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# **TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE**



***2013/2014 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT***



Tim Carroll, President  
Maine Lobster Festival Board of Directors  
PO Box 552  
Rockland, ME 04841

Dear Board of Directors:

The Thomaston Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager of Thomaston, Maine wish to offer their appreciation for the Maine Lobster Festival's most generous \$50,000 donation towards the purchase of a Fire Department utility truck.

The gift you have bestowed upon the Thomaston Fire Department Association has far reaching implications. This support not only ensures future generations of Public Safety staff will have the equipment necessary to accomplish their tasks, it also raises their morale in completing their duties. It not only assists in the response to Thomaston's citizens, but to those of the entire County as requested.

This particular vehicle is utilized beyond the normal Fire Department needs in all efforts of water rescue along the course of the St. George River to transport the inflatable rescue boat housed in Thomaston.

Again, thank you as we all work together to strengthen the core of assistance to all the citizens of the region!

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**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OF  
THOMASTON  
MAINE  
FOR FISCAL YEAR  
2013/2014**

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TOWN MANAGER  
GOVERNMENT**

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*THIS TOWN REPORT IS DEDICATED*

*TO  
THOMASTON RESIDENT*

*SALLY FOLEY*

*Sally has worked tirelessly on behalf of Thomaston's 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration for many  
years.*

*We would like to thank her for her willing dedication to Thomaston.*



MEMORIAL DEDICATION  
This past year we lost two notable citizens



**Mr. Raymond Robinson, for many years played Santa for the children of Thomaston and later he became a fixture at the polling place as he watched the ballot box and reminisced with friends old and new about Thomaston in by-gone years.**



**Mr. William "Bill" Curley, held court on Buttermilk Lane where he worked at the Transfer Station. Bill always had a story to tell or an opinion to voice to anyone willing to listen.**







# HOLIDAYS

## LIST OF MUNICIPAL HOLIDAYS

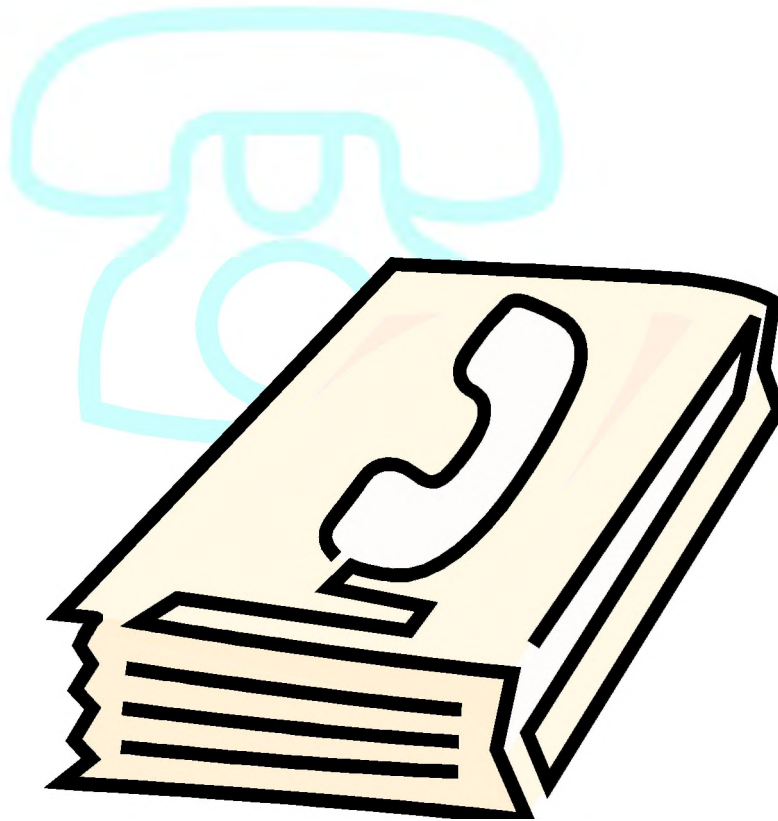
**2014/2015**

If a holiday falls on a Saturday then the Town Office will be closed the Friday before.

If a holiday falls on a Sunday then the Town Office will be closed the Monday after.

 <b>April 20<sup>th</sup></b>	 <b>July 4<sup>th</sup></b>	 <b>Sept. 1<sup>st</sup></b>
Independence Day	Friday	July 04, 2014
Labor Day	Monday	September 01, 2014
Columbus Day	Monday	October 13, 2014
Veteran's Day	Tuesday	November 11, 2014
Thanksgiving Break	Thursday & Friday	November 27&28, 2014
Christmas	Thursday	December 25, 2014
New Year's Day	Thursday	January 1, 2015
Martin Luther King Day	Monday	January 19, 2015
President's Day	Monday	February 16, 2015
Patriot's Day	Monday	April 20, 2015
Memorial Day	Monday	May 25, 2015
 <b>November 27<sup>th</sup></b>	 <b>December 25<sup>th</sup></b>	 <b>May 25<sup>th</sup></b>

# ***MUNICIPAL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY***



## ***Town Office***

<b>Town Manager</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow, Jr.</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Tax Collector</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow, Jr.</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Road Commissioner</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow, Jr.</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow, Jr.</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>General Assistance Administrator</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow, Jr.</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Project Officer</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow, Jr.</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Assessors Agent</b>	<b>David Martucci</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Town Clerk</b>	<b>Joan Linscott</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Registrar of Voters</b>	<b>Joan Linscott</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Public Information Officer</b>	<b>Joan Linscott</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Secretary/Office Coordinator</b>	<b>Louise Demers</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Municipal Accounting Coordinator</b>	<b>Jodell Benson</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Pollution Control Billing</b>	<b>Donna Culbertson</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Code Enforcement</b>	<b>William Wasson</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Building Inspector</b>	<b>William Wasson</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Plumbing Inspector</b>	<b>William Wasson</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Addressing Officer</b>	<b>Dave Martucci</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Alternate Plumbing Inspector</b>	<b>Scott Bickford</b>	<b>354-6107</b>

## ***Public Works/Pollution Control***

<b>Public Works Director</b>	<b>Jim Connon</b>	<b>354-2478</b>
<b>Pollution Control Director</b>	<b>John Fancy</b>	<b>354-2136</b>

## ***Public Safety Departments***

<b>All Emergencies</b>		<b>911</b>
<b>Police Chief</b>	<b>Kevin Haj</b>	<b>354-2511</b>
<b>Fire Chief</b>	<b>Mike Leo</b>	<b>354-6345</b>
<b>Ambulance Director</b>	<b>Ruston Barnard</b>	<b>354-6345</b>
<b>Animal Control</b>	<b>Robert Robinson</b>	<b>390-0080</b>
<b>Non-Emergency</b>	<b>Knox Dispatch</b>	<b>593-9132</b>
<b>EMA Director</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow, Jr.</b>	<b>354-6107</b>

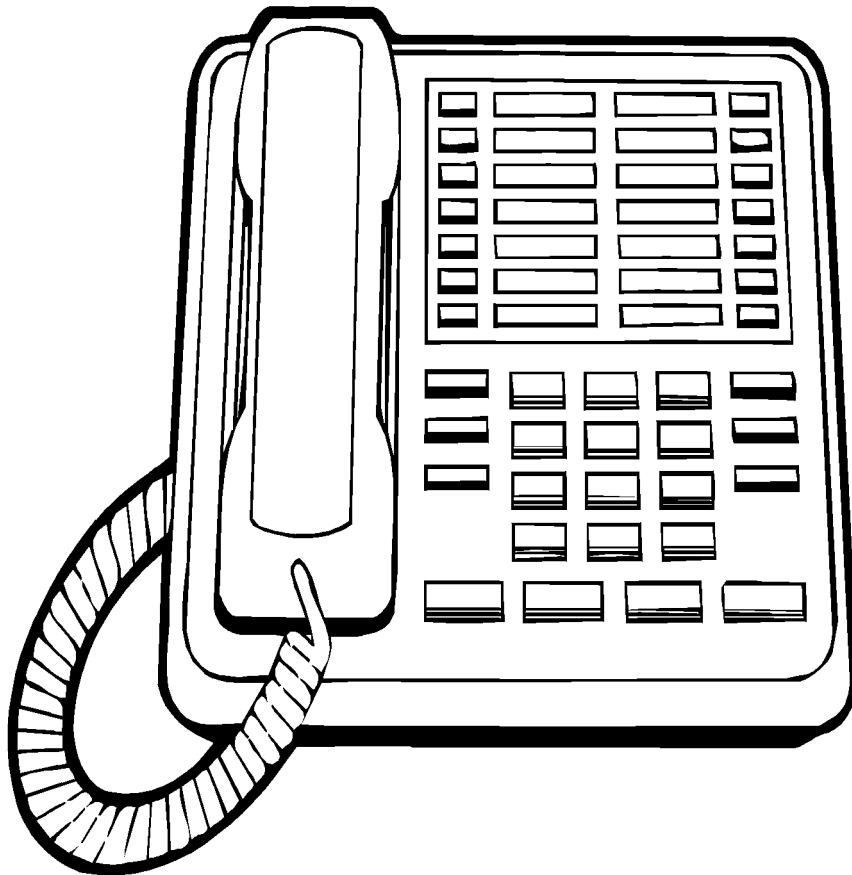


## *Miscellaneous Departments*

<b>Tree Warden</b>	<b>Peter Lammert</b>	<b>354-8000</b>
<b>Recreation Director</b>	<b>Misty Start</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Harbor Master</b>	<b>Michael Blais</b>	<b>691-1316</b>
<b>Health Officer</b>	<b>Alan Leo</b>	<b>354-6345</b>
<b>Librarian</b>	<b>Ann Harris</b>	<b>354-2453</b>

## *Selectmen*

<b>William Hahn</b>	<b>14 Elliot Street, Thomaston</b>	<b>354-6796</b>
<b>Lee-Ann Upham</b>	<b>21 Georges Street, Thomaston</b>	<b>354-6347</b>
<b>Peter Lammert</b>	<b>17 Elm Street, Thomaston</b>	<b>354-8000</b>
<b>Greg Hamlin</b>	<b>55 Toll Bridge Road</b>	<b>354-6749</b>
<b>Mona Stearns</b>	<b>48 Gleason Street, Thomaston</b>	<b>354-0492</b>



# ***TOWN OF THOMASTON***

## **2013/2014 LIST MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

### ***BOARD OF SELECTPERSONS***

Greg Hamlin, Chairman  
Lee-Ann Upham  
William Hahn  
Peter Lammert  
Mona Stearns

Term Expires 2016  
Term Expires 2014  
Term Expires 2015  
Term Expires 2014  
Term Expires 2016

### ***TOWN MANAGER***

Valmore Blastow, Jr.

### ***TOWN CLERK***

Joan Linscott

### ***BOARD OF ASSESSORS***

Joan Linscott  
A. Fred Wigglesworth  
Peter Lammert

Term Expires 2016  
Term Expires 2014  
Term Expires 2015

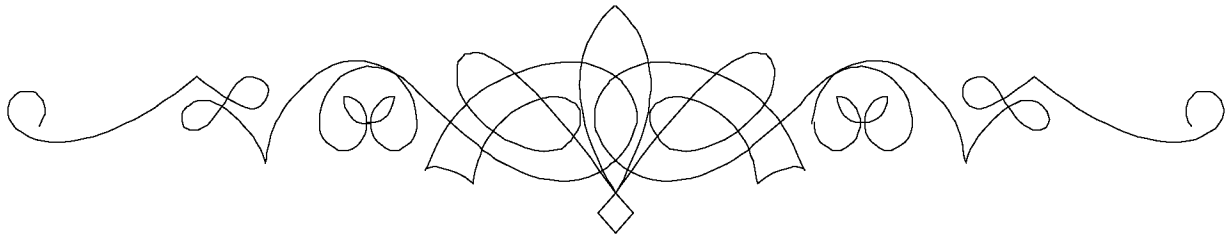
### ***R.S.U. #13 BOARD OF DIRECTORS***

Darryl Sanborn  
Marla McGeady

Term Expires 2014  
Term Expires 2014

# ***MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEES***





**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Sandra Jordan	Expires 2016
Elizabeth Watts	Expires 2014
Henry Carey	Expires 2016
Paul Chamberlin	Expires 2015
Peter Lammert	Selectman

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Doug Erickson	Expires 2015
Henry Carey	Expires 2016
Betty Watts	Expires 2014
Joanne Richards	Expires 2016

**COMP. PLAN COMMITTEE**

Cindy Bertocci  
Margaret McCrea  
Peter Lammert

**GEORGE'S RIVER SHELLFISH  
COMMITTEE**

Clifton Weaver	Expires 2014
John Smith	Expires 2016
Mark Colson	Expires 2015

**CDBG COMMITTEE**

Chris Rector  
Doug Erickson  
Cabot Lyman  
Lee-Ann Upham

**TRUST FUND COMMITTEE**

Valmore Blastow, Jr., Treasurer  
Jodell Benson, Municipal Finance Coordinator  
Jeff Creighton, Chairman  
William Dashiell  
Harold Willey

**Valmore G. Blastow Jr.**  
**Town Manager**



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## **LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL**

*To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Thomaston:*

*It is with pleasure that I submit the Annual Report of the activities and financial transactions for the past year.*

*This report covers the operations of your Town for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.*

*The audit excerpts for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 are included herein, and complete reports are available for your review at the Town Office as audited by Runyon, Kersteen and Ouellette, Auditors.*

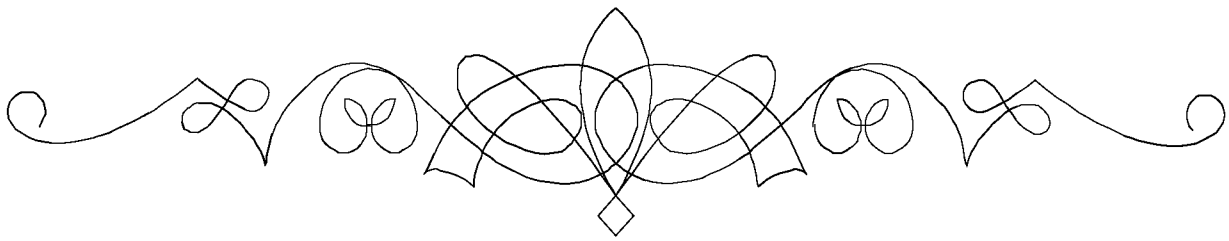
*I wish to thank all the employees, officials and citizens who have assisted me during the past year, as well as the Board of Selectmen for their continued support.*

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Valmore G. Blastow, Jr.*

# ***ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS***



**Employee List  
Town Manager's Report  
Town Clerk's Report  
Code Enforcement Officer's Report**



## ***TOWN OFFICE STAFF***

**Town Manager, Tax Collector, Road Commissioner  
Valmore Blastow, Jr.**

**Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters, Village Cemetery Contact,  
Public Information Officer  
Joan Linscott**

**Code Enforcement Officer  
William Wasson**

**Plumbing Inspector  
William Wasson**

**Municipal Finance Coordinator  
Jodell Benson**

**Secretary/Office Coordinator  
Louise Demers**

**Pollution Control Bookkeeper  
Donna Culbertson**

## TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

*Valmore Blastow, Jr.*

*Town Manager*

It is with pleasure I present the 2013 Annual Town Manager's Report to the citizens and property owners of Thomaston. I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, trustees, boards, committee members and volunteers for their continued support to ensure the Town functions as a cohesive community.

The past few years have been indeed a financial odyssey, especially for some communities based on the tax increases passed on by the reduction of Funding for Education and State Revenue Sharing. Thomaston is receiving an estimated \$799,442.00 less in revenues from the state than was received in 2007-2008. This translates to an approximately 2 plus mil rate increase to Thomaston's taxpayers.

The impact to Thomaston's taxpayers for State Revenue Sharing represents \$307,000 less from 2008-2009 to 2013-2014 from \$450,000 down to \$143,000.

The impact to Thomaston taxpayers for State Education Funding or EPS is an estimated \$492,442.00 less from \$1,682,197.00 in 2008-2009, down to \$1,189,755 proposed for 2014-2015 based on the total allocation for 2014-2015, the state funds 31% of the estimated \$3,804,233.00 of allocation at 8.07 mil rate cap when in 2008-2009 the state would have funded 44% at a 6.55 mil rate cap.

The State Education funding is more complex in that the Essential Services and Programs (ESP) as it is labeled establishes a minimum cost per student estimated for 2014-2015 at \$10,900 per each of Thomaston's estimated 349 students or \$3,804,233 the allocation to adequately provide education. The formula further establishes a mil rate that communities should raise towards the cost of allocation. The estimated 2014-2015 mil rate is 8.07 times the state average community's valuation. Thomaston at \$323,975,000.00 times the 8.07 mil rate equals \$2,614,478.00. This is the Town's contribution or \$3,804,233 state allocation minus \$2,614,478 Town's contribution equals \$1,189,755, the amount the state contributes in funding on behalf of Thomaston.

In 2008 the mil rate for Essential Services Program was 6.55 which equals \$2,122,036.00 required as the Town's contribution with all the factors of allocation considered, compared to the \$2,614,478.00 at 8.07 state mil rate for 2014-2015. Therefore, the state is funding \$492,442.00 less for educating Thomaston's youth with this somewhat arbitrary mil rate consideration which appears to be a calculation that is based on funds available as opposed to what equals 55% of funding. The proposed \$1,189,755.00 funding represents 31% of the EPS total allocation for Thomaston, not the voter mandated 55%.

The failure of the EPS legislation, in my opinion is obvious when reviewing the total contribution for each of the six respective communities in RSU #13 based on a total of 2083 students for 2013-2014. In other words, if ALL six were one community under the current EPS and local funding for 2,083 students, each respective jurisdiction would contribute the following per student:



<b><u>Town</u></b>	<b><u>Cost Per Student</u></b>	
Cushing	\$1,281.00	
Owls Head	\$1,151.00	
Rockland	\$4,606.00	
St. George	\$1,992.00	
South Thomaston	\$1,205.00	
Thomaston	<u>\$2,140.00</u>	
	\$12,375.00 per student	

This begs the question of the real validity of the EPS application of the State Funding Formula, the total contribution with respective appropriation and credit from state funding under EPS plus local above EPS.

Assigned	\$656,034	Amount held as trust unexpendable balance and amount designated for voter approved expenditures
Unassigned	\$745,128	Formerly Undesignated (Surplus)

	<b><u>Actual 2013</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2012</u></b>
General Government	\$413,077	\$424,686
Municipal Buildings	\$ 90,230	\$ 82,519
Public Safety	\$580,763	\$563,302
Public Works	\$432,605	\$416,960
Health & Welfare	\$420,800	\$416,985
Ambulance		
Transfer Station		
General Assistance		
Recreation & Leisure	\$ 65,456	\$ 67,931
Local Agencies	\$ 18,251	\$ 19,572
Unclassified	<u>\$495,732</u>	<u>\$494,847</u>
Municipal Oper. Expenditures	\$2,516,914	\$2,455,450
Capital including Reserves	\$588,236	\$437,009
RSU #13	\$3,241,524	\$3,115,596
Knox County	\$ 348,547	\$ 369,443
Total Expenditures	\$6,695,221	\$6,408,850

The following goals were established by the Board of Selectmen for 2013--2014 as part of the ongoing goal process:

### **1. Stimulate Economic Growth**

#### ***Objectives:***

A. Continue to support economic development in the east commercial development district known as Thomaston Economic Tract;

**B. Complete Phase II of the West End Sewer Project with McGee Construction, Inc. the low bidder at \$795,111;**

**Status:** Awarded to McGee Construction, Inc. for the Brooklyn Heights area and completed. The project cost \$795,111. George C. Hall & Sons, Inc. completed Phase I in 2012. McGee Construction, Inc. finished Phase II and the Thomaston Green infrastructure, costing the Town \$232,666.

**C. Complete the infrastructure into Thomaston Green for ultimate development with a new developer;**

**Status:** The Town approved a \$250,000 TIF funded bond, and June 2012 voter approval initiated the infrastructure installation into Thomaston Green. The Town continues to secure a developer in this down economy and negotiated the sale of two Route 1 lots to a retail development at an estimated \$200,000.00 that was not successful in the final process.

**D. Develop potential project list through voter approved Downtown TIF District that continues to evolve and becomes comprehensive in preparation for future Town Meeting approval;**

**Status:** Voters approved a \$25,000 fundraising donation pledge to YMCA to be matched for the construction of a facility on Thomaston Green within five years. The Town also approved a Cooperative Agreement with MDOT to install sidewalks on the south side of Route 1 Project #017890 at a total estimated cost of \$500,000. The Town's TIF cost is \$100,000, 20% match and 80% federal.

The Town further initiated Phase II of the Business Block Streetscape Project and constructed a sidewalk adjacent to the Thomaston Grocery and relocated the alleyway road including a new fence and lighting.

**E. Continue supporting economic development on the east side of Town in the Thomaston Economic Tract; Status:** Thomaston Commons: The Town approved the WalMart Corporation project for \$25-\$28 million total project cost. The project was permitted, constructed, and opened in October 2013. Tractor Supply was also approved, constructed and opened November 1, 2013.

**F. Continue the feasibility and long range plan for Watts Hall;**

**Status:** The Board of Selectmen initiated discussions with Lachman Architects and held a public meeting on historic tax credits and revitalization projects. Initiated the brick façade replacement on a section of the east and south walls.

**G. Prepare and submit Comprehensive Plan and zoning amendments to future Town Meetings. Without Gateway 1, continue to prepare and seek grant with the Orton Foundation. Continue the effort for an East/West Town road initiated over ten years ago and becoming a reality by determining the cost of a preliminary engineering study.**

**Status:** Created Gateway 1 Corridor Coalition after the State of Maine disbanded the project and approved land use funds for same through the Regional Planning Commission.

Land Use/Zoning amendments were approved at the 2013 Town Meeting.

## **2. Strengthen the Community Core**

### ***Objectives:***

#### **A. Continue municipal facility long range plan;**

**Status:** The Board of Selectmen approved Mill River Park off Fish Street and submitted same jointly with Georges River Land Trust. We receive a \$10,000.00 grant from the Davis Foundation initiating the Mill River Park project in 2014.

#### **B. Continue the restoration of existing sidewalks and the construction of new sidewalks to complement the riverfront trail;**

**Status:** The Board of Selectmen supported the replacement of the Green Street sidewalk in 2013, and with Town approval it was completed. The Town also installed a sidewalk on the west side of Thomaston Grocery.

#### **C. Continue to fund future sidewalk construction and restoration;**

**Status:** The voters approved at the June 13, 2012 Town Meeting \$100,000 from TIF for \$500,000 project to install a sidewalk on the south side of Route 1 Wadsworth Street to Fish Street in MDOT's Route 1 Highway Project scheduled for reconstruction in 2015-2016.

#### **D. Continue to support the Many Flags proposal;**

#### **E. Erect new, aesthetically pleasing signage by the flagpole and review the signage at Town entrances on Route 1;**

#### **F. Continue support of cleanliness of public areas;**

#### **G. Continue support of a Thomaston farmers' market;**

**Status:** The Board of Selectmen initiated discussions with Ryan Fahey late in the year on December 10, 2012 to hold a farmers' market at the Academy site on Saturdays. This was implemented and successful for the 2013 season and is expanding for the 2014 season.

#### **H. Support energy conservation measures;**

**Status:** The Town installed new siding for walls and eight inch insulation on the Public Works Garage constructed in 1974.

The Town used 18,052 gallons of #2 heating oil in 2006-2007. The consumption for 2012-2013 through March was 13,018 gallons from numerous conservation projects over the years. The Academy Trustees with a \$50,000 donation from the Friends of the Library installed a new HVAC system for heating and cooling in the Academy Facility at a cost of approximately \$80,000.00.

#### **I. Support and work with MDOT in initiating Project No. 1789.00 Route 1 reconstruction from Warren to Pine Street and establish sidewalk and underdrain twenty year goal. Support \$200,000 federal earmark request for stormwater upgrade from Allis property across Route 1, through Mall to School Street. Further, work with MDOT in rehabilitating or reconstructing the Wadsworth Street Bridge over the St. George River.**

**Status:** Signed Cooperative Agreement with MDOT and set same for the June 13, 2012 Town Meeting voter approval which was supported. The project is on schedule to be constructed in 2015-2016.

**Status:** The Wadsworth Street Bridge is approved for replacement in 2014-2015, and Route 1 is scheduled for reconstruction in 2015-2016. The Town continues to work through a myriad of issues and public meetings on both projects.

**J. Continue support of the expansion of an access road from Oyster River Road to Old County Road along with improvements to Old County Road through Rockport, Rockland, and Thomaston Interlocal Agreement of Cooperation. Submit requests through Regional Planning to MDOT.**

**K. Support Senior Citizens.** Shirley Hamlin assisted this year through the Governor's Round Table Sessions on Aging held in Augusta. The Town also supports expanding opportunities through the Recreation Director's budget this upcoming Town Meeting.

### **3. Strengthen Municipal Services**

#### ***Objectives:***

**A. Support staff training and cross-training during the 2013-2014 fiscal year;**

**Status:** Continue to support workload of projects, retirements and vacancies in 2013.

**B. Obtain written department goals for the 2013-2014 fiscal year as well as long-term (one-year and five-year) department goals/wish lists from the Town Manager;**

**Status:** All department heads submitted 2013-2014 goals and five and ten year goals.

**C. Meet with each department head to discuss the above;**

**Status:** As above.

**D. Continue monthly meetings with Department Heads and maintain the Risk Management Safety Program;**

**Status:** Continue to comply and completely updated the Risk Management Safety Program which was approved by the Board of Selectmen.

**E. Prepare for voluntary request of the Department of Labor to evaluate Town departments. This request is being made for the summer of 2014.**

**F. Energy conservation related efforts:**

**1. Continue discussion with Dragon Products in regards to natural gas facility at Dragon Products.**

**Status:** Dragon Products was being approached for the no cost installation of a 25 KWH natural gas facility to generate electricity use for the plant. SelfGen submitted a proposal to private industry. There still is no action since 2011 which is a lost opportunity to realize the access and the estimated \$50 million taxable project. Dragon Products was the anchor at 25KW as the other proposed uses were all 2KW each. Pen Bay Hospital, Rockland north retail area, Maine State Prison, Thomaston east retail, plus FMC in Rockland would have the option of utilizing the steam from Dragon's 25KW process.

**January 8, 2013**

- **Hazard Mitigation Plan for Knox County**

**January 14, 2013**

- **William Wasson hired as Code Enforcement Officer**
- **Signed Interstate Septic Systems, Inc. contract**
- **Marty Reed closed the Personal Book Store after 27 years**
- **Paving of Butler Road**
- **Recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 2, 2013 of Delila Shore, mother of Claire Seekins**

**January 28, 2013**

- **Julie Russo requested engaging carnival rides for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration**
- **Alex Grierson received a \$2,000 Dietz Scholarship**
- **CSD Engineers consulted to evaluate the east wall of Watts Hall**

**February 25, 2013**

- **The Highlands Coffee House was granted a Special Amusement permit to allow dancing.**
- **Approved the Trap/Neuter Program for animals through the Pope Memorial Society of Knox County**

**March 8, 2013**

- **Village Cemetery mowing bids, low bidder Farley & Sons \$37,180; awarded to Williams Yard Maintenance \$37,555**

**March 11, 2013**

- **Public Presentation of Net Zero Homes by Co-Housing Pioneers and Consultants Sanna McKim and Alan Gibson for potential development at Thomaston Green**
- **Set Policy for outdoor seating and tables in the Village Commercial zone for restaurants**
- **Discussed limiting terms on the Planning Board and Zoning Board (no action)**
- **Discussed the creation of a pet cemetery**

**March 25, 2013**

- **Thomaston Café and Athens Pizzeria apply for liquor licenses**
- **Dena Davis' request to hold a Children's Festival at the Academy Building**
- **Farmers' Market discussion at the request of Nancy Carter and Ryan Fahey to utilize the Academy grounds**
- **Review MDOT's reconstruction proposal of Route 1 Project #017890**
- **Approve Montpelier's request for fireworks at the Henry Knox Festival**

**April 8, 2013**

- **Approved Phase II of Union Block improvements at the Business Block**
- **Set Pollution Control sewer rates from \$4.60 to \$5.00 per 100 cubic feet**

**April 22, 2013**

- **Highland Coffee House Liquor License application was approved**
- **Port Clyde Seafood dba The Slipway Liquor License application was approved**

**April 29, 2013**

- **Audit review with Kathy Tyson of Runyon, Kersteen and Ouellette**

**May 6, 2013**

- **Town Meeting Warrant approved**
- **Approve Phase II bids for Farley and Sons \$90,370 for Union Block Rear Streetscape**
- **Thank you letter to Tim Carroll, President of the Lobster Festival Board of Directors for \$50,000 donation to purchase a Fire Department utility vehicle**

**May 20, 2013**

- **Approve \$37,500 CDBG Façade project to improve Thomaston Grocery awarded to Albertson Builders**

**May 30, 2013**

- **Approved the acceptance of \$50,000 from the Friends of the Library and appropriated \$21,900 to install a HVAC heat/air system in the Academy Building**

**June 10, 2013**

- **Approved request of Billy's Tavern Liquor License application and Special Amusement Permit**
- **Approved the request of Tillson Wireless/Northeast Wireless to collocate on the Verizon Cell Tower and to lease ground space from the Town for the sum of \$9,200 per year**
- **Leased space to Shirley Barlow at the Academy Building**
- **Lease space to Angela Anderson Pomerleau at the Academy Building**
- **Set sewer rates**
- **Approved winter sand bid for \$9,375 and awarded to Hartland Inc.**
- **Approved winter salt bid at \$53.49 per ton and awarded to International Salt Co.**

**June 24, 2013**

- **Approved the lease with Midcoast Christian Academy for space in the Academy Building**
- **Appointed Abby Planeta to the position of Deputy Ambulance Director**

**July 8, 2013**

- **Approved the low paving bid of \$79.50 per ton to Lane Construction Corp. for a total of \$106,777 to install 411 tons**

**July 22, 2013**

- **Accept \$26,640 from MDOT Local Road Assistance Program**
- **Approved the revised Accounting Clerk Position to Municipal Finance Coordinator with expanded duties and responsibilities, and confirm Jodell Benson to the position effective July 1, 2013**

**August 12, 2013**

- **Initiated re-registrations of utility trailers for Thomaston residents at the Town Office versus going to the Department of Motor Vehicles**
- **Approved low bid of \$26,180 to Catalano Construction for reroofing the Academy Building**

- Accepted a petition from citizens of Oyster River Road to reduce speed from 45 MPH to 30 MPH and submit same to MDOT for consideration
- Approved a third party agreement between Verizon Wireless, Northeast Wireless, and the Town of Thomaston
- The Board approved "Cemetery Traffic Only" signs be installed at the entrances to the Village Cemetery by the Sexton to stop through traffic

#### **August 26, 2013**

- Approved the purchase of a Police Department Radio Repeater System

#### **September 9, 2013**

- Approved the banner placement across Main Street at the request of the General Henry Knox Museum to promote "Taste of Thomaston" event
- Approved the bid of Maine BioMass to install HVAC system at the Academy Building

#### **September 23, 2013**

- Authorized Attorney Paul Gibbons and Town Manager to negotiate potential land acquisition of two lots with a developer in regards to Thomaston Green
- Approved Interagency Cooperation Agreement renewal with Knox County communities

#### **October 28, 2013**

- Approved the replacement of 16 year old 50-yard demo box at the Stump Dump for \$8,000
- Public Hearing for progress of 2012 CDBG Community Enterprise Grant Program Façade Grant and Streetscape Improvements
- Adopted 2013 General Assistance Ordinance per DHHS and Title 22 § 4305(4)
- Considered the petition of 129 registered voters: *"We the undersigned registered voters and residents of the Town of Thomaston hereby request the Thomaston Board of Selectmen write an ordinance to place on the Warrant of the next Town Meeting or Special Town Meeting to be held within the Town of Thomaston, an ordinance to define the days that consumer fireworks can be used within the limits of the Town of Thomaston to Friday and Saturday and to include all days and times listed in 8 MRSA § 233-A subsection 8A and items 1-3 for voter consideration."* The Board established a committee to draft an ordinance
- Placed out to bid a 1987 dump truck for \$1,627 and a 1968 Chevrolet fire utility truck for \$2,227 and a 1982 fire pumper \$1,650

#### **November 25, 2013**

- Disposed of two foreclosed properties by initiating Article 28 of the June 12, 2013 Town Meeting Warrant
- Shirley Hamlin presented an overview of her participation in the Round Table on Aging lead by the Speaker of the House
- The Board approved adding support of the senior population to the Town goals
- Submitted a Letter of Intent for a \$100,000 CDBG Work Force Grant for assistance to Lyman Morse Boatbuilding Co.
- Approved Thomaston Interchurch Fellowship Food Pantry request of \$1,000 from Samuel Watts Fund to provide Thanksgiving baskets

#### **December 3, 2013**

- Executive Session on potential sales negotiations of two lots at Thomaston Green with Attorney Paul Gibbons

**December 17, 2013**

- Special Town Meeting
- Purchase of Thorndike property adjacent to Pollution Control Facility
- Grant sewer easement to John and Muriel Knutson
- Accept 2013 Fire utility truck from the Thomaston Firemen's Association purchased through a donation from the Maine Lobster Festival.

## **APPOINTMENTS, NEW HIRES AND RESIGNATIONS IN 2013**

The Board of Selectmen served on the following committees and boards:

<b>Personnel Committee</b>	<b>Peter Lammert, Mona Stearns Alternate</b>
<b>Inter-Local Clam Board</b>	<b>Bill Hahn, Jonathan Eaton non-Board member</b>
<b>Solid Waste Committee</b>	<b>Peter Lammert</b>
<b>Mid-Coast Regional Planning</b>	<b>Mona Stearns, Bill Hahn Alternate</b>
<b>Maine Water Advisory Committee</b>	<b>Peter Lammert</b>
<b>Main St. Enhancement Committee</b>	<b>Lee-Ann Upham &amp; Greg Hamlin</b>
<b>Trust Fund Committee</b>	<b>Lee-Ann Upham &amp; Greg Hamlin</b>
<b>Redevelopment Committee</b>	<b>All Board Members</b>
<b>Land Use Ordinance Review Committee</b>	<b>Lee-Ann Upham, Greg Hamlin</b>

## **APPOINTMENTS:**

**William Wasson to the position of Code Enforcement Officer January 14, 2013**

**Ruston Barnard as Ambulance Director January 14, 2013**

**Derek Orff as Alternate to Harbor Committee March 11, 2013**

**Elaine Larrabee as Conservation Committee March 11, 2013**

**Abby Planeta as Deputy Ambulance Director June 24, 2013**

**Diana Beach to Friends of Thomaston Dog Park and Pet Cemetery Committees June 2013**

**Liz Burch and William Richards to Friends of Thomaston Dog Park June 24, 2014**

**Anthony Moore to Student seat on Recreation Committee July 8, 2013**

**Revised Accounting Clerk position to Municipal Finance Coordinator July 22, 2013**

**Shirley Hamlin to the State Round Table discussions for Maine's aging demographics August 12, 2013**

**Dan Allan as Alternate to the Planning Board August 26, 2013**

**Marla McGeady to the RSU #13 Board effective November 6, 2013**

**Chris Barstow to Recreation Committee October 28, 2013**

**Jodell Benson Alternate General Assistance Administrator per M.R.S.A 22 November 25, 2013**

**Ronald Porter as Thomaston member of Three Town Solid Waste Board November 25, 2013**

**Sandra Orluk, William Dashiell, Ray Ludwig and Mike Mayo to Fireworks Committee November 25, 2013**



**Academy Trustees**

**Watts Block Trustees**

**Planning Board**

**Board of Appeals**

**Budget Committee**

**Personnel Committee**

**Recreation Committee**

**Conservation Commission**

**Harbor Committee**

**Georges River Shellfish Committee**

**Shellfish Warden**

**MicroLoan Committee**

**Airport Advisory Committee**

**MCEDD Committee**

**Henry Carey**

**Maxine Philbrook**

**Olof Anderson**

**Neal Guyer**

**Joan Sanborn**

**Carl Danielson, 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate**

**Gerald Zwick**

**Henry Carey**

**Joanne Richards**

**Doug Erickson**

**Henry Carey**

**Sandra Jordan**

**Valerie Allis**

**Tara Murray**

**Philip Janes**

**Peter McCrea**

**Sandra Jordan**

**John Smith**

**Neil Pollis**

**Douglas Erickson**

**William Hahn**

**NEW HIRES:**

**Olaf Sigaud**

**Mike Blais**

**William Wasson**

**Patrol Officer**

**Harbor Master**

**Code Enforcement Officer**

**RESIGNATIONS:**

**Alan Leo**

**Larry Arbour**

**Gordon Mank**

**Henry Carey**

**Arvilla Collins**

**Rodney Lynch**

**Ambulance Director**

**Paramedic**

**Harbor Master**

**Knox County Budget Committee**

**RSU #13 School Board**

**CDBG Consultant position on a monthly basis,  
will assist on a special request basis**

## **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

**JOAN LINS COTT**

**TOWN CLERK**



### **DEATHS – 2013**

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
01/07/2013	Kenneth Hoyt	81	Thomaston
01/19/2013	Charles Adams	58	Rockport
01/19/2013	Harold Duff	90	Rockport
01/27/2013	William Mack	62	Camden
02/01/2013	Gertrude Gompe	100	Thomaston
02/14/2013	Lila Shores	100	Rockport
02/26/2013	Carol Tucker	77	Rockport
03/03/2013	Raymond Robinson	91	Camden
03/03/2013	M. Sylvia Barbour	87	Thomaston
03/07/2013	Evangeline Johnson	87	Camden
03/09/2013	Benjamin Mathis	94	Thomaston
04/09/2013	William Parker	65	Portland
05/03/2013	Russell Elwell	64	Rockport
05/05/2013	Frances Shaw	95	Thomaston
05/30/2013	James Rich	66	Thomaston
06/01/2013	George Mills	87	Camden
06/02/2013	Muriel Teirila	96	Thomaston
07/03/2013	Robert Gregory	84	Rockport
07/31/2013	William Curley	76	Rockport
08/10/2013	Marion Basile	93	Camden
08/17/2013	Linda Griffin	64	Thomaston
09/14/2013	Carolyn Smallwood	79	Rockport
09/29/2013	Donald Tescher	95	Rockport
10/13/2013	Russell Sevon	92	Thomaston
11/24/2014	Robert Seastead	82	Augusta
12/10/2013	Euncie Anderson	82	Rockport
12/21/2013	Eleanor Sanborn	86	Thomaston
12/29/2013	Erma Peters	87	Camden



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**Boys Girls**  
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## ***CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT***

***William Wasson***

***Code Enforcement Officer***

It is with pleasure that I present this report of the activity of the Code Enforcement Office for the year 2013 to the Town Manager, Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the *Town of Thomaston*.

During my first year as Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Thomaston I began by being presented with one of the biggest commercial building projects in the state. The Walmart project took a great deal of my attention and was a great learning experience as well. An example of the details required is the fact that during the course of the plumbing inspections I conducted more than 400 air tests on their septic and grease systems.

There were 41 building permits issued, 38 plumbing permits issued, and 8 demolition permits issued. One commercial permit was for Tractor Supply and 5 of the permits were for single family dwellings and the remainder was for repair, renovations, and accessory structures.

There were a number of violations investigated and dealt with without going to court. The Planning Board had a busy year considering 3 commercial site plan reviews, establishing 2 rights of ways, 1 subdivision and proposing amendments to the Land Use and Development Ordinance.

The Zoning Board of Appeals considered 8 conditional use requests and one special exception request for the Resource Protection District.

I would like for the members of both Boards to know that I appreciate their efforts and dedication to the important process of keeping our town in proper order.

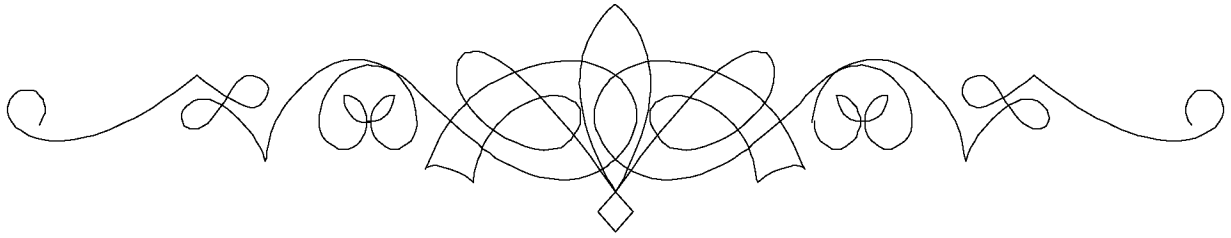
I also wish to express my appreciation to the many local contractors who I have worked with this past year and the cooperation they have shown in dealing with the new building code (MUBEC) and a new Code Officer.

And last but not least, I want the Town Office crew to know how much I appreciate their help in making my first year a success.

# ***MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENTS***



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Pollution Control Report  
Tree Warden's Report  
Solid Waste Report**



## ***ROAD COMMISSIONER***

***Valmore Blastow, Jr.***

## ***PUBLIC WORKS/POLLUTION CONTROL***

***Public Works Director***

***James Connon***

### ***Pollution Control Superintendent***

***John Fancy***

### ***Public Works Employees***

***Cliff Eugley***

***John Smith***

***Brandon Allen***

***Mike Davis***

***Mike Janczura***

### ***Stump Dump***

***Eugene Colson***

## **ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

**VALMORE BLASTOW, JR.**

**ROAD COMMISSIONER**

I wish to thank Public Works Director James Connon and staff Cliff Eugley, John Smith, Brandon Allen, Mike Davis, and Michael Janczura for all the dedicated work and long hours in the winter they provide to ensure the streets and ways of Thomaston are properly maintained in a safe and satisfactory condition at all times.

The next three years should be very busy as MDOT initiates the actual construction of two major projects in Thomaston.

The replacement of the Wadsworth Street Bridge across the St. George River project #116755 is scheduled for a September bid process and for a November 2014 construction start through May of 2016.

The reconstruction of Route 1 Project #017890 from approximately Thomaston Place Antiques through Town to the intersection of Montpelier with Route 131 with bids scheduled for June 2015 and construction to begin September 2015 through June 2017. This project received the MDOT contract sensitive process made up with community volunteers that worked with MDOT through eight meetings over more than a year for the preliminary design of the reconstruction leading up to a March 2013 public hearing to be followed by a final public hearing in 2014.

The Town will be completing limited sewer line replacement and clean water drain improvements in coordination with the Maine Water Company's replacement of water mains, to be bid in June 2014 with construction to begin August 2014 through November 2015. This work will be for both MDOT projects, and the Town has applied for a Rural Development loan of \$1,000,000.00 and a grant of \$396,000.00.

The Town's streets, sidewalks, and other ways are in a continuous state of improvement. The Town expended \$109,726.13 for paving the following streets in 2013: Thomaston Green Road, Sunset Street, Sunrise Terrace, Marsh Road, Lawrence Avenue and Butler Road. Since 2005-2006 the Town has expended \$655,436.13 or \$81,929.52 average per year. The continued increase in cost per ton is now at \$85.00. The Town will need to increase funding to maintain a twelve year average repaving program.

This year's snow removal was calculated at 105.75 inches of snow at a cost of \$4,144.52 per mile for the 27.22 miles maintained which includes State Aid Roads. The \$112,813.86 of the cost included \$19,421.99 for the purchase of 1503.25 yards of sand and 529.25 yards of salt. Note: the Town has discontinued the use of liquid calcium pretty much based on corrosion concerns. It also included 240.50 man-hours of hauling snow off to a different location. The total miles plowed by lane equal 11,681.4.

**The Town continues to work towards upgrading major infrastructure. Over the past ten to fifteen years:**

- a) Oyster River Bridge was replaced in 2004; the Greenhouse Road Bridge in 1997; the Wadsworth Street railroad overpass bridge in 2002. The Wadsworth Street Bridge over the St. George River is slated for 2015.**
- b) Route 1 East 1.89 miles of highway project reconstruction in 2008**
- c) Realignment of Buttermilk Lane to Dexter Street with traffic light in 2005**
- d) Repair of West Meadow Culvert Bridge in 2010**
- e) Replacement of Thomaston Street Culvert Bridge by Rockland in 2011**
- f) Installed railroad crossing signals at Elliot Street, Green Street, and closed Mechanic Street. We currently have a request before MDOT for safety signals at Knox Street crossing.**

**Project #017890 Route 1 through Thomaston Village for highway reconstruction is funded for 2014-2015 which includes sidewalks on both the north and south sides of the corridor. Presently, there is a sidewalk only on the north side. The Town voted to fund 20% of the total cost of installing the south side estimated at \$100,000.00 to \$128,000.00 Town's share.**

**The Town continues with sidewalk repair and replacement. The Green Street sidewalk was replaced in 2013 along with receipt of Safe Route to Schools Grant not presently funded. This project will establish a sidewalk from the west end of Starr Street by Lura Libby School east to Beechwood Street by The Water Dog along the north edge of Starr Street. The Town has expanded sidewalks to total 7.22 miles with twenty-four sidewalks with a total of thirty-five different sections. The major portion of sidewalks have been installed new or repaved since 1996. The areas that remain in poor condition and only repaired include Elliot Street, Dunn Street, Elm Street, portion of Gleason Street, Knox Street, Main Street Mall, Roxbury Street, all of which are being reviewed in the long range planning.**

**The Town further worked in cooperation with Rockport and Rockland on a joint Micro-Corridor Plan through Eric Galant of the Regional Planning Commission to address impacts in regards to vehicle traffic and safety for the three communities focused primarily on Old County Road and submitted a plan to MDOT.**

**The Town continues to work on a Knox County Transit Plan for providing bus transportation from Thomaston to Camden. Preliminary results indicate potential funding for limited transit from Camden to WalMart in Thomaston.**

**Residents of Oyster River Road petitioned for a reduction in the speed limit on the road. This request is awaiting a final determination from MDOT as it is state controlled. The Town has requested a speed limit reduction on Route 1 from Dexter Street to the Rockland line which will allow for a pedestrian light controlled crosswalk at the Thomaston Commons entrance.**

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**JAMES CONNON**

**DIRECTOR**

**It is with great pleasure that I present to the Citizens of Thomaston this report of the Public Works Department for the Year 2013-2014.**

**This was the twelfth year the Town plowed the roads as well as salted and sanded them. Before the snow fell we had cut the shoulders on some of the roads to make it easier to plow. We also cut Bushes and Limbs around the Town before the plowing season started. We had a total snow fall accumulation of 113 inches of snow this year for the winter calendar year of 2013. The Town hauled their own winter sand with the Sterling Dump Truck, International Dump Truck and the 2002 Dump Truck saving the extra delivery fees again this year.**

**We also replaced culverts and ditched several roads in the Town in preparation for paving in 2013. We finished paving the surface on the new Thomaston Green Road, paved all of Sunset St., paved Sunrise Terrace from the Brooklyn Heights Road to Sunset St., paved all of Lawrence Avenue, paved all of the Marsh Road, paved the base coat on the Butler Road and the M.D.O.T. paved .41 Miles on the Buttermilk Lane Road and paved all of the Old County Road also this year. We raised and repaired all the sewer manhole covers, clean water drain manhole covers, catch basin covers and replaced culverts on these streets before we had them paved.**

**We graveled and graded the Greenhouse Hill Road, the Butler Road off from Buttermilk Lane to prepare this road for asphalt paving and the Water Tower Road. We are getting the roads, turn arounds and parking lots back into pretty good shape.**

**We also cleaned up out behind the Town Garage some more to make more room for storage.**

**Each year the department removes and replaces the floats at the public landing. We also did a bunch of repairs and work for the new Harbor Master, Mike Blais to clean up the Public Landing.**

**We dug holes at the Cemetery and around the Town for Peter Lammert to plant trees. We also cleaned up several trees in the Town that was taken down by tree removal companies.**

**We repaired some more of the catch basins in the Town and cleaned some more storm drain pipes, clean water drains and sewer pipes in the Town with the Jetta from Pollution Control. We installed new storm drainage pipes and new catch basins out behind the Business Block in the parking lot for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase of the Union Block Project. Farley and Son Landscaping completed the 2<sup>nd</sup> Part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase installing underground electrical, 2 new Sidewalk Lights, new granite curbing and a new sidewalk in the Alley Way by Thomaston Grocery.**

**We rebuilt 1,365 feet of sidewalk from Main St. to the Railroad Tracks on Green St., installed a new 5 feet wide asphalt sidewalk and loamed, seeded and fertilized the disturbed areas on Green Street. We still have a new sidewalk to build on the lower side of the railroad tracks on Green St. to Water St. this spring. We also cleaned out, rebuilt and raised all of the catch basins that were so deep on the side of the road on Green Street.**



**The Public Works Dept. cleaned some more tree roots out of the Fluker St. and Erin St. clean water drains with the Jetta and the root cutter. This is an annual event now!**

**Steven McGee Construction Finished the Phase # 2 Work on the new Brooklyn Heights Road, Sunrise Terrace, Natalie Court and Sunset St. Sewer Project. They also finished the cleanup on the new sewer lines on Gleason St. from Fish St. to Roxbury St. and finished the cleanup on the new sewer lines on Roxbury St. from Gleason St. to Main Street. Steven McGee Construction finished the cleanup on the new sewer lines, new catch basins and storm drain lines, new water main and installed the new asphalt curbing and new asphalt pavement on the new sidewalk on the new Thomaston Green Project at the Prison Property.**

**In addition the department did the usual jobs of mowing the Mall, Academy grounds, pump stations, Pollution Control, Prison Property and the Public Landing. They painted the crosswalks and stop bars, swept the streets and cleaned up the winter sand that was on the roads, mowed the sides of the roads in the Town, set up for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and cleaned up after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, cleaned up the leaves in the Town in the fall of the year and the other day to day maintenance the Town Crew does around the Town.**

**We did the maintenance on the Main Street Granite Planters Watering System.**

**POLLUTION CONTROL DEPARTMENT**  
**Report for fiscal year 2013/2014**

**John Fancy**

**Superintendent**

In the spring of 2013 the work on the second phase of the west end sewer replacement project was completed. McGee Construction from Gardiner finished cleaning up the new sewer connections on Sunrise Terrace, Sunset Street and Natalie Court. Additional work and clean up was done where the old clay sewers were replaced on Gleason Street from Roxbury to Fish Streets and on Roxbury from Gleason to Main Streets. This work was made possible because the costs for the rest of the project were less than expected.

After the contractor was done the Town paved Sunrise Terrace from Brooklyn Heights Road to Sunset Street and all of Sunset Street. McGee Construction also extended the sanitary sewer, the water main, storm drains and a road into Thomaston Green. This was done to encourage future development of this site.

In December the land west of the spray fields, where the treated wastewater is land applied, was purchased from the Thorndike family. This added about 133 acres to the Town Forest, providing space to expand the spray fields in the future and allows the hiking trails in the Town Forest to be extended to the Oyster River.

Wastewater is treated in the lagoons at the treatment facility with an aerobic process that requires oxygen to be added (done by bubbling air into the lagoons just like a fish tank, only larger). To provide this oxygen the blowers were run continuously at a high speed. An upgrade added a sensor at the end of the first lagoon and a new control system that automatically speeds up or slows down the blower speed to match the need for oxygen. This will allow the blowers to run at a slower speed much of the time and reduce electric costs.

In 2013 the treatment facility treated and discharged about 100 million gallons of wastewater. Of this, 86.7 million gallons was land applied and an additional 13.2 million gallons was discharged to the river.

In closing, the Department remains dedicated to the efficient treatment and environmentally sound disposal of Thomaston's wastewater and the protection of our groundwater and surface water. Thanks to the citizens of Thomaston for their support.

## TREE WARDEN'S REPORT

Peter Lammert

Tree Warden

My passion for this position is being strained by residents and property owners who want trees either removed or branches taken down when there is little indication that the tree or branch in question poses any threat to their property. In fact with the almost constant series of wind storms that we have experienced over the last few years, some of the gusts almost reaching the hurricane speed of 72 miles per hour, if in fact there had been a structural weakness in the tree, Mother Nature would have found it.

Six trees were removed during the year. One on Gleason Street was a tree I planted in 1986 and at the request of the then home owner I planted it back near the front of the house so that he could see up the street for oncoming cars. Ownership changes and with time and no maintenance, the tree outgrew the site. I would be interested in the increase in indoor temperature and also the level of street noise that will be heard inside the home now that the tree is gone.

The other trees are those that I have had on a 'watch list' and their condition had changed from poor to removal stage. In one case, a home owner asked for a street tree to be removed that was not a hazard tree but it had so many large branches ripped off by wind events, it was no longer sightly.

The local Cub and Boy Scout troops have helped me transplant small trees into larger pots at the cemetery as I continue to grow them for out planting.

During the past year, the Maine Forest Service Entomology Division again had pheromone traps in the ash trees on the mall to see if there were any Emerald Ash Borers in the area. None were trapped. There are several introduced Asian wood boring beetles, the worst of which is the Asian Long Horned Beetle that are in New England. There may be one benefit from the extended period of cold weather in that the overwintering beetle or depending on the species, the larva of the offender, may be killed by the low temperatures. Speaking of low temperatures, a late frost along the Mill River flowage caused damage to oaks that lined the river... This was diagnosed in two places by the State Tree Pathologist, Bill Ostrofsky, who came down several times to help me.

Central Maine Power tree trimming crews will be back in 2014 as it has been five years since the initial hard pruning mandated by the Maine Utilities Division. If you have a concern about the trimming of street trees in front of your home, contact the CMP Utility Arborist at the number on the poster in the town office window. In the past years, CMP has been very cooperative in cost sharing the removal of hazardous trees and I am in hopes that this will continue.

I have been extremely lucky to hire a local bucket truck operator who gives the town a low per hour price for bucket truck work. In conjunction with that, is the ability to have our public works crew available to help chip the branches and remove the round wood to the stump dump. Without their help, I could not do a quarter of what gets done with the present budget.

**In closing, I appreciate the ability to interact with those residents who do have questions about their trees. I hope to plant more in the coming year.**

**Respectfully, Peter Lammert, Licensed Arborist and Licensed Forester Tel 691-2900 after 6 AM and before 8 PM.**



## 2013 SOLID WASTE REPORT

*Peter Lammert and Ron Porter*

*Representatives*

During the calendar year 2013, 4039.78 tons of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) was hauled from our transfer station on Buttermilk Drive to the Penobscot Energy Recovery Company (PERC) in Orrington for disposal at this waste to energy facility. This was a decrease of three tons over the previous year and a decrease of 471.81 tons over the record 4511.59 tons shipped in 2003.

In addition, 150.04 tons of demolition debris and 77.70 tons of 'clean wood' were shipped from our 'stump dump' that is located beside the Thomaston Public Works garage on Anna Belle Lane off Erin Street.

The Owls Head, South Thomaston and Thomaston Solid Waste Corporation (3 Town Co-op ) is an inter local agreement transfer facility that compacts MSW, collects E waste such as televisions, monitors, and all computer parts. It also collects fluorescent bulbs of all shapes, CFLs and any other items containing mercury. It has a roll off can for any metal items and it collects tires of most sizes and propane cylinders of all sizes. It also collects cardboard and has single stream containers for recyclable items some of these items require a payment depending upon the size of the item left. These monies are used to help pay for the cost of the operation.

The 3 Town Co-op operates on a budget approved by a board composed of a selectperson and a resident from each of the three towns. In addition to the three towns, it also serves, by request, the Maine State Prison. The cost to operate the facility, to each user town is determined by the 2010 census. Presently Thomaston pays 39.94% of the cost. Last year Thomaston's share of the budget was \$214,056.53 on a total budget of \$535,945.25. This coming year, 2014, the budget has risen to \$585,996.00, which is a 9.33% increase over 2013.

The reason for this increase is the expansion of the facility that was started in October of 2013. The reason for the expansion is apparent on a Saturday morning when the area in front of the hoppers is in vehicular gridlock. Several personal injuries were sustained by users being hit by or falling while dodging moving vehicles. The expansion was initially slated to start in 2006, however, abutter and other problems delayed obtaining the needed permit from Maine DEP to expand. During this time, the 3 Town Co-op had to remove the metal pile on the ground and the contaminated soil that was under the pile. The money for this DEP mandated cleanup project was taken from the money set aside in a capital reserve account for the expansion. Therefore to go ahead with the project, the 3 Town Co-op board has taken a five year loan to help pay for the expansion. Other costs have risen substantially during the intervening seven years. For example, the bill from CMP Co. to put 440-480 volt power into the new building rose from \$2680 in 2006 to \$6800 in 2013. I have a three page explanation of the increased costs and would be glad to supply a copy to anyone.

At the end of July, a former manager of the facility and a currant 3 Town Co-op board member, William 'Bill' Curley, passed away. His wife Phyllis Curley was our bookkeeper

since about 1996 and she resigned her position at the end of August. A new bookkeeper was hired but stayed only about six weeks.

Then Phyllis Curley passed away taking the corporate knowledge and institutional memory of the Co-op with her another bookkeeper was hired but resigned the same day. To say the least, keeping the paperwork flowing has been an experience for yours truly.

It is hoped that with the new expansion, those with only a bag or two of MSW and items to go into the single stream recycling can, can enter through the new South gate, pull up beside the respective containers for Single Stream and MSW, deposit their bags and exit out through the gate they are now using to enter the facility. If they have cardboard or metal, tires, TVs etc. they will be able to pull to the left and unload at those respective areas

Pickup trucks and commercial haulers will come in the North gate, pull up to the toe of the paved ramp, ready to back up to the existing hoppers and unload. They will also leave through the middle gate.

Presently the facility is open from 8 AM to 4 PM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. It is closed on legal holidays when they fall on normal open days. Winter storms, because in the time lag of having the facility plowed out, will cause the facility to be closed. Please call 594- 0748 to see if it is open during winter storms. Let it ring as attendants may be outside.

Civilian volunteers, to help those confused about what goes into the Single Stream containers, would be a welcome addition especially on Tuesdays and Saturdays. For some reason, when traffic becomes backed up, MSW goes into the Single Stream cans! Please contact the site manager if you could help with this endeavor.

Also, speaking of Single Stream materials, the loose paper that is placed in the mix, is separated at its final destination by compressed air streams and therefore we cannot have plastic film, bags (even those that have a #4 recycling symbol on them,) in the mix. This is especially true of the plastic grocery store bags. Please take them back to the store that supplied them to you.

Projects I have for the coming year include: Get the expansion up and running; Separating the glass from the rubbish at redemption centers (this glass is presently hauled to PERC at \$78 a ton); Making the new drainage system around the old compactors work; and last but not least, getting people to put their cardboard into the dumpsters available for that purpose. Cardboard that is dumped into the hoppers sometimes acts like a sponge and when wet loads are dumped into the hoppers, the cardboard soaks up the water. That means we are transporting water to PERC at \$78 a ton. I do not know how to get transfer station users to do this. Suggestion of separating the cardboard can be met with a blank stare or worse. Please be reminded that the towns using the facility, do not require recycling and few if any of the commercial rubbish haulers can separate recyclables on their trucks. Therefore if you are inclined to recycle, please bring your recyclables to the facility yourself.

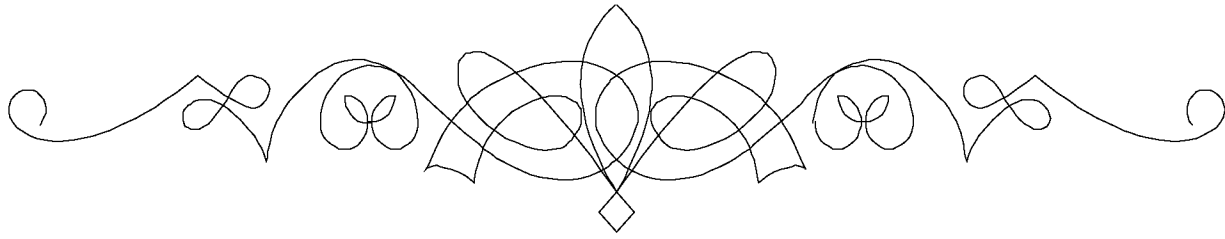
If you have any comments, questions or brilliant solutions about dealing with stubborn human beings, please contact me at 691-2900. Respectfully, Peter Lammert

# ***PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS***



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E.M.A. Director's Report**

\*Please note that the Police Chief's Report was submitted past the deadline but is herein included



## ***POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL***

### **CHIEF**

**Kevin Haj**

### **SERGEANT**

**Tim Hoppe**

### **PATROL OFFICERS**

**Michael Blais**

**Max King**

**Olaf Sigaud**

### **RESERVE OFFICERS**

**David Cyr**

**Rod Grindell**

**Thomas Eager**

**Anne Griffith**

### **TRAFFIC CONTROL**

**Peter Lammert**

**Phil Netzorg**

**John Fochtman**



## **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

***Kevin Haj***

***Police Chief***

It gives me great pleasure to again submit the Thomaston Police year .end report to you. Our complaint system runs on a January to January rotation, the department ended 2013 with just over 3,800 incident reports. These numbers are inclusive of a variety of different categories, some as follows, Traffic crashes, traffic stops, assaults, burglary, theft, domestics, utility problems Assist other agencies, (fire, EMS, other law enforcement agencies) subpoena service, PFA service. Records checks, background investigations, to name a few of the more common ones.

You may have noticed new faces in the department. Officer Max King graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice academy in the spring of 2013, and is a welcomed addition to this agency. As I write this letter Officer Olaf Sigaud is about half way through his class at the academy and expected to graduate in late May of 2014.

Several Part time officers have joined our agency. Please welcome Officer David Cyr, Thomas Eagar and Anne Griffith. Officer Griffith is currently in her 15 week field training program.

Then there are the people you only see when there is an emergency. The traffic control people. They come out for serious accidents, fires, road blockages, wires down etc. They come at all hours of the day, rain, shine and snow. They are a valuable asset to the Department

Officer Michael Blais will be serving as the Town's Harbor Master. He has successfully completed Harbor Master training and is certified by the State of Maine to serve in that capacity.

One of the growing concerns across America in both urban and rural areas, is the increase in illicit drug use. Thomaston is not immune to this scourge. Many crimes are intermingled or have a causation factor that relates to illicit drug use. As drug usage increases, so do property crimes, and crimes of violence. We have initiated several steps to help combat this growing problem. One of the most published is participation in the DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM. This program which is sponsored by the Federal Drug Administration, allows us to collect unused pharmaceuticals from the public, and then turn them over to the DEA for destruction. This program keeps these drugs out of the hands of persons who would miss use them and keeps them out of the water supply and land fill. The last 2 collections produced almost seventy pounds of pharmaceuticals. There will be another collection completed before town meeting.

WE have adjusted our working schedule to create an overlap patrol during certain months of the year. While we had enough part time officers to supplement the schedule. Sgt Hoppe was moved to a shift that allowed us to keep a other officer on duty during the traditional busy evening hours. This had allowed greater visibility and spread his supervisor skills over two shifts. While doing the monthly uniform crime reports, I have noticed a reduction of thefts and burglaries during that time period. This was accomplished without extra expense to the department.

**We had received several small grants that have helped with the day to day costs of operation. We will continue to seek grants as they become available.**

**Last town meeting, you authorized a radio upgrade for the police department. This was accomplished in the fall, and appears to be functioning fine.**

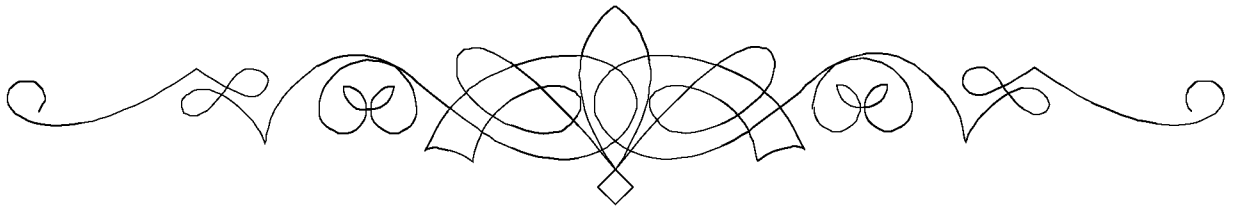
**Training is a continuous task here. Several officers have attended specialized training along with the mandated training specified by the academy. This is mandated to maintain our certifications.**

**I would also like to take a moment to thank the animal control officer. Who despite working a regular job always answers calls. The public works department throughout the year has been an asset to the police department in various ways. Also to the ambulance service for conducting some of our training. The fire dept always helps us at emergency scenes. Knowing that they are there and willing to help is priceless.**

**The Explorer program is still active with youth between the ages of 14 and 21. Several former explorers have entered law enforcement as a career.**

**We invite you to stop by at any time if you have questions or concerns.**





## ***FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL***

### **Fire Chief**

**Michael Leo**

### **Deputy Chief**

**Mikial Mazzeo**

### **Assistant Chief**

**Jamie Leo**

### **Captains**

**Peter Lammert**

**Frank Brandon**

**Robert Coombs**

### **Lieutenants**

**Larry Arbour**

**Albert Grant**

**Ben Adams**

### **Firefighters**

**Arthur Hutchinson**

**Francis Brandon**

**Harley Colwell**

**Jon Grout**

**Eric Harjula**

**Jessica Gunn**

**Stuart Woodman**

**Ed Worthley**

**Floyd Lawrence**

### **Jr. Firefighters**

**Richard Rich**

**Tony Leo**

**Carl Anderson**

**Phil Netzorg**

**Katy Vanorse**

**Michael Cole**

**George Erickson**

**Earl Sutherland**

**Charles Ball**

**Colby Miles**

**Sean Goodine**

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

***Mike Leo***

***Fire Chief***

**To the Town Manager, Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Thomaston, it is with pleasure that I present to you the report of the Thomaston Fire Department.**

**In 2013 we responded to 134 fire calls.**

**On July 4<sup>th</sup> we handed out fire prevention information to people visiting the activities. During fire prevention week in October we went to the grade schools and passed out information to the children and gave tours of the station and the fire trucks. We also did fire prevention at Wal-Mart and the Library**

**Again this year the Firemen's Association put up Santa and the Elves on the hill by Montpelier. We would like to thank those of you that made a donation to the association during the year.**

**Training is done in house and out of town allowing us to gain the certifications that are required. The training consisted of hose advancement, search and rescue, chimney fire, ventilation, SCBA, Warm and Cold water rescue training with and without our boat, use of tools and equipment and annual Maine Department of Labor required training.**

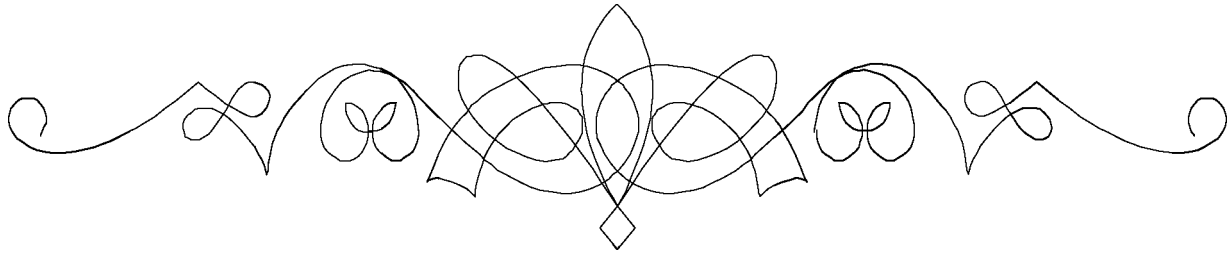
**At the 2012 Annual Town Meeting the Citizens approved a Warrant article in the amount of \$50,000.00 to add to the \$350,000.00 that was approved at last year's town meeting for a total of \$400,000.00 for the replacement of Engine 5. The new Eng 3 was placed in service June of this year thank you all for your continue support of the Fire Department.**

**The department is always looking for new members if you would like to join the department or would like more information please call 354-6345. We also have monthly meetings held at the station on the first Monday of the month starting at 18:30 PM and Training classes are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month.**

**I would like to thank the fire department members for their support, hard work and dedication as well as the Town Manager and his staff, Board of Selectmen and the various departments for their help during the year.**

**Please remember that any and all burning requires a permit under Maine State Law. If you are not the property owner of the location on which the burning will occur you must provide to the Fire Department in writing permission from the property owner before a permit can be issued.**

**Chief Mike Leo**



## **AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL**

### **Director**

**Ruston Barnard – EMS - Paramedic**

### **Deputy Director**

**Abby Planeta –EMS - Paramedic**

### **MEMBERS**

**Alan Leo -EMT**

**Jamie Leo -AEMT**

**Jody Dinsmore -AEMT**

**Charlie Ball - AEMT**

**Earl Sutherland -AEMT**

**Katy Vanorse –AEMT**

**Shawn Wallace – EMT**

**Tony Leo – Driver**

**George Erickson - Driver**

**Francis Brandon –Paramedic**

**Floyd Lawrence -EMR**

**Lisa Brandon -EMT**

**Kelly Ball -EMT**

**Ellin Schooley - EMT**

**Angela McIntyre – EMT**

**Rod Grindell - EMT**

**Frank Brandon –Driver**

**EMT – Emergency Medical Technician**

**AEMT – Advance Emergency Medical Technician**

**EMR – Emergency Medical Responder**

## **AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

***Ruston Barnard***

***Director***

To the Town Manager, Board of Selectman and Citizens of Thomaston, it is with great pleasure that I present to you the Report of the Thomaston Ambulance Service for 2013-2014. This was my first year as the EMS Chief and there has been a lot to learn and I would like to thank many of the other department administrators both current and former, for their help throughout the year.

The AMBULANCE responded to 513 calls for service this year, of which 70% of those were during the day and 30% of those were at night. The top 3 requests for an AMBULANCE this past year were for Fall Victims, Breathing Problems, and Motor Vehicle Accidents, all together, accounts for 37% of the call volume.

We have 19 members and most are licensed as EMT's at various levels, and we are always looking for new members as we continue to struggle to cover the evening shifts.

All of our members work very hard to combine work, Family life and life as a pre-hospital health care provider, to provide the best care possible for the citizens of this town.

Our meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month, and if you would like more information in reference to joining or any other information about the Ambulance Service, please feel free to call me at 354-6345 ext.230.

During the year we have provided many training sessions to our members.

3 of our members attended the annual three day APEMS EMS Educational Seminar held at the Samoset in Rockport. One of our members completed an advanced level EMS License program, and some of our members traveled to other cities and states for training.

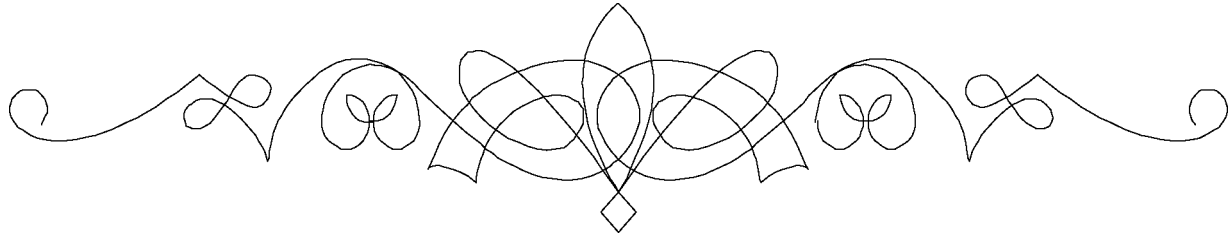
Each year we must also comply with annual OSHA mandated trainings, the Town of Thomaston's Risk Management Training program, and other Federal and State mandated training.

All of this training amounts to hundreds hours annually, most of which can only be obtained on nights or weekends.

I would like to thank the members for all that they provide to the town throughout the year. The sacrifices they make for the town are substantial, unselfish, and often unrecognized. They are proud of their commitment to this community, and this community should be proud to have them.

With the help of the Thomaston Ambulance Assoc., the Thomaston Ambulance Service was able to give back to the community in a completely different way this year by providing 4 local needy families, with holiday meals this year over Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Lastly I would like to mirror the words of my predecessor Alan Leo and state that "Your Life Is Our Life", as it has always been and will always continue to be.



***PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER***

***Alan Leo***

***207-354-8819***

## REPORT OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Alan Leo

Health Officer

To the Town Manager, Board of Selectman and Citizens of Thomaston, I present the annual report of the Local Health Officer.

The Local Health Officer is a municipal position required by the State of Maine and appointed by the Town Manager. If requested by the citizens or by Town Officials I respond to reported health and/or safety issues. I work with Town Officials or independently to resolve those issues following guidelines set up by the State. I attend yearly training and I also work closely with the Federal and State Center for Disease Control, the Maine Health Alert Network and the local hospital receiving notices and updates regarding any health issues, disease outbreaks and health trends worldwide as well as in-state updates on any illnesses or diseases with in Maine. If necessary these updates are forwarded to the Town Manager, schools and others who may need to be informed of this information.

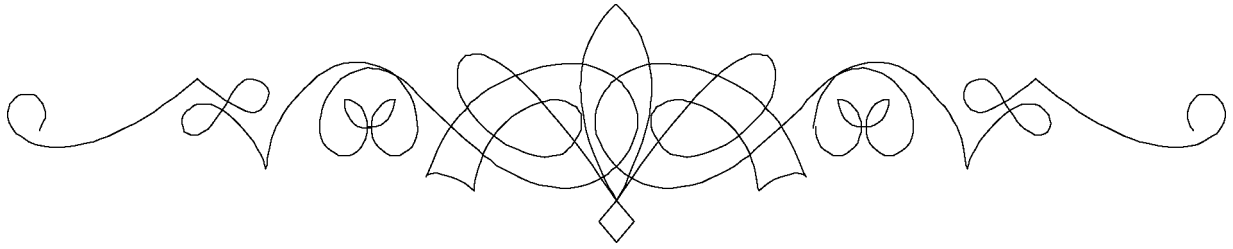
If any citizen should need to reach me I may be contacted at 354-8819 and if not available you may leave a message.

It is my pleasure to serve the Town of Thomaston.

Alan P. Leo, Local Health Officer







***ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER***

**Robert Robinson**

**207-390-0080**

**SHELTER PROVIDER**

**Pope Memorial Humane Society of Knox County**

**594-2200**

## **REPORT OF ANIMAL CONTROL**

**Robert Robinson**

**ACO**

**It is with pleasure that I present the report of the Animal Control Department.**

**As a reminder in the State of Maine all dogs over the age of six months are required to have a current rabies shot and be licensed. A dog license is issued for each calendar year (January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>) however the State of Maine allows the owner(s) until Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> before a late fee of \$25.00 per dog is assessed along with the licensing fees.**

**This past winter was especially harsh and I received many complaints about dogs being tied outside without proper shelter for many hours. Unless your dog is a Nordic breed such as a Husky, it like you cannot stand prolonged exposure to the cold. If you do not provide the essentials for your pets when they are outside for extended periods whether it is in the winter, spring, summer or fall you can be charged with Animal Cruelty a Class D crime under title 17MRSA section 1031 or 4011.**

**Now that the Town allows for the keeping of small animals in the Residential Zone such as chickens and/or rabbits you must follow the rules that are in place and keep the animals confined to your own property last summer there were flocks of chickens wandering along Route 1 holding up traffic. The ordinance allows the keeping of up to 12 animals in total and requires they be provided with proper shelter and substance as well as being confined to the owner's property.**

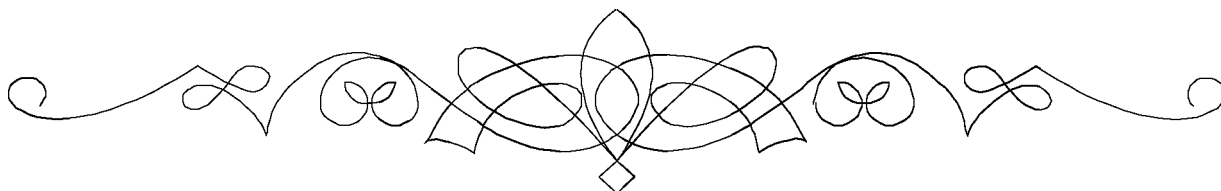
**Municipal Animal Control is primarily responsible for domestic animals such as dogs, cats, rabbits, chickens etc. not wild animals. In some cases there may be an issue with raccoons, skunks, bats and foxes suspected of having rabies, if they come in contact with you or your pet please call me.**

**Owning a pet is a lifetime responsibility and has associated cost for food, shelter, vet care and other items needed to keep your pet healthy and happy. Potential pet owners are urged to keep these considerations in mind before getting a pet.**

**Remember to treat your pets with the love and care they deserve and you will see it returned in kind.**

**I am available at 390-0080 if you have an animal related complaint, concern or question.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Robinson  
Thomaston Animal Control**



## ***EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR***

**Valmore Blastow, Jr.**

**354-6107**

### **EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST:**

**Town of Thomaston**

**Emergency Fire/Ambulance/Police      CALL      911**

#### **Administrative Calls:**

<b>EMA Director:</b>	<b>Valmore Blastow</b>	<b>354-6107</b>
<b>Fire Chief:</b>	<b>Michael Leo</b>	<b>975-0096</b>
<b>Police Chief:</b>	<b>Kevin Haj</b>	<b>354-2511</b>
<b>Ambulance Director:</b>	<b>Ruston Barnard</b>	<b>542-0494</b>
<b>Knox County EMA:</b>	<b>Ray Sisk</b>	<b>594-5155</b>
<b>Knox County</b>	<b>Sheriff Dept.</b>	<b>594-0429</b>

**Knox RCC    593-9132**

**State Police:    1-800-452-4664**

**HazMat Spill reporting-**

**National Response Center    1-800-424-8802**

## **REPORT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

***Valmore Blastow, Jr.***

***EMA Director***

The Town continues to provide emergency preparedness in concert with Knox County Emergency Management Agency and Maine Emergency Management Agency. MEMA awarded the Town an approved \$12,260 budget for the Town's Emergency Management Work Plan. The approved expenditures are matched with Town funds in the ongoing Work Plan.

The Town has completed or is proposing correction of the Hazard Mitigation Project at Main Street to School Street drainage across the Mall – part of Route 1 Project #017890 scheduled for completion in 2015-2016.

The Town signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Agriculture Conservation and Forestry regarding the collection of data for the execution of an orthoimagery GIS mapping of the Town at a cost of \$3,000.

The Town initiated the creation of a Public Safety Resource Map and expended approximately 90 plus hours of time for digital data of hydrant mapping with Pollution Control Department and Fire Department digital data, property utilization, sewer, flood plain, etc.

The Town created and adopted its first Emergency Operations Plan for the Thomaston 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebrations along with mapping for parade and evacuation routes coordinated by Fire Chief Mike Mazzeo and Police Chief Kevin Haj.

The Town developed an alert roster to contact municipal, county and state officials of an impending emergency.

The Town upgraded the electrical wiring and operating system of the Fire Department generator.

The Town upgraded the Police Department radio system with a 50 watt base repeater through Radio Communications Management of Chelsea at a cost of \$4,154.55. This eliminated safety concerns of officers unable to communicate with Knox Dispatch with mobile units in certain areas of the Town. Officer Mike Blais is credited with bringing this issue to the forefront and working to correct the deficiencies.

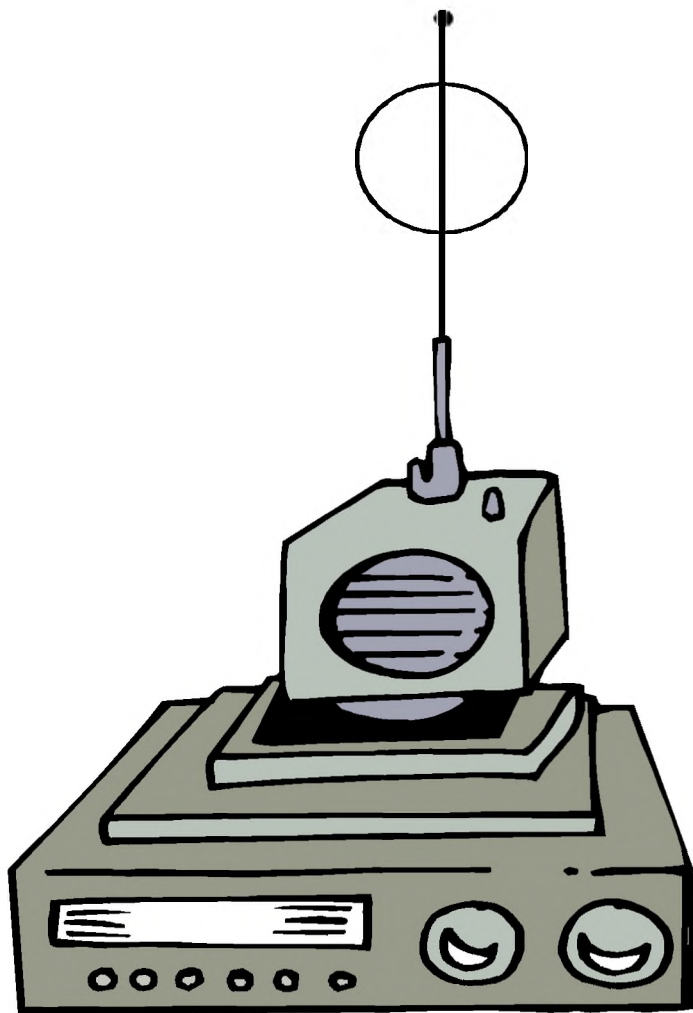
Shirley Hamlin attended the Governor's Round table Discussions on Aging Demographics and will assist in working towards venues of assisting, locating, identifying needs of Thomaston citizens for emergency planning.

The Town received \$5,668 for the federal period ending September 30, 2013 in Emergency Management Plan Grant Funds.

I wish to thank all the Public Safety Staff and paid volunteers. It's their efforts and actions that make preparedness effective as they move into an action mode, and not what we write on

**paper. Thank you, Fire Chief Mike Leo, Police Chief Kevin Haj, Ambulance Director Rusty Barnard, Public Works Director Jim Connon, and all your staff.**

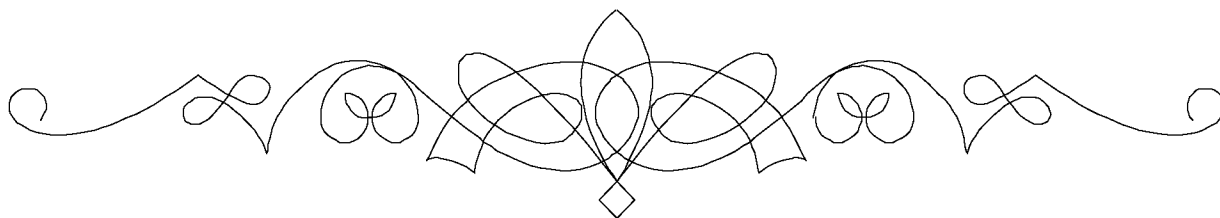
**Copies of “Your Family Emergency Preparedness” guide are available at the Town Office or on the website at <http://town.thomaston.me.us>.**



# ASSESSING DEPARTMENT



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## **ASSESSING PERSONNEL**

### ***Assessors***

**A. Fredrick Wigglesworth  
Peter Lammert  
Joan Linscott**

### ***Assessor's Agent***

**David Martucci**

# VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013

David B. Martucci, CMA

Assessor's Agent

## AMOUNT NEEDED TO PAY BILLS

County Tax	367,738	
Municipal Budget	2,836,216	
TIF Financing Plan Amount	806,551	
Education	3,221,566	
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>7,232,071</b>	



## DEDUCTIONS

Estimated State Revenue Sharing	140,000	
Homestead Reimbursement*	61,329	
BETE Reimbursement**	33,023	
Other Revenues	638,234	
<b>LESS ADDITIONAL REVENUES</b>	<b>872,586</b>	

**TOTAL TAX NEEDED 6,359,485**

**OVERLAY† 12,897**

**TOTAL TAX RAISED (see below) 6,372,382**

## Tax Rate Calculation

Total tax plus Overlay	6,372,382	= 0.01674
Total Taxable Valuation	380,667,988	

Tax rate is per dollar but can be expressed as  
\$16.74 per Thousand Dollars of Valuation

## VALUATION & TAX

Real Estate Value	383,909,941	
Less Exemptions	(50,321,855)	
Personal Property Value	49,684,361	
Less BETE Exemptions	(2,604,459)	
<b>TOTAL VALUATION</b>	<b>380,667,988</b>	
<b>TIMES TAX RATE</b>	<b>x .01674</b>	
<b>TOTAL TAX RAISED</b>	<b>6,372,382</b>	

EXEMPTIONS	VALUE	TAX
Benevolent & Charitable	3,370,564	56,423
Blind	24,000	402
Fraternal Organizations	925,672	15,496
Homestead	7,327,243	122,658
Literary & Scientific	2,366,329	39,612
Environmental Control	6,714,309	112,398
Religious	4,822,013	80,720
United States of America	1,739,775	29,124
State of Maine	1,882,470	31,513
RSU 13	5,490,701	91,914
Town of Thomaston	14,526,570	243,175
Veteran's Estates	714,000	11,952
Veteran's Posts	418,209	7,001
<b>TOTAL EXEMPTIONS</b>	<b>50,321,855</b>	<b>842,388</b>

## Taxes Committed October 4, 2013

\* The Homestead Exemption is now \$10,000 per homestead which amounted to a reduction in tax of \$167.40 per receipt. The State of Maine reimburses the Town \$83.70 of this which is 50%. The rest is paid for by all taxpayers.

\*\* The Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE) is for some business equipment first placed into service as of 4/1/08. The State reimburses for lost taxes on a sliding scale, this year the base is at least 50%, although we are eligible for a base rate of 56.48% due to the high percentage of personal property we rely on for taxes plus 90% reimbursement on items in the TIF Districts per State law.

† Overlay is the amount raised above needed taxes. By law, it cannot be more than 5% of the minimum tax needed. It is used to pay for abatements and adjustments to valuation.

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 8 am - 5 pm, Wednesday 8 am - 2 pm  
PO Box 299, Thomaston ME 04861-0299

(207) 354-6107 ext. 228  
[assessor@midcoast.com](mailto:assessor@midcoast.com)



## Calendar Year 2013 ABATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTALS

REAL ESTATE ABATEMENTS		
Allis, Jeffrey R. & Valerie	250.94	Error in Assessment.
B&S Recycling, LLC	2,564.69	Error in Assessment.
Brown, William J. & Mary A. Estate	2,134.49	Error in Assessment.
Hernandez, Galo J. III & Frances	373.63	Error in Assessment.
Shook, Thomas G.	265.96	Error in Assessment.
Town of Thomaston	66.27	Error in Assessment.

PERSONAL PROPERTY ABATEMENTS		
Jeff's Autobody & Restoration 11-12	54.46	Too small or burdensome*
Oyster River Handyman 11-12	19.34	Too small or burdensome*
Oyster River Handyman - Tom Jones	22.36	Error in Assessment.
The Postcard Dude - Michael G. Blood	73.97	Error in Assessment.
Richard Barnett Photo	110.48	Error in Assessment.
Shaw Yacht Inc. 11-12	257.73	Too small or burdensome*
Shaw Yacht Inc. 10-11	115.61	Too small or burdensome*
The Shelter Man 10-11	17.35	Too small or burdensome*

PERSONAL PROPERTY ABATEMENTS (Continued)		
Waterfront Market 11-12	71.03	Too small or burdensome
Waterfront Market 10-11	63.73	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 09-10	99.97	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 08-09	87.77	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 07-08	84.32	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 06-07	81.56	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 06-07	15.97	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 05-06	112.61	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 04-05	127.78	Too small or burdensome*
Waterfront Market 03-04	951.53	Too small or burdensome*

TOTAL ABATEMENTS	8,023.54
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\* *Abatements by Selectmen to clear bookkeeping.*

SUPPLEMENTAL TAX ASSESSMENTS		
B&S Recycling	1,887.77	Personal Property Tax
Mead, Alan R. & Gretchen F.	167.40	Homestead Granted in Error

<i>Poverty Abatement Case 1-13</i>	\$2990.89
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## 2013-2014 EXEMPT LIST

*The following entities are exempt from taxes.*

**Apostolic Christian Life Center  
Assembly of God Church  
Baptist Missionary Association of America  
Coastal Workshop  
Elm Grove Cemetery Association  
Georges River Land Trust  
Knox Scouters Association  
Midcoast Habitat for Humanity  
Orient Association  
Pope Memorial Humane Society of  
Knox County  
Regional School Unit #13  
Southern Maine Wetlands Conservancy &  
Education Center  
Solid Waste Corporation of Owls Head,  
South Thomaston, & Thomaston**

St. James Catholic Church & Cemetery  
St. John's Episcopal Church  
State of Maine Department of  
Administration & Financial Services  
State of Maine Department of  
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife  
The General Henry Knox Museum  
Thomaston Baptist Church  
Thomaston Conservation Commission  
Thomaston Federated Church  
Thomaston Historical Association  
Town of Thomaston  
United States of America (USCG)  
Volunteers of America  
William Brazier Post, American Legion

# THOMASTON BOARD OF ASSESSORS

*Fred Wigglesworth*

*Peter Lammert*

*Joan Linscott*

## Where the Money Goes

Money is voted by the citizens of Thomaston at Town Meeting for all municipal services with the exception of Pollution Control, which is paid for by fees. The total Municipal Appropriation as voted at Town Meeting for 2013/2014 was **\$2,836,216**, down from \$2,844,543 for 2012/2013.

The Knox County Tax is based on Thomaston's total value as determined by the State Tax Assessor multiplied by the County's mil rate. The Knox County Tax bill for 2013/2014 was \$279,530. Dispatch service for Fire, Ambulance and Police was billed separately for \$70,208, bringing the County total to **\$367,738**, up from \$348,548 for 2012/2013.

Money for the school for Thomaston under RSU #13 totals **\$4,450,620** for 2013/2014 as compared to \$4,493,244 last year for Thomaston; however the State of Maine contributes \$1,229,054 (down from \$1,251,720 last year). After deducting the State share, Thomaston's share to educate our children is **\$3,221,566**, down from \$3,241,524 for 2012/2013.

This year the Dragon Cement TIF agreement plus the Downtown TIF has an effective appropriation of **\$806,551**, down from \$835,477 for 2012/2013.

These amounts are added together to make up the total tax liability for the Town of Thomaston, which is **\$7,232,071** for 2013/2014, down slightly from \$7,270,092 for 2012/2013.

## Where the Money Comes From

However, before taxes are assessed there are some estimated revenues that are deducted to reduce the Property Tax Burden (these numbers may not accurately reflect the amounts actually taken in; we use the best guess on some of them).

<i>Revenue from the State of Maine</i>	<u>2013/2014</u>	<u>2012/2013</u>
Municipal Revenue Sharing.....	\$140,000	\$229,294
Homestead Reimbursement .....	61,329	63,565
BETE Reimbursement .....	33,023	26,511
Local Road Assistance .....	27,304	27,304
Veteran's Reimbursement .....	3,000	3,000
General Assistance Reimbursement.....	10,000	15,000
Gas Tax Refund .....	6,200	6,200
Tree Growth Reimbursement.....	1,500	1,500
Snowmobile Reimbursement .....	400	400
<i>Revenue raised in the Town</i>		
Interest on Taxes and Lien Costs .....	41,000	41,000
Permit Fees .....	73,600	34,700
Thomaston Academy Rent and Utilities Reimbursement .....	24,000	24,000
Verizon Tower Lease .....	13,200	13,200
Excise Taxes .....	354,000	359,000
Other Income .....	84,030	142,770
<b>TOTAL REVENUE USED TO OFFSET TAXES .....</b>	<b>\$872,586</b>	<b>\$987,443</b>

This leaves **\$6,359,485** (which is \$7,232,071 less \$872,586; last year's total was \$6,282,649) to be raised by taxes to cover the Town's financial responsibilities. To this we add the "Overlay," an additional amount authorized by law to be no more than 5% above the minimal needs in order to pay for unexpected things like abatements, etc. This year we

added \$12,897 (\$18,150 last year) in Overlay, bringing the total for tax commitment to \$6,372,382 (which is \$6,359,485 plus \$12,897; last year the total was \$6,300,799).

#### How We Determine the Mil Rate

The "Mil Rate" is the percentage of the Value of property in the town used to determine everyone's fair share of the tax. We take the amount needed to be raised (\$6,372,382) and divide it by the total valuation (\$380,667,988, which is up from \$375,047,528 last year). This yields a decimal percent of .01674, which is better understood when expressed as "\$16.74 per thousand valuation". In other words, for every thousand dollars of value you own, you are assessed \$16.74 as your fair share of the tax. This rate is down six cents from last year, even though the total amount needed to be raised is up \$71,583 from last year.

The two big factors in this change are the major decrease in the State Revenue Sharing, which by itself would have meant a major increase in the tax rate, tempered by the partial valuation of the new Super Walmart (it was about 40% complete on 4/1/2013 not counting any site work, which added some \$7.2 million to the Town's total Valuation). Next year we expect the Walmart valuation to increase to approximately \$28 million plus we will be adding the value of Tractor Supply, which we estimate at about \$2.5 million.

We are concerned that the State of Maine is considering further major reductions in Revenue Sharing, which will hamper our ability to lower the tax rate, but with this major new value about to come online, we should be able to do so anyway.

Valuation of Property is reviewed annually and the State of Maine requires it to be as of April 1<sup>st</sup>. For example, if you and your neighbor are building identical homes, but yours is complete on March 31<sup>st</sup> and your neighbor's isn't, you can expect a difference in the tax for that year. Values are derived, by Maine law, by a strange method that begins with so-called "replacement value" figures, modified by "market forces" data. The Assessor's Agent will explain this process further.

There are different types of property and two basic classes, Real Estate and Personal Property. Not all property is taxable; municipal or State property, non-profit organizations, religious institutions and others are exempt from all or partial taxes. In addition, certain value amounts of property are exempt under certain circumstances, for example for your Homestead or if you're a veteran or blind. A new exemption on personal property was instituted by the State of Maine a few years ago, the Business Equipment Tax Exemption or BETE. Certain types of business equipment may be exempt if the business makes an annual application. Contact the Agent for more information.

In addition, State Law allows the municipality to raise up to 5% more in taxes than we appropriated, in order to cover abatements and adjustments in valuation. This is called the "Overlay". This year, the maximum overlay we could have raised was \$317,974 but we chose an overlay of \$12,897 which is used to cover abatements and the like. Last year we raised \$18,150.

The Board has its monthly meetings on the **FOURTH Tuesday, now at 5:00 pm** to decide on abatements or supplemental tax assessments and to review the progress of the work conducted by the Agent. We feel the current Agent, Dave Martucci, is working out well and we appreciate his hard work. We hope you agree with us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Wigglesworth . Chairman  
Peter Lammert  
Joan Linscott

## THOMASTON ASSESSOR'S AGENT



*Dave Martucci*

*Certified Maine Assessor*

*I have been on the job as your Agent for the Board of Assessors for eleven years now, since February 2003 and would like to thank the citizens of Thomaston for being so nice to me. I would especially like to thank the Assessors, Joan Linscott, Pete Lammert and Fred Wigglesworth, Town Manager Val Blastow, CEO Bill Wasson , and the others in the office, Louise, Jodell, and Donna, for helping to make my job easier. Dealing with the Assessor, I know, can be somewhat unsettling and I hope I have been able to listen to each and every one who has come forward and that I have answered your questions.*

*The past year has seen about the same volume of home sales but a drop in values. Local sales prices compared with our assessments have remained steady keeping us at 100% of value. Mostly what is selling are the low-end "starter" type homes. Let me know if you want more details.*

### GOALS

*My job is to look at the assessments on land, buildings and personal property and make sure that they are:*

- 1. Fair and equitable;*
- 2. Thorough and complete; and*
- 3. In accordance with the standards established by the State of Maine.*

*It is my goal to see that each and every assessment is done according to the exact same formula and that, in the end, everyone is assessed for taxes in the proper proportion. To this end, I invite you to call or come by with your questions about how we do your assessment and to review anything that you think may be done wrong. Don't hesitate to question what has been done! We will fix any problem, error or inconsistency on any card!*

### ASSESSMENTS

*Residential buildings are valued according to the current Maine Assessment Manual. Each of ten categories of construction quality are rated (foundation, basement, framing, roof, exterior, interior, floors, heating, plumbing and electrical) to arrive at a grade for the home, then the actual condition ranging from 100% (new) down to below 50% (unlivable) is figured. The Maine Manual has charts for square footage of each grade and type of home (1 story, 2 story, split-level, etc.) and a figure is arrived at and discounted by the actual condition and any other extenuating factors, such as location (next to a railroad track or cement plant for example). Additional value for outbuildings are also figured and added in. Please let me know if you want a digital copy of the manual.*

*Commercial, industrial, farm and other non-residential properties are done in a similar manner, but each different kind of structure and use has its own chart that gives a square foot value that is multiplied by the actual footage to arrive at the value. Then similar discounts and factors as for residential properties are applied.*

*You should note that residential sales are looked at by location and commercial sales are also looked at separately. Our studies show the residential real estate market is still trying to come back (average selling price is up from last year--\$167,681 versus \$142,626—but the number of qualified sales is down—16 versus 19) although keep in mind by law we can only consider the sales of the last full fiscal year for the current assessments, which means the values for the 2013-14 fiscal year reflect the sales during the period 7/1/12 to 6/30/13. Our State-audited Sales ratio came in at 101% of full value this year, which is exactly where they consider us to be at full value (between 97% and 103%). In addition we have a quality rating this year of 14, which is considered good. By law, it cannot be above 20 and anything 14 or below is considered good. This rating is determined by the range of assessment ratios from one value to the next in the ratio study. Contact me for more information.*

Most people don't seem to realize most every kind of building is assessed for tax purposes. If you tear down an old shed or rip off an old deck or remove an old pool or sauna, it's likely your valuation could be reduced. But I can't do that if I don't know about it! Especially if you don't take out a Demolition Permit. Valuation of your property is certified as of April 1st, so if there have been any changes, be sure to let me know before April 1st.

Also, if your property has changed in other ways, your valuation could be affected. Any general degradation or upgrade to the property should be reported so your property can be reexamined for valuation purposes. Most of the new construction is documented on the building permits, but downgrading is seldom documented.

Maine law allows some limited tax relief in the form of Exemptions and Current Use Programs. For all of these, the filing date to be effective is on or before **April 1<sup>st</sup>** for the tax year. There are some key things to know about each of these and I will take each item up separately. As always, do not hesitate to ask about anything if you have further questions.

#### EXEMPTIONS

There are three basic categories of exemption from Real Estate valuations, *Homestead*, *Blind*, and *Veterans*. The latter has several different subsets—World War I or earlier; Post-World War I; Widows, Widowers, Minor Children and Widowed Mothers of Veterans; and Paraplegic. All exemptions except the Business Equipment Tax Exemption will be carried on the books each year you live here; you do not need to reapply each year.

Some people can qualify for more than one exemption and they are each deducted separately from the valuation. Qualifications for each category can be somewhat complex; do not hesitate to call or come in to discuss any of this in detail. I will always try to help you qualify.

The **Homestead** Exemption is the most common and it is available to anyone who has owned a homestead in Maine for one year or longer and who currently lives in their homestead here in Thomaston full-time, provided your application is received on or before April first to be valid for the present year. The Legislature mandates each exemption will be worth \$10,000, although half of that amount is to be paid for out of your property taxes and the rest paid for by the State. This adds approximately 1.2% to the Mil Rate.

Anyone who is certified by a Doctor to be legally **Blind** can receive an exemption of \$4,000, provided your application is received on or before April first to be valid for the present year.

**Veterans** can get one of several exemptions providing they meet certain requirements. For any exemption they must have been honorably discharged and a resident of the municipality where taxes are assessed, meaning your name must be on the deed, unless you live in Congregate Housing in which case you may also qualify; the process is somewhat complicated so please ask for details if you have such a living arrangement. Unless disabled during active service and receiving disability benefits from Uncle Sam, you also have to be age 62 or older and have served during a recognized War Period. A chart listing these is available on request. The veterans exemption is a reduction of \$6,000 from your

valuation before taxes are computed. Paralegic veterans who have specially adapted housing units get a special exemption of \$50,000. All applications must be received on or before April first to be valid for the present year.

The un-remarried widow, widower, or widowed mother or the estate of minor children of veterans can also claim the same exemptions that would have been granted to the veteran if still alive. Veterans Exemptions are personal to the Veteran so that if both a husband and wife are qualified veterans, they will get two exemptions. If a widow, widower, or widowed mother remarries, she or he will lose the exemption.

Two new periods of service are now covered (August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984 and December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990) and anyone who was awarded the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. Vietnam-era Veterans who served between February 28, 1961 and August 5, 1964 no longer have to have served *in* the Republic of Vietnam, although they still have to have served on active duty for 180 days or more. Overall the Vietnam-era period is still listed as February 27, 1961 to May 8, 1975. Veterans still have to be 62 years of age or have been disabled in the line of duty to qualify.

There is now one exemption to Personal Property Taxes, the Business Equipment Tax Exemption or BETE. A business with qualifying equipment placed in service on or after April 1, 2008 may annually file for the exemption. Please let me know if you have any questions or want the application form.

#### CURRENT USE PROGRAMS

The State of Maine now offers four current use programs that result in lower taxes: *Tree Growth*, *Open Space*, *Farmland*, and *Working Waterfront*. For complete details see Maine Revenue Service Property Tax Bulletins 21 (for Open Space), 20 (for Farmland) and 19 (for Tree Growth). The Working Waterfront is a new classification and new rules are now in effect, but no Tax Bulletin has yet been issued. Contact me for details on this program.

Basically, these programs allow the assessors to value the participating land according to its present use rather than at its highest possible use, as required by law.

In **Tree Growth**, parcels of 10 acres or more managed for commercial wood production according to a Forest Management and Harvesting Plan certified by a Licensed Professional Forester will be valued according to rates set by the Maine Revenue Service. These rates are typically 80 to 90% lower than the regular undeveloped land prices applied throughout the Town. These participants have to recertify their plan every 10 years.

**Farmland** works much the same way, in parcels of 5 acres or more producing a specified minimum income, with rates for different kinds of productive acreage also set by the Service, except that a local study indicating different rates may be done by the assessors. We have not done this. In addition, a report must be submitted every 5 years giving the income produced by the property for the previous five years. You must show an average of at least \$2,000 in either income or produce consumed each year, excluding wood products.

**Open Space** has no minimum size but the Assessors must believe the property meets certain criteria. Basically there are three categories of Open Space, *Regular* (which really means just filing the application) qualifies for a 20% reduction in taxes; *Permanently Protected* (meaning there is a Conservation Plan or Easement in place), a 50% reduction; and *Forever Wild* (again, an easement guaranteeing the designation), a 70% reduction. An additional 25% reduction can be applied if the land is available for Public Access, with the maximum reduction being 95% reduction in value for tax purposes.

**Working Waterfront** also has no minimum size. It is defined as a parcel or portion of a parcel of land abutting tidal waters or is located in the intertidal zone between the high and low water mark the use of which is more than 50% related to providing access to or in support of the conduct of commercial fishing activities. Basically there are two categories of Working Waterfront: *Predominantly Working Waterfront* (meaning used 90% or more for the qualified purposes) qualifies for a 20% reduction in taxes; and *Primarily Working Waterfront* (meaning used 50% or more for the qualified purposes), a 10% reduction. An additional 30% reduction can be applied if the land is permanently protected from a change in use through deeded restrictions.

All of these programs have substantial penalties associated with them when the land is withdrawn for other uses. The only exception to this is if the land is moved from one program to another, for example if you remove it from Farmland or Tree Growth and place it in Open Space.

## BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY

Businesses are required by State Law to file a Personal Property Declaration for all items used in business except vehicles or vessels on which you have paid excise tax, all stock in trade held for resale, or real estate (which is otherwise taxable as above). Even property held for rental must be declared as well as any property you lease, even if it is taxable to someone else. If your property has no value, you still must declare it. We have been updating our records on Thomaston's business community; if you have not heard from me this year, please contact the office for a form or for more information. All business property owned as of April 1st must be declared: the deadline for reporting is June 1st. Notices usually go out sometime in March. Please note that if you do not file the town form, you will waive your right of appeal for any tax that may be assessed. We put all property on a depreciation schedule, like what you declare on your IRS Depreciation Schedule, so that as your equipment and tools age, their value drops, ultimately to 30% or less depending on the type of property.

***You should note two things: businesses are asked to report their personal property voluntarily, but as I do my inspections, anything not reported will be noted and you could be liable for failure to report. If you have any equipment that qualifies for the new BETE exemption, you must file for that program every year. If you have any questions or have not filled out a personal property tax form, please contact me at once.***

## ABATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMTALS

If there is some error in figuring your valuation, the Town of Thomaston is committed to fixing it. If this lowers your value and the condition clearly existed before the current assessment year began, then we will abate your tax for the difference. Under the law, you have the right to request abatement within 185 days of commitment for the present tax year; the Board of Assessors will be happy to consider your request. The request for abatement must be on a specific form, available from the Town Office or let me know and I'll mail you a copy. Copies are also available on the Town's web site, <<http://town.thomaston.me.us>>. The Assessors can make any abatement they see fit to correct values at any time during the present tax year, regardless whether you have asked for it or not. The form includes specific instructions, but if you have any questions I'll be happy to help you fill it out.

After one year from the commitment date, you may request abatement from the Selectmen for up to the last three years taxes for any illegality, or irregularity in your assessment (such as assessment of the wrong person or an exempt owner but not errors in assessment values). The Selectman can also act on requests for abatement of taxes at any time due to poverty or infirmity. Special forms for this are also available as above.

## ABATEMENT APPEALS

If you apply for an abatement and the Board of Assessors does not agree with you and denies the request, you have the right to file an appeal of their decision within 60 days to the Knox County Board of Assessment Review. This board is made up of assessors, appraisers, and other citizens of the county.

## STATE CERTIFIED RATIO AND EQUALIZATION

Every year, the State of Maine reviews past real estate sales in the town and compares them to our assessed values. By a simple formula, they develop our State Certified Ratio. This number is used in determining Revenue Sharing, School Subsidy, Exemption Reimbursements and other figures. If the ratio is below 100%, so are the other figures. This includes what you get as a Homestead Exemption, Veteran's Exemption, etc. In other words, the Homestead Exemption will be pegged at \$10,000 this year at 100% Ratio. But if the Ratio falls to 80%, for example, then it is worth only \$8,000. Up until now, we have been able to certify at 100%.

By State Law the overall average Municipal Ratio cannot be less than 70% or more than 110%. This past year we were at 101% average assessment ratio, which is considered excellent. We will be able to continue to certify at 100% with no problems. As real estate prices change, we may revalue our land prices either upward or downward but that may not affect your taxes too much as we will still have to raise the amount authorized by town meeting. Usually the only effect a declining market has is to raise the mil rate.

We also have a "Quality Rating" of 14, which is good. Basically this rating is figured from the average deviation between each assessed ratio; by law we must be below 20 for our rating. Anything 14 or below is considered good.

## OTHER ISSUES

The Assessors' office has been given expanded duties over the last few years in a number of areas. We are working towards getting the Assessing cards online, and are now doing more of our own GIS Mapping (updating the shape files and editing and printing of updated tax maps). Our in-house tax maps have been published since 2012 and are available on the town web site.

In addition to assessing, I now email notices, agendas, and newsletters and have been known to spend some time on basic office computer troubleshooting.

### OFFICE HOURS & ASSESSORS MEETINGS

My office hours are Tuesday and Thursday 8 am to 5 pm, and Wednesdays 8 am to 2 pm or by appointment. I am in some other days as well sometimes. The Board of Assessors meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 5 pm in the Town Office, Knox Street entrance. Call, write or email if you have any questions or comments.

Thanks for your support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "David B. Martucci", with a long, sweeping horizontal line underneath it.

Respectfully submitted,  
David B. Martucci, CMA  
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## OUTSTANDING PROPERTY TAXES

### Real Estate

#### 2011/2012 Tax Year

Archer, Michael	\$ 539.36
Buxton, Melanie & Todd	756.81
TOTAL REAL ESTATE TAXES DUE	\$1,296.17

## OUTSTANDING PROPERTY TAXES

### Real Estate

#### 2012/2013 Tax Year

Archer, Michael	\$ 620.61
Barbour, M. Sylvia Estate	1,259.09
Beattie, Robert & Debra	1,489.79
Beattie, Robert & Debra	973.49
Beattie, Robert & Debra	1,091.66
Bedell, Michael & Sandra	3,487.81
Benner, Terry	1,183.95
Bernier, Albert & Marie-Denise	3,694.15
Berry, Melody & Rickey	2,070.35
Bird, Robert	2,483.63
Bruce, Susanne	618.22
Brylar, LLC	2,161.27
Burnell, Carleton & Sandra	969.02
Buxton, Melanie & Todd	2,390.12
CSD Propertie, LLC	12,663.00
Cesarini, Diana	848.30
Coats, Earl II	967.46
Colson, Eugene & Lista	106.15
Delmonico-Reed, Rosemary	1,771.21
Ferrin, Elizabeth	217.24
Goodnow, Justin	6,045.40
Hall, Peter & Lisa Poppe-Hall	1,686.48
Harjula, Christopher	2,315.81
Harjula, Jacqueline	6,058.26
Hathorne, Charles & Rosalie	2,466.04
Jacques, John & Mary Jane	3,625.64

Johnson, Chad & Candi	837.15
Jones, Norene & George	\$ 2,351.93
Jordan, David & Sandra	2,099.90
Lawson, Janis & Robert	1,458.09
Linscott, Wayne	3,492.13
Little, Andrea	2,780.06
Living Center at Thomaston, LLC	7,132.54
Lynch, Patrick	797.91
Marriner, Steven II & Tina Sanders	2,362.21
McMahan, Donald	337.13
McWilliams-Hale, Denita & Steven Hale	448.76
Molloy, Callyn	2,252.88
Overlock, Dwight & Sheryl	1,614.85
Overlock, Dwight & Sheryl	2,142.39
Parent, Christopher & Alina	431.09
Payson, Timothy	5,090.00
Philbrook, Mark	3,354.24
Prentiss, George Jr	1,866.58
Rising Properties, LLC	4,744.54
Roebke, Ernest Estate	7,181.76
Roscoe, Frank	1,669.77
S&S Properties Trust	2,778.53
Smalley, Brian & Jean Ann	2,577.20
Smart Properties, LLC	6,824.11
Smart Properties, LLC	3,464.99
Stafford, Robert & Patience Sampson	7,150.75
Talbot, David & Donnalee	1,586.14
Titus, Earl & Joan Estate	2,749.50
Townsend, Darryl & Heidi	4,983.64
Vigue, John	4,797.90
Wagner, Teresa	5,974.73
Wilson, Timothy	2,957.51
Wooster, Milton & Shirley	2,173.03
Wotton, Lillian Estate	1,676.26
Wotton, Lillian Estate	344.23
Wotton, Lillian Estate	251.71
Wotton, Lillian Estate	304.39
Yates, Jason	168.00
<b>TOTAL REAL ESTATE TAXES DUE</b>	<b>\$168,436.68</b>

**OUTSTANDING**  
**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES**

**2011 Tax Year**

Angelique's Fine Used Furniture	10.21
Billy's Tavern/William & Chris Burke	342.13
Bryan's Body & Fender/Bryan Marshall	203.72
Capstone Electric Inc/ Michael Bedell	83.80
Catalano Construction	890.56
Chemrock Corp.	255.66
Coastal Child Care Center, Inc	3.69
Creek Hill Auto Repair/Craig Hoppe	1,269.90
Entertainment Resources Inc/Chuck Kruger	2.08
First Data Merchant Services	1.28
GCN Holding LLC	1.31
Jon Bonjour Photography LLC	358.66
Maine Web Design & Development/Dirigo Employment LLC	4.40
Nature's Nest Child Care/ Richard & Stacy Burnett	133.57
New England Vending	6.21
Pitney-Bowes Inc	25.24
Rock City Cycle	208.16
Sea Street Graphics	658.00
Shoreline Home Sales/Robert Bird	46.77
Sparta Vending Dist. ME	372.09
Studio 54/Michael Martineau	126.41
Thomaston Grocery/John Vigue	4.98
Traction Heavy Duty Parts	30.61
Verizon Wireless	222.27
William E Dornan & Sons/ Robert Beattie	380.97

<i>TOTAL 2011 PERSONAL PROPERTY DUE</i>	<b><i>\$5,642.68</i></b>
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**OUTSTANDING**  
**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES**

**2012 Tax Year**

Angelique's Fine Used Furniture	23.59
Athen's Mediterranean Pizza	559.64
Billy's Tavern/William & Chris Burke	541.16
Bryan's Body & Fender/Bryan Marshall	227.08
Capstone Electric Inc/ Michael Bedell	93.40
Catalano Construction	992.66
Chemrock Corp.	129.93
Coastal Child Care Center, Inc	197.66
Creek Hill Auto Repair/Craig Hoppe	1,415.49
J. Miller & Associates PLLC	13.99
Maine Web Design & Development/Dirigo Employment LLC	4.91
New England Vending	6.92
Postcard Dude/Michael Blood	43.66
Rock City Cycle	232.03
Sea Street Graphics	1,346.39
Shoreline Home Sales/Robert Bird	63.63
Sparta Vending	414.76
Studio 494/Michael Martineau	140.91
Thomaston Grocery/John Vigue	5.56
Traction Heavy Duty Parts/Genuine Parts Co.	450.65
Verizon Wireless/Portland Cellular Partnership	416.90
William E Dornan & Sons/ Robert Beattie	424.65
<b><i>TOTAL 2012 PERSONAL PROPERTY DUE</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 7,745.57</i></b>

**OUTSTANDING**  
**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES**  
**2013 Tax Year**

Adian Editing/Jennifer Blood	67.20
Angelique's Fine Furniture/Patricia Shaw	27.27
Athens Mediterranean Pizzeria/ Joshua Smith	647.19
Billy's Tavern/ William & Chris Burke	625.83
Bryan's Body and Fender/ Bryan Marshall	262.60
Bryant Construction	336.00
Capstone Electric/Michael Bedell	108.02
Catalano Construction, Inc.	1,189.59
Coastal Child Care Center Inc.	228.58
Creek Hill Auto Repair/Craig Hoppe	1,636.94
Charles Walsh	16.80
Chemrock, Corp	150.26
Donna's Lil Darlings/Donna Steele	82.00
Dusty's Hardwood Flooring/Todd Winterbottom	16.80
Enterprise Rent-A-Car	98.76
Ferraiolo Construction Inc	10,337.04
Frost Gully Gallery/Thomas Crotty	184.80
Gliders Take Out/Mike Smallidge	67.20
HFSS Biz/Wind Tran	18.48
Highland Coffee Shop/Tracey Beaudry	840.00
Isaac Rhode Painting	33.60
J. Miller & Associates PLLC	34.54
Jeff's Autobody & Restoration/Jeff Clough	125.97
Local Color Salon/Ruth Carney	15.02
Maine Coast Family Dentistry/Jeff Jordan DMD	802.88
New England Vending	8.00
Nails Salon	252.00
Oak Run Heating	100.80
Post Card Dude/Michael Blood	52.43
Rock City Cycle/Peter Bishop	268.33
Scientific Games International	56.45
Shoreline Home Sales/Robert Bird	62.80
Sparta Vending Dist. ME	479.66
Studio 494/Michael Martineau	162.96
Sea Street Graphics	1,060.08
Stubby's Service Center/ Tom Jones& Wendy Meklin	1,176.00
Thomaston Grocery/ John Vigue	36.96
Traction Heavy Duty Parts	521.15
Treeworks	33.60
Verizon Wireless	65.81
William E. Dornan & Sons/Robert Beattie	491.10
<b>TOTAL 2013 PERSONAL PROPERTY DUE</b>	<b>\$23,715.10</b>

# **2013-2014 PROPERTY TAXES**

Abbott, Walter M. & Mildred L. ....2,318.88  
 Achorn, Myra S. & Harold A. Jr. ....2,594.11  
 Achorn, Nancy A.K. & Bradley M. ....4,031.08  
 Achterhof, Carol A. ....7,288.63  
 Ackor, Jefferson D. & Susan J. ....2,707.01  
 Adams, Aaron G. ....3,345.15  
 Adams, Charles W. III & Donna J. ....2,853.20  
 Adams, Gerald A. ....3,647.61  
 Adams, Linda L. ....3,822.60  
 Adian Editing .....73.66  
 ADT LLC .....1.10  
 ADW Maker .....25.11  
 Adz Partnership .....1,582.26  
 Aimee's Haircuts .....9.31  
 Airwaves, Inc. ....110.48  
 Albert J. Zimba Trust .....6,925.17  
 Alcott Boat Co., LLC .....2,508.09  
 Alex, George S. & Gwendolyn M. ....2,818.95  
 Alex, Gwendolyn & Gregory .....1,980.86  
 Allaire, John .....3,016.67  
 Allan, Daniel P. & Kay E. ....3,691.20  
 Allen, Daniel H. ....2,399.49  
 Allen, Daniel R. & Ann M. ....2,492.45  
 Allen, Lamont L. Jr. & Alana J. ....2,259.01  
 Allen, Lamont S. & Alana J. ....3,804.00  
 Alley, David C. ....2,426.63  
 Allis, Jeffrey R. & Valerie .....8,699.19  
 Amerigas Propane LP .....2.75  
 Ames, Victor U. & Joan S. ....3,079.71  
 AMG Transport .....20.26  
 Anderson, Bertil K. & Jeanie M. ....3,103.14  
 Anderson, Charlene S. ....2,977.13  
 Anderson, John Heirs .....2,944.87  
 Anderson, Olof L. & Evelyn G. ....3,297.63  
 Anderson, Sally B. & Walter A. ....2,052.12  
 Anthony, Beth & David .....254.38  
 Antique Village at Redmill, Inc. ....10,280.54  
 Applebee's .....5,271.73  
 Arbour, Lawrence M. & Georgene D. ....3,031.78  
 Arcana Lodge #102 K of Pythias .....1,275.81  
 Armbrecht, Cheryl D. & Thomas H. ....3,800.35  
 Armstrong Properties, Inc. ....10,089.73  
 Armstrong, Jeffrey B. & Nancy .....4,636.75  
 Arrg, LLC .....5,017.50  
 Arsenaault, Scot & Carol L. ....2,510.56  
 Art Tibbetts Marine Contractors .....471.47  
 Arteaga, Ana Maria .....2,033.32

Arthur D. Henry Gen. Contractor .....1,300.38  
 Ashworth, Amy & Whitney, Benjamin .1,019.48  
 Athearn, Mollie A. ....1,966.50  
 Athens Mediterranean Pizzeria .....709.36  
 Atkinson, Jennifer F. ....1,045.38  
 Atkinson, Wendell R. & Brenda J. ....3,653.89  
 B&S Recycling LLC .....2,403.19  
 B.F.E. LLC .....34,878.84  
 Baio, Dora Irrevocable Trust .....796.82  
 Baiza, Lawrence T. ....3,598.11  
 Baker, James W. & Lisa T. ....2,412.49  
 Baker, Nancy T. ....4,519.28  
 Ball, Charles & Kelly .....2,150.62  
 Bank of America, N.A. ....1,897.82  
 Banknorth, N.A. ....9,532.94  
 Banks, Christina C. ....2,880.72  
 Banta, Frederic E. & Laurel K. ....1,799.38  
 Barbee, Suzanne S. & Hotho, Victor  
     Albert .....4,069.14  
 Barbour, Marie Sylvia Estate .....2,777.03  
 Barbour, Susan et al .....4,054.42  
 Barlow, Albert L. & Kari P. ....4,664.72  
 Barlow, Shirley R. ....2,262.21  
 Barnard, Elizabeth L. ....6,512.56  
 Barnes, Brian P. ....8,375.86  
 Barnes, James L. ....8,297.05  
 Barnes, Michele .....2,182.54  
 Barnes, Paul H. & Priscilla .....2,997.11  
 Barnes, Perry M. & Lauren M. ....2,465.00  
 Barnes, Susan A. ....1,883.30  
 Barnett, Richard M. & Ruth DeBoer ....4,476.39  
 Barra, Andrea P. & Michael J. ....3,240.53  
 Barreto, Carmen G. ....4,868.96  
 Barrett, Kathleen A. ....2,288.71  
 Barstow, Andrew J. & Amy .....3,000.34  
 Barter, Tracie N. & Laatz, Susan .....1,816.69  
 Barthelette, Jane H. & Hirsch,  
     Christopher .....1,194.16  
 Bartke, Jesse L. & Ashby M. ....1,892.09  
 Baudanza, Michael J. ....2,701.75  
 Beach, Diana L. ....5,636.17  
 Beal, Gerald W. & Nancy L. ....626.80  
 Beasley, George & Constance T. ....5,541.51  
 Beattie, Robert & Debra L. ....3,542.26  
 Beaupre, Jean-Louis L. & Meredith .....1,754.42  
 Beckett, Eileen K. ....2,258.21  
 Beckett, Lloyd E. & Maxine L. ....3,971.50

Beckett, Patricia W. & Hyatt, Melanie A. & Erik M.....	2,043.90	Bournival, Linda A. & Thomas .....	5,571.34
Beckett, Shawn & Amy.....	2,744.91	Boyer, Leslie A.....	2,596.96
Bedell, Michael S. & Sandra G.....	6,488.56	Boynton, Mark E. & Alyce E. ....	2,749.24
Beechwood Apartments & Laukka, Bruce & Patrice.....	13,940.82	Braestrup, Elizabeth K.....	3,246.04
Beechwood Barn, LLC.....	3,688.83	Brandon, Francis X. & Foley, Sally M..	3,915.08
Bell, Nathaniel S. & Susan L. ....	3,611.69	Bray, Diana S.....	3,473.47
Benkin, Ellen & Earl, Mary Clark 2003 Trust.....	920.01	Breen, Daniel P. & Karyl S. ....	2,988.03
Benner, Jane E.....	1,463.86	Breen, Walter D. & Sheila.....	2,926.38
Benner, Lorraine A.....	1,617.13	Bridal Bouquet Floral .....	45.65
Benner, Raymond & Lois.....	2,131.44	Brooks Forest Prod. ....	647.69
Benner, Terry .....	1,208.71	Brooks Inc.....	5,823.65
Benoit, François .....	2,554.41	Brooks, Lawrence .....	6,622.77
Bernier, Albert L. Jr. ....	1,276.83	Brooks, Lawrence & Karl Estate .....	1,326.26
Bernier, Albert L. LE & Marie-Denise ..	3,680.96	Brooks, Lawrence & Kay F.....	4,440.17
Berry, Melody L. & Rickey .....	2,062.95	Brooks, Lawrence A. & Kay F., Ryan, Terrance L. & Cheryl B. & Frye, Kim F.....	2,709.34
Bertocci, Thomas A. & Cynthia S.....	4,796.46	Brooks, Lawrence, Kay F., Raynold F. & Jean O.....	2,010.91
Berube, Paul & Jenni.....	2,963.15	Brooks, Raynold .....	1,048.54
Best Felts .....	129.89	Brooks, Raynold II .....	168.37
Best Felts Inc.....	7,176.27	Brooks, Rodney R. & Kari E.....	3,697.31
Betts, Mildred M. Estate .....	3,485.28	Brooks, Sally G.....	4,087.70
Beverage, Robert W. & Kathy J.....	3,133.08	Brooks, Stephen T. ....	2,673.30
Biggart, Christopher .....	4,367.75	Brooks, Stephen T. & Janelle M.....	5,296.84
Billy's Tavern .....	685.95	Brown & Brown Gunsmithing.....	31.86
Bird, Robert E. ....	5,176.98	Brown, Ann .....	5,342.20
Bird, William S. ....	4,260.43	Brown, Cindy A.....	1,911.67
Bird, William S. & BFE LLC .....	6,970.37	Brown, James S. & Claire.....	2,799.90
Bishop, Jarrod C. & Angela S.....	1,846.10	Brown, Joyce M.....	1,774.26
Bishop, Peter R.....	6,062.27	Brown, Milton C. Sr. & Beverly A.....	2,514.88
Bisset, Scott F. & Carol J. ....	795.60	Brown, Mitzi & Glenn .....	2,311.93
Bittner, Daniel L. & Amelia L. ....	1,998.14	Brown, Rhonda J. ....	2,944.97
Black Dirt Guy .....	656.38	Brown, William J. & Mary A. Estate ....	1,867.26
Black, Brenan D. & Bryce J.....	7,373.44	Bruce, Susanne M.....	1,494.68
Blackman, James S. & Lynn .....	3,327.69	Bryan's Body & Fender .....	287.83
Blackman, Stephen R. & Virginia L. ....	3,245.12	Bryant Construction.....	368.28
Blais, Michael F. & Kathleen.....	3,667.27	Bryant, Florine P. (LE) & Chadwick, Jean B. & Bryant, Daniel J.....	986.32
Blaisdell, Maryann B. ....	1,862.81	Bryant, Sheldon & Cynthia.....	1,914.19
Blanchard, Kimberly S.....	7,920.00	Brylar, LLC .....	4,847.25
Blastow, Clifford L. & Cindy C.....	2,840.95	Buchanan, Lance C. & Kathleen W.....	2,327.19
Blood, Michael G. & Maxwell, Brandi L.	4,739.35	Buck, Jason K. & Hutchison, Amie L. ..	2,792.06
Blum, Harold & Kristine .....	2,037.27	Bull, Elizabeth K. & Ladley, Samuel M.	2,053.51
Boat Shop .....	296.57	Burakowski, Jeffrey P.....	1,060.33
Boggs, Leland E. II .....	374.39	Burd, Helga U.....	2,492.05
Boggs, Leland E. II & Valerie R.....	6,268.33	Burgess & Hooper LLC .....	9,701.00
Boggs, Leland E. II et al.....	2,313.79	Burgess, Betty J. ....	2,248.03
Boivin, Stephen H. & Bethany R. ....	3,082.22	Burgess, Joel T. & Sara P.....	2,451.91
Boivin, Stephen H. Jr. & Susan W.....	1,847.16	Burke, Christopher & Williams, Brooke	3,957.65
Bosworth, Janet R. ....	2,231.68		



Burnell, Carleton F. & Sandra J. ....	1,790.14	Chan, Saifook .....	2,006.42
Burnett, Richard & Stacey A. ....	1,289.62	Chapman, Diana A. ....	1,975.97
Burtis, Michelle A. & Dwight G. ....	4,257.12	Chapman, Robin L. ....	2,145.95
Burton, Nancie E. Trust. ....	6,129.15	Charles M. Walsh .....	18.41
Burton, Robert A. & Marietta G. ....	11,686.63	Charlton, Samuel E. & Emily B. ....	5,120.50
Butler, Lawrence E. & Linda .....	3,664.08	Charlton, Scott A. ....	2,527.24
Butler, Walter K. Jr. ....	3,165.53	Chase, Lynnette P. ....	2,117.07
Buxton, Melanie A. & Todd A. Jr. ....	2,381.58	Chemrock Corp. of DE .....	119.32
Cabot, Louis W. & Mabel H. ....	10,887.76	Chep USA .....	16.19
Callahan, Robert A. & Andrea G. ....	2,740.30	Childers, Debbie .....	2,047.90
Callahan, Wanda L. ....	1,823.74	Childers, John V. & Tena P. ....	3,527.59
Camargo, Manuel B. & Karen E. ....	3,827.70	China Fortune Restaurant .....	163.58
Camber, Dennis .....	2,498.11	Chipman, Tracy L. ....	1,235.80
Cambrex Corp. ....	494.16	Christ, Nicholas .....	2,786.47
Camden National Bank .....	1,077.19	Christensen, Susan B. ....	1,617.92
Campbell, Eva .....	1,163.15	Cigaret Shopper .....	55.28
Capstone Electric Inc. ....	118.40	Cisco Systems Capital Corp. ....	10.88
Carey, Henry R. & Lucy .....	3,109.32	CIT Financial LLC .....	153.41
Carlson Family Trust. ....	1,429.09	Clark, Janet S. ....	2,733.79
Carlson, Randy .....	1,003.14	Clark, Richard A. & Barbara G. ....	3,159.31
Carmichael, Lewis T. Jr. & Roberta A. ....	2,431.65	Clark, Robert A. & Emily M. ....	2,521.23
Carney Electric .....	9.27	Clarke, Karen R. & Daniel .....	6,713.93
Carney, Anna M. ....	2,754.72	Clement, Blair M. ....	1,990.67
Carney, James M. & Ruth M. ....	12,906.26	Clough, Jeffrey W. ....	3,218.05
Carney, James M. III .....	1,097.31	Clukey, Dana T. & Jean E. ....	1,442.62
Caron, Louis C. & Sandra R. ....	2,975.57	Coastal Child Care .....	250.53
Carpenter, Toni K. & Christopher N. ....	1,787.77	Coates, Earl E. II. ....	961.55
Carr, Kelly M. ....	5,625.68	Coca-Cola Bottling of NNE, Inc. ....	507.19
Carr, Melissa J. & Durity, Arthur .....	1,815.75	Cohen, Stephen M. ....	2,343.20
Carroll, Bernadette .....	2,775.19	Colby, Jason E. & Jennifer L. ....	1,852.75
Carroll, Blaine .....	656.17	Cole, Michael .....	1,833.13
Carroll, Robert J. ....	2,159.71	Collemer, Frank & Deborah .....	2,065.62
Carter, Allen A. & Barbara M. ....	6,176.95	Collins, Douglas E. & Dorothy D. ....	1,665.61
Carter, Barbara M. ....	3,767.00	Collins, Michael D. & Arvilla P. ....	1,856.93
Carter, Nancy M. & Basco, Edward R. ....	3,970.64	Colson, Christopher K. ....	1,478.74
Carter-Boynton, Amy S. ....	4,266.64	Colson, Clifford O. III .....	2,266.96
Carty, Jeffrey W. & Haimila, Sandra .....	3,127.52	Colson, Eugene E. & Lista J. ....	1,825.38
Castonguay, James & Marcia .....	2,172.28	Colson, Mark & Michelle .....	2,387.98
Catalano, Richard A. Sr. & Cindy L. ....	6,238.91	Colson, Sharity .....	1,727.45
Catalano's Construction Inc. ....	100.27	Colvin, William S. & Benie B. ....	6,298.66
Cave, Cynthia .....	2,469.89	Colwell, Elaine G. ....	1,951.63
Caven, James & Kaufman, Janice M. ....	832.70	Conlogue, John & Kathy .....	2,846.97
Caven, Sylvia & James .....	1,315.73	Connolly, Patricia I. ....	1,664.19
CCR Distribution & Wholesale .....	184.14	Connon, James R. ....	200.80
Cels Ventures dba Bayview Press .....	21.38	Conroy, Mary Catherine Inter Vivos Trust .....	4,022.39
Central Maine Power Co. ....	49,917.63	Coombs, John H. & Pamela R. ....	3,500.86
Cesarini, Diana .....	2,636.70	Cooper, Coretta L. ....	1,643.47
Chamberlin, Mark .....	3,303.87	Corbett, James R. ....	2,083.04
Chamberlin, Paul E. & Beth A. ....	5,064.40	Corcoran, Julie A. ....	1,078.99
Chambers Jewelers & Gemologist .....	35.66		

Corning, Helen D. Estate.....	3,627.61	Davis, Patrick H. & Nancy D. ....	3,244.18
Cotton, Brenda J.....	2,719.51	Davis, Victorine E. ....	1,978.60
Cowan, Jody L. & William L.....	4,962.32	Day, Holly C. & Sawyer, Ross E.....	2,341.01
Crandall, Wayne.....	302.14	Dean, Ralph I. Sr. & Loretta J. ....	4,687.79
Crane, Maria L. ....	1,381.35	Dearborn, Lawrence S. & Ellen M. ....	2,124.54
Crane, Stephen N. ....	4,055.11	Deicke, Sharon L. ....	200.38
Creative Images Hair Salon.....	80.49	Dell Equipment Funding LP.....	193.65
Creek Hill Auto Repair .....	1,794.21	Delmonico-Read, Rosemary A.....	1,764.88
Creighton, Jeffery L. & Hope E. ....	3,194.44	DeLoe, Ronna L.L. & Harry W.L. ....	3,480.76
Creighton, Jeffrey L.;		Delony, Billy G. & Gayle A. ....	3,310.32
Everett A. & Marlene Life Estate ....	4,838.60	Denault, Alberta J.....	1,396.89
Crittenden, Brian & Dawn .....	2,446.07	Dennen, John E.....	3,222.87
Cronin, Wayne S. & Kirsten .....	2,905.26	Dennison, David A. Sr.....	175.44
Crosby, Grace J. ....	2,490.58	Dennison, Elizabeth A. & Sawyer,	
Crosman, Christopher B. & Janet T. ....	2,725.31	Darlene.....	1,769.37
Cross, Daniel C. & Rachel M.....	2,185.96	Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. for	
Cross, John H. & Gail L. ....	1,876.57	American Home Mortgage	
Cross, John H. Jr. ....	1,068.43	Investment Trust 2006-3 .....	3,380.64
Crum, Curtis G. & Donna L.....	2,931.43	Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. Indy-	
Crute, Karl S. Sr. & Laraine S.....	4,386.28	Mac INDX Loan .....	2,976.05
Crystal Spring Water Co. ....	15.64	Devlin, Frank J. & Susan J. ....	6,252.47
CSD Properties, LLC .....	11,110.04	Dickson, Elizabeth A. & Strickland,	
Cunningham, Dennis J. & Gloria.....	2,138.00	Rodger R. ....	3,107.88
Curley, William H. & Phyllis M. ....	3,007.02	Dillabough Family Trust .....	3,421.99
Curran, Jacqueline I. ....	1,772.03	Dimauro, Heidi .....	1,143.94
Curtis, Corey C. & Dines, Christina L. ..	2,124.54	Dinapoli, Robert J.....	4,438.89
Curtis, Karen K. ....	3,747.17	Dinofrio, Michael A. & LeeAnn H.....	2,500.79
Curtis, Michelle E. ....	1,290.15	DIRECTV LLC .....	215.03
Curtis, Toby R.....	1,460.93	Dish Network LLC .....	110.75
Cushman, Frank & Diane.....	3,381.88	Dodd, Ivy W. ....	544.57
Custom Coatings .....	154.01	Dodge, Betty J. ....	493.66
Cuthbertson, James H. & Katherine B. ..	2,753.11	Dodge, Richard M. & Sandra E.....	1,301.95
Cuthbertson, Robert & Glenice B. ....	446.29	Doherty, Kathi W. ....	1,618.98
Daggett, Ann & Wesley C.....	4,143.65	Donald E. Meklin & Sons Excavation...	3,348.00
Daggett, Barbara M. ....	2,648.47	Donaldson, Blake A. & Alethe L.....	3,868.13
Daggett, William E.....	3,074.85	Donna's Little Darlings Daycare.....	89.89
Daley (LE), Jones, & Hawkins.....	2,204.16	Donohue, Melissa A. ....	0.00
D'Amato, Anthony & Maria		Dorman, Kendrick W. & Norma P. &	
Revocable Trust.....	2,563.16	Cross, Janice D.....	6,059.85
Daniello, Mont T. III.....	1,994.32	Dorman's Dairy Dream .....	97.98
Daniello, Ronald E. & Joanne E. ....	2,060.73	Dorr, Clayton G. & Janice L.....	5,027.09
Danielson, Carl F. ....	2,009.35	Dorr, Erick C. & Naomi A.....	2,472.98
Danielson, Carl F. & Whittaker, Carolyn	7,180.61	Doubleday, Raymond J. & Jamie E.....	4,400.33
Darney, Stephen C. & Kathleen M. ....	1,181.71	Doughty, Sheril G.....	1,281.15
Dashiell Living Trusts.....	4,763.79	Douty, Marshalee Wood.....	4,548.46
David Hynes Inc. ....	3,730.51	Downer, Jesse J. & Amanda R. ....	2,134.40
Davidson, Christopher & Lisa M. ....	2,409.54	Dragon Products Co. LLC .....	1,543,684.03
Davis, Albie.....	3,786.76	Drake, Donald Jr.....	1,025.11
Davis, James Perry .....	4,240.24	Drinkwater, Jason Trust.....	560.69
Davis, Jonathan & Dena.....	2,476.47	DRT Properties, LLC .....	14,409.79

Duff, Harold C. ....	3,059.47	Fitzgerald, Mark A. & Ann E. ....	4,273.45
Dunkin' Donuts.....	1,067.16	Flagg, James D. ....	276.21
Durgin, John M. & Nannina L. ....	2,653.14	Flagship Cinemas Inc. ....	4,209.42
Dusty's Hardwood Flooring .....	18.41	Flanagan, Michael S. & Martha G. ....	5,023.10
Dyer, Bernard.....	402.78	Fleming, Charles B. & Phyllis J. ....	5,576.08
Dyer, Kurt S. Jr. & Sarah J.....	2,225.42	Fochtman, John A.....	2,598.15
Earley, Jerry E. II & Davis-Earley, Barbie.....	883.82	Foltz, Sara E. ....	2,183.57
East Coast Rover Co. ....	4,358.26	Foster, Alton E. Jr.....	1,541.69
Eastern Construction Co.....	4,464.45	Fowles, Donald D. & J. Elizabeth .....	1,085.19
Eaton, Johnathan F. & Mariellen L. ....	4,267.06	Fowlie, Clayton L. III.....	849.09
Eberle, William C. & Ernest, Dagny C. ....	1,952.62	Franklin, Glen P.....	2,426.18
Eddy, Janelle M. & Christopher B. ....	2,566.09	Frankowski, James E. ....	1,424.47
Edwards, Jaime R. ....	1,630.76	Frankowski, Virginia Trust.....	8,145.46
Elavon .....	50.69	Fraughton, John L. (LE) & Fales, James H. Sr. & Carolyn L. ....	3,159.04
Elizabeth's Cuts and Styles.....	18.05	Fred's Coffee Service.....	34.25
Ellard, Robert & Jacqueline .....	1,562.16	Freeman, John R. & Paula J.....	2,894.03
Ellis, David A. & Constance M.....	2,299.56	Frisbie, Ann M.....	1,698.09
Ellis, Michelle .....	1,561.46	Frost, David J.....	2,174.66
Emerson, Roy H. ....	3,004.46	Fuller, Dylan M. & Foster, Zoe A. ....	2,388.40
Emery, Robert R. Jr. & Gloria J.....	1,578.82	Fusello, Daniel & Egleston-Fusello, Lori.....	2,426.53
Emery, William A. ....	2,695.51	Gagnon, Ruth.....	15.10
English, Cheryl J. & J. Timothy.....	2,522.01	Gallace, Melissa J. ....	1,861.40
Enterprise Rent-a-Car Co. of Boston LLC.....	302.73	Gallagher, Jon A. ....	2,342.63
Epifanes NA Inc. ....	1,302.56	Gamage, Ronald S. & Jacqueline E. ....	8,117.13
Erickson, Carl B. Jr. ....	428.61	Garcia-Renart, Prudence R. ....	1,936.70
Erickson, Ian C. & Janette B. ....	2,797.32	Garrigan, Richard M. & Valerie J. ....	2,979.67
Erickson, Pauline O. Trust .....	7,018.95	Gauthier, Lee Ann .....	204.48
Ervin Koenig .....	97.03	GE Capital Information Tech Solutions .....	39.86
Ervin, Richard G. & Corinne E. ....	3,631.84	Geele, Jeannine M. ....	2,627.24
F&A's Market.....	67.08	General Electric Capital Corp.....	12.54
Fabian Oil, Inc. ....	4,185.84	Genevicz, Robert & Breault, Susan.....	3,086.89
Fahy, Christopher W. & Davine S. ....	2,853.73	Genthner, Ashley L. Jr. & Monica H.....	3,317.30
Fairbanks, Mary .....	2,117.02	George C. Hall & Sons, Inc. ....	34,956.19
Falstrom, Keith J. & Cynthia .....	768.83	Gerard, Philip & Frazer, Gail S. ....	2,574.46
Farley, Francis G. & Judith S. ....	2,381.20	Getman, Judith F.....	2,790.74
Farthing, Christopher E. & Jane L. ....	1,953.09	Gibbs, Allison F.....	1,441.80
Fastenal Company .....	564.64	Giese, Diane L.R. ....	1,909.77
Federal National Mortgage Assn .....	2,540.66	Gilbert, Bruce A. ....	2,098.89
Feed Store Inc. ....	33.56	Gillo, Darren W. & Sarah D. ....	1,762.04
Feraco, Michael P. & Wilkas, Elizabeth A. ....	1,935.70	Gilson, Robert P. & Marion Marie .....	4,264.62
Ferlauto, Amy E. & Davis, Patrick H. & Nancy D. ....	2,809.32	Giustra, Betsy M. Trust .....	1,640.85
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		Gould, Kristin S. & David P.....	2,107.62

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Greenberg, Howard & Elizabeth.....	4,541.18	Harper, Jeffrey A. & Victoria L.....	3,048.50
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Guyer, Neal & Sheilagh N. ....	4,710.99	Hastings, Sheila W. ....	2,428.64
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Hall, Albert C. (LE) & Dorr, Janice L. ....	2,601.28	Haynes, Raechelle S. & Matthew S. ....	3,285.41
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Kitching, Carl M. & Lesa A. ....	1,637.37	Levine, Richard L. & Myrna G. ....	1,338.66
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On the Edge Fitness.....	4.19	Pick Qwik.....	1,134.47
O'Neil, James F. & Harriet W.....	2,373.90	Pietroski, Donald F. & Anne A. ....	2,094.79
Orcutt, Arlene S. ....	1,953.16	Pietroski, Matthew D.....	2,083.96
Orcutt, Thomas S. & Carolyn X.....	1,830.55	Pine State Trading Co.....	355.62
Orluk, Sandra F.....	2,830.78	Pinkham, Muriel M.....	2,677.18
Osterday, John M. & Sara J.....	2,801.10	Pinkham, Paul A. & Susan E.....	1,630.71
Overlock, Dwight L. & Sheryl L.....	4,143.38	Piper, Jane S. Revocable Trust.....	3,727.16



Pitney Bowes Global Financial Svcs LLC.....	33.03
Pitney Bowes Inc.....	2.34
Platt, Lawrence D. Jr.....	1,903.42
Plummer, Evelyn T.....	1,691.88
Podmaniczky, Michael S.....	3,440.74
Polk, Pamela J.....	3,639.81
Port Clyde Seafood Co.....	7,249.47
Porter Family Thomaston Trust.....	3,714.00
Portland Cellular Partnership dba Verizon Wireless.....	2,131.50
Postcard Dude.....	33.26
Potter, Maria L.....	3,756.51
Powell, Douglas L. & Carr, Barbara.....	1,505.73
Prater, Willard & Phyllis.....	3,397.95
Prentiss, George A. Jr.....	1,859.91
Prescott, Lorna Berry.....	4,360.25
Preston, Mark W.....	3,148.46
Pretzel, Carol Ann.....	2,180.95
Pritchard, Constance R.....	3,207.64
Proctor, Loring E. & Debbie A.....	1,718.13
Putansu, Sharon E.....	2,280.39
Qian, Jian Ping.....	6,943.75
R&R Perelman Judaica Foundation.....	16,029.22
Rahaim, George L. & Laura Renee.....	3,938.81
Ranney, Mark W.....	3,866.32
Ranney, Tacy T.....	2,885.81
Ranquist, Donna.....	933.27
Ranquist, Gwendolyn M. & Robinson, Beverly A.....	1,864.12
Rapalyea, Richard G. & Walden-Rapalyea, Diane.....	4,915.50
Raynes, Eleanor D. & Bernard E.....	2,367.61
RealD, Inc.....	321.84
Rector, Christopher W. & Elizabeth P.....	5,962.07
Rector, Marian E.....	2,898.68
Reed, Mark.....	828.63
Renton, Lisa J. & Redfern, Scott.....	3,914.96
Reynolds, Linda D.....	1,502.62
Ricci, Patrick J. & Chananad.....	4,051.23
Rich, James A. & Carol A.....	2,418.58
Richard Barnett Photo.....	110.48
Richards, Duane C. & Darlene.....	4,713.72
Richards, Joanne L.....	3,137.48
Richards, Martha J.....	1,342.48
Richards, William J.....	3,591.77
Richardson, Mark D.....	2,052.04
Richardson, Seth.....	392.49
Riff, Judith A.....	1,732.41
Rifkind Family Trust.....	8,700.62

Rinehart, Roger L. & Dawn M.....	826.99
Ripley, Lorice F.....	2,381.38
Rising Properties, LLC.....	4,727.59
Risteen, Jesse A. & Sage L.....	1,914.55
Ritchie, Donna M.....	2,571.40
River, Kella.....	1,950.76
Rizkalla, Kristine L. & Bull, Sondra D.....	696.89
Roberson, Jacquelyn & Terrance F.....	3,460.12
Roberts, Adam L. & Catherine M.....	1,566.35
Roberts, Calvin & Barbara.....	1,551.92
Roberts, Lance J. & Jennifer A.....	2,102.18
Robertson, Kevin P. & Patricia P.....	3,911.13
Robertson, Sarah E.....	1,714.48
Robertson, Walter A.....	2,909.09
Robinson, Charles B. & Tina M.....	996.01
Robinson, Ernest F. & Sharon L.....	2,155.73
Robinson, Eva M.....	2,787.39
Robinson, Gail D.....	2,618.05
Robinson, Keith A. & Susan M.....	1,733.78
Robinson, Marian A.....	3,942.37
Robinson, Michael L. & Valerie J.....	2,570.61
Robinson, Paul D. & Becky J.....	3,667.92
Robinson, Percy C.....	1,305.03
Robinson, Richard R.....	1,442.22
Robinson, Sarah E. & Nardone, Richard J.....	5,329.51
Robinson, William E. & Beverly A.....	2,218.18
Robinson, William E. Jr. & Lynette C.....	1,991.76
Robinson, William L. & Donna F.....	1,341.09
Robison, Ann L. & Mack, William F.....	5,289.67
Rock City Cycle.....	294.11
Rock Coast Plumbing & Heating.....	231.75
Rockland Downtown.....	12,110.97
Rockland Ford Lincoln Mercury.....	1,638.65
Rockland Savings Bank, FSB.....	2,772.85
Rockville Realty, Inc.....	1,728.22
Roebke, Ernest E. Estate.....	7,443.89
Rogers, Jean F. & Tremblay, Kimberly M.....	1,178.28
Rohr, Peter M. & Wanda J.....	7,556.27
Rolfe Enterprises, LLC.....	5,524.84
Rolfe, Kenneth J.....	3,223.14
Roman, Wilbur E. Sr. & Jean.....	831.07
Rootie Kazootie LLC.....	25,125.07
Roscoe, Barbara G.....	1,629.39
Roscoe, Frank E.....	1,663.81
Ross, Cindy L.....	1,821.68
Ross, Leslie.....	2,271.08
Ross, Thomas & Janette M.....	11,781.41
Round Top Property Management, LLC.....	2,317.42

Rousselle, Buffy S. & Roland P. &	
Anne Marie .....	3,209.04
Route, Jeannine L. ....	1,302.77
Royer, Bruce A. ....	2,108.92
Rubenstein, Julian S. ....	3,649.44
Rucevice, Thomas E. &	
Estey-Rucevice, Terri L. ....	3,045.89
Rudolph, David L. & Judith N. ....	4,392.09
Rule, Laurie A. & Philip T. ....	3,355.83
Rush, Don & Lauren .....	3,931.56
Russo, Julie B. &	
Brooks, Mark F. & Stephen T. ....	2,718.84
Russomano, Philip J. Jr. ....	2,205.18
Ryan, Jane F. ....	2,010.66
Rytky, Marcia A. ....	422.69
S&S Properties Trust .....	5,629.90
Sadler, Robert E. & Marion E. ....	2,531.77
Sady, Ian .....	2,473.10
Safety-Kleen Systems Inc. ....	14.55
Sala, Tracy Ann & Mergendahl, Peter P. ....	2,903.42
Sally, Catherine S. ....	2,282.25
Sanborn, Darryl E. ....	6,430.05
Sanborn, Darryl E. & McCollett, Kurt A. ....	2,706.56
Sanborn, David E. & Joan M. ....	3,269.52
Sanborn, Eleanore M. Life Estate &	
Sanborn, Jacalyn D. & Reed, Cynthia .....	1,470.69
Sanborn, Herbert E. & Marion .....	2,696.13
Sanborn, Herbert E. & Marion &	
Spring, Ellen R. ....	424.11
Sanborn, Herbert E. & Marion Life	
Estate & Reynolds, Linda D. &	
Melissa J. ....	3,157.28
Sanborn, Jacalyn D. ....	1,232.77
Sanders, Tina L. ....	2,293.83
Sanderson, Stewart J. &	
Belajonas, Cynthia J. ....	1,097.68
Sanfilippo, Aimee Lynne .....	3,081.65
Saucier, Daniel P. ....	2,202.98
Saunders, Derek J. & Melanie A. ....	2,161.23
Sawyer, David & Michelle B. ....	2,607.62
Sawyer, Harold. ....	2,220.96
Sawyer, Maurice Estate .....	42.13
Sawyer, Ross E. ....	3,788.03
Sawyer, Thomas M. & Rhonda S. ....	2,233.20
Scanlan, Katherine E. ....	2,254.74
Schmidgall, Richard & Dolores .....	3,398.71
Schooley, Lawrence C. & Ellin .....	4,171.52
Schroeder, Frances L. (LE) &	
Merrifield, Cynthia .....	1,251.83
Schulberg, Cinda H. ....	3,467.34

Scientific Games Int. Inc. ....	88.77
Scott B. Kingsley DMD .....	894.22
Sea Street Graphics .....	1,161.92
Seafood Palace, LLC .....	853.99
Seal Harbor Construction LLC .....	6,106.21
Seavey, Christopher S. & Sarah M. ....	3,292.27
Sedler, Shirley A. ....	5,418.62
Seekins, Pearle E. Irrevocable Trust .....	2,011.01
Seekins, Wayne D. & Claire F. ....	4,690.26
Seiders, Guy & Diane .....	3,778.05
Senecal, Daniel .....	7,924.85
Sequin, Dawn M. ....	3,055.74
Sevon, Arthur E. & Edith .....	1,361.16
Sevon, Russell E. ....	4,521.94
Shacklett, Brian G. ....	1,530.45
Shaw, Bernard G. ....	3,336.48
Shaw, Daniel B. & Sharon D. ....	1,838.02
Shay, Daniel C. ....	2,001.15
Shepard Brothers Partnership .....	63,408.83
Shepard Brothers Storage .....	3.35
Shepard Chevrolet Inc. ....	418.50
Shepard Sales Inc. ....	272.03
Sherwood, Penny .....	2,500.17
Shields, Donald & Mary Ann .....	2,153.90
Shields, John E. & Joanne M. ....	970.92
Shook, Thomas G. ....	4,131.42
Shoreline Home Sales .....	68.83
Short, Robert E. & Jeanne V. ....	3,124.00
Shortall, Keith T. ....	1,610.17
Simeone, James J. & Althea H. ....	2,854.52
Simmons, Darcy M. ....	2,456.81
Simmons, Scott W. ....	1,360.74
Simmons, Virginia C. ....	1,474.78
Simmons, Wallace D. & Roxanne T. ....	3,024.78
Simms, Elizabeth C. & Jeffery J. ....	3,441.39
Simms, Mallory E. ....	1,557.00
Simoneau, Craig N. & Theresa M. ....	6,351.67
Simoneau, Jo Ann .....	5,361.49
Simoneau, Mary G. ....	5,911.55
Sirois, Wayne A. & Paula J. ....	2,131.81
Slipway Restaurant .....	920.70
Smalley, Brian & Jean Ann .....	2,568.00
Smallidge, Michael & Laurie .....	4,053.02
Smallwood, Carolyn M. & Craig B. ....	1,849.44
Smart Properties, LLC .....	12,976.58
Smist, Mark & Peggy .....	1,947.95
Smith, David C. ....	1,490.08
Smith, Glenn M. ....	1,967.28
Smith, Heath .....	407.84
Smith, Jerry A. & Victoria C. ....	3,276.32

Smith, John H.....	1,669.83	Strong, Tiffany M.....	2,688.34
Smith, Keith K. & Kimi L.....	3,398.79	Stuart-Libbey, Rosemary.....	384.20
Smith, Martin R.....	2,611.74	Studio 494.....	178.62
Smith, Nancy E.....	2,483.13	Sturks, James C.....	2,284.93
Smith, Patricia J.....	1,549.99	Sturks, James L. & Diana.....	2,600.58
Smith, Russell J. & Worley-Smith, Brett.....	3,520.10	Styles, George Estate.....	2,914.30
Smith, Samuel R.....	1,211.29	Sullivan, John R. & Elizabeth A.....	2,944.87
Smith, Spencer E. & Barbara E.....	3,023.13	Sunset Terrace Association.....	3,247.55
Smith, Theresa.....	3,330.09	Supercuts.....	637.81
Snow, Lynn M.....	205.63	Surek, Peter L. & Sonja K.....	2,220.73
Snow, Robert C. & Lynn M.....	3,333.90	Surek, Shawn D. & Hersom, Lisa L.....	3,976.25
Soule, George E.....	1,814.13	Sutherland, Earl Allen.....	2,573.06
Sparta Vending Inc.....	525.74	Swan, Kyle & Johnson, Julee.....	2,804.08
Spaulding, Patricia L.....	2,671.87	Swanholm, S. Roy and Nancy H. Life	
Spear, Gloria M. & Olsen, Sandra Leigh.....	3,621.13	Est. & Larrabee, Elaine A.....	3,242.74
Spearin, Donn D.....	1,498.95	Swanson, Anita L.....	1,436.98
Spicer, Justin J. & Vanorse, Holly J.....	1,423.29	Swanson, Roy J. & Anita K.....	3,159.73
Spofford, Barry A. & Stacy J.....	2,171.98	Sylvester, Joanna G.....	2,369.83
Spooner, Jana L. & Daniel F.....	2,641.05	Sylvester, Kay K.....	2,432.61
Spring, Ellen R.....	2,184.55	Tabbutt, Donald L. & Myah L.....	2,348.05
St. Clair, Beverly.....	2,269.69	Taft, Janek S.....	2,861.38
Stackpole, Julie.....	6,077.41	Tahincioglu, Brandon & Kimberly.....	2,699.51
Stafford, Robert E. & Sampson, Patience.....	5,418.42	Talbot, David C. & Donnalee S.....	1,580.47
Stambaugh, Charlotte J. Estate.....	5,722.27	Tarbox, Doreen.....	2,194.98
Staples, Carol M.....	1,398.39	Tardif, Gail P.....	1,762.42
Staples, Eugene W. & Lorrie B.....	1,979.67	Tardiff, Laurie.....	6,026.65
Staples, Larry C. & Jean A.....	3,595.94	Tassinari, Richard C. & Jennie M.....	2,590.52
Steam Ship Associates LLC.....	52,234.32	Taylor, Alan K. & Wanda D.....	3,548.93
Stearns, Richard & Mona F.....	3,194.29	Taylor, James R.....	1,589.55
Steele, Steven R. & Donna D.....	2,312.08	Taylor, Patricia A.....	2,048.98
Steel-Pro Land LLC.....	3,636.76	TD Bank N.A.....	2,223.16
Steiner, Christopher A.....	2,033.94	Temple, John & Shelly.....	1,648.64
Stephens, Marlene L.....	1,207.87	Theobalds, Douglas C. &	
Stern, Kenneth M. & Abigail E.....	6,163.87	Zonjee, Paul F.....	11,219.86
Sternberg, David B.....	2,016.78	Thomas, Judith E. & Wayland E.....	3,154.57
Stevens, James W. & Maureen P.....	8,007.45	Thomaston Auction Properties LLC.....	15,159.28
Stilwell, Nicholas S. & Megan J.....	2,355.37	Thomaston Baptist Church Parsonage.....	2,525.18
Stine, Gregory & Sherry.....	3,337.35	Thomaston Boat & Engine Works.....	109.50
Stinson, Wayne W. & Brenda W.....	4,658.19	Thomaston Café.....	172.87
Stites, William & Sara.....	5,235.59	Thomaston Federated Church	
Stone, Marion H.....	2,440.09	Parsonage.....	2,916.86
Stone, Sayward & Valerie.....	2,921.33	Thomaston Grocery.....	40.51
Stopper, Roger C. & Virginia E.....	2,368.12	Thomaston Hotel LLC.....	91,820.57
Storer, Paul E.....	2,233.50	Thomaston Laundromat.....	410.98
Stred, Teresa & Harry W. III.....	1,092.90	Thomaston Place Auction Galleries.....	1,016.54
Strong & Hokkanen Attorneys.....	92.19	Thomaston Property Holdings, LLC.....	44,361.00
Strong Agency.....	96.92	Thomaston Realty, LLC.....	13,130.02
Strong, Mark W. & Julie C.....	4,980.17	Thomaston Recycling.....	1,832.38
Strong, Mary H.....	8,249.32	Thomaston Yoga Studio LLC.....	14.65
Strong, Scott V. & Corinna M.....	3,108.75	Thorbjornson, Travis & Renee.....	2,739.37

Thorndike, Annie & Donald R.....	1,794.86	Wallace, Lindy L.....	1,775.68
Thorndike, Wayne S.....	854.04	Wallace, Raymond L. & Ann S.....	842.79
Thorndike, Wayne S., Robert A. & Donald R.....	1,951.54	Wallace, Raymond L. Jr. & Raymond L. Sr. & Ann S. Life Estate	2,459.69
Tibbetts, Art.....	3,092.15	Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust	120,720.51
Tibbetts, Mathew A.....	2,928.21	Walsh, Richard E. & Catherine L.....	1,918.66
Tibbetts, Paul E. Living Trust.....	3,555.74	Ward, Neil K. & Polly A.....	4,765.41
Time Warner Cable Internet LLC.....	209.89	Warford, Faye F. & Bill J.....	2,428.67
Time Warner Cable Northeast LLC.....	4,694.55	Washburn, Frances.....	2,603.35
TimePayment Corp.....	239.32	Wass, Jeffrey D.....	2,690.50
Titus, Earl R. Jr. & Joan C. Est.....	2,739.69	Wasson, William M. & Judith A.....	2,630.42
Todd, Western A. Jr. & Goddard, Jana.....	4,120.08	Watkins, Jonathan M. & Kendra L.....	1,938.48
Tokarz, Peter P. & Donna E.....	6,433.40	Watkins, Kendra L. & Jonathan M.....	6,945.58
Toler, Larry L. & Cynthia M.....	2,865.89	Watts, Bentley M.....	1,089.24
Topham, David & Joan.....	2,176.99	Watts, James M. & Elizabeth.....	2,295.74
Townsend, Darryl J. & Heidi L.....	4,965.84	Watts, Robert F. Jr.....	1,999.76
Townsend, John B. & Claudette M.....	1,625.07	Watts, Robert F. Jr. & Bentley M. & Thorndike, Annie L.....	1,237.02
Treeworks.....	36.83	Wayport, Inc.....	53.22
Trout, Stuart F.....	1,362.72	WBIN Media Co., Inc.....	727.24
Tucker, Brenda L.....	3,699.56	wceDesign & wcePublishing.....	150.24
Tung, Sanhuang.....	3,254.76	Weaver, Donald J. & Laurel B.....	6,205.33
Turner, Richard P. & Carmen H.....	1,736.49	Weaver, Julia M.....	2,189.94
Tyco Integrated Security LLC.....	4.50	Webster, Craig H. & Mary D.....	2,652.92
Tyler, Aimee E.....	2,527.72	Weddle, Jacqueline E.....	1,685.32
Tyler, William R. & Sarah A.....	2,383.78	Weed, Curtis B. Jr. & Karen S.....	1,247.85
Upham, Gary.....	2,264.03	Weiss, Robert P.....	2,853.55
Upham, John W. & Lee Ann M.....	2,146.57	Wells, John F. & Roxanne.....	3,089.65
Upham, Paula L.....	1,361.85	Wes' Glass.....	71.51
US Bank Nat'l Assn.....	3,742.65	Wescott, Kevin.....	7,991.68
Valliere Design Studio.....	69.50	Western Union Financial Services Inc.....	14.23
Van Campen, Timothy & Susan H.....	3,950.27	Westover, Gerald F. & Coleen A.....	3,335.26
Vargas, Miguelangel N. & Bethany E.....	2,269.36	Wheaton, B. Thomas.....	1,522.99
Vargas, Richard A. & Joan K.....	2,510.72	Wheaton, George W. & Katharine S.....	2,617.52
Varsano, Martha G.....	3,136.42	White, Leona.....	1,805.14
Veilleux, Brian T. & Andrea M.....	2,284.62	Whithead, Michael W. & Wolfe, Kathryn S.....	3,149.03
Veit, Karen S.....	3,778.15	Whiting, Scott K.....	2,860.78
Verge, Dana R. & Donalene.....	3,356.64	Whitney, Barbara G.....	5,817.35
Verizon Credit Inc.....	7.58	Whitten, Leroy R. Jr. & Susan M.....	4,844.72
Verizon Wireless.....	152.13	Widdecombe, Bona.....	0.00
VFS Financing Inc.....	25.95	Wiggin, Harold L. & Phyllis.....	1,667.42
Vigue, John H.....	6,623.50	Wigglesworth, Allan F. & Laurel B.....	2,589.95
Vision Quest Productions.....	59.80	Wiley, Donald E. & Geraldine M.....	2,556.95
Von Kamecke, Nobuko.....	2,708.35	Wilkins, Janet D. AKA Dearborn, Janet R.....	1,779.55
Vose, Nichole E.....	2,082.94	William E. Dornan & Sons.....	538.27
Wabasha Leasing LLC.....	25.11	Williams, Irene Brooks.....	1,012.25
Wagner, Teresa Ann.....	5,955.00	Williams, J. Vance & Luchetti, Carol Q.....	5,380.07
Walker, Judith M. & McCarthy, Daniel.....	1,137.88	Williams, Melvin & Douglas.....	3,252.00
Walker, Melissa M.....	2,418.41		
Walker, Stephen E. & Etta A.....	3,348.75		
Wallace, Celia S.....	2,898.28		

Williams, Warren & Harriet.....2,026.73  
 Willis, Paul J. & Karen E. ....2,482.46  
 Wilson, Janice F. ....3,061.53  
 Wilson, Paul G. & Sandra A. ....6,967.45  
 Wilson, Timothy H.....2,946.94  
 Wincapaw, Karen .....2,023.23  
 Winchenbach, Eugene F. III & Leila C..2,563.35  
 Winslow, Lisa C.....2,938.79  
 Winslow, Richard C. & Nancy L. ....2,026.46  
 Winsor Consulting .....7.16  
 Winston, Mark D. & Jody E.....2,247.40  
 Witham, Troy H. & Dawn M. ....3,020.45  
 Wojtul, Peter .....2,257.56  
 Wolfe, Christopher W. ....2,000.40  
 Wolfertz, Melody .....1,796.14  
 Wood, Timothy & Harkins, Amanda .....2,035.77  
 Wood, Wendy Jo W. ....1,837.73  
 Woodcraft Shop .....80.69

Zwick, Gerald D. & Micaela B. ....4,504.87

Woodman, Caroline .....3,157.45  
 Woodman, Chandler S. & Arlene C. ....2,851.78  
 Woodman, Jeffrey M. & Christina L.....7,563.97  
 Wooster, Henry T. & Dallman, Laura ...2,250.68  
 Wooster, John Jr. & Lewis, Shirley J. ....297.84  
 Wooster, Milton H. & Shirley A. ....2,165.27  
 Workman, Robert & Joan & Noah .....890.27  
 Wotton, Lillian A. Estate .....3,470.74  
 Wotton, Sherwood L. Jr. &  
     Moran, Patricia J. ....2,544.56  
 Wotton, William G. & Christina M. ....1,872.05  
 Yates, Jason R.....0.00  
 Yattaw, Christopher G. & Tori T.....5,329.71  
 Young, Douglas G. ....2,640.79  
 Young, Gary C. & Lois J.....3,282.11  
 Young, Margaret L. ....2,779.16  
 Young, Michael S. & Amy K. ....2,627.01  
 Young, Tammi L. ....1,884.44

	2003/2004	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007
<b>Valuation</b>				
Real Estate	148,170,351	184,515,398	194,445,633	207,539,624
Personal Property	22,105,201	34,288,037	46,960,761	47,362,831
Total Valuation	170,275,552	218,803,435	241,406,394	254,902,455
Homestead Exemption	4,775,000	4,628,500	4,717,720	4,924,315
BETE Exemption				
Total Taxable Valuation Base	175,050,552	223,431,935	246,124,114	259,826,770
90% captured value in TIF Dist		31,586,850	45,134,667	46,778,692
70% captured value Downtown TIF				
Non TIF Value		191,845,085	200,989,447	213,048,078
<b>Revenues</b>				
Tax Commitment	3,746,062	4,496,411	4,719,495	5,123,539
Anticipated Revenue	561,610	602,510	602,510	642,099
State Revenue Sharing	432,534	437,534	408,958	413,560
Homestead Reimbursement	105,050	95,116	92,231	98,979
BETE Reimbursement				
Total Revenue	4,845,256	5,631,571	5,823,194	6,278,177
<b>Revenue Commitments</b>				
Appropriations Municipal	1,981,032	2,086,574	2,171,182	2,378,216
Dragon Reserve		649,110	882,383	940,252
Downtown Reserve				
MSAD #50	2,586,197	2,581,807	2,487,157	2,670,118
Knox County Tax	246,226	262,383	259,234	277,406
Overlay	31,801	51,696	23,238	12,185
Total	4,845,256	5,631,570	5,823,194	6,278,177
<b>Pollution Control</b>				
Debt Service	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000

							Estimate
2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015
295,244,371	314,473,221	313,943,569	318,284,077	322,129,474	325,772,635	333,588,086	343,588,086
50,515,768	52,788,040	56,876,672	52,315,027	50,987,477	49,274,893	47,079,902	53,224,565
345,760,139	367,261,261	370,820,241	370,599,104	373,116,951	375,047,528	380,667,988	396,812,651
4,825,898	4,832,398	5,111,898	3,788,622	3,713,622	3,783,622	3,663,622	3,663,622
	1,523,975	24,126	216,163	84,381	1,578,010	1,972,705	1,972,705
350,586,037	373,617,634	375,956,265	374,603,889	376,914,954	380,409,160	386,304,315	402,448,978
48,767,766	49,676,516	51,516,074	48,865,915	48,408,464	48,694,613	47,178,093	47,178,093
			316,949	999,732	1,036,190	1,002,962	1,002,962
301,818,271	323,941,118	324,440,191	325,421,025	327,506,758	330,678,357	338,123,260	354,267,923
5,463,010	5,490,556	5,740,297	5,844,348	5,962,409	6,300,798	6,372,382	6,571,218
667,474	652,474	657,005	800,762	703,024	668,074	638,234	638,234
440,000	450,000	377,027	264,495	284,954	229,294	140,000	140,000
76,249	72,244	79,132	59,747	59,344	63,565	61,329	60,670
	22,783	373	3,409	1,348	26,511	33,023	32,668
6,646,733	6,688,058	6,853,835	6,972,761	7,011,079	7,288,242	7,244,968	7,442,789
2,543,116	2,682,072	2,669,769	2,723,125	2,723,739	2,844,543	2,836,216	2,949,427
770,531	742,664	797,469	770,616	773,567	818,069	789,761	781,269
			4,998	15,976	17,408	16,790	16,609
2,868,303	2,891,520	3,004,355	3,081,598	3,115,596	3,241,524	3,221,566	3,306,566
307,939	326,176	339,046	362,865	369,443	348,548	367,738	373,969
156,845	45,625	43,196	29,559	12,758	18,150	12,897	14,949
6,646,733	6,688,058	6,853,835	6,972,761	7,011,079	7,288,242	7,244,968	7,442,789
150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	100,000	100,000	50,000	50,000

## Municipal Spending

TAX YEAR	MUNICIPAL LESS REVENUES	TOTAL MIL RATE	MUNICIPAL MIL RATE	KNOX COUNTY MIL RATE	RSU #13 MIL RATE	MUNICIPAL MIL RATE W/O UNDESIGN.	REVENUE FROM UNDESIGN.	VALUATION	TOTAL TAX COMMITTED
2004/2005	2,086,574	20.55	^ 5.72	262,383	2,581,807			191,845,085	3,847,301
	<u>1,040,044</u>			<b>1.37</b>	<b>13.46</b>				† (95,116)
	1,046,530			204,994					3,942,417
				57,389				31,586,850	649,110
							Total	223,431,935	4,496,411
2005/2006	2,171,182	19.55	‡ 5.88	259,234	2,487,157			200,989,447	3,837,112
	<u>1,012,793</u>			<b>1.29</b>	<b>12.38</b>				(92,231)
	1,158,389			201,272					3,929,343
				57,962				45,134,667	882,383
							Total	246,124,114	4,719,495
2006/2007	2,378,216	20.10	6.27	277,406	2,670,118			213,048,078	4,183,288
	<u>1,055,659</u>			<b>1.30</b>	<b>12.53</b>				(98,979)
	1,322,557			216,749					4,282,266
Overlay	<u>12,185</u>			60,657				46,778,692	940,252
	1,334,743						Total	259,826,770	5,123,540
2007/2008	2,543,116	15.8	5.28	307,939	2,868,303 *			301,818,271	4,692,480
	<u>1,107,474</u>			<b>1.02</b>	<b>9.5</b>				(76,249)
	1,435,642			238,316					4,768,729
Overlay	<u>156,845</u>			69,623				48,767,766	770,531
	1,592,487						Total	350,586,037	5,463,011
2008/2009	2,682,073	14.95	5.02	326,176	2,891,520 *			323,941,118	4,747,893
	<u>1,102,474</u>			<b>1.01</b>	<b>8.92</b>				(72,244)
	1,579,599			250,613					(22,783)
Overlay	<u>45,625</u>			75,563				49,676,516	4,842,920
	1,625,224						Total	373,617,634	742,663
									5,490,556
2009/2010	2,669,769	15.48	5.17	339,046	3,004,355			324,440,191	4,942,828
	<u>1,034,032</u>			<b>1.05</b>	<b>9.26</b>				(79,132)
	1,635,737			264,971					(373)
Overlay	<u>43,196</u>			74,075				51,516,074	5,022,334
	1,678,933						Total	375,956,265	797,469
									5,740,297
2010/2011	2,723,125	15.77	5.18	362,865	3,081,598			325,421,025	5,068,734
	<u>1,065,257</u>			<b>1.12</b>	<b>9.47</b>				(59,747)
	1,657,868			279,685					(3,409)
Overlay	<u>29,559</u>			83,180				49,182,864	5,131,890
	1,687,427						Total	374,603,889	775,614
									5,844,348
2011/2012	2,723,738	15.98	5.34	369,443	3,115,596			327,506,758	5,172,865
	<u>987,978</u>			<b>1.13</b>	<b>9.51</b>				(59,344)
	1,735,760			282,193					(1,348)
Overlay	<u>12,758</u>			87,250				49,408,196	5,233,557
	1,748,518						Total	376,914,954	789,543
									5,962,408
2012/2013	2,844,543	16.80	5.94	348,548	3,241,524			330,678,358	5,465,321
	<u>897,368</u>			<b>1.06</b>	<b>9.80</b>				(63,565)
	1,947,175			279,934					(26,511)
Overlay	<u>18,150</u>			68,614				49,730,802	5,555,396
	1,965,324						Total	380,409,160	835,477
									6,300,798
2013/2014	2,836,216	16.74	6.12	367,738	3,221,566			338,123,260	5,565,831
	<u>778,234</u>			<b>1.09</b>	<b>9.53</b>				(61,329)
	2,057,982			297,530					(33,023)
Overlay	<u>12,897</u>			70,208				48,181,055	5,660,183
	2,070,879						Total	386,304,315	806,551
									6,372,382
Estimate 2014/2015	2,949,427	16.56	6.17	373,969	3,306,566			354,267,923	5,773,339
	<u>778,234</u>			<b>1.06</b>	<b>9.33</b>				(60,670)
	2,171,193			301,950					(32,668)
Overlay	<u>14,949</u>			72,019				48,181,055	5,866,677
	2,186,142							402,448,978	797,878
									6,571,217

^ Tax year 2004/2005 includes overlay in the amount of \$51,696

† For tax year 2004/2005 the Homestead Exemption represents a \$4,650,000 valuation which translates into a savings to the taxpayers of \$95,116.

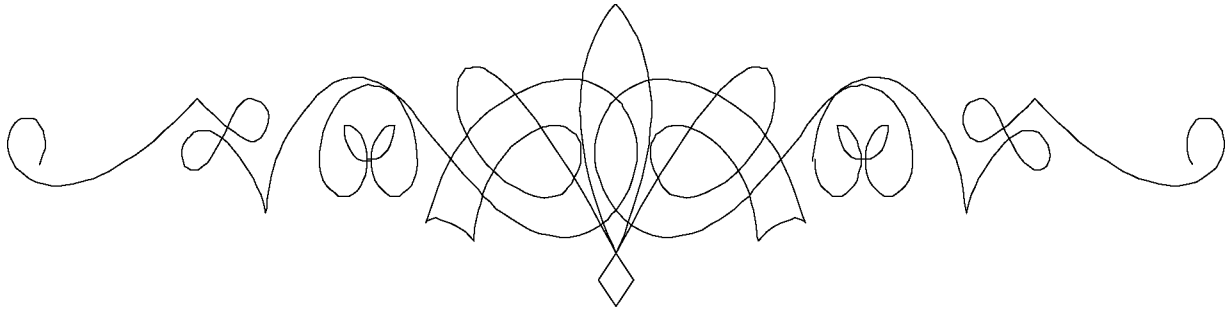
‡ Tax year 2005/2006 includes overlay in the amount of \$23,239 & Homestead Valuation \$9,435,440 divided by 2 with taxpayer savings of \$92,231.



# ***MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS***



**Academy Trustees  
Thomaston Academy Report  
Watts Block Trustees  
Watts Block Report**



### ***ACADEMY BOARD OF TRUSTEES***

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## THOMASTON ACADEMEY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Henry Carey

Chairman

This has been an intensive year for the Academy and its Board. We have dealt with the finishing of the shingling of the main section of the roof. Thank you for providing the funds to accomplish the completion of this project. We still have to remove the antenna and repair the small section of the roof capped with rubber.

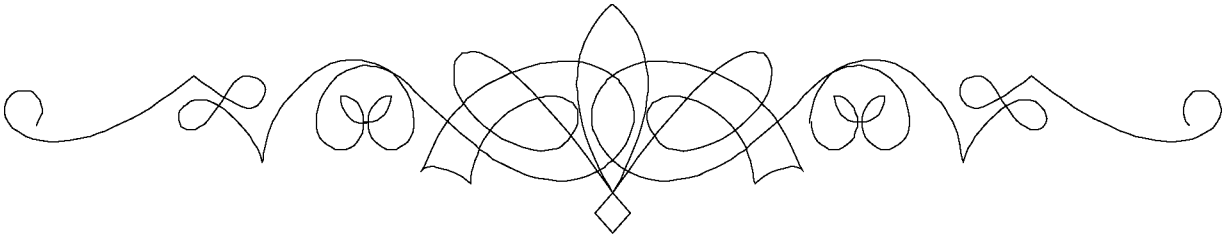
The second time consuming project involved the heat pump system (supplemental heating in spring and fall and air conditioning in the summer) throughout the most used parts of the Academy.

We owe a great debt of gratitude to the Friends of the Library for their provision of the bulk of the monies and to you, the Town, for your approval and provision of additional funds to complete the project. The system is working well at this time. We anticipate that it will be up to two years to determine how we obtain maximum efficiency from the units. Kudos to all involved. There will be adjustments made to the thermostats, to the existing heating lines and pumps and additional units to integrate the two systems.

The Farmer's Market was provided space on Saturday mornings during the summer. A variety of fresh foods and baked goods were available, the weather was good and vendor attendance was very good and many folks took advantage of the fresh food and music.

The Academy is at near maximum usage. The Midcoast Christian Academy leases three rooms on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor East: Ron Fortin leases two rooms for art education and personal work: Penobscot Family Church leases three rooms on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor west: Angela Pomerleau leases one room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor west and the west wing of the basement: Zumba uses the gym in the evenings for two or three classes; Steven and Katherine Aimone will lease the entire gym from June to at least September for art classes as always, other groups, book classes, Friends of the Library, environmental groups use space for their programs such as Friday night movies.

My thanks to all the Trustees and staff of the varying groups which make the Academy a functional and integral part of the community's and county's educational experience. Grateful thanks to the Library staff, the Friends of the Library, and the Town Office staff for their efforts on our behalf and, of course, the clients and users of the facility.



***WATTS BLOCK TRUSTEES***

**Bill Hahn, Chair  
Jim Cuthbertson  
Eve Anderson  
Olof Anderson  
Neil Guyer**

**Term Expires 2015  
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Term Expires 2016**

## REPORT OF WATTS BLOCK TRUSTEES

William Hahn

Chairman

I am pleased to submit this report on behalf of the Watts Block Trustees.

This year many events were held at the hall, as well as increased use of the Selectboard room for smaller venues. These included dances, plays, and smaller gatherings; of particular note was the art show exhibiting the works of Carolyn Whitaker which was held in the Selectboard room for the second year. The room is well suited for this type of event both from a size and equipment standpoint and the board hopes to increase the utilization of the space by other artists.

A few days before Christmas, the boiler, which was installed in 1996, failed. It was replaced on an emergency basis as quickly as possible. Weather conditions at that time were severe, and we are indebted to Selectman Lammert for his diligence in finding and caring for temporary heat sources in the building during this time; the building is protected by a wet sprinkler system which was kept active, and it did not freeze and damage the building as a result of his efforts. I also want to thank Fabian Oil for their quick response in getting temporary fuel supplies to us, and Rock Coast Plumbing and Heating for their efforts in getting the system operational in a short time frame.

At a previous town meeting, funds were appropriated for investigatory work and repairs on the east wall of the block. This work will be completed during the spring, probably before this report is issued; the damaged area appears to be from the Main street corner to the second window. Funds are also being budgeted for roof replacement as the existing roof is approaching 20 years in age, and should be replaced before failures result in damage to the interior of the building.

As always, thanks go to Eve Anderson for taking care of rental arrangements and scheduling the use of the hall and meeting room. These facilities are maintained for the use of our community; the board appreciates the respect that most users give the building...care by the users is absolutely necessary to ensure the continued availability of the facility. Arrangements for use of the hall or meeting room may be made by contacting Eve at 354 – 8835.

The Trustees continue to work toward a long term plan for the building to ensure its' continued value and use to the community.

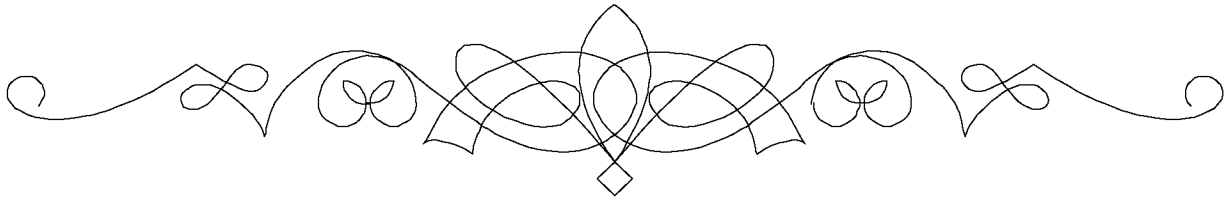
Respectfully Submitted,  
Bill Hahn  
Watts Block Trustees



# ***Thomaston Village Cemetery***



## **Cemetery Trustees List Sexton's Report**



***THOMASTON VILLAGE CEMETERY TRUSTEES***

**Lee-Ann Upham  
William Hahn  
Mona Stearns  
Greg Hamlin  
Peter Lammert  
Margaret McCrea  
Joanne Richards  
Rod Grindell  
Joan Linscott**

***SEXTON*  
Peter Lammert**

## ANNUAL REPORT OF VILLAGE CEMETERY

Peter Lammert

Sexton

During 2013, there were 22 burials, which is four less than the previous year. The funerals were divided evenly between burials of cremains and full body interments. There were occasions of multiple burials on the same day and burials on Sundays which is becoming more common.

The major operation in the Village Cemetery is the maintenance of the 22 acres of graves. This past year, the cemetery board again sought bids for the picking up of fallen branches, which is an increasing problem as the Norway maples continue to die, the mowing and clipping of the 22 acres of the cemetery proper and in the fall, the removal of leaves from the grass.

We received four bids, the highest of which was \$ 56,000 and the lowest was \$29,000. The other two bids were both from contractors that had previously had contracts with the Village Cemetery. I favored the contract with Doug Williams over Farley and Son as Farley had the contract the previous year and had walked away from the contract without removing the leaves. The year started out o.k. but problems soon developed. The employees first hired quit work and others were brought in including "Uncle Melvin" who many of you saw mowing with just one leg to stand on. We limped along with this two person crew with myself doing the clipping around the estimated 18,000 obstacles and the cemetery was in very good shape for not only Memorial Day but also for the annual Henry Knox birthday celebration, which is usually held on the third Saturday in June.

However the prognosis did not look good to continue with just two people doing the mowing and being paid outside the contract and myself doing the clipping. After two breach of contract notices, the contract with Williams was terminated.

Many townspeople and others who were aware of the trials and tribulations going on with the maintenance, offered to help with the mowing but no one individual wanted, or could for that matter, take over the care of the whole cemetery. They were interested in only doing sections of the cemetery. Therefore, the following mowing schedule was initiated on a trial basis at my request and not under the former contract height of mowing when the grass was three inches tall. Herb Jones and his wife mowed sections one and two, as they were already mowing the private Elm Grove section of the cemetery, which abuts section one. The large green space behind Major General Henry Knox's grave and the lawn area on the Erin Street side of the white cemetery building which also extends along Anna Belle Lane to Avenue 11 was done by my neighbor Louis Carmichael for the fuel for his tractor. Stewart Baird initially mowed sections three and four. The Hoppe family mowed sections five, and seven and section eleven while Jon Grout and other employees of his Guardian Lawn Care mowed sections nine, ten and the Sunrise Section. The contractor who mows the lawns at Montpelier, Mark Deane, offered to help and mowed section six once but he opted out of continuing to do it more than once. The folks mowing submitted bills that included the time it took to mow and trim each section.



In reviewing the mowing times for each section, the time it took to mow section four stood out as being the highest. I decided to try a different contractor to mow section four the second time around and the time increased by two hours. In looking for reasons why it was taking so long to mow, it was evident that mowing along the raised graves that are almost everywhere on this section, that something had to happen to eliminate the valleys between the lots. The solution to that problem was to partially fill the bottoms of the valleys between the lots. The public works department donated over 55 yards of screened earth suitable to fill these valleys and again my neighbor, Louis Carmichael, using his small tractor, started to fill these valleys. They were not all filled before frost set in and the rest of this work remains for 2014.

All summer long, the leaves on the Norway maples were experiencing both the tar spot problem and another disease, anthracnose, which caused the leaves to brown up and fall from the branches. This constant leaf fall could have become a problem, but as almost every person mowing the sections was using Walker mowers, the kind that vacuums up all the grass and leaves, the fallen leaves were picked up each time the grass was mowed. Positive comments were received from visitors about how the cemetery looked nice once again

During the remainder of the growing season, so many leaves fell from the trees, that the final mowing on November 10, to make the cemetery presentable for Armistice Day, cleaned up almost all the leaves while the cemetery was getting its final mowing for the year. There were seven Walker mowers operating that day along with the people trimming around the graves. For you organic gardeners, there was about 50 yards of green/brown mulch created during that final mowing. It is available as of this writing. Next year's mowing contracts will probably be by sections.

I seemed to have cured the problem of the American flags on the veteran's graves ripping from their staffs. Before placing these flags for Memorial Day, I hot melt glued all 722 of them to their respective staffs. Only two of the flags ripped off during the summer. The flags were placed on graves under the direction of American Legion Commander Bill Demons utilizing members of local Scout troops and members of the Christian Academy School. When I checked the Butler Cemetery on Thomaston Street, which is privately maintained by Mrs. Godfrey, I noticed there were no flags on veteran's graves, several of which date back to the revolutionary war. I corrected that situation and also visited the private cemetery off West Meadow Road and placed flags on all veterans' graves there as well as the Tilson Cemetery off Old County Road

The one ton cemetery dump truck was disposed of by high bid as it was only being used twice a year to haul cemetery decorations to the transfer station. I can no longer lift the green 55 gallon rubbish barrels onto that truck and am changing them over to smaller 33 gallon metal barrels that I can lift onto my tailgate for a trip to the transfer station. These smaller rubbish barrels are available free at the transfer station as their bottoms have holes in them that I would have to make in them for use in the cemetery anyway.

If you have any questions about family or head stone placement, please contact me so that I can show you the different places where they go on the lots.

**As time passes, there are graves and in some cases the entire lot, is being covered in decorations, including solar powered lights, which because of their feeble support posts, are the bane of the string trimmers.**

**I'm not sure why the solar powered light phenomenon has taken place as the cemetery is supposed to be closed at dusk, but at the end of the summer, I counted about 177 of them illuminated. I have no idea if there are more that are not functional.**

**I am going to recommend to the cemetery board that the solar lights be banned to help reduce the number of obstacles that have to be trimmed around.**

**Also, with the backup of the West bound traffic on Rt. 1 in the late afternoon, sometimes as far Eastward as Crick Hill, the cemetery has become a bypass for those living North of Rte. 1 and as far West as Georges Street. By coming up Dwight Street, usually at a rather high rate of speed, into and sometimes all around the cemetery, they can proceed thru the cemetery to Erin, Beechwood, Starr, Booker and all of Sawyerville to their homes. When the police are not tied up in other matters, they often park at the Northern terminus of Dwight Street which will momentarily slow the speeders down. I am in hopes that the traffic problem is solved sooner than having someone or something injured.**

**There is great discussion as to where a dog park should go relative to the cemetery. I have set wooden stakes in the East end of section 13 that represents the size of the fenced dog park in the City of Augusta. Comments on its size and location are welcome. Another proposed location is in a field East of the Sunrise section.**

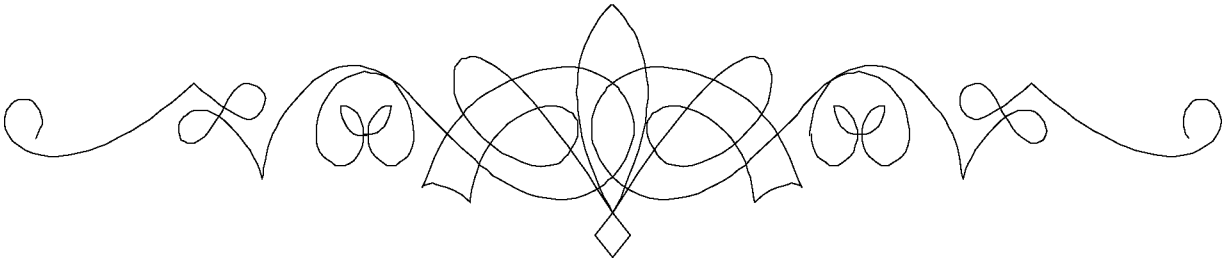
**The Cub and Boy Scouts have helped me grow many species of softwood trees that will be used for screening and wind breaks in the cemetery. In the fall, they planted over 200 walnuts that I got from a tree off Gleason Street. Time and the squirrels will tell if any trees are produced.**

**In closing I thank all of you who helped me get through another trying year at the Village Cemetery. If you have questions about stone placement, please contact me before you contact a monument company so that you will not end up with a stone that you are not happy with. For those burying veterans, the funeral homes can guide you through getting a flush government marker but you still have to pay for a four foot concrete base that supports it. If you can afford it, the metal flag holders last much longer than the plastic ones being used now.**

# ***THOMASTON HARBOR***



**Harbor Personnel  
Harbor Committee Annual Report  
Harbor Masters Annual Report**



### ***Harbor Committee***

<b>James Cuthbertson</b>	<b>Expires 2015</b>
<b>Jeff Armstrong</b>	<b>Expires 2014</b>
<b>Sandra Jordan</b>	<b>Expires 2016</b>
<b>Peter McCrea</b>	<b>Expires 2016</b>
<b>Doug Theobalds</b>	<b>Expires 2015</b>
<b>Joe McGeady</b>	<b>Expires 2015</b>
<b>Steve Tofield</b>	<b>Expires 2014</b>
<b>Derek Orff, Alternate</b>	<b>Expires 2016</b>

### ***Harbor Master***

**Michael Blais**

**691-1315**

## REPORT OF THE HARBOR COMMITTEE

*Peter McCrea*

*Chairman*

The summer of 2013 saw the second season of “open for all” parking at the Public Landing. Signage was installed to advise casual users that working commercial harvesters were most active around low tide times, suggesting that non-commercial users might plan their boating activity times accordingly. Although parking at the landing was at capacity on occasion, users appeared to be dealing with the situation.

The Harbor Committee is pleased to learn that a carry-in path and launching area for paddlecraft is being included in the plan for the future Mill River Park, thus taking some user demand for parking and water access away from the Public Landing.

After some turnover on the Harbor Committee, new members joined the Committee representing the boatbuilding and commercial shellfish harvesting sectors of our working waterfront.

Following the resignation of former Harbor Master Gordon Mank, Michael Blais was hired as Thomaston’s new Harbor Master and he is approaching the job with great energy and new ideas to enhance our access and enjoyment on Thomaston’s tidal waters.

The ongoing saga of our request to have our harbor de-authorized from its present status as a Federal Anchorage saw some progress this past year. A bill containing our request language was proposed by Senator Susan Collins, passed by the Senate and then referred to the House of Representatives. The matter currently resides in a joint Senate/House committee and has received the endorsement of the entire Maine delegation, so we continue to be hopeful that the enabling legislation will occur this season. Staffers from Representative Pingree’s office are keeping us informed on progress.

## **REPORT OF THE HARBOR MASTER**

***Michael Blais***

***Harbor Master***

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As your new Harbor Master, it was very exciting and interesting for the last couple of months to close out the year of 2013. I performed a comprehensive study of the harbor, facilities, parking and the needs of the community so we all will be able to enjoy the harbor for recreational and boating needs for the years ahead.

In 2013, I also joined the Conservation Committee, became a member of the Parks Committee and a non-voting member of the Harbor Committee.

I would like to thank the Public Works Department, Pollution Control, Thomaston Town Office, Conservation Commision, Parks Committee, Harbor Committee and the General Public for their much needed support and help.

In the past couple of months I started to repair a number of problems we were having at the Harbor. This spring I am hoping to start a cleaning, painting and flower planting project. I am looking for volunteers with the upcoming projects this spring.

I am working closely with the Harbor Committee, Conservation Committee and the Parks Committee for assistance in order to accomplish a number of projects for the near future. The Conservation Committee is working on the new Mill River Park and a possible small boat ramp at the park.

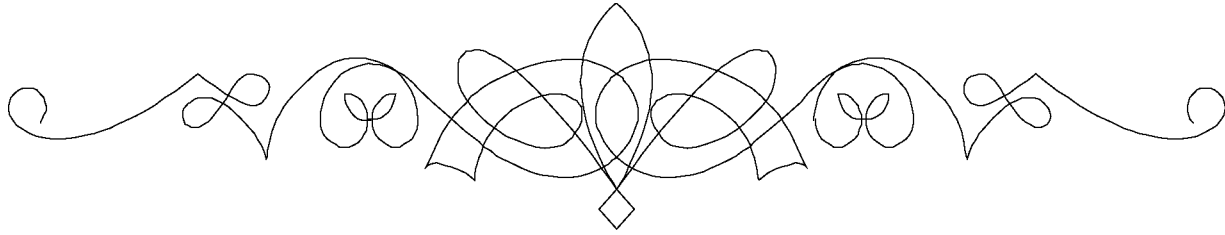
This winter, one area I have been studying is the winter fishing shacks on the Mill River located by Fish Street. I am working closely with the Harbor Committee to study the needs of the public for this winter activity. I have noticed an increasing number of new fishing shacks on the river.

I am currently working on a number of grants and will continue to do so for the future to improve the Public Landing, Harbor and Mayo Park.

# ***RECREATION & LEISURE***



**Recreation Personnel  
Recreation Director's Report  
Conservation Commission Members  
Conservation Commission's Report**



### ***RECREATION COMMITTEE***

<b>Darryl Townsend</b>	<b>Term Expires 2015</b>
<b>Carol Arsenault</b>	<b>Term Expires 2014</b>
<b>Tara Murray</b>	<b>Term Expires 2016</b>
<b>Todd Boynton</b>	<b>Term Expires 2014</b>
<b>Scott Strong, Alternate</b>	<b>Term Expires 2016</b>
<b>Ricky Jones, Alternate</b>	<b>Term Expires 2014</b>
<b>John Chandler, Senior Citizen</b>	<b>Term Expires 2015</b>
<b>Anthony Moore, High School Student,</b>	

### ***RECREATION DIRECTOR***

**Misty Start**



## REPORT OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

*Misty Start*

*Director*

On behalf of the Thomaston Recreation Department and the Thomaston Recreation Committee, I present the Town Manager, Board of Selectmen, and the Citizens of the Town of Thomaston with a detailed report of operations during the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

The Thomaston Recreation Department transformed in many ways over the last twelve months. The department welcomed a new director, facilitated the merger of two youth sporting leagues, strengthened partnerships with the business community, and increased program offerings. With these changes, came increased participation from Thomaston residents and a significant influx of non-resident participation in the department's programs.

A newly developed website allowed for easier access to program information for all ages. The website became easier to navigate and offered, for the first time, the ease of online registration for programs. The calendar, announcements, and program pages allowed residents to stay up to date on recreation activities, but also on changes to local leagues.

In 2013, due to the disbanding of Knox Suburban Little League in 2012, Thomaston youth participated in a pilot program with Rockland Little League. Thomaston residents remained on Thomaston teams, sponsored by local businesses, KDK, Touch of Glass, and McMahon Builders. Cushing residents participated on Thomaston teams while St. George residents participated on St. George teams. Success during this season led to the creation of Oceanside Little League. 2014 is the first year in which new players can be drafted onto any of the teams participating in the league. Likely benefits include a lessened financial burden on Thomaston tax payers, full rosters with athletes of appropriate age and skill, and increased field availability for minor league teams.

As the benefits of such a merger became more tangible, it seemed reasonable to consider the prospect of merging our local basketball league (St. George, Cushing, Vinalhaven, and Thomaston) with the Rockland Basketball League. A 'pilot program' began to take shape in October 2013. Benefits included access to more teams for competitive game play, business sponsorship of teams easing the financial burden on towns, and a set of rules that aligned more closely with higher level play.

In 2012, under the leadership of former Recreation Director, Matt Judkins, first and second graders in Thomaston were given the opportunity to participate in team soccer in contrast to clinics. This continued in 2013, which gave rise to the creation of a first and second grade team style basketball league. The league was structured around four teams. Each team met once each week for five week and engaged in a 30 minute practice session and 30 minutes of game play. The new league was well received by parents and players. Youth Cheerleading was revived after recreation committee member, Trina Johnson, and local resident, Shannon Myrick, decided to take lead of the program. Johnson completed four courses with National Federation of State High School Association to become a certified coach, and led a number of fundraising initiatives. Cheerleading was offered to

girls and boys grades 2-6 who took part in tumbling clinics, field trips to high school cheer competitions, and performed routines at recreation level basketball games . Upon completion of regular season, Johnson and Myrick created a smaller group of cheerleaders to participate in competitions across of the state of Maine.

Tennis was also brought back to the community by way of two series of clinics led by Oceanside Boys Varsity Tennis Coach, Shawn Dulac. Such a program had not been offered to Thomaston residents since 1992. Youth throughout the Oceanside district sought out the Thomaston Recreation Department for this program.

Tee ball, though not a new program, was introduced during the summer of 2013 as a clinic to continue developing athletes who completed tee ball season, to introduce younger players who were not of age during tee ball season, and to offer an additional clinic for an age group that previously not had such opportunities in the summer.

Development of the Senior Citizen program was of great importance the Recreation Department this year. It is our mission to serve all ages, and with such focus on youth and family programming, it was necessary to revisit the program. After attending the senior luncheon in St. George, it was apparent that such a meeting each month would be an asset in our community as well. Working with the Rocky Coast House in Thomaston provided a lovely and accommodating space for the luncheons. With the addition of the luncheons, the department was able to get important feedback from seniors as to what future trips they would be interested in taking.

With the assistance of Ben Vail, Recreation Director in St. George, the Thomaston Recreation Department was able to offer a number of new trips that had not previously been offered to senior residents before. Some of these trips included, a Lighthouse Cruise with Monhegan Boat Line, a tour of the Midcoast Botanical Gardens in Boothbay, and of course the annual holiday shopping trip in Portland.

Strengthening partnerships with local recreation departments led the Recreation Department to begin thinking about developing new partnerships with recreation and leisure organizations in the area. The Friday night Ski and Snowboard program at the Camden Snowbowl continued to be a popular program for families in Thomaston and other local communities. A newly developed partnership with the Pen Bay YMCA in Rockport granted Thomaston residents access to their facilities at no cost on Wednesday evenings in February. Future collaborations are currently being discussed.

Though developed relationships with recreation and leisure organizations proved beneficial, the generosity of the business community in 2013/2014 cannot be overlooked. Touch of Glass and KDK Printing and Apparel sponsored and purchased uniforms for our Little League Baseball teams, while McMahon Builders suited up our Little League Softball team. Jim Leonard, Oceanside Athletic Director and former Thomaston Recreation Director, personally sponsored the 'Wharf Rats', the Thomaston Boys Farm League team. During basketball season, R&D Trash Removal, The Highlands Coffee House, and

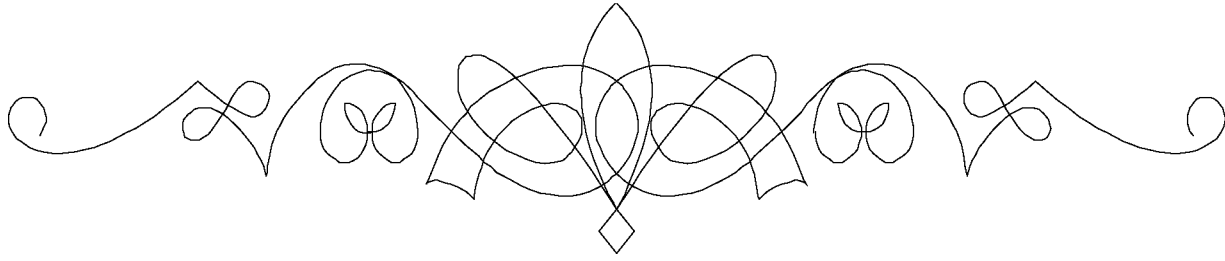
**Rockcoast Plumbing and Heating outfitted our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls and boys basketball teams.**

**Such generosity did not end with sponsorship of athletic teams. Businesses across the midcoast shared their goods and services with the Thomaston Recreation Department at our events. At the annual ‘Field of Dreams’ night, an event where Thomaston athletes participating in spring sports are able to showcase their learned skills, a large number of businesses donated items for a free raffle. Dorman’s Dairy Dream went even further, and gave each participant a coupon for free ice cream.**

**Other partnerships include, Walmart, who will be partnering with department to put on our first annual Easter Egg Hunt, the Masonic Hall of Thomaston who will be hosting the department’s monthly Senior Citizen luncheon, and Halls Funeral Home who provide the sound system and trailer for the Thomaston Recreation Department float at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade.**

**With such commitment from the business and residential community, the Recreation Department has been able to develop more programs and host more events. In March 2013, the department will host its first Volunteer Appreciation Dessert Buffet to thank our many volunteers and sponsors for their continued support.**

**In closing, I would like to acknowledge a few individuals who have assisted the recreation department in various degrees this year, and some over many years; Committee President Darryl Townsend, Vice President Carol Arsenault, and the Recreation Committee for their support, encouragement, and time; RSU 13 Administrative Assistants Laura Curtis, Aimee Sanfillipo, Valerie Stone, and Janice Miller for their assistance in scheduling Recreation events and activities at various facilities, distribution of recreation information, and their commitment to serving our youth; Jim Leonard and Ed Hastings for their advice and support during my transition into this position; Wayne Judkins, Matt Judkins, Tom Peaco, Dana Verge, and Paul Kennedy on the successful creation of Oceanside Little League; Rene Dorr, Benjie Blake, and Ben Vail for the development of the Midcoast Basketball League; Thomaston Public Works for offering their time, muscle, and equipment whenever needed; Jodell, Louise, Donna, and Joan for all of their laughs, smiles, answers, and advice; and most of all, thank you to all of our volunteers who keep our programs running. I would also like to thank Valmore Blastow, the Board of Selectmen, and the residents of Thomaston for the opportunity to serve as the Recreation Director. It has truly been a pleasure.**



### ***CONSERVATION COMMISSION***

<b>Michael Blais</b>	<b>Term Expires 2016</b>
<b>Terri Estey-Rucevice</b>	<b>Term Expires 2015</b>
<b>Mark Kunz</b>	<b>Term Expires 2014</b>
<b>Cliff Blastow</b>	<b>Term Expires 2016</b>
<b>Sarah Tyler</b>	<b>Term Expires 2016</b>
<b>Elaine Larrabee</b>	<b>Term Expires 2016</b>

## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Terri L. Rucevice

Chairperson

The Thomaston Conservation Commission (TCC) held its first event on Memorial Day weekend with a community hike on the north end of the trail system. Jay Astle of the Georges River Land Trust led the hike. All who attended had an enjoyable walk.

The Georges River Land Trust replaced the wooden walkway on the trail from Beechwood Street to Split Rock. Many thanks are due to those who donated lumber, manpower and labor to this project. Please take the time to walk the trail and see the fantastic job they did.

Please notice the new sign marking the trail entrance by the Water Tower Road. Last year there were improvements to the parking area on Water Tower Road making the trail head easier to locate.

The TCC worked on the design for a new park to be located at the end of Roxbury Street (the old Thomaston dump site) and received a \$10,000 grant from the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund to begin construction. To be called the Mill River Park it is in the final stages of planning and construction is expected to start in spring 2014. This will include an upgrade of the road and parking area as well as a trail going to the waterfront and some landscaping.

For several years now the Town has owned a small piece of land west of the Town Forest and on the Oyster River. In May 2013, the Town purchased the abutting property increasing the water frontage to over 2,000 feet. In December the parcel of land between the Town Forest and the river front property was purchased opening the way for development of a trail system that will access the Oyster River.

During the month of August the Thomaston Conservation Commission had a display in the front window of the town office reminding folks to take advantage of the free community trail system.

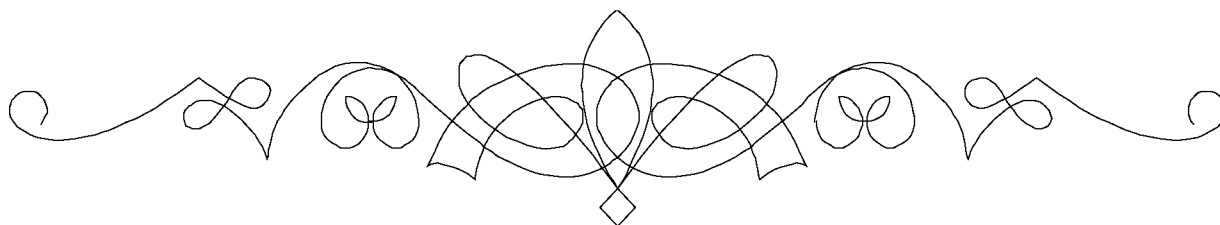
On Labor Day weekend, Peggy McCrea from the Thomaston Historical Society led The Great Community Historical Hike. Peggy guided attendees through the streets of Thomaston, giving a narrative of the old sea Captains homes and other historic buildings. Peggy's tremendous knowledge of the town is nothing short of amazing.

Thank you to Georges River Land Trust, John Fancy of the Pollution Control Department and the Board of Selectmen for their support and hard work keeping this committee going strong.

# ***THOMASTON PLANNING ZONING & DEVELOPMENT***



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## **PLANNING BOARD**

**Joanne Richards, Chair**  
**Melissa Reynolds, Vice-Chair**  
**Joan Sanborn**  
**Jeff Creighton**  
**James Carney**  
**Carl Danielson**  
**Dan Allan, 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate**

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## **REPORT OF THOMASTON PLANNING BOARD**

**Joanne Richards**

**Chairperson**

**I respectfully submit this annual report to the citizens of the Town of Thomaston and the Board of Selectpersons for the year 2013.**

**First and foremost I wish to thank the Planning Board members for their hard work and continued commitment to the citizens of Thomaston. The Planning Board has a great respect for the opinions of each member and the input from the public is invaluable in enabling us to complete our tasks.**

**2013 was a quiet year with no new Subdivision Plans coming before us which has allowed us to conduct other business.**

**Approved the request of Tilson Wireless Services to co-locate antennae and associated equipment on the cell tower on Water Tower Road.**

**Approved the reduction in signage for the Walmart project.**

**Approved the on-site roadway name “Thomaston Commons Way” for the Walmart project.**

**Approved two right of way requests by private land owners.**

**Discussed subdivision covenants for Deer Run Subdivision proposed by Mid-Coast Habitat for Humanity.**

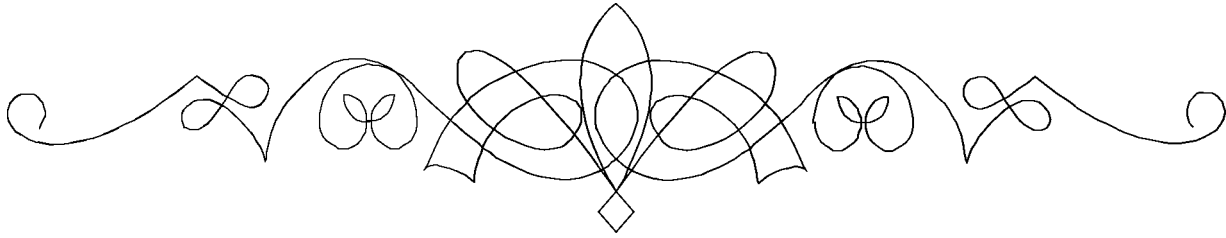
**Reviewed the request for an addition to the approved Site Plan of Bryan Marshall, Brenan and Bryce Black. The parties chose not to proceed with the addition.**

**The Board also held four workshops reviewing the Chapter 10 Land Use Ordinances and Definitions.**

**The Board held a public hearing April 8, 2014 to review the proposed amendments. The proposed amendments are presented to the citizens of Thomaston for their approval.**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Joanne Richards, Chair**





### **BOARD OF APPEALS**

**Anita Knowlton, Chair**  
**Doug Erickson, Vice-Chair**  
**Jeff Armstrong**  
**William Dashiell**  
**Gerald Zwick**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Alternate – Vacant**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate - Vacant**

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## REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

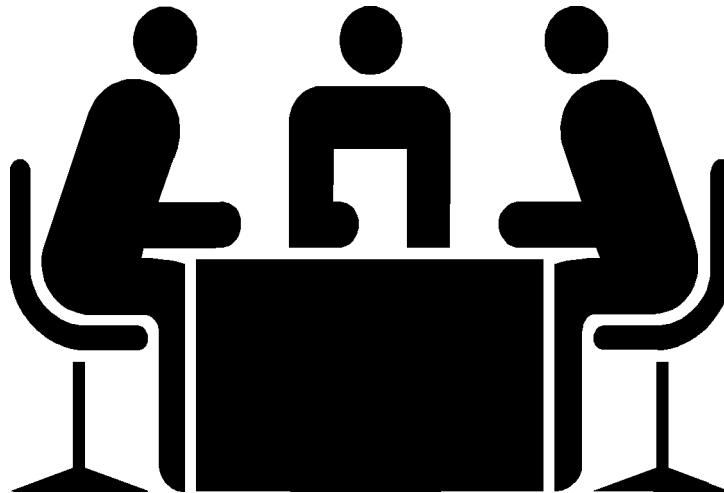
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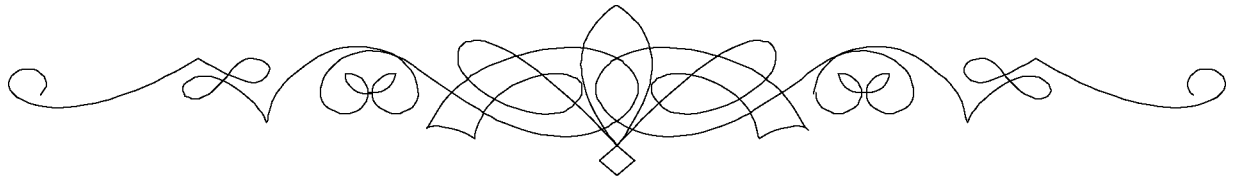
Code Enforcement Officer

**The Thomaston Zoning Board of Appeals considered eight applications of which six were for conditional use. All were approved without conditions.**

**There was one appeal for a variance that was denied.**

**There was one appeal for a permit for a single-family residence structure in the Resource Protection District which was approved.**





***REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE***

**William Hahn, Chairman**  
**Chris Rector**  
**Cindy Bertocci**  
**Steve Little**  
**Sumner Kinney**  
**Davene Fahy**  
**Bill Martin**  
**Jeff Carty**  
**Lee-Ann Upham, Selectboard**  
**Peter Lammert, Selectboard**  
**Mona Stearns, Selectboard**  
**Greg Hamlin, Selectboard**

## **THOMASTON GREEN REDEVELOPMENT**

**William Hahn**

**Chairman**

Since the effort to redevelop the former prison site began, a great deal has been accomplished, but as yet no new construction has commenced. The old buildings have been removed; a master plan has been developed with the assistance of the Town's residents, which was then developed into an approved subdivision plan. The property has been improved first with the construction of a walk and park improvements through a State grant, and then by the construction of the street and utilities to the center of the site from Wadsworth Street.

The result is a site which is ready in most respects for development, and which has been prepared through consensus of the voters to be developed in a manner consistent with the wishes of those same voters.

Interest was shown in this past year in the commercial portion of the site adjacent to Main Street, but after consideration on both sides there was not enough common ground to move forward. With the improving economy, opportunities may present themselves in the coming year.

# Thomaston Public Library



## Library Personnel Annual Report

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### ***Library Staff***

**Head Librarian - Ann Harris**  
**Interlibrary Loans & Circulation Coordinator - Jocelyn Callaghan**  
**Assistant Librarian, Children's Dept. - Joanna Hynd**  
**Library Assistant - Blake Donaldson**  
**Library Assistant - Judy Hines**

**Former Library Positions and Staff for 2013:**  
**Library Assistant - Susan Dixson (moved to Iowa in early 2013)**

### ***Library Volunteers***

<b>Lysbeth Andrews</b>	<b>Nanci Kendall</b>
<b>Janet Bosworth</b>	<b>Paula Michaud</b>
<b>Karen Clarke</b>	<b>Alex Nimon</b>
<b>Alice and William Dashiell</b>	<b>Eileen Skolds</b>
<b>Marie Finnegan</b>	<b>Donna Tokarz</b>
<b>Diane Giese</b>	<b>Paul Violette</b>
<b>Greg Hamlin</b>	<b>Mimi Zwick</b>

### ***Library Board of Trustees***

<b>Janet Bosworth, President</b>	<b>Sheilagh Guyer (through 2013)</b>
<b>Greg Hamlin, Secretary</b>	<b>Harold Willey</b>
<b>William Dashiell, V. P./Treasurer</b>	<b>Linda Kruger</b>
<b>Kay Sylvester</b>	<b>Karen Clarke</b>

### ***Friends of the Library***

**Marla McGeady, Incoming President**  
**Davene Fahy, Outgoing President**  
**Jeff Carty, Treasurer**  
**Amanda Shortall, Secretary**  
**Erika Pfander**  
**Lysbeth Andrews**  
**Alice Dashiell**  
**Mei Ling Cheung**  
**Shirley Hamlin**  
**Mimi Zwick**  
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## Annual Report 2013-2014

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Monday	11:00 to 7:00
Tuesday	11:00 to 5:00
Wednesday	11:00 to 5:00
Thursday	11:00 to 5:00
Friday	11:00 to 7:00
Saturday	9:00 to 1:00

**Total Library Patrons: 3299**

**Total New Patrons: 206**

**Total Circulation: 43,020**

**TPL Circulation: 41,654**

**Interlibrary loans: 793**

**Digital Downloads (Audio & E-books): 573 (133 & 440)**

**Total Material: 25,181**

**Children's Material: 8,571**

**TV & Movies (DVD): 1306**

**Audio Books: 356**

**Kindle Books: 64**

**Total New Material for 2013: 1252**

**New Adult Books Added: 762**

**New Children's Books: 265**

**New TV & Movies: 225**

**New Kindle Books: 54**

### ***Services Provided:-***

**Public Computers and Wi-fi** – The library offers wireless internet on both floors and eight computers for public use, all of which are online and can print in color and B&W. Each computer offers either the Libre Office or Microsoft Office suite of software programs and is networked to a central printer.

**Comfortable, Inviting Interior Spaces** – The library houses two carpeted living-room areas on the main floor, with love seats and overstuffed chairs. We pipe in soft classical music and have a table dedicated to the game of chess. We feature continuous topical displays of our own library materials and borrowed artistic and cultural items of interest to the community.

**Another Big Room Downstairs** – In our downstairs space, in addition to its large collection of books, we offer quiet study carrels, a small room dedicated to our Maine reference collection, a world globe, a ClearView magnifying machine, a large work table, and additional display areas.

**A Children's Room** – Our Children's Room on the main floor features a play area for young children, a crafts and activities area, picture books, board books, chapter books, young-adult books, graphic novels and comic books, and both new and classic children's movies on VHS and DVD.

**Lots of Great Books & DVDs** – The library houses 25,181 items, with approximately one third of those items for children. The library regularly purchases large-print books, books on CD, popular and classic films, contemporary and best-selling fiction and nonfiction, award-winning children's literature, graphic novels, television series, and books about Maine and by Maine authors.

**Ebooks, Audiobooks, and Kindles** – In addition to borrowing from our audiobook collection, patrons may download audiobooks and eBooks directly through our website. We now offer Kindle eReaders for check-out as well, each Kindle pre-loaded with a selection of books that includes the Inter-Generational Book Club's line-up for 2013 and 2014 and the ten Maine Readers' Choice Award finalists for those years, along with several titles by Maine authors, the complete works of Nathaniel Philbrick, and a number of literary classics.

**A Regularly Updated Website** – Library news can be found on our easy-to-navigate website, [www.thomaston.lib.me.us](http://www.thomaston.lib.me.us), which is updated every month with all the next month's happenings. A form on the Catalog & ILL page allows you to request materials through interlibrary loan, a free service of the library. On the Home, Facebook, and Book Clubs pages, we publicize all upcoming events for adults and children. The website houses our catalog and permanent information about the library's history and also serves as a dynamic community newsletter.

**Brand-new Multi-functional Printer** – The library has just acquired a fine multi-function



printer that faxes, scans to email or USB, and prints copies in B&W or color on letter-, legal-, and ledger-sized paper.

**Farnsworth Museum Tickets** – We offer free passes to the Farnsworth Museum, which library patrons can check out for three days.

**Periodicals** – Our offerings include print and online subscriptions to the *Bangor Daily News*, the *Portland Press Herald*, the *Courier Gazette*, the *New York Times* (Sunday edition), and the *Christian Science Monitor*, as well as print subscriptions to monthly and weekly magazines. Access to numerous other magazines and newspapers and to a wide variety of excellent reference databases is available to all through the Marvel link (Maine's Virtual Library) on the Catalog & Ill page of our website.

**A Great, Accommodating Staff** – Our staff offers reference and research assistance, readers' advisory services, computer troubleshooting, and help for special-needs patrons. We present or host a variety of programs each month. In the early spring, we're your source for paper tax forms and instructions.

#### *Programs:*

**Monthly Contra Dances**  
(ongoing):

Library staff continues to collaborate with Steve Cartwright to host a monthly Saturdaynight Contra Dance in the Thomaston Academy gym.

**Friday Night Film Series (ongoing):**

Presenter Erika Pfander and The Friends of the Thomaston Public Library show an eclectic mix of classic, foreign, and award-winning films each Friday evening in Room 200 of the Academy building (weather permitting), free of charge. Each month's offerings reflect that month's theme. This past year's themes ranged from French Gems to Film Noir, from Two Great Dames (Judi Dench and Maggie Smith) to Silent Horror Classics, from Alfred Hitchcock to Woody Allen.

**Hallway Books (ongoing):**

The Friends of the Library, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, maintains a used bookstore in the corridors of the library, where they sell used paperback and hardcover books, audio books, movies, and more. The bookstore is open during all of the library's open hours and most months features special sales on particular types of items. All proceeds go to library programs and supplies.

**Story Hours (ongoing):**

The library hosts weekly Thursday Story Hours all year long with a few special Saturday Story Hours, including one hosted by Tracy Sala of the Pope Memorial Humane Society of Knox County. Story Hours take place at 11 AM.

**Intergenerational Book Club (ongoing):**

The Intergenerational Book Club, open to men and women from high-school age on up, meets on the third Tuesday of each month to discuss a book all participants have read. The library keeps extra copies of each month's title, in paper and on Kindles, to share with

members. This year, among the twelve selections were such fine works of fiction as *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* and *The 1000 Autumns of Jacob de Zoet*, the YA novel *The Fault in Our Stars*, nonfiction titles including *The End of Your Life Book Club*, and works by Maine authors, including Thomaston's own John Chandler, whose *The Fine Art of Murder* was discussed in July. The discussion of *Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy* featured special guest Kate McBrien, Curator of Historic Collections at the Maine State Museum, who shared her research on Malaga Island.

**Lunch Time Book Group at Lura Libby (ongoing):**

Library Media Specialist Kathy Perkins and Assistant Librarian Joanna Hynd have been hosting a book club for advanced readers in third grade at Lura Libby Elementary School. The library purchased multiple copies of the Maine Student Book Award nominees for the Lura Libby book group and participated in the reading of *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate and *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio.

**8 – 12 Year Old Read-Along (ongoing):**

Weekly read-alongs for 8 to 12 year old kids take place every Wednesday afternoon.

**Qi Gong (ongoing):**

The library sponsors Tim English's weekly Qi Gong classes held on Saturday mornings in the Thomaston Academy building's gym. Qi Gong, a Chinese exercise, loosely translates to "life force cultivation." The practice involves a combination of slow rhythmic movement and breathing that provides the dual benefits of exercise and meditation.

**Saltwater Film Society Screenings (ongoing):**

The library hosts the Saltwater Film Society's monthly screenings the third Thursday of each month. Last year's diverse collection featured *Dr. Strangelove*, *Run Lola Run*, *Waiting for Guffman*, *Mulholland Drive*, *Strictly Ballroom*, *Dark City*, and several others.

**Thomaston Children's Festival:**

Dena Davis held the second annual Children's Festival fundraiser in May on the Thomaston Academy lawn, in the gym, and throughout the library. Large crowds of people of all ages attended. The Academy gym was transformed into festival grounds with games, activities, informational booths, and vendors, set up beneath lovely silk banners and other decorative trappings. Musicians played while children and adults danced, played, and talked. The Hallway Bookshop offered books and videos for sale, and games and arts & crafts stations were set up throughout the library. The entire event was beautifully enhanced by the Thomaston Farmers' Market. The proceeds from the event went toward funding research for Cornelia deLange Syndrome and children's programming at the library.

**Harvest Fest:**

The Children's Department also put on a well-attended Harvest Fest in November with pumpkin-painting, stories dramatically read by Strand Theater manager Liz McLeod, snacks, and music by folk trio *Playin' Possum*.

### **Summer Reading Program**

The library held a hugely successful Summer Reading Program last year, with enormous help from Dena Davis, Paul Violette, Eileen Skolds, and Nanci Kendall. Children earned stars for books they read and we presented the following weekly events, many of which were attended by 30 to 50 people:

- July 5 – Teddy Bear Picnic
- July 11 – Rob Duquette Musical Event
- July 17 – Robots Rule!
- July 24 – Fun with Hieroglyphics
- July 31 – Creative Writing Workshop with Dena Davis & Stories By the Sea
- August 7 – The Magical Language of Braille
- August 14 – Pirates & Mermaids
- August 17 – Summer Reading Program Grand Finale Party

### **Thomaston Farmers' Market:**

The library shared its neighborhood with the Farmers' Market last year, from May into October.

The library often set up a tent outside during the market, read stories to kids, and, through our Friends' Hallway Bookshop, sold children's books. Our summer-reading program held its closing ceremony outside in conjunction with the market and the Farmers' Market itself concluded with a joint child-themed celebration with music and activities, which was well-attended.

### **Cards for Kids**

Third graders from Lura Libby visited the library in June. The children spent an hour here and went home with summer-reading-program sign-up sheets and library cards.

### **Presentations & Lectures**

The library arranged many lectures, readings, and other presentations this past year. Among the authors who read from and/or discussed their works were:

- John Chandler (Thomaston), *The Fine Art of Murder*
- Jen Blood (Thomaston), *Southern Cross* and *Before the After*, Erin Solomon mysteries
- Tom Seymour (Waldo) *Foraging New England*
- Renny Stackpole (Thomaston), *Sea Letters: the Nineteenth- Century Letters and Journals of the Captain Andrew Pinkham Family of Nantucket and Ohio*
- Lea Wait (Damariscotta) and Kate Flora (Bailey Island) spoke together about the writing life and mystery/crime writing specifically.
- Bob Branco (South Thomaston), *Strike from the Deep*

### **Poetry Readings**

The Thomaston Library hosted two group readings last year, a poetry reading in April and literary readings in August, featuring the following roster of fine poets, novelists, and nonfiction writers:

- Carolyn Locke
- Bob MacLaughlin
- Dave Morrison
- Ronna Deloe
- Lisa Panepinto
- Mary Jane Martin
- Jane Brox
- Bruce Willard
- Martha Rhodes
- Chris Fahy

### **Other Eclectic Offerings:**

- Library Friend Erika Pfander presented Japanese ghost stories by Lafcadio Hearn
- *South End Stories* author Sandra Sylvester hosted a library discussion on Maine's very special sense of place
- Conservation biologist Geri Vistein presented a talk and slideshow on America's Song Dog, the coyote
- World-renowned photographer Paul Caponigro gave a talk and slide show on his life's work
- Historian and re-enactor Blaikie Hines re-created the setting and circumstances of a member of the Civil War's Christian Commission

### **Summer Book Discussions**

This past summer we held evening book discussions of two of the three Maine Readers' Choice Awards finalists, in July discussing Wiley Cash's *A Land More Kind than Home* and in September Kevin Powers's *The Yellow Birds*. Library patrons cast votes in September for the winning book and awarded the Maine Readers' Choice Award to Wiley Cash and *A Land More Kind than Home*.

### **Summertime Skill-building Sessions**

Lincolntown summer resident Nanci Kendall offered lively and fun reading skill-building sessions for children in grades 1-3. Mrs. Kendall retired several years ago from the Butler Elementary School in Avon, MA. She met with Thomaston students for a six-week period beginning just after the 4th of July.

### **School Break Events**

We had a full week of children's activities over Spring Break, from a creative writing workshop to a puppet show, with yoga, music, crafts, and stories as well. The library extends hearty thanks to Gigi Hynd, Dena Davis of Barefoot Books, Megan Rogers of the Coastal Children's Museum, Jess Shepard, and Susan Beebe, for supplying us with a

**musical story hour, a creative writing workshop, kids' yoga, a puppet show, and fun arts and crafts.**

#### **New Year's Eve Reception**

**We closed the year with a New Year's Eve reception attended by staff, volunteers, board members, Friends, and library patrons. It was a lovely party with wonderful home-made food.**

#### **Martin Luther King Jr. Food Drive:**

**The library partnered with the local Monday Morning Meeting group and other organizations throughout the Mid-Coast to sponsor a food drive honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The food drive benefited the Thomaston Inter-Faith Food Pantry.**

#### **Community Displays Program:**

**The Community Displays Program provides display space in the library for any person to sign up and use and has brought several artists to the library to display their work. During 2013 the library hosted:**

- **An elaborate Civil War display from the Thomaston Historical Society, which allowed the library to be a stop on this past summer's Civil War Trail.**
- **Vietnam War display by the Thomaston Historical Society**
- **Wayne Keiderling's whimsical wooden sculptures of Hobbit Houses and birds.**
- **Paul Perkins's display of working decoys.**
- **Annual Christmas train display of Neil Shively, Leroy Jones, and Henry Groth.**
- **A display of Danbury Mint Collectibles donated by Keith Alley**
- **A collection of sea glass found in the Penobscot Bay region, owned by Tammy King**
- **Doug Schroeder's display of Campbell-scale industrial-building model**
- **Artwork in various media by Neil Shively and Kevin Smith**

#### ***Grants, Awards, Donations, and Contributions:***

**The library is extremely grateful to all the following entities and individuals for their generous contributions and gifts to the library over the past year:**

#### **Friends of the Thomaston Public Library Contributions**

- **\$3000 to Library Operating Budget – We received a generous contribution from the Friends of the Thomaston Public Library, enabling us to provide more consistent staff coverage of the Children's Dept. and Circulation Desk, allow for staff attendance at a library conference, and offer a truly fine summer-reading program.**
- **\$25,000 to Heat Pump Project – The Friends of the Thomaston Public Library contributed \$25,000 toward the installation of a heat pump/ventilation system in the Thomaston Academy building *and* wrote the winning Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation grant application that provided another \$25,000 toward the project.**

#### **Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation**

**\$25,000 grant – All occupants of the Academy Building are the grateful beneficiaries of a wonderful cooling and heating system financed in large part by The Friends of the Thomaston Library and the Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation.**

#### **Bernard Langlais Artwork**

**The Thomaston Public Library was gifted, by the Kohler Foundation of Wisconsin, five pieces of Maine artist Bernard Langlais's artwork, all carved wall hangings, two of them abstract and three representational. All pieces are on permanent display at the library.**

#### **Botanical Donations:**

**The library's already-warm interior was greatly enhanced by the botanical donations of Alice and William Dashiell, library Friend and Board Vice President respectively, and Thomaston resident Sheril Doughty.**

#### **Art Print Donation from Kevin Smith**

**Mr. Smith donated one of his own original prints for a Christmas auction at the library, which resulted in a \$100 donation to the library.**

#### **Maine State Prison Showroom**

**The Maine State Prison Show Room in Thomaston donated a beautiful bookcase for the Head Librarians' office.**

#### **Personal Bookshop Book Donations**

**Marti Reed of the Personal Bookshop donated many beautiful volumes of poetry along with a large number of other books to our collection.**

#### **Other Donations:**

- **\$50 from Steve Cartwright & the Saturday Night Contra Dance**
- **\$100 from Saltwater Film Society**
- **\$100 from Senior Coastal College**
- **Staff refrigerator from Paul Violette**

**Finally, the library extends enormous thanks to everyone who responded to The Friends of the Thomaston Public Library's Annual Appeal and to all our supporters, Friends, board members, and volunteers, who have given hundreds and hundreds (and hundreds!) of hours to the library over the past year, doing everything from advising, overseeing, and baking through running events and coordinating displays to keeping our plants and computers thriving and our bookshelves in order.**

# COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS



**Thomaston Historical Society**



## THOMASTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*Kathleen Daley*

*President*

The Thomaston Historical Society continues to show growth and positive change. Our board has several new members: Rod Grindell, chairperson of building and grounds committee, Ursula Kruse-Vaucienne, treasurer, Nicole Look, financial chairperson and Sandra Stetson Overlock, member at large. Sandra, a native of Thomaston, is of great value to us in our historical research and identification of photos. The board also has a new president, Kathleen Daley. The other board members are Susan Devlin, curator and vice-president, Aleta Kilborn, secretary, Mimi Zwick, membership chairperson, Donna Tokarz, Knox Day chairperson and Eve Anderson publicity, and web site. Peggy McCrea remains our highly valued and respected historian. All are dedicated, hardworking members of THS who give their all and are a joy to work with! Thank you so very much, one and all!

THS has obtained a grant to plan how to digitize our collection for easy access/search. With the help of Ursula Kruse-Vaucienne, THS will apply for other grants to make several improvements at the museum. THS has received a few donations, but these have not been significant enough to accomplish all our needs, not wants but needs. Thus THS is in great hopes of obtaining grants to achieve those goals. Wish us success in obtaining these grants.

Though we have lost some members, we also have new members, which has resulted in a small increase. Member categories are: individuals, \$18; family, \$25; and business/organization, \$50. Members are entitled to discounts at house tours and museum store. Receipts from membership dues go directly towards office and operating expenses for our building and grounds. If you wish to become a member, please contact Mimi Zwick at 354-7029 or [mzwick@myfairpoint.net](mailto:mzwick@myfairpoint.net). If you wish to be a volunteer, please contact Kathleen Daley at 691-2419 or [galwayvlass12@gmail.com](mailto:galwayvlass12@gmail.com). New members are always wanted and welcome, and volunteers are very much needed. Museum hours are June through September, 2-4 PM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and Saturdays 1-3 PM. October through May the museum is open on Tuesdays 2-4 PM weather permitting. The number of visitors continues to increase each. This past year was exceptionally well attended. Our visitors came from all areas of the country from California in the west, midwestern states and all over the eastern areas and also Canada. There is no fee to visit the museum, but donations are gratefully accepted and much needed to sustain the ongoing work.

THS annual meeting will be June 9, 2014 at 7 PM. Members are greatly encouraged to attend, as we will vote on a new slate of board members at this time. THS will also have a program after the meeting guaranteed to be very interesting.

This past year we participated in the state wide Maine Civil War program partnering with the Thomaston Public Library. It was huge success. Thanks to Blakie Hines and Susan Devlin for putting this program together. THS also partners with the Thomaston Public Library where there is a changing, permanent exhibit. Thanks to Ann Harris and the



**library staff for all their help. All THS programs were very well attended this past year. THS members and volunteers were very pleased with the wonderful attendance.**

**From May through October, THS offers once a month programs to the community of Knox County or to anyone who wishes to attend. These are free, but donations are greatly appreciated. Programs for 2014 are: 5/13 Thomaston Education in the 19th Century by Peggy McCrea; 6/10 Maine's Early Female Physicians by author Annette Dorey; 7/26 Celebrating the birthday of Gen. Henry Knox; 8/16 100 Years of Quilts by Bonnie Dwyer, bring your quilts to be identified; 9/9 Constructions of Early Chimneys and Fire Places by mason, Rich Irons; 10/14 Evolution of the Thomaston Fire Department by Pete Lammert; 12/5-12/6 Home For the Holidays.**

**Home for the Holidays this past December featured the Levensaler home on Knox St next to the Fire Station owned presently by Shirley Sedler. We had many comments from attendees that it was warmest and most fun of all our Home for the Holidays. THS began a new offering last summer of featuring a summer house tour. We will continue to do the summer house tours, but it has been decided to do a day other than the 4th of July. Date to be announced. THS seeks suggestions from the community as to how to engaged and better and serve you.**

## **Pope Memorial Humane Society of Knox County**

### ***Saving Lives and Creating Families since 1989***

The Pope Memorial Humane Society of Knox County is proud to be the leading community animal shelter the mid-coast region working hard to help the lost, homeless and abandoned animals in the twenty one towns we serve, including Thomaston, in both Knox and Waldo Counties.

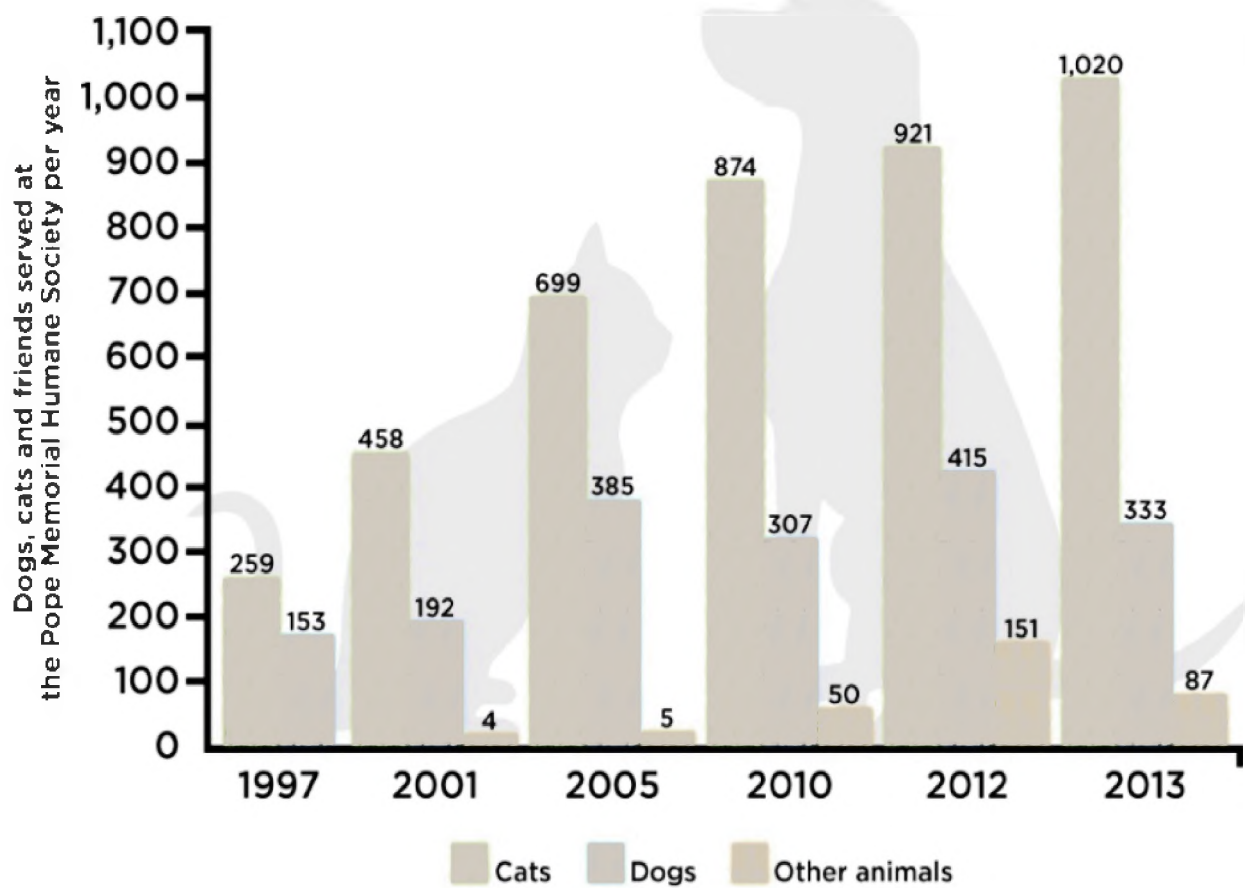
It is an exciting time at PMHSC. Our adoption program is reuniting more and more animals in need with caring and responsible families, our spay/neuter program is helping many pet owners by providing informational and financial assistance, the Trap Neuter Return program is humanely and effectively managing the free roaming cat population, the K-9 Corrections program, now at the Maine State Prison, is expanding with more dogs going through the program, and we are reaching out to the community to teach compassionate and responsible pet ownership.

In 2013, just shy of 1,500 came to use needing some measure of assistance. From reuniting a lost pet with their frantic owner, to major medical surgeries on abandoned animals with a fractured pelvis or wounds from a wild animal attack. From the moment they come through door, we provide them with the shelter, food, medical attention and love they need. We adopted out 1,021 pets into loving families. We reunited 148 stray animals with their owners. We spayed/neutered hundreds of animals, helping to stem the tide of the unwanted pet population. We gave second chances: be it for a dog, cat, hamster, gerbil, rabbit, birds, goats or even a 300 pound pig like Valentine who recently called PMHSC home and now is living her happily ever after on a farm. Saving lives and creating families that's what we continue to do every day.

Adding to the excitement, we also embarked on a \$2.2M Capital Campaign for a new animal shelter. The demands for our services and the growing number of animals that need our help cannot be adequately met with the facilities we have. We are looking to a future where we can provide a safer and more comfortable facility for the animals who temporarily call the shelter home until they are adopted and the volunteers and visitors who frequent our facility. Our vision for the future sees an increased role in serving pets and families throughout our service communities in the mid-coast region. We are happy to announce that we have already raised over \$1M towards our goal. We hope you will join us in our mission to help the homeless and displaced animals in our community.

What you may be surprised to know is that we don't received federal funding, nor do we receive money from national animal welfare organizations. We rely on the kindness and generosity of our community. We are proud to be your community animal shelter and will continue to work hard for the animals and the people we serve. We encourage you to stop by the shelter, see the work we do, volunteer, and adopt a new family member.

For the Animals,  
Tracy Sala, Executive Director  
PO Box 1294, Rockland, ME 04841  
17 Buttermilk Lane, Thomaston 04861  
Telephone : 207 594-2200 or see us at [www.hskcme.org](http://www.hskcme.org)





# ***ELECTED FEDERAL*** ***&*** ***STATE OFFICIALS***

**Letter from Govenor Paul LePage**  
**Letter from Senator Angus King**  
**Letter from Senator Susan Collins**  
**Letter from State Senator Edward Mazurek**  
**Letter from Representative Charles Kruger**



Paul R. LePage  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
1 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  
04333-0001

February 24, 2014

Town of Thomaston  
PO Box 299  
Thomaston, ME 04861-0299

Dear citizens of Thomaston:

As a state, we have taken great strides over the course of the past years.

Growing our economy, decreasing our energy costs, and improving our educational system are the priorities of my administration. Maine needs to create a pro-growth environment that encourages our businesses to create jobs. It is critical that we focus on promoting policies which support and attract new investment. To achieve this, we need to keep taxes low on our families and businesses, and find ways to increase efficiency in government while protecting our most vulnerable citizens.

We have made great progress toward these endeavors. We passed **the largest tax cut in Maine's history**. Two-thirds of Maine taxpayers will get income tax relief, and 70,000 low-income Mainers will no longer pay income tax. My goal is to continue to drive down Maine's income tax.

We are striving to also cut the cost of electricity through our spearheading of a regional effort with Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island to expand the use of hydropower in Maine. Additionally, Maine is currently one of the fastest states in natural gas expansion.

We have passed legislation that will decrease the cost of health insurance for school districts, allowing more money to be spent in the classroom. Putting students first is important to me. Education is what saved my life, and I want every child in Maine to have the same opportunity I had. With the passage of charter school legislation, hundreds of families now have options for their children.

There's still a lot to do. The recent decision by the legislature to take money from our state's rainy day fund in order to pay revenue sharing in 2015 is fiscally irresponsible. We need government decision makers to act responsibly.

Maine has a great tradition of civic involvement and citizen participation in the decision making process. Thank you for taking the time to become informed and for working with your neighbors to hold government accountable.

It is a pleasure serving as your Governor. If ever I can be of assistance to you or you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at [www.maine.gov/governor](http://www.maine.gov/governor).

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage  
Governor

PHONE: (207) 287-3531 (Voice)



FAX: (207) 287-1034

ANGUS S. KING, JR.

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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

COMMITTEES  
ARMED SERVICES  
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INTELLIGENCE  
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

February 19th, 2014

Town of Thomaston  
170 Main Street  
Thomaston, Maine 04861

Dear Friends,

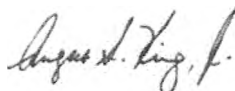
Since arriving to the U.S. Senate last January, I have been looking for ways to provide Mainers with improved access to federal services through the use of digital technology and on the ground outreach initiatives. Maine is a rural state and I know that traveling to our offices can present both logistical and financial challenges.

To help overcome those obstacles, I launched our signature **Your Government Your Neighborhood** outreach program in June 2013. Every other week members of my staff in Maine travel to different towns - ensuring that all 16 counties are served each month - to hold constituent office hours for local residents.

Over the past eleven months my work in Washington has been largely shaped by the four committees that I serve on: Armed Services, Intelligence, Budget, and Rules. These appointments allow me to engage on issues important to Maine and help craft legislation before it comes to the Senate floor. On the Armed Services Committee I work with my colleagues to honor our obligations to members of our armed forces both past and present, as well as ensure the continued strength, efficiency, and sustainability of our military. On the Intelligence Committee I work to effectively mitigate security threats facing our country while also establishing measures to guarantee that the privacy rights of U.S. citizens are protected. On the Budget Committee, I am working to ensure that necessary spending is tempered with fiscal responsibility, and my position on the Rules Committee allows me to push for procedural reforms that remove institutional inefficiencies and help move the country forward.

I am tremendously grateful for the opportunity to serve you and determined to keep you informed of my activities in Maine and Washington. As always, I welcome any thoughts, questions, or concerns that you may have. You can visit my website at <http://www.king.senate.gov> and provide your input there, or call our toll free in state line at 1-800-432-1599. In addition, our local numbers are as follows: Augusta (207) 622-8292, Presque Isle (207) 764-5124, and Scarborough (207) 883-1588, and Washington D.C. (202) 224-5344.

Sincerely,



ANGUS S. KING, JR.  
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COMMITTEES  
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RANKING MEMBER  
APPROPRIATIONS  
SELECT COMMITTEE  
ON INTELLIGENCE

Dear Friends:

It is a privilege to represent Maine in the U.S. Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share some of my work from the past year.

Encouraging the creation of more jobs remains my top priority. I have developed a Seven Point Plan for Jobs in Maine, which includes proposals to spur small business investment, ensure robust workforce education and training, reduce regulatory red tape that stifles job creation, support Maine agriculture and manufacturing, and invest in the infrastructure needed to expand our economy. Traditional industries and small businesses remain the backbone of Maine's economy, and innovation will be important for future jobs as well. I have supported Maine's effort to lead the world in deepwater wind technology and was proud when the University of Maine and its private sector partners launched the first prototype this year. This emerging industry has the potential to create thousands of good jobs here in Maine.

BIW remains a major Maine employer and is critical to our national security. I have worked hard to support the Navy's request for a 10<sup>th</sup> DDG-51 and to continue construction on the DDG-1000s at the shipyard. This year's annual defense policy bill also contains more than 30 provisions to eliminate sexual assault from our military, including several provisions that I authored.

Partisan divisiveness in Washington continues to prevent us from addressing some of our nation's most serious challenges. Gridlock reached a peak in October with the federal government shutdown that pushed our country to the brink of defaulting on its financial obligations and damaged our economy. As the shutdown continued with no end in sight, I presented a proposal I believed both sides could support. Within days, I was leading a bipartisan coalition of 14 Senators that worked night and day to craft a plan to reopen government, avert default, and restart negotiations on a long-term plan to deal with our nation's unsustainable debt of more than \$17 trillion. Known as the "Common Sense Caucus," we will continue to work to develop solutions and bridge the partisan divide.

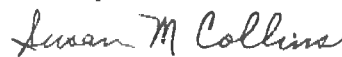
Earlier this year, across-the-board federal spending cuts known as "sequestration" took effect. These indiscriminate cuts jeopardized priorities from national security to medical research and stand in stark contrast to the thoughtful and thoroughly debated spending priorities set at town meetings throughout Maine. To bring some Maine common sense to this process, I authored bipartisan legislation to allow federal agencies to set priorities in administering the required cuts and wrote a new law to ensure that sequestration would not disrupt air travel, which plays such an important role in fueling Maine's tourism economy.

I have also enjoyed my work as the ranking member of the Senate Special Committee on Aging where, with Senator Bill Nelson of Florida, we work on issues of critical importance to Maine seniors. The committee has created a toll free hotline (1-855-303-9470) to make it easier for senior citizens to report fraud and scams and to receive assistance. I also serve as the Senate Co-Chair of the task force on Alzheimer's, a devastating disease that takes a tremendous personal and economic toll on more than five million Americans. Better treatment for Alzheimer's and ultimately finding a cure should be an urgent national priority.

Finally, I am proud to reflect our famous Maine work ethic by completing another year of service without missing a single roll call vote. I have not missed a vote since I was elected – a streak that stands at more than 5,300 in a row.

May 2014 be a good year for you, your community, and our great State of Maine.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator



*126th Legislature  
Senate of  
Maine  
Senate District 22*

**Senator Edward Mazurek**  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0003  
(207) 287-1515

Dear Residents of Thomaston,

It is an honor and privilege to serve as your Senator in the Maine State Legislature. This year is the second year of the 126<sup>th</sup> Legislature and we are constitutionally limited to considering carried over legislation from the previous session, emergency matters, and legislation submitted by the Governor.

This session I will serve as the Senate Chair of the Transportation Committee. In this role and as your voice in the Legislature, I will continue to advocate for government that serves Maine people well and meets the needs of our region. Though we face substantive challenges, we live in a place with great natural resources, a highly regarded work ethic, and a strong sense of community. If we all work together, I am confident about a better future for our children and grandchildren.

If I can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me with questions, comments, concerns. You can reach me through email at [edmazurek1@aol.com](mailto:edmazurek1@aol.com) or at my office at 287-1515.

Best regards,

*Edward J. Mazurek.*

Senator Ed Mazurek

Fax: (207) 287-1585 \* TTY (207) 287-1583 \* Message Service 1-800-423-6900 \* Web Site: [legislature.maine.gov/senate](http://legislature.maine.gov/senate)





**House of Representatives  
State of Maine**

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your Representative to the 126<sup>th</sup> Maine Legislature.

I am currently serving my third term on the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources and I am the House Chair of the Government Oversight Committee which oversees the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Oversight (OPEGA). Both are interesting and important assignments and I believe my service has been of significant benefit to constituents.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments about any matter of Maine State Government, or if you'd like to receive an occasional update from me on activities, issues, etc.

Phone: 354-8239

Toll-free at the State House: 800-423-2900

E-mail: [cbk@midcoast.com](mailto:cbk@midcoast.com)

<http://rep.chuckkruger.com>

Thank you for the opportunity to work for you in Augusta.

Sincerely,

Rep. Chuck Kruger

*Representing House District 48: St. George, Thomaston, South Thomaston, part of Owl's Head, Matinicus and the Unorganized Territory of Crichton*



**Millicent M. MacFarland**  
*Clerk of the House*

**STATE OF MAINE**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
2 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0002

TO: Town of Thomaston  
Municipal Officers  
Editor, Annual Report

FROM: Millicent M. MacFarland  
Clerk of the House

Many municipal annual reports include the category of "Representative to Legislature" at the conclusion of the listing of Municipal Officers.

In the belief you may want to aid citizens to more readily contact their House member, we are hopeful that you will include the following information in the Municipal Officers section:

Representative to the Legislature  
(term exp. December 3, 2014)

District: 48

State Representative: Chuck Kruger

Home Address: 37 Green Street  
Thomaston, ME 04861

Residence: (207) 354-8239

Business: (207) 354-8928

E-Mail: cbkruger@myfairpoint.net

Capitol Address: House of Representatives  
2 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0002

State House E-Mail: RepChuck.Kruger@legislature.maine.gov

Telephone: (207) 287-1400 (Voice)  
(207) 287-4469 (TTY)

Year-Round Toll Free House of Representatives Message Center 1-800-423-2900

Maine Legislative Internet Web Site - <http://www.maine.gov/legis/house>

# ***TOWN OF THOMASTON FINANCIAL REPORTS***



**General Assistance Report  
Trust Fund Report  
Auditor's Letter  
Audit Report**

## **GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

**Valmore G. Blastow, Jr.**

**General Assistance Administrator**

The economy continues to impact the Town's and State's costs to assist individuals who find themselves in need of financial assistance. The total average number of requests was 49 per year with an average cost of \$235 each, totaling \$11,515 average per year from 1992 through 2007.

The past six years the average number of requests has increased to 95 with a cost of \$288 each. In 2013 with 65 requests totaling \$16,254, it appears to be trending back to historical levels.

The Legislature continues to debate reform of General Assistance which is controlled by State Law under Title 22 through the Department of Health and Human Services. Communities typical of Thomaston are reimbursed 50% of the total expenditures under a formula. However, communities that expend more than three hundredths of a percent (.03%) of their State Valuation receive a 90% reimbursement. Thus, Thomaston's average expenditure of \$97,350 would generate an \$87,750 reimbursement which would require the Town to authorize three to four times the current expenditure to receive the 90%.

I believe there is a built in incentive for a larger metropolitan area to expend more to exceed the formula and then be reimbursed 90% of the cost. The formula should be a simple straightforward percent for all communities with a cap.

The amount of eligibility total is based on the number of individuals in the household and is set for 30 days less ANY income, which is \$698 for one person, \$709 for two persons and \$865 for three persons, etc. Clearly, these amounts will not support one in this economy. Rent alone is \$500 to \$1,000 per month.

	<b>Total Expended</b>	<b>No. of Applicants</b>	<b>Average Payment for 30 day period per request</b>
1992	\$24,844		
1993	\$23,038	58	\$397
1994	\$13,007	90	\$144
1995	\$ 6,454	51	\$126
1996	\$10,223	57	\$179
1997	\$12,310	80	\$153
1998	\$ 6,442	37	\$174
1999	\$ 9,406	38	\$248
2000	\$19,353	63	\$307
2001	\$ 9,391	31	\$302
2002	\$ 3,877	27	\$143
2003	\$ 8,228	4	\$171
2004	\$12,044	49	\$246

<b>2005</b>	<b>\$ 9,562</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>\$273</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>\$11,591</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>\$374</b>
<b>2007</b>	<b>\$10,223</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>\$292</b>
<b>2008</b>	<b>\$25,419</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>\$299</b>
<b>2009</b>	<b>\$36,053</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>\$305</b>
<b>2010</b>	<b>\$20,497</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>\$233</b>
<b>2011</b>	<b>\$31,959</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>\$302</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>\$34,114</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>\$322</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>\$16,254</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>\$250</b>

**The Town issued assistance for specific requests as follows for 2013:**

<b>Heating Fuel</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Water</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Food/Personal</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Electricity</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Rent</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Sewer</b>	<b>1</b>

**The Town also received 3 additional requests not meeting eligibility requirements of General Assistance, yet in need. Of those, \$983.15 was expended from the Samuel Watts Fund:**

<b>Heat</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>1</b>

**The Fund also continues to fund \$1,000 towards the annual Thanksgiving Day baskets provided by the Thomaston Food Pantry and \$360 for District Nursing.**

**The Town also supported five heating fuel requests, seven rent requests and assisted seventeen requests for other assistance totaling a cost of \$5,199.47 from the Charitable Fund.**

**THOMASTON TRUST FUNDS ENDING BALANCES 6/30/13**

**CEMETERY FUNDS**

Operating Fund – Checking	\$ 4,280.02
Helen McBride Flower Fund	470.65
Addie Guild Stone Cleaning	820.85
Leighton CD	4,725.27
Thomaston Cemetery/Leighton fund – Market Value	\$ 433,944.68

**TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS** **\$444,241.47**

**DIETZ SCHOLARSHIP**

Dietz Savings	795.94
Dietz CD	\$ 66,617.51
<b><u>TOTAL DIETZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 67,413.45</u></b>

**CHARITY FUNDS**

Lions Club	1,929.98
Charitable CD	120,332.34
Watts Fund	
Mary E. Campbell	
E.P. George Hospital Fund	
Cassandra A. Washburn	
Mary Watts Fund	
Samuel Watts – Checking	\$ 1,866.57
* Maine Community Foundation	\$ 77,004.18
Thomaston Charity Fund – Market Value	\$ 255,048.88
Charitable Fund – Market Value	\$ 371,678.29

**TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS** **\$ 827,860.24**

**THOMASTON PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS**

Petty Cash	\$ 150.00
Operating Fund – Checking	\$ 2,354.47
Book Fund – Checking	\$ 1,133.40
Public Library Book Fund – Market Value	\$ 347,883.51
Library Agency Fund – Market Value	\$ 983,912.13

**TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS** **\$ 1,335,433.51**

**TOTAL THOMASTON TRUST FUNDS** **\$ 2,674,948.67**

<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND</b>	<b>\$ 797,788.14</b>
<b><u>TIF</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 426,849.68</u></b>
	<b>\$ 1,224,637.82</b>

**\* These Funds are held independently by Maine Community Foundation**

***AUDIT REPORT  
FOR FISCIAL YEAR  
2012–2013***

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Thomaston, Maine

**Report on Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Thomaston, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Thomaston, Maine'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 an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 controls. 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 opinion.



***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Thomaston, Maine as of June 30, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Other Matters***

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, as listed in the table of contents, 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.

***Other Information***

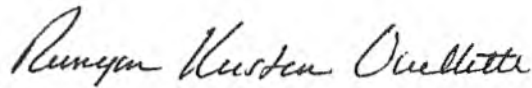
Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Thomaston, Maine's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

Town of Thomaston

**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated December 6, 2013 on our consideration of the Town of Thomaston, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Thomaston, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Remya Kristen Ouellette". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

December 6, 2013  
South Portland, Maine

**TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**June 30, 2013**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 36,616	710,693	747,309
Investments	4,142,335	-	4,142,335
Receivables:			
Taxes receivable	587,192	-	587,192
Tax liens	176,425	-	176,425
Accounts receivable	227,100	110,529	337,629
Other assets	-	12,830	12,830
Capital assets not being depreciated	500,120	2,575,474	3,075,594
Capital assets being depreciated, net	5,633,880	8,851,091	14,484,971
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>11,303,668</b>	<b>12,260,617</b>	<b>23,564,285</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable and payroll withholdings	65,806	14,931	80,737
Taxes collected in advance	7,117	-	7,117
Accrued compensated absences	90,238	-	90,238
Accrued Interest	-	51,504	51,504
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	64,472	234,226	298,698
Due in more than one year	445,528	4,249,156	4,694,684
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>673,161</b>	<b>4,549,817</b>	<b>5,222,978</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	5,624,000	6,943,183	12,567,183
Restricted	3,175,583	-	3,175,583
Unrestricted	1,830,924	767,617	2,598,541
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 10,630,507</b>	<b>7,710,800</b>	<b>18,341,307</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Statement of Activities  
For the year ended June 30, 2013

Functions/programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (expense) revenue and changes in net position		
		Charges for services	Operating grants and contributions	Capital grants and contributions	Primary Government		Total
					Governmental activities	Business-type activities	
Primary government:							
Governmental activities:							
General government	\$ 475,875	-	-	-	(475,875)	-	(475,875)
Municipal buildings	90,230	-	-	-	(90,230)	-	(90,230)
Public safety	682,910	-	-	-	(682,910)	-	(682,910)
Public works	708,520	6,019	110,823	83,160	(508,518)	-	(508,518)
Health and welfare	420,800	113,327	-	-	(307,473)	-	(307,473)
County assessment	348,547	-	-	-	(348,547)	-	(348,547)
Education	3,241,524	-	-	-	(3,241,524)	-	(3,241,524)
Leisure services	71,423	-	-	-	(71,423)	-	(71,423)
Local agencies	18,251	-	-	-	(18,251)	-	(18,251)
Library	86,262	3,038	-	-	(83,224)	-	(83,224)
Cemetery	43,485	9,915	-	-	(33,570)	-	(33,570)
Credit enhancement - tax increment financing	654,456	-	654,456	-	-	-	-
Unclassified	508,779	-	-	-	(508,779)	-	(508,779)
Interest on debt	15,342	-	-	-	(15,342)	-	(15,342)
Capital maintenance and other	164,986	-	-	94,355	(70,631)	-	(70,631)
Total governmental activities	7,531,390	132,299	765,279	177,515	(6,456,297)	-	(6,456,297)
Business-type activities:							
Pollution control	1,029,748	434,146	-	-	-	(595,602)	(595,602)
Total business-type activities	1,029,748	434,146	-	-	-	(595,602)	(595,602)
Total primary government	\$ 8,561,138	566,445	765,279	177,515			
General revenues:							
Property taxes					\$ 5,648,227	-	5,648,227
Excise taxes					372,887	-	372,887
Licenses, permits and fees					30,954	-	30,954
Cable TV franchise fee					19,713	-	19,713
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs:							
State revenue sharing					242,277	-	242,277
Homestead exemption					63,565	-	63,565
Other					12,681	731,395	744,076
Rental income					49,407	-	49,407
Investment income					111,309	902	112,211
Unclassified					325,890	10,973	336,863
Transfers					(244,072)	244,072	-
Total general revenues and transfers					6,632,838	987,342	7,620,180
Change in net position					176,541	391,740	568,281
Net position - beginning					10,453,966	7,319,060	17,773,026
Net position - ending					\$ 10,630,507	7,710,800	18,341,307

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Balance Sheet  
Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2013

	General Fund	TIF Fund	"Non-TIF" Economic Development	Library Operating Fund	All Other Governmental Funds	Totals
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 22,682	-	-	2,504	11,430	36,616
Investments	2,376,594	-	-	983,912	781,829	4,142,335
Receivables:						
Taxes	587,192	-	-	-	-	587,192
Tax and sewer liens	176,425	-	-	-	-	176,425
Accounts	129,842	-	-	-	97,258	227,100
Interfund receivables	-	426,850	797,788	-	74,161	1,298,799
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 3,292,735</b>	<b>426,850</b>	<b>797,788</b>	<b>986,416</b>	<b>964,678</b>	<b>6,468,467</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Accounts payable and payroll withholdings	65,657	-	-	149	-	65,806
Taxes collected in advance	7,117	-	-	-	-	7,117
Interfund payables	1,298,799	-	-	-	-	1,298,799
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,371,573</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,371,722</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>						
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	520,000	-	-	-	-	520,000
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>520,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>520,000</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>						
Nonspendable	-	-	-	66,609	356,876	423,485
Restricted	-	426,850	797,788	919,658	607,802	2,752,098
Assigned	656,034	-	-	-	-	656,034
Unassigned	745,128	-	-	-	-	745,128
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>1,401,162</b>	<b>426,850</b>	<b>797,788</b>	<b>986,267</b>	<b>964,678</b>	<b>4,576,745</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 3,292,735</b>	<b>426,850</b>	<b>797,788</b>	<b>986,416</b>	<b>964,678</b>	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:						
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.						6,134,000
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are unavailable in the funds.						520,000
Long-term liabilities that are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:						
Accrued compensated absences						(90,238)
Bonds payable						(510,000)
<b>Net position of governmental activities</b>					<b>\$</b>	<b>10,630,507</b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
Governmental Funds  
For the year ended June 30, 2013

	General Fund	TIF Fund	"Non-TIF" Economic Development Fund	Library Operating Fund	All Other Governmental Funds	Totals
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$ 5,707,017	835,477	-	-	-	6,542,494
Licenses, permits and fees	30,954	-	-	-	-	30,954
Intergovernmental	455,062	-	-	-	-	455,062
Charges for services	119,346	-	201,250	2,758	10,195	333,549
Investment income	922	422	896	27,555	9,724	39,519
Net investment gains	-	-	-	33,273	38,517	71,790
Other revenues	264,455	-	1,000	25,962	19,218	310,635
Total revenues	6,577,756	835,899	203,146	89,548	77,654	7,784,003
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	413,077	-	-	-	-	413,077
Municipal buildings	90,230	-	-	-	-	90,230
Public safety	580,763	-	-	-	-	580,763
Public works	432,605	-	-	-	-	432,605
Health and welfare	420,800	-	-	-	-	420,800
Education	3,241,524	-	-	-	-	3,241,524
County assessment	348,547	-	-	-	-	348,547
Recreation and leisure	65,456	-	-	-	-	65,456
Local agencies	18,251	-	-	-	-	18,251
Library	-	-	-	66,555	14,639	81,194
Cemetery	-	-	-	-	43,485	43,485
Credit enhancement - tax increment financing	-	654,456	-	-	-	654,456
Unclassified	495,732	-	-	7,277	5,770	508,779
Debt service	-	7,038	-	-	-	7,038
Capital outlays and other	588,236	209,786	12,308	-	199,841	1,010,171
Total expenditures	6,695,221	871,280	12,308	73,832	263,735	7,916,376
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(117,465)	(35,381)	190,838	15,716	(186,081)	(132,373)
Other financing uses:						
Refunding bonds issued	-	260,000	-	-	-	260,000
Payments on refunded bonds	-	(271,476)	-	-	-	(271,476)
Transfers--out	(100,000)	(62,383)	(81,689)	-	-	(244,072)
Total other financing uses	(100,000)	(73,859)	(81,689)	-	-	(255,548)
Net change in fund balances	(217,465)	(109,240)	109,149	15,716	(186,081)	(387,921)
Fund balances, beginning of year	1,618,627	536,090	688,639	970,551	1,150,759	4,964,666
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 1,401,162	426,850	797,788	986,267	964,678	4,576,745

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

**TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance--**  
**Budget and Actual--General Fund**  
**For the year ended June 30, 2013**

	Budget		Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
	Original	Final		
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Taxes	\$ 5,871,821	5,871,821	5,707,017	(164,804)
Licenses, permits and fees	41,970	41,970	30,954	(11,016)
Intergovernmental	407,774	428,652	455,062	26,410
Charges for services	50,250	50,250	119,346	69,096
Investment income	7,000	7,000	922	(6,078)
Other revenues	73,950	147,750	264,455	116,705
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>6,452,765</b>	<b>6,547,443</b>	<b>6,577,756</b>	<b>30,313</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
General government	394,085	394,085	413,077	(18,992)
Municipal buildings	93,125	93,125	90,230	2,895
Public safety	581,886	581,886	580,763	1,123
Public works	433,951	433,951	432,605	1,346
Health and welfare	332,440	332,440	420,800	(88,360)
Education	3,241,524	3,241,524	3,241,524	-
Intergovernmental - county tax	348,547	348,547	348,547	-
Recreation and leisure	74,743	74,743	65,456	9,287
Local agencies	20,233	20,233	18,251	1,982
Unclassified	525,488	525,488	495,732	29,756
Capital outlays and other	623,743	718,421	588,236	130,185
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>6,669,765</b>	<b>6,764,443</b>	<b>6,695,221</b>	<b>69,222</b>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures</b>	<b>(217,000)</b>	<b>(217,000)</b>	<b>(117,465)</b>	<b>99,535</b>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>				
Transfers--out	(100,000)	(100,000)	(100,000)	-
Utilization of committed fund balance	50,000	50,000	-	(50,000)
Utilization of fund balance and capital reserves	267,000	267,000	-	(267,000)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>217,000</b>	<b>217,000</b>	<b>(100,000)</b>	<b>(317,000)</b>
<b>Net change in fund balance</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(217,465)</b>	<b>(217,465)</b>
<b>Fund balance, beginning of year</b>			<b>1,618,627</b>	
<b>Fund balance, end of year</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>1,401,162</b>	

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Statement of Net Position  
Proprietary Fund  
June 30, 2013

Business-type Activities - Enterprise Fund		
		Pollution Control
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	710,693
Accounts receivable		110,529
Total current assets		821,222
Noncurrent assets:		
Other assets		12,830
Pollution control capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		11,426,565
Net noncurrent assets		11,439,395
Total assets	\$	12,260,617
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable		14,931
Accrued interest		51,504
Current portion of long-term debt		234,226
Total current liabilities		300,661
Long-term liabilities:		
Bonds and notes payable		4,249,156
Total long-term liabilities		4,249,156
Total liabilities		4,549,817
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Net investment in capital assets		6,943,183
Unrestricted		767,617
Total net position	\$	7,710,800

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**TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position**  
**Proprietary Fund**  
**For the year ended June 30, 2013**

<b>Business-type Activities - Enterprise Fund</b>	
	<b>Pollution Control</b>
Operating revenues:	
Charges for services	434,146
Other income	10,973
Total operating revenues	445,119
Operating expenses:	
Salaries and benefits	133,120
Utilities	63,735
Administration	30,526
Maintenance	59,784
Miscellaneous	13,682
Lab operations	7,203
Transportation	3,225
Town forest	8,326
Insurance	10,629
Sewer line connections and inspection	3,396
Amortization	1,167
Depreciation	544,398
Total operating expenses	879,191
Operating loss	(434,072)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):	
Investment income	902
Rural Development grant proceeds	731,395
Brooklyn Heights Sewer Project	(12,088)
Interest expense	(138,469)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	581,740
Change in net position before transfers	147,668
Other financing sources:	
Transfer in from General Fund	100,000
Transfer in from TIF and non-TIF funds	144,072
Total other financing sources	244,072
Change in net position	391,740
Net position, beginning of year	7,319,060
Net position, end of year	7,710,800

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Statement of Cash Flows  
Proprietary Funds  
For the year ended June 30, 2013

Business-type Activities - Enterprise Fund		Pollution Control
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Receipts from customers and users	\$	441,233
Payments to suppliers		(191,351)
Payments to employees		(133,120)
Net cash provided by operating activities		116,762
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Investment income received		902
Net cash provided by investing activities		902
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:		
Interfund transactions with General Fund		324,546
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities		324,546
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Grant proceeds		731,395
Brooklin Heights sewer project		(12,088)
Principal paid on bond maturities		(1,071,216)
Interest paid on bonds		(129,120)
Bond proceeds		1,099,000
Acquisition of capital assets		(1,085,142)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities		(467,171)
Net decrease in cash		(24,961)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		735,654
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	710,693
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating loss		(434,072)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization		545,565
Increase in receivables		(3,886)
Increase in payables		9,155
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	116,762

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position  
Fiduciary Funds  
June 30, 2013

	Private-purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds 4th of July
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 189,675	44,916
Investments	626,727	-
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>816,402</b>	<b>44,916</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Amounts held for others	-	44,916
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44,916</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Held in trust for other purposes	816,402	-
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 816,402</b>	<b>-</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position  
Fiduciary Funds  
For the year ended June 30, 2013

	Private- purpose Trust Funds
Additions:	
Investment income:	
Interest	\$ 13,724
Investment gains	24,119
Total additions	37,843
Deductions:	
Current:	
Dietz	2,000
Charity	8,845
Total deductions	10,845
Change in net position	26,998
Net position, beginning of year	789,404
Net position, end of year	\$ 816,402

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
General Fund  
Comparative Balance Sheets  
June 30, 2012 and 2013

	2013	2012
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 22,682	851,995
Investments	2,376,594	2,007,570
Receivables:		
Taxes	587,192	502,054
Tax liens	176,425	127,796
Accounts	129,842	90,999
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 3,292,735</b>	<b>3,580,414</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	65,657	50,068
Taxes collected in advance	7,117	5,446
Interfund payables	1,298,799	1,554,273
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,371,573</b>	<b>1,609,787</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>		
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	520,000	352,000
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>520,000</b>	<b>352,000</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
Committed	-	50,000
Assigned	656,034	771,448
Unassigned	745,128	797,179
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>1,401,162</b>	<b>1,618,627</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balance</b>	<b>\$ 3,292,735</b>	<b>3,580,414</b>

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE				
General Fund				
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance				
Budget and Actual				
For the year ended June 30, 2013 (with comparative actual amounts for 2012)				
	2013			
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance positive (negative)	2012 Actual
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 5,465,321	5,467,206	1,885	5,172,866
Change in deferred taxes	-	(168,000)	(168,000)	(21,000)
Supplementals	-	3,985	3,985	999
Interest and costs on taxes	41,000	30,939	(10,061)	32,735
Excise:				
Motor vehicle	361,500	369,021	7,521	364,976
Recreation	4,000	3,866	(134)	3,354
Total taxes	5,871,821	5,707,017	(164,804)	5,553,930
Licenses, permits and fees	41,970	30,954	(11,016)	97,774
Intergovernmental:				
State revenue sharing	229,294	242,277	12,983	291,879
Homestead exemption	63,565	63,565	-	59,344
Local road assistance	27,304	25,860	(1,444)	26,184
General assistance reimbursement	15,000	12,681	(2,319)	20,689
Gas tax refund	6,200	3,831	(2,369)	3,683
Veteran's exemption	3,000	3,205	205	3,336
Snowmobile reimbursement	400	245	(155)	417
Tree growth	1,500	2,458	958	2,315
PERC performance credit	35,000	53,523	18,523	56,077
CDBG Grant - Façade	20,878	20,878	-	50,952
BETE reimbursements	26,511	26,539	28	1,364
Total intergovernmental	428,652	455,062	26,410	516,240
Charges for services:				
Stump dump fees	12,000	6,019	(5,981)	7,525
Ambulance	38,250	113,327	75,077	130,607
Total charges for services	50,250	119,346	69,096	138,132
Investment income:				
Interest earned - reserve accounts	-	314	314	721
Other interest income, net	7,000	608	(6,392)	1,871
Total investment income	7,000	922	(6,078)	2,592
Other revenues:				
Rental income	24,600	43,164	18,564	34,778
Utility reimbursement--tenants	9,000	6,243	(2,757)	5,781
Cable television franchise fee	19,500	19,713	213	19,875
Public telephone commission	150	-	(150)	-
Tower lease	13,200	15,180	1,980	15,180
Walmart/Greely Legal Reimbursement	-	-	-	31,352
Samuel Watts Fund	-	2,730	2,730	2,810
Reimbursement - Pollution Control - Public Works	-	57,300	57,300	55,630
Reimbursement - Insurance	-	449	449	3,202
Reimbursement - Senior Citizens	-	300	300	20
MMA workers comp refund	-	4,217	4,217	6,027
Georges River Tidewater grant	30,000	30,000	-	-
Davis Conservation Foundation Grant	-	10,000	10,000	-
Police MDT Connectivity Grant	-	2,175	2,175	-
Maine Emergency Mgmt Agency	-	-	-	3,410
EMS Computer Equipment Grant	-	416	416	-
Ammunition Grant	-	-	-	905
Byrne Jag Grant Tasers	-	-	-	726
FEMA Grant	-	17,419	17,419	-
Maine DEP Installation	16,000	16,058	58	-
Miscellaneous	35,300	39,091	3,791	4,543
Total other revenues	147,750	264,455	116,705	184,239
Total revenues	6,547,443	6,577,756	30,313	6,492,907

**TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE**  
**General Fund**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Budget and Actual, Continued**

	2013			2012 Actual
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance positive (negative)	
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
<b>General government:</b>				
Selectmen	\$ 27,215	45,939	(18,724)	68,281
Town Manager	125,665	123,034	2,631	126,804
Clerk's office	41,000	37,000	4,000	34,046
General office	28,100	29,028	(928)	27,109
Finance	45,871	46,395	(524)	43,855
Administration	16,850	21,115	(4,265)	16,850
Contingency	750	944	(194)	651
Computer	18,000	17,505	495	16,521
Code enforcement	45,774	25,441	20,333	48,530
Assessor	44,660	66,575	(21,915)	42,039
Planning Board	200	101	99	-
<b>Total general government</b>	<b>394,085</b>	<b>413,077</b>	<b>(18,992)</b>	<b>424,686</b>
<b>Municipal buildings:</b>				
Watts Block	51,800	51,721	79	48,512
Academy buildings	41,325	38,509	2,816	34,007
<b>Total municipal buildings</b>	<b>93,125</b>	<b>90,230</b>	<b>2,895</b>	<b>82,519</b>
<b>Public safety:</b>				
Fire department	97,038	97,444	(406)	87,914
Police department	292,264	291,719	545	283,789
Protection and safety	192,584	191,600	984	191,599
<b>Total public safety</b>	<b>581,886</b>	<b>580,763</b>	<b>1,123</b>	<b>563,302</b>
<b>Public works</b>	<b>433,951</b>	<b>432,605</b>	<b>1,346</b>	<b>416,960</b>
<b>Health and welfare:</b>				
Ambulance	106,440	184,402	(77,962)	178,241
Transfer station	202,000	207,203	(5,203)	203,173
General assistance	24,000	29,195	(5,195)	35,571
<b>Total health and welfare</b>	<b>332,440</b>	<b>420,800</b>	<b>(88,360)</b>	<b>416,985</b>
<b>Education-RSU No. 13</b>	<b>3,241,524</b>	<b>3,241,524</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,115,596</b>
<b>Intergovernmental—county tax</b>	<b>348,547</b>	<b>348,547</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>369,443</b>
<b>Recreation and leisure</b>	<b>74,743</b>	<b>65,456</b>	<b>9,287</b>	<b>67,931</b>
<b>Local agencies</b>	<b>20,233</b>	<b>18,251</b>	<b>1,982</b>	<b>19,572</b>
<b>Unclassified:</b>				
Overlay/abatelements	18,150	13,285	4,865	10,695
Employee benefits	412,163	390,928	21,235	391,999
Insurances	46,600	41,494	5,106	44,466
Public restrooms	1,800	888	912	1,039
Ambulance billing	3,600	7,410	(3,810)	6,430
Computer	1,425	473	952	150
Memberships	4,500	4,504	(4)	4,418
Regional Planning Commission	600	600	-	-
Maine Service Coalition	500	500	-	-
Fourth of July	10,000	10,000	-	10,000
Flags	500	-	500	-
Public library	25,650	25,650	-	25,650
<b>Total unclassified</b>	<b>525,488</b>	<b>495,732</b>	<b>29,756</b>	<b>494,847</b>

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
General Fund  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance  
Budget and Actual, Continued

	2013		Variance positive (negative)	2012 Actual
	Revised Budget	Actual		
Expenditures, continued:				
Capital outlays and other: \$				
Fire apparatus - pumper truck	225,000	224,597	403	312
Paving projects	81,000	80,631	369	96,873
Public Works Siding & Insulation	50,000	34,963	15,037	-
Police cruisers (2)	50,000	39,636	10,364	-
Watts Hall Brick Repointing	35,000	-	35,000	-
Sidewalk replacement	30,000	-	30,000	11,989
Computers	20,000	15,233	4,767	1,264
Cemetery	19,000	19,000	-	19,000
Power Pro ambulance cot	12,000	-	12,000	-
Stormwater System - High St/Marsh Rd (Fluker St.)	7,700	449	7,251	-
Protective clothing	7,000	6,830	170	3,160
2010 EMA Work Plan	4,043	3,709	334	750
Thomaston/Brooks	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Shellfish management	3,000	2,500	500	2,500
Fire equipment (SCBA)	2,400	2,100	300	2,262
CDBG - Streetscape Phase II	20,878	19,967	911	4,273
Georges River Tidewater	30,000	30,005	(5)	-
Maine DEP Installation	16,000	15,550	450	-
2010 Water Main - Cross Street	27,800	25,367	2,433	-
Dump Truck & Plow	-	-	-	160,669
CDBG - Façade grant	-	-	-	44,996
CDBG - Housing grant	-	-	-	15,816
Lynch Façade, Streetscape, Downtown	-	-	-	12,000
Emergency Services Irene	-	-	-	2,045
CDBG Implementation	-	-	-	264
Downtown TIF	-	-	-	179
Expended from assigned fund balance amounts:				
Administration	-	27,120	(27,120)	20,348
Equipment	-	13,977	(13,977)	-
Fire Station Heating System	-	9,929	(9,929)	-
Police forfeiture	-	3,095	(3,095)	-
Recreation donations	-	1,401	(1,401)	-
Watts Hall rental	-	952	(952)	2,175
Public infrastructure	-	766	(766)	4,000
Informed Growth	-	459	(459)	29,000
All other	-	-	-	3,134
Raised to increase reserves (assigned fund balances):				
Academy building	12,600	-	12,600	-
Ambulance	10,000	-	10,000	-
Dump truck	10,000	-	10,000	-
Computers	10,000	-	10,000	-
Police cruiser	10,000	-	10,000	-
Fire apparatus	25,000	-	25,000	-
Total capital outlays and other	718,421	588,236	130,185	437,009
Total expenditures	6,764,443	6,695,221	69,222	6,408,850
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(217,000)	(117,465)	99,535	84,057



TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
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Budget and Actual, Continued

	2013		Variance positive (negative)	2012 Actual
	Revised Budget	Actual		
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers out - pollution control	\$ (100,000)	(100,000)	-	(100,000)
Utilization of current unassigned fund balance for:				
July 4th celebration	10,000	-	(10,000)	-
Fire Pumper Truck	25,000	-	(25,000)	-
Utilization of prior committed fund balance for:				
Fire Pumper Truck	50,000	-	(50,000)	-
Utilization of prior capital reserves and carryforward balances	232,000	-	(232,000)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	217,000	(100,000)	(317,000)	(100,000)
Net change in fund balances	-	(217,465)	(217,465)	(15,943)
Fund balance, beginning		1,618,627		1,634,570
Fund balance, ending	\$	1,401,162		1,618,627

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
Combining Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2013

	Nonmajor Special Revenue Fund		Nonmajor Permanent Funds		
	Thomaston Green Fund	CDBG Loan Fund	Library Book Fund	Cemetery Fund	Totals
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	-	1,133	10,297	11,430
Investments	-	-	347,884	433,945	781,829
Loans receivable	-	97,258	-	-	97,258
Interfund receivable	34,919	39,242	-	-	74,161
Total assets	\$ 34,919	136,500	349,017	444,242	964,678
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	-	-	-	-	-
Interfund payable	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Fund balances:					
Nonspendable, principal	-	-	97,172	162,446	259,618
Nonspendable, non-current receivables	-	97,258	-	-	97,258
Restricted	34,919	39,242	251,845	281,796	607,802
Total fund balances	34,919	136,500	349,017	444,242	964,678
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 34,919	136,500	349,017	444,242	964,678

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
For the year ended June 30, 2013

	Nonmajor Special Revenue Fund		Nonmajor Permanent Funds		
	Thomaston Green Fund	CDBG Loan Fund	Library Book Fund	Cemetery Fund	Total
Revenues:					
Charges for services	\$ -	-	280	9,915	10,195
Investment income:					
Interest	-	-	9,712	12	9,724
Net investment gains	-	-	11,741	26,776	38,517
Other revenues	168	-	50	19,000	19,218
Total revenues	168	-	21,783	55,703	77,654
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Library	-	-	14,639	-	14,639
Cemetery	-	-	-	43,485	43,485
Fees	-	-	2,565	3,205	5,770
Capital outlay	199,841	-	-	-	199,841
Total expenditures	199,841	-	17,204	46,690	263,735
Net change in fund balance	(199,673)	-	4,579	9,013	(186,081)
Fund balances, beginning of year	234,592	136,500	344,438	435,229	1,150,759
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 34,919	136,500	349,017	444,242	964,678

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Private-purpose Trust Funds  
Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Position  
June 30, 2013

	Dietz Scholarship Fund	Charity Fund	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 67,413	122,262	189,675
Investments	-	626,727	626,727
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 67,413</b>	<b>748,989</b>	<b>816,402</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Held in trust for other purposes	67,413	748,989	816,402
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 67,413</b>	<b>748,989</b>	<b>816,402</b>

TOWN OF THOMASTON, MAINE  
Private-purpose Trust Funds  
Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position  
For the year ended June 30, 2013

	Dietz Scholarship Fund	Charity Fund	Total
<b>Additions:</b>			
Investment income:			
Interest	\$ 124	13,600	13,724
Net investments gains	-	24,119	24,119
<b>Total additions</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>37,719</b>	<b>37,843</b>
<b>Deductions</b>			
Current:			
Dietz	2,000	-	2,000
Charity	-	8,845	8,845
<b>Total deductions</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>8,845</b>	<b>10,845</b>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<b>(1,876)</b>	<b>28,874</b>	<b>26,998</b>
<b>Net position, beginning of year</b>	<b>69,289</b>	<b>720,115</b>	<b>789,404</b>
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 67,413</b>	<b>748,989</b>	<b>816,402</b>

# ***TOWN MEETING***



## **Citizen's Guide to Town Meeting Town Meeting Procedures Warrant 2014 / 2015**

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT

*begins with you.*

A Citizen's Guide to Town Meeting - Ten questions you've always wanted to ask.

When was the last time you attended Town Meeting? When was the last time you stayed for the whole meeting? When was the last time you asked a question during the meeting? Proposed an amendment to an article? Asked the selectmen to include an article in the warrant?

This guide to Town Meeting is offered to those who have never attended before and do not know what the word "article" means. It is also meant to help voters who have attended but were reluctant to ask a question for fear of sounding "silly." Either way, the idea is for voters to attend, participate and understand Town Meetings in Maine, which represent a fundamental and important part of governance. Local government really does begin with you.

## WHAT HAPPENS AT TOWN MEETING?

Town Meeting serves many of the same functions as the Legislature in Augusta and the Congress in Washington, passing laws and adopting budgets. But Town Meeting is more than just the "legislature;" it is also the "electorate," electing the selectmen and other town officials. In fact, under state law, the only thing required of the annual town meeting is the election of the municipal officials.

Elections may occur in two ways. The traditional way is to nominate officials from the floor of the meeting and to vote by a show of hands or by writing names on a paper ballot. A more recent way (1890) is to require candidates to declare their candidacies prior to the Town Meeting by taking out nomination papers. Voting is then done by secret ballot in the privacy of a voting booth.

Unlike the state Legislature and Congress, Town Meeting is not a representative body. It's just what it says it is: a meeting in which participation is the right and responsibility of every voter. Some say Town Meeting is the "purest form of democracy" because citizens, not their representatives, participate directly in the making of laws and the raising and spending of their taxes.

Since colonial times, the Town Meeting has been a staple of local government in New England. Today, in Maine, most towns still operate under the Town Meeting form of government.



## WHY SHOULD I PARTICIPATE IN TOWN MEETING?

The best and perhaps most colorful answer to this question appeared in the Biddeford Journal Tribune in March 1994:

“If you ask why town meetings are so poorly attended, people will tell you they go if there’s something exciting on the warrant. They’ve been watching too much television. When it comes to doing your civic duty (which is the key to accountability in self-government) there’s no room for channel surfing. On town meeting day, town meeting is the only show in town.

“Or they’ll say town meeting is held at the wrong time, or that there are too many issues decided by secret ballot, or that the selectmen do what they want no matter what people say. Well, the way to get things changed (including town meeting scheduling and secret ballot votes) is to attend town meeting and put up a fuss. And it’s no wonder the selectmen and other officials take control of municipal affairs. Somebody has to....

“The purest form of democracy is participatory democracy, in which you put your butt in the chair at the meeting house or the high school gym and you have your say and you cast your vote on every last blessed item on the warrant... You might slip out for a coffee but you don’t slip out for the whole day. If you do, you’re part of the problem and somebody else is going to solve it...”

## DO I HAVE TO KNOW PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE TO PARTICIPATE?

No. That’s why you elect a moderator at the opening of the meeting. The moderator is familiar with parliamentary procedure and is there to keep the meeting moving forward properly until all of the “articles” or items of business have been acted upon. Voters may not talk without being recognized by the moderator. You should direct all of your questions to the moderator. If an item of business is not on the “warrant,” the name given to the list of articles, Town Meeting cannot act on it.

To approve an article: It is customary for the moderator to read the article aloud and ask if someone will make a motion on the article; usually someone will respond by saying “I move the article;” the moderator then asks, “Is there is a second?” Someone will usually respond, “I second the motion.”

This formality sets the stage for the discussion that follows. The moderator then rereads the motion and calls for a vote. It is best not to make a negative motion because people get confused when a “yes” vote means “no.” The best approach, if you oppose an article, is to move the article and vote against it.

To amend an article: Sometimes, during the discussion, someone will propose a change. For example, in a so-called “open-ended” money article, they may want to increase or decrease the amount of money recommended by the budget committee or selectmen. The amendment must be seconded; there must also be an opportunity to discuss the amendment before voting on it. If the amendment passes, then the motion,



as amended, is voted on. If the amendment does not pass, and there are no further amendments, then the original motion is voted upon.

It should be noted that amendments to so-called “capped” money articles – articles in which the amount of money is contained in the actual wording of the article – are limited: The amount may only be decreased. Also, ordinances may not be amended from the floor; the vote on an ordinance must be up or down with no amendment.

Also, over the years Town Meeting moderators and Town Meeting practices themselves may have evolved in ways that are slightly different from what happens in the town next door. That is to be expected with a practice that has been around for more than 200 years! And, that makes it easier for you to ask questions about protocol during Town Meetings that you attend. Many people do so by raising their hands, saying “point of order” and then asking a polite procedural question of the moderator.

### WILL I SEEM SILLY IF I ASK QUESTIONS?

No. Most articles in the warrant are less than brief and are written to comply with legal requirements. Which is to say, many articles are not self-explanatory. That’s why some towns include a reader-friendly “explanation” along with the article. But even if your town does this, if you want or need more information before you vote, you have a duty to ask for it. Voting for something you do not understand is worse than not voting at all. Most likely your neighbor has the same questions you do. Once you break the ice with your question, others will feel more comfortable asking their questions. Some of the commonly asked questions are:

- ►How much did we spend last year on this? How does this compare with last year and can you explain the difference? ►Can we set up a committee to study this? I don’t think the town has enough information to vote on this article.
- ►Should we establish a reserve account and build for this instead of borrowing money or raising taxes this year?
- ►Are we taking too much from surplus? How much will this leave us with in surplus?
- ►Is this ordinance really necessary? What’s really the problem?
- ►Why is work being done on the “\_\_\_\_\_ Road” this year?

Some tips for asking questions: Keep your questions short and to the point. Ask one question at a time. Direct your questions to the moderator. Don’t interrupt the person who is trying to answer your question. Don’t get personal.

### SUPPOSE I DON’T WANT PEOPLE TO KNOW MY VOTE?

There are several methods of voting used at town meeting:

- Voice Vote (yeas and nays)
- Show of Hands (when a voice vote is questioned)
- Standing Vote (if the show of hands is indecisive)

- Division of the House (the most decisive of the first four methods; the moderator asks those voting in the affirmative to move to one side of the room and those voting in the negative to move to the other)

Some people say it makes them uncomfortable when they are asked to raise their hands to vote at town meeting; they don't want their neighbors to know how they are voting on certain issues. If that is the case, there is a fifth method of voting that takes care of that:

Written ballot (not to be confused with statutory secret ballots that must be prepared ahead of time and are used when voting is done at the polls.) By law, the moderator, selectmen, and school board members must be elected by written ballot. However, any voter can move that any other article be voted on by written ballot, at any time before the article is voted upon. The motion must be seconded, and no discussion is allowed before voting on the motion to vote by written ballot. Some argue that it takes too much time to vote by written ballot.

## SUPPOSE I DON'T WANT TO VOTE ON A PARTICULAR ARTICLE?

There is nothing in the law that requires you to vote, and you should know that. Your non-vote is not considered a negative vote. But you should be clear why you are not voting.

- Is it because you think you are the only one to vote as you will and you don't want to call attention to yourself? Call for a written ballot.
- Is it because you aren't sure how you want to vote because you haven't got enough information? Ask questions.
- Is it because you think the real issue hasn't been addressed? You can say so.

While the decision to vote is yours alone to make, remember democracy is about having and respecting differences of opinion. It is also about asking questions. It is about casting an informed vote. It is also about becoming part of the solution.

The law, however, is quite clear when it comes to "absentee" voting. There is no absentee voting during a traditional open town meeting. It is only permissible when an item is being considered by secret ballot referendum.

## HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR TOWN MEETING?

Most towns publish the warrant in their annual report. Get a copy before the meeting and read it. If you have questions, you may wish to ask them of the manager or

selectmen before the meeting. But some of the answers may be found in that section of the annual report that indicates in detail the various spending accounts and how much was spent in the previous year; compare it with what is being requested this year. Also check as to how much money is in the so-called surplus or undesignated funds account.

## ASIDE FROM RUNNING FOR OFFICE, HOW CAN I GET MORE INVOLVED?

There are at least two ways:

Become a member of the budget committee. These committees are granted special and early access to the proposed budget. Their roles, with a few exceptions, are advisory. Your town may or may not have a budget committee; there is no law requiring it to have one. However, towns that do say they serve as a “piece of Town Meeting” or that they serve as a “pre-Town Meeting.” If an item is not acceptable to the budget committee, it often will not be acceptable to the voters. Ideal committees are critical, not adversarial. Above all, they should not be rubber stamps. Some argue that budget committees where everything is thrashed out in advance make for bland town meetings; they argue that town meeting is the “ultimate form of budget committee.” Members are either elected or appointed to the committee. Seeking appointment to your town’s Planning Board or Board of Appeals is another way to get involved.

Propose an article for the warrant. If you feel there is something you would like Town Meeting to consider, such as the creation of a budget committee or the hiring of an administrative assistant, you can approach the selectmen with your idea and ask them to put it on the warrant. They may agree to do so or they may ask you to indicate support for the idea by circulating a petition to have the particular (stated) article in the warrant. According to state law, the petition must be signed by a number of voters of the town equal to at least 10 percent of the number of votes cast for governor in the last election. The selectmen are not required to put it on the warrant if the article seeks something that is beyond the legal powers of the town.

## WHAT DO THE FOLLOWING WORDS MEAN?

**Amendment.** This is technically a secondary motion and must be acted on before the main motion is voted upon. It must be seconded and allowed for discussion before it is voted upon.

**Annual meeting.** This is the meeting at which municipal officers and other officials are elected. No law requires that the annual municipal budget be voted on at this meeting, although many towns do so. A “special” town meeting is any other meeting called by the selectmen.

**Annual report.** The annual report must be available at least three days before the annual meeting or the annual budget (business) meeting. It must contain the following: a record of all financial transactions during the past fiscal year, a statement of assets and liabilities, including a list of all delinquent taxpayers and the amount due from each, and portions of the audit.

**Audit.** An examination of the financial statements of a municipality by a public accountant to see if they fairly reflect the financial conditions of the municipality. State law requires that audits be conducted annually.

**"Capped" money article vs. open-ended money articles.** This is an article in the warrant which states an amount to be raised ("To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000."). Capped articles can only be reduced by amendment. They cannot be increased like open-ended articles ("To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate.").

**Excise tax.** There is a motor vehicle excise tax and a watercraft excise tax. They are for the privilege of operating the equipment on public ways and waters.

**Home rule.** It is the constitutionally guaranteed right of towns and cities to adopt and amend their charters, choose their forms of government and adopt laws that are not already covered by state law or which state law does not prohibit municipalities from adopting. Home rule is intended to ensure local control.

**Mandates.** These are federal or state laws that require local governments to undertake specific actions or provide specific services. For instance, the requirement that municipalities build salt-sand storage sheds is a mandate that must be paid for with local funds as well as state funds. In 1990, Maine passed a law to require state funding of future mandates.

**Ordinance.** A law or a regulation enacted by a municipal government, usually targeting a specific subject, as in a dog-control ordinance, a parking ordinance or a zoning ordinance. Most ordinances (less than 10 pages) must be posted in a public place at least seven days before Town Meeting. No ordinance may be amended on the floor of Town Meeting; it may only be voted up or down.

**Overdraft.** To be avoided if possible. It's when the audit indicates that the amount spent on an item turns out to be greater than that approved by Town Meeting. It is indicated by a parentheses ( ) around the amount.

**Revenues and expenditures.** Revenue is a fancy word for incoming monies. Most of the money spent by town meeting comes from property taxes; other monies come from excise taxes on vehicles, and from the state in the form of revenue sharing and road assistance. "Expenditure" is a fancy word for outgoing money or on what the money is spent; most of the money is spent on schools, roads and solid waste disposal.

**Surplus.** Also known as "undesignated" or "un-appropriated fund balance." It often results from not spending monies that were approved; it also results from getting more revenues than expected. There can be a tendency to "raid surplus" instead of raising taxes. But surplus is not a savings account; it is an "operating cushion" to be used only in times of emergency, say some. The rule of thumb is to make sure surplus contains at least 8 percent of the total operating budget for the town or an amount equal to one month's operating expenses. The optimum is 10 percent. If you do dip into it one year, make sure you build it up again the next year. Only the Town Meeting can authorize the spending of surplus.

Secret ballot. The clerk prepares this for use at the polling place in secret (Australian) ballot elections, which can be for referendum questions (issues) as well as for candidates. Open town meeting towns become secret ballot towns by a Town Meeting vote to adopt secret ballot voting at least 90 days before the annual meeting. There are several towns in Maine that act on their entire warrant by secret ballot; many others use secret balloting for large ticket items, like bond issues.

Tax anticipation note (TAN). Often referred to as “hired money,” it is money borrowed from a bank to run the town while waiting for taxes to be collected. Towns that collect taxes only once a year are the greatest users of this; towns that have two tax collections a year and therefore an earlier flow of cash into the town coffers usually do not have to rely on hired money. No Town Meeting vote is required in order to authorize the selectmen to take out a TAN.

Tax rate. The tax rate determines how much you pay in property taxes. It is stated in “so many dollars per thousand dollars of valuation.” For example, in a town with a tax rate of \$14 per thousand dollars, the owner of a house valued at \$100,000 would pay \$1,400 ( $\$14 \times 100$ ) in taxes.

To raise. A vote to raise a sum of money is a vote to get the money through municipal taxation of real and personal property. Typically, the motion is “to raise and appropriate” the money for some stated purpose identified in the article.

To see what sum. An article that asks “to see what sum” is said to be an open-ended article and signals the need for someone to make a motion to set an amount for the discussion. Often the selectmen and the budget committee recommend on the warrant the amount that they think is in the best interest of the town.

Warrant. The written notice, signed by at least a majority of the selectmen, which calls a town meeting and lists all the articles or items of business which will be voted on at the meeting. It must be posted in at least one public and conspicuous place in the town at least seven days before the town meeting.

## WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT FORMS OF TOWN MEETING GOVERNMENT?

### Town Meeting-Selectmen

This is the most common form. This form of government relies on a board of selectmen to function as the executive arm administering, enforcing and carrying out the decisions made by the town meeting. Some towns find that a part-time board of selectmen is not enough and that a full-time manager is too much, so they hire an administrative assistant to the selectmen.

### Town Meeting-Selectmen-Manager

This is the second most common form of local government in Maine. As municipalities grow in size, and as state and federal regulations increase in number and complexity,

many municipalities have hired a manager to administer the town's government. Under this form, the board of selectmen continues to serve as the town's executive body; the difference is that now they have an administrator to oversee the daily operations of the municipality so they can attend more to issues of policy.

#### Town Meeting-Council-Manager

In this variation, the legislative functions of government are shared between the town meeting and an elected council. The exact delegation of powers differs from one municipality to another. However, the most common scenario is to have the town meeting vote on the budget while the council tends to all the other legislative functions.

#### Representative Town Meeting

Also known as the "limited Town Meeting," persons are elected from each of several districts to attend the town meeting. Any voter may still speak, but only the elected representatives may vote.



## **TOWN MEETING PROCEDURES**

### ***Town Meeting Warrant***

#### ***Posting of the Town Meeting Warrant***

*A Town Meeting Warrant must be posted seven (7) days prior to the meeting under Maine State Law. The reason for posting a warrant is to allow those voters who wish, the right to see what business is to be conducted at the meeting and to decide if they wish to attend or not.*

#### ***Warrant Articles***

*A warrant article that reads "To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate" are open ended articles that allow the bottom line total of the article to be raised or lowered by an amendment from the floor of the meeting.*

*A warrant article that reads "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate" are capped articles and the bottom line total cannot be raised but may be lowered.*

*An amendment from the floor of the meeting to reduce an article will result in a reduction of the bottom line total only (line items included within the articles are explanations only of the article's total).*

### ***Conducting of the Open Floor Meeting***

*First, rules of procedure are not rules of law. Their purpose is to facilitate the conduct of the meeting.*

- 1. Distinguishing or Separating Voter and Non-Voters - Please respect any measures in effect for distinguishing or separating the voters from non-voters*
- 2. Unanimous Consent - To expedite procedure, the moderator may from time to time invite or suggest that the meeting give "unanimous consent" to proceeding in a certain way. Cooperation where you can freely give it will usually save time and avoid unnecessary complication, but if you do not wish to give consent simply call out "Objection" or "I object" when the moderator asks for unanimous consent. The moderator may then suggest or invite a motion and vote on procedure and you will then have the opportunity to speak in opposition to the procedure.*
- 3. Rules of Debate - Maine law makes three rules. (1) A person may not speak without being recognized by the moderator. (2) Everyone shall be silent at the moderator's command. (3) A person who is not a town voter may not speak without the consent of two-thirds of the voters present. In addition the moderator may as*

4.that one or more of the following rules, be observed, and may invoke others to maintain good order and decorum. Raise your hand or stand as directed by the moderator, to be recognized and then state your name and what you would like to do. Stand while speaking unless otherwise directed or authorized by the moderator. Refrain from making negative motions ("I move that article 16 be defeted"0. After a motion has been made and seconded, the moderator will open the floor for discussion. The moderator may call on the Selectmen or to speak first on a main motion (a motion to approve an article as printed for example). Thereafter, the affirmative side speaks. A person who makes a motion is entitled but not required to be the first speaker on the motion and may not vote against the motion but may seek consent to withdraw the motion. A person seconding a motion may both speak against it and vote against it. Do not make a speech and conclude it with a motion, rather, make the motion and then speak to it after the moderator has put it to floor for debate.

Address all remarks and all questions to the moderator alone. Remarks must be relevant to the motion. Debate will generally alternate between those in favor and those opposed. No one should address the same subject more than twice without express permission of the moderator. The meeting may establish a time limit per speaker per question and an overall time limit on a motion. No one may speak a second time until all that wish to speak a first time have done so. Speak to those issues, not to the person, and do not question motives or speak ill of another. Profanity is always out of order. Do not read from any document except the warrant without first obtaining the moderator's consent. Listen attentively, do not whisper in the seats, and do not interrupt a speaker. Take conversation outside, and mute all but emergency worker's cell phones.

5.Written Ballot – On a motion and a majority vote, or by unanimous consent, the meeting can determine to require written ballot voting on any business or article on the warrant.

6.Appeal – A voter who thinks it appropriate to follow a procedure other than one announced by the moderator may seek to be recognized and then move the procedure the voter feels is more appropriate.

7.Methods of Voting – These are in increasing order of certainty (and for most of the time required) voice vote, show of hands, rising or standing vote, division of the house and written ballot vote.

8.Challenge – A voter who thinks the moderator has not correctly determined the outcome of a voice or other vote short of an actual count and who wishes to challenge the moderator's determination should immediately seek to be recognized and when recognized say "I doubt it". The moderator will then determine whether at least six other voters agree. If so, the moderator will make the determination more certain by using a designated other method of voting.



**MAINE MODERATOR'S MANUAL**  
**RULES OF PROCEDURE**

(Revised 2005)

TYPE/MOTION	SECOND REQUIRED	DEBATABLE	AMENDABLE	VOTE REQUIRED	RECONSID- ERABLE	RANK/NOTES
<b>PRIVILEGED</b>						
Adjourn (sine die)	Y	N	N	M	N	1
Recess or Adjourn to Time Certain	Y	Y	Y	M	N	2
<b>SUBSIDIARY</b>						
Previous Question	Y	N	N	2/3	N	3
Limit Debate	Y	N	Y	2/3	Y	4
Postpone to Time Certain	Y	Y	Y	M	Y	5
Amend	Y	Y	Y	M	Y	6
<b>INCIDENTAL</b>						
Appeal	Y	Y	N	M	Y	A, B, D
Fix the Method of Voting	Y	N	N	M	N	B
Withdraw a Motion	N	N	N	M	See Notes	B, C, D
<b>MAIN</b>						
Main Motion	Y	Y	Y	M	Y	
Reconsider	Y	See Notes	N	M	N	A, D, E
Take up Out of Order	Y	Y	N	2/3	N	

Y — Yes, this action is required or permitted.

N — No, this action cannot be taken or is unnecessary.

M — Majority vote required

A — This motion may be made when another motion has the floor.

B — Same rank as motion out of which it arises.

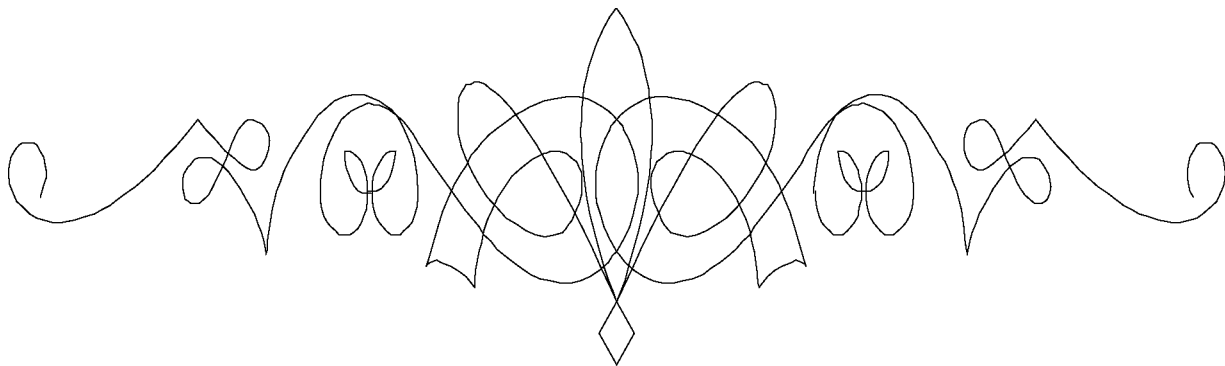
C — Only a prevailing negative vote on this motion may be reconsidered.

D — This motion has the same rank, and is debatable to the same extent, as the motion being reconsidered.

E — Only a person who voted on the prevailing side may make this motion.

None of the motions in the table should interrupt a speaker.

This table does not include the statutory procedure for challenge (to question a vote), mentioned in the "Notes for Voters" and discussed in the Maine Moderator's Manual.



***PRESENTING  
THE  
ANNUAL  
TOWN MEETING  
WARRANT FOR  
F/Y  
2014-2015***

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
FOR FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015**

**TO: Joan Linscott, a Resident of the Town of Thomaston in the County of Knox and State of Maine.**

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Thomaston, in the County of Knox and State of Maine, qualified to vote by law in Town affairs, to meet at **AMERICAN LEGION** at 10 Watts Lane in said Town on **TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2014 AT 8:00 AM** prevailing time, then and there to act upon **ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 3 OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT. POLLS WILL OPEN AT EIGHT (8) O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND WILL CLOSE AT EIGHT (8) O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING PREVAILING TIME.**

You are also hereby required to notify and warn voters of the Town of Thomaston, in the County of Knox, State of Maine, qualified to vote by law in Town affairs, to meet at the **AMERICAN LEGION** at 10 Watts Lane in said Town on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2014 at 7:00 PM** prevailing time, then and there to proceed with **ARTICLES 4 through ARTICLES 46.**

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting. **THE MODERATOR MUST BE CHOSEN PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE POLLS FOR ELECTING TOWN OFFICERS.**

**ARTICLE 2:** To choose by ballot, two Selectpersons for three year terms, one School Board Member for a three year term, one School Board Member for a one year term, and one Assessor for a three year term.

**ARTICLE 3:** To vote by Referendum Ballot the following question:  
Shall the Ordinance named "Town of Thomaston Consumer Fireworks & Sky Lantern Ordinance" be enacted?

**June 11, 2014 – 7:00 PM – AMERICAN LEGION RECONVENES**

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the categories of funds listed below as provided by the Maine State Legislature and to expend same:

**DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
State Local Road Assistance	\$ 26,184.00	\$ 26,184.00
Gasoline Refund	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,500.00
State Revenue Sharing	\$143,748.00	\$140,000.00
General Assistance	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Snowmobile Reimbursement	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Veteran's Exempt Reimbursement	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00
Property Tax Relief Funds	Unknown	Unknown
State Grants & Other Funds	Unknown	Unknown

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to lapse all non-real estate/personal property tax revenues to Undesignated Fund Balance (surplus), and to see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate to reduce the property tax assessment for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

**DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Appropriated from Fund Balance and Transfer	Unknown	Unknown (\$0)
From Anticipated State Revenue Sharing		
	<u>\$143,748.00</u>	<u>\$140,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$143,748.00</b>	<b>\$140,000.00</b>

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$372,653.68 for GENERAL GOVERNMENT for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

**DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Selectpersons	\$10,647.03	\$10,336.92
Legal	\$15,000.00	\$14,000.00
Selectmen's Office	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 3,350.00
Town Manager	\$74,113.04	\$71,954.41
Exec. Secy./Office Coord.	\$37,213.49	\$36,129.60
Manager's Office	\$22,015.01	\$21,163.60
Clerk	\$37,459.86	\$36,368.80

Clerk's Office	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 5,950.00
General Office	\$30,000.00	\$28,813.40
Municipal Accounting Clerk	\$44,031.26	\$42,748.80
Finance Office	\$ 9,550.00	\$ 8,250.00
Administration	\$17,430.00	\$16,900.00
Planning Board	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Contingency	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Computer	\$18,500.00	\$18,000.00
Code Enforcement Officer	\$41,068.98	\$39,872.80
Code Enforcement Office	<u>\$ 4,875.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,475.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$372,653.68</b>	<b>\$359,263.33</b>

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$94,087.00 for maintenance and operation of MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

##### **DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Watts Block	\$52,762.00	\$52,762.00
Academy Building	<u>41,325.00</u>	<u>41,325.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$94,087.00</b>	<b>\$94,087.00</b>

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$262,577.70 for the POLICE DEPARTMENT WAGES for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

##### **DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Chief's Salary	\$ 61,285.49	\$ 59,500.48
Patrolmen Wages (3)	\$121,249.95	\$117,718.39
Reserves Wages	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Overtime	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
Traffic Control	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Sergeant Wages	\$ 47,842.26	\$ 46,448.80
Special Details	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00
Court Time	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
Sick Leave	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Vacation Buyback	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Holiday Pay	<u>\$ 8,300.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,300.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$262,577.70</b>	<b>\$255,367.67</b>

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,100.00 for GENERAL EXPENDITURES – POLICE DEPARTMENT for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

**DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Transportation	\$19,300.00	\$18,500.00
Supplies & Equipment	<u>\$30,800.00</u>	<u>\$29,500.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$50,100.00</b>	<b>\$48,000.00</b>

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$106,022.33 for the FIRE DEPARTMENT for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

**DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Fire Chief	\$14,110.18	\$13,699.20
Deputy Chief	\$ 6,998.99	\$ 6,795.14
Assistant Chief	\$ 4,159.66	\$ 4,038.50
Call Members	\$21,053.50	\$21,053.50
Operations	\$15,800.00	\$15,700.00
Communications	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Fire Equipment	\$ 8,250.00	\$ 8,250.00
Fire Vehicle Maintenance	\$13,400.00	\$12,500.00
Station Building	<u>\$21,250.00</u>	<u>\$18,250.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$106,022.33</b>	<b>\$101,286.34</b>

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,400.00 to purchase self-contained breathing (SCBA) bottles for the Fire Department.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 to purchase protective clothing for the Fire Department.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$198,238.76 for PROTECTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Street Lighting	\$ 40,257.00	\$ 39,957.00
E.M.A.	\$ 899.60	\$ 877.77
Health Officer	\$ 1,320.53	\$ 1,282.07
Animal Control	\$ 9,761.63	\$ 9,646.24
Hydrant Rental	<u>\$146,000.00</u>	<u>\$144,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$198,238.76</b>	<b>\$195,763.08</b>

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,043.00 for the Emergency Management Work Plan, and to accept a matching grant of \$6,130.00 from the State for same.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$459,909.58 for PUBLIC WORKS for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Director	\$ 59,482.66	\$ 57,750.16
Full Time Employees (3)	\$118,303.33	\$114,857.60
Shared Employees	\$ 38,905.98	\$ 37,772.80
Overtime	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 6,200.00
Public Works General	\$ 7,050.00	\$ 6,800.00
Operations	\$ 61,500.00	\$ 56,500.00
Winter Roads	\$ 89,700.00	\$ 89,500.00
Summer Roads	\$ 28,150.00	\$ 26,650.00
Stump Dump	\$ 39,217.61	\$ 38,890.88
Town Garage	<u>\$ 11,400.00</u>	<u>\$ 11,150.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$459,909.58</b>	<b>\$446,071.44</b>

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$234,046.80 for Transfer Station Fees for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Transfer Station Fees	<u>\$234,046.80</u>	<u>\$214,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$234,046.80</b>	<b>\$214,000.00</b>

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$62,265.16 for the AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Director	\$ 8,998.79	\$ 8,736.69
Assistants	\$ 6,602.64	\$ 6,410.33
Call Attendants	\$11,107.01	\$10,783.50
Meetings and Drills	\$ 1,586.72	\$ 1,540.50
Training	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Transportation	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 4,500.00
Administration and Office Supplies	\$ 6,370.00	\$ 6,370.00
Operations	\$11,400.00	\$11,400.00
Communications	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$62,265.16</b>	<b>\$59,741.02</b>

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,323.82 for per diem weekend ambulance coverage.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000.00 to reimburse Rockland for Ambulance coverage at the rate of \$250.00 per call and to authorize charging the same \$250.00 per call for coverage when Thomaston's Ambulance responds to calls outside of Thomaston.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$47,272.36 for the ASSESSOR'S OFFICE for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2012</b>
Assessors' Compensation	\$ 2,911.26	\$ 2,826.47
Assessors' Agent	\$28,331.10	\$27,505.92
Office Supplies	\$ 550.00	550.00
Book Binding	\$ 250.00	250.00
Mileage	\$ 250.00	250.00
Training	\$ 200.00	200.00
Memberships	\$ 30.00	30.00
Computer Maintenance	\$ 3,250.00	3,250.00



Mapping	\$ 500.00	500.00
Legal and Professional Services	\$ 3,000.00	3,000.00
Commercial Assessments	<u>\$ 8,000.00</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$47,272.36</b>	<b>\$46,362.39</b>

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$68,005.33 for the RECREATION DEPARTMENT for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

##### **DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Director's Salary	\$34,755.33	\$33,743.04
League Fees	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Office Supplies	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
Field Maintenance	\$ 9,100.00	\$ 9,100.00
Senior Citizen's Account	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Supplies and Equipment	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Basketball Referees	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Mileage	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Education and Training	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00
Community Events	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$68,005.33</b>	<b>\$63,493.04</b>

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,999.68 for LEISURE SERVICES for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

##### **DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
<b>SHADE TREES</b>		
Tree Warden	\$ 868.18	\$ 842.89
Tree Removal	\$1,500.00	\$1,600.00
Dead Limb Sanitation	\$3,000.00	\$3,070.00
Stump Removal	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Tree Planting	\$ 500.00	\$1,000.00
Equipment	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Publications, Licensing, Mileage	<u>\$ 125.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,593.18</b>	<b>\$7,112.89</b>
<b>HARBOR SERVICES</b>		
Harbor Master	\$3,851.50	\$3,166.36
Education/Training	\$ 350.00	\$ 500.00
Public Landing Maintenance	\$ 600.00	\$ 350.00
Float Maintenance	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 400.00	\$ 445.00
Facility Maintenance	\$ 800.00	\$ 750.00

Boat Maintenance	\$ 400.00	\$ 650.00
Float Removal	\$ 650.00	\$ 400.00
Telephone	<u>\$ 280.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,931.50</b>	<b>\$6,861.36</b>

**FOURTH OF JULY**

4 <sup>th</sup> of July Electrical	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>

**CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**

Conservation Committee	<u>\$ 475.00</u>	<u>\$ 475.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 475.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>

**NOTE: Funded from carryover.**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,999.68</b>	<b>\$13,974.25</b>
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**SELECT PERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$593,724.00 for UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

**DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:**

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Workers' Compensation	\$ 48,803.00	\$ 32,000.00
Unemployment Insurance	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 4,900.00
FICA	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 74,000.00
Health Insurance	\$320,000.00	\$306,000.00
Retirement	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
Wage Increase	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,010.34</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$459,203.00</b>	<b>\$424,410.34</b>

**INSURANCE**

Commercial Package/Auto	\$41,000.00	\$41,000.00
Public Official Liability	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Employee Dishonesty Bond	<u>\$ 600.00</u>	<u>\$ 600.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$48,100.00</b>	<b>\$48,100.00</b>

Public Restrooms	<u>\$ 1,800.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,800.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,800.00</b>

**COMPUTERS**

Computers and Printers	<u>\$ 1,425.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,425.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,425.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,425.00</b>

TAN Interest	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Memberships	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Regional Planning Commission	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00

Maine Service Coalition	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Debt Service	<u>\$50,000.00</u>	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$55,600.00</b>	<b>\$55,600.00</b>
Thomaston Public Library	\$ 27,096.00	\$ 27,096.00
Thomaston Flags	<u>\$ 500.00</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27,596.00</b>	<b>\$ 27,596.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$593,724.00</b>	<b>\$558,931.34</b>

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$137,000.00 for CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS/RESERVE ACCOUNTS for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

##### DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
Police Cruiser Reserve	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
Ambulance Reserve	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Fire Apparatus	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Academy Maint. Reserve	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 12,600.00
Dump Truck Reserve	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Computer Reserve	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Municipal Facilities Reserves	<u>\$ 50,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 50,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$137,000.00</b>	<b>\$135,600.00</b>

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$24,000.00 for FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

##### DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
General Assistance	<u>\$24,000.00</u>	<u>\$24,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>

As administered under Title 22 M.R.S.A. SUB 4305.4 Department of Human Services.

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,233.10 for PROVIDER AND LOCAL AGENCIES for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

##### DESCRIPTION AND COMPARISON:

##### PROVIDERS AGENCIES

	<b>2014/2015</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>
PenBay Med. Ctr. Out. Psych.	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Coastal Workshop	\$ 237.50	\$ 237.50

Penquis CAP	\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00
Mid-Coast Children's Services	\$ 665.00	\$ 665.00
Kno-Wal-Lin	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
New Hope for Women	\$ 950.00	\$ 950.00
Coastal Transportation	\$1,710.00	\$1,710.00
Spectrum Generations	\$2,158.40	\$2,158.40
Pope Memorial Humane Society.	\$ 475.00	\$ 475.00
ADAPT	\$ 190.00	\$ 190.00
Home Counselors	\$ 190.00	\$ 190.00
Trekkers	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Knox County Homeless Coalition	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
American Red Cross	\$ 442.20	\$ 442.00
Broadreach Family& Community	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Midcoast ME Comm Action	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Rockland District Nursing	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,868.10</b>	<b>\$13,868.10</b>

#### LOCAL AGENCIES

Historical Society	\$ 712.50	\$ 712.50
Christmas Lighting	1,140.00	1,140.00
Memorial Day Committee	712.50	712.50
Friends of Montpelier	1,900.00	1,900.00
Landscaping Committee	1,900.00	1,900.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,365.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,365.00</b>

**TOTAL** **\$20,233.10** **\$20,233.10**

#### SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000.00 for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 to pave the following streets:

##### DESCRIPTION:

Buttermilk Drive	\$31,025.00 est.
Pleasant Street	\$13,600.00 est.
Shibles Lane	\$ 6,375.00 est.
Stony Brook Lane	\$ 2,975.00 est.
Town Forest Road	\$ 6,800.00 est.
Booker St., Thomas Ave. to Clark St.	\$ 9,775.00 est.
Clark Street and Cul de Sac	<u>\$16,575.00 est.</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$87,125.00 est.</b>

EXPLANATION: Estimate utilizing \$85 per ton, unsure of market.

#### SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL

**ARTICLE 28:**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$23,000.00 from Reserve to purchase one 2014 Police Cruiser estimated at \$28,000.00 and to trade one vehicle to offset \$5,000.00 of the estimated cost.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 29:**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize Selectpersons, on behalf of the Town, TO SELL AND DISPOSE OF ANY REAL ESTATE ACQUIRED BY THE TOWN for non-payment of the taxes thereon and to execute quit claim deeds for said property, said real estate to be sold as follows:

1. A notice of intent to sell such property shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Knox County at least three weeks prior to such sale, inviting interested parties to submit sealed bids thereon.
2. The parties from whom the property has been taken for non-payment of taxes thereon may purchase said real estate from the Town at any time during the process, the purchase price in the latter case being all unpaid taxes on said property, plus interest, lien costs and the cost of the publication of the notice plus the cost of the quit claim deed.
3. In the event the parties from whom the real estate was taken by the Town for unpaid taxes fails to redeem the property as provided in Paragraph 2, the Board of Selectpersons may sell the property to the highest sealed bidder.

**SELECTPERSONS RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 30:**

To see if the Town will vote to permit acceptance of PREPAID TAXES and to fix the dates of December 3, 2014 for the first payment and June 3, 2015 for the second payment, when the taxes shall become due and payable; and, to see if the Town will fix the rate of interest at 7 percent to be charged on taxes unpaid after said date; and to see if the Town will fix the rate of interest for overpayments of taxes at 3 percent for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

**NOTE: Pursuant to Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506-A “Overpayment of Taxes”.**

**DECISION:** When a tax collector has demanded and received from a taxpayer more than is due and more than appears to be due according to his lists, he must refund the excess to the tax payer, even though he has paid the amount into the Town Treasury.

**SELECTPERSONS RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 31:**

To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506-A.

**EXPLANATION:** If taxes are paid but later abated, the municipality must refund the abated taxes and pay interest on them. Title 36 M.R.S.A § 506-A provides that the rate of interest set by the municipality to be paid on overpayments *may not exceed* the rate set for delinquent taxes, *nor be less* than that rate reduced by 4%. For instance, if the unpaid rate is 7%, then the Town Meeting may set a rate not higher than 7% and not lower than 3%; it may pick either of those numbers or any number in between. From this you can see that this article would be appropriately placed on the warrant immediately *after* the article choosing a delinquency rate. The statute governing the delinquency interest rate is 36 M.R.S.A. § 505(4).

**SELECTPERSONS RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectpersons to accept, on behalf of the Town, GIFTS, DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS in the form of money, personal services and materials for the benefit of the Town, its government including legal departments and public facilities thereof, for the purpose of aiding and enhancing the delivery of public services. Said gifts to be without conditions and not require the voters to raise additional maintenance money.

#### **SELECTPERSONS RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectpersons TO MOVE UP TO 10% OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES from various accounts as needed to provide for the smooth transition of Town business.

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 TO SUPPORT THE SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$10,000.00 TO ASSIST THE FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE in continuing the annual celebration.

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 36:** Shall an ordinance entitled “June 2014 Amendments to the Town of Thomaston Chapter Seven Thomaston Land Use and Development Ordinance” be enacted?

A copy of this ordinance certified by the municipal officers and the Planning Board has been on file with the municipal clerk’s office at least seven days before the Town Meeting. A certified copy of this ordinance is available for review in the Office of the Town Clerk during regular business hours.

#### **SELECTPERSONS AND PLANNING BOARD RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 37:** Shall the Ordinance entitled “June 2014 Amendments to the Georges River Regional Shellfish Management Ordinance” be enacted?

The proposed amendments to the ordinance have been certified by the Board of Selectmen and delivered to the municipal clerk at least seven days before this meeting. Copies of this ordinance are available for review in the office of the Town Clerk during regular business hours.

#### **SELECTPERSONS RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000.00 towards the ongoing Thomaston Sidewalk Program to resurface sidewalks in Thomaston.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000.00 for the operating budget of the Thomaston Village Cemetery.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 40:** Shall the ordinance entitled “June 2014 Amendments of the Thomaston Harbor Ordinance” be enacted?

This proposed amended ordinance has been certified by the Board of Selectmen and delivered to the municipal clerk at least seven days before this meeting. Copies of this ordinance are available for review in the office of the Town Clerk during regular business hours.

**SELECTPERSONS RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 41:** To see what sum the Town will vote to cover the additional costs, beyond \$35,000.00 previously raised, for the completion of the brick façade replacement on the east and south walls of Watts Hall, and to determine how much of that sum shall come from taxes and how much shall be transferred from reserve. Selectpersons recommend raising and appropriating \$40,000.00 from taxes and authorizing any remaining amount from existing Reserve funds.

EXPLANATION: The Town raised \$35,000.00 in funds to replace the façade brick in areas of the east and south wall. The initiated work exposed more issues than previously determined by the engineer. The Town has a price for the brick replacement 60 feet wide from the roof line down to the second story floor, to the marble band at a cost of \$68,000.00 plus any additional structural brick wall areas which may require correction. The additional costs are estimated at a minimum \$40,000.00 to \$70,000.00.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$48,000.00 from Reserve and Designated Funds to purchase one Public Works 2014 ¾ ton pickup with a plow estimated at \$48,000.00.

NOTE: \$32,000.00 from Reserves and \$17,419.09 from FEMA Storm Funds.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 43:** Shall an ordinance entitled “Town of Thomaston Chapter Three ICC Building Code” adopting the 2009 edition of the International Residential Code regulating and governing construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, location, removal and demolition of buildings not more than three stories in height be enacted?

**SELECTPERSONS AND PLANNING BOARD RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 44:** Shall an ordinance entitled “June 2014 Amendments of the Town of Thomaston Chapter 10 Definitions” be enacted?

**SELECTPERSONS AND PLANNING BOARD RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 45:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$35,071.31 from the Fire Department Heating Reserve to replace the Fire Station roof with E.P.D.M. membrane.

EXPLANATION: The Fire Station roof was replaced 17 years ago and snow removal this past winter created further issues with the long term life of the roof.

**SELECTPERSONS AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

**ARTICLE 46:** Shall the Town of Thomaston vote to approve a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for the Workforce Development program in the amount of \$73,900 for the purpose of assisting with employee training at Lyman Morse Boatbuilding, and to submit same to the Department of Economic and Community Development and if said program is approved, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept said grant funds, to make such assurances, assume such responsibilities, and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such programs. Furthermore, the Town of Thomaston is cognizant of the requirement that should the intended National Objective of the CDBG program not be met all CDBG funds must be repaid to the State of Maine CDBG program.

**SELECTPERSONS RECOMMEND APPROVAL**



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**The purchase of this fire truck was made possible by the thoughtful and generous donation of the Maine Lobster Festival Association to the Thomaston Fireman's Association.**

**The Citizens of Thomaston greatly appreciate the consideration of their safety showed by the Lobster Festival Association.**



**Pictured above representing the Maine Lobster Festival Association are Chuck Kruger, current president, John Fochtman, Bob Oxtan and Sharon Lombardo.**

**Representing the Town of Thomaston are Selectboard Chairman Greg Hamlin, Town Manager Valmore Blastow, Police Chief Kevin Haj, Assistant Fire Chief Jamie Leo, Deputy Fire Chief Mike Mazzeo, Police Officer Mike Blais, Firemen Floyd Lawrence, and Charlie Ball.**