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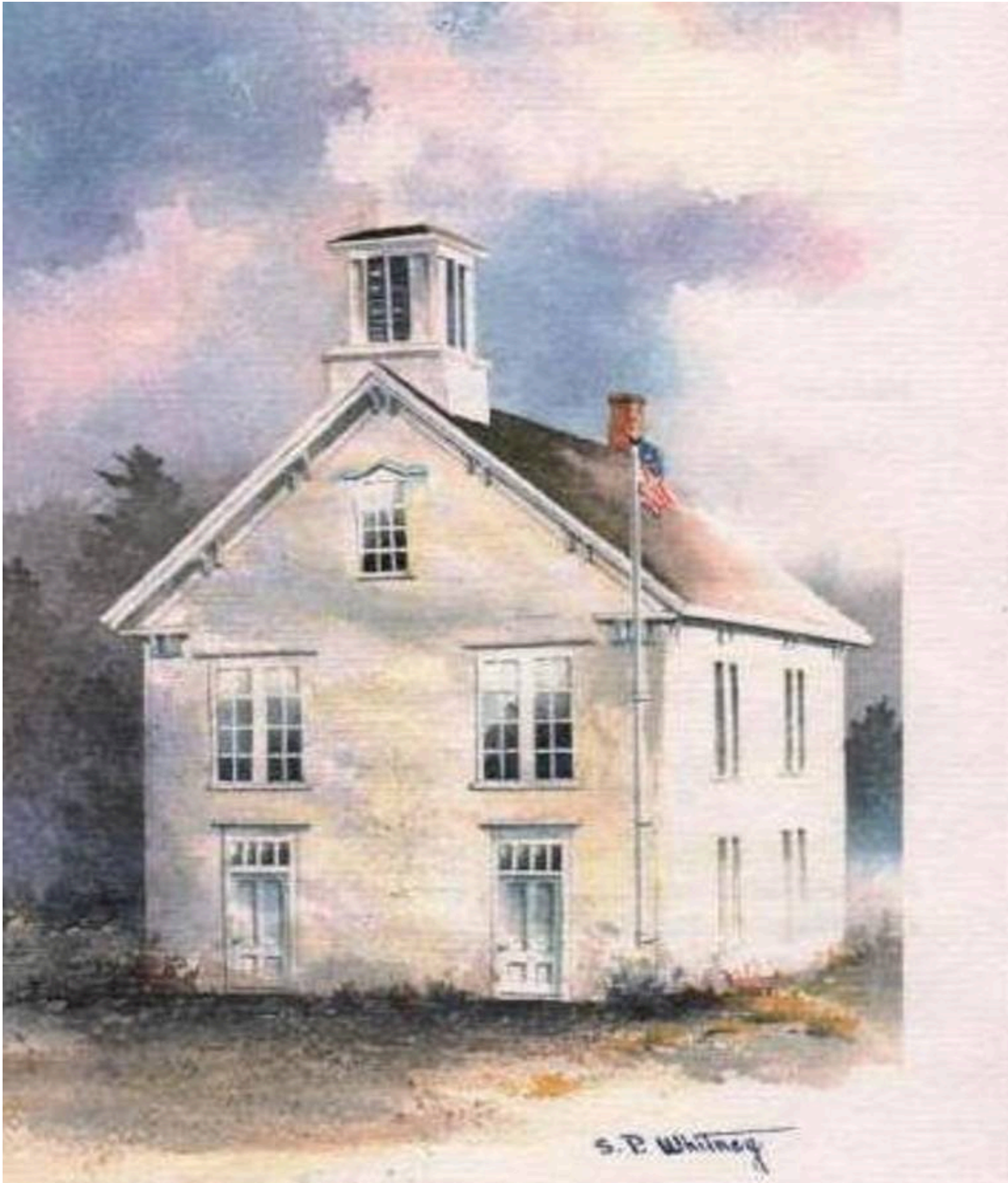
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**Town of Surry
Annual Report
2019-2020**

**Annual Report
Town of Surry
Maine
Fiscal Year Ending
June 30, 2018
and the
Warrant for the
2019 Annual Town Meeting
April 22, 2019**

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Select Board, Assessors, General Assistance Administrators

Stephen D. Bemiss, Chairman 2020

William I. Matlock 2021

Rebecca K. Collison 2019

Superintendent of Schools

Mark Hurvitt

Principal-Surry Elementary School

Fred Cole

Office Manager, Town Clerk, Registrar, E-911 Addressing Officer

Angela Smith

Tax Collector

Darcel Winslow

Treasurer

Tom Welgoss

Road Commissioner

Stanley Saunders

Animal Control Officer, Code Enforcement Officer, Plumbing Inspector

Timothy Ferrell

Harbor Master

William Caddoo

School Committee

Joan Welgoss, Chair 2020

Michelle Berger 2021

Donald Driscoll 2019

Patricia Jencks 2019

Mary-Beth Mitchell 2020

Recreation Committee

Hollie-Ann Stanwood

Erica Garvey

Planning Board

William Barker, Chair

Dan McGraw

Wayne Moon

Reggie Winslow, Jr.

Phillip Frederick

Margaret Smith

Jacqueline Gray

Robert Wilson, Assoc.

Darcel Winslow, Secretary

Finance Committee

Theodore Fletcher, Chair

Alfred Judd

David Hollenberg

Ralph Topham

Investment Committee

Robert Strong, Chair

Robert Capen

Theodore Fletcher

Thomas Grogean

David Snow

Tom Welgoss

Conservation Commission

Nancy Hathaway, Chair

Thomas Minogue

Sharon Minogue

Betsy Armstrong

Kate Mrozicki

Backpack Committee

Joan Welgoss, Chair

Patricia Jencks

Cynthia Engle

Katherine Mrozicki

Lola Hosler

Linda Parsons

Eileen Sack

Betsy Armstrong

Board of Appeals

David Hollenberg

Michael Locke

Elizabeth Beardsley

Old School House Committee

Glyneta Thomson, Chair
Sarah Coletti
Gary Mosley
Rick Zeamer
John Curtis

Age-Friendly Committee

Betsy Armstrong, Chair
Linda Parsons
Deborah Mulhern
A. Irene Schmidt
George Borowsky
Gina Volkwein
Marie Merkel
Brenda Sprague

Alewife Committee

Norman Mrozicki, Co-Chair
Susan Shetterly, Co-Chair
Charles Guilford
Joe Hermans
Barbara Tedesco
Patrick Tedesco
Ralph Topham
Greg Weaver
Theodore Fletcher

Cemetery Trustees

Stanley Saunders (North Bend Cemetery)
Wilbur Saunders (W. Surry and Cunningham Ridge Cemeteries)
Gerald Lord & John Curtis (Village Cemetery)
Darcel Winslow (Newbury Neck and Morgan Bay Cemeteries)
Patricia Saunders
Marjorie Saunders

Surry Fire Department

Richard Black, Chief
Russell Smith, Asst. Chief
Bill Mulhern, Captain
Jeff Grantham, Captain
Reggie Winslow
Michael Locke
Darren Robinson
Elizabeth Volkwein
Pam Morse
Sandra Rhodes
Bryan McLellan
Eric Carlson

Megan Black
Frank Allen
Fred Allen
Robin Allen
Gavin Rogers
Matthew Branco

~Honorary Members~

Corey Esposito
John Kurtz
Wayne Moon
Fred Allen

Ballot Clerks**Republican**

Mark Anderson
Virginia Gibson
Gary Mosley
Marie Macy
Dan Sullivan
Marjorie Saunders
Lois Stevens
Ruth Waugh
Katherine Smith
Diane Capen
Pat Jencks

Democrat

Rebecca Collison
Sandra Snow
Virginia Hawrylycz
Jane Smith
Lois Quinn
Mary Anne Mytar
Betsy Armstrong
Sonya Connelly
Marie Merkel
Edward Beach
Loren Snow

Sealer of Weights & Measures

John Bannister

Tree Warden

Joseph Stockbridge, Chairman
Ron Poitras

Constable

Patrick Kane

State Senator

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**~Scheduled Meetings for the Board of Selectmen
Fiscal Year July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020~**

July 2 & 16
August 6 & 20
September 3 & 17
October 1 & 15
November 6 & 19
December 3 & 17

January 7 & 21
February 4 & 18
March 3 & 17
April 7 & 21
May 5 & 19
June 2 & 16

*All Selectmen meetings are held at the Municipal Office's meeting room on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month beginning at 7pm unless otherwise posted. These meetings are always open to the public.

*The Surry Board of Assessors meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Appointments are necessary to see the Assessors. Appointments can be made by calling the Town Office prior to the meeting.

*Partial payments on taxes are welcome at any time. Payments must be applied to the oldest tax bill. For questions, call the Surry Town Office.

*Code Enforcement hours are Tuesdays from 4-7PM.

~Taxes are due September 30th and March 30th ~

The Surry Town Office observes and will be closed on the following Holidays:

Independence Day~ July 4, 2019
Labor Day~ September 2, 2019
Columbus Day~ October 14, 2019
Veterans Day~ November 11, 2019
Thanksgiving Recess~
November 28 & 29, 2019

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day~
January 20, 2020
President's Day~ February 17, 2020
Patriots' Day~ April 20, 2020
Memorial Day~ May 25, 2020

The Surry Town office will be closed December 25th and will
remain closed until January 2, 2020

Cover Photo: S. Prescott Whitney, Surry native and son of Myra and Frank Whitney was educated in the Surry Public Schools and graduated in the early 1940's from the Old Surry Village School. Prescott donated this iconic watercolor as a raffle prize to finance the 1994 Old Surry Village School Reunion. Ann and Osmond Bonsey won the raffle and Ann is still the proud owner of the original painting.

Edited by: The Surry Town Office staff
Thank you to all who contributed to this year's town report.

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The taxpayers list is available at the Town Office and on our website.

Dedication

This year's Surry Town Report is dedicated to two of "Surry's own" who will be missed and long remembered. To the memory of Mary Olive (Grindle) Astbury and Kenneth Torrey, we dedicate this Town report.

Ken, a skillful photographer, rarely went anywhere without his camera. He shared generously his striking pictures of local events and Surry landscapes which enrich the Town's historical record, and a gift to future generations. Ken was a member of the Surry Historical Society and could be counted on to furnish historic newspaper clippings, photographs and memories to support the society's work. Ken was a graduate of the Old Surry Village School and an avid supporter to the preservation effort underway.



Mary, will be remembered for her generosity to Surry and its residents. She was very accomodating to people who may have wanted to launch a boat, were in need of a temporary mooring, to host a charity event, to hold a family reunion or beach party on her beautiful shore on Newbury Neck. Many can remember the wonderful public concerts that were held in the summer months for a few years on her property. She attended the Old Surry Village School and was one of the "Fabulous Bakers" for the fundraisers for the Rehabilitation Project. Mary was a very active member of the Arbutus Grange, always visible and busy at Grange fundraising suppers. She also served as Treasurer of the Arbutus Grange.

Ken and Mary, both Surry natives are part of the rich history of our Town.

Board of Selectpersons:

This has been a year to remember.

Currently, your Select Board and treasurer are working on the fiscal year 2020 budget. As has been normal practice, we will review it in depth with the finance committee. Another set of eyes never hurts.

Construction of the fire station addition went exceptionally well. Also, our “new to us” emergency rescue vehicle is now on board. Having been around most of the neighboring fire departments, I can say that we are very proud of the Surry Volunteer Fire Department, especially its dedicated personnel, our firefighting equipment, and state of the art fire station.

The new crosswalk at the intersection of Rte 172 and the North Bend Road is now complete with the exception of painting the crossing lines. Maine DOT will complete that work in the spring. Stanley Saunders and his crew did a great job considering the restricted work space, and the work was done in a way that assured the safety of pedestrians and workers. We will do several small road repair jobs this year, and start a larger repaving project on Newbury Neck Road.

The alewife committee continues to monitor the effectiveness of the recently constructed fishway on Patten Stream, and has initiated evaluation of other opportunities to improve fish migration. The committee recommended giving the alewives free rein at least one more year to assure that the run is strong before harvesting can be considered.

We have a marvelous group of folks, who have built a wonderful food program for Surry Elementary School children. The program is discussed in detail later.

As of the writing of this report, two parents have volunteered to continue and enhance our recreation program for children. A vibrant recreation program is important to the Town, but more volunteers are needed to assure that the program will be successful. If you are interested in helping, call the town office at 667-5912.

After many years of working to give Surry children meaningful recreational opportunities, Valerie Moon has stepped down from being Chair of the Recreation Program. On behalf of the Town, the Board thanks Valerie for her efforts to build our recreation program.

In closing, many thanks to all of the people who keep the town on an even-keel. All committee members, Angela and Darcel, Tom Welgoss, Tim Ferrell, Chief Black and his crew, Ken Dugas, Stanley Saunders, Rebecca Collison and William Matlock. When I look around at other towns, I see how fortunate we are.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen D. Bemiss, Chairman, Surry Board of Selectpersons

Town Clerk's Report:

Vital Statistics and Records 2018~

- Births-13
- Marriage Licenses issued-11
- Deaths in Surry-25

Licenses & Registrations for calendar year 2018~

- Hunt and/or Fish licenses-106
- Cars/Trucks & Trailers-1876
- Boats-241
- Snowmobiles-30
- ATV's-80
- Dog Tags-161

Dog licenses are available every year beginning October 15. Avoid a \$25 late fee and get your dog(s) licenses prior to January 31.

Thank you to our election workers who help make both Town and State elections run smoothly.

Angela Smith, Clerk

General Assistance Report:

The need for Surry residents to receive help through the State's General Assistance Fund, which is a DHHS (Department of Health and Human Services) program, has remained relatively constant this past year. Surry GA applicants are a varied group, ranging from mothers with young children to the elderly. No one wants to be in the financial situation in which they find themselves. After an extensive interview with the applicant, the GA Administrator makes a determination of eligibility/ineligibility, using the guidelines set forth by the State DHHS. In this way, an applicant is helped as much as possible.

Year to date (07-01-2018 to 03-01-2019) the amount GA has expended is \$1,364. With the 70% reimbursement from the State, which equals \$955, the net cost for Surry is \$410. This reflects 3 GA cases, helping 8 people.

The 2019-2020 budget for GA has gone from \$6,000 to \$5,532 for a difference of \$468.00

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca K. Collison
Surry General Assistance Administrator

Surry Fuel Assistance Report:

This has been a busy year for the Surry Fuel Assistance Program, as is every year. The number of applicants remained the same as last year. Total expenditures for the year-to-date (07-01-2018 through 03-01-2019) were \$2,270. Eight households/applicants, totaling sixteen people, received help. Generous Surry residents contributed \$1020 to this fund, leaving a current balance of \$20,411. It is important to remember that no local tax money is used to fund Surry Fuel Assistance. It is only funded by Surry residents helping other Surry residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca K. Collison
Surry Fuel Assistance Administrator

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

I would like to thank you for your continued support and help in accomplishing the work that was performed this calendar year.

2018-2019 was a normal year with no major problems in the highway maintenance.

Sweeping of salt sand accumulated from winter is done annually. This includes all town roads, intersections, and the Town Office parking areas.

Continued ditching and shoulder repair was completed on Newbury Neck Road, Cross Road, and Playhouse Road in the needed areas. There were new replacement culverts installed that were in bad condition on the Newbury Neck Road.

The reconstruction, widening and paving, was completed on Newbury Neck Road from Morse Lane to the Carrying Place. This completes the reconstruction project.

Construction of a section of sidewalk and a crosswalk, with pedestrian signs and crossing lights, from the Town Park which crosses Route 172 to the Pugnutt's Ice Cream Shop, was completed.

Ray McDonald continues to do the roadside mowing and does an outstanding job, as always.

Roadside trees and bush cutting was completed on crossroads and The Newbury Neck Road where needed.

Ken Dugas and his crew continue their contract keeping our roads plowed and sanded, through the 2018-19 season, and they continue to maintain outstanding service in keeping them open and safe throughout the winter season.

Our perspective for the upcoming year will be to maintain roadside ditching, grading, repair of shoulders, and replacement of culverts, as necessary.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanley Saunders, Road Commissioner.

Code Enforcement Office:

For 2018, the Code Enforcement Office issued seventy four permits, consisting of 46 building permits and 28 plumbing permits.

Popular Code Enforcement topics in 2018 were tree removal in the shoreland zone, automobile graveyards, and subdivisions.

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection has issued a 4-page Issue Profile called “Clearing Vegetation in the Shoreland Zone”. This information is available from the Code Enforcement Office at no charge. In general, storm-damaged, diseased, unsafe, or dead trees may be removed. Pruning of branches on the bottom 1/3 of the tree is permitted, and dead branches may be removed without restriction. Interested parties may consult the Code Enforcement Officer, the referenced publication, and/or a Maine Licensed Forester for further details.

“Automobile Graveyard” is defined in the Surry Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) as “A place where three or more unregistered, unserviceable, discarded, worn-out, or junked automotive vehicles, or bodies, or engines thereof are gathered together.” The State of Maine, in Title 30-A, Chapter 183, subscript 3754-A, has delineated requirements for automobile graveyards that are issued permits by a municipality. This is a good reference for anyone whose premises meet the definition of “Automobile Graveyard” contained in the UDO.

The definition of “Subdivision” in the UDO begins; “The division of a tract or parcel of land into 3 or more lots within any five-year period...” and continues for nearly 2 type-written pages. Those contemplating subdivision of their land should make themselves thoroughly familiar with this definition, as well as Section X, “Performance Standards for Subdivisions”, in the UDO. Permits for subdivisions require Planning Board approval, and also require Site Plan Review documentation. The UDO has details on this process. Examples of previous approved submittals are available from the Code Enforcement Office, but each case is unique and would be reviewed based upon its own relative merits.

It is the Code Enforcement Office’s continuing goal to assist the residents of Surry with information pertaining to code enforcement issues and questions regarding the UDO. Office hours are 4pm to 7pm every Tuesday. Please call 667-5912 or e-mail surryceo@roadrunner.com

Sincerely,

Tim Ferrell
Code Enforcement Officer
Local Plumbing Inspector

Planning Board Report:

Citizens of the Town of Surry, the planning board for 2018 has not been especially busy this year. The board heard applications seven out of the twelve months of the year. The applications brought before the board included a fence(which did not require a permit), a one story 24' x28' garage, removal of an existing log home with replacement sitting on same footprint, a new foundation under an existing structure with no expansion, an addition of 12' x 18' to an existing structure, and a 10' x12' addition with a 32 x 36' garage. None of these projects required site plan review.

The board would like to express its deepest sympathies to the family of Dr. Jordan Shubert, a board member whom passed away. Also, with the resignation of Don Ervin from the board, two full board positions were available and filled by associate member Jackie Gray and Select Board newly appointed member Reggie Winslow. We thank you both for stepping into these positions and thank you for your service to the Town. Anyone interested in the board should speak with the Select Board regarding any open positions, when they become available.

Respectfully Submitted,

William S Barker
Chair Town of Surry Planning Board

Old Surry Village Schoolhouse Report:

Our committee worked diligently during the last year with the expectation of completing phase 1 of the Old Surry Village School Rehabilitation Project. Phase 1 included rehabilitating the old schoolhouse to include improvements and requirements so the building could be used as a historic meeting place while maintaining the appearance of the 1872 schoolhouse. The Old Schoolhouse educated Surry students for 80 years. When the school closed in 1952 the town repurposed the building to house the Surry Volunteer Fire Department. As well as being the firehouse, the building became an unofficial center of activities for the town for 35 years. In 1987, a new Town Office/Firehouse was built at its present location on North Bend Rd.

Since our last report to the town, the following has been completed at the school. Fireproof dry wall was installed on the 1st and 2nd floor stairway walls, on the 1st floor ceiling as well as walls in the bathroom and kitchen. Pine bead board has been installed on 90% of the walls in the stairway and 1st floor. The ceilings throughout the school have been painted as well as primer on all wall board installed. A portion of the stairway hall does have the final coat of paint to enable one to visualize what the school will look like when completed. Work on the interior chimney completed, and the exterior chimney removed, replaced and capped. Two propane furnaces have been installed and are operational on the 1st floor. Restoration work on the windows continues; to date 25 have been completed.

We have purchased but not installed seven interior doors, maple floor boards and a hot water heater.

Our committee would like to thank Cathy Engel for donating the 1935 era kitchen cabinets from the McGraw homestead on the Newbury Neck Rd. The cabinets will be in keeping with the era of the old school and are on site for installation.

The committee is in hopes of having the old school ready for occupancy by spring 2019 and in anticipation of this we have formed a subcommittee to work on "policies for use" of the building. This can aid the town in setting policies for use and administration of the old school.

For many years, the bridge that allows Meadow Brook to flow into Patten's Bay was referred unofficially as Schoolhouse Bridge because of its proximity to the Old School. In the early 1960's the bridge was replaced to correct spring flooding and the dangerous curve in the road. Since the school was closed, the bridge designated State Bridge #5977 remained. A name change would take a bill introduced in the Maine State Legislature and became State Law. Through efforts of our



committee, the Old Surry Schoolhouse Bridge was dedicated in August 2018. it was enthusiastically dedicated to the citizens of Surry who have supported this Old School project in honor of our architectural heritage.

Three years ago this April, citizens of Surry voted to allow our group to rehabilitate at no cost to the town this iconic building. With continued financial support and encouragement, with unrelenting volunteers, we hope to complete the project this year.

We wish to thank Riva O'Rourke for her service to the town and the committee on this project.

Visit our webpage:oldsurryvillage.org

Submitted,

Gyneta B. Thomson

Gary Mosley

Rick Zeamer

John Curtis

Sarah Colletti



Surry Historical Society Report:

The Surry Historical Society was founded in 1982 as a vehicle to collect and preserve documents, photographs, oral histories and physical relics that embody our town's rich history. We are headquartered in Surry's Old Town Hall (built 1822), which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Over 100 farming and fishing artifacts, tools and other historic relics are on display at the hall, each one identified as to its use and origin.

A prime mission of the society is to popularize town history. We comb our archives for interesting and informative stories to present at our free public meetings, where everyone is welcome to attend and participate. We meet on the third Monday of the months of June, July, August and September at 7:00PM at the Old Town Hall, 1217 Surry Road (Route 172).

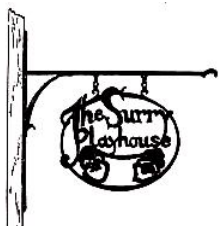
Our public meetings are videotaped. Edited versions are available (along with lots of other material) on our newly-redesigned website: www.surryhistoricalsociety.com. Our lively Facebook page (Surry Historical Society) is yet another way to access historic (and current) information about Surry.

In 2018 our public programs included the history of Toddy Pond, a pictorial history of Surry Village in the era of wooded sidewalks, and a discussion of early modes of transportation in Mane-stagecoaches and steamboats. Our perennial Local Yokels program spotlighted several unforgettable town characters from yesteryear.

Much of our ability to preserve and present Surry history depends on people who come forward with stories, documents, photos, or anything else of historical interest. In 2018 the family of the late Peter Steele donated the metal sign from Willard Kane's legendary store, which operated in Surry from 1939 to 1982. It's now on display inside the Old Town Hall. (see photo right)



We believe the metal sign from the old Surry Playhouse is still in Surry in private hands. We would be forever grateful to the owners if they wished to donate it to the society for perpetual display at the Old Town Hall. Please consider adding your family's slice of history to our collection. We treat all donated or loaned material with the greatest care. We will scan documents and pictures and promptly return the originals to the owner.



We invite you to join the Surry Historical Society. Membership dues are now ten dollars per annum (fifteen dollars for couples; five dollars for full time students). Send a check along with your name and mailing address to SHS, PO Box 17, Surry, ME 04684. Your dues support our work and entitle you to receive our newsletter with articles of interest and a schedule of events.

We look forward to seeing you as we look backward at Surry's colorful past. If you have questions, comments, or ideas please email: president@surryhistoricalsociety.com or phone me at 207-667-4877.

Respectfully Submitted,

John H. Curtis, President, Surry Historical Society



Harbor Master's Report:

An application has been made, processes and approved for an oyster and seaweed farm in Union River Bay. There has also been an application for a seaweed farm on the west side of Newbury Neck.

The only lost boat was mine. It was lost in early July. The kayak was a red LL Bean with paddle. This proves why all unregistered water craft should have the owner's name and contact information.

All moorings should be inspected on a regular basis. The chains do rust. As the rust decreases the size of the chain, it decreases the strength. The mooring can be pulled and brought ashore or divers can use a gauge to measure the links.

I have asked the selectpersons (through the Army Core of Engineers) to develop a mooring basin at the Village town landing.

Respectfully Submitted,

William Caddoo, Harbormaster

Surry Volunteer Fire Department:

First of all, it has been an honor and a privilege to have served as the fire chief for the Town of Surry. We have a dedicated group of men and women that are just amazing. They respond to calls, many hours of training, and sometimes even take a few hours out of their day to go to the school to teach fire prevention. I want to thank each and every one of you. I also want to thank the ladies and gentleman of our community for all your continued support as well as our, Selectmen, town clerks, town treasurer, mutual aid departments that are always just a call away and our dispatchers at HCRCC.

Most exciting this year was the completion of the new addition. We now have adequate space for equipment and storage, a meeting space with a kitchenette and offices for the chief and radio room. We hosted an open house this fall, as well as a hunters breakfast. We plan to continue to use this new space for many more community events. Thank you to everyone who worked so diligently on this project.

With support from the town, we were able to purchase two fire trucks this year. First was a replacement for our forestry truck, which we bought from the Sedgwick Fire Department. A small,



4x4 mini-pumper, this will allow to go off-road and into tight spots for forest fires, storm calls, and any hard to get places. Secondly, we purchased a replacement for our worn out utility truck. A 2000 4x4 Freightliner, this truck has more storage space, more accessibility, and more reliability. It has a light tower, on-board generator, and many other features to assist us on calls.

I would like to thank everyone for your continued support and dedication. We hope to see you at our events throughout the year. If you have any questions or are interested in becoming a member, we meet most Monday's at 6pm, feel free to stop by.

Chief Richard Black

Surry Alewife Committee:

This past May was the first year we have not had an alewife celebration down at the public dock, with a walk up Patten Stream to the weir and pool fish passage. We have found, again, that the fish move so easily and quickly through the structure that they are very hard for people to see. This summer we hope to make small adjustments to the structure to make it even better.

With the help of the Downeast Salmon Federation, we installed a fish camera by Lower Patten Pond, and are in the process of matching the numbers recorded there against the numbers we have from our human counters, whom we still need to sit at the edge of the stream and count the fish that swim by. We always welcome more counters. Please sign up if you think you might like to sit by the stream in May and count fish.

Pat and Barbara continue to age and sex the fish for the Maine Department of Marine Resources. If you would like to join them in this work, please let us know.

We plan to meet with other groups that are involved with alewife projects on the Blue Hill Peninsula. to establish a peninsula-wide effort to bring back these fish and sustain their runs, as well as runs of blueback herring and sea run trout, and others. We also hope to introduce landowners along Patten Stream to our work this year.

We have been involved for at least nine years on reestablishing Surry's historic alewife run. There is more to do, more work along the stream, and down by the bay, and we are eager to make the run as stable and plentiful as possible. Alewives are good for oceans and bays and fresh water lakes. After years of study, fish biologists have concluded incontrovertibly that alewives enhance habitat wherever they are.

We are committed to the full restoration of the run, and to the benefits that a robust run brings to other wildlife and to the town.

Susan Hand Shetterly, Co-Chair of the Surry Alewife Committee

Surry Conservation Commission:

The SCC is actively seeking members!

Tom Minogue, Sharon McGraw and Nancy Hathaway are the present members. Our intent is to work on trails around Surry, sustainable living including recycling. Our big event this past year was Stars over Surry held during the summer. We partnered with the Blue Hill Heritage Trust. The evening event was to be held in the new Surry Forest off the Toddy Pond Rd and to include a talk about night birds around a campfire. In the afternoon, John Meader of Northern Stars Planetarium set up an inflatable planetarium in the school gym and offered two night sky shows. Due to a weather prediction of clouds, the event was to be canceled but at the last minute the sky opened and telescopes were set up in the field beside the school. Next summer's Stars over Surry is scheduled for July 31st at the Surry Forest. We hope you'll attend. Telescopes will be set up for viewing. Bring a picnic supper and come look for evening birds.

Please contact the town office if you are interested in helping the town with this event and if you have interest in becoming a member of the Surry Conservation Commission.

Nancy Hathaway, Chair of the Surry Conservation Commission

Animal Control Officer Report:

In April of 2018, the Maine Legislature passed a new law, “An Act to Strengthen the Law Regarding Dangerous Dogs and Nuisance Dogs”, H.P. 607 – L.D.858. This was in response to an increasing frequency of dangerous and/or nuisance dog complaints in the State of Maine as a whole.

Under the new law, “Dangerous Dog” means a dog or wolf hybrid that causes the death or inflicts serious bodily injury on an individual or a domesticated animal who is not trespassing on the dog or wolf hybrid owner’s or keeper’s premises at the time of the injury or death; a dog or wolf hybrid that causes a reasonable and prudent person who is not on the dog or wolf hybrid owner’s or keeper’s premises and is acting in a reasonable and non-aggressive manner to fear imminent serious bodily injury by assaulting or threatening to assault that individual or individual’s domesticated animal; or a dog or wolf hybrid that inflicts bodily injury on an individual or a domesticated animal who is not trespassing on the dog or wolf hybrid owner’s or keeper’s premises at the time of the injury and has previously been determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be a nuisance dog.”

Please note, **only the court can declare a dog a dangerous dog or a nuisance dog**. A copy of the new law and a Frequently Asked Questions handout on the new law may be obtained free of charge from the Animal Control Officer through the Town Office.

During the past year, there were many cases of dogs-at-large. Letting a dog run free is illegal in the State of Maine, with few exceptions. Most dog owners will let their dogs run free from time to time, and the Animal Control Officer tries to use common sense when applying this standard. However, when multiple complaints are received, summonses will be issued to the repeat offenders. A summons will require a court appearance and possibly a fine.

All dogs in the Town of Surry must be registered at the Town Office. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required as part of the registration process. The nominal fee helps support many worthwhile programs in the State of Maine.

It is important to understand that in the case of stray animals, the Animal Control Officer (ACO) may not be able to collect a stray unless there is a shelter open to receive it. For example, the Shelter that the Surry contracts with is closed evenings and weekends. A stray animal may need food and shelter until the ACO can reasonably be expected to collect the animal and deliver it to an accredited shelter. In such cases, the Town Office should also be notified in case the owner comes forward. Both the Town and the ACO are committed to providing good outcomes for stray animals within the appropriate limitations under which they operate.

Sincerely,

Tim Ferrell, Animal Control Officer

Surry Children's Backpack Food Program:

In October 2017, the Surry School Committee, in conjunction with the Surry Elementary School Administration and staff, launched the Backpack Program. The program provides food for the weekend to eligible Surry Elementary School students. It is funded entirely by private donations.

While financial constraints are addressed during the school week by offering children free or reduced price meals and snacks, weekends often pose a challenge. The goal of the Backpack Program is to extend the assistance provided in order to enhance student performance. Data indicates that children who are not hungry participate more fully in school, perform better on tests, achieve stronger reading skills, demonstrate a longer attention span, and are less likely to develop behavioral issues.

To be eligible, students must qualify for free or reduced price lunch. In addition, parents must sign a Backpack opt-in/opt-out letter. Currently we pack food for the weekend for 32 children every school week (192 meals). This amounts to over 9,000 meals (including three meals a day and healthy snacks for Saturday and Sunday) since inception of the program. We also provide meals for those siblings who are not yet in school or are in a school that does not have the program.

The following summarizes the financial status of the Backpack Program:

From Inception October 2017 to February 21, 2019	
Donations and fund raising proceeds	24,245.47
Food purchases	(13,455.24)
Other expenses	(153.61)
Funds available as of February 21, 2019	10,636.62
Number of child-days food was provided	3,147.00
Average cost per day per child	4.28

This year, we extended the program over the summer with fresh fruits and vegetables provided by Kate Mrozicki via her "Fresh Truck" and with vegetables grown in the school garden. We also provided complete Thanksgiving Dinner to those families who wanted it (about 15 families); the Surry Volunteer Fire Department's help with the dinners is greatly appreciated.

A mid-winter Tea and Silent Auction was held in February to help raise funds for the program. We are most appreciative to Lola Hosler and Mary Bradley for making this event possible. A golf tournament was held in June 2018 to provide funds.

We are thankful to the residents of Surry and other generous individual and business contributors, who support and make the Backpack Program not only possible but a great success.

I would also like to thank those volunteers who come every Friday to pack the bags and deliver them to the Surry School.

Finally, I would like to thank the Surry Elementary School Principal, Fred Cole, and Surry teachers and staff who have been so supportive of our efforts.

Joan Welgoss
School Committee Chair and Backpack Committee Chair

Surry Scholarship Committee:

In 2018, the Surry Scholarship Committee was pleased to award three \$2,000 Robert L. Jordan Scholarships to the following children of Surry residents, who are graduating from high school and plan to pursue a secondary education:

Ethan Kane

- Graduated from Ellsworth High School
- Accepted at Eastern Maine Community College

Abigail Smith

- Graduated from Ellsworth High School
- Accepted at University of Maine, Orono and Franklin-Pierce University

Iris Benson-Sulzer

- Graduated from George Stevens Academy
- Accepted at University of Vermont

The scholarships are awarded from a Trust Fund established through the generous bequest of the late Robert L. Jordan. Donations towards scholarships for deserving Surry students are accepted by the Town throughout the year.

We congratulate and wish success to this year's scholarship recipients as they pursue their academic goals and continue to build on their significant achievements.

Surry School Committee:

Joan Welgoss, Chair
Michelle Berger, Vice Chair
Donald Driscoll
Patricia Jencks
Mary-Beth Mitchell

Scholarship Committee:

Joan Welgoss, Chair
Michelle Berger
Stephen Bemiss
Sherry Fletcher

Cemetery Committee:

The Cemetery Committee did not meet in 2018; discussions were done via telephone to address the budget for the six cemeteries.

Morgan Bay Cemetery on the Cross Road will continue expansion work this season, the lot has been cut and the brush was burned by the Surry Volunteer Fire Department. Stanley Saunders will complete the next step, getting the lot level and ready for grass and fencing. Lots will be sold in the new section after completion.

No vandalism or damage was reported in 2018.

Reggie Winslow and his crew continue to do the mowing and caretaking at all six cemeteries. He will remain on as caretaker throughout the upcoming season. The Committee continues to be pleased with the work that they do.

The budget for FY 2019 was increased to cover expansion expenses at Morgan Bay Cemetery. Labor rates remain the same as last year.

Bay View and West Surry Cemeteries are full. Cemetery lots are available at the other cemeteries; lots are \$350 each. Contact the Town Office to purchase a lot or for more details.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilbur Saunders
Marjorie Saunders
Patricia Saunders
Gerald Lord
John Curtis
Stanley Saunders
Darcel Winslow



Cross Rd Church

MEMORIAL PARK



In 2006, residents voted to establish an endowment fund
to honor and memorialize loved ones.
No donations were received in 2018.

Surry Recreation Committee:

The Surry Recreation committee has taken on new faces this year. Hollie Stanwood and Erica Garvey are now leading the committee. However we are actively and encouraging any and all community members to reach out to either committee member if there is interest in becoming involved in the recreation committee as this is a big role for only two members to take on.

The hope is to create a more solid foundation of recreational activities for the children of Surry to participate in and for the community to get involved in. Over the past few years this committee has fell to the way side so to speak, so it cannot be made possible without the ongoing efforts from the committee and active community members who are willing to become involved and help out.

In the future we plan to assemble coaches and team members who are interested in and willing to participate and be committed to a team. In the past children from Surry have had to go elsewhere to participate in sports and this shouldn't have to be. With help from parents and community members we can all come together and build up a more exciting and enthusiastic recreational committee that will provide the necessary skills and outlets for children to engage and become part of a team or activity.

Although this is new to both Erica and myself we do bring commitment, dedication and excitement into this committee and are looking forward into getting things started somewhere and only building up from there. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Erica (sailine08@gmail.com) or myself (88hwood@gmail.com) if you are interested, have suggestions or questions about the recreation committee.

We are anxious to get the Surry recreation committee back off the ground and hope many of you share our enthusiasm, too. We look forward to hearing what our community has to say.

Respectfully submitted,

Hollie Stanwood
Erica Garvey
—Surry Recreation Committee Members

Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee's mission is, at the selectmen's request to periodically provide advice on the Town's financial matters. A significant role is to assist in the annual budget requests prior to voter approval at the annual town meeting.

The Finance Committee will soon review all available 2019/2020 budget requests from town committees, departments and community service providers such as the ambulance corps and libraries. The school budget process is separate and does not come under the purview of the committee. However, we do make ourselves available to examine and review all other budget requests to ensure the process of budget development is sensitive to the needs and resources of the town. When the budget requests for the current fiscal period have all finally been added to the working budget spreadsheet, with the addition of the operating funds for the school, this will lead to the final warrants which will go to Town vote. It is hoped that any increase in the total request will be modest.

This year the Town's finances were once again audited in accordance with municipal obligations. Members of the Finance Committee met with the Town Treasurer and representatives of the accounting firm tasked with performing our town audit. We reviewed highlights of the firm's findings and were informed that the unqualified opinion of the auditor was that there were once again no exceptions to the financial statements. That means it was a "clean" audit and that Town of Surry's accounting is in order. The town continues to hold reserve funds, which are in line with municipal governance guidance.

Theodore Fletcher, Chair
David Hollenberg
Alfred Judd
Ralph Topham

Investment Advisory Committee:

The Town of Surry initiated an investment program in February 2015 for reserve funds appropriated by the Town for future capital expenditures. The objective of the program is to earn a reasonable income on these funds to hedge against inflation, while minimizing the risk of losing principal over the long term. The Town has contracted with First Advisors (a division of The First National Bank) to manage the program. To achieve the program objectives, First Advisors invests the funds approximately 75% in fixed income or money market investments and 25% in equity investments.

The amount invested to date is \$347,234, which consists of the following reserves:

Municipal Capital Outlay	\$148,170
Fire Department Capital Expenditures	\$184,064
Old School House Capital Expenditures	\$15,000

The value of the amounts invested as of February 15, 2019 is \$382,833, which includes realized and unrealized gains or losses. From inception to February 15, 2019, the investments have produced an average annual return of 3.85%. Below is a summary of the change in investment balances for calendar year 2018:

Summary of Investment Activity for the year ended 12/31/2018	
Beginning Balance, 1/1/2018	\$351,252
Contribution during 2018	\$26,660
Investment advisory fees paid	(\$1,447)
Net Cash Flow	\$25,213
Interest and dividends received and reinvested	\$8,263
Market appreciation (depreciation)	(\$12,510)
Total 2018 Earnings	(\$4,247)
Ending Balance, 12/31/2018	\$372,218
2018 Return on Investment	-1.2%

As part of its oversight, in 2018 the committee held program review meetings with First Advisors on February 16 and August 10. The next regular meeting is planned for March, 2019. The committee will continue to advise the Select Board as appropriate.

The Town is indebted to Bill Doak for being the inspiration behind the efforts to improve the Town's cash management and for his service on the Investment Committee since its inception.

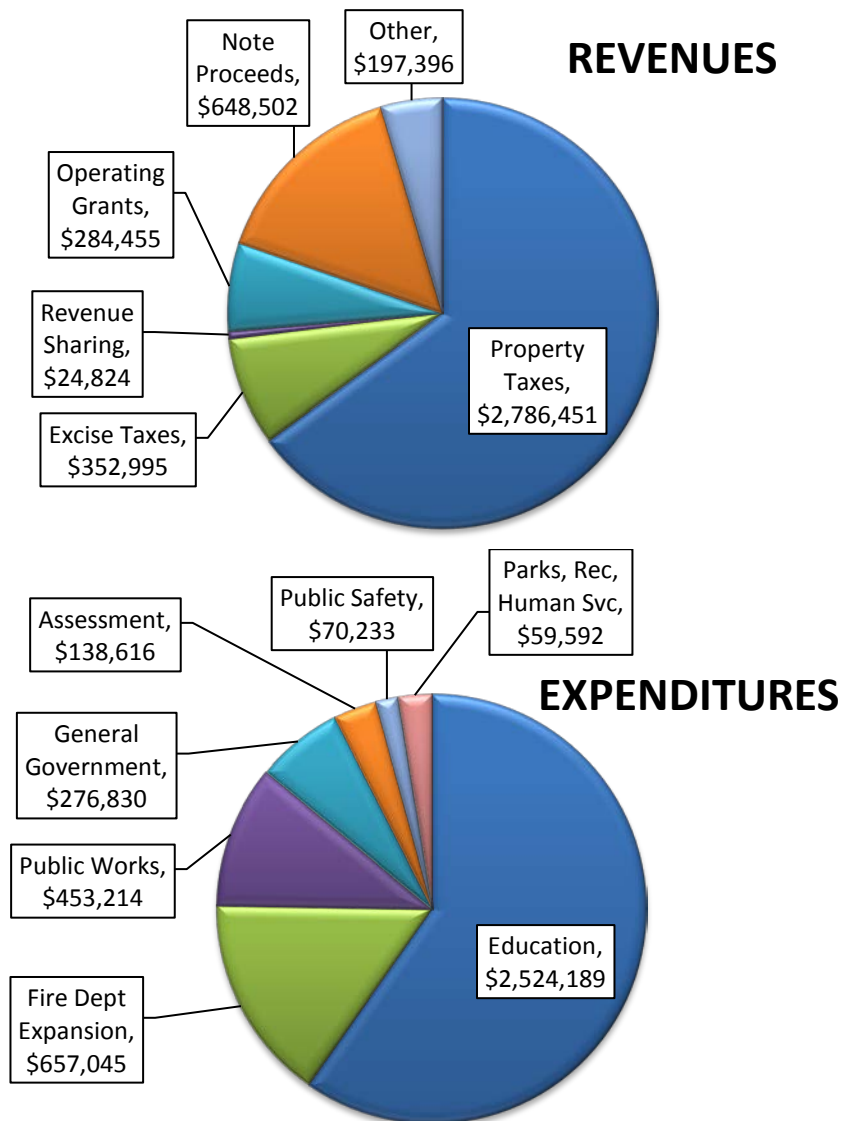
Committee Members:

Robert Strong, Chair	David Snow
Robert Capen	Thomas Welgoss
Theodore Fletcher	William Matlock, Select Board Liaison
Thomas Grogean	

Treasurer's Report:

An independent audit of the financial statements of the Town, for the year ended June 30, 2018, was completed by the accounting firm of James W. Wadman, CPA. For that period, the audited revenues totaled \$4,294,623 (compared to \$3,503,762 in the prior year), and audited expenditures totaled \$4,227,005 (compared to \$3,429,756 in the prior year). Expenditures include \$657,045 of fire department expansion construction costs, of which \$648,502 was financed as part of a \$700,000 long term note payable over 25 years.

The excess of revenues over expenditures contributed to a net surplus of \$67,619. The surplus results in an increase of total fund balances and reserves to \$2,808,537, of which \$649,231 is unassigned. A complete copy of the auditor's report is available under the Treasurer's tab on the Town's web site (<https://surry.govoffice.com/>).



Assessor's Report
July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

Valuation

Real Estate Valuation	\$313,440,900	
Personal Property Valuation	886,400	
Total Taxable Valuation		\$314,327,300
62.5% of Homestead Exemptions Granted		5,271,750
Total Valuation Base		\$319,599,050
Rate per \$1,000 Valuation	\$ 8.85	
Tax Commitment		\$ 2,828,452

Municipal Appropriations

Administration	\$ 246,130	
Public Safety	91,089	
Public Works	387,612	
CEO	14,823	
Debt Reduction	40,000	
Parks & Recreation	63,582	
Non-Profit Organizations	9,779	
Other	63,750	
sub-total	\$ 916,765	
Hancock County Tax	146,707	
Education	2,367,117	
Total Appropriations		\$ 3,430,589
Overlay		40,228
Total Appropriations plus Overlay		\$ 3,470,817

Less Allowed Deductions

ACO Reserve	\$ 1,253	
Alewife Reserve	500	
Backpack Program Contribution Reserve	10,250	
Boat Excise Tax Reserve	5,825	
CEO Reserve	7,200	
Fund Balance	125,000	
General Assistance Reserve	4,200	
Legal Reserve	18,500	
Old School House Contributions	30,000	
State Revenue Sharing Reserve	2,000	
Tree Growth	15,325	
UDO Reserve		
Maine Local Road Assistance Program Reserve	20,000	
Vehicle Excise Tax Reserve	402,312	
Total Deductions		642,365
Net Assessment		\$ 2,828,452

Tax Collector's Report
Schedule of Valuation, Commitment and Collection
For Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2018

Total Taxable Valuation	\$312,211,400
Tax Rate per \$1000 Valuation	<u>\$8.65</u>
Tax Assessment	\$2,700,629
Collections and Adjustments	
Cash Collections	\$2,552,197
Abatements Granted	\$1,344
Supplemental Taxes	<u>(\$19,720)</u>
Total Collections and Adjustments	\$2,533,822
Uncollected taxes as of June 30, 2018	\$166,807

Taxes are due September 30th and March 30th

Supplements approved in 2018

Eagles Wing on Morgan Bay	2018	\$1,419.60
Stacy White	2018	\$992.16
John Davis	2018	\$8,867.80
Salois Brown, LLC	2018	<u>\$11,123.53</u>
		\$22,403.09

Special Supplement approved in 2018

Emery Cowan	2018	\$17,307.90
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Abatements approved in 2018

JP Morgan Chase	2018	\$ 903.06
Gordon Gianninoto	2018	\$39.79
Gordon Gianninoto	2017	\$39.33
Gordon Gianninoto	2016	\$33.35
Federal Nat'l Mortgage Assoc.	2018	\$262.96
Susan, Karen & Robin Furth	2018	<u>\$65.74</u>
		\$1,344.23

2017 Delinquent Taxes as of 12/31/2018

*326 Holdings, LLC	281.72	*Moon, Valerie J.	385.28
*Brown, Sharon L.	325.01	*Nevells, Ramona & Charles H.	405.24
*Feldkamp, Thomas & Catherine	1,435.18	*Smith, Arthur	283.19
*Frost, Heather	1,007.76	*Smith, Victoria L.	630.00
*Johnson, Sandra Fay, Trustee	3,080.24	Total:	\$7,909.46

2018 Delinquent Taxes as of 12/31/2018

*326 Holdings, LLC	318.29	Nevells, Ramona & Charles	383.43
Abraham, Rachel	985.43	*Rafferty, Jeffrey & Tracey	2,472.40
*Allen, Fred A. Jr.	1,330.91	Rhodes, LLOYD E.	277.56
Brown, Sharon L.	612.38	Robertson, Dennis E.	240.46
Casanova, Evelyn	268.51	Schmidt, Douglas F.	294.75
Chatto, Christopher	367.11	Schnall, Paul E.	479.25
Clark, Jeffery W.	63.09	Smith, Arthur	705.60
Clark, Jeffery W.	61.28	Smith, Ben/ Scott, Leca	1,371.64
Clark, Jeffery W.	292.95	Smith, Victoria L.	687.49
Clark, Jeffery W.	188.87	The Maine Event, LLC	263.08
Clark, Jeffery W.	60.37	Walport, Sheila Marie	87.22
Clark, Jeffery W.	225.98	Webber, Eugene & Brenda	547.23
Clark, Jeffery W.	269.42	<u>Webber, Eugene & Brenda</u>	<u>1,220.71</u>
Clark, Jeffery W.	235.03	Total:	\$28,904.89
*Curtis, Kim D.	313.75		
Danico, Lisa L.	27.26		
*Duhaime, Robert H.	176.70		
Feldkamp, Thomas & Catherine	2,281.11		
Feldkamp, Thomas & Catherine	1,679.32		
Feldkamp, Thomas & Catherine	1,106.48		
Frost, Heather	1,030.48		
Gianninoto, Gordon	300.38		
Homer, Richard W.	1,180.70		
Hughes, Ellen B.	1,871.17		
Johnson, Sandra Fay, Trustee	3,089.23		
Krichels, Anne	936.36		
Lunt, Barbara	191.84		
Moon, Valerie J.	409.67		

***Denotes payment received after 12/31/18**

The following Veterans and Veterans' Widows receive a \$6,000 exemption on their primary residence. This year's exemption took \$53.10 off each tax bill.

Exemptions-Veterans:

Anderson, Mark A.	Gray, David L.	Sargent, Maurice E.
Anderson, Susan	Gray, Wayne	Saunders, Clifton L.
Backes, Donald F.	Grimaldi, Joseph A.	Saunders, Richard E.
Bemiss, Stephen D.	Hannah, Gregg S.	Saunders, Wilbur A.
Bernstein, S. Ari	Hansen, William	Sederquist, Carl A.
Bixby, Elisabeth	Higgins, Brian A.	Small, Loring W.
Bousquet, William A.	Hillman, Frederick P. Sr.	Smith, Arthur
Capen, Ernest	Hodgkins, Robert	Smith, Dawson
Carter, Donald H.	Hoffman, Roger	Somes, John R.
Castle, Frederick A. Jr.	Kandutsch, Andrew	Stevens, David
Chapman, Paul J.	Keiser, Thomas G.	Sprinkle, Dale W.
Claire Agoliati Trust	Lane, Raymond	Sullivan, Daniel
Coffin, Cheryl Fmly Trust	Lanese, John D.	Swaim, Ollie Davis (Life Est)
Crane, Peter J.	Lebeau, Robert T.	Taylor, Ronald D.
Cullinane, Claire	Mann, Lyman	Torrey, Kenneth & Roger
Dannenberg, Carl	McCormick, Franklin	Trundy, Richard
Doak, William	Moon, Roy	Volkwein, Edward
Faust, Richard	Mrozicki, Norman	Wixon, John V.
Fletcher, R. Theodore	Mulhern, William R.	Wuori, David E.
Fox, James	Perkins, Bradley S.	Zissulis, William (Living Trust)
Gabrielson, Shirley A.	Peva, James M.	
Gibbons, Robert	Salminen, Richard	

Exemptions-Veterans' Widows:

Abraham, Rachel D.	Gaspar, Natalie	Jencks, Patricia H.
Boege, Laura N.	Graham, Nancy	O'Neill, Ann K. Trustee
Carlson, Elaine	Hawrylycz, Virginia - Trustee	Stanley, Janet A.
Curley, Violet		Thompson, Patricia

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Surry
Surry, ME 04684

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Surry, Maine (the Town) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, including the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Surry, Maine as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information and schedules of historical pension information on pages 3 through 7 and 28 through 31 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Surry, Maine's financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the State of Maine, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and supplementary information are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements.

The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Respectfully Submitted,

James W. Wadman, C.P.A.

James W. Wadman, C.P.A.
November 16, 2018

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers (In)/Out</i>	<i>Unexpended or (Overdraft)</i>
<u>Non Continuing Appropriation Accounts:</u>				
<u>General Government</u>				
Administration	\$194,750	\$174,515	(\$983)	\$21,218
Assessing	\$25,710	\$25,894		(\$184)
Planning Board & Board of Appeals	\$1,920	\$1,727	\$193	\$0
Code Enforcement	\$12,775	\$7,188		\$5,587
Municipal Building Operations	\$21,750	\$61,230		(\$39,480)
Conservation Commission	\$700	\$226		\$474
	<u>\$257,605</u>	<u>\$270,781</u>	<u>(\$791)</u>	<u>(\$12,385)</u>
<u>Public Safety</u>				
Fire Department Operations	\$40,625	\$31,697		\$8,928
Fire Department Equipment	\$11,000	\$11,705		(\$705)
Fire Department Building Expansion	\$0	\$0	\$8,543	(\$8,543)
Ambulance	\$19,543	\$18,640		\$903
Harbor Master	\$1,250	\$527		\$723
Animal Control Officer	\$3,975	\$2,888	\$1,087	\$0
911 Addressing	\$3,575	\$3,506		\$69
Street Lights	\$1,300	\$1,269		\$31
	<u>\$81,268</u>	<u>\$70,233</u>	<u>\$9,630</u>	<u>\$1,405</u>
<u>Public Works</u>				
Road Commissioner	\$8,745	\$8,235	\$510	\$0
Winter Roads	\$172,200	\$166,817	\$5,383	\$0
Town Roads & Bridges	\$39,500	\$48,571	(\$9,071)	\$0
Cutting Roadside Bushes	\$5,000	\$4,857	\$143	\$0
Road Reconstruction	\$100,000	\$104,514	(\$4,514)	\$0
Paving	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$0
Cemeteries	\$13,500	\$13,328		\$172
Septic Sludge Disposal	\$2,900	\$3,741		(\$841)
Solid Waste Transfer Station	\$113,422	\$112,631		\$791
	<u>\$475,267</u>	<u>\$462,693</u>	<u>\$12,452</u>	<u>\$122</u>
<u>Parks & Recreation</u>				
Recreation Programs	\$7,950	\$3,768		\$4,182
Memorial Park	\$3,650	\$3,419	\$231	\$0
Waterways	\$7,900	\$2,417	\$5,484	\$0
Alewife Committee	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0
Osgood Lot	\$4,950	\$4,013		\$937
	<u>\$24,550</u>	<u>\$13,617</u>	<u>\$5,815</u>	<u>\$5,119</u>

TOWN OF SURRY, MAINE

(Exhibit A-1)

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - CONTINUEDFOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual Expenditures</u>	<u>Transfers (In)/Out</u>	<u>Unexpended or (Overdraft)</u>
<u>Health & Human Services</u>				
General Assistance	\$6,430	\$19,273		(\$12,843)
Libraries	\$10,581	\$10,581		\$0
Community Service Agencies	\$9,779	\$9,779		\$0
Historical Society (Old Town Hall)	\$500	\$179		\$321
Old School House	\$21,460	\$40,766	(\$19,306)	\$0
	<u>\$48,750</u>	<u>\$80,578</u>	<u>(\$19,306)</u>	<u>(\$12,522)</u>
<u>Overlay</u>	\$40,720	\$0		\$40,720
<u>Assessments & Debt Service</u>				
County Tax	\$138,616	\$138,616		(\$0)
Contingency	\$10,000	\$0		\$10,000
	<u>\$148,616</u>	<u>\$138,616</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$1,076,776</u>	<u>\$1,036,518</u>	<u>\$7,799</u>	<u>\$32,459</u>

TOWN OF SURRY, MAINE

(Exhibit A-4)

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN DESIGNATED FUND BALANCES - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	7/1/2017	Revenue	Interest	Investment	Other	Total	Transfers	Expenditures	Expenditure	6/30/2018
	Balance	Appropriations	Earned	Gains/(Losses)	Revenues	Available	In/(Out)	Appropriations	Balance	
<i>General Administration:</i>										
Legal Services	\$69,326					\$69,326			\$18,326	\$50,017
Unified Development Ordinance	\$1,050					\$1,050			\$1,050	\$193
Municipal Capital Outlay	\$157,820			\$4,389		\$162,209				\$162,209
<i>Public Safety:</i>										
Fire Department Capital	\$185,279			\$5,119		\$190,398				\$190,398
Fire Department Building Expansion	\$0				\$648,502	\$648,502	\$8,543	\$657,045		\$0
Civil Emergency Preparedness	\$300					\$300				\$300
Animal Control	\$5,075				\$552	\$5,627	\$1,087	\$1,000		\$5,714
<i>Public Works:</i>										
Boat Excise	\$9,210				\$4,896	\$14,106			\$7,700	\$6,406
State Road Assistance	\$27,800		\$151		\$28,736	\$56,687	\$20,000	\$30,000		\$46,687
Cemetery Capital Outlay	\$2,516					\$2,516				\$2,516
Town Line	\$860					\$860				\$860
Construction Project	\$153,313					\$153,313	(\$112,220)			\$41,093
<i>Education:</i>										
Education	\$262,911	\$2,389,449	\$689		\$255,719	\$2,908,079		\$2,524,189	\$60,000	\$332,889
School Operation Contingency	\$58,372					\$59,061				\$59,061
<i>Parks & Recreation:</i>										
Recreation	\$5,556					\$5,556				\$5,556
Memorial Park	\$4,412		\$45			\$4,457	\$231			\$4,688
Waterfront Improvement Capital	\$0					\$0	\$5,484			\$5,484
Patten Stream Fishway	\$1,058					\$1,058	\$100			\$1,158
<i>Health & Human Services:</i>										
Old School House Project Contribution	\$2,886		\$27		\$45,285	\$48,198	(\$19,306)	\$5,938	\$21,460	\$1,494
Old School House Capital Outlay	\$14,825		\$175			\$15,000				\$15,000
Child Backpack Program	\$0		\$50		\$11,784	\$11,834		\$6,744		\$5,089
<i>Other:</i>										
Excise Taxes	\$866,945				\$348,099	\$1,215,044	\$104,672	\$415,167		\$904,549
Capital Improvements	\$14,307		\$169			\$14,475				\$14,475
Flag Fund	\$324					\$324				\$324
Coffee Fund	(\$54)				\$54	(\$0)				(\$0)
State Revenue Sharing	\$51,808				\$24,824	\$76,632		\$46,800		\$29,832
<i>Totals</i>	\$1,895,899	\$2,389,449	\$1,305	\$9,508	\$1,368,451	\$5,664,612	\$7,799	\$3,193,917	\$601,503	\$1,876,992

TOWN OF SURRY, MAINE
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

(Exhibit A-2)

<u>Beginning Unassigned Fund Balance</u>		\$566,859
<u>Additions:</u>		
Lapsed Accounts (Exhibit A-1)	\$32,459	
Decrease in Unavailable Tax Revenue	\$15,227	
Appropriated Abatements	\$15,000	
Tree Growth Reimbursements and Penalties (net of appropriation)	\$24,311	
Supplemental Taxes	\$19,720	
Gain on Sale of Tax Acquired Property	\$8,519	
Interest Earned	\$26,013	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	\$14,701	
Licenses, Permits & Fees	\$14,433	
Veteran's Reimbursement	\$1,030	
Grant Revenue	\$9,479	
MRC Refund	\$20,869	
Other Revenues	\$6,957	
<u>Total Additions</u>		\$208,717
<u>Reductions:</u>		
Appropriated Revenues	\$125,000	
Abatements	\$1,344	
<u>Total Reductions</u>		\$126,344
<u>Ending Unassigned Fund Balance</u>		<u>\$649,231</u>

	Good Citizen- ship Award	Ministerial School Trust	Cemetery Trust	Jordan Trust	Adams Book Trust	Bicentennial Scholarship	Total 2018	2017
<i>Assets</i>								
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$1,996	\$6,217	\$16,512				\$24,724	\$24,434
Investments, at Fair Market Value			\$1,375	\$180,407	\$57,141	\$18,667	\$256,215	\$252,353
Due from Other Funds							\$1,375	\$7,000
<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>\$1,996</u>	<u>\$6,217</u>	<u>\$17,887</u>	<u>\$180,407</u>	<u>\$57,141</u>	<u>\$18,667</u>	<u>\$282,314</u>	<u>\$283,787</u>
<i>Liabilities</i>								
Due to Other Funds							\$0	\$5,625
<u>Total Liabilities</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,625</u>
<i>Fund Balances</i>								
Restricted	\$1,909	\$1,595	\$19,005	\$109,922	\$44,360	\$16,538	\$193,329	\$192,752
Unrestricted	\$87	\$4,622	(\$1,118)	\$70,485	\$12,781	\$2,129	\$88,985	\$85,410
<u>Total Fund Balances</u>	<u>\$1,996</u>	<u>\$6,217</u>	<u>\$17,887</u>	<u>\$180,407</u>	<u>\$57,141</u>	<u>\$18,667</u>	<u>\$282,314</u>	<u>\$278,162</u>
<u>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</u>	<u>\$1,996</u>	<u>\$6,217</u>	<u>\$17,887</u>	<u>\$180,407</u>	<u>\$57,141</u>	<u>\$18,667</u>	<u>\$282,314</u>	<u>\$283,787</u>

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TOWN OF SURRY, MAINE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES & CHANGES

IN FUND BALANCE - PERMANENT FUNDS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

(Exhibit A-7)

<u>Revenues:</u>	<u>Good Citizen- ship Award</u>	<u>Ministerial School Trust</u>	<u>Cemetery Trust</u>	<u>Jordan Trust</u>	<u>Adams Book Trust</u>	<u>Bicentennial Scholarship</u>	<u>Total 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Perpetual Care								
Investment Earnings, net of Fees	\$23	\$73	\$194	\$4,072	\$1,270	\$415	\$0	\$2,240
Investment Gains (Losses)				\$2,819	\$868	\$284	\$6,047	\$5,656
Increase (Decrease) in Fair Market Value				\$117	\$50	\$16	\$3,971	\$5,433
<u>Total Revenue</u>	<u>\$23</u>	<u>\$73</u>	<u>\$194</u>	<u>\$7,007</u>	<u>\$2,189</u>	<u>\$715</u>	<u>\$10,201</u>	<u>\$13,766</u>
<u>Expenses:</u>								
Cemetery Lot Buyback							\$0	\$225
Scholarships				\$4,000			\$4,000	\$1,500
Bank Charges/Fees				\$1,450	\$452	\$148	\$2,049	\$1,975
<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,450</u>	<u>\$452</u>	<u>\$148</u>	<u>\$6,049</u>	<u>\$3,700</u>
<u>Excess Revenue over Expenses</u>	<u>\$23</u>	<u>\$73</u>	<u>\$194</u>	<u>\$1,557</u>	<u>\$1,737</u>	<u>\$568</u>	<u>\$4,152</u>	<u>\$10,067</u>
<u>Beginning Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$1,972</u>	<u>\$6,144</u>	<u>\$17,693</u>	<u>\$178,850</u>	<u>\$55,404</u>	<u>\$18,099</u>	<u>\$278,162</u>	<u>\$268,096</u>
<u>Ending Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$1,996</u>	<u>\$6,217</u>	<u>\$17,887</u>	<u>\$180,407</u>	<u>\$57,141</u>	<u>\$18,667</u>	<u>\$282,314</u>	<u>\$278,162</u>
<u>Analysis of Fund Balance:</u>								
Nonexpendable Principal - Beg of Year	\$1,909	\$1,595	\$19,005	\$109,922	\$43,925	\$16,396	\$192,752	\$190,060
Additions (Reductions) to Principal					\$434	\$142	\$576	\$2,692
Nonexpendable Principal - End of Year	\$1,909	\$1,595	\$19,005	\$109,922	\$44,360	\$16,538	\$193,329	\$192,752
Expendable	\$87	\$4,622	(\$1,118)	\$70,485	\$12,781	\$2,129	\$88,985	\$85,410
<u>Total Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$1,996</u>	<u>\$6,217</u>	<u>\$17,887</u>	<u>\$180,407</u>	<u>\$57,141</u>	<u>\$18,667</u>	<u>\$282,314</u>	<u>\$278,162</u>

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George Stevens Academy Annual Report to the Community

Since 1803, when known as the Blue Hill Academy, George Stevens Academy has served the citizens of the Blue Hill peninsula. Our task today is to take what is best from that proud tradition, and meld it with what is new and innovative, in order to provide our students with the most useful education possible. We are able to use our heritage as a town academy, a school run as an independent school but enrolling all who live in our sending towns, to create the best educational program possible.

Our curriculum continues to be expansive, and we offer courses for all abilities and goals, whether those be to enter the work force directly after high school, or continue in a college or university. In the past year we have added classes in digital fabrication, advanced marine science research and eleventh grade English with extra supports.

<u>GSA Enrollment</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Enrollment by Sending Town and Other:</u>
Grade 9	42	38	Blue Hill 119, Brooklin 24, Brooksville 27, Castine 14,
Grade 10	40	42	Cranberry Isles 1, Dedham 1, Fletcher's Landing Twp. 1,
Grade 11	47	30	Hancock 1, Orland 14, Otis 2, Penobscot 20, Sedgwick 40,
Grade 12	<u>36</u>	<u>41</u>	Surry 23, Boarding 26, Private Pay 3
	165	151	

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It is an exciting time at the school. GSA does excellent work now, but there is much we can do to become even better, to serve our students now, and to prepare them for the changing world ahead, whatever their post GSA plans. We are continuing our program and facilities planning to correct long-standing issues and set GSA up for the next few decades with a first rate campus and programming, looking at all we do to be sure we are making the best use of the resources we have, and forming plans to get the resources we need. Our goal is to be an exemplary school in all ways, take advantage of where we are, and of communities we are a part of. We welcome support from community members. If you are interested in getting involved with our school, please contact us at 374-2808, or see us on Facebook.

Finances

The State has set the maximum tuition rate for FY19 at \$11,759.07. Our annual operating budget is \$5,609,000. We depend on a strong fund-raising effort to meet our expenses. In FY18 \$534,000 was raised in unrestricted and restricted funds. Our ability to offer programs and services not funded by state tuition is a distinct advantage of an independent school.

The Annual Fund is successful thanks to the many, generous contributions of GSA's alumni, parents & friends. In FY18, more than 700 donors contributed to this community school.

For up-to-date information about GSA, our programs, and what's happening on campus, visit our Web site at www.georgestevensacademy.org. Thank you!

Timothy J. Seeley
Head of School

Blue Hill Public Library - Municipal Report for 2018:

In 2018 the Blue Hill Library continued to be a community gathering place, a common ground for residents and visitors of the entire Blue Hill Peninsula. **In 2018 BHPL:**

- Welcomed 131,019 patron visits; although a decrease from the 2017 highest ever total of 135,336, the 2018 total is the second highest visitation total in our history. The library averaged 435 visits each business day and issued 625 new library cards.
- Loaned 91,593 items (books, audiobooks, movies, etc.).
- Provided 7,040 downloads of digital content, (e-audiobooks, e-books & sessions on Mango Languages), while Freegal, BHPL's free digital music service, provided patrons with 13,781 titles. Digital library use continued to be a growing part of the library's offerings.
- Answered 2,657 reference questions. In addition, library staff and volunteers provided 2,041 technology help sessions to patrons.
- Hosted 23,407 WiFi sessions and 8,917 sessions on our in-house computers and tablets.
- Sponsored 646 cultural programs that attracted 10,703 attendees. Of these cultural programs, 366 were geared towards adults with 6,317 attendees, and 280 youth programs were enjoyed by 4,386 children, teenagers, and caregivers.
- Was also the site for 492 community-sponsored events (lectures, movies, meetings, etc.) with an estimated attendance of 5,848. Combining Library-Sponsored and Community-Sponsored events, BHPL proudly provided a gathering place for 1,138 events and 16,551 attendees.

The Blue Hill Public Library, an independent 501(c)3 organization, is open 55 hours weekly, served by a staff equivalent to 7.5 full-time employees (3FT plus 16PT) and is important "social infrastructure" for the Blue Hill Peninsula. It has a backup power generator to help during extended power outages and is one of the only non-commercial afterschool gathering places for area students.

About library funding: The 2019 BHPL operating budget is \$572,000. For every dollar the library spends, 83 cents comes from non-tax-based sources. 85% of overall expenditures are local, within 50 miles of the library, most on the Blue Hill Peninsula. Funding from municipalities is requested from Blue Hill and Peninsula towns that do not have a full-service library of their own, as defined by the Maine State Library: Penobscot, Sedgwick and Surry.

Thank you for using and supporting the Blue Hill Public Library. It is our honor to serve you.

Rich Boulet
Library Director

Principal's Report:

When I was given the opportunity to lead Surry Elementary School four years ago, we had 100 students. Currently we have 126, and next year we are projected to have well over 130. Our pre-k, currently limited to 13 students due to space restrictions, has consistently had a wait list of children wanting to join. Next year's kindergarten already has 20 children enrolled. Our little school of Surry Elementary continues to grow.

Our school provides a safe and welcoming shelter where the children of Surry can grow academically, behaviorally, and emotionally. Given the hardships many of our students face, that's important. Around 50% of our students qualify for free or reduced lunch, meaning they live near or below the poverty line. Many Surry families struggle with inadequate housing, food insecurity, and substance use. For some children, Surry Elementary School is the most stable and reliable part of their lives.

Luckily the citizens of Surry support our school. You have done it by approving our budget requests, thereby supporting our efforts to provide high quality programming. You have also supported us with your time. A prime example of this is the Backpack Committee, which has worked tirelessly to provide 1,000s of take-home meals for children in need. The Surry Garden Club continues to support our growing garden program. We also have a number of volunteers from the community who help in various ways during the school day.

I'm especially excited about current improvement efforts in our school. We have formed a Leadership Team of teachers, which is studying our math and reading scores to identify specific areas of instruction to improve. We have established a Positive Behavior Interventions and Support Team, which is working with the entire staff to implement better methods for supporting students socially, emotionally and behaviorally. Our Safety Team, comprised of both staff and community members, has worked to ensure the day-to-day safety of our school community, and our Building and Grounds Committee identified the need for improved vehicular entry and exit to and from the school, which you will see included in our budget proposal.

A few final items of note. In our first year of operating our own buses, rather than contracting the service, we have found it to be both safer and more cost efficient. In only his second year as our music teacher, Joe Wainer has built our music program so quickly that this year he entered our jazz band into competition; this is a first in the history of our school. In our 4th year of running a pre-kindergarten program we bid farewell to its inaugural teacher, Elizabeth Schaab, who is retiring. We wish her well, and thank her for building a very successful and valued program from scratch. There is so much more good news in our school; these are but a few highlights.

Every day I look forward to my job, which is a reflection of the high quality staff with whom I work. I continue to be impressed by the professionalism and skill of our teachers. If you haven't seen the school in operation and would like to, or just have some ideas to share, call me at school and we can set up a visit. Thank you for all your support!

Respectfully Submitted,
Fred Cole

To the Citizens of Surry:

This year's proposed expenditure budget for 2019-20 is up 3.48% or \$92,071.47. Of that increase, high school tuition is up \$63,539.62, we are proposing to add a half day of nurse services, making 1.5 days per week (+\$4,116.70), and we are budgeting \$45,000.00 to improve our parking lot this year. The 1980's design just doesn't work anymore, especially now that we own 3 Surry buses. Our committee has worked out a two-part project, the first part will be to move the bus area to the side of the gym, near the road, thereby eliminating the sumac! The other part will be to make another curb cut to the North Bend Road to create a flow between the circle and the main parking area. We have a good estimate from Dugas Construction on all of this, but the project will go out to bid in May, and will be ready for the start of school in September. Surry's state subsidy this year is \$120,494.93. I am guessing \$100,000.00 next year, and I have had no indication on this figure from the state as of this writing.

Surry's carry forward as of 6/30/2018 was \$274,484.00, up from \$167,403.00 on 6/30/2017. I think this is a really good number. You may remember that we worked our carry forward down from a high of about a million dollars in 2010, and now we are in good shape, and the auditor is happy.

We have just under 130 students at the school. Over the past two years, we have seen the addition of many new staff members, and there is a lot of energy and creativity at your school.

Our physical plant is kept up well, and the generator, given to us when the Town Office was renovated, has seen some good use this winter.

Children and adults continue to thrive at Surry Elementary.

Respectfully,

Mark Hurvitt
Superintendent

Peninsula Ambulance Corps:

This year Peninsula Ambulance Corps (PAC) turned 50 years old! That longevity is due to the dedication of staff and management and also to the steadfast support of our town governments and those many private citizens who respond to our appeal every year. Thank you all!

It was also the year in which the Town of Surry selected Peninsula Ambulance to service their entire town, adding the Northwestern half to our coverage area.

We hired a new manager, Alan Henschke, and promoted our long-serving paramedic/Administrative Assistant, Theresa Cousins, to EMS Coordinator. The management team is currently reorganizing our business model to improve efficiency and match our staffing model with call volume patterns. This will increase the availability of ambulances to serve the community.

We are proud of our five full-time and 27 part-time staff-the Paramedics and EMTs who make the program work. We continue to provide staff with continuing education for federal and state mandated classes. Our employees like their jobs and provide real benefit to the communities we serve.

We replaced our 2010 ambulance this year. It was unlikely to give another full year of reliable service but, given its low resale value, we kept it for intermittent service and backup. The cost to maintain and insure at that level is remarkably reasonable and means that it is available for service as a local backup if one of the primary units is on a long transport or being serviced. It also provides scheduled service for special events like football games and the Blue Hill Fair. In sum, it is another valuable tool in a program to provide better service and improve the bottom line at the same time.

Our largest customers remain Medicare (federal government)and Medicaid/MaineCare (state government). Together, they represent 71% of our billing. However, for every \$1 of that billing, we are paid only \$.070 at best. Medicaid reimbursements are often less than 50%. This accounts for most of our operating deficit. The remaining shortfall is the result of running a service in a large territory with a small population.

Call Volume-the basis upon which we are reimbursed-was 1078, an increase of 10 calls from 2017. Totals by towns are given in the chart below. Inter-hospital patient transports, which were 29% of call volume, are also included in call totals. We identified another 69 calls (all non-emergency) which we could have completed if we had had proper staffing. By improving staff coverage in the second half of this year, we have already experienced a reduction in the denial of calls. This increase also improves our income and our ability to provide services to all residents of the Greater Blue Hill Peninsula.

2018 Calls by Town

Blue Hill	543	Penobscot	76
Brooklin	42	Sedgwick	91
Brooksville	54	Surry	78
Castine	99	Other Towns	92

We decrease our deficit in three ways: with the support of our town governments, by individual donations to our annual appeal, and by using volunteer board members to accomplish administrative and fund-raising tasks.

This year we are asking for \$18.50 for the operating budget and \$4.43 for the ambulance reserve fund. Next year, in addition to increasing our call volume, we will be further invigorating our annual campaign.

Staff and ambulances are the visible aspects of PAC, but community loyalty and the funds provided by the towns are its lifeblood. Our annual appeal to the public provides an essential and remarkably consistent source of support, but we must rely to the greatest extent on the common sense of town governments and citizens to understand the necessity for an ambulance service, and that, if we don't hang together and make it work, no one else will.

Thank you for your support.

Blue Hill/Surry Transfer Station Annual Report 2018

Reduce /Reuse/Recycle

The Blue Hill Surry Transfer Station finished the year within budget. We were able to keep the user towns contributions the same as the last several years by using some funds from the closing reserve account for the landfill. The first of the year brought many changes to the location of our solid waste disposal site. We were able to continue to work with PERC for disposal of our single sort recyclables instead of land filling it, as the bottom fell out of the recycling market. Increased tipping fees and long-distance transportation cost led this decision. We also arranged with PERC to receive our demolition debris for incineration. This has allowed us to avoid landfilling many tons of our waste. All our capital improvement projects have weathered nicely and should continue to serve us well for more years to come. The upcoming year will present some learning curves for the recycle process as the Fiberight Facility will receive that at a discounted rate. They will be very specific as to what is allowed as recyclable items.

As of now patrons can source recycle clean corrugated cardboard, newspapers and tin cans at the stations recycle building

The committee meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 4pm at the Blue Hill Town Office. Public participation and input are always welcome. Meeting minutes, once approved, can be viewed on the Town of Surry website at surry.govoffice.com or on the Town of Blue Hill website at townofbluehillmaine.org. A current price list of acceptable items is also available on the Town of Surry website. Thank you for your support and cooperation you continue to extend to the Transfer Station effort.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vaughn Leach,
Chairman, for the Blue Hill/Surry Transfer Station Committee

Surry: William Matlock, Stephen D. Bemis, Rebecca Collison
Blue Hill: Vaughn Leach, James M. Schatz, Ellen Best.

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well. As I am settling into my new role as your representative, I wanted to give you an update on what we are doing in D.C. and in Maine this year.

My first priority is to be accessible to you and to our communities, which is why I have opened offices throughout the Second District at the following locations:

- **Caribou Office:** 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009
- **Lewiston Office:** 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767
- **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Bangor ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

My team and I are here to serve you, so please come meet my staff, voice an opinion, inform us of local events, or seek assistance with federal benefits. I come home to Maine every weekend to hear from you and see what's happening in our communities. I appreciate you keeping us informed.

This year, I was proud to be appointed to the House Armed Services and Small Business Committees. On Armed Services, I'm using my experience serving in Iraq and Afghanistan to make sure our servicemembers have the resources and training they need to succeed and keep us safe. Within Armed Services, I was assigned to the Seapower Subcommittee, where I am fighting for our shipyard jobs and making sure our military can count on Bath-built ships for generations to come. Beyond Bath, I will advocate for the entire network of good Maine jobs that support our troops, equipping them to carry out their duties reliably and safely.

Maine would just not be the same without our small, family-owned businesses. On the Small Business Committee, I am working to ensure our small businesses have the tools to grow, look out for their workers, and provide more good jobs to people all over Maine. Within the Small Business Committee, I was honored to be appointed Chairman of the Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure. With this position, I am highlighting the need for infrastructure investment and fighting to level the playing field when small businesses compete for federal contracts.

One thing I love about Maine is that we help each other out. Whether it's ensuring a job well done or lending a hand to a neighbor, I know you are strengthening our communities every day. I am proud to serve alongside you and look forward to all that we will accomplish together.

My wife Isobel and I wish you and your family happiness, health, and success in the year to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jared F. Golden". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jared Golden
Member of Congress

Sarah Pebworth

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Dear Surry Residents:

It is an honor to serve as your State Representative. Over the next two years, I will be working hard on your behalf to provide responsive constituent services, be your advocate in the State House, and advance legislation that improves life in our district and in our state.

Over the coming months, we expect to take up more than 2,000 separate pieces of legislation covering a wide variety of topics. Top priorities include expanding health care coverage, bringing relief from the opioid crisis, expanding access to renewable energy, reducing student debt, fighting and dealing with the effects of climate change, repairing our roads and bridges, increasing protections for workers and consumers, getting prescription drug costs under control, protecting the independence of seniors and making sure we are caring for our neighbors with disabilities.

We will also be balancing the state budget for the next two years and will work to do so in a way that restores revenue sharing funds for all Maine towns and respects the mandate of the voters to properly fund public education.

This year I am serving on the Committee on State and Local Government, where we have been tackling policy related to municipal governments, the operation of state government, and Maine's unorganized territories.

Whether we are dealing with the above issues or any other topics, 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 Sarah.Pebworth@legislature.maine.gov. My phone number is (207) 479-4741. I also send out e-newsletters from time to time. Let me know if you would like to receive them.

Respectfully,



Sarah Pebworth
State Representative

January 3, 2019

Dear Friends,

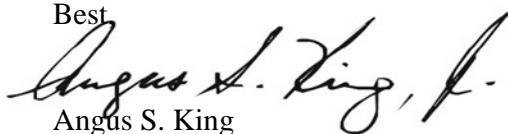
As I travel Maine, I hear from people who live in every corner of our state. I hear about their achievements, their successes, their work to improve their communities – I hear about the hope they have for our state. I also hear about our challenges, and all the work we have left to do. As I see it, that's my job: to listen to you, act where I can to build on what's good, and work on the tough parts. As 2018 comes to a close, I wanted to take a moment to share an update on some of the work we're doing in Washington to lift up the accomplishments of Maine people and make progress on the challenges they face.

From Portland to Presque Isle, from Milo to Camden, I hear about the pain that the opioid epidemic is inflicting on Maine communities. I've met with Maine people in recovery, family members of those struggling with substance use disorders, treatment providers, and law enforcement officials to learn about their experiences with this terrible disease, and everyone agrees that in order to fully respond to these problems, we need a stronger federal effort to end the opioid epidemic. Fortunately, some help is on the way – in October, we overwhelmingly passed a sweeping, bipartisan opioids bill. I've pushed hard for this type of legislation and was proud to have provisions I've advocated for included in the bill. These priorities have been guided by the voices of Maine people, and we'll keep working to confront this tragic problem.

I've also worked to strengthen the future of our forest economy. Maine's forests have powered our state's economy for generations, especially in our rural communities. So, when rapid shifts in the market led to the closure of many pulp and paper mills and biomass power plants, it required a collaborative approach to support future growth in this important industry. That's why, together with the other members of the state's Congressional delegation, I pushed to establish the Economic Development Assessment Team (EDAT). This integrated, multiagency effort aims to foster innovation and commercialization in Maine's forest economy, and we're already seeing the benefits: in recent months, several forest industry businesses have announced significant investments into Maine operations, and in September 2018, the Forest Opportunity Roadmap (FOR)/Maine released an action plan to make sure this industry, and the rural communities it supports, can continue to thrive for generations to come.

As I close this letter, please allow me to express my gratitude to each of you – for your dedication to our state, and to one another. It's often said that Maine is like a big small town (with very long streets) — that's because at our heart, we're one big community. It's not only a pleasure to serve you— it's a pleasure to know you. Thank you for being the reason Maine is so special. Mary and I hope that 2019 will be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our great State.

Best



Angus S. King
United States Senator

THE WARRANT

July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

HANCOCK, ss

STATE OF MAINE

To: Patrick Kane, a Deputy Constable in the Town of Surry, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Surry, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Surry Municipal Building in said town on Friday, the 19th day of April, 2019, at 7:45 A.M., then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

1. To choose a moderator to preside at the meeting.
2. To elect designated town officers by secret ballot (M.R.S.A. Title 30-A, Sections 2528 and 2529).

The polls for voting on Article 2 will open at 8:00A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M., at the Surry Municipal Building. The business meeting will begin on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at the Surry Civic Center (Surry Elementary School Gym).

Budget recommendations by the Select Board appear below in many of the following articles. The Finance Committee reviewed the budget amounts and made recommendations to the Select Board.

3. To see if the Town will vote to pay a stipend of \$4,200.00 per year to each of the Select Board Members. Funding for this article is in Article #7.

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

4. To see if the Town will vote to continue to pay a stipend of \$1,400.00 per year to each of the Assessors. Funding for this article is in Article #7.

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

5. To see if the Town will vote to pay a stipend of \$500.00 per year to each of the Select Board Members for the administration of General Assistance. Funding for this article is under Article #55.

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

6. To see if the Town will vote to pay a stipend of \$900.00 per year to each of the Select Board Members for oversight of the Transfer Station. Funding for this article is under Article #32.

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$260,845.00 for Administration of the Town, which includes: Administrative Costs of \$213,570.00; Assessing costs of \$27,275.00; and Municipal Building Operations of \$20,000.00.

- To Raise from Taxation: \$85,845.00
- To Appropriate from Fund Balance: \$100,000.00
- To Appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$75,000.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

8. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to carry forward any surplus verified by the audit from the 2018-2019 fiscal year to be used to reduce the tax commitment for the 2019-2020 budget.

9. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for System Administration Services for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

- School Committee Services
- Office of the Superintendent Services
- Contingency Funds

School Committee Recommends: \$117,835.87

10. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Student Transportation Services for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

School Committee Recommends: \$134,459.97

11. To see what sum the town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Regular Instructional Services for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

- Regular Secondary Program
- Elementary Instructional Services
- Gifted and Talented Program

School Committee Recommends: \$1,522,825.48

12. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Student and Staff Support Services for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

- Library Services
- Student Health Services
- Instructional Technology
- Instructional Staff Training
- Guidance Services
- Academic Student Assessment
- Curriculum Development

School Committee Recommends: \$88,848.52

13. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for School Administration Services for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

School Committee Recommends: \$165,499.55

14. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Facilities Maintenance for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

School Committee Recommends: \$190,514.84

15. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Special Education Program for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

- Special Education Instructional Programs
- Office of the Director of Special Education

School Committee Recommends: \$382,428.92

16. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for Other Instruction for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

- Co-Curricular
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- After School Program

School Committee Recommends: \$40,571.88

17. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for All Other Expenditures for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

- Food Service Operations

School Committee Recommends: \$91,088.35

18. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (Recommend : \$1,684,101.73 for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year and to see what sum the Town will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, Section 15688).(\$1,584,101.73)

Note: The total allocation amount in this Article (which includes an amount of state subsidy) is an estimate. If the state calculates a higher amount of state subsidy revenue, the school department will use the calculated amount of state subsidy in its actual budget, and a correspondingly lower amount of balance forward and other miscellaneous revenues. These adjustments will not increase the expenditures authorized in this budget.

School Committee Recommends: \$1,584,101.73

Explanation: "The School Administration unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that a municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars."

19. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate in additional local funds for school purposes for the July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

School Committee Recommends: \$749,732.64

(In order to maintain the current educational programs and offerings, the school committee recommends raising the \$749,732.64 in additional funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model.)

Explanation: "The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual debt service payment on non-state-funded school construction projects or the non-state portion of a school construction project that will help achieve the town's budget for educational programs."

20. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for local nutrition allocation purposes (the school lunch program) for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 fiscal year.

School Committee Recommends: \$39,888.35

21. To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 from the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, Section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Committee Recommends: \$2,734,073.38

22. In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Committee be authorized to accept and expend such other sums as may be received from federal and state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs, or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$775.00 for Harbor Master expenses:

- To raise from Boat Excise Reserve: \$775.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$56,060.00 for the Surry Fire Department. This includes \$6,000.00 for Fire Chief's and Assistant Fire Chief's salaries, \$10,500.00 stipend for the firefighters, \$38,300.00 for operating expenses, and SS/Medicare \$1,260.00.

- To raise from Taxation: \$56,060.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

25. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$33,615.00 for a 12-month contract with Peninsula Ambulance Corps.

- To raise from Taxation: \$33,615.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

26. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$4,803.00 for an Animal Control Program.

- To raise from Taxation: \$2,303.00
- To appropriate from Animal Control Officer Reserve: \$2,500.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

27. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$4,000.00 for the E911 program, to be used for Hancock County dispatching fees, addressing and street signs.

- To appropriate from Tree Growth Reimbursement: \$4,000.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

28. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$1,400.00 for electricity for streetlights.

- To appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$1,400.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

29. To see if the Town will vote to fix compensation of labor and equipment for Public Works Department using the 2019 State Labor Reimbursement and Private Equipment Rates as a guideline.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

30. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$9,110.00 for the Road Commissioner. This includes a stipend at \$5,860.00 a year, mileage of \$2,850.00 and SS/Medicare at \$400.00.

- To appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$9,110.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

31. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$286,500.00 for the Town road budget which includes winter roads (\$166,200.00), road maintenance (\$54,800.00), road side mowing (\$5,500.00), and road construction (\$60,000.00).

- To appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$236,500.00
- To appropriate from Local Roads Assistance Program Reserve: \$50,000.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

32. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$113,883.00 for its 12-month share of operating the Blue-Hill- Surry Solid Waste Transfer Station for the 2019-2020 year.

- To appropriate from Fund Balance: \$25,000.00
- To raise from Taxation: \$25,000.00
- To appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$63,883.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

33. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$23,100.00 for cemetery maintenance and improvements.

- To raise from Taxation: \$23,100.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

34. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$800.00 for a 12-month contract with Haslam's Septic of Ellsworth for the right to dump septic waste from Surry households into their DEP licensed holding tanks, and \$2,800.00 for porta-potties in town areas.

- To raise from taxation: \$3,600.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

35. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$11,860.00 for the Code Enforcement Officer(s') wages and expenses.

- To raise from Taxation: \$6,260.00
- To appropriate from Code Enforcement Officer Reserve: \$5,600.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

36. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$1,720.00 for Planning Board, Board of Appeals and UDO revision expenses.

- To appropriate from Revenue Sharing Reserve: \$1,720.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

37. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$1,500.00 for the Conservation Commission.

- To appropriate from Tree Growth Reimbursement: \$1,500.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

38. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$1,000.00 for the Alewife Committee.

- To appropriate from Alewife Reserve: \$500.00
- To appropriate from Tree Growth Reimbursement: \$500.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

39. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$6,669.00 for the Ellsworth City Library.

- To raise from Taxation: \$6,669.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

40. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$3,396.00 for the Blue Hill Library.

- To raise from Taxation: \$3,396.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

41. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$4,625.00 for the Surry Memorial Park for maintenance.

- To appropriate from Tree Growth Reimbursement: \$4,625.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

42. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$5,175.00 for maintenance of the Osgood Lot.

- To appropriate from Tree Growth Reimbursement: \$5,175.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

43. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$7,250.00 for the maintenance and construction of Town waterways properties.

- To appropriate from Boat Excise Reserve: \$3,500.00
- To raise from taxation: \$3,750.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

44. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$500.00 for the utilities at the Old Town Hall. (Surry Historical Society).

- To raise from Taxation: \$500.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

45. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$12,400.00 for Old School House expenditures, including renovations, repairs and electricity costs.

- To appropriate from The Old School House Contribution Reserve: \$12,150.00
- To raise from Taxation: \$250.00

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

46. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$700.00 for the Ellsworth Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry.

- To raise from Taxation: \$700.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

47. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$800.00 for the support of Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County.

- To raise from Taxation: \$800.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

48. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$5,709.00 for the support of the Downeast Community Partners (formerly Washington Hancock County Agency).

- To raise from Taxation: \$5,709.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

49. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$2,270.00 for the support of Northern Light Health (formerly Hancock County Homecare and Hospice).

- To raise from Taxation: \$2,270.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

50. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$500.00 from taxation for the financial support of Eastern Area Agency on Aging.

- To raise from Taxation: \$500.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

51. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$500.00 from taxation for the financial support of Friends in Action of Ellsworth.

- To raise from Taxation: \$500.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

52. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$10,250.00 for the Surry Children's Backpack Food Program.

- To appropriate from Backpack Contribution Reserve Account: \$10,250.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

53. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$500.00 for the Aging Friendly Program.

- To raise from Taxation: \$500.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

54. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$7,320.00 for the Surry Recreation Program. This includes YMCA funding of \$3,500.00.

- To raise from Taxation: \$7,320.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

55. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$5,532.00 for General Assistance, which includes a stipend for the General Assistance Administrators.

- To appropriate from Tree Growth Reimbursement: \$1,732.00
- To appropriate from General Assistance Reimbursement: \$3,800.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote

56. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$55,400.00, or such other amount that should become due and payable during Fiscal Year 2020, for long term debt incurred: \$41,500.00 for expansion and renovation of the Fire Department, and \$13,900.00 for purchase of the Emergency Rescue Vehicle.

- To appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$27,400.00
- To appropriate from Revenue Sharing Reserve: \$28,000.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote

57. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$17,500.00 for a contribution to the sinking fund for early retirement of long term debt.

- To appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$17,500.00

58. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$15,000.00 and authorize the Select Board to use such funds as they deem necessary to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during fiscal year 2020.

- To appropriate from Excise Tax Reserve: \$15,000.00

Select Board and Finance Committee recommend a YES vote.

59. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$62,596.00 from Fund Balance to cover the following overdrafts from the budget which were confirmed by the annual audit for fiscal year 2018:

- Assessing: \$184.00
- Municipal Building Operations: \$39,480.00
- Fire Department Equipment: \$705.00
- Fire Department Building Expansion: \$8,543.00
- Septic Sludge Disposal: \$841.00
- General Assistance: \$12,843.00

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

60. To see if the Town will vote to establish that taxes will be payable upon commitment.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

61. To see if the Town will vote that property taxes shall be paid in two equal installments for the fiscal year 2020, the first half being due September 30, 2019, and delinquent thereafter, and the second half being due March 30, 2020, and delinquent thereafter, with interest at an annual rate of 9% charged on delinquent taxes.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

62. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the town on abated taxes at 5% pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. , Sec. 506-A.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

63. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$5,000.00 to pay for tax abatements and any interest due thereon.

- To raise from Taxation: \$5,000.00

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

64. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. , Sec. 506.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

65. To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to dispose of any Real Estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable in accordance with state laws and regulations, except that the Select Board shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s).

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

66. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to dispose of town owned personal property with a value of \$5,000.00 or less under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

67. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to appoint necessary officers and officials not already chosen.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

68. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board on behalf of the Town to accept any State, Federal or private grants that may become available to the Town or the Blue Hill-Surry Solid Waste Committee.

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

69. To see what action the Town will take regarding the alewives fisheries. (Select Board recommends the Town renew alewife fishing rights with the Maine Department of Marine Resources for 2019 and that control of alewife fisheries be the responsibility of the Select Board, including authority to negotiate a contract for a period of up to three years for the taking of alewives as a means of income to the Town).

Select Board recommends a YES vote.

Given under our hands this 2nd day of April, 2019.

NON POSTED WARRANT
THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL ARTICLES

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Important Contact Information

Surry Town Office: 667-5912

Surry Fax Line: 667-5187

Blue Hill/Surry Transfer Station: 374-5458

Animal Control Officer: 266-0363

Surry Post Office: 667-4086

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Superintendent's Office: 374-9927

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