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2019 Annual Report

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*Fiscal Year Reports: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018
June 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant & Budget*



**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

**TOWN OF CAMDEN
29 Elm Street
PO Box 1207
Camden, Maine 04843**

Population – 4,850
(2010 Census)

For the Fiscal Year

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018
June 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant & Budget



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Deedee Conover our Curtis Island Caretaker*

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DEDICATION



**John R. French, Jr.
Select Board Member 1997-2018**

In 2019, the Town of Camden is pleased to dedicate the annual report in honor of one of our longstanding, tremendously dedicated community leaders: John R. French Jr.

Since retiring in 2018 (at least for now!) from the Select Board after seven consecutive three-year terms, John has remained an active and engaged community member and leader. Whether he's attending Select Board meetings to speak as a member of the public, participating formally as a member of the Budget Committee or continuing the decades-old tradition of discussing all manner of town issues with residents and officials who frequent his auto repair shop; John's dedication to the community remains unwavering.

In 2018, John proposed that the town form a Charter Commission to revisit the Town Charter, our guiding document. As one of the members of the newly-fledged commission, John has once again stepped up to serve the community.

During his tenure on the Select Board, John served as chair for several terms, including his most recent one. He was elected in 1997 alongside the late Leonard Lookner and while the two did not always agree, they were dear friends and harbored an immense respect for one another. As John was fond of saying, "the disagreements always end there," gesturing to the door of the French Conference Room (Washington St. Conference Room) that was renamed in his honor when he decided not to seek re-election as a Select Board member.

John's acceptance of all opinions and patience with those that differ from his own is among the myriad of qualities that continue to serve John and the community well during his legacy of public service.

Each time John ran for Select Board, he was not only successful in his bid, but never failed to receive the largest number of votes of any candidate in the race, further demonstrating the community's confidence in his leadership.

John spent most of his boyhood in Camden, living for a time on Curtis Island where his father was the lighthouse keeper. John matriculated in the Camden school system and went on to further his education in carpentry. Instead, he became an auto mechanic and his career continues today as the owner and operator of Coastal Automotive in Camden.

In August of 1977, John married Julie in a ceremony on Bay View Street in Camden, and the two remain happily married today. Their sons, Bill and Christopher, both reside in Maine and have four children between them. John's grandchildren, ranging in age from four to 23, hold a special place in his heart.

With his sons, he participated as a pack leader in both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts for a number of years.

Prior to joining the Select Board, John was a committed volunteer firefighter in Camden for 21 years. Though his tenure on the Select Board overlapped briefly with his time on the Fire Department, he remained committed to facilitating excellent and economical public safety solutions from his spot on the dais.

Always quick to credit others, John would often remark on the dedicated community volunteers that serve on all manner of town committees. While immensely respectful of his position and the processes, John was always quick with a laugh or follow-up question as Select Board chairman. He made it clear that all voices were important, even on nights with lengthy agendas.

Always thoughtful and compassionate, John has been quick to help those in need and has remained a dedicated friend and advisor to many municipal servants. Additionally, his desire to recognize others has always usurped the accolades he has received from the community.

John has always championed community engagement, encouraging residents to participate and use their voices -- both at regularly scheduled Select Board meetings and the town's annual meeting each June.

In June 2018, he told Susan Mustapich of The Camden Herald that he used to joke about getting a bus and picking residents up to bring them to Town Meeting.

"The Town Meeting is their chance to shine," he said to Mustapich of residents. "Their time to vote, and hold their hand up and say yes, no or maybe. It's a Town Meeting government, not a council. It's all about them. Town people are the legislative body."

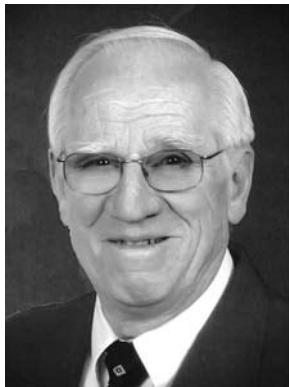
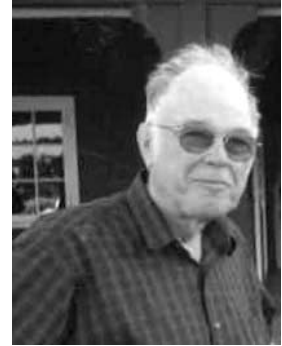
REMEMBRANCE

The Town of Camden lost several citizens in the past year who contributed to the community in very significant ways. We especially recognize these community spirited individuals.

Sidney Lindsley

1927 - August 12, 2018

Sid and his wife Priscilla moved to Camden in the early 1980's when Sid began work at Knox Semiconductor. Sid dedicated much of his time to the Town of Camden in many capacities, including Camden Select Board, Deputy Registrar of Voters, Budget Committee, and Planning Board. He also served as Commodore of the Camden Yacht Club and volunteered with the Coast Guard Auxiliary in Rockland. We appreciate Sid's service to the community and he will be sadly missed by all who knew him.



Frank Stearns

1933-January 20, 2019

Frank and his wife Grace made their home in Camden in the early 1960's. Frank worked for the Camden Tannery before becoming the Superintendent at the Town's Wastewater Treatment Plant where he retired after 28 years. For many years Frank dedicated much of his time on the Town's Budget Committee, Charter Commission, and served many years with our elections. He was also a member of the Camden School Alumni Committee and the American Legion Post #30 in town. The Town was very fortunate to have known Frank and he will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

APPRECIATION

The Camden citizens listed below have donated a great deal of time and energy to many boards and committees in our community and deserve our highest praise. They have been willing to share the task of representing the many aspects of life in Camden and in doing so, have made town government reflective of the entire community. We applaud each and every one of you!

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Tia Anderson
Edward Collins
Jo Morina-Doran
Stephen Melchiskey
Kristen Lindquist
Leamon Scott
Kipp Wright
Kathy Young

BUDGET NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Deb Dodge
John French, Jr.
Parker Laite, Jr.
Etienne Perret

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Patricia Ayers

CAMDEN ROCKPORT PATHWAYS COMMITTEE

Mac Thomas

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Paul Cavalli
Martin Cates

ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Peter Galloway
Ken Gross
Sarah Holland

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Kristin Mikkelsen
Beedy Parker

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

David Olivas

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Linda Norton
Ethan Shaw

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Select Board, Assessors, Overseers, and Wastewater Commissioners

Jenna Lookner	6/21
Taylor Benzie	6/21
Robert Falciani, Chair	6/20
Alison McKellar, Vice Chair	6/20
Marc Ratner	6/19

SAD 29/CSD 19 (Board of Directors)

Patrick McCafferty	6/21
Matthew Dailey	6/20
Elizabeth Noble	6/20
Rebecca Flanagan	6/19
Peter Orne	6/19

Budget Committee

John R. French, Jr.	6/21
Lisa Dresser	6/21
Richard Householder	6/21
Drew Lyman	6/21
Robin McIntosh	6/21
Vacancy	6/21
Vacancy	6/21
Vacancy	6/21
Vacancy	6/21
Mark Haskell	6/20
Sandy Cox	6/20
Mark Coursey	6/20
Karla Doremus-Tranfield	6/20
Shannon Herring	6/20
Kristin Sidwell	6/20
Robert Knapp	6/20
Vacancy	6/20
Tia Anderson	6/19
Edward Collins	6/19
Jo Morina-Doran	6/19
Stephen Melchiskey	6/19
Kristen Lindquist	6/19
Leamon Scott	6/19
Kipp Wright	6/19
Kathy Young	6/19

Budget Nominating Committee

John R. French, Jr.(RM)	6/19
Parker S. Laite, Jr. (RM)	6/19
Etienne Perret (RM)	6/19
Deborah Doge (ALT)	6/19
Vacancy (ALT)	6/18

Knox County Commissioner (Camden Representative)

Sharyn Pohlman	12/20
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Knox County Budget Representative

Randy Stearns	12/22
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Pascal Fund Trustees

David Dickey	6/21
Elaine Davis	6/20
Parker S. Laite, Jr.	6/19

Personnel Board

Stephanie Griffin	6/21
David Miramant	6/20
Donald White	6/19
Rick Rector (Appointed Member)	6/21
Marlene Libby, Employee Rep	6/19

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Town Manager

Audra Caler-Bell

Town Attorney.....	William Kelly
Finance Director	Jodi Hanson
Tax Collector.....	Liz Knauer
Town Clerk/Registrar of Voters.....	Katrina Oakes
Deputy Registrar of Voters	Elaine Davis
Deputy Registrar of Voters	Sidney G. Lindsley
Deputy Finance Director/Treasurer	Marlene Libby
General Assistance Administrator.....	Janice Esancy
Assessor.....	Kerry Leichtman
Assistant Assessor.....	Caitlin Thompson
Code Enforcement Officer/Electrical & Plumbing Inspector	Steve Wilson
Code Enforcement Officers.....	Andrew Lowe,
.....	Chris Farley
.....	Clint Beveridge
.....	Matt Heath
Wastewater Department Superintendent.....	David Bolstridge
Harbormaster.....	Steven Pixley
Assistant Harbormaster.....	James Leo
Harbor Clerk.....	Liz Knauer
Animal Control Officer.....	Jeff Sukeforth
Police Chief.....	Randy Gagne
Constable.....	Randy Gagne
Fire Chief/Health Officer	Chris Farley
Emergency Preparedness Director	Chris Farley
Director of Parks and Recreation.....	Beth Ward
Public Works Director	Richard Seibel
Tree Warden.....	Richard Seibel
Dam Control Agent.....	David Bolstridge
Inland Harbormaster	Dale Doherty
Assistant Inland Harbormaster	Cody Laite

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Camden Conservation Commission

Morgan Laidlaw	6/21
Roger Rittmaster	6/21
Vicki Doudera	6/20
Stephanie Smith	6/20
Barbara Lawrence	6/19
Seth Meyer	6/19
Wayne Ruesswick	6/19

Camden-Rockport Pathways Committee

Robert Davis	6/21
Geoff Scott, Chair	6/20
Andrew Stancioff	6/20
Richard Stetson	6/19
Anita Brosius-Scott	6/19
Jane Self	ALT
Vacancy	ALT

Cemetery Association

Parker Laite, Jr.	6/21
Jeff Weymouth	6/21
Kristine Lerner	6/20
Bob Oxtan	6/20
Vacancy	6/20
Isa Babb	6/19
Jeff Weymouth, CHAIR	6/19

Community Economic Development (CEDAC)

Meg Quijano	6/21
Paul Cavalli	6/21
Steve Matteo	6/21
Robin McIntosh	6/20
Roger Moody	6/19
Ellis Cohn	6/19
Jeff Senders	ALT
Leamon Scott	ALT

Energy & Sustainability Committee

Marina Schaufler	6/21
Peter Kalajian	6/21
Sarah Miller	6/21
Dana Strout	6/20
Brian Robinson	6/20
Alexander Facq	6/20
Anna Ford	6/20
Anita Brosius-Scott	6/19
Ken Gross	6/19
Dean Means	6/19

Harbor Committee

William Welte	6/21
Raymond Williamson	6/20
Stephen Gold	6/20
Richard Stetson, CHAIR	6/19
Ben Ellison	6/19
Drew Lyman	ALT
Dominic Gioia	ALT

Historic Resources Committee

Judith McGuirk	6/21
Susan Neves	6/21
Christopher Fasoldt	6/20
Patricia Skaling	6/19
Rosalee Glass	6/19
Dawna Pine	ALT
Eileen Kurtis-Kleinman	ALT
Vacancy	ALT

Opera House Committee

Kristen Lindquist	6/21
Kathleen Brown	6/21
Joanna Spinks	6/21
Roland Findlay	6/20
Peter Dembski	6/20
Beth O'Connor, Chair	6/19
Rosanna Wing	6/19

Parks & Recreation Committee

Raymond Andresen	6/21
Tom Resek	6/21
John Scholz	6/21
Sarah Ruef-Lindquist	6/20
Casey Heard	6/20
John Scholz	6/19
Brian Robinson	6/19
Mark Haskell	6/19

Planning Board

Richard Bernhard	6/21
Matthew Siegel	6/21
Jeff Senders	6/20
Rosie Curtis, Chair	6/19
Ethan Shaw	6/19
Mark Siegenthaler	ALT

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Zoning Board of Appeals

Sam Smith, Chair	6/21
Jon Kuhl	6/20
Deborah Chapman	6/20
Ron Vanosdol	6/19
John R. French, Jr.	6/19

TOWN CALENDAR

Town Committee/Board

Board of Assessment Review
Budget Committee
Budget Nominating Committee
Camden Conservation Commission
C/R Pathways Committee
Cemetery Association
CEDAC
Energy Committee
Harbor Committee
Historic Resources Committee
Megunticook Dams Committee
Opera House Committee
Parks & Recreation Committee
Personnel Board
Planning Board
Select Board
Zoning Board of Appeals

Meetings Held

As needed
Early Spring
Wednesdays
2nd Wednesday
1st Wednesday
Quarterly
4th Monday
3rd Monday
1st Tuesday
2nd Tuesday
As needed
4th Tuesday
2nd Wednesday
As needed
1st & 3rd Thursdays
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
2nd & 4th Thursdays

**Please check municipal calendar at
www.camdenmaine.gov for meeting agendas
and changes in meeting schedules.**



STATE OF MAINE
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PAUL R. LePAGE
GOVERNOR

Dear Citizens of Maine:

For the past eight years as your Governor, my priority has been to make Maine prosperous. I am proud to say that my administration has had some success, but there is more that can be done.

Mainers experienced strong, record-setting economic growth in 2018, setting so many new records: a record-high number of employers; a record-high number of private-sector jobs; record-high revenues for the state; record-low unemployment; and the fastest net-earnings growth in New England. Our poverty rate declined to the lowest since 2005 with the fewest number of children in poverty in 17 years. Maine's future is the brightest it has been in decades: there's more new businesses, more money in your paycheck, and better opportunities for our children. And that's what it's all about: the future of our state.

We have brought stability to state finances and implemented pro-business, pro-growth policies across state government. The incoming administration is taking on a state government that is vastly improved—both structurally and financially—from the one I inherited. Therefore, I have suggested to the new administration that now is the time to cut taxes by an additional 20 percent.

My administration lowered taxes by 20 percent for more than half-a-million Mainers. Cutting taxes for our families has proven to be an excellent policy decision. Despite this cut, we are seeing higher revenue in almost every tax category—sales and use tax, individual income tax, and corporate income tax. We must always remember that the revenue we receive in taxes is due to the hard work of Maine's people. Democrats stated they want to use surplus money to fully fund revenue sharing at 5 percent, rather than the 2 percent the towns have received for the past 6 years. **However, there is no guarantee your local government will cut your property taxes by one penny—never mind dollar-for-dollar—if revenue sharing is increased.**

The people of Maine and the municipal balance sheets would be better off if the state cut income taxes and allowed municipalities to collect property taxes or service fees from non-profits to supplement the local property taxes. Everyone should contribute to the operation of local community governments.

I encourage you to pay attention to what happens in your municipality and in Augusta. So many good people have worked much too hard to achieve our current prosperity. We must avoid letting politicians drive Maine's finances and its economy back into the ground. I promise you that I will be watching.

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage
Governor

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Dear Friends and Residents,

It's a privilege to serve as your State Representative, to be your advocate in the State House and to help advance legislation that improves life in our towns and in our state.

During this first session of the 129th Legislature we've been considering more than 2,000 separate pieces of legislation covering a wide variety of topics. I was pleased to submit bills on issues relating to transportation, taxation, child safety, energy and the environment, all based on conversations with constituents. Top priorities of the Legislature and our new Governor include expanding health care coverage, bringing relief from the opioid crisis, expanding access to renewable energy, reducing student debt, fighting and dealing with the effects of climate change, repairing our roads and bridges, increasing protections for workers and consumers, getting prescription drug costs under control, improving life for our veterans, protecting the independence of seniors and making sure we are caring for our neighbors with disabilities.

We are also balancing the state budget for the next two years and the Legislature is working to do so in a way that restores revenue sharing funds for all Maine towns, lowers taxes and respects the mandate of the voters to properly fund public education.

I serve on the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee, where we tackle policy relating to energy resources, efficiency and conservation, natural gas, renewables, Maine's energy mix, telecommunications, emergency services and water and sewer utilities. I'm also an active member of the Coastal and Climate Change Caucus, a bipartisan, bicameral group working to effect change on topics critical to our coast and harbors, ranging from sea level rise to ocean acidification.

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

It's been my pleasure to connect with many of you, and I've enjoyed attending a wide variety of events in our district and around the state. Please keep in touch with any ideas, questions or concerns. My email is vdoudera@gmail.com and my phone number is (207) 542-1990. I send out a periodic email newsletter, too, so please reach out so I can include you in my mailings.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Representative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victoria W. Doudera".

Vicki Doudera
State Representative

District 94: Camden, Islesboro & Rockport



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Dear Friends and Residents of Camden,

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your state senator. I'm honored to have been chosen to represent the residents of Camden in Augusta, and I promise to work hard on your behalf.

I have been appointed to chair the Marine Resources Committee. During this legislative session, I will work to protect our marine resources so they are sustainable for future generations. Our fisheries contribute millions to our economy each year, and the hard working men and women of our coastal economy deserve the strongest support we can provide.

I will also continue my work to make Maine a leader in new energy technologies. We have not yet taken the bold steps necessary to seriously pursue a true renewable energy economy, but we have a real chance to make substantial progress toward that goal. It's time to move forward on smart solar energy policies, creating good paying jobs right here in Maine and supplying clean energy for people across the state.

If you have any concerns or ideas for legislation, I am always available. Please feel free to call or email me anytime. We face challenges, but with this group of smart, talented and committed lawmakers, I'm hopeful we can get things done. While we may not always agree, I am always willing to listen to and learn from all sides.

I can be reached at (207) 287-1515 or David.Miramant@legislature.maine.gov. I also encourage you to sign up to receive my regular legislative updates. Go to www.mainesenate.org to join my mailing list.

I look forward to working with you this year!

Sincerely,

Dave Miramant
State Senator

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 3, 2019

COMMITTEES:
ARMED SERVICES
BUDGET
ENERGY AND
NATURAL RESOURCES
INTELLIGENCE
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

Best,



Angus S. King
United States Senator

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CHELLIE PINGREE
CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
1ST DISTRICT, MAINE

Dear Friends,

I hope this message finds you well. I am honored to represent you and your family and am grateful for the chance to offer both an update from Congress and my thoughts on the year ahead.

In Maine, we care less about political parties than about getting the job done. That's why I'm happy to report several recent victories I had reaching across the aisle to address issues important to our state.

Signed into law after months of deadlock, the 2018 Farm Bill contained several provisions I introduced. We were able to boost local food investment and organic research programs that are important to the Maine farmers driving a resurgence in our agricultural economy. The bill also created a pilot program to help doctors write prescriptions and offer vouchers to patients who need to change their diet but can't afford fresh food. Finally, the legislation included several steps I introduced to reduce food waste, a national problem that is not only costly to the environment and economy, but a missed opportunity to help millions of Americans who don't have enough to eat.

At the end of 2018, the President signed into law legislative language I introduced to assist veterans who had been blindsided by debt with the Department of Veterans Affairs. After hearing from several veterans who did not receive mailings about their debt until it was too late to take action, I introduced a bill to require the VA to improve its notification system. The final legislation requires that veterans have the option of getting electronic notifications and that the VA report on the underlying issues.

And on the House Appropriations Committee, I worked to protect programs that our state relies on, such as small business grants, rural broadband investment, effective responses to the opioid epidemic, shipbuilding at Bath Iron Works, and more.

As a new Congress gets underway, I will keep working with Republicans to make progress on key issues like these. But with Democrats now in the majority, I look forward to having an open debate on problems that have been ignored for too long. This includes the gun violence plaguing our nation, the dangers climate change presents to our country, crushing student loan debt, the influence of big money in politics, and the need for all Americans to access affordable health care and prescriptions.

In Washington and Maine, my offices stand ready to answer your questions, listen to feedback, and assist with federal issues and agencies. My hard-working staff helps many hundreds of constituents every year and I welcome the chance to serve you.

Best wishes,

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress

TOWN MANAGER

Audra Caler-Bell

It gives me great pleasure to submit this report to the citizens and officials of the Town of Camden for 2018. Camden's town government has experienced another busy and productive year. 2017 was a year of change as we welcomed four new Department Heads and several other new staff members (including myself) to the organization. With everyone settled into their new roles we've made significant progress with many exciting initiatives in 2018, which I'd like to highlight below.



The Town recently received a feasibility study, completed by Interfluv, that explores a full range of options for managing the Montgomery dam into the future with the goal of limiting risk from flooding, reducing the ongoing financial impact of maintaining this dam, promoting the ecological health of the watershed and balancing other community concerns. This study explores a range of options for modifying the Montgomery Dam, including fish passage solutions. All these options are assessed in terms of their potential to restore habitat connectivity for fish and other wildlife, improve resiliency to coastal flooding, improve water quality and reduce sedimentation and maintain the aesthetic quality of the surrounding area (Harbor Park and the mouth of the river). With this information the Town can understand how decisions about the future of the Montgomery Dam impact the overall health of the Megunticook Watershed. Ultimately, this study is the first step in a much larger project that will include an assessment of the additional 5 dams along the Megunticook River. This is an incredibly exciting and significant project for the Town of Camden and will be transformative for the ecological health and environmental resilience of our community.

Camden is participating in a study by the Maine Coastal Program, funded through a grant by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to better understand how the Public Landing can be best altered to withstand the impacts of sea level rise and increased instances of storm surge. Camden is one of 10 communities in Penobscot Bay that has been included in this study. Much of this study will provide engineering solutions that will guide the Town's future efforts in redeveloping the Public Landing. This is a critical step in preparing the Town to better understand how we protect valued public infrastructure that is integral to the economic and social fabric of the Town.

With approval from voters at Town Meeting we have entered into a long-term lease-purchase agreement with the owner of the Knox Mill for the upper parking lot at the Mill and the former skate park on Knowlton Street. This will contribute to the availability of approximately 140 new public parking spaces for Downtown Camden. This is a practical and astute use of revenue from the Town's Downtown Tax Increment Financing District. Long term parking for visitors and Downtown employees has always, and will continue to be, a difficult issue for Camden. While the addition of these spaces does not solve this issue, it is positive progress and gives the Town the ability to look for more creative solutions to Camden's parking issues in the future.

The lease-purchase of these parking lots has also allowed the Town to create a trailhead and begin the first segment of the Riverwalk. Construction is now underway for the first segment of this trail, which begins at the former skate park on Knowlton Street and extends to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This project is funded with a grant from the Recreation Trails Program that our hardworking volunteers on the Pathways Committee secured for the Town.

Camden is fortunate to have several major pedestrian infrastructure projects that are funded through Maine Department of Transportation Grants. This includes pedestrian enhancements to the Downtown District, a sidewalk on Washington Street from Matthew John Avenue to Shirttail Point and a sidewalk from Quarry Hill to Hannaford and the Concord Trailways Bus Station at Maritime Farms. While progress on all these projects is slow, we have made significant strides towards their completion over the past year. The Downtown Pedestrian Project has been combined with a project to improve the drainage infrastructure on Elm, Main and High Street (Route 1). MDOT is completing the preliminary engineering with the goal of having this project ready to advertise for construction bids in 2020.

The Route 1 South Sidewalk Project advertised for construction bids in fall of 2018. Unfortunately, of the two bids received the lowest bid was more than 60% over budget. This prompted MDOT and the Town to consider an alternative approach, whereby both the Route 1 South Sidewalk Project and the Washington Street Sidewalk Project will be advertised for bid together. The hope is that bidding these projects together will encourage more competitive bid prices from contractors. The Town is finalizing the right of way acquisition work currently, so these projects are ready to advertise for bid in fall of 2019.

We completed upgrades to the Town's broadcasting equipment, most of which was at the end of its useable life. The upgrade provided us with the opportunity to design a system that can accommodate more livestreaming of meetings by our Committees. We've received positive feedback from community members that appreciate the opportunity to become better informed about the great work our volunteer committees are doing for this Town. As with any new system we're still trying to familiarize ourselves with every aspect of it and problem solve all technical issues that arise.

The Town is currently working with Revize to redevelop the Town's website. Though we're in the very early stages of this project we are excited about the increased functionality and opportunities this will create for more interaction with citizens. Our goal is to have a website that maximizes transparency and citizen engagement so that the most important information is easily accessible, users can subscribe and receive information they have selected, and residents can easily report issues/problems. There are several other functions, such as an online payment system that we will investigate as a possibility as this project progresses further.

By far the Town's largest project is the redevelopment of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Over the past year the Town has applied to the USDA Rural Development Wastewater loan/grant program for project funding and financing. The Town stands to receive between \$1 million to \$1.5 million in grants and \$13.9 million in loans at a 2.5% interest rate over 30 years. Once the funding/financing is in place the Town can begin the detailed design and engineering required before construction can commence.

The Town has begun the process of implementing the \$200,000 Cleanup Grant we received last year from the EPA. Prior to starting the cleanup planning, the Town will be doing additional assessment work on the riverbank to determine if hazardous/contaminated materials still exist, or if the exposed debris on the riverbank is solid waste. Depending on the Town's findings we will have a much better idea of the scope of the cleanup. As we stated last year, much of the work required to remediate the site, which grant funds can be used for, will serve the dual purpose of preparing the site for its future use as a multi-use commercial and community open space (i.e. landscaping, hardscaping, site planning and engineering, etc.). In tandem with this final cleanup effort the Town will also be seeking private sector partner(s) to develop a portion of the site for a commercial purpose that is compatible with the public open space and farmer's market on the rest of the site. I continue to look forward to finalizing the cleanup of this site and its redevelopment.

Camden and Rockport are continuing to work more closely together and do more to share personnel and costs to achieve a better level of service delivery. Our inter-local agreements to share our Police Chief, Randy Gagne, and Assessing Services will continue and I'm always eager to look for additional opportunities for collaboration in our region.

The provision of Emergency Medical Services, which is one of our longstanding partnerships with our neighboring communities of Hope, Lincolnville and Rockport, will be renewed another year through an agreement with Northeast Ambulance Services to provide EMS to all four towns. I look forward to working with our neighboring Town on determining the long-term direction for the provision of EMS.

Camden's commitment to managing solid waste in partnership with our neighbors through Midcoast Solid Waste Corporation continues. As we move closer to the closure of the landfill the need to plan for the future of facility is becoming more important.

As I stated last year, working collaboratively with our neighbors has its complications, but I truly believe in the importance of strengthening these partnerships and finding more opportunities for delivering services regionally. As pressure builds on municipalities to become more efficient in delivering services we need to look at different models and opportunities. Sometimes this is best done through partnerships.

I've truly enjoyed all the work I've done for the Town over the past year; it's been an exciting and lively time for Camden. This report cannot begin to scratch the surface of all the important work done by the Town. In the coming year I'm looking forward to addressing all the obstacles we'll encounter as a Town. With the combination of Camden's capable employees, devoted Select Board and gifted volunteers, we can succeed at any challenge we're likely to face. I cannot express my appreciation enough for the opportunity to work alongside everyone in making Camden thrive.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS



Front Left to Right: Harbormaster Steve Pixley, Parks Director Beth Ward, Town Manager Audra Caler-Bell, and Police Chief Randy Gagne

Back Left to Right: Wastewater Superintendent David Bolstridge, Planning & Development Director Jeremy Martin, Finance Director Jodi Hanson, Public Works Director Rick Seibel, Fire Chief Chris Farley, and Opera House Manager Dave Morrison

CAMDEN SELECT BOARD



Left to Right: Taylor Benzie, Vice Chair Alison McKellar, Chair Robert Falciani, Jenna Lookner, and Marc Ratner

During the 2018 -2019 fiscal year, the Town of Camden has continued to move forward with many ongoing projects, as well as adding new initiatives including those aimed at both our environmental and economic future.

Early in 2018, the town was pleased to welcome Town Planner and Development Director Jeremy Martin. Jeremy's expertise has allowed the community to broaden its horizons in approaching projects, land use, ordinance interpretation and development and more. He has become an integral part of the tremendous team helping the Town of Camden.

With the strong leadership of Town Manager Audra Caler-Bell, the town has managed to secure grants and partnerships, spearhead ideas including a regional community ambulance and move forward in an inspired, progressive and intelligent way.

Thanks to past and present town leadership, we are pleased to report that the town remains on excellent financial footing.

In 2018, the Select Board began to analyze town infrastructure, planning not only for the town's financial future, but examining the plans for the future of our departments, buildings, equipment and all assets and services vital to the operation of the community. It is this forward-thinking, proactive approach that will assist us in the annual maintenance of our community and stability of our budget.

Last June we welcomed Select Board member Taylor Benzie. A full-time member of the Bangor Fire Department and a Camden native, resident and volunteer firefighter, Taylor brings new energy and a valuable perspective to the table and we are pleased to have him representing the community.

We are excited to present a new town website later this year and have contracted with the firm Revize to craft this municipal resource. The redesigned site should provide greater functionality and approachability for all users and all aspects of town business and we are excited to share the finished product with the community.

A new audio video system in the French Conference Room has tasked us with changing the way we stream meetings, and they can now be found on our YouTube channel and can also be viewed live both there and on cable television. Additionally, we are in the process of working with all town committees to ensure that all public meetings are recorded and can be accessed by the public on YouTube.

We continue to discuss responsible, community-based uses of town owned property and hope to make decisions regarding the use of certain community properties in the future. These decisions will be largely made by the voters, so we encourage you to make your voice heard!

The Town of Camden has welcomed a swell of new businesses from a variety of new retail shops to a brand-new distillery. We hope to see local businesses continue to thrive and we hope to continue building a community that will attract sustainable, successful businesses and residents.

The town continues to evaluate the future of our dams, working toward environmental sustainability. This exciting initiative has attracted a great deal of interest and we look forward to working together as a community to define goals for the future of fish passage in Camden.

Lastly, we have been very encouraged by strong voter turnout during the past three elections, and we hope that residents will once again head to the polls on Tuesday, June 11. Voting takes place from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Camden Public Safety Building. There are a number of municipal warrant items that will come before voters both during secret ballot voting and the following day at Town Meeting. Town Meeting will take place Wednesday, June 12 at 7 p.m. at the Camden Opera House and invites residents to listen, participate and vote on a number of warrant items. We encourage voters not only to attend, but to take the opportunity to participate during this pure form of participatory democracy.

As always, it is an honor to represent the people of Camden. As Select Bard members, we love to hear from you and encourage you to reach out via phone or email to one or all of us should you have any questions or concerns regarding your community.



***Pictured Left to Right: Audra Caler-Bell, Town Manager and
Janice Esancy, Town Manager's Assistant***

TOWN CLERK

Katrina Oakes, Town Clerk

Certified copies of vital records filed in Camden (birth, marriage and death certificates) can be obtained at the Camden Town Office. The fees for certified copies of vital records are \$15.00 for the first copy and \$6.00 for each additional copy of the same record purchased at the same time. Copies of birth and death records may be obtained from either the town of occurrence or the town of residence. Marriage records are only filed in the town where the license is issued. Births, marriages or deaths, which take place out of State, are only filed out of State and are not recorded in this office. Certified copies of those records must be obtained from the State of occurrence.

Marriage licenses are issued from the town of your residence. Residents of Maine intending to be joined in marriage shall record notice of their intentions in the office of the clerk of the municipality in which at least one of them resides. If both parties to a marriage reside outside the state of Maine, they may file their Notice of Intentions in any municipal office. Once their intentions are filed and the license is issued, the parties are free to marry anywhere within the State of Maine. The filing fee is \$40.00. If either applicant has been married before and are divorced or widowed, a certified copy of documentation showing how the last marriage ended is required. Once Intentions have been filed a marriage license may be issued immediately. Both applicants will need to appear in person to sign the original marriage license during regular business hours. The license is valid for 90 days from the date of filing. In Maine, both clergy and Maine Notary Publics can perform a marriage ceremony.

All dogs, 6 months of age or older, are required by State law to be licensed on or before January 1st of each year. In order to license a dog in Maine you will need to show a current Maine Certificate of Rabies Vaccination. If your dog is spayed or neutered, a neutering/spaying certificate from the veterinarian must be shown for initial licensing. If you fail to license your dog, you will be subject to a State mandated late fee and possible summons to court by a police officer. If your dog is no longer living or is no longer in your possession, kindly advise this office so that we can correct our records.

Statistical information (as of March 1, 2019):

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Resident and non-resident hunting/fishing licenses sold	215	215	163
Dogs licensed	735	743	716
Kennels licensed	0	0	0
Births recorded	29	34	17
Deaths recorded	118	101	79
Marriages recorded	68	56	44

Clerk's fees collected and turned over to the Treasurer for the following fiscal years:

July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017	\$13,808.60
July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018	\$12,242.00
July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019 (through 03/1/2019)	\$8,102.80

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Katrina Oakes, Registrar

Camden residents may register to vote or change their party enrollment during regular business hours at the Town Office, on election days at the polls, or by mail. Identification and proof of Camden residency is required at the time of registration. A person may change or withdraw party enrollment only after three months of enrollment in one of the three recognized political parties in Maine (Democratic, Republican, or Green Independent) by filing an enrollment application with the registrar. A person who is an un-enrolled registered voter may enroll in a party at any time. You must be enrolled in a party for at least 15 days in order to participate in that parties' caucuses or other activities.

In Maine a registered voter can vote an absentee ballot for any reason. Absentee ballots are available 30 days before the election, and you can apply in person, by mail, by phone, or electronically at www.maine.gov

For more information about Elections please visit the Maine State website (www.maine.gov) or call the Camden Town office at (207) 236-3353 ext. 7116.

Fiscal year statistical information yielded the following voter enrollments: as of 3/1/19

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Democrat	1,976	1,981	2,162
Green Independent	150	143	140
Republican	943	909	923
Unenrolled	1,249	1,249	1,238
Libertarian	6	8	0
TOTAL	4,324	4,291	4,463

Our fiscal year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 yielded the following elections:

November 6, 2018	Town of Camden Special Town Meeting Citizens Petition Referendum MSAD #28 District Referendum State of Maine General/Referendum Elections
December 18, 2018	Special Town Meeting
June 11&12, 2019	Annual Town Meeting MSAD Budget Referendum CSD Budget Referendum

TAX COLLECTOR

Liz Knauer

The 2018 Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes were committed on August 28, 2017 for the total of \$18,299,564.07 As of June 30, 2018 a total of \$17,652,979.04 was collected.

Tax bills were sent in September 2017 with the FIRST HALF due October 17, 2017, and the SECOND HALF due, May 1, 2018. Interest began accruing on the FIRST HALF at 7% annum on October 18, 2017 and began May 2, 2018 on the SECOND HALF respectively.

Tax assessment is made to the owner of record as of April 1st, prior to the beginning of the tax period. If you are selling or purchasing property you should be sure that the property taxes are paid in full for the fiscal year to alleviate any confusion.

The total motor vehicle excise taxes collected during the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 were \$1,034,000.90; this is \$221,086.54 above the estimated budget figure of \$800,000.00. **We can process registration renewals at the counter, through the mail and now through rapid renewal via www.maine.gov.** We also process limited new registrations (Maine dealer sales only). On new registrations, be sure to provide the proof of sales tax paid, the blue copy of the application for title, proof of insurance and the old yellow registration for the plates that you are transferring. On new vehicles you will need to also provide the Monroney Label or window sticker. We also give excise tax receipts at the time of registration for income tax purposes.

The boat excise taxes collected during the July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 were \$33,335.70; this is \$1054.30 below the estimated budget figure of \$32,000. All boats registered during this period expired December 31, 2017. The new boat stickers are now available for the 2018 calendar year. Camden boat registrations may be renewed online through the State of Maine website. There is also a link on the Town of Camden website at www.camdenmaine.gov. The excise tax for a boat is based on age, length and horsepower of the motor. The Inland Fisheries fees are based on the horsepower of the motor. Reminder of the milfoil sticker requirement for those who put their boat in fresh water. The stickers are available at the Town Office, resident stickers are \$10.00 and non-resident stickers are \$20.00



Pictured Left to Right: Finance Director Jodi Hanson, Deputy Finance Director Marlene Libby, Town Clerk Katrina Oakes, Tax Collector Liz Knauer, and Assistant Clerk Kendall Espinosa

2018 UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES

JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

135 MAYO ROAD ASSOCIATES	5,488.63 *	CARLE FARM, LLC	6,911.03 *
30 MAIN STREET, LLC	3,176.54 *	CARLE, STUART W	4,234.15 *
63 HIGH ST LLC	33,217.80 *	CARLSON, KENNETH R	16,355.81 *
91 ELM, LLC	18.36 *	CARTWRIGHT, PAUL	1,056.87 *
93 BAY VIEW LLC	5,854.10 *	CARTWRIGHT, PAUL	2,213.08 *
AKERS, SUSAN T.	1,296.35 *	CASTLE, SIMON R	4.19 *
ALDERSON, TRACY L. A.	4,441.26 *	CHENEY, DANIEL & ELEANORA, TRUSTEES	7,903.25 *
ALM FAMILY LIVING TRUST	6,650.99 *	CHRISTENSEN, CLIFFORD E	4,578.58 *
ALM FAMILY LIVING TRUST	770.77 *	CLARK, SUZANN F & CALVIN	6,222.23
ANDERSON, PATRICIA	4,651.37 *	CLARK, T'MARA	775.08 *
ANNIS, ROBERT B	2,702.00	CLEMENT JULIA K (1/2 INT)	3,374.26 *
AUSTIN, DEBORAH L	3,129.80 *	CONLAN, CHARLES L.	3,446.89 *
BARLOW, CYNTHIA R.	56.95 *	CONTENTO, VINCENT J JR	13.78 *
BATTISTA, MARK E	6,344.46 *	COOPER, JOSEPH	9,607.28 *
BELOIN, FREDERICK J	6,706.83 *	COVE COTTAGE LLC	4,000.00 *
BELOIN, FREDERICK J, PR	2,361.20 *	CURTIS, LESLIE M.	6,982.93 *
BELOIN, FREDERICK J., PR	1,636.44 *	DAF, LLC	7,660.23 *
BELOIN,FRED, PR, EST A. BELOIN (1/2 INT)	392.57 *	DANIELS, TIMOTHY	292.34
BELOIN,FRED,PR, EST A. BELOIN (1/2 INT)	13,593.41 *	DAVIS, MICHAEL R & KATHY Q	1,229.49 *
BENNETT T. SCHEUER LEARNING CENTER LLC	2,695.53 *	DAYTON, DEBORAH W	1,473.95 *
BEREZ, PAUL D	4,198.29 *	DDG PROPERTIES LLC	3,247.72 *
BERRY, CHARLES	714.69 *	DESHARE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	1,903.91 *
BEX, LESLIE E	1,721.28	DICKEY, DAVID A	20.51 *
BEX, LESLIE E	685.20 *	DICKEY, DAVID A	36.26 *
BEX, LESLIE E	1,330.87 *	DODGE, KENT	1,633.18 *
BISHOP, MINOR	1,421.46 *	DUKE, TERRY M & JULIA D	4,105.49 *
BISHOP, MINOR	971.09 *	EGAN, ELLEN	187.66 *
BLACK, REBECCA L.	3,891.23 *	EMERY, TRISTO	238.71 *
BLAIS, ROBIN PEARD	947.52 *	EMERY, TRISTO	727.63 *
BOOTH, BENJAMIN M	1,929.80 *	ENGGASS, SALLY M	4,886.32 *
BOWEN, ROXANNE L	1,418.58 *	EYLER, DAVID	266.28 *
BOWER, NIGEL	3,297.33 *	F H R E, LLC	217.60 *
BRATZ, TRYGVE	3,458.39	FABIAN, JUDITH L	1,902.47 *
BRATZ, TRYGVE	3,318.90	FASOLDT, CHRISTIAN H	2,892.53 *
BRAUGH, JAMES R	660.04 *	FELDMAN, MARK L	3,229.03 *
BRAUGH, JAMES RICHARD, JR	438.59 *	FERRAILO HOLDINGS II, LLC	10,498.84
BRAUGH, JR JAMES RICHARD	1,512.05 *	FERRAILO, VINCENT & FILOMENA	7,256.15 *
BREDA LLC	29,716.27	FINCK, III, F PHILLIP	1,478.26 *
BROWN, BARBARA L	2,701.28 *	FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF	-1.44 *
BROWN, NICK	3,813.58 *	FOSTER, KENNETH KNOX	2,796.91
BROWN, SUZANNE	1,681.02 *	FREEBODY, GARY R & CHRISTINE B	697.43
BRUNYANSZKI, RAYMOND	5,640.90	FRESCO, LLC.	4,332.69 *
BUCKINGHAM, JODI K, PR	875.74 *	GABRIELE, DANIEL	13.89 *
BUCKINGHAM, JODI K, PR	3,855.28 *	GALLAGHER, TIMOTHY J & BONNIE C	5,242.95 *
BURGESS, JAMES A	1,266.88 *	GARRIGAN, BERNARD B	1,300.33 *
CAFFERATA, KEITH E.	1,609.84 *	GELWIX, CHRISTOPHER C & JACQUELINE R.	2,047.71 *
CALLAHAN, LINDA	880.90 *	GERETY, ROBERT J, MD	7,292.10 *
CAMDEN HILLS FARM LLC	7,316.54	GETCHELL, DAVID R JR	1,391.26 *
CAMDEN HILLS VILLA, INC.	2,075.75 *	GLOVER, GRACE	1,964.31 *
CANNELL, PETER B, TRUSTEE, ET AL	30,397.88 *	GLOVER, GRACE H	7,043.32 *
CAPPY'S REAL ESTATE LLC	3,995.48 *	GOOD, ANTON J	1,333.77 *
CAPPY'S REAL ESTATE LLC	2,610.69 *	GOOD, MICHAEL A, PR	28.65
CAPPY'S REAL ESTATE, LLC	5,505.38 *	GREET, WILLIAM E JR	1,830.57
CARLE FARM, LLC	1,144.65 *	HAMALAINEN, MARTIN R	3,462.70 *

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HANSARD, SUZANNE, TRUSTEE	2,457.54 *	MIERZWA, PATRUSHKHA, FBO, IRA (65%)	1,522.84 *
HARDS, EDWINA JANE	1,590.43 *	MILLPOND, LLC.	11.26 *
HARLOW, ROBIN G	2,168.50 *	MOFFITT-MERCER, AIMEE	54.64 *
HARRIS, SUSAN	2,538.07 *	MOLYNEAUX ROAD HOUSE, LLC	2,703.44 *
HELINE, ARLINE QUINN	3,904.17 *	MONAHAN, TERRANCE B	1,984.44 *
HILSMAYER, BRUCE M.	915.78 *	MONAHAN, TERRANCE B	1,899.60 *
HLAVINKA, KIMBERLY K	1,898.16 *	MORONG, KATHERINE E	3,710.04
HODGSON, PAUL G. & JENNIFER L. O.	4,979.79 *	MORRISSEY, SUSAN P	148.68
HOLT, EARLE D	1,512.05 *	MOSKOWITZ, STEVEN	2,501.49 *
HOLT, LISA D, PR	1,686.05 *	MOSKOWITZ, STEVEN	396.89 *
HOPPS, THOMAS	102.48 *	MOUNTAIN ARROW LLC	4,853.25 *
IPPOLITO, JON C.	1,824.10 *	MOUNTAIN ARROW LLC	2,336.03 *
JANUSZEWSKI, JOHN E JR	1,681.02	MULLINS, CHARLENE A	1.35
JOHNSON, MARGARET L	3,226.87 *	MULLINS, JOSEPH R	1.99
JOHNSON, RICHARD CORY	4.54 *	MULLINS, JOSEPH R	1.35 *
JONES, PATRICK	3,919.47 *	MYERS, CHAD E.	871.43 *
JONES, PETER M	1,171.97 *	NELSON, RALPH E, JR	1,895.16 *
JONES, SAMUEL S	1,026.73 *	NEVES, SUSAN F	10.00
KAHN, R DOUGLAS	913.85 *	NOLAN, KAREN	4,495.19 *
KANDRA-BERGMAN, MONIQUE PR	4,643.30	NOONAN, HOLLY, TRUSTEE	2,576.11 *
KANGAS, ERIC H	6,450.36 *	O'CONNELL, LAURIA R	1,271.19 *
KAWENSKI, TED	2,894.69 *	OHLAND, GEOFFREY E	3,002.54
KEENAN, BURT HENRY	5,477.34	OHLAND, GEOFFREY E	1,726.65 *
KELM ACQUISITION, LLC.	1,669.75 *	OKUN, ENID CURTIS BOK, TRUSTEE	34,266.10 *
KEMPE, MARTHA	1,665.30 *	ORNE, MATTHEW W	4,058.85 *
KEWE ENTERPRISES INC	7,213.72 *	ORNE, PETER K	2,430.21 *
KEWE ENTERPRISES, INC	74.78 *	PALERMO, PETER A	2,862.34 *
KILLORAN, KATHERINE & TIMOTHY, TRUSTEES	933.26 *	PAYSON, TIMOTHY D	3,160.72 *
KLUNDER, PATRICIA J	1,439.44 *	PEASE, ALAN C	1,911.82 *
KNSM CAMDEN, LLC	11,607.28 *	PENDLETON, ERIC C.	955.45 *
LANGLEY, ALISON C.	2,708.79 *	PERAN, SHELLEY L	2,958.84 *
LANHAM, STEPHANIE LAITE	6.83 *	PIXLEY, STEVEN J	1,672.39 *
LARNED, M AVERY	762.86 *	POHLMAN, A TAYLOR	2,072.16 *
LAVIGNE, RICHARD & KERRY A	2.08 *	PROCTOR, JAYME ELLEN, PR	1,225.18 *
LAWRENCE, RYAN M	1,835.40 *	RABAIOLI, PETER E	6,120.13 *
LAWRENCE, TIMOTHY G	4,467.14 *	REDER, ROBERT	961.30
LAY, CHARLENE K	1,819.23 *	RICHARDS, DUANE C	2,517.94 *
LEACH, SYDNEY R	549.58 *	RICHARDS, DUANE C & DARLENE M	2,320.93 *
LEACH, SYDNEY R & NANCY J, & AMANDA J	153.98 *	ROCKNAK, WILLIAM SCOTT	3,034.18 *
LEE, ROBIN	314.92	ROLLO, TIMOTHY M	1,986.60 *
LIBBY, DAVID E	4,413.22 *	ROMANO, MARIE E	1,841.72 *
LOCKIE, DUNCAN HENRY	5,757.75	ROSSBACH, DOROTHY	445.78 *
LYMAN, JULIE	2,806.25	SABATINO, THOMAS J, JR	11.53 *
MANK, CHRIS L PARSONS	2,687.52	SABERTON, PAMELA	2,896.04 *
MASSEY, NEIL R	1,302.62 *	SADOWSKI, TOM J	2,855.87 *
MATHESON, AUSTIN K.	2,253.35 *	SAGONA, ROBERT	1,424.34 *
MCALPIN, WILLIAM J & CAROLE ANN	8,044.17 *	SANDVOLD LLC	7,680.36
MCCONNELL, KATHLEEN D.	1,022.26 *	SEA STAR INC	12,473.21 *
MCCOY, JUDY A	2,635.85 *	SEVENTY-FIVE ELM STREET, LLC	8,883.96
MCKELLAR, HUGH R	1,493.36 *	SHERMAN'S POINT, LLC.	17,895.91
MCKENZIE, RANDELL	6.93 *	SHUTZE, WILLIAM H, JR	9,353.47 *
MEADE, JONATHAN D	2,027.58 *	SIEGENTHALER, MARK	2,199.42 *
MEGUNTICOOK HOUSING ASSOCIATES LP	6,718.68 *	SIEGENTHALER, MARK	2,261.25 *
MEGUNTICOOK-COLLINS LLC	179.75 *	SMITH, SCOTT ANTHONY	1,131.70 *

2018 UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

SPANSWICK, ALAN A.
SPEAR, JEANETTE S
SPEAR, KIM A
SPENO, LUCINDA ROSIE
STANCIOFF, ANDREW & STANCIOFF, & IVAN
STANCIOFF, ANDREW & STANCIOFF, & IVAN
STEPHENS, DONALD & JANET
STOUGHTON, SCOTT J
TANNERY LANE COMPANY, LLC
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TANNERY LANE COMPANY, LLC
TELOS CAPITAL, LLC.
THOMAS, ROBERT
TISDALE, STUART WILLIAMS, JR. ET AL
TOMMASINO, LAURIE A.
TURNER, DAVID
TURVILLE, MARTHA N, PR
URQUIA, DOROTHY L, PR
URQUIA, DOROTHY L, PR
V.A.W. ENTERPRISES INC
VAN HEESWIJK, RONALD
VAN HEESWIJK, RONALD
VAN HEESWIJK, RONALD T
VEREST, OSCAR
VEREST, OSCAR
WALKER, CHARLES L JR
WALSH, JEFFREY L.
WEBBER, ANNE W
WEBRE FAMILY LTD PARTNERSHIP
WERELEY, MARION O
WEST, ELIZABETH
WHITE, MICHAEL S
WILEY, SHERWOOD A JR
WILSON, ROBERT R

4,183.14	ANNIS, ROBERT B	2,702.00
1,306.42 *	BEX, LESLIE E	1,721.28
65.43 *	BRATZ, TRYGVE	3,458.39
2,823.89 *	BRATZ, TRYGVE	3,318.90
1,876.22 *	BREDA LLC	25,873.81
36.30 *	BRUNYANSZKI, RAYMOND	1,551.22
618.34 *	CAMDEN HILLS FARM LLC	7,316.54
2,546.76 *	CLARK, SUZANN F & CALVIN	6,222.23
19,064.19 *	FERRAILO HOLDINGS II, LLC	80.54
24.17 *	FREEBODY, GARY R & CHRISTINE B	697.43
10.56 *	FRESCO, LLC.	4,332.69
38.65 *	GREET, WILLIAM E JR	1,830.57
451.53 *	HAMALAINEN, MARTIN R & ANDREA TAYLOR	3,462.70
1,781.10 *	JOHNSON, MARGARET L	3,226.87
1,016.67 *	KANGAS, ERIC H	6,450.36
414.86 *	KELM ACQUISITION, LLC.	381.56
8,333.73 *	LIBBY, DAVID E & LIZABETH K	4,413.22
4,773.10 *	MONAHAN, TERRANCE B & CAROLINE G	1,984.44
4,387.34 *	MONAHAN, TERRANCE B	1,899.60
572.32 *	MOUNTAIN ARROW LLC	4,853.25
976.40 *	MOUNTAIN ARROW LLC	2,336.03
1,026.73 *	MYERS, CHAD E.	2.75
4,309.69 *	NOONAN, HOLLY, TRUSTEE/HOLLY NOONAN 2010 REV TRI	1,021.25
2,929.21 *	PROCTOR, JAYME ELLEN, PR/ESTATE OF PATRICIA S PROC	1,225.18
7,444.53 *	RICHARDS, DUANE C	2,517.94
7,479.04 *	RICHARDS, DUANE C & DARLENE M	2,320.93
452.47 *	SANDVOLD LLC	7,680.36
4,498.06 *	SEVENTY-FIVE ELM STREET, LLC	8,883.96
957.71 *	SHERMAN'S POINT, LLC.	17,895.91
20.64 *	SPANSWICK, ALAN A.	4,183.14
164.72 *	Totals do not include accumulated interest as that	
2,427.34 *	amount changes on a daily basis	
3,055.75 *		
2,599.90 *	LIEN DATE: AUGUST 17, 2018	
9,410.27 *	FORECLOSURE DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 2020	

Total Outstanding as of 6/30/2018

838,635.18

***PAID PRIOR TO AUGUST 17, 2018 LIEN DATE**

2018 UNPAID WASTEWATER LIENS JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

ALLWINE, CHARLES	63.19
BRYANT, GILBERT	44.33
HALL, MICHAEL/DOROTHY	404.70
KEELER, JOSEPH/MICHELLE	387.60
KEELER, JOSEPH/MICHELLE	623.84
PIERCE, CHRISTINA	661.20
PIOTTI, KATHRYN ANNE	60.64
RICHARDS, DUANE	171.00
TOMMASINO, LAURIE	82.04
TOTAL OUTSTANDING	\$2,498.54

FORECLOSURE DATE: MAY 19, 2020

2018 UPaid PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

63 HIGH ST, LLC	1,246.75	* MORTON STROM	10.78	*
ALICIA LANDI	34.51	* MYSTICAL FOREST PRESS, LLC	12.94	
ALISON LANGLEY	0.34	* NANCY HUGHES	18.69	*
ANDIAMO ENTERPRISES LLC	92.03	* NANCY LEONARD	82.10	*
ARTHUR ANDREWS	55.36	* PERSEID CORP	173.28	*
BEGGARLY GROUP, LLC	568.08	* PETER JONES	28.76	*
BRANDON KIMBLE	58.96	PLANET MARKET PLACE, INC	0.60	*
BREDA, LLC	2,825.67	PRATT & SIMMONS, PA	17.26	*
CAMDEN HILLS VILLA	521.99	* RICHARD T WELLMAN	2.88	*
CANNELL BOAT BUILDING CO	440.03	* ROGER L. HURLEY, ATTY	20.13	*
CASCO BAY VENDING	31.64	* RYAN LAWRENCE	2.10	*
CHRIS & MARY NOLAN	93.28	* SANDRA SLEEPER	61.83	
COLLEEN FLANAGAN	43.14	* SIMONE CAUTELA, JR.	166.81	*
DANIEL A DALY	5.75	* SPENCER KNOWLTON	11.50	*
DAVID A DICKEY	0.67	* STRATEGIC ASSET ALLIANCE INC	0.05	*
DAVID EMERY	27.32	* STUART & MARIANNE SMITH	5.75	
DONALD V RAINVILLE	17.26	* TAMARA SWASEY-BALLOU	0.14	*
DR. ELIZABETH A BOETSCH, PHD	0.07	* THOMAS MICHAELS DESIGNERS INC	155.30	*
FHRE, LLC	0.23	* VENITA ROBERTSON	33.07	*
FRED BELOIN	1,070.59	* WARNER GRAPHICS INC	260.28	*
FRED BELOIN	16.53	* WINSTON A PENDLETON	700.31	
GLOBAL PACKING & SHIPPING	21.27	* TOTAL OUTSTANDING AS OF JUNE 30, 2018	\$13,803.97	
GREGORY CHILENSKI	70.46			
HAYDEN MARTZ	17.26	* 2017 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES		
HIGI SH LLC	50.33	*		
HILLARY BOUSUM	4.31	* BRANDON KIMBLE	48.33	
HOWARD GALLAGHER	43.14	* BREDA, LLC	2374.36	
JAMES BURGESS	721.88	* GREGORY CHILENSKI	74.83	
JAMIE WEYMOUTH	390.41	* KNSM CAMDEN, LLC	530.81	
JASON & PENNY PEASLEY	21.57	* KORY WHITEFIELD	24.94	
JOHN C LALOR	56.08	* SETON SCHOOL, INC	240.09	
JOLINDA ROCKETT	68.30	* THE WELLNESS CENTER	53.01	
JOSHUA CARLE	5.53	* WINSTON A PENDLETON	567.48	
JULIE MOSER	18.69	* TOTAL OUTSTANDING	\$3,913.85	
KATHRYN OCARIZ	25.88	*		
KEN FOSTER	36.13	* 2016 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES		
KNSM CAMDEN LLC	1,000.85			
KNSM CAMDEN, LLC	1,087.13	BREDA, LLC	332.44	
LAURENCE STARR	21.57	* HANSEN, KAREN	78.68	
LESLEY DEVOE	5.03	* SETON SCHOOL, INC	1.68	
LILY, LUPINE & FERN, LLC	39.93	* TOTAL OUTSTANDING	\$412.80	
LINDA NORTON	4.31			
LINDA VAUGHN	31.64			
LINZ, LLC	308.45			
LORIE COSTIGAN	4.31	*		
LUCY GOULET, MA LMT	15.82	*		
LULLA SMITH	84.84	*		
MAGGIE & CRAIG WHITE	155.30	*		
MEG SIDERIS	61.11	*		
MERRIMACK MORTGAGE CO. LLC	48.89	*		

FINANCE DIRECTOR

Jodi R. Hanson

Well just like that, we've come full circle to 2019 here in the Finance Office at the Town of Camden. Over the past 12 months, we've experienced several great changes that I'm happy to report to the folks of Camden.

In September of 2018, we welcomed Kendall Espinosa as our new part-time Administrative Clerk! She joins Liz Knauer and Katrina Oakes and completes the crew whom you have the pleasure of seeing when you visit the town office to conduct your business. Kendall has been fully trained and certified in all aspects of municipal affairs which include: Tax Collection, Motor Vehicle Registrations, Hunting/Fishing Licenses, Vital Records, Voter Registration and Recreational Vehicle/Boat Registrations. She will continue to be cross trained in Harbor Clerk duties and Elections that will allow us to have back up support for Liz and Katrina. Additionally, Kendall assists Marlene and myself in various tasks throughout the year. We're so happy to have her on board!



Liz has worked tirelessly over the past several months to simplify our Harbor User/Mooring program which sends a positive ripple effect that spans from the Harbor all the way thru to the way we report the many types of revenues generated from that department. She also continues to excel as Tax Collector by meeting all deadlines as mandated by the state.

Katrina, as always, remains dedicated wholeheartedly to keeping in compliance with the ever-changing rules and regulations that surround the Elections process. I'm always in awe of her knowledge and passion for all things involving her position as Camden's Town Clerk. Vital Records (birth, death and marriage documents) filings is another part of her daily job which she executes with flair.

Marlene and I, over the past year, have fine tuned our duties that have resulted in a well-oiled machine as far as Payroll, Human Resources and Accounts Payable are concerned. I'm blown away by how hard she's worked to tighten up the policies and procedures that we follow to provide the best support to our employees throughout the year. Her HR knowledge and strong work ethic continues to serve as the solid foundation that we all rely on as a Town for accuracy and compliance. I consider myself extremely fortunate to have a Deputy like Marlene, she's certainly a powerful asset to the Town!

Financially, the Town of Camden realized a great 2017-2018 fiscal year. The Town's General Fund increased by \$1.5 million which includes all Restricted, Committed, Assigned and Unassigned funds. The Unassigned Fund Balance, in and of itself, saw an increase of over \$800K which can be attributed to actual expenditures that were significantly under budget and actual revenues that were over budget. This provides the Town various opportunities to fund some capital projects that otherwise would have been bonded or financed over a span of time. Additionally, the chances of needing a TAN (Tax Anticipation Note) from a bank is greatly reduced with a higher UFB as it helps provide a cushion to the cash flow during those few months leading up to property tax due dates.

In preparation for the 2019-2020 budget, all Town Department Heads took great care in developing what they believed to be their best presumption that not only takes in to account the overall increase (or decrease!) to their current year budget but would also allow them to provide the same level of service that Camden has come to expect over the years. The Camden Budget Committee met every Thursday evening during the month of March to listen to Town Department Heads and the Town Manager present their proposed expenditures/revenues. Following great discussion and input, they voted to place their recommendations within the draft budget that will accompany the Select Board's recommendations to the Annual Town Meeting Warrant set to be voted on in June. It's during the open floor portion of the Annual Town Meeting on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 by a show of hands/voting cards raised that each Warrant Article can either be passed, amended or not passed. The results of the Annual Town Meeting will then go into effect on July 1, 2019.



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April 22, 2019

Board of Selectmen
Town of Camden, Maine
Camden, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Camden, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Camden, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2018 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, is available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds	Statement C
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	Statement E
Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Budgetary Basis - Budget and Actual - General Fund	Schedule 1
Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Budgetary Basis - Budget and Actual - General Fund Revenues	Schedule A
Schedule of Departmental Operations - General Fund	Schedule B
Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Funds	Statement G
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Proprietary Funds	Statement H
Combining Balance Sheet - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule C
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule D

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STATEMENT C

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2018

	General Fund	Sewer Operation	Charles Wood Fund	Mountain View Cemetery	RMRA Redevelopment	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,993,422	\$ 71,661	\$ 89,975	\$ 42,816	\$ -	\$ 464,630	\$ 6,662,504
Investments	-	-	2,123,876	1,238,208	-	751,564	4,113,648
Accounts receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles):							
Taxes/liens	912,433	-	-	-	-	-	912,433
Other	39,031	347,871	382	-	-	-	387,284
Due from other governments	20,197	-	-	-	-	-	20,197
Prepaid items	14,320	-	-	-	-	-	14,320
Inventory	8,526	-	-	-	-	-	8,526
Tax acquired property	26,808	-	-	-	-	-	26,808
Due from other funds	981,503	486,842	-	-	-	1,581,591	3,049,936
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 7,996,240	\$ 906,374	\$ 2,214,233	\$ 1,281,024	\$ -	\$ 2,797,785	\$ 15,195,656
LIABILITIES							
Accounts payable	\$ 355,494	\$ 39,605	\$ 439	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97	\$ 395,635
Accrued payroll	69,395	6,315	-	-	-	-	75,710
Accrued expenses	137,228	-	-	-	-	-	137,228
Due to other governments	29,012	-	-	-	-	-	29,012
Due to other funds	2,068,433	-	165,688	118,401	-	454,169	2,806,691
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,659,562	45,920	166,127	118,401	-	454,266	3,444,276
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES							
Prepaid taxes	211,413	-	-	-	-	-	211,413
Deferred tax revenues	331,880	-	-	-	-	-	331,880
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	543,293	-	-	-	-	-	543,293
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)							
Nonspendable	49,654	-	-	-	-	146,156	195,810
Restricted	-	-	2,048,106	1,162,623	-	1,196,043	4,406,772
Committed	-	-	-	-	-	1,407,185	1,407,185
Assigned	824,615	860,454	-	-	-	-	1,685,069
Unassigned	3,919,116	-	-	-	-	(405,865)	3,513,251
TOTAL FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	4,793,385	860,454	2,048,106	1,162,623	-	2,343,519	11,208,087
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	\$ 7,996,240	\$ 906,374	\$ 2,214,233	\$ 1,281,024	\$ -	\$ 2,797,785	\$ 15,195,656

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STATEMENT E

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	General Fund	Sewer Operation	Charles Wood Fund	Mountain View Cemetery	RMRA Redevelopment	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES							
General tax revenue	\$ 19,512,082	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,512,082
Intergovernmental revenue	449,542	-	-	-	-	15,808	465,350
License and permits	193,552	-	-	-	-	-	193,552
Charges for services	595,380	1,194,985	-	18,900	-	-	1,809,265
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	54,733	1,498	-	-	-	94,267	150,498
Other revenue	167,118	60	-	40,104	-	265,238	472,520
TOTAL REVENUES	20,972,407	1,196,543	-	59,004	-	375,313	22,603,267
EXPENDITURES							
Current:							
General government	1,686,086	-	-	-	-	-	1,686,086
Public safety	2,086,296	-	-	-	-	-	2,086,296
Public services	1,378,284	-	-	-	-	-	1,378,284
Health and welfare	5,404	-	-	-	-	-	5,404
Leisure services	958,715	-	-	-	-	-	958,715
Cemeteries	86,728	-	-	-	-	-	86,728
Education	10,810,263	-	-	-	-	-	10,810,263
County tax	1,284,567	-	-	-	-	-	1,284,567
Debt service:							
Principal	557,592	-	-	-	-	-	557,592
Interest	140,700	-	-	-	-	-	140,700
Capital improvements	281,455	126,958	-	-	-	-	408,413
MCSWC assessment	215,645	-	-	-	-	-	215,645
Unclassified	95,813	926,536	5,320	86,728	-	442,494	1,556,891
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	19,587,548	1,053,494	5,320	86,728	-	442,494	21,175,584
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1,384,859	143,049	(5,320)	(27,724)	-	(67,181)	1,427,683
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Bond proceeds	408,000	-	-	-	-	-	408,000
Lease proceeds	6,845	-	-	-	-	-	6,845
Transfers in	38,868	-	-	-	-	323,186	362,054
Transfers (out)	(323,186)	-	-	-	(20,868)	(18,000)	(362,054)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	130,527	-	-	-	(20,868)	305,186	414,845
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	1,515,386	143,049	(5,320)	(27,724)	(20,868)	238,005	1,842,528
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - JULY 1, RESTATED	3,277,999	717,405	2,053,426	1,190,347	20,868	2,105,514	9,365,559
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) - JUNE 30	\$ 4,793,385	\$ 860,454	\$ 2,048,106	\$ 1,162,623	\$ -	\$ 2,343,519	\$ 11,208,087

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TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final	Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Budgetary Fund Balance, July 1, Restated	\$ 3,277,999	\$ 3,277,999	\$ 3,277,999	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
General tax revenue	19,397,440	19,397,440	19,512,082	114,642
Intergovernmental revenue	437,729	437,729	449,542	11,813
License and permits	175,300	175,300	193,552	18,252
Charges for services	529,046	529,046	595,380	66,334
Investment income	5,000	5,000	54,733	49,733
Other revenue	79,767	79,767	167,118	87,351
Bond proceeds	408,000	408,000	408,000	-
Use of reserves	87,077	87,077	18,000	(69,077)
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>24,397,358</u>	<u>24,397,358</u>	<u>24,676,406</u>	<u>279,048</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	1,883,295	1,902,295	1,686,086	216,209
Public safety	2,224,996	2,226,173	2,086,296	139,877
Public services	1,494,450	1,546,565	1,378,284	168,281
Health and welfare	3,700	3,700	5,404	(1,704)
Leisure services	1,089,240	1,089,240	958,715	130,525
Cemeteries	97,700	97,700	86,728	10,972
Education	10,868,138	10,868,138	10,810,263	57,875
County tax	1,284,567	1,284,567	1,284,567	-
Debt service:				
Principal	557,228	557,228	557,592	(364)
Interest	152,410	152,410	140,700	11,710
Capital improvements	646,000	802,972	281,455	521,517
MCSWC assessment	215,645	215,645	215,645	-
TIF financing	-	-	-	-
Unclassified	200,065	200,065	95,813	104,252
Transfers to other funds	301,925	323,186	323,186	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>21,019,359</u>	<u>21,269,884</u>	<u>19,910,734</u>	<u>1,359,150</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	<u>\$ 3,377,999</u>	<u>\$ 3,127,474</u>	<u>\$ 4,765,672</u>	<u>\$ 1,638,198</u>
Utilization of assigned fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 150,525</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (150,525)</u>
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 150,525</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (150,525)</u>

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TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND REVENUES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
General tax revenues:				
Property taxes	\$ 18,445,440	\$ 18,445,440	\$ 18,427,400	\$ (18,040)
Excise taxes	952,000	952,000	1,084,682	132,682
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State revenue sharing	179,554	179,554	182,443	2,889
Tree growth reimbursement	7,800	7,800	9,741	1,941
Vet exemption reimbursement	6,300	6,300	5,046	(1,254)
Homestead reimbursement	145,410	145,410	149,407	3,997
BETE reimbursement	16,765	16,765	16,877	112
Local road assistance	54,500	54,500	55,220	720
Snowmobile revenue	400	400	430	30
Pumpout boat revenue	19,000	19,000	15,441	(3,559)
State park reimbursement	8,000	8,000	14,937	6,937
Licenses and permits				
Animal control fees	2,200	2,200	3,448	1,248
Town clerk fees	13,000	13,000	12,242	(758)
Plumbing fees	8,000	8,000	6,968	(1,032)
Building permits	60,000	60,000	69,450	9,450
Administrative fees	16,000	16,000	16,236	236
Cable/TV franchise	71,000	71,000	78,052	7,052
Electrical fees	4,500	4,500	5,847	1,347
Other fees	600	600	1,309	709
Charges for services:				
Police revenue	60,000	60,000	71,184	11,184
Parking tickets	16,000	16,000	13,456	(2,544)
Parks & recreation revenue	27,000	27,000	36,350	9,350
Cemetery maintenance	55,000	55,000	50,000	(5,000)
Harbor park mowing	6,500	6,500	13,000	6,500
Yacht club lease	21,500	21,500	22,214	714
Public landing lease	3,000	3,000	2,077	(923)
Opera house revenues	80,000	80,000	85,582	5,582
Harbor revenue	250,000	250,000	287,163	37,163
Fire revenue	-	-	88	88
Other	10,046	10,046	14,266	4,220
Investment income:				
Investment income	5,000	5,000	54,733	49,733
Other income:				
Tax interest	34,000	34,000	43,758	9,758
Lien interest & costs	14,500	14,500	21,831	7,331
Other income	31,267	31,267	101,529	70,262
Bond proceeds	408,000	408,000	408,000	-
Use of reserve funds	69,077	69,077	-	(69,077)
Use of TIF reserves	18,000	18,000	18,000	-
Total revenues	<u>\$ 21,119,359</u>	<u>\$ 21,119,359</u>	<u>\$ 21,398,407</u>	<u>\$ 279,048</u>

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SCHEDULE B

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Available	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
General government					
Administration, assessing & finance	\$ 680,400	\$ -	\$ 680,400	\$ 692,306	\$ (11,906)
Professional services	50,000	-	50,000	15,734	34,266
Planning & development	374,900	16,000	390,900	321,888	69,012
Information technology	80,700	-	80,700	66,192	14,508
Insurance	289,000	-	289,000	233,284	55,716
Opera House/Town offices	122,050	-	122,050	79,283	42,767
Opera House/auditorium	282,650	-	282,650	276,200	6,450
Committees	3,595	3,000	6,595	1,199	5,396
	<u>1,883,295</u>	<u>19,000</u>	<u>1,902,295</u>	<u>1,686,086</u>	<u>216,209</u>
Public safety					
Police department	1,184,200	-	1,184,200	1,124,488	59,712
County dispatch	131,562	-	131,562	131,562	-
Fire department	524,690	1,177	525,867	461,206	64,661
Public safety building	42,600	-	42,600	33,410	9,190
Hydrant rental	246,500	-	246,500	244,842	1,658
EMS service	34,444	-	34,444	32,252	2,192
EOC	500	-	500	500	-
Street lights	60,500	-	60,500	58,036	2,464
	<u>2,224,996</u>	<u>1,177</u>	<u>2,226,173</u>	<u>2,086,296</u>	<u>139,877</u>
Public services					
Public works	1,035,450	-	1,035,450	1,016,246	19,204
Street and sidewalks	427,500	52,115	479,615	329,969	149,646
Parking	3,500	-	3,500	4,040	(540)
Tree program	28,000	-	28,000	28,029	(29)
	<u>1,494,450</u>	<u>52,115</u>	<u>1,546,565</u>	<u>1,378,284</u>	<u>168,281</u>

SCHEDULE B (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Available	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Health and welfare					
General assistance	-	-	-	1,704	(1,704)
Provider agencies	3,700	-	3,700	3,700	-
	<u>3,700</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,700</u>	<u>5,404</u>	<u>(1,704)</u>
Leisure services					
Community services	25,500	-	25,500	25,500	-
Camden Public Library	435,000	-	435,000	435,000	-
Harbor and landing	192,150	-	192,150	162,382	29,768
Recreation	150,750	-	150,750	136,660	14,090
Parks	261,140	-	261,140	187,878	73,262
Dams	24,700	-	24,700	11,295	13,405
	<u>1,089,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,089,240</u>	<u>958,715</u>	<u>130,525</u>
Cemeteries					
Cemetery association	40,000	-	40,000	40,000	-
Cemetery maintenance	57,700	-	57,700	46,728	10,972
	<u>97,700</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,700</u>	<u>86,728</u>	<u>10,972</u>
Education	<u>10,868,138</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,868,138</u>	<u>10,810,263</u>	<u>57,875</u>
County tax	<u>1,284,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,284,567</u>	<u>1,284,567</u>	<u>-</u>
Debt service					
Principal	557,228	-	557,228	557,592	(364)
Interest	152,410	-	152,410	140,700	11,710
	<u>709,638</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>709,638</u>	<u>698,292</u>	<u>11,346</u>

SCHEDULE B (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Available	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Capital improvements					
General government	-	26,972	26,972	18,972	8,000
Highway/street/bridges	646,000	130,000	776,000	262,483	513,517
	646,000	156,972	802,972	281,455	521,517
MCSWC assessment	215,645	-	215,645	215,645	-
Unclassified					
Contingency	40,000	-	40,000	15,812	24,188
Overlay	160,065	-	160,065	80,001	80,064
	200,065	-	200,065	95,813	104,252
Transfers to other funds					
Capital projects funds	301,925	21,261	323,186	323,186	-
	301,925	21,261	323,186	323,186	-
Total Department Operations	\$ 21,019,359	\$ 250,525	\$ 21,269,884	\$ 19,910,734	\$ 1,359,150

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TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2018

	<u>Enterprise Fund</u> <u>Camden</u> <u>Snow</u> <u>Bowl</u>
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 80,723
Total current assets	<u>80,723</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets:	
Land	160,000
Land improvements	1,814,298
Buildings and improvements	179,777
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	<u>3,517,021</u>
Total capital assets	5,671,096
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,071,978)</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>4,599,118</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 4,679,841</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 686
Due to other funds	243,245
Current portion of long-term obligations	<u>41,578</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>285,509</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Noncurrent portion of long-term obligations:	
Capital leases payable	118,350
Accrued compensated absences	<u>20,464</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>138,814</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>424,323</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred revenue	<u>100</u>
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>100</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	4,444,306
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(188,888)</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>4,255,418</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	<u>\$ 4,679,841</u>

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TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Enterprise Fund Camden Snow Bowl
OPERATING REVENUES	
Lodge rental	\$ 10,095
Lift tickets	546,800
Toboggan and tube income	72,002
Lesson and racing fees	124,643
Rental income	80,143
Food and merchandise	9,282
Other	55,716
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>898,681</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Administration	212,603
Lodge	40,909
Alpine	573,302
Toboggan Nationals	29,139
Snow Bowl reserves	47,012
Depreciation	230,063
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>1,133,028</u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>(234,347)</u>
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Interest income	2,122
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	<u>2,122</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(232,225)
NET POSITION - JULY 1, RESTATED	<u>4,487,643</u>
NET POSITION - JUNE 30	<u>\$ 4,255,418</u>

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TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,596	\$ -	\$ 456,034	\$ 464,630
Investments	-	-	751,564	751,564
Due from other funds	521,040	877,549	183,002	1,581,591
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 529,636</u>	<u>\$ 877,549</u>	<u>\$ 1,390,600</u>	<u>\$ 2,797,785</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ 97	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97
Due to other funds	398,317	7,451	48,401	454,169
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>398,414</u>	<u>7,451</u>	<u>48,401</u>	<u>454,266</u>
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	146,156	146,156
Restricted	-	-	1,196,043	1,196,043
Committed	529,636	877,549	-	1,407,185
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	(398,414)	(7,451)	-	(405,865)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>131,222</u>	<u>870,098</u>	<u>1,342,199</u>	<u>2,343,519</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 529,636</u>	<u>\$ 877,549</u>	<u>\$ 1,390,600</u>	<u>\$ 2,797,785</u>

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TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental revenues	\$ 15,808	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,808
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	-	-	94,267	94,267
Other income	252,431	12,807	-	265,238
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>268,239</u>	<u>12,807</u>	<u>94,267</u>	<u>375,313</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Other	297,151	126,288	19,055	442,494
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>297,151</u>	<u>126,288</u>	<u>19,055</u>	<u>442,494</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(28,912)</u>	<u>(113,481)</u>	<u>75,212</u>	<u>(67,181)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	137,925	185,261	-	323,186
Transfers (out)	(18,000)	-	-	(18,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>119,925</u>	<u>185,261</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>305,186</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	91,013	71,780	75,212	238,005
FUND BALANCES, JULY 1, RESTATED	<u>40,209</u>	<u>798,318</u>	<u>1,266,987</u>	<u>2,105,514</u>
FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30	<u>\$ 131,222</u>	<u>\$ 870,098</u>	<u>\$ 1,342,199</u>	<u>\$ 2,343,519</u>

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ASSESSOR

Kerry Leichtman, CMA

Maine State government has established three exemption programs whose collective goal is to provide property tax relief.

One of the easiest ways to spell tax relief is HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION. Many more people are entitled to the Homestead Exemption than apply for it. So, let me run it down for you.

First of all, many people perceive the Homestead Exemption as being charity that they don't need or want, preferring to leave it for those in less fortunate circumstances. While that is a generous perspective, it isn't accurate. The Homestead Exemption wasn't created as a charity, its purpose was, and remains, property tax relief. There are eligibility requirements but none of them are about financial capability.

To receive a Homestead Exemption your residential property must be your permanent residence according to State Law: "Permanent residence means that place where an individual has a true, fixed and permanent home and principal establishment to which the individual whenever absent, has the intention of returning. An individual may have only one permanent residence at a time and, once a permanent residence is established, that residence is presumed to continue until circumstances indicate otherwise." You apply for the exemption once and as long the property remains your permanent residence the exemption stays in place.

The exemption lowers the taxable value of your property by \$20,000, that's a reduction from its *taxable* value, not the property's actual value. At our current mil rate of \$14.88, the Homestead Exemption reduced each participant's tax bill by \$297.60 this year.

The second most common exemption is the Veteran Exemption. You must be a Camden resident, have served during a recognized war period and be at least 62 years old. The exemption is available to veterans younger than 62 if they became 100% disabled while serving. Again, this is property tax relief, not charity. Most veteran exemptions reduce a property's taxable value by \$6,000. 100% disabled veterans receive a \$50,000 reduction on their property's taxable value.

A third exemption is one that most people are not familiar; it is the Blind Exemption. A person who is legally blind may receive an exemption on \$4,000 from the value of their property.

For all three exemptions, the property must be owned by the person(s) applying. If the property is in a trust it must be a revocable trust for the benefit the property owner/applicant.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call, send us an email, or drop by the office. We are always happy to help.



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Jeremy P. Martin, Director

It has been a busy year, as well as a year of change in the Planning and Development Department. Code Enforcement Officer Bill O'Donnell retired in December and we are fortunate that the Town's former CEO, Steve Wilson, has returned to Camden. He brings back a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position. We are striving to provide a more integrated, proactive and responsive department and Steve's prior experience in Camden helps us accomplish this goal. The department is responsible for providing code enforcement, planning, and community and economic development services to the community. The department is responsible for coordinating the physical development and redevelopment of Camden consistent with the town's Comprehensive Plan, zoning and subdivision ordinances and building codes. We strive to promote orderly growth and redevelopment in a manner that is sensitive to the community's values, while enhancing environmental, social, and economic sustainability. We strive to ensure that ordinances are crafted and implemented in a way that facilitates sound growth and development that creates value, is efficient in its use of infrastructure and resources, and is sensitive to its surroundings. The Department seeks to ensure that community values and involvement are integrated in all the work we do. We work carefully to weigh the costs and benefits of ordinances and developments, to provide reasonable protection of the community's natural resources, while encouraging responsible development that adds value to the built environment, provides good paying jobs, and increases the town's tax base. Ultimately our work seeks to preserve the unique and distinctive character and identity that makes Camden the truly special place that is.



Building Inspections and Code Enforcement.

The work of Code Enforcement is wide in scope from zoning and land use to building plan reviews and inspections. 2018 had continued growth of a different sort. Permit numbers generally declined while the size of development increased. The office continues to receive many calls daily from real estate agents, builders, developers, architects and engineers with questions on zoning, the building codes, and properties in town. Jeanne Hollingsworth is extremely knowledgeable in zoning and continues to offer the guidance in this area.

This year, the Code Enforcement Officer continued to work with and train the four Fire Department members that have pursued CEO certification to help this office enforce the ordinances of the town and gain experience in the nuances of building codes and inspections. They all continue to learn and work hard to expand their knowledge. In the coming year we will all continue to provide the residents of Camden with the service they have come to know and appreciate. We hope to start working with building owners to aid them in preserving and improving their properties while improving the current building stock. We offer walk through building assessment services to help plan for maintenance and upgrades to aid long term planning and maintenance schedules.

As Camden has a population of over 4,000 people, we are mandated by State law to enforce the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code otherwise known as MUBEC, the 2015 code version took effect on April 23, 2018.

The differences in quantity of permits are as follows:

2018		2017	
Type	Qty	Type	Qty
Building	130	Building	196
Plumb	84	Plumbing	1928
Electrical	1524	Electrical	134
Flood	1	Flood	0

While the quantity of permits is down, the cost and value of work has increased. Building values for work increased over 1 million dollars without counting the new middle school. Plumbing and electrical permit revenues were up over \$2,500.00 and \$3,000.00

Inspections typically run hand in hand with the number of permits. A project can have as few as 2 inspections to an undetermined maximum; typically, we have an average of 10 inspections per project. Keep in mind that all inspections are required by MUBEC. If you do not have all the inspections for your approved project a Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued. This means you cannot legally use the space you have built or remodeled until one is issued.

Camden continues to grow and expand with all types of projects from new homes, remodeling projects to a new school for our children and the restoration of the American Boathouse.

If you are not sure if you need a permit, give Steve Wilson or Jeanne Hollingsworth a call and we will gladly answer your questions.

Planning

It was a busy and productive year in terms of ordinance development. Department staff and the Planning Board spent many months drafting, reviewing, holding public workshops and holding public hearings on number of proposed ordinance amendments on several topics including; erosion control, food service at hotels in the Village District, commercial marijuana cultivation, and formula-based restaurants. Some of the proposed ordinance amendments have had broad community support, while others have been a bit more divisive, but in all the community has been well represented and actively engaged. Democracy in action! Department staff continues to review the zoning ordinance to ensure that the ordinance is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, in line with neighborhood preservation ideals and current community and economic development needs. The Department also worked with the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals on number of site plan and special exception applications this year.

Community and Economic Development

The Department works to promote Camden as a supportive, active and engaged community and is responsible for all areas related to community and economic development. We strive to ensure that we are providing efficient and sustainable services to residents, businesses, property owners and developers. The Department provides staff support to the Camden Economic Development Advisory Committee (CEDAC), the Downtown Design Committee and the Historic Resources Committee. We are fully engaged in efforts to implement portions of the Downtown Master Plan, including the Downtown Pedestrian Improvement Grant, redevelopment of the Public Landing, and we are working diligently to meet CEDAC's economic development goal of improving broadband connectivity throughout the community by developing options to bring Fiber to the (every) Premise in town. The Department continues working with the Parks and Recreation Department and various stakeholders on the community supported Riverwalk project. The Department is also the lead department working on the former Tannery cleanup and redevelopment, as well as the Sagamore Farm property. Housing affordability remains a concern and we are working with CEDAC on ways to address this issue.

We aim to strengthen the town's existing businesses, while at the same time working to build relationships to help with new business development opportunities. We are working to improve the economic vitality of the downtown by identifying new market opportunities, supporting existing businesses and stimulating investment. In all we do, we value what makes Camden the special place that is and we work to preserve the unique and distinctive character and identity that makes Camden - Camden.

We have an incredibly knowledgeable and thoughtful staff that is committed to serving you in any way we can. If you have any questions about building, zoning, planning, or community and economic development activities in town, do not hesitate to contact us.



***Pictured Left to Right: Kerry Leichtman, Assessor - CMA
Caitlin Thompson, Assistant Assessor - CMA***



Pictured Left to Right: Steve Wilson, Code Enforcement Officer, Jeremy Martin, Planning & Development Director, Jeanne Hollingsworth, Administrative Assistant for Codes and Planning

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Chris Farley, Director

Matthew Heath, Deputy Director

Once again we can report that the year has passed without any large emergencies. This does not mean that we have not been busy either planning for emergencies or identifying areas that require attention in order to mitigate the effect of any possible emergency.

A project which is underway is updating our elements of the Knox County Hazardous Mitigation Plan. This is done every five years and identifies areas that need to be addressed to minimize the impact of potential emergencies. It is required of a municipality before that town can apply for any grants or reimbursement from the State or Federal government.

We have also completed biannual updates to the Emergency Action Plans for the Megunticook East and West dams. These dams are owned by the town. We are required to update, maintain and exercise the plans on a regular basis so we are prepared to respond to emergency events which may occur at one of these sites.

We have been working with staff from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Maine EMA for reimbursement from a presidentially declared weather disaster. When these events occur, the town can apply to receive federal funds to help cover costs associated with recovery efforts. This process requires accurate accounting of all expenses incurred by the various town departments which provided mitigation efforts. The mitigation efforts are generally the actions taken by police, fire and public works crews to stabilize incidents when they are occurring. In this case, we should see a reimbursement between \$20,000 and \$25,000.

We ask that everyone make sure their house is properly and visibly numbered so that police, fire and ambulance personnel can find you in case of an emergency. It is also help to ensure that trees and bushes are trimmed back from driveways, private roads and camp roads to ensure adequate access for emergency personnel.

In helping the community to be prepared there is continual planning and education process that occurs. The Maine Emergency Management Agency provides an informative website to assist with this; <http://www.maine.gov/mema/prepare>. If you have questions or input into our community being prepared, please contact us at the public safety building, 236-7950. We appreciate the efforts of the town employees, town manager, elected officials and residents in working to keep Camden a safe community.



FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Chris Farley, Chief

“What drives people to public service is a sense of possibility. If you haven’t sensed that possibility you don’t get started in the same way, you don’t feel you can have an impact.” - Henry Hampton

The Fire Department and our personnel continue to work on our goals of maintaining a state of operational readiness while continuing to sustain and advance the proficiency of our personnel. Our personnel, while dwindling in numbers, sense the possibility and are committed to providing a high level of quality service to the community. We work cooperatively with the Police Department, North East Mobile Health Services, town departments and our local, county and state mutual aid partners to achieve this. The continued support of the community, town manager and elected officials aids our endeavors.



Over the years, the fire service role has expanded in providing public safety services. In addition to fire prevention and protection activities, the range of services we provide runs from; Emergency Management, vehicle extrication, rescue swimmers, ice/cold water rescue, Firefighter training, inspections, school safety issues, maintenance of the public safety building, recruitment/retention of personnel, issue burn permits, review building plans, review of site plans to the development of the town’s Emergency Operations Plan and Emergency Action Plans for the town owned, high hazard classified dams. This is accomplished with a staff of 4 career and 21 (of which 3 are students at CHRHS) part-time employees.

Career Fire Department personnel continue to take on new responsibilities. During the past year, our career personnel have all become NFPA Certified Fire Inspectors. This nationally recognized testing and certification adds validity to our annual inspection of businesses and places of assembly. We have also become certified Code Enforcement Officers. Additional educational opportunities to become certified building, electrical and plumbing inspectors are on-going. As part of this educational process we often accompany the Code Enforcement Officer on these scheduled inspections. Steve Wilson, our newly appointed CEO, has been very helpful in this process.

Regular daily tasks of maintenance, training and the duties referenced above keep our personnel engaged. Fire Department staff responded to 388 incidents during the 2018 calendar year. The Department’s primary function is to protect lives and property from fire. During these 388 incidents, we provided services at properties valued at \$434,471,900.00. There were losses in value of \$104,050.00. In addition, we responded to alarm activations, fuel leaks, water leaks, motor vehicle accidents, assisted the town’s ambulance provider and helped carry-out injured hikers from trails in our recreational areas.

The strength and value of the Knox County Mutual Aid Association continues to show its worth. Much like the rest of the country, Knox County is experiencing a decline in Firefighters. By joining together with our mutual aid partners, we can be more adequately prepared to face the situations we encounter. That said, we can all use more people. If you’re interested in the possibilities, call us, stop in the public safety building or talk with us when we are around the community. See what possibilities your talents, skills and abilities can lend to our community!

The possibility of expanding our services is on the horizon! Over the last several months and during the course of the coming months, we will be looking into the possibility of providing Emergency Medical Services (ambulance) to the community. This may mean a transition from the current system of contracting with a private service to a municipal service. Given that throughout the region, the number of part-time Firefighters is dwindling, it makes sense to explore the possibility of several communities joining together in this effort. To that end, we have been working with the City of Rockland and Rockland Fire to explore the option of a collaborative effort to provide ambulance services to the region. To make this a viable option, Firefighters will be cross-trained in these functions. This service expansion is a natural progression and an exciting possibility.

In reflecting on her career, Senator Margaret Chase Smith observed; “Public service is more than doing a job efficiently and honestly. It must be a complete dedication to the people and the nation.” Our personnel, who are the key to us providing fire-rescue services for the community, live up to this idea of public service every day. They do the hard work, maintain their skills and are ready to be of service to our community every day. As always, my thanks to our Firefighters and their families for the dedicated efforts they put into to the Fire Department and the community. *Job Well Done!*



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Randy Gagne, Chief

I am again gratified to present to the People of our fair town, the Camden Police Department annual report for 2018.

2018 was a very demanding but rewarding year for the Police Department and staff. I am very pleased to announce that our Parking Enforcement Officer, Mark Bennett, has been hired as a full time Police Officer. Mark and Paul Thompson, who was hired full-time in 2017 are both currently attending the Maine Criminal Justice Academy with a graduation date in April 2019.



I am also very pleased to announce that Scott, “Sparky” Entwistle has assumed the Parking Enforcement Officer position. Sparky has fit right into the position and has made a positive impact to the position. Scott has also attended and become certified as an Animal Control Officer for Camden. Since being in the position he has been busy running the gamut of checking on dog licensing, handling animal bites and herding cows, horses and chickens back to rightful owners.

A highlight of the department was the Maine Chiefs of Police Association recognizing Detective Curt Andrick with the associations “Life Saving Award”. Detective Andrick was instrumental in responding to and handling a life-threatening bicycle accident involving a juvenile who had lost control of his bike on Washington Street and had the bike’s handlebars pierce his stomach. This award is not given out unless the Chief’s agree that the situation was in fact a life saving event, which was confirmed by the Doctor’s who treated the young man.

The department is fully staffed now and will have all officers on board for the upcoming summer months. It continues to be the department goal to provide top-notch professional police services to our citizens. I feel that overall in the past year our department has in fact provided sensible and commendable Law Enforcement practices to everyone.

The department has 7 full time patrol officers, 1 full time detective, 2 full time Sergeants who fulfill the patrol, investigative and shift supervisory aspects for the department. The administrative branch of the department consists of 1 full time Parking Enforcement Officer who also serves as a Reserve Officer and Animal Control Officer, 1 full time Administrative person who also is a Reserve Officer, Animal Control Officer and performs Notary duties, 1 full time Lieutenant and 1 full time Chief.

In 2018 all staff completed required and elective training. This training includes classes from the Criminal Justice Academy, the JPMA Staff Development Solutions and attending in class annual training on Job Hazard Analytics, First Aid and CPR, and all Emergency Actions plans associated with the Town of Camden. The department also completed required walk throughs and “active shooter” drills at the middle school.

We continue to work hand in hand with the Rockport Police Department through the inter local agreement for the shared services of the Police Chief. All officers of both departments are sworn in and can perform duties in both towns.

Camden Officers responded to 6442 complaints in 2018 which is an increase of 324 complaints from 2017.

The most commonly reported incidents in 2018 were; 533 Radar enforcement initiatives, 113 Traffic Hazards, 235 Traffic Violations, 329 Agency Assist, 249 Alarm Response, 246 Erratic Vehicle Operation, 131 Accidents with Damage, 145 Well Being Checks, 15 DUI Alcohol or Drugs, 97 Animal Problem, 12 Animal Bite/Attack, 53 Animal Welfare, 85 Stray Animal, 94 Citizen Assist, 39 Intoxicated Persons, 24 Juvenile Problems, and 2 Overdose.

The department also responded to the following non-emergency type complaints; 1,091 Property Checks, 447 Administrative, 103 Found Property, and 85 School Visits,

The department remains a central repository for unused medical prescriptions with 136 Drug Take Back events as opposed to only 79 in 2017. We will continue having the drop box available to Townspeople so unwanted or unused prescription meds may be safely disposed of throughout the year.

Further services offered to town residents are the “Good Morning Camden” calling program which has been expanded to the Town of Rockport. Along with this program we also offer the “Sand for Seniors” program over the winter. People are encouraged to call the department to seek information on these programs.

Again, the department’s achievements are directly related to our most cherished resource, you, the citizens of Camden. Through your interactions we are assured of completing our daily functions expeditiously and through to fruitful conclusions. It is your help which enables us to keep Camden the safe and secure environment for all of us to work, live and play. We sincerely and wholeheartedly ask that you continue to be pre-emptive within the community by immediately calling 236-3030 if you see any suspicious activity or believe you have been the victim of a crime.

We continue to serve and protect Camden and its townspeople twenty-four hours a day every day. The office hours and administrative offices of the Police Department are open weekdays from 8am to 4:30pm in the Camden Public Safety Building at 31 Washington Street.

Don’t forget to check us out on Facebook at “Camden Police Department”. We will continue to post items of interest to the public on scams, found property, child safety seat and vehicle recall information, or we might simply ask for your assistance in a matter.

It continues to be our pleasure to serve you, our law enforcement community, and we are looking forward to another rewarding year.



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT/CAMDEN SNOW BOWL

Beth Ward, Director



The Camden Parks and Recreation Department manages and/or maintains more than 700 acres of town property and several facilities, including the Camden Snow Bowl; six parks and numerous trailheads; overlooks and boat launches. Information about the department, its responsibilities and its programs can be found on the town's website and at www.camdensnowbowl.com.

The Parks and Recreation Department hosted 80 children, who participated in our six-week Summer Recreation Program, along with several successful events, including:

- the 24th annual Camden Windjammer Festival – Labor Day weekend - the first year Camden Parks and Recreation organized and produced the event.
- the 4th annual Ragged Mountain Scuttle – 269 running and obstacle racers
- the 2nd annual Camden Snow Bowl Trail Fest – 141 Participants
- Four Ragged Mountain Ski Club pancake breakfasts & Snow Bowl fall chairlift rides
- the 28th annual U.S. National Toboggan Championships – a 400-racer sell-out event

The Snow Bowl lodge was also booked for more than 20 private functions, ranging from business meetings, family reunions and memorial services, to weddings and receptions, and a corporate management team-building day complete with an inflatable obstacle course and Iron Chef cooking challenge.

The Parks and Recreation Department continues to work and maintain the Camden Riverwalk. Based on its success and popularity, and thanks to the efforts of the Camden-Rockport Pathways Committee, the department received Federal Recreational Trails Program grants administered through the state for the section off Lions Lane and Knowlton Street.

For fiscal year 2018, the Snow Bowl saw a balanced budget.

This year's U.S. National Toboggan Championships went off smoothly. The weekend event is the Snow Bowl's major fundraiser and garnered more than \$40,000 in proceeds. We are enormously grateful to the volunteers, as well as West Bay Rotary, Camden Police, North East Mobile Health Services, Camden firefighters and other organizations and individuals who make it possible. The level of support from the local business community is also to be commended for their generosity, many of them longstanding sponsors of this event. The Toboggan Committee meets year-round coordinating the event and welcomes new members any time. If you are interested in getting involved in this event, send email to info@camdensnowbowl.com.



Windjammer Festival 2018- Lobster Crate Races



2019 - Annual Cardboard Box Derby

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Rick Seibel, Director

The Public Works Department is responsible for maintaining 38 miles of streets and roads and 12.5 miles of sidewalk. For winter maintenance we maintain another 20 miles of State Aid roads. A full-time mechanic and assistant mechanic provide maintenance and repair to the Town's fleet of trucks, and heavy equipment. Public Works mechanics also work and maintain vehicles for Parks & Rec., Police, Fire, Harbor and Wastewater Department.



Some of the seasonal work that takes place during the year is street sweeping, sidewalk sweeping, line stripping, roadside brush cutting and trash removal from the downtown business area and public parks. The Public Works backhoe loader is also put to use for Parks & Rec., Harbor and Wastewater Department saving considerable costs from private contracting. Public Works also helps other Town departments with jobs and projects. In a continuing effort to improve road drainage and help extend the life of paved surfaces, the regular program of roadside ditching, grading and mowing of shoulders takes place.

This past year Public Works rented an excavator throughout the spring and summer for ditching and culvert replacement, this worked very well and aided in getting a lot of overdue roadside ditching brought up to date.

Paving took place on Pleasant Ridge Drive, Goodwind Lane, Sweetbriar Road, Jim Brown Road, Lantern Lane, and Rockbrook Drive. 700 feet of Sea Street was milled and paved, and 700 feet of sidewalk was removed and rebuilt.

Storm drain upgrades were completed at various locations around town. Sidewalk repairs and overlays were also completed around Town.

Winter keeps Public Works crews very busy, we apologize for any inconvenience. Winter on the Maine coast can be very unpredictable; with any moderate to heavy snowfalls crews often deviate from any routine plowing.

The Police Department occasionally receives calls during the winter about snow removal on secondary roads. Major arteries and high traffic roads are the priority, followed by secondary roads and side streets. We continue plowing until the storm ends and then go back over all routes to widen the roadways to clean up and push snow back at intersections. Two to three hours is needed for a plow truck to complete a route. Intense storms can produce significant snowfall in a short time which keeps trucks on high traffic roads. This means snow may accumulate more on secondary roads. Secondary roads and side streets will get plowed only not as often. Snow removal on 58 miles of road is actually 116 lane miles of road. This means a truck has to travel out a road and then back doubling the mileage. It is our goal to remove snow and ice from Town roads as rapidly and efficiently as possible. Remember! Each storm is different and deviations from any plans often occur.

In closing, I would like to thank the Public Works crew for the extra effort, hard work and many hours of overtime during inclement weather. I would also like to thank the Town Manager, Select Board and all Town departments and committees for their support and guidance this past year.

NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF CAMDEN

There has been an increase of people placing stones, stonewalls or other obstructions within the right-of-way of Town roads. The Town of Camden, as well as other towns and cities in the State of Maine, maintain more than just the paved portion of the road. This area beyond the paved way is a right-of-way, which the municipality reserves for utilities, storm drainage, unpaved shoulders and ditches. Obstructions placed within this right of way hinder the ability to maintain and repair a road. A municipality is required to keep town ways open and in repair so as to be "safe and convenient" for travelers with motor vehicles. PLEASE! If you are planning to do any work of any type on your property adjacent to the road, take a moment to call the Public Works Director at 207-236-7954 to discuss those plans. Thank you for your cooperation on this important matter.



Left to Right: Dan Fuller, Mason Clark, Carl Perkins, Director Rick Seibel, Robert Nash, Keryn Annis, Brandon Fuller, Tracy Harford, Rodney Feltus, and Jeff French.

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

David Bolstridge, Superintendent

To the Town Manager, Board of Wastewater Commissioners, and the citizens of the Town of Camden it is my pleasure to submit to you the forty eighth annual report for the Wastewater Department. This report covers the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

This past year we continued with our efforts to locate areas where storm and ground water is able to enter the sanitary sewer system. We completed door to door plumbing surveys in all sections of town to identify sources of sewer system stormwater inflow, including basement sumps pumps, floor, roof and perimeter drains.

Current plans call for the final “mop up” phase of sanitary sewer system door to door plumbing surveys in 2019 to document and eliminate sources of sewer system inflow.

We continued to work on the plant, pump stations and force main upgrades engineering and financing in FY19. It was determined the best fit for our projects was a USDA Rural Development loan. Once our loan is approved, final engineering specifications and drawings will be the next step in the upgrade process.

This past year we also continued our stormwater bacteria testing program. In the past this program helped discover and eliminate sources of wastewater entering the stormwater system. One source of stormwater system human contamination was discovered and eliminated this testing season.

Although very dry during the summer months, 2018 was an above normal year for precipitation with total rainfall of 61.5 inches. The following is a summary of plant operations for the calendar year from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018:

Total quantity wastewater treated	339,632,000 gallons
Maximum daily flow, January 13, 2018	3,831,000 gallons
Minimum daily flow, September 5, 2018	390,000 gallons
Activated sludge removed from process	3,771,265 gallons
De-watered sludge sent to compost site	814 tons

I would like to take this opportunity to compliment the Wastewater Department Staff for their dedication to the operation and maintenance of Camden’s sanitary wastewater collection and treatment system. Their responsibilities include 17 miles of pipe, 7 pump stations, the wastewater treatment plant and the four Megunticook River dams. I would also like to thank Town Manager Audra Caler-Bell, the Board of Wastewater Commissioners, and the residents of the Town of Camden for their continued support and assistance.



DAMS REPORT

David Bolstridge, Dam Agent

To the Town Manager, Select Board, and the citizens of the Town of Camden it is my pleasure to submit to you the annual report for the Megunticook Dams. This report covers the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

2018 summer and fall rainfall was below normal which adversely impacted lake and river levels. Also, there was an issue with the West Dam gate that lead to significant water loss from the lake before stopgap measures could be carried out to stem the loss of water. In late August the lake level was low enough to complete repairs to West Dam gate. Further repairs to the gate are planned for FY19. It was late December before lake levels were back to normal.

In October the Seabright Dam leaks below the power house were temporarily repaired by a diving company and a plan for permanently repair the leaks is planned for FY19. The dam's lower wooden gate will also be replaced at the same time.

A Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) engineer inspected the Seabright Dam in 2017 and requested repairs to cracks in the spillway concrete top coat. These repairs were carried out in the fall of 2018.

A request to end our FERC power generation license exemption was submitted in 2017, and the FERC approved a delay in our five-year independent consultant review pending the outcome of our request. The FERC also required a physical removal of electric equipment to ensure power could not be generated after the FERC license is revoked. Therefore, the generator starter panels and wiring were removed, and this was reported to the FERC. We are waiting for final confirmation from the FERC that we are no longer in their program.

The annual Seabright Dam siren drill was carried out in December again this past year. The annual drill is needed to ensure the siren is still operating properly and to remind downstream residents and businesses if they hear the siren they need to evacuate to high ground.

I'd like to thank the Town Manager, Select Board and the citizens of Camden for their support and commitment to ensuring continued safe and reliable operation of all the Megunticook River dams.

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT CREW



Left to Right: Wastewater Superintendent David Bolstridge, Devan Fuller, Sheldon Main, Mike Weed, Dave Moody, and John Cummons

HARBORMASTER

Steve Pixley

I am happy to report that the summer season of 2018 went well for the Harbor department. Like last year the mooring fields took a lot of our time in the beginning of the summer, needing data base updating and management. Also, new mooring sites were installed in the shallower waters in Sherman's cove for shallow draft vessels that were on the municipal waiting list. The two visiting cruise ships that lay anchor in the outer Harbor continued their busy schedules. Unfortunately, we had a small problem with one of the Cruise ship's launch drivers when he kept running into one of our Daysailers that was parked at the Daysailer dock but, thankfully, no actual injuries occurred. There was a change to the Windjammer license agreements that allowed them to run 15-daysails (instead of 3) during the season. There were no issues with the heavier volume of daysail vessel traffic, however, not all the windjammers chose to increase their number of daysails. The Fourth of July, the Classic boat regatta and Windjammer Festival had record attendance once again. We had one vessel sink while at its berth at an inner harbor float and two incidents where young adults capsized while sailing and needed assistance.



Harbor generated income

Finger floats	\$20,868	Windjammers	\$22,150
Inner floats	\$22,350	Daysailers	\$19,900
Moorings	\$69,340	Fisherman floats	\$4,125
Dinghies	\$15,940	Night dockage	\$77,154
Wait list	\$4,509		

TOTAL INCOME \$ 249,784.54

MOORING SITES----- 389 outer harbor moorings with 15 reassigned.

78 inner Harbor Floats sides with 2 reassigned. 38 Finger Floats with 2 reassigned.

WAITING LIST-----**65** people for outer harbor mooring. 59 people for inner harbor float.
47 people for finger float.

Chief Deputy:	Jim Leo
Deputy:	Matt Nickerson
Receptionist:	Janet Halsey
Harbor Clerk:	Liz Knauer

CAMDEN OPERA HOUSE

Dave Morrison, Manager

A year ago we were given an opportunity to start a new chapter for the Camden Opera House, and thanks to the hard work and energy of a number of staff, volunteers and artists we've done just that. The COH has a new look, a new website, new posters and promotional materials. We created the Community Arts Fund to support programs like the Blue Café, a monthly intimate performance space with free admission, and the MaineMadeMusic concert series. The Lunasa Irish Christmas show sold out, as did the Mallett Brothers Winterfest concert. We have begun partnering with the Camden Public Library to bring in fresh and fun family programming, and we launched the Cinematheque film series.



I also booked some flops – wonderful shows that just didn't attract enough folks, and lost money – but each one taught me something valuable. In the end, we ended up in the black, as the successful shows more than paid for the chances we took.

The coming year will bring some exciting shows (the *Jazz in June* festival, *Roger McGuinn* for the Windjammer Festival, *One Night in Memphis* bringing Elvis, Jerry Lee Lewis, Johnny Cash and Carl Perkins back to life in September, the Mermaid Theater's *Very Hungry Caterpillar*, and the return of the *Lunasa Irish Christmas* show to name a few), and a host of Blue Café surprises.

None of this could happen without Juniper Purinton, our Technical Director who has raised the bar on the quality of our presentations, Karina Shorten who so skillfully ran promotions and the box office, our custodian Andrew Heath who kept our beautiful Victorian theater looking its best. Thanks also go to our House Managers and Tech staff, our Opera House Committee, our town co-workers, our volunteers, our sponsors, and most of all the people who support us by coming to the shows.

Our goal is to help local organizations and performers share their work with the community, and to bring the very best in Arts & Entertainment to the Midcoast. I welcome your thoughts, suggestions, criticisms and feedback – you can reach me at dmorrison@camdenmaine.gov.

See you at the show!



***Pictured Left to Right: Box Office Manager Dagney Ernest,
Opera House Manager Dave Morrison, and Technical Director Juniper Purinton***

PERSONNEL BOARD

Dave Miramant
Don White
Stephanie Griffin
Rick Rector
Marlene Libby, Employee Representative
Jodi Hanson, Finance Director
Audra Caler-Bell, Town Manger

The Personnel Board met three times, in September and October 2018 and again in January 2019.

The Board updated the job description of Harbormaster, Assistant Harbormaster, Harbor Office Receptionist, and Opera House Manager including pay grades. Having the opportunity to review the town's newly revised personnel policy with the town's department heads and employees, Town Manager Audra Caler Bell presented several amendments for the Board's consideration. The sections include, Code of Conduct, Computer Use, Discipline and Discharge and certain Grievance procedures. The recommendations were approved and sent to the Select Board for action.

Discussions regarding other grievance policy amendments continued. The Board also discussed Workplace Rules and Regulations. However, no action was taken, and the discussions will continue.

CAMDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Roger Rittmaster, Chair
Morgan Laidlaw
Vicki Doudera
Stephanie Smith
Barbara Lawrence
Seth Meyer
Wayne Ruesswick

The CCC received a \$3000 grant from Bangor Savings Bank to support two summer interns to assist the Wastewater Department with house-to-house wastewater surveys and stormwater quality monitoring. Kayleigh Sauda and Brody Campbell were chosen for the internship positions. With the help of the interns and wastewater staff, the house-to-house surveys were largely completed in 2018 and remediation of illicit connections between the stormwater and sewer systems is ongoing. Kayleigh and Brody also assisted the CCC in finishing the placement of markers on the Town's storm drains, reminding residents that only water should enter the drains.

The CCC was successful in drafting two new ordinances: one to eliminate polystyrene in food packaging and the other to ban single use carry-out plastic bags at retail establishments/businesses. The ordinances were approved by voters in November and go into effect on April 30, 2019. The CCC and volunteer Molly Mulhern have been reaching out to retail businesses to address any concerns that might arise from the ordinances.

In 2017, the CCC created an ordinance designed to eliminate the use of unencapsulated polystyrene in dock floats. The CCC made presentations to the Lincolnville Select Board and Coleman Pond Homeowners Association in Lincolnville to encourage them to help address this problem in their area.

The CCC and the Mid-Coast chapter of the New England Mountain Bike Association (NEMBA) have continued to improve the trail system on Sagamore Farm. Further work is planned for the coming summer to improve drainage in the trail system.

The CCC continued the Coastal Mountains Nature Program in 2018, co-sponsored with Coastal Mountains Land Trust, with two talks at the Camden Library and seven natural history walks.

The CCC and Rockport Conservation Commission completed a program to provide free arsenic well water testing for Rockport and Camden residents. 45 Camden households took advantage of this program, and about 1/3 of these houses were found to have high enough levels to recommend remediation. The State has a program to help low-income families with the cost of remediation.

The CCC established the Stewardship Education Alliance to help support the teaching of environmental stewardship in our schools. The SEA created three Data-Collection Backpacks at the library to be used by schools, summer programs, residents and visitors. The Alliance also funded four sea-life touch tank sessions during the summer to highlight the importance of keeping our lakes, rivers and harbors clean.

The CCC participated in Earth Day activities by co-sponsoring a film with Points North (CIFF) and promoting the Camden Clean Up Days.

CAMDEN/ROCKPORT PATHWAYS COMMITTEE

Camden

Mac Thomas
Anita Brosius-Scott
Robert Davis
Richard Stetson
Geoff Scott, Chair
Alternates: Jane Self, Andrew Stancioff

Rockport

Lynda Clancy
Leni Gronros
Helen Shaw
John Titus



The Pathways Committee is a two-town cooperative committee, with members appointed by both the towns of Rockport and Camden. The Committee is charged with reviewing geographic areas, rights-of-way, and transportation infrastructure in the two towns in order to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety and access and to encourage non-motorized transportation.

From 2017 to 2018 the Committee focused on a number of areas in Rockport:

- We continued to move forward with both towns implementing the design of a sidewalk along Route 1 from Quarry Hill to 56 Commercial Street. Project estimates increased and worked with Town to re-budget. The plan is for bids to go out in the fall of 2018 for construction in 2019-20.
- Continued advocating for a Pathways Reserve Fund with the goal of a \$5K annual contribution to enable the Town to be in a better financial position to respond to matching grant opportunities.
- Completed reconstruction of the high sidewalk along Pascal Ave.
- Assisted in construction and completion of the CHRHS cross-country path behind the school, including five bridges.
- New signals installed at Rte 90/Rte 1 intersection with pedestrian controls and a crosswalk connecting the Village to Market Basket.
- Supported the effort to raise funds and construct the Erickson Farm connector trail/path extending up to Beech Hill thus creating another connection to the Route 90 corridor.
- Considered a proposal from a CHRHS student group to construct pedestrian facilities and a crosswalk at Route 90, near the entrance to CHRHS connecting to the Forest Glen subdivision.
- Committee Member John Titus completed training to become a Bicycle Coalition of Maine SPOKES person for Rockport. The SPOKES program advocates for bicycle facilities and cycling.
- Provided input to the Rockport Comprehensive rewrite Committee in consideration of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- Ongoing projects included:
 - Exploring ways to connect the Route 90 schools (RES and CHRHS) via public pathways to the Camden and Rockport Communities
 - Keeping “pathway connections” in the discussion of the future of the RES East site.

The Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month from 7:00-9:00 p.m. alternating between the meeting rooms of the Camden Town office and the Rockport Town office. Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend.

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Parker Laite, Jr.
Jeff Weymouth
Kristine Lerner
Bob Oxton
Isa Babb
Jeff Sukeforth, Chair

The Cemetery Association reached and, in some instances, exceeded their goals of ensuring Camden's cemeteries remain a part of the mystique which makes Camden one of a kind.

The Association meets on the 3rd Wednesday of January, April, July and October and our meetings are always open to any member of the public who may want to attend. We encourage folks to drop in anytime with questions or concerns about our town's cemeteries. Please see the Town's website www.camdenmaine.gov for dates and time. We encourage you to visit this same website to access the Cemetery's on-line database. This database is a wonderful tool for genealogy buffs and for anyone who may want to look up information concerning their family's plots.

The main goal for 2019 was to have the flag pole repainted and have a solar powered light attached. Thanks go out to Bob Oxton who took this matter on. He spent many hours on sanding, priming, painting and attaching the new solar light. The flag again flies proudly over the Mountain View Cemetery and is properly lit during the hours of darkness.

The Association has set the following goals for 2019; our sexton, Bruce Libby, will continue to review the older trees that remain in the cemeteries and will work with a contractor to have the dead or unsafe trees removed; Bruce will also continue to clean stones as time and budget permit. A long-term goal of the association is to have certain lanes, avenues and roadways repaved.

We look forward again to Memorial Day which always draws family and visitors to our cemeteries as they begin to take on the wonderful colors of flags and flowers. We continue to thank those organizations who place flags on many graves in memory of their fallen comrades. Those entities we thank are; Camden Fire Department, War Memorial American Legion Post # 30, and Federal Masonic Lodge No. 6. The dedication of these organizations as well as every family member who comes into the cemeteries to brighten their loved ones final resting place are to be commended. The cemetery indeed looks beautiful and well kept. We encourage you to contact them if you locate a grave that is not properly marked with a flag.

We must also recognize and thank the Camden Parks and Recreation folks who are in the cemeteries every week and sometimes daily to maintain them and have them ready for all of us who walk through our cemeteries. These folks take pride in their work and it is on display on year for all of us to admire.

We also wish to thank Camden Boy Scout Troop 200 for their efforts in removing all the American Flags off the Veterans graves after Veterans Day. Their efforts ensure the flags are removed before severe weather sets in therefore keeping our great flag from being tattered and looking forlorn in appearance.

We extend an invitation to everyone in the Town of Camden to visit the cemeteries and let us know if there is anything out of place or which requires needed attention.

If you would like further information about the cemeteries or would like to become a member of the Cemetery Association, please contact the Camden Town Office for information.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEDAC)

Leamon Scott, Chair
Roger Moody
Meg Quijano
Jeff Senders

Robin McIntosh
Ellis Cohn
Steve Matteo
Paul Cavalli, ex-officio

CEDAC Mission: To enhance the vitality of the year-round local community and region in a manner that considers the town's unique cultural and historic character; promotes, encourages, and facilitates the development of responsible business growth and entrepreneurship; and actively works to strengthen and retain existing businesses.

CEDAC members are appointed by the Select Board to represent a wide range of community members and businesses and to "identify and recommend to the Select Board strategies, policies and projects that will provide sound economic development and a stronger sense of community" and is supported by the Planning and Development Director.

CEDAC has the responsibility to work on the following (not in priority order):

- ❖ To identify and recommend strategies, policies and projects that will provide sound economic development and a stronger sense of community.
- ❖ To establish a working relationship with neighboring communities as a part of regional development efforts.
- ❖ To work with town staff and other town committees as directed by the Select Board on projects and issues of economic and community development, economic planning and business regulations.
- ❖ To encourage communication between the Town and businesses located in Town and promote a quality customer experience.
- ❖ To make recommendations to assist with new business development and attraction and retention of existing businesses

A brief summary of several CEDAC initiatives this year included:

- ❖ CEDAC continues to work on options of bringing High Speed Broadband/Fiber coverage to all areas of Camden. Achieving greater coverage in town will be a key element in attracting and supporting telecommuters, businesses and entrepreneurs, among others to live and work here.
- ❖ CEDAC has taken an active role in assisting the Planning and Development Director with the Tannery Clean-up and Redevelopment efforts.
- ❖ The committee is also looking at ways to address housing affordability issues.
- ❖ CEDAC is also assessing town-owned vacant properties to ensure that they are being used in a way that is consistent with the needs of the Town and if they are not, CEDAC will be proposing alternative uses for those vacant lots.

CEDAC meets regularly on the fourth Monday of each month at 4 pm in the French Conference Room. Meetings are open to the public.

DOWNTOWN DESIGN TEAM

Rafi Baeza
Meg Barclay
Richard Bernhard
Paul Cavalli
Deb Dodge
Dave Jackson
Meg Quijano

The Design Team is closing in on its first year as an official Town Committee. The Team was originally a committee of the Downtown Network Board (Camden Connects). Our mission is to shape and create a safe, walk-able and inviting atmosphere building on Camden's assets.

In support of that mission, the Team has concentrated on providing guidance and priorities for the implementation of the Downtown Master Plan and the Downtown Enhancement grant the Town received from the MDOT. The Team studied the Master Plan and provided a list of 4 priorities—concentrating on the core of downtown – or hub, the northern and southern gateways and harbor district. The goal is to improve pedestrian safety in the downtown core and enhancement of the streetscapes (sidewalks). Plans for the implementation of these priorities await funding and coordination with MDOT.

We reviewed plans for the rebuilding and design of the Public Landing and provided the town with recommendations including consideration of sea level rise, public restroom renovations, boardwalk replacement, lighting and the burial of power lines.

The Harbor Walkway has been a focus of the Team's attention with the goal of improving the safety and convenience of access to the Landing. Our recommendations included design elements of a more graduated slope, finishing materials, handrails, lighting and the creation of a specific loading zone to eliminate competition in the walkway between trucks and pedestrians. This project also awaits plans from the MDOT for new drainage to be constructed in 2020.

Our most recent recommendations developed in conjunction with Public Works and Gartley & Dorsky involved the reconfiguration of the Mechanic Street & Washington Street parking lots. While we are disappointed that the reconfiguration will not go forward, we are pleased that the retaining wall will be replaced, and stairs will be added from the upper lot to the Mechanic St. lot.

The Team has two current ongoing projects: 1) Funding and creation of a mural for the Mechanic Street Parking lot, and 2) the creation of guidelines and recommendations for a system of directional and way finding signage.

The Town's Public Works Director, Rick Siebel, has been an invaluable Team member, providing his expertise and input throughout all of the Team's discussions.

ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Anita Brosius-Scott, Chair
Peter Kalajian
Marina Schauffler
Sarah Miller
Dana Strout
Brian Robinson
Alexander Facq
Anna Ford
Bruce Means

The goals of this committee, as approved by the Camden Select Board 9/22/15, are: *To advise the Select Board about opportunities to reduce Camden's electrical and fossil fuel usage and carbon emissions, to promote energy conservation, promote the use of renewable energy resources, and to be an information resource for the community regarding energy-related issues. This work includes researching and recommending strategies, policies and projects that will achieve energy conservation and/or use alternative energy sources, as well as public information, education and outreach.*

On April 9, 2018 the Camden Select Board and our Town Manager signed on to an international alliance called the **Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy** (GCM). The GCM assists cities and local governments as they set their own voluntary goals to combat climate change by reducing their carbon-emission contributions to the world's atmosphere. Camden was the first Maine municipality to sign on (others have since) and is among the 9,322 cities worldwide that have done so as of April 10, 2019. In total the signatory cities represent 10.67% of the total global population that have made this formal commitment through the GCM to reduce their carbon emissions. The Watershed School's Climate Change Class students have taken on the challenging steps spelled out in this commitment. In June they presented to the community and to the Select Board the results of their preliminary greenhouse gas inventory of Camden – work typically done by hired staff in other cities, thus distinguishing themselves and their teacher Janet McMahon as making Camden the first GCM city in the world where high-schoolers have undertaken that challenging, complex task. Camden joined "ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability," enabling Watershed and the Town to tap GCM-related software and consultant assistance to complete the more challenging measurement and planning tasks ahead.

The Town Manager, Select Board and Town Planner form a great team with the Energy Committee (EnComm) in taking seriously our GCM commitment and the importance of the Town's need to pursue every option we can to move towards using more sustainable energy sources while reducing our town-wide energy use. Regrettably, the Town's Seabright Hydropower facility was decommissioned March 7, 2017 due to economic unsustainability. However, our Town Manager, since her arrival in Camden, has pursued sustainable goals, quickly adding, in late 2017, Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) to the Town's energy-sourcing portfolio. Camden continues to benefit from the hard work of students at Watershed School, who are working diligently to complete an inventory of our town-wide emissions. This year, with their assistance, we will be determining our specific reduction goals and means of achieving them. If we follow the Paris Accord model, we would need to reduce our carbon-based energy use by 50% by 2030 and 100% by 2050. To do so we will be pursuing sustainable generation options as well as energy demand reduction (energy savings measures).

On October 20 the Energy Committee and ReVision Energy hosted a public celebration of our municipal 123 kW **solar array** (An aerial photograph of this array may be seen in the Town Office). In November the state election results yielded a governor who is deeply committed to sustainable energy measures, as well as a legislature more amenable to such measures. This meant that changes were likely to take place in early 2019 at the state level that would lift state-imposed restrictions on the Town's solar energy production capability. Serious evaluations began in Camden immediately and are ongoing regarding **possible additional solar array(s)**.

The EnComm began their efforts to **switch our town-wide high-pressure sodium (HPS) street lights to LEDs** by evaluating how to do so with Central Maine Power (CMP). CMP generously installed two sample

3,000°K LED luminaires at Mechanic and Washington Streets. We learned that a full switch-out and ongoing leasing from CMP would reduce our annual street light expenses by 30%. Instead, based on favorable research results presented by the Energy Committee, the Select Board voted 5-0 on November 6 in favor of buying all the town's street lights from CMP, and converting them to LED luminaires in full cut-off (shielded beyond 90°) fixtures. Our town manager marshalled the interest of five of our neighboring towns (Rockport, Rockland, Union, Thomaston and Warren) to join us in putting out an RFQ (Request for Qualifications) for a consulting company to assist all six towns in making this streetlight transition. RealTerm Energy was selected and will be working with us to make the change, incorporating dark sky goals (minimal light spillage), low color temperatures for the lights, and sensible illumination metrics and lighting distribution. With a positive town vote in June 2019, we can move forward with the purchases from CMP. Ultimately this transition will reduce the energy use of street lights to about 18% of their prior levels and their ongoing expense to the Town by an estimated 70-80%/year. Estimates are that the buy-out and consultants' fees will be repaid in four years through the reduced annual costs.

Throughout the year, the EnComm has been advocating for the development of a **town-wide lighting ordinance**, with particular goals of reducing light pollution and light trespass. This continues to be among the many tasks before the Planning Board and Town Planner.

EnComm is evaluating the availability of **electric vehicle (EV) charging stations** within the town, a number of which have been installed by private businesses, typically for their customers' use. We will be working with Efficiency Maine to seek funding for providing publicly-available, municipally-sponsored, higher-powered charging stations.

The EnComm continues to advocate for sustainable energy assets to be incorporated into the construction of the **new Middle School** on Knowlton Street. However, decision-making rests with the SAD28 Board. That board had the challenging task of undergoing a "value engineering" process (cuts in plans) when the construction bids came in higher than anticipated. The Board is to be applauded for retaining, rather than eliminating, plans to incorporate sewerthermal energy recapture infrastructure, drawing from the neighboring Wastewater Treatment Plant, in the construction plans. The EnComm has been strongly encouraging installation of a rooftop solar PV array, which could be paid for through a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA).

EnComm applauds the sustainability work by other Camden volunteers. We published support for the Camden Conservation Commission (CCC)'s successful ordinance initiative, Prohibition on Polystyrene Containers. The EnComm also published support for the successful Single Bag Use Ordinance. Both of these initiatives represent important first steps to address overuse of non-recyclable, single-use plastics that can persist in the environment for centuries. We strongly encourage any efforts by Camden to study and make plans for the impacts of sea level rise.

The Energy and Sustainability Committee is particularly grateful for the focus that our town's voluntary commitment to GCM has provided in setting and making plans to attain sustainability and greenhouse gas emission reduction targets. We have observed and appreciated the administration's awareness as they look at Town plans and changes through this lens as well as their many other lenses. We will continue to keep our eyes on the goals we all set while striving for creative and meaningful ways to achieve them. We will be encouraging everyone's participation and will be seeking ways to enable our citizens to affordably participate in reducing their own carbon-based energy requirements. Ultimately this needs to be a common effort engaging all townspeople.

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Patricia Skaling, Chair
Judith McGuirk, Secretary
Chris Fasoldt
Rosalee Glass
Eileen Kurtis-Kleinman
Susan Neves
Beedy Parker
Dawna Pine

The Historic Resources (HRC) in its advisory role to the Select Board was active on many fronts this year as several projects and activities impacting Camden's historic districts and town-owned historic properties were addressed. Highlights of the year's activities are as follows:

Nominations for Listings to the National Register of Historic Places

The HRC worked diligently in researching and recommending five Camden properties for consideration for nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. The committee worked closely with the Maine Historic Preservation Commission to secure the nominations.

- The Mt. Battie Memorial Tower was nominated, approved for listing, and added to the National Register of Historic Places on December 31, 2018
- The Mary E. Taylor School (1925) on Knowlton Street and the former *Camden Herald* Building (1910) at 10 Bay View Street were successfully qualified by the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and are pending until formal applications are filed
- The qualification of a proposed Jacobs Avenue Historic District is pending the completion of research but looks promising.

Stewardship of Town-Owned Historic Resources

The HRC assisted the stewards of town-owned historic properties by offering advice and guidance regarding maintenance and proposed alterations.

- HRC **consulted with the Opera House** staff concerning a water leakage issue.
- Working with the town clerk, HRC contacted an archivist from Maine State Archives to review and make recommendations about the **preservation and storage of town records**. The review provided a report outlining suggestions for storage techniques and storage containers and a recommendation to digitize records and documents. As a result, the town has purchased an overhead scanner to copy and preserve historic documents and provide the means to share town historic information digitally. HRC continues to participate in this important project.
- **HRC secured a \$10,000 grant** from the Maine Community Foundation's Belvedere Historic Preservation Fund to restore the fifteen aging windows in the light keeper's house. In addition to writing the grant application, HRC contracted a certified window restoration technician and coordinated with the island caretaker for the removal, transportation, restoration, painting, and re-installation of the window sashes. The project will be completed in spring 2019. Assisted the **Curtis Island** caretaker to create a priority list of future maintenance needs for the island property; assisted with the fall shuttering of empty window frames; and helped coordinate workers' visits to the island.
- Much HRC time this year was spent researching and drafting a **demolition delay ordinance** to protect historic buildings from immediate demolition. Working with Director of Planning and Development Jeremy Martin, HRC has carefully worked and re-worked drafts. A final proposal is anticipated to go to the Planning Board in 2019.

Education

A subcommittee of HRC members, former members, and volunteers was created to plan a **reprisal of the Camden Historic Landmark plaque program** to recognize the many historic homes within the town. The subcommittee designed a program of historic home recognition using the original Landmark plan from the

1980s and expanded it to recognize more homes of historic vintage. A new category requiring only documentation of the date of construction and minimal basic information was introduced for homes seventy-five years or older; it was named the Basic Historic Home category. HRC distributed pamphlets describing the marker program, wrote articles for the media, and will conduct house-to-house canvassing in spring of 2019 to promote the program. In addition, the subcommittee **canvassed the High Street and Chestnut Street Historic Districts** contacting homeowners not currently displaying National Historic District markers on their homes to see if they might be interested. This proved very successful, and many homeowners ordered markers.

Other education activities include: HRC designed and installed a visual display for the town office about the Curtis Island window restoration project; authored articles for the news media about preserving Mary E. Taylor School; provided information via email to homeowners about the history of their homes in the historic districts; provided research information to the Maine Historic Preservation Commission regarding potential National Historic Register properties; presented a PowerPoint talk for the Select Board outlining current HRC activities; hosted Deb Andrews, Portland Historic Preservation Program Manager's consultative talk with HRC members and invited guests.

The HRC welcomes the input of interested members of the community and is often working on projects that could benefit from volunteer assistance. Meetings are open to the public and held at 4:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. They are usually held in the Walsh History Center of the Camden Public Library. If you wish to attend, please check with the Town Office to confirm the location.

PLANNING BOARD

Rosie Curtis, Chair
Richard Bernhard
Jeff Senders
Matthew Siegel
Ethan Shaw
Mark Siegenthaler, Alternate

Jeremy P. Martin, Planning and Development Director
Jeanne Hollingsworth, Code and Planning
Administrative Assistant

Although Site Plan review activity has been relatively light this past year, the Planning Board has been very busy drafting and reviewing several proposed ordinance amendments. The ordinance development process has been a very thoughtful, deliberative and open process led by the Town's Planning and Development Director. Three zoning amendments have made their way through the public hearing process both at the Planning and Select Board levels and are on the ballot this June.

The proposed ordinance amendments include amendments that would allow hotels in the Village district to open their restaurants to the public as long as there is no increase in seating capacity licensed as of January 1, 2019, subject to Special Exception review and approval by the Zoning Board of Appeals. In addition, following the work of the Marijuana Working Group, which was appointed by the Select Board, the Planning Board spent many months refining their work, and drafting ordinance amendments that would allow the two smallest sized indoor and outdoor commercial marijuana cultivation facilities in certain zones. These facilities would require Special Exception review and approval by the Zoning Board of Appeals and would require an annual Town license. Finally, to address long-held concerns over the possible impacts of chain and/or franchise restaurants on the downtown core of Camden, the Planning Board spent considerable time drafting ordinance language that would define what "formula-based" restaurants are and where they should be located. The final ordinance amendments would prohibit large chain restaurants (50 or more locations) from locating in the Downtown Business Districts and would limit their location to the B-2 zoning district, known as the Highway Business District.

In terms of Site Plan and Subdivision Review, the Planning Board did review two site plan projects this year; a parking lot expansion at 100 Mount Battie Street and exterior renovations at 58 Bayview Street, in addition to two minor subdivision amendments (Bayview Street and Pleasant Ridge) and a minor subdivision currently under review on Colcord Avenue.

The Select Board appointed two new Planning Board members this year. Matthew Siegel and Ethan Shaw bring varied interests and diverse backgrounds to the Board and we are thankful for their volunteerism. They join current members Rosie Curtis, Chair, Jeff Senders, Vice-Chair, Richard Bernhard, and alternate Mark Siegenthaler. We are currently one member short and are seeking another alternate to round out our Planning Board.

The support the Board receives from Town staff is incredibly helpful. We are staffed by Planning and Development Director, Jeremy P. Martin, Codes and Planning Assistant Jeanne Hollingsworth. Marc Ratner and Bob Falciani are Co-Select Board Liaisons to the Planning Board.

The Planning Board meets every first and third Thursday at 5:00 p.m. in the French Conference Room except in March, when the meetings are on the first and third Wednesdays. For those of you unable to attend, meetings are streamed online at <https://www.youtube.com/c/TownofCamdenMaine> and are broadcast on Cable TV channel 1303. Agendas are published on the Town website. We encourage all interested citizens to attend and share your views.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Sam Smith Chair
Jon Kuhl, Vice Chair
Deborah Chapman
Ron Vanosdol
John French
Tia Anderson, Alternate

Steve Wilson, Code Enforcement Officer
Jeanne Hollingsworth, Codes and Planning
Administrative Assistant

The Camden Zoning Board of Appeals is governed by Article VII of the Camden Zoning Ordinance. The board's duties and powers are detailed in Section 3 of Article VII. The boards primary responsibilities are to hear administrative and variance appeals, to review Special Exception permit applications and proposed changes in nonconformities in the shoreland zone, and home occupation requests that exceed specific standards, amongst other responsibilities.

This past year the Board approved a Special Exception for the new owners of the Captain Swift Inn at 72 Elm Street to construct decks and an outdoor patio area for their guests use. The approval contained specific buffering conditions to address neighbor's concerns and to mitigate possible impacts. In addition, the Board heard and approved two proposals to alter nonconforming structures in the Shoreland Zone, the first at 36 Canaan Lane and the second at 16 Aery Avenue.

Many thanks to ZBA Secretary and Codes and Planning Office Assistant, Jeanne Hollingsworth and Code Enforcement Officer Steve Wilson for their invaluable experience and in-depth knowledge. We are currently one member short and are seeking another alternate to round out the Zoning Board of Appeals

CAMDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Essential Library Services:

- People served during the year – 231,102
- Items checked out – 251,434
- Computer use – 28,799
- WiFi use – 113,457
- Number of programs for adults and attendance – 367 programs / 16,591 attended
- Number of programs for children and teens – 478 programs / 9,701 attended

Key Events this year:

- Celebrated our 90th anniversary on Main Street with a reception, flowers, and cake!
- Hosted author Rachel Slade who spoke about her book *Into the Raging Sea*, a recounting of the El Faro disaster.
- The Penobscot Bay Ringers performed in the Reading Room in a fundraising appearance.
- Partnered with the “Camden Donut Festival” which brought out 250 people to hear about the history of the donut and to sample the wares!
- Local seafaring programs were on full display during Maritime Month.
- Continued our summer Historic Walking Tours of the Amphitheatre, Harbor Park, the Great Fire District, the Village Green, and the Opera House.
- Organized our Harbor Arts and Books shows, bringing hundreds into Town to view the art and enjoy the day. These two shows are also our largest fund-raisers of the year.
- Hosted our sixth Mini Maker Faire, a hands-on event for those who “make” and those who want to learn to make.
- Attracted 92 people for our “History of the Underground Railroad in Maine” program during Discover History Month.
- Presented hundreds of programs by authors, poets, historians, artists, naturalists, travelers, gardeners, musicians, environmentalists, and health experts.
- Offered children’s story times 5 days a week, with our most popular “Book Time for Babies” bringing out an average of 70 babies and parents each week.
- Library volunteers gave more than 3,000 hours of their time, doing everything from shelving to raising over \$30,000 via our used book sales.
- Trustees, volunteers, and staff successfully worked to provide over 52% of our operating budget from sources other than Town funding.
- Rated a Five-Star Library by the Library Journal Index of Public Service – one of only 85 Five-Star libraries in the entire U.S!
- Carried out our mission to promote the essential skill of **READING**, to **CONNECT** people with their community, and to facilitate thoughtful, creative **DISCOVERY**.



MEGUNTICOOK WATERSHED

Paul Leeper, Executive Director

Megunticook Watershed Association (MWA) is devoted to environmental preservation improvement, and education. We're hard at work to improve the quality of the Megunticook Lake, Megunticook River, Norton Pond, Moody Pond and their feeder streams in Knox and Waldo counties. We also work to improve the quality and safety of swimming, boating and fishing in these waters. We strive to educate the public about the threats to these valuable resources; and train them to combat these problems.

We run the Courtesy Boat Inspection program at the Bog Bridge and Rt. 52 boat ramps on Megunticook Lake and the Breezemere ramp on Norton Pond. This voluntary watercraft inspection program is designed to prevent invasive aquatic plants like milfoil from entering our waters. We inspected over 1900 watercraft in 2018 at the three boat ramps. Through our Watershed Stewards Program, we hire area students to inspect boats and trailers at the boat ramp, conduct Invasive Plant Surveys, and monitor water quality. Water quality parameters such as clarity, dissolved oxygen, and phosphorus are collected to monitor the lake health for fish and wildlife. Our Partners in Monitoring program conducts weekly bacteria testing (May through September) at sites on Norton Pond, Megunticook Lake and River, and Hosmer Pond. This data is used to post swimming advisories at area swim beaches.

Other Activities

The Megunticook Watershed Association employs a Lake Warden who conducts safety patrols on the waters and enforces no burning regulations on Fernald's Neck and Young's Neck. Other duties that benefit the Town include: property security checks in hard-to-reach locations; setting navigation aids; monitoring activities at the swim areas and boat ramps; and working with Camden's code enforcement and tax assessor.

For more information on the MWA go to www.megunticook.org and Facebook.



Bald Mountain (Photo courtesy of Coastal Mountains Land Trust)



Protecting land for the community, forever.

COASTAL MOUNTAINS LAND TRUST

Ian Stewart, Executive Director

Coastal Mountains Land Trust is a membership-based non-profit conservation organization that has worked in the western Penobscot Bay region, including the town of Camden, since 1986 to conserve wildlife habitat, scenic landscapes, public access to natural lands, water resources, and productive forest and farmland. Thanks to community and member support, we have protected over 12,000 acres throughout our service region, which extends from Rockport to Prospect. The Land Trust also continues its active and expanding trails program inviting the public, through its Trail Guide, social media, and partnership with other organizations, to use and enjoy over 45 miles of trail.

We are expanding our family event series. This year will include our Blueberry Tales natural story hour, a pollinators walking tour, bird week events, a learn to rake blueberries farm tour, our community Free Pick and the fourth Kites & Ice Cream kite festival. All of our events are free and open to the public.

The Land Trust has completed a total of 37 conservation projects in Camden. We have protected 248 acres using conservation easements, a permanent agreement that keeps land in private ownership while protecting critical resources of the property. Coastal Mountains Land Trust also owns properties that have extraordinary conservation value, totaling including 1,128 acres in Camden. These properties are part of the network of preserves we are establishing throughout the region. Our preserves are open to the public for hiking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and other activities that do not degrade the natural and scenic features of the properties.

On Bald and Ragged Mountains, progress continues to further the vision of a four-season, 8-mile Round the Mountain trail originating from the Camden Snow Bowl. Trail work will begin in 2019. The trail will serve as an artery for an expanded systems of trails and will help convert the Camden Snow Bowl into a true four-season recreational destination.

Our office is located at 101 Mt. Battie Street in Camden, open 8:30am to 5:00pm weekdays, and we encourage those interested in our organization to stop in for a visit, call us at (207) 236-7091, or check out our website (coastalmountains.org) and register for our monthly eNews, which has news of events and programs.



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Dear Residents,

While this past year has seen a few changes in our operations we continue to strive to make the facility a friendly and safe place for you to visit and process your solid waste, household trash and recycling.

The facility has received good news and feedback about the investment made on the grout wall separating the Northern section from the Southern section of Jacobs Quarry. It's apparently working as designed, evidenced by the rising water level of the Northern section of the Quarry. A more reduced yet consistent rate of flow from the leachate generated in the Southern section of the Quarry means saving money over the life of our water management system.

The Board of Directors continually strives to find ways of reducing our waste stream. This year we are partnering with Hannaford to recycle film plastics like bubble wrap, food packaging and single use plastic bags. These items are recycled into decking and other products. The Board contracted with ScrapDogs, a newly formed local community compost company, to assist with food waste diversion. This is an important step as food waste is often greater than 20% of household trash weight. Residents may now place collected waste from home in a food compost container on site for handling. Textile diversion is made available through Apparel Impact collection bins which allow recycling of used clothing, blankets, shoes, and backpacks/ purses in good condition. This company regularly distributes the collected items to families in need in Maine and New Hampshire.

The MCSWC facility operates our recycling program through a source separated operation that is continually subject to the ups and downs of the recycling market. Products such as cardboard and #2 Plastics (Milk Jugs and Colored Detergent Bottles) are profitable commodities; each milk jug or detergent bottle is equivalent to a 5¢ bottle return in our revenue stream. Other products including newsprint, steel cans, and #1 plastic are creating revenue while mixed paper and #3-7 plastic are currently recycled at a cost. Diverting these products assists with the overall cost of household trash management; it is important to remember that we pay by the pound for trash removal, so we should recycle everything that we are able to. This is both financial and environmental stewardship, so we appreciate your participation.

The Waste Watch Committee (WWC) was formed to be an advisory committee to the public and has worked under Board direction to continually encourage and increase recycling of all sorts. The Swap Shop is a good example of how the endeavors of the WWC and volunteer helpers make available a place to drop items that can be reused and kept out of the waste stream. The WWC has a Facebook page at [midcoastwastewatch](https://www.facebook.com/midcoastwastewatch) and may be reached by email at midcoastwastewatch@gmail.com

All the employees at Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation do an excellent job of meeting and directing the public every day (well, Tuesday- Saturday, 8 am-4 pm). They assist residents with a myriad of questions and take the time to create educational experiences when applicable. Each and every employee deserves a big thank you for the integral role they play in keeping the facility in compliance with governing state agencies in the ongoing solid waste disposal needs of the communities we serve.

Respectfully, Chair Owen Casas and the entire Mid-Coast Solid Waste Team

MSAD 28/FIVE TOWN CSD REPORT

Maria Libby, Superintendent

BLAZING NEW TRAILS

This year we tried something new in all our schools this year — a Remote School Day — and it worked out well thanks to meticulous planning by teachers and administrators, as well as participation by parents and students. Students worked remotely from home on a day that would have otherwise been a snow day, enabling education to flow without interruption.

This year we have also taken a hard look at how we use time in our school system. In addition to the Remote School Day, an outcome of that analysis was two different weeks that were email free (internal only). The adults opted for old-fashioned communication by phone or in person instead of managing the daily cascade of emails. The later school start time we initiated two years ago has also proven to be an effective change. Over half of our middle and high schoolers report getting more sleep because of it.

The biggest change in the MSAD #28 district (K-8) is the new middle school project that is humming along. It is going to be an amazing school for our community, but nothing worth its salt ever comes easy! We have faced a number of construction challenges, due mainly to a significant amount of unsuitable soils on our site. This has cost money from the building contingency fund, but we are watching every penny that is being spent. We also recognize the site was not properly prepped to prevent soil erosion last fall and that resulted in unfortunate discharges of silt into the Megunticook River. The site contractor has since put a great deal of effort into erosion control and the site performed well over the winter with its many rainstorms. The building is taking shape and over the next twelve months we will watch the vision that so many in our community contributed to become a reality.

We have also been busy blazing new trails at Camden Hills (Five Town CSD) this year. The most exciting initiative we have been working on is The Hatchery, a new Innovation Center. We intend to offer courses, create a makerspace, fund innovative ideas, offer café nights, and host a speaker series. The intent is to allow students to develop their interests and learn the skills of entrepreneurship and innovation. Part of the vision for the Hatchery is for it to become a hub of innovation in our community. In addition, we have been busy working to develop an array of internships with area businesses and organizations. We are working hard to bridge the gap between the school and communities.

We recognize that next fall's tax bills will increase due to the bond for the MET renovation project, and that it will be a stretch for some families. We are carrying a lot of debt service and we have tried to keep the rest of our budget as low as possible. We appreciate the hard-earned tax dollars that every property owner of these two towns contribute to educating our young people. There is no greater gift one generation can give to another. These monumental building projects will leave a lasting legacy in our community; we thank you for your support.



RESULTS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

June 12 and 13, 2018

County of Knox

To: Randy Gagne, Constable of the Town of Camden, Maine

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Camden, required by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Camden Public Safety Building, Washington Street in said Town on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in the forenoon to 8:00 p.m. in the afternoon to vote on Articles 1 through 8 at which time the meeting will adjourn. The adjourned meeting will be reopened at the Camden Opera House Auditorium on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the remaining ARTICLES in the warrant. All of said Articles being set out below, to wit:

ARTICLE 1

Deborah Dodge was elected moderator to preside at said meeting. Mrs. Dodge led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and declared the polls open.

THE POLLS OPENED AS SOON AS ARTICLE ONE HAD BEEN ACTED UPON AND REMAINED OPEN FOR VOTING ON ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 8 BY SECRET BALLOT UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING. 1,919 TOWN BALLOTS WERE CAST.

ARTICLE 2

To elect by secret ballot

Two Select Board Members for three year terms (Select Board members shall serve as Overseers of the Poor, and Wastewater Commissioners); and

Taylor Benzie and Jenna Lookner were elected.

One Director of Maine School Administrative District #28/CSD #19 for three year terms; and

Patrick McCafferty was elected.

One member of the Personnel Board for a three year term.

Stephanie Griffin was elected.

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town of Camden, amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article III, Definitions, as follows: FOOD SERVICE: Remove the definitions of Fast Food Restaurant, Sit-down Restaurant and Take Out Food Service and replace with new definitions for Restaurant and Market?

Note: This amendment requires changes in Article III, Definitions, to address the new definitions of Food Service. The amendment also requires changes to Article VIII, District Regulations, to incorporate them as permitted commercial uses in several districts to bring this Article into conformity with the new definitions. This Article requires specific changes to districts uses, including renumbering. A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for inspection and review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

YES 1067 NO 439

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town of Camden, amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article III, Definitions, by amending the definition of CONGREGATE HOUSING to allow two unrelated/unmarried individuals to share living quarters?

Note: This definition change will allow two people, who are not related to each other by blood or marriage, to share a semi-private room in a Congregate Housing Facility. A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for inspection and review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

YES 1435 NO 214

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town of Camden amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article III, Definitions, by adding a new definition for PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY?

Note: The American's with Disability Act requires that towns allow State licensed Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities for up to eight individuals in districts where residential uses are allowed. This new definition and related amendments outline the requirements for a facility to have up to an additional four individuals. A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for inspection and review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

YES 1211

NO 384

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town of Camden amend Article VIII: Section 5: Coastal Residential District as follows: adding a new #11, to Section 5 (B), as a permitted commercial use, a Private Residential Treatment Facility, outlining two standards required for the permitting of these facilities, and amends ARTICLE VIII: Section 5 (E) Standards, by adding specific setbacks for said use?

Note: This change will, in addition to the qualifications outlined in the Definition of Private Residential Treatment Facility, allow this use as a permitted commercial use in the Coastal Residential District and provide for two standard conditions for permitting said use and adds more restrictive front and side setbacks for these facilities. This Article requires numbering changes in Article VIII, Section 5 (B). A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for inspection and review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

YES 1079

NO 419

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town of Camden, amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article XI Signs, and Section 4. Excepted Signs, to add new #12 to exempt signs for events approved by the Select Board from the Ordinance?

Note: This change will exclude signage for special events from the Sign Ordinance and give the authority for approval to the Select Board. A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for inspection and review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

YES 1184

NO 351

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town of Camden, amend all sections of Chapter VI-5 Hawking and Peddling Ordinance, including revised authority, definition, licensing, fees and penalty sections?

Note: These proposed amendments will allow the town to license mobile food trucks for town sponsored events on town property. A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for inspection and review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

YES 1417

NO 211

The following Articles (9-23) were "FLOOR" ARTICLES voted on by registered voters on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Camden Opera House.)

Moderator Deborah dodge reopened the adjourned meeting at 7:00pm. The remainder of the Warrant Articles were voted on as follows:

ARTICLE 9

The Town voted to set October 17 or the next regular business day thereafter, and April 17 or the next regular business day thereafter, as due dates for taxes and to fix the rate of interest on unpaid taxes at 7% per year?

ARTICLE 10

The Town voted to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept grants, gifts, real estate and other funds, including trust funds, that may be given or left to the Town?

ARTICLE 11

The Town voted to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property in any manner which the Select Board deems in the best interest of the Town of Camden, except that the Apollo Tannery property as described in Book 3148 Pages 278 and 280, excluding the fee interest in the land burdened by the Coastal Mountains Land Trust Declaration recorded in Book 4093 Page 81, shall be disposed of subject to the requirements of ARTICLE 10 of the Town Warrant from the Annual Town Meeting held on June 10, 2008, and nd also the Apollo Tannery property can only be disposed of by a vote of Town Meeting?

ARTICLE 12

The Town voted to authorize the Select Board to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended; and further authorize the Town Manager to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended, which has a market value of less than three thousand dollars?

ARTICLE 13

The Town voted to authorize the Select Board, following a public hearing, to transfer an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the unexpended balances from any budgetary category to another budgetary category of the annual budget, subject to the limitations contained in this ARTICLE, during the period from April 1 to the date of the annual town meeting in June? The transfer of unexpended balances from various budgetary categories shall not increase the expenditure in any budgetary category by an amount which exceeds two-twelfths (2/12) of the budgeted amount approved for that budgetary category by the annual town meeting?

ARTICLE 14

The Town voted to authorize the Select Board to undertake a Capital Improvement Project consisting of upgrades and repairs to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Washington Street and Norumbega Drive Pump Stations and replacement of the force sewer main from Sea Street pump station, including design work, transaction costs, and other reasonably related costs to the Project and appropriate the sum of \$13,900,000 to be bonded?

The Town of Camden Select Board recommended a Yes vote on ARTICLE 14.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Town Indebtedness as of June 30, 2017

Bonds outstanding and unpaid:		\$12,024,542
	\$4,342,191	
County	\$298,605	
Schools	\$7,383,746	
Bonds Authorized and Unissued:		\$0.00
Bonds to be Issued if this ARTICLE is Approved:		\$13,900,000
Total Indebtedness:		

Cost of the Bonds

At an estimated interest rate of a range between 1.8% to 3.0% for a term of thirty (30) years, the estimated costs of issue the bonds will be:

Principal	\$13,900,000
	\$7,197,066
Total Debt	\$21,097,066

The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the estimate of the cost of the bonds. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue

varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the obligation is not affected by reason of the variance.

Jodi Hanson, Deputy Treasurer
Town of Camden

ARTICLE 15The Town voted to authorize the Select Board to undertake a Capital Improvement Project consisting of repairs to the Seabright Dam and replacing stormwater infrastructure on Bay View Street, including design work, transactions costs, and other reasonably related to the Project and appropriate the sum of \$310,000 to be bonded?

The Town of Camden Select Board recommended a Yes vote on ARTICLE 15.

The Town of Camden Budget Committee recommended a “Yes” vote on ARTICLE 15

**TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
TREASURER’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness as of June 30, 2017

Bonds outstanding and unpaid:			\$12,024,542
Municipal			
Schools	\$7,383,746		\$0.00

Total Indebtedness:

Cost of the Bonds

At an estimated interest rate of a range between 1.8% to 3.0% for a term of ten (10) years, the estimated costs of issue the bonds will be:

Principal
<u>Estimated Interest</u>

The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the estimate of the cost of the bonds. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the obligation is not affected by reason of the variance.

Jodi Hanson, Deputy Treasurer
Town of Camden

ARTICLE 16

The Town voted **not** to approve a Discontinuance Order approved by the Select Board after Public Hearing on February 20, 2018 for a portion of Arey Avenue which abuts the northwesterly bound of the Eaton Avenue public right of way, which said portion of Arey Avenue proposed to be discontinued is surrounded by privately owned property of CTCA, LLC, as depicted on Camden Tax Map 124 Lots 70, 71, and 72; and no damages shall be paid, as CTCA, LLC has waived any claim to damages resulting from said discontinuance, and a public easement shall not be retained.

NOTE: See a full copy of Discontinuance Order approved by the Select Board which includes a full description of the portion of Arey Avenue in question along with a survey sketch as prepared by Gartley and Dorsky Engineering, as located at the Town Clerk's office and available for inspection during regular business hours.

ARTICLE 17

The Town voted to appropriate \$310,000 of Tax Increment Financing revenues collected from the Downtown TIF District to partially offset the cost of pedestrian improvements along Main and Elm Streets,

the lease of parking lots at Knox Mill and Knowlton Street, and engineering work for the boardwalk at the Public Landing?

ARTICLE 18

The Town voted to appropriate \$3,120,658 from non-property tax revenue sources to be used in reducing the property tax commitment for the expenditures in the following Article for the 2018-2019 fiscal year?

The Budget Committee and Select Board both recommend.

ARTICLE 19

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, net of non-property tax revenues, for the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget for the following purposes, or act thereon:

	<u>Budget Committee Recommends</u>	<u>Select Board Recommends</u>
A. GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$1,896,455	\$1,902,955
B. PUBLIC SAFETY	\$2,379,931	\$2,379,931
C. HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES	\$1,535,000	\$1,545,000
D. HEALTH & WELFARE	\$ 30,200	\$ 30,200
E. LEISURE SERVICES	\$1,078,155	\$1,084,655
F. CEMETERIES	\$ 102,800	\$ 102,800
G. DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY	<u>\$1,924,550</u>	<u>\$1,964,550</u>
Total Proposed Expenditures A through G:	\$8,947,091	\$9,010,091

The town voted to approve the Select Board's recommended amounts for Expenditure Lines A-G above for a total of \$9,010,091.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established by State law to cover the municipal budget approved by all the preceding Articles, if necessary.

The Article was did not required a vote.

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town vote to elect one person to serve on the Board of Trustees of the W. H. Pascal Fund for a term of three years?

David Dickey was elected.

ARTICLE 22

- A. The town elected nine members for three year terms (each term expires in 2021) to serve on the Budget Committee. *Names suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee are:*

Drew Lyman	Robin McIntosh	Richard Householder
Carl Chadwick	Lars Johnson	Lisa Dresser
Robert Fillnow	James Heard	Wyatt McConnell-floor nomination

- B. The town voted to elect two members for a two year term to expire in 2020 to serve on the Budget Committee.

Mark Haskell and Ethan Yankura were and elected.

ARTICLE 23

To elected three regular members and one alternate member (leaving one vacancy) to serve as a Budget Committee Nominating Committee for a one year term expiring in June 2019.

**John French, Parker Laite, Jr., and Etienne Perret-Regular Members
Deborah Dodge-Alternate member
Vacant-Alternate member**

76 Registered voters attended the Annual Town Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

**RESULTS
TOWN OF CAMDEN
MSAD 28 BUDGET REFERENDUM
JUNE 12, 2018**

ARTICLE 1: Do you favor approving the Five Town community school District budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest District budget meeting?

1394 YES VOTES 416 NO VOTES

Total Ballots Cast: 1886

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

**RESULTS
TOWN OF CAMDEN
CSD #19 BUDGET REFERENDUM
JUNE 12, 2018**

ARTICLE 1: Do you favor approving the Five Town community school District budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest District budget meeting?

1428 YES VOTES 373 NO VOTES

Total Ballots Cast: 1890

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

RESULTS
TOWN OF CAMDEN
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING REFERENDUM
Tuesday, November 6, 2018

ARTICLE 1: Deborah Dodge was elected Moderator for the meeting.

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town of Camden vote to amend Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII Section 7 Traditional Village District to allow the town to facilitate the re-use of the Mary E. Taylor School Building by allowing commercial uses currently permitted in a nearby business district in “publicly-owned public schools in use as of 2018”, subject to approval of the Zoning Board of Appeals?

2,233	YES VOTES	890	NO VOTES
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ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town of Camden vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article X Performance Standards Part II Section 4 regarding Off-Street Parking to change parking requirements for Congregate Living Facilities, housing for the elderly, and multi-family residential units in three downtown business districts by reducing the parking spaces required from two to one per unit?

1,750	YES VOTES	1,254	NO VOTES
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ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town of Camden vote to amend the Town of Camden Charter, Article I, Section 4(a) to allow the second day of town meeting to occur within 7 days of the date of elections and secret ballot voting?

2,270	YES VOTES	636	NO VOTES
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ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town of Camden vote to amend the Town of Camden Charter, Article V, Section 4 to remove the required fixed amount of compensation from the Charter and have the Wastewater Commissioner’s compensation established by vote at annual town meeting?

1,969	YES VOTES	899	NO VOTES
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ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town of Camden vote to amend the Town of Camden Charter, Article VI, Section 13(e) to reduce each Planning Board Member’s appointed term from five years to three years?

2,381	YES VOTES	398	NO VOTES
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ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town of Camden vote to amend the Town of Camden Charter, Article VII, Section 13(2)(a)(1) to reduce the number of qualified voter signatures required from seventy-five to twenty-five for nominations for an elected position by petition?

1,132	YES VOTES	1,559	NO VOTES
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ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town of Camden vote to amend Chapter VI Miscellaneous Ordinances, to add a new ordinance, Prohibition on Polystyrene Containers, which will ban all retailers in Camden from serving or selling all prepared food in polystyrene foam containers and the Town of Camden from using polystyrene foam containers at any Town or Town Department event.

2,176**YES VOTES****635****NO VOTES****TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 3,195**

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

RESULTS
TOWN OF CAMDEN
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
CITIZENS REFERENDUM
Tuesday, November 6, 2018

ARTICLE 1 – CITIZENS PETITION

Shall the Town vote to adopt the proposed ordinance as drafted below:

Proposed Ordinance – Ban Plastic/fee paper

24 Aug 2018

Single-Use Bag Ordinance

Purpose: It is in the best interest of the citizens and visitors of Camden to protect the environment and natural resources of Maine and our Penobscot Bay region by encouraging the use of re-usable bags and discouraging the use of disposable single-use carry out bags. The town through its policies, programs and laws supports efforts to reduce the amount of litter and waste that must be disposed of by supporting the State waste management hierarchy to reduce, reuse, and recycle. The intent is also to reduce the environmental impact of the manufacture and transportation of single-use bags.

Definitions

As used in this ordinance, the following terms have the following meanings:

Single-Use Carryout Bag means a bag other than a Reusable Bag, as defined below, provided at the check stand, cash register, point of sale or other point of departure for the purpose of transporting food or merchandise out of the Retail establishment. The term Single-use Carryout Bag includes plastic, compostable and biodegradable bags, paper bags, but does not include Reusable bags, Dry cleaning bags, Produce bags, Product bags provided by pharmacists to contain prescription drugs.

Reusable Bag means a bag that meets the following criteria:

- (a) Designed and manufactured to withstand repeated uses over a period of time
- (b) Is machine washable or made from a material that can be cleaned and disinfected regularly
- (c) Has a minimum lifetime of 75 uses;
- (d) Is at least four mils thick, if made from plastic; and
- (e) Has the capability of carrying a minimum of 18 pounds

Product Bag or Produce Bag means any bag without handles used exclusively to carry produce, meats or other food items or merchandise to the point of sale inside a store or to prevent such items from coming in direct contact with other purchased items.

Retail Establishment means any business of any size which sells goods directly to the public.

Store means any of the following Retail Establishments, excluding restaurants, located within the town of Camden selling a variety of staple foodstuffs (e.g., dairy, meat, produce, and other perishable or nonperishable food items) located in a permanent building operating year round including but not limited to supermarkets, convenience stores, food marts, drug stores, grocery stores.

Single-Use Carryout Bags

- A. Prohibition. Except as provided in this section, no Retail Establishment as defined above shall provide a single-use carryout plastic bag to a customer at the check stand, cash register or point of sale or other point of departure for the purposes of transporting food or merchandise out of the establishment.

- B. A Store may make available for sale to a customer a single-use carryout paper, compostable or biodegradable bag for a mandatory, uniform charge of ten cents (\$.10) per bag.
- All monies collected by a Store for the sale of single-use carryout bags under this section may be used by the store for any lawful purpose.
 - All Stores must post signage clearly indicating the per bag charge for paper, compostable or biodegradable single-use carry out bags.
 - Notwithstanding this section, no Store may make available for sale a paper, compostable or biodegradable single-use carry out bag unless the amount of the sale of the single-use carry out bag is separately itemized on the sale receipt.
 - No Store shall rebate or otherwise reimburse a customer any portion of the charge required in subsection (b).

Permitted Bags

Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit customers from using bags of any type that customers bring to the store for their own use or from carrying away from the store goods that are not placed in a bag provided by the store.

Violations and Enforcements

The Town Police Department or their designee shall have the primary responsibility for enforcement of this ordinance. If the Town Police Department or its designee(s) determine that a violation of this ordinance has occurred, a written warning notice will be issued to the store that the violation has occurred. Subsequent violations of this ordinance shall be subject to the penalties as set forth below.

Violations of this ordinance shall be punishable as follows:

- A fine not exceeding \$100 for the first violation after a warning in a one year period;
- A fine not exceeding \$250 for the second and each subsequent violation in a one year period.
- Reimbursement of the town's legal fees and costs for prosecution of each violation.

2,145 YES VOTES

1,050 NO VOTES

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST:3,195

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

**RESULTS
TOWN OF CAMDEN
MSAD 28 BUDGET REFERENDUM
November 6, 2018**

Question 1: Do you favor authorizing the School Board of Maine School Administrative District No. 28 ("the District") to issue bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed \$4,897,897 to renovate, improve, and equip the Mary E. Taylor building in order to preserve and re-purpose that building for multipurpose use, as described below, which bonds would be in addition to the \$25,200,000 in bonds already issued for the new middle school project; and to modify the currently authorized new middle school project, as described below?

Note: The currently authorized new middle school project includes demolition of the Mary E. Taylor ("MET") building to accommodate a portion of the athletic fields for that project. If this Question is approved, the School Board would (i) modify the currently authorized new middle school project to keep the MET building intact; and (ii) renovate and repurpose the MET building for multi-purpose use, as a separate project from the middle school project. Multi-purpose use would potentially include community, school, municipal, non-profit, and/or business purposes.

1,894 YES VOTES

1,271 NO VOTES

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 3,165

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

**RESULTS TOWN OF CAMDEN
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Tuesday, December 18, 2018**

On December 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm, Deputy Town Clerk Liz Knauer called the Town Meeting to order. The Warrant and return was read, and the voters proceeded to act on the warrant articles as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Town elected Deborah Dodge as Moderator of this meeting.

Twenty-six registered voters acted on the remaining warrant articles as follows:

ARTICLE 2

The Town authorized the Select Board to enter into a Lease with Option to Purchase Agreement, the specific terms of which shall be negotiated by the Town Manager with Select Board approval, so as to Lease and eventually Purchase a certain real property presently used as 51 parking spaces located at 4 Knowlton Street as depicted on Tax Map 120 Lot 47 on the Camden Tax Maps, and a portion of the "Knox Mill" parking lot, as depicted on Tax Map 120 Lot 87 on the Camden Tax Maps, which is also a portion of that certain property owned by Knox Mill Holdings, LLC, as described in a deed recorded in Book 5245 Page 3 of the Knox County Registry of Deeds, said premises and existing uses are described in a certain License Agreement dated June 14, 2018 by and between the Town and said Knox Mill Holdings, LLC ; provided however, the total Lease and Purchase Price Payments shall not exceed 174 consecutive monthly payments of \$5,000, and at the end of said term, merchantable title shall be conveyed to the "Inhabitants of the Town of Camden" free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and mortgages.

Note: The existing License Agreement for said parking spaces is dated June 14, 2018, together with Exhibits A and B thereto which serve to depict the premises to be purchased, is available for inspection in the Clerk's Office during regular business hours.

ARTICLE 3

The Town defeated adopting a Moratorium Ordinance on Inland Waterway Moorings, pursuant to 30-A MRS § 4356, so as to prohibit the permitting and the installation of any new mooring, float or other device which serves to anchor or control the movement of any form of watercraft on all Inland Waterways, including but not limited to Lake Megunticook and the Megunticook River, for an initial period of 180 days, and to be extended as may need be, as provided by statute.

Note: The DRAFT "Moratorium Ordinance on Inland Waterway Moorings" is available for inspection at the Clerk's office during regular business hours.

ARTICLE 4

The Town voted to establish a Charter Commission for making recommendations for revisions for the establishment of a new Municipal Charter?

Note: The structure and main body of the current Charter was adopted over 40 years ago. While some specific amendments have been adopted since that time, there is a belief that a comprehensive Charter revision is now necessary to eliminate inconsistencies with State Law and current practices, and to best reflect current times and methods of conducting the citizens' business.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Oakes,
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

June 11 and 12, 2019

County of Knox

To: Randy Gagne, Constable of the Town of Camden, Maine

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Camden, required by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Camden Public Safety Building, Washington Street in said Town on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. in the forenoon to 8:00 p.m. in the afternoon to vote on Articles 1 through 12 at which time the meeting will adjourn. The adjourned meeting will be reopened at the Camden Opera House Auditorium on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the remaining ARTICLES in the warrant. All of said Articles being set out below, to wit:

ARTICLE 1

To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

THE POLLS WILL OPEN AS SOON AS ARTICLE ONE HAS BEEN ACTED UPON AND WILL REMAIN OPEN TO VOTE ON ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 7 BY SECRET BALLOT UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

ARTICLE 2

To elect by secret ballot

One Select Board Member for three year term (Select Board members shall serve as Overseers of the Poor, and Wastewater Commissioners); and

Two Directors of Maine School Administrative District #28/CSD #19 for three year terms; and

One member of the Personnel Board for a three year term.

Six members of the Charter Commission.

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town of Camden, amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance to permit hotels in the Traditional Village District (V) to allow food service to the general public with Special Exception approval from the Zoning Board of Appeals, as long as there is no increase in the number of seats licensed as of January 1, 2019?

Note: These amendments would authorize all Hotels in the Traditional Village District (Camden Harbour Inn, Norumbega Inn and Whitehall Inn), to serve the public as well as their guests within the limit described above. Permission to initially establish food service to the public will be granted only after review for a Special Exception by the Zoning Board of Appeals, including a public hearing where citizens can provide comments/concerns. Hotels currently grandfathered and already serving the public are not affected by this change as long as that practice continues. A copy of the proposed Amendments is available for review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Planning Board Recommends: 4-0-0

Select Board Recommends: 5-0-0

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town of Camden, amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance by defining formula-based food service establishments and to allow them only in the Highway Business District (B-2.)?

Note: These amendments would authorize the two smallest sized indoor and outdoor marijuana cultivation facilities as defined by the State. There is no part of this amendment that addresses the retail sale of marijuana.

An application to establish a marijuana cultivation facility would require Special Exception review by the Zoning Board of Appeals which includes a public hearing and a review of the Performance Standards developed to protect the general public and to mitigate potential adverse impacts on abutting properties. In addition, a Marijuana Cultivation Facility License from the Town will be required. The actual licensing procedure and enabling ordinance, yet to be enacted, will be similar to other annual municipal licensing reviews and approvals. A copy of the proposed Amendments is available for review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Planning Board Recommends: 5-0-0

Select Board recommends: 5-0-0

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town of Camden, amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance to allow small commercial marijuana cultivation facilities as Special Exceptions in certain zones?

Note: These amendments would prohibit large chain restaurants from locating in the Downtown Business Districts and limit their location to a single district, the B-2, where Camden's only Formula- Based Food Service is located. The current existing Ordinance provisions allow chain restaurants of any size to locate in any of the Districts where a Restaurant is presently a permitted use. A copy of the proposed Amendments is available for review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Planning Board Recommends: 5-0-0

Select Board Recommends: 5-0-0

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town Camden, amend Chapter VI, Miscellaneous Ordinances, by adding a new chapter "Local Food Sovereignty Ordinance"?

Note: Consistent with the Maine Food Sovereignty Act and Home Rule Authority, this ordinance amendment would allow direct transactions of locally prepared food products between the producer and the consumer without requiring State of Maine licensing or inspections of the home-based or farm- based kitchens where the food was prepared. This Ordinance is not applicable to any meat, seafood or poultry products. A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Select Board Recommends: 5-0-0

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town of Camden, amend Chapter VIII, Camden Police Ordinance, by adding a new ordinance intitled "Clean Community Ordinance"?

Note: A vote in favor amends the Camden Police Ordinance to provide for the uniform prohibition of littering in its many forms throughout the Town. A copy of the proposed Amendment is available for review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Select Board Recommends: 5-0-0

The following Articles (8-22) will be “FLOOR” ARTICLES to be voted on by registered voters on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Camden Opera House.)

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town vote to set October 16 or the next regular business day thereafter, and April 16 or the next regular business day thereafter, as due dates for taxes and to fix the rate of interest on unpaid taxes at 7% per year?

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept grants, gifts, real estate and other funds, including trust funds, that may be given or left to the Town?

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property in any manner which the Select Board deems in the best interest of the Town of Camden, except that the Select Board shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s); excluding the Apollo Tannery property as described in Book 3148 Pages 278 and 280, excluding the fee interest in the land burdened by the Coastal Mountains Land Trust Declaration recorded in Book 4093 Page 81, shall be disposed of subject to the requirements of **ARTICLE 10** of the Town Warrant from the Annual Town Meeting held on June 10, 2008, and also the Apollo Tannery property can only be disposed of by a vote of Town Meeting?

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended; and further authorize the Town Manager to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended, which has a market value of less than three thousand dollars?

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board, following a public hearing, to transfer an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the unexpended balances from any budgetary category to another budgetary category of the annual budget, subject to the limitations contained in this ARTICLE, during the period from April 1 to the date of the annual town meeting in June? The transfer of unexpended balances from various budgetary categories shall not increase the expenditure in any budgetary category by an amount which exceeds two-twelfths (2/12) of the budgeted amount approved for that budgetary category by the annual town meeting?

**TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town of Camden authorize the Select Board to undertake a Capital Improvement Project consisting of the replacement of the gate and structural support beams of the West Dam, including design work, transaction costs and other reasonably related costs to the Project and appropriate the sum of \$290,000 to be paid from the Town's Unassigned Fund Balance (Interfund Borrowing) to be paid back over the next 10-15 years?

The Town of Camden Select Board recommended a Yes vote on ARTICLE 13

The Town of Camden Budget Committee recommended a “Yes” vote on ARTICLE 13

**TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness as of June 30, 2018

Bonds outstanding and unpaid:		\$26,891,553
Municipal	\$4,343,366	
County	\$285,120	
Schools	\$22,263,067	
Bonds Authorized and Unissued:		\$0.00
Interfund Borrowing Amount if the ARTICLE is		
Approved:		\$290,000
Total Indebtedness:		\$27,181,553

Cost of the Interfund Borrowing

Principal	\$290,000.00
Estimated Interest	\$0
Total Debt	\$290,000.00

Jodi Hanson, Deputy Treasurer
Town of Camden

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town of Camden authorize the Select Board to undertake a Capital Improvement Project consisting of Pearl Street drainage, sidewalk and road repair from Park Street to John Street; all subsurface and above ground road infrastructure to be repaired, including design work, transaction costs and other reasonably related costs to the Project and appropriate the sum of \$360,000 to be paid from the Town's Unassigned Fund Balance (Interfund Borrowing) to be paid back over the next 10 years?

The Town of Camden Select Board recommended a Yes vote on ARTICLE 14

The Town of Camden Budget Committee recommended a "Yes" vote on ARTICLE 14

**TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness as of June 30, 2018

Bonds outstanding and unpaid:		\$26,891,553
Municipal	\$4,343,366	
County	\$285,120	
Schools	\$22,263,067	
Bonds Authorized and Unissued:		\$0.00
Interfund Borrowing Amount if the ARTICLE is		
Approved:		\$360,000
Total Indebtedness:		\$27,251,553

Cost of the Interfund Borrowing

Principal	\$360,000.00
Estimated Interest	\$0
Total Debt	\$360,000.00

Jodi Hanson, Deputy Treasurer
Town of Camden

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$265,000 of Tax Increment Financing revenues collected from the Downtown & Highway TIF Districts to partially offset the cost of Knowlton Street parking lot least/purchase, Route 1 South pedestrian project, sea wall restoration, Opera House repairs and Opera House auditorium and third floor repairs?

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to deposit any remaining funds received from the Municipal Review Committee, Inc. into a newly established Landfill Closure and Post Closure reserve account and to appropriate said funds for the Town's share of the MCSWC Landfill Closure and Post-Closure costs; provided, however, that the Board of Selectmen shall conduct a public hearing on the proposed expenditure of such reserve account funds prior to any expenditure of the same.

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$3,698,113 from non-property tax revenue sources to be used in reducing the property tax commitment for the expenditures in the following Article for the 2019-2020 fiscal year?

The Budget Committee and Select Board both recommend.

ARTICLE 18

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, net of non-property tax revenues, for the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget for the following purposes, or act thereon:

	<u>Budget Committee Recommends</u>	<u>Select Board Recommends</u>
A. GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$1,977,699	\$1,977,699
B. PUBLIC SAFETY	\$2,371,748	\$2,402,748
C. HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES	\$1,652,700	\$1,652,700
D. HEALTH & WELFARE	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
E. LEISURE SERVICES	\$1,133,926	\$1,133,926
F. CEMETERIES	\$ 103,800	\$ 103,800
G. DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY	\$2,375,595	\$2,437,595
Total Proposed Expenditures A through G:	\$9,640,468	\$9,733,468

ARTICLE 19

To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established by State law to cover the municipal budget approved by all the preceding Articles, if necessary.

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town vote to elect one person to serve on the Board of Trustees of the W. H. Pascal Fund for a term of three years?

ARTICLE 21

- A. To elect nine members for three year terms each terms expire in 2021 to serve on the Budget Committee. *Names suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee are:
List names if available??*

- B. To elect two members for a two year term to expire in 2020 to serve on the Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 22

To elect three regular members and two alternate members to serve as a Budget Committee Nominating Committee for a one year term expiring in June 2019.

The Select Board gives notice that the Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Camden Town Office for the purpose of accepting and correcting the voting list during regular business hours Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and at the polls Tuesday, June 11, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

You must be a Camden registered voter to vote in any election.

Given under our hands this 7th of May, 2019.

CAMDEN SELECT BOARD

Robert Falciani, Chair

Alison McKellar, Vice Chair

Marc Ratner

Jenna Lookner

Taylor Benzie

**Town of Camden FY 20 Budget
Expenditure Summary**

	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 20	FY 20
	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Actuals	Budget	Town Manager	Budget Committee	Select Board Vote
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
Administration & Finance	761,853	756,517	680,400	692,305	714,900	772,200	772,200	772,200
Professional Services	36,330	97,853	50,000	54,811	85,000	54,000	54,000	54,000
Planning, Development, Assess	269,261	261,712	378,495	323,089	427,125	463,699	463,699	463,699
Information Technology	95,046	78,572	80,700	66,192	81,180	80,400	80,400	80,400
Insurances	325,087	248,776	289,000	233,284	206,200	220,700	220,700	220,700
Opera House Town Office	80,838	77,334	122,050	79,283	100,250	92,800	92,800	92,800
Opera House Auditorium	270,713	287,053	282,650	276,200	288,300	293,900	293,900	293,900
Total - General Governmen	1,839,128	1,807,816	1,883,295	1,725,164	1,902,955	1,977,699	1,977,699	1,977,699
PUBLIC SAFETY								
Police Department	1,079,412	1,086,645	1,184,200	1,119,688	1,209,300	1,218,900	1,218,900	1,229,900
County Dispatch	126,497	127,714	131,562	131,562	143,455	152,278	152,278	152,278
Fire & Rescue Department	398,863	402,535	524,690	461,205	529,000	526,200	526,200	526,200
Public Safety Building	39,234	35,635	42,600	33,411	41,900	45,370	45,370	45,370
Hydrant Assessment	201,354	205,490	246,500	244,842	252,276	265,000	265,000	265,000
Emergency Medical Services	19,641	25,311	34,444	32,252	140,000	155,000	155,000	155,000
Emergency Operations Center	999	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
Street Lights	67,652	66,777	60,500	58,037	63,500	8,500	8,500	28,500
Total - Public Safety	1,933,652	1,950,606	2,224,996	2,081,497	2,379,931	2,371,748	2,371,748	2,402,748
HIGHWAYS STREETS & BRIDGES								
Public Works	912,765	956,588	1,035,450	1,016,247	1,082,500	1,126,700	1,126,700	1,126,700
Streets & Sidewalks	365,210	347,830	427,500	329,969	427,000	422,000	422,000	422,000
Parking Lots	801	1,125	3,500	3,740	3,500	67,000	67,000	67,000
Tree Program	35,009	25,947	28,000	28,029	32,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
Total - H'ways Sts & Bridge	1,313,786	1,331,490	1,494,450	1,377,985	1,545,000	1,652,700	1,652,700	1,652,700
HEALTH & WELFARE								
American Red Cross	2,500	0	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0	0
Broadreach	1,000	1,000	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0	0
Coastal Transportation	2,650	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
American Legion	1,500	1,500	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,500	2,500	2,500
Camden Garden Club	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	3,000	3,000
Camden Rockport Historical So	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Five Town Communities that C	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Knox County Housing Coalition			5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0	0
Merryspring, Inc.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Pen Bay YMCA's Teen Center	14,500	14,500	14,500	14,500	14,500	14,500	14,500	14,500
Total - Health & Welfare	27,150	21,000	29,200	29,200	30,200	25,000	25,000	25,000
LEISURE SERVICES								
Camden Public Library	395,000	415,000	435,000	435,000	458,000	478,000	478,000	478,000
Harbor & Landing	185,032	174,024	192,150	162,311	190,825	202,050	202,050	202,050
Recreation	159,322	154,925	150,750	136,661	149,950	160,250	160,250	160,250
Parks	217,830	185,037	261,140	187,879	264,380	262,890	262,890	262,890
Dams	2,798	1,898	24,700	11,296	21,500	30,736	30,736	30,736
Total - Leisure Services	959,982	930,883	1,063,740	933,147	1,084,655	1,133,926	1,133,926	1,133,926
CEMETERIES								
Cemetery Association	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	46,400	46,400	46,400	46,400
Cemetery Maintenance	40,882	49,895	57,700	46,726	56,400	57,400	57,400	57,400
Total - Cemeteries	80,882	89,895	97,700	86,726	102,800	103,800	103,800	103,800
DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY								
Debt Service Principal	460,640	498,340	557,228	557,591	552,488	613,489	613,489	593,489
Debt Service Interest	135,051	163,252	152,410	140,702	150,062	142,506	142,506	142,506
Capital Reserves	139,000	133,600	164,000	164,000	228,000	348,500	358,500	328,500
Capital Improvement Program	222,810	508,660	646,000	272,716	994,000	1,181,100	1,221,100	1,333,100
Contingency	8,291	127,704	40,000	15,812	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Total Debt/Capital/Conting	965,792	1,431,556	1,559,638	1,150,821	1,964,550	2,325,595	2,375,595	2,437,595
TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITUR	7,120,372	7,563,247	8,353,019	7,384,540	9,010,091	9,590,468	9,640,468	9,733,468
						6.44%	7.00%	8.03%
						<i>Change over FY 19</i>		
TOTAL TOWN REVENUES	2,131,202	2,693,313	2,504,190	2,758,405	3,120,658	3,503,613	3,543,613	3,698,113
						12.27%	13.55%	18.50%
						<i>Change over FY 19</i>		
NET GENERAL FUND BUDGET			5,848,829		5,889,433	6,086,855	6,096,855	6,035,355
						3.35%	3.52%	2.48%
						<i>Change over FY 19</i>		

**Town of Camden FY 20 Budget
Expenditure Summary**

	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 20	FY 20
	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Actuals	Budget	Town Manager	Budget Committee	Select Board Vote
ASSESSMENTS								
	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 20	FY 20
	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Actuals	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
MCSWC Assessment	202,969	208,973	215,645	215,645	217,584	235,150	235,150	235,150
TOTAL MUNICIPAL ASSMT.	202,969	208,973	215,645	215,645	217,584	235,150	235,150	235,150
						8.07%	8.07%	8.07%
						<i>Change over FY 19</i>		
	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 20	FY 20
	Actuals	Actuals	Assessment	Actuals	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
School Assessment	10,511,615	10,513,130	10,868,138	10,810,263	11,612,430	12,216,623	12,216,623	12,216,623
Knox County Assessment	1,124,041	1,196,237	1,284,567	1,284,567	1,353,374	1,392,700	1,392,700	1,392,700
TOTAL MUNICIPAL ASSMT.	11,838,625	11,918,340	12,368,350	12,310,475	13,183,388	13,844,473	13,844,473	13,844,473
						5.01%	5.01%	5.01%
						<i>Change over FY 19</i>		

**Town of Camden FY 20 Budget
Revenues**

REVENUE SOURCE		FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 20	FY 20
		Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Actuals	Budget	Town Manager	Budget Comm.	Select Board
TAXES										
90-0201	Tax Interest	34,821	34,705	41,177	34,000	43,758	38,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
90-0202	Lien Interest	5,279	6,144	10,133	9,500	14,708	8,500	10,000	10,000	10,000
90-0203	Lien Costs	5,443	4,869	6,338	5,000	7,123	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Total - Misc Taxes		45,543	45,718	57,647	48,500	65,589	52,500	56,000	56,000	56,000
STATE REVENUES										
90-0501	State Rev Sharing	179,336	170,000	183,194	172,000	182,443	172,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
90-0502	Tree Growth Reimb.	7,874	7,309	-	7,800	9,741	7,800	8,000	8,000	8,000
90-0503	Veterans Exemp Reimb.	6,242	11,333	-	6,300	5,046	6,300	6,300	6,300	6,300
90-0504	Local Road Assistance	54,140	54,696	54,464	54,500	55,220	54,500	54,500	54,500	54,500
90-0505	Snowmobile Revenue	410	377	291	400	430	400	400	400	400
90-0506	Pumpout Boat Reimb.	14,787	18,955	17,554	19,000	15,441	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000
90-0508	State Park Reimb.	8,958	6,387	8,343	8,000	14,936	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
90-0510	EMA/FEMA Reimbursement	-	56	6,518	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total - State Revenues		271,747	269,113	270,363	268,000	283,257	268,000	296,200	296,200	296,200
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES										
90-1001	Vehicle Excise Tax	917,874	982,484	1,019,323	920,000	1,051,699	980,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
90-1003	Boat Excise Tax	33,068	31,794	33,054	32,000	32,983	32,000	32,000	32,000	32,000
90-1004	Animal Control Fees	2,369	2,096	2,656	2,200	3,448	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200
90-1005	Town Clerk Fees	14,442	12,490	12,942	13,000	12,242	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
90-1006	Plumbing Fees	8,996	7,727	6,653	8,000	6,968	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
90-1007	Building Permit Fees	49,551	67,849	64,880	60,000	69,450	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
90-1008	Administrative Fees	16,660	17,494	16,326	16,000	16,236	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000
90-1009	Cable TV Franchise	71,428	71,847	74,861	71,000	78,052	71,000	55,000	55,000	55,000
90-1010	Electrical Fees	4,756	4,687	3,076	4,500	5,847	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
90-1020	Main Credit Card Interest	-	148	226	600	1,309	-	-	-	-
Total - Lic, Permits & Fees		1,119,144	1,198,614	1,233,996	1,127,300	1,278,234	1,186,700	1,190,700	1,190,700	1,190,700
CHARGES FOR SERVICES - INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS										
90-1502	Police Revenue	3,014	1,544	2,693	2,000	3,215	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
90-1503	Parking Tickets	21,350	16,816	16,605	16,000	13,456	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000
90-1504	Parks & Rec Revenue	25,879	24,068	1,788	22,000	31,350	2,500	5,000	5,000	5,000
90-1505	Parks & Rec - Mowing	5,550	5,550	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
90-1506	Summer Recreation Revenue	-	-	27,313	-	-	22,000	28,000	28,000	28,000
90-1507	Cemetery Maintenance	50,000	50,000	50,000	55,000	50,000	56,400	56,400	56,400	56,400
90-1509	Harbor Park Mowing	6,500	6,500	-	6,500	13,000	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
90-1510	MCSW Bookkeeping	7,061	11,945	6,269	10,046	12,930	10,046	12,000	12,000	12,000
90-1601	Opera House Rentals	72,898	48,378	106,870	80,000	64,297	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
90-2010	Rkpt. Asst. Assessor Reimb.	-	-	-	11,560	11,873	15,012	17,093	17,093	17,093
90-1701	Harbor Permits	183,423	188,593	82,490	180,000	86,920	195,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
90-1702	Wait List Fees	-	-	4,509	-	5,075	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
90-1703	Wait/Late Fees	-	-	1,250	-	350	-	-	-	-
90-1704	Harbor Dockage/Misc	63,101	59,575	58,666	70,000	76,749	80,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
90-1705	Permits/Inner Harbor	-	-	27,580	-	26,650	-	27,500	27,500	27,500
90-1706	Permits/Finger Floats	-	-	23,371	-	26,015	-	31,000	31,000	31,000
90-1707	Permits/Late Fees	-	-	2,245	-	2,120	-	2,000	2,000	2,000
90-1708	Permits/Dinghy	-	-	15,940	-	14,256	-	15,000	15,000	15,000
90-1709	Permits/Daysailer	-	-	19,900	-	21,805	-	21,000	21,000	21,000
90-1710	Permits/Windjammer	-	-	22,150	-	23,085	-	23,000	23,000	23,000
90-1711	Permits/Fisherman & Parking	-	-	4,125	-	3,625	-	3,500	3,500	3,500
				<u>262,225</u>			<u>286,650</u>			
90-1719	Terrain Park Mgr Wage Reimb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
90-1720	Credit Card Interest	-	-	141	-	513	-	-	-	-
Total - Income from Departments		438,776	412,969	473,905	458,106	491,771	460,458	505,993	505,993	505,993
90-1802	Miscellaneous Police Revenue	-	-	335	-	-	-	-	-	-
90-1810	Rockport Reimbursement (Police Chief)	-	-	41,836	58,000	57,962	60,000	58,620	58,620	58,620
Total - Chgs for Services		-	-	42,171	58,000	57,962	60,000	58,620	58,620	58,620

**Town of Camden FY 20 Budget
Revenues**

REVENUE SOURCE		FY 15 Actuals	FY 16 Actuals	FY 17 Actuals	FY 18 Budget	FY 18 Actuals	FY 19 Budget	FY 20 Town Manager	FY 20 Budget Comm.	FY 20 Select Board
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES										
90-2001	Interest Earned-Checking	3,086	3,850	45,785	5,000	54,733	5,000	35,000	35,000	50,000
90-2002	Yacht Club Lease	21,078	21,247	21,714	21,500	22,213	21,500	21,500	21,500	21,500
90-2003	Public Landing Leases	3,294	3,384	1,978	3,000	2,077	3,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
90-2004	Other Revenue/Misc.	3,437	3,031	202	3,500	59,614	3,500	3,000	3,000	3,000
90-2005	Sale of Surplus Equip/property	-	5,383	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
90-2006	Town of Rockport WW Bond	13,864	13,812	13,218	13,707	13,707	13,000	13,600	13,600	13,600
90-2008	Insurance Dividends	1,000	4,080	32,333	2,500	3,248	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Total - Misc		45,759	54,787	115,230	49,207	155,592	48,500	77,600	77,600	92,600
OPERATING TRANSFERS										
90-30-01	Trust Fund Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,500	20,500	-
90-30-02	Reserve Withdrawals	-	-	-	69,077	-	75,500	88,000	88,000	88,000
Total - Transfers		-	-	-	69,077	-	75,500	108,500	108,500	88,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES										
90-40-01	Bond/Note Proceeds	-	-	500,000	408,000	408,000	509,000	-	-	160,000
90-40-02	Surplus	150,000	150,000	-	-	-	150,000	945,000	985,000	985,000
90-40-05	Use of TIF Revenue	-	-	-	18,000	18,000	310,000	265,000	265,000	265,000
Subtotal - Other		150,000	150,000	500,000	426,000	426,000	969,000	1,210,000	1,250,000	1,410,000
TOTAL -MISC. TOWN REVENUES		2,070,969	2,131,202	2,693,313	2,504,190	2,758,405	3,120,658	3,503,613	3,543,613	3,698,113
								12.27%	13.55%	18.50%

Change over FY 19

90-30-02 Reserve Withdrawals Includes:

\$20,000 TIF Reserve for Route 1 South Pedestrian Project
\$50,000 OH Reserves
\$18,000 IT Reserve for Assessing Software Upgrade
\$88,000 TOTAL

90-40-02 Surplus:

\$150,000 Tax Relief
\$360,000 Interfund Borrowing - Loan for Pearl Street Project. Will be paid back to Town over Next 10 years
\$290,000 Interfund Borrowing - Loan for West Dam. Will be paid back to Town over next 10-15 years.
Lincolnvill to pay 1/3 of the cost @ \$97,000
\$50,000 Off-set Float Replacement
\$65,000 Off-set RMRA Access Road
\$40,000 Library Reserve
\$30,000 Off-set Habitat Restoration
\$985,000 TOTAL

90-40-05 Use of TIF

\$65,000 TIF Parking Lot Lease/Purchase
\$15,000 Route 1 South Pedestrian Project
\$75,000 Sea Wall Restoration
\$80,000 OH Repairs
\$30,000 OH Auditorium & Third Floor
\$265,000 TOTAL

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CAMDEN TOWN OFFICE

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Telephone: 236-3353

Fax Number: 236-7956

Closed all Legal Holidays and Weekends

Website Address: www.camdenmaine.gov

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Fire Department (non-emergency)	www.camdenmaine.gov/fire	236-7950
Police Department (non-emergency)	www.camdenmaine.gov/police	236-7967
Public Works/Highway Department	www.camdenmaine.gov/publicworks	236-7954
Harbormaster's Office	www.camdenmaine.gov/harbor	236-7969
Parks & Recreation/Camden Snow Bowl	www.camdensnowbowl.com	236-3438
Camden Opera House	www.camdenoperahouse.com	236-7963
Wastewater Department		236-7955
Knox County Dispatch		236-3030

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire, Police and Ambulance	911
Maine State Police	1-800-452-4664
Knox County Sheriff's Office	1-800-337-0565
Poison Control Center	1-800-442-6305
Pen Bay Medical Center	596-8000
North East Mobile Health Services (Ambulance)	230-0082

REFERENCE NUMBERS

Maine Water, Inc.. (Water Company)	282-1543
Camden Post Office	236-3570
Camden Public Library	236-3440
Superintendent's Office	236-3358
Camden Hills Regional High School	236-7800
Camden Rockport Middle School	236-7805
Camden Rockport Elementary School	236-7807/7809
Teen Center	230-0866

MIDCOAST SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION

Tuesday – Saturday 8:00 am – 4:00 p.m.

Telephone: 236-7958

Closed Sunday and Monday

PENOBSCOT BAY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2 Public Landing

236-4404

Website Address: www.camdenrockland.com

