $1,500

80. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Opiate Free Island Partnership.

Requested: $20,000

81. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for LifeFlight Foundation.

Requested: $522

82. To see if the Town will vote to accept funds from the State of Maine for the following:

State Revenue Sharing	**$22,000**
Homestead Exemptions	**18,000**
DOT Block Grant	**15,000**
Snow Contract	**11,395**
Tree Growth	**2,500**
General Assistance	**500**
Veterans Exemptions	**495**
Misc. Income	**2,650**

(Note: These figures are estimates only. Actual amounts received may be more or less.)

83. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply income received towards reducing property taxes.

Estimated income includes:

Surplus	**120,000**
Town Agent Fees	**8,500**
Building Permits	**5,000**
Demolition and Recycling fees	**5,000**
Transfer Station tipping rebates	**5,000**
Isle au Haut Trash	**3,500**
Water Company	**2,500**
Cable TV Contract	**2,000**
Operating Interest	**2,000**
Payments In Lieu of Taxes	**1,200**

(Note: These are only estimates. The sources and amounts applied towards reducing taxes may be different.)

84. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of $1,439,955.87 established for Stonington by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit.

Given under our hands this 5th day of February, 2018 at Stonington, Maine

Christopher Betts

Donna Brewer

Evelyn K. Duncan

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John Z. Steed

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Lucretia Turner Bradshaw, Town Clerk