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Town of Farmington



Annual Town Report
2019



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VIEW OF
Hill Looking South



BIRDS EYE
From Powder House

FARMINGTON,
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**A Heartfelt Thank You
to the
Farmington Community**

Events periodically occur close to home and around the world during our lifetimes that impress upon us the commonality of humankind as well as the uniqueness of our experiences as individuals. The explosion that happened here in our small town on September 16, 2019 reminded us of how connected we all are and how much we depend on each other. The loss of life and injury to people known and loved was a shock that still resonates, and we will all be forever changed.

The generous outpouring of community support and giving through donated meals, gifts, and fund-raising efforts to help the family of Captain Michael Bell, the affected firefighter families, displaced residents, and Larry Lord and his family has been sincerely appreciated. We have all been comforted and assisted by residents, family members, friends, and strangers, from Maine and beyond, with their remarkable expressions of compassion.

The Town of Farmington, its citizens, and the greater regional community are truly grateful and thankful to these individuals who responded, volunteered, donated, and gave what they could to help everyone cope with this event.

MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

Municipal Building Address:

153 Farmington Falls Road, Farmington, Maine 04938

Town Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Phone: (207) 778-6538 FAX: (207) 778-5871 TTY: (207) 778-5873

Website: www.farmington-maine.org

Recycling Facility/Transfer Station Hours:

Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

ALL EMERGENCY CALLS

9-1-1

POLICE (ALL OTHER BUSINESS)	778-6311
POLICE (IF NO ANSWER)	778-2680
FIRE (ALL OTHER BUSINESS)	778-3235
TTY-TDD (EMERGENCY CALLS)	9-1-1
FRANKLIN CTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR	778-5892
TOWN MANAGER	778-6538
TREASURER/TOWN CLERK	778-6539
ASSESSOR/JOHN E. O'DONNELL & ASSOC., INC.	778-6530
VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS	778-6539
TAX/SEWER INQUIRIES	778-6539
CODE ENFORCEMENT	778-5874
RECYCLING FACILITY / TRANSFER STATION	778-3525
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR	778-2191
TOWN GARAGE	778-5875
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY	778-4712
PARKS & RECREATION	778-3464
TDD/TTY TELEPHONE (NON-EMERGENCY)	778-5873
PUBLIC LIBRARY	778-4312
FRANKLIN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	778-6031
FRANKLIN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER	778-2638
FARMINGTON WATER COMPANY	778-4777
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	446-0739

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FARMINGTON, MAINE

ANNUAL REPORT



FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 2019

DEDICATION

**It is with sincere appreciation that we dedicate the
2019 Annual Town Report to**

Governor Janet T. Mills



Janet was born and raised in Farmington where she still proudly lives today. She is the granddaughter of Aroostook County potato farmers and a Hancock County stonecutter, and the daughter of a long-time high school English teacher and the U.S. Attorney for Maine.

Janet learned the value of hard work at an early age, venturing out early every morning to deliver newspapers along her route and serving meals in the evening at the local diner. She graduated from Farmington High School, the University of Massachusetts at Boston, and the University of Maine School of Law.

Janet first entered public service as an Assistant Attorney General, where she prosecuted homicides and other major crimes. After a few years, she was elected District Attorney for Franklin, Androscoggin and Oxford Counties, making her the first woman to be elected as a DA in New England. On January 2, 2019 she was sworn in as the 75th Governor of Maine.

**The citizens of Farmington thank you for dedicating both your
personal and professional life to the betterment of the
community and state.**

IN MEMORIAM

The following served with distinction on Town committees or as employees.

Frederick O. Smith, II

07/17/1934 – 01/22/2019



Fred was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts and was a graduate of Bowdoin College as well as having received a Master of Arts in Political Science from the University of Vermont. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy having served as Lt. Commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve. Fred served on numerous Republican Committees at the local, state, and national level. He received the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award from *Marquis Who's Who*. Fred was a member of the New Vineyard Fire Department, Old South Congregational Church, Farmington Rotary Club, Farmington Elks Lodge, Kora Temple Shrine, American Legion, Farmington Downtown Association and Maine Masonic Lodge AF and AM #20, to name a few. He served on the Farmington Budget Committee for 10 years and the Zoning Board for 14 years.

Lynn R. Chassie

09/29/1942 – 05/01/2019



Lynn was born in Cohoes, New York and moved to Farmington as a young boy. He graduated from Farmington High School in 1960 where he played football, basketball, and baseball. Lynn entered the U.S. Marines at the age of 17 and served until 1964. He graduated from the University of Maine at Fort Kent in 1969 with a teaching certificate. Lynn taught in Allagash for two years before returning to Farmington and teaching math at Livermore Falls Junior High School for three years. He started his own logging business buying and selling land in and around Franklin County out of his "office" in the Farmington Diner. Lynn served on the SAD #9 School Board for five years and was actively involved with youth sports teams and high school sports. He was a member of the American Legion and Farmington Elks Lodge. Lynn loved to fly fish and would design many of his own flies and sell them to L.L. Bean. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren teaching them the love of the Maine outdoors.

Willard A. Hatch**04/25/1944 – 08/12/2019**

Willard was born in Snowflake, Arizona. After graduating from Snowflake Union High School in 1962, he attended Arizona State University (ASU). From 1963-1965 he served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in New England. He returned to graduate from ASU in 1969 with a B.S. Willard and his family moved to Maine in 1972, and he and his wife started Hatch Homes, building over 100 modulars in Franklin County. In 1982, they took over the family's business, Palmer Realty, and he worked for the rest of his life as a Realtor. Willard served on the Town's Budget Committee and was devoted to serving his faith and those who needed help. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and rooting against the Red Sox, and was known for having candy in his pockets and flamboyant Jerry Garcia ties.

Michael A. Bell**09/30/1950 – 09/16/2019**

Michael was born in Farmington and graduated from Farmington High School in 1968 and briefly attended both UMF and UMA. He served on the Mexico Fire Department and various committees during the early 1980s before returning to Farmington in 1989. Michael joined the Farmington Fire Department as a volunteer, working his way up to Captain and was employed on a per diem basis in more recent years. He was a long-time member of the Maine State Federation of Firefighters. Michael served on the Farmington Planning Board for nine years, Zoning Board for five years, Parking Ordinance Committee for nineteen years, and the Budget and Soil Erosion Committees.

Leo J. Bouchard, Jr.**09/02/1964 – 11/2/2019**

Leo was born in Skowhegan and graduated from Madison High School in 1982. He attended Kennebec Valley Community College to complete a course in carpentry. Leo also worked part-time for eight years doing cemetery maintenance for the Town of Farmington.

FARMINGTON'S 225TH ANNIVERSARY

1794 - 2019

Written by Richard Mallett for the 1993 Annual Town Report to commemorate Farmington's Bicentennial

The Act of Incorporation was signed by the Governor on February 1, 1794 and the town meeting followed on April 7th. Apparently, a great deal of business had piled up because before the year was over there were to be four town meetings.

In 1794, who were the movers and shakers? The older and settled communities of New England were run by clergy, well-to-do merchants and lawyers. Although the Sandy River Township had 494 residents in the census of 1790 (the first in U.S. history), and about 600 by 1794, there was no settled minister here, no well-to-do merchants and no lawyers. Community leaders were farmers, some of whom had the capital and skills to build the all-important grist, fulling, and sawmills. The early town warrants stipulated that those eligible to vote were "male inhabitants of Farmington of twenty-one years of age and upwards, having a freehold estate within the Commonwealth with an annual income of three pounds". Despite the 600 residents, there was no discernible village. The greatest concentration of population was in Farmington Falls, but even there the traditional signs of a village were missing.

By 1793, many in the area had a strong desire to organize a town. In their petition to the General Court, a.k.a. Massachusetts Legislature, the town promoters pointed out that "they were destitute of the benefits of regulations". But the Sandy River residents wanted more than regulations. They wanted to be able to go more easily from one place to another. Three sections of the township needed bridges and all sections needed better roads. Informal conferences in planning for bridges and improved roads were not enough. These were matters for the eligible male voters to consider in a town meeting.

Throughout the colonial period, towns in Massachusetts had a tendency to fragment. In the latter part of 1793, it looked as though the Sandy River Lower Township might break apart. Under the leadership of Jotham Sewall of Chesterville, many who lived in Farmington Falls and Chesterville, decided to join together to form a town called Parkeford. This was after inhabitants of our township had

petitioned the Massachusetts legislature to incorporate a new town of Farmington (named by Col. Ezekiel Porter) with boundaries as surveyed by Joseph North in 1780. Later he had the assistance of Solomon Adams, with the town lines much as they are today.

The Massachusetts Senate reviewed Farmington's petition and passed a bill that accepted the Joseph North boundaries. Soon after this and before the House had signed off with a concurrence, the Hotham Sewall petition arrived. It was decided in the House to disregard the Sewall petition and go along with the Senate vote. By the time the Governor signed the bill, many who had favored the town of Parkeford had changed their minds and were willing to live with the old boundaries of the Sandy River Lower Township.

The first official town meeting was called for April 7, 1794 at "ten of the clock in the forenoon". Dr. Thomas Flint offered his house for the occasion at a site now identified as 138 Main, known as Colonial Adjustment. Some eighty citizens were jammed into the modest-sized house. Many in attendance had come a long distance, especially in considering the condition of the roads.

The first meeting was apparently confined to the election of officers and there were only preliminary discussions about roads, bridges and education. A committee was appointed to mark off the area into school districts. There was no parking problem, nor any agonizing over the high cost of sewerage. The problems of early Farmington had more in common with the Middle Ages than the present day.

The town warrant in 1794 called for the election of seventeen kinds of local officers and before nightfall, thirty-two citizens were voted into office. Eisenhower's 20th century dictum that "politics should be the part time profession of every citizen" was approached in the earliest days of our history.

Farmington citizens, at their first meeting, not only voted for a moderator (Solomon Adams), clerk (Supply Belcher), and selectmen (Peter Corbett, Col. Ezekiel Porter and Enoch Craig), but they also cast ballots for treasurer, constable, collector, surveyors of lumber, surveyors of highways, wardens, sealers of leather, fence viewers, field drivers, hog reeves and pound keeper. Such officers dated back to medieval life in rural England.

In 1794, sealers of leather checked on tanneries and producers of leather to assure the public that local leather products conformed to

an approved standard. Field drivers, hog reeves and pound keepers were entrusted with the care of stray animals. The pound was built according to agreed-upon dimensions, and wandering animals were either pushed or carried into it. Fence viewers supervised the repair and construction of fences and tried to settle disputes about maintaining fences. Frequently they spent time in building stone fences. Some of their handiwork is probably still standing.

Two tithingmen were elected and their responsibilities were unique. They were supposed to maintain order in the church service and prevent worshippers from falling asleep. Because the meetinghouse would not be constructed until 1803, their responsibilities were anticipatory rather than immediately urgent. In early Farmington the Sabbath was guarded by Church Brainerd, a longtime trustee of the Academy, and Moses Chandler, a respected veteran of the Revolutionary War having served first at Bunker Hill.

Before 1794 was over, the town had had four town meetings. The second meeting came six weeks after the first one, and at this meeting, three hundred pounds were allotted for road construction. There was not that much money available but much of this sum can be translated into service on the road. That was the way taxes were paid. There was no bridge across the Sandy until 1808, but in the earliest years of the town, Moses Starling, first postmaster, built a bridge across a mill stream in return for a hundred and fifty bushels of wheat.

When William Allen Jr. was twelve years old, he came in 1792 with his family from Martha's Vineyard to a farm in northern Farmington. His arrival in this vicinity was some eighteen months before the first town meeting. This is what he wrote in his journal; "When I first saw the plat on which it (Farmington village) is built it was covered with spruce and hemlock trees; a few acres had been felled along the margin and had been burnt over, and black logs laid on the ground; the fire had run through the standing trees as far as could be seen...a more forbidding sight and prospect could not be imagined".

In 1866 William Allen Jr., now 86 years old, addressed the Maine Historical Society and this is what he said: "It (Farmington Village) is now the pleasantest village in the state containing a hundred neatly painted and finished dwellings, a court house and other county buildings, and a large edifice for the State Normal School, three brick churches and affairs of place controlled by a vigilant and incorporated village government".

Years ago, after the Parthenon and other buildings had been completed, a Greek historian wrote about those with vision: "But the bravest are surely those who have the clearest vision of what is before them, glory and danger alike, and yet notwithstanding go out to meet it".

"Go out to meet it", the danger and the glory is exactly what our founding fathers did. They demonstrated without doubt the ability to implement a vision. Today we can all take solace in this fact. Their vision of Farmington as a community had persevered and survived all challengers. The evidence of planning, organized or not, is contained in the written history of their town meeting.

As we begin our 200th celebration, we must realize that life has become more complicated, our environment more delicate, and our planning necessarily more crucial if we are to assure the vision of our founding fathers will continue to grow and prosper.

The question is, are we up to the task? Today we are faced with addressing the same issues that our earlier settlers dealt with. They addressed the need for a planned community in the fashion of their time. Will we address the needs of today in the fashion demanded by our time or will we by way of complacency avoid the need of planning as required by our environment and possible jeopardize the vision so ably put together by our founding fathers?

Richard Mallett

ELECTED OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

3 Year Term

Joshua Bell, Chairman	(March 2022)
Stephan Bunker, Vice Chairman	(March 2020)
Michael Fogg	(March 2022)
Scott Landry	(March 2020)
Matthew Smith	(March 2021)

RSU #9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS FARMINGTON MEMBERS

3 Year Term

Kirk Doyle (Appointed Interim 10/08/19)	(July 2020)
Douglas Dunlap	(July 2022)
Tami Labul	(July 2020)
Dennis O'Neil	(July 2022)
Iris Silverstein	(July 2021)
Scott Erb (Term ended)	
Issac Raymond (Resigned 08/28/19)	
Ryan Morgan (Resigned 09/20/19)	

APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Board of Appeals

3 Year Term

Galen Dalrymple, Chairman	(June 2022)
Peter F. Tracy, Vice Chairman/Secretary	(June 2022)
Michael Deschenes	(June 2020)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2020)
Robert Vallette	(June 2021)
Robert Yorks	(June 2021)
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate – 1 Year Term
(1) Seat Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

Board of Assessment Review
3 Year Term

Michael Moffett, Chairman	(June 2021)
Michael Deschenes	(June 2020)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2020)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2022)
Michael Otley	(June 2022)
Richard Davis, Secretary - Ex-Officio	

Planning Board
3 Year Term

Clayton King, Jr., Chairman	(June 2021)
Lloyd W. Smith, Vice Chairman	(June 2021)
Craig Jordan	(June 2021)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2022)
Michael Otley	(June 2021)
Donna Tracy	(June 2020)
Jeffrey Wright	(June 2020)

Alternate - 1 Year Term

Judith Murphy	(June 2020)
David Robbins	(June 2020)

Zoning Board
3 Year Term

Paul Mills, Chairman	(June 2020)
Adrian Harris, Vice Chairman/Secretary	(June 2021)
Kelly Kading	(June 2022)
John Moore	(June 2021)
Jane Woodman	(June 2022)
Joel Chandler (Term ended)	
Fred O. Smith (01/01/19-1/22/19)	

Alternate - 1 Year Term
(2) Seats Vacant

2019 Budget Committee
3 Year Term

S. Clyde Ross, Chairman	(June 2022)
Lloyd W. Smith, Vice Chairman	(June 2020)
Beth Edwards	(June 2021)
Wayne Kinney	(June 2022)
Judith Murphy	(June 2020)
Peter F. Tracy	(June 2021)
Kirk Doyle (Term ended)	
Bradley Scovil (Term ended)	
Fred O. Smith (01/01/19-01/22/19)	
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate – 1 Year Term
(5) Seats Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

Conservation Commission
3 Year Term

William Haslam, Chairman	(June 2020)
Peter F. Tracy	(June 2022)
Patty Cormier	(June 2022)
Byron Davis	(June 2020)
Sally Speich	(June 2021)
Jane Woodman	(June 2022)
Robert Zundel	(June 2021)
Associate – 1 Year Term – Unlimited Vacancy	
Hunter Manley	(June 2020)
James D. Shaffer	(June 2020)
Matthew Smith	(June 2020)
Eric Whitney	(June 2020)

Downtown TIF Advisory Committee

Byron Davis, Chairman	Ron Gelinias
Joshua Bell	Derek Hayes
Jennifer Bjorn	Paul Mills
Richard Davis	John Moore
Laurie Gardner (Appointed 05/14/19)	Pete Roberts

Odor Panel

Adrian Harris
Betty Jespersen
Lloyd Smith (Resigned 08/13/19)

Scott Landry
Judith Murphy
Matthew Smith (Resigned 08/13/19)

Parking Ordinance Committee

Terry Bell
Byron Davis
Philip Hutchins
Paul Mills

John Moore
Jack Peck
Pamela Poisson
Michael Bell (01/01/19-09/16/19)
Richard Davis, Ex-Officio

Recreation Committee

3 Year Term

Tom Bissell (June 2022)
Sheryl Farnum (June 2021)
Katie Fournier (June 2020)
Kim Richards (June 2022)

(1) Seat Vacant

Recycling Committee

Stephan Bunker
Richard Davis
Cindy Gelinas

Andrew Hufnagel
Philip Hutchins
Dennis Pike

Revolving Loan Fund

Stephan Bunker
Alvin Da Costa
Byron Davis

John Moore
Robert Vallette

Richard Davis
Ex-Officio
Steve Kaiser

Safety Committee

Matthew Foster, Chairman	Timothy A. Hardy
Shane Cote, Vice Chairman	Philip Hutchins
Cindy Gelinis, Secretary	James Kiernan
Scott Baxter	Steve Millett
Terry Bell	Jack Peck
Richard Davis	S. Clyde Ross
Leanne Dickey	Ed Vining

Board of Selectmen

Town Report Committee

Alvin Da Costa	Edmund Lewis
Richard Davis	Janet Paul
Cindy Gelinis	Linda Smith
	Nancy Twitchell

Farmington Transportation Advisory Committee

Dennis O'Neil	Dennis Pike
Michael Otley	Lloyd W. Smith
	Matthew Smith

Ex-Officio: Richard Davis, Philip Hutchins, and Jack Peck

Administration



Front L to R: Mavis Gensel and Bonnie Baker
Back L To R: Annie Tibbetts and Nancy Martin

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Town Manager Tax Collector Road Commissioner Public Access Officer	Richard P. Davis	778-6538
Treasurer Finance Director Deputy Tax Collector	LucyAnn Cook	778-6539
Town Clerk Welfare Director Registrar of Voters Assessing Clerk	Leanne E. Dickey	778-6539
Town Secretary	Linda H. Grant Nancy Martin	778-6538
Accounts Clerk Deputy Town Clerk Deputy Welfare Director Deputy Treasurer	Bonnie A. Baker	778-6539
Motor Vehicle Agent Sewer Department Clerk	Mavis A. Gensel	778-6539
Assessor John E. O'Donnell & Assoc., Inc.	John E. O'Donnell, III	778-6530 926-4044
Fire Chief Emergency Management Director E-911 Addressing Officer	Terry S. Bell, Sr.	778-3235
Police Chief	Jack D. Peck, Jr.	778-6311
Public Works Director	Philip C. Hutchins	778-2191
Director of Parks & Recreation	Matthew L. Foster	778-3464
Code Enforcement Officer	J. Stevens Kaiser	778-5874
Wastewater Superintendent	Stephen M. Millett	778-4712
Local Plumbing Inspector	Richard A. Marble	778-6968

TOWN MANAGER

To the Citizens and Board of Selectmen of Farmington:



Writing this report much as I have for the last several years, 2019 weighs heavily on my mind. The citizens of Farmington, our state and the nation are aware that our community suffered a devastating loss on September 16, 2019. The propane leak and explosion at the Life Enrichment Advancing People (LEAP) facility that day forever altered our

community.

That tragic event took the life of Captain Michael Bell, a dedicated 30-year member of the Fire Rescue Department. I extend my deepest condolences to the Bell family. Our community owes them a debt that can never be repaid. The explosion also caused severe injuries to Chief Terry Bell, Firefighters Scott Baxter, Ted Baxter, Timothy D. Hardy, Joseph Hastings, and Deputy Chief Clyde Ross. Larry Lord, the Maintenance Supervisor for LEAP, sustained serious burns and other injuries. He remains, as of this writing, a patient at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Our prayers are with him as he continues to recuperate from his injuries. The sacrifices of these brave men have been well documented in the media, but bear repeating here.

Also worthy of recognition is the tremendous amount of support that the town received in the wake of the tragedy. With coordination by Westbrook Firefighter and Paramedic Gerard Pineau, more than eighty (80) fire departments from around the state staffed our station 24 hours per day, 7 days per week from September 16 to October 31. Local businesses provided food and beverages for the firefighters and others affected by the explosion. Numerous fundraising efforts supported the injured firefighters and their families, LEAP employees, and the families living near the LEAP building whose homes were damaged or destroyed. I am extremely grateful for the contributions of all who participated in this overwhelming outpouring of support. In the midst of our grief, the very best of humanity emerged to help us cope with this tragedy. While the disaster remains at the forefront of the year's events, the rest of my brief summary will relate a few of the more routine aspects of Town operations that occurred in the months leading up to the explosion.

Over the summer, the Town substantially completed a two-year program of improvements to Front Street. This project greatly increased pedestrian safety and improved the appearance of a major thoroughfare in our downtown. A few minor elements such as curbing replacement and the installation of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) detectable pads remain to be finished in order to complete the project in 2020. The project was largely funded with downtown Tax Increment Financing (TIF) revenues, which are property tax revenues generated in the downtown district that are dedicated to projects that benefit the downtown.

Also accomplished in 2019 were the grinding and paving of Ski Slope Road for the distance of 1,855 feet and the paving of 3,000 feet of Webster Road from Knowlton Corner Road to the Wilson Stream bridge. Pavement overlays were applied at Voter Hill Estates and on Prescott Street.

Looking ahead to 2020, the construction schedule calls for partial full-depth reconstruction of Perham Street from High Street to the so-called Urban Compact line (near the New Hope Baptist Church), a distance of 4,741 feet. This project will be eligible for fifty percent (50%) funding from the Maine Department of Transportation under the Municipal Partnership Initiative (MPI) Program.

At the November 5, 2019 referendum, the voters approved, by a margin of 564 to 103, the purchase of a new fire truck to be funded with \$300,000 in reserve funds and a \$500,000 bond. The new truck will replace Engine 1, a 2007 Pierce Dash Pumper that suffers from a rusting frame and a history of serious electrical malfunctions that have proven impossible to correct. The voters' support of this important piece of fire apparatus is greatly appreciated.

In conclusion, I extend my appreciation to the citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town's department heads and employees for your continuing support and cooperation during this challenging year. I cannot thank you enough for your hard work and obvious pride in our special community.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard P. Davis
Town Manager

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To My Fellow Residents:



I write to you this year with a heavy heart. The events of September 16, 2019 affected this community in ways that we all thought were not possible. We all lost a hero and several families were affected physically and emotionally. I dare say, this will affect many for years to come. I would encourage everyone to thank our emergency personnel for their unwavering willingness to run towards the disaster, when so many try to escape harm's way. I would also encourage everyone to hold their families close and let them know you love them. We do not know what tomorrow may hold.

This event proved again how great of a community and State that we live in. From the great outpouring of financial support to the many individuals that made meals or gave of their time to help out. It would be wrong of me not to mention and thank all the fire departments across the state that volunteered their staff and equipment to provide us much needed coverage and gave financially to help their fellow firefighters. On behalf of the Board of Selectmen, thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The year as a whole has gone relatively smoothly. We continue to have departments run by individuals that are doing a good job. Our town is envied across the state and this is testament to our Town Manager's steady hand and their hard work. We are lucky to have such dedicated town personnel from the sewer department to the clerks in the town office. As a Board, we are proud of them all.

As we look to the future year, we will continue to pick away at repairing and investing in our roads. The Board is well aware that this is probably the most controversial thing that we have to deal with. We continue to prioritize with the Public Works Department which roads will be fixed based on need. We know the roads need to be fixed and have a plan to repair them. You will see in the budget money for the roads. This is based on time, money, and personnel. More money does not necessarily help fix the roads. It is just one piece of the pie. Just remember there are bad roads everywhere across the state, and I am glad we started investing in our roads years ago. I feel we are gaining every year.

As a Board, we are now trying to pick away at repairing our badly damaged cemetery stones. We feel it very important to show respect to those who came before us. They are the ones who built this town and community and should not be forgotten.

The Board continues to work well together and, even though we do not always agree, we are civil and respect each other's opinions. I am proud to be able to serve with this Board, but most importantly, I am proud to be given the opportunity to serve our community.

Respectfully,

Joshua H. Bell
Chairman

New Aubuchon Hardware Store



Franklin Printing Expansion



FINANCE DIRECTOR

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



First let me say that I have always been proud to be a resident of Maine. This year I can honestly say I have witnessed and worked with so many amazing individuals as they have overcome almost an insurmountable task from the LEAP explosion. The generosity, kindness and compassion of this community and others coming together for our Town is amazing. I am forever changed by it. Thank you all.

Real Estate taxes and Personal Property taxes for 2019 are 90% collected, with unpaid 2018 and 2017 taxes in lien status, 2016 taxes and older are in foreclosure. Please be aware that the Town has foreclosed properties going back to 2014. Collection efforts and foreclosure costs are a very expensive part of the Treasurer's budget.

This past year I have concentrated on outstanding Personal Property taxes. Any unpaid accounts will be served for small claims court collections. To bring a collection action against a business is very expensive for the business owner. The owner will be served by the County Sheriff's office for a fee, plus mileage, add the filing fee for small claims court and approximately another \$150 will be added to the outstanding balance of the Personal Property taxes that are due. Please make every effort to bring your Personal Property taxes current. This revenue along with the Real Estate taxes is important in providing the services that we all depend on. In 2016, small claims court awarded for the Town and some of these accounts remain unpaid, if addressed again, tools and equipment as well as property can be liened. Your account status will continue to be sent with the Personal Property list requests for 2020 from the Assessor's office. Please contact the Assessor's office if you no longer have Personal Property to report due to your business moving or closing.

Please remember that if you sell a mobile home this year, or have in the past, the bill of sale needs to be brought into the Assessor's office. The ownership for the tax bill will not be changed until this happens, and it will continue to be taxed to the previous owner.

Once filed, liens are reported to credit agencies and can affect you if we do not have accurate information. Please report address changes to the Town Office as soon as possible. Accurate addresses will decrease postage expenses significantly. I would also advise new

owners to ensure that the Real Estate taxes are paid during the closing process. Remember, the tax obligation goes with the property no matter who owned it at the time of commitment.

The Town exceeded its revenue projections by modest amounts in most areas again this year. The department budgets stayed within approved amounts for the most part. There were some budget items that did exceed appropriated amounts due to staff turnover, unforeseen personnel needs, and other expenses from the tragic LEAP explosion. I commend and applaud the Department Heads' diligence in managing their budgets. I work with them daily and it is my pleasure to do so.

The Town's current Unassigned Fund Balance is \$2,439,398. It is important to maintain an adequate fund balance. When taxes are unpaid, the Unassigned Fund Balance covers the shortfall on approved budget expenses, which in turn lowers the Town's "Emergency Funds". Therefore, it is very important that the Town maintain a few months of operating expenses and that taxpayers make every effort to pay their part. A healthy Unassigned Fund Balance also provides a credit check if the need should arise to borrow. Please understand that the General Fund balance is comprised of receivables and accruals and not just cash.

The Town also accepts payment for Real Estate and Personal Property taxes throughout the year. Most banks now have a "bill pay" option for their clients to use. Much like any installment loan payment, you can use this option to help you meet your tax bills throughout the year with a recurring monthly payment. Another thought for gift giving is to pay towards a friend or family's outstanding taxes. What a thoughtful and helpful gift.

Lastly, the Town does accept credit and debit cards. There is a 2.5% processing fee (minimum of \$1.00) charged by the vendor supplying this service.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you for being committed to your town's success. Please remember to look after your neighbor and continue to take pride in your community. It is a wonderful place to work, play, and get an education.

I look forward to working with you all in 2020 and wish you all good health, peace and prosperity.

Respectfully submitted,

LucyAnn Cook
Finance Director

REVENUE HISTORY AND PROJECTION

Revenue Category	2018 Estimate	2018 Actual	2019 Estimate	2019 Actual	2020 Estimate
Vehicle Excise	\$965,000	\$1,053,934	\$1,050,000	\$1,130,327	\$1,180,000
Watercraft Excise	\$4,650	\$4,769	\$4,700	\$4,765	\$4,750
Victualers, Liquor Licenses	\$1,000	\$1,058	\$1,050	\$1,568	\$1,250
Code Fees	\$2,000	\$3,653	\$2,500	\$15,650	\$10,000
State Revenue Sharing	\$450,000	\$489,723	\$460,000	\$673,484	\$780,000
State Welfare Reimbursement	\$15,000	\$20,508	\$18,000	\$10,897	\$16,000
State Tree Growth	\$22,000	\$20,538	\$20,000	\$22,377	\$20,000
State Veterans Exemption	\$6,600	\$7,290	\$7,000	\$6,764	\$6,700
Motor Vehicle Fees (Town)	\$19,500	\$19,944	\$19,500	\$22,782	\$20,000
Vital Statistics (Town)	\$18,850	\$16,550	\$17,000	\$18,806	\$17,500
Hunting, Fishing, R.V., Dogs (Town)	\$2,200	\$1,747	\$1,700	\$2,822	\$2,000
Interest on Taxes	\$55,000	\$55,875	\$56,000	\$67,793	\$60,000
Tax Lien Fees	\$15,450	\$11,793	\$12,000	\$11,185	\$11,000
Recreation Fees	\$28,600	\$29,252	\$28,600	\$28,775	\$28,600
Rental of Town Property	\$5,000	\$5,639	\$5,500	\$5,600	\$5,500
Timber Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Investment Income	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contributions in Lieu of Taxes	\$15,800	\$14,658	\$14,500	\$14,063	\$14,000
Miscellaneous - Police Dept.	\$19,500	\$21,569	\$19,500	\$19,019	\$19,000
Miscellaneous - All Other Depts.	\$34,200	\$20,002	\$20,000	\$13,126	\$14,000
Unemployment Comp. Dividend	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Recycling	\$28,750	\$33,557	\$30,000	\$32,077	\$31,500
Cemetery Fees	\$16,500	\$11,140	\$12,000	\$20,820	\$14,500
Cemetery Trust Fund Earnings	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
SUBTOTAL	\$1,740,600	\$1,858,199	\$1,814,550	\$2,137,700	\$2,271,300
LORAP (Local Road Assistance Prog.)	\$158,780	\$158,780	\$158,780	\$158,780	\$158,780
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES*	\$1,899,380	\$2,016,979	\$1,973,330	\$2,296,480	\$2,430,080

*Does not include taxes raised, pass through funds such as grants or donations given for a specific activity, funds appropriated from the Unassigned Fund Balance, or monies re-designated out of reserve accounts.

TAX COLLECTOR

Bankruptcy Notice

For any property listed here as may be the subject of bankruptcy proceedings, please be advised that this notification is for the sole purpose of giving public notice of the outstanding taxes assessed by the Town against such property.

Publication of this notice is not part of the Town's effort to enforce, perfect, or otherwise collect outstanding taxes assessed against property that is the subject of bankruptcy proceedings.

The Town publishes a list of unpaid taxes in the Annual Town Report in accordance with the requirements contained in Section 2801 of Title 30-A, Maine Revised Statutes.

2019 End of Year Taxes Receivable	
2019	\$ 626,997.21
2018	\$ 187,967.03
<u>2017</u>	<u>\$ 77,734.66</u>
TOTAL	\$ 892,698.90
Properties Liened	134
Properties Foreclosed	17

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT)

University of Maine at Farmington Ambulance Fee	\$ 4,063.00
University of Maine at Farmington PILOT Contribution*	\$ 10,000.00

*Additionally, UMF provides many in-kind contributions. A few examples include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Full property tax on the President's house at 104 Lake Avenue
- One half property tax on 242 Main Street
- One half property tax on 274 Front Street
- Paving projects on town streets and sidewalks adjacent to campus
- Mount Blue TV (provide free facilities and utilities)
- Snow removal and sanding of town sidewalks adjacent to campus
- Providing lawn care, parking and plowing for Farmington Public Library
- Sharing Prescott Fields at no charge with the community – includes bathroom facilities and maintaining playing surfaces
- UMF/Town of Farmington/RSU #9 combine for a compost program where UMF transports all materials to the compost facility and absorbs all costs associated with the program

REAL ESTATE TAXES RECEIVABLE 2019

ABBOTT, PAMELA JEAN & BARRY, ERIC	439.56	*	CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	1,395.32
ABBOTT, SHELLY L.	1,258.74	*	CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	3,057.88
ADAMS, GARY K., HEIRS OF	499.50		CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	2,938.50
** ADAMS, RODERICK, HEIRS OF	1,009.42		CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	2,637.36
ADAMS, BARBARA E.	891.00	**	CHICK, JENNIFER	239.76
ADAMS, JESSICA & TROY T.	1,178.82		CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	719.28
AISHTON, RICHARD W. & PATRICIA K.	1,918.08		CHRETIEN, MICHAEL S.	699.30
AISHTON, RICHARD W. & PATRICIA K.	259.74		CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	259.74
* ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	979.02	**	CLARK, JR., DUANE J.	109.54
* ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	359.64		CLARK, ROY H.	339.66
ALLEN, DIANNE D.	259.74		CLARY, MATTHEW	1,378.62
AMES, EDWARD T.	573.43		COLLINS-FAUNCE, KATHY	319.68
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A., HEIRS OF	439.56	**	COOK, DOROTHY E.	94.78
ATWOOD, WENDY L.	939.06		COOLIDGE, MARVIN K. & LUCILLE	2,617.38
AYER, KAREN B.	759.24		COUSINEAU, INC.	799.20
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	99.90		COUSINEAU, INC.	399.60
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	2,771.40		COUSINEAU, INC.	299.70
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B. & MICHELE	479.52		COUSINEAU, INC.	339.66
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	399.60		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	639.36
BANKS, JAMES & BEAUMONT, SCOTT	3,736.26		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	439.56
BARTON, FREDERICK & HOLT, MATILDA	939.06		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	339.66
BARTON, FREDERICK	37.10		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	479.52
BARTON, FREDERICK	856.97		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	159.84
BARTON, FREDERICK	199.80		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	259.74
BAY COMMUNICATIONS II, LLC	3,676.32		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	279.72
BEAL, BRUCE	121.16		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	459.54
BEEDY, JEFFREY PRATT	639.36		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	279.72
BEEDY, JEFFREY PRATT	4,175.82		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	399.60
BELL, JENNIFER & JORDAN, LUKE	1,378.62		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	199.80
BELL, PAUL R. & BETTIE L.	2,777.22		COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	2,477.52
BESAW, BEVERLY A.	2,157.84		COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	5,554.44
BINNS, ROBIN A.	499.50		COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	8,651.34
BLAIS, RENE E. & KEMPTON, SETH	179.82		COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	2,477.52
BLODGETT, KENDALL R. & MISTY R.	3,096.90		COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	1,978.02
BOURGAULT, SHIRLEY HILL	514.63		COUSINEAU, JOSEPH B.	2,857.14
BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	59.94		CROCKETT, CHRIS	919.08
BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	1,438.56		CUNLIFFE, DONNA A.	359.64
BRACKETT, PENNY A.	433.57		CURRIER, LAURA A.	1,978.02
** BRADY, STEVEN M. & BETSY H.	3,054.23		CURRIER, LAURA A. & CASSIE	339.66
BRADY, STEVEN M. & BETSY H.	5,134.86		CURRIER, LAURA A.	1,018.98
BRADY, STEVEN M. & BETSY H.	2,097.90		D & JM PROPERTIES, LLC	7,072.92
BRADY, STEVEN M. & BETSY H.	2,977.02		DAKU, BENJAMIN R.	2,753.00
BRETON, BLAINE L. & NIKKI L.	59.94		DALRYMPLE, DENIS E. & SARAH H.	2,177.82
BROWN, LISA M.	1,318.68		DANFORTH, LAURIE A.	47.31
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,318.68		DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	3,096.90
** BRYANT, NANCY R.	99.90		DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	579.42
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,278.72		DAVIS, JAMES R. & AMANDA	2,997.00
BRYANT, NANCY R.	199.80		DECKER, MARY R., HEIRS OF	1,678.32
BUBIER, AMANDA, ET AL	2,617.38		DECKER, BILLY JOE & JENNIFER	319.68
** BUCKLAND, ANDREW R. & ANN L.	700.00		DEER CROSSING ASSOCIATES	91.78
BURNELL, EUGENE	19.98		DELPHI HOLDINGS I, LLC	46.99
BUTLER, STANLEY & KEANE, THEODORE	2,477.52		DENNISON, REBECCA G.	339.66
BUTLER, STANLEY & KEANE, THEODORE	3,236.76		DENNISON, REBECCA G.	3,376.62
BUTTERFIELD, JR., ROBERT & MARY L.	618.78		DETERRA, JR., ROBERT & KATHERINE	7.20
CALLAHAN, JOHN MICHAEL	1,978.02		DOIRON, MICHAEL & ENGBERG, DEEDRA	1,258.74
CED, INC.	4,575.42		DORR, IRVING G. & JOY B.	1,438.56
CED, INC.	3,876.12		DOWNES, OLGA & LAWRENCE	2,337.66
CHANDLER, JOEL A. & REBECCA J.	4,255.74		DOYLE, KIRK E. & JOANNE	1,998.00
CHAPMAN IRREVOCABLE TRUST	1,510.30		DRACH, MARY ANN FAMILY TRUST	3,128.77
* CHAPMAN IRREVOCABLE TRUST	991.83		DUBAY, JR., DANIEL	1,838.16
* CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	3,332.20		DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POSS.	519.48

DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY B.	419.58	HAYJACK VENTURES, LLC	500.85
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY B.	379.62	HAYWARD, ERIC J. & ERICA C.	359.64
DUNHAM, KEVIN E. & LINDA J.	539.46	HILL, NATALIE M.	2,937.06
** DUNN, BRIAN D.	570.51	HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	359.64
EATON, ROBERT P. & BRINDA P.	419.58	** HOGAN, DEBORAH S.	1,638.36
** ERDMAN, KIM R.	2,137.86	HOISINGTON, BERNICE A.	1,138.86
ERDMAN, KIM R.	899.10	HOLLOWAY, RANDALL A. & CAROL A.	3,896.10
EUBANK, JOHN R.	2,088.08	HOWARD, JULI	160.22
EUBANK, POPPY JOY & JOHN R.	2,337.66	HOWARD, PHEOBE	459.54
FALK, THOMAS G.	2,037.96	HOWARD, STUART	1,778.22
FARMER, GLENDON S. & CATHERINE B.	1,938.06	HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	2,297.70
FARMER, GLENDON S. & CATHERINE B.	19.98	HOYT, KAY	919.08
FARMER, THURLOW A. JAMI O.	339.66	HOYT, KAY A. & DAVID P.	537.90
FARNUM, PAUL A. & MARTIN P.	939.06	HUIISH, WENDY A.	899.10
FARRINGTON, JANE A.	599.40	HUIISH, WENDY A.	359.64
FERRIS, MARLA D.	2,557.44	HUNTER, JAMES N.	600.18
FETTERHOFF, DONALD B.	699.30	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	879.12
FILAROSKA, JOSEPH M.	139.47	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	19.98
FITCH, BONNIE L.	1,738.26	HURLBURT, ELLEN J.	1,397.60
FLETCHER, ALLEN K.	1,337.18	HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	1,818.18
FOSS, JAYME E.	299.70	HYDE, MARY A.	1,018.98
FOURNIER, MARC	279.72	JACOBS, LOU & JACKSON, RUTH	1,978.02
FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	479.52	* JALBERT, CHERI B. & RONALD D.	1,114.40
* FRONT STREET INVESTMENTS	1,991.00	JEANNETTE, CHRISTOPHER & BECKEY	1,458.02
FROST, JUDITH A.	1,378.62	JOAN W. MARSHALL LIVING TRUST	4,355.64
FROST, KAITLIN E.	2,397.60	JOHNSTON, MATTHEW F.	1,378.62
FROST, SAMANTHA J.	279.72	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	219.78
* FUERSTENBERGER, JAMES & JENNIFER	299.70	JUDKINS, GENE & CAROL	148.00
GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	439.56	JULON PROPERTIES	9,710.28
GARBOSKI, MARY & DECKER, JR., TIMOTHY	1,017.05	KEIRSTEAD, ANDREA	1,618.38
GARLAND, ROBERT C. & LORNA S.	1,892.11	KEMP, CLAYTON A. & PRISCILLA A.	3,725.03
GAY, TED F.	619.38	KEMP, MARK S. & KATHERINE A.	6,033.96
GAY, TED F.	1,178.82	KEMP, PRISCILLA A.	3,950.05
GIANQUINTO, NINA	2,517.48	KEMPTON, SETH J.	2,937.06
GIUSTRA, MATTHEW R.	1,158.84	KEMPTON, SETH J.	559.44
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,357.64	KENDALL, ISAAC J.	1,218.78
GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,717.28	KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	699.30
GREENMAN, MARY	619.38	KENNEDY, RANDALL L.	833.17
GREENWOOD, LAURA	219.78	KENNEY, PHYLLIS	1,478.52
** GRIFFIN, BRIAN N. & SANDRA L.	2,077.92	KIDDER, JEFFREY A. & KAREN E.	1,698.30
** GRIFFIN, BRIAN N. & SANDRA L.	139.86	KILLGREN, KEVIN, DEVISEES OF	419.58
** GRIFFIN, SANDRA L.	659.34	KING, CHARLES B.	79.92
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	2,057.94	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	1,538.46
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	3,316.68	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	39.96
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	1,138.86	KING, CHARLES B.	759.24
GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	1,638.36	KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,718.28
** GULLIFER, PAMELA J.	2,137.86	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,758.24
GUND, JOHN P.	3,956.04	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	259.74
GUPTILL, HANNAH	219.78	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	339.66
** HALL, KAMILLA L.	2,267.58	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	59.94
HALL, WILLIAM L. & RUBY C.	2,117.88	KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,098.90
HALLMAN, KATHLEEN S.	1,878.12	LABAY, CHARLES R.	2,297.70
** HAMMOND, ARTHUR T. & CYNTHIA K.	223.00	** LABONVILLE, INC	149.36
HAMMOND, DONALD C. & MARY D.	279.72	LABREE, VICTORIA L.	1,478.52
HAMMOND, DONALD C. & MARY D.	479.52	LAKE, THOMAS, DEVISEES OF	1,212.79
HAMMOND, DONALD C. & MARY D.	219.78	LAMBERT, GLADYS B., DEVISEES OF	179.82
HAND, EDWARD & PIERSON, GLORIA	1,358.64	LAMBERT, GLADYS B., DEVISEES OF	639.36
HARGREAVES, HAROLD F. & PAMELA A.	781.72	* LAMBERT, VICKI G.	988.29
HART, ALAN P. & DULONG, HEIDI P.	2,177.82	** LEEMAN, LAWRENCE N.	1,712.48
HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	1,132.87	LEITE, MICHELLE	339.66
HATCH, SR., ALAN & BRENDA	559.44	LEPPALA, COREY & ST PIERRE, REBECCA	1,318.68
HAYDEN, JOHN	259.74	LESPEANCE, BRUCE D. & PENNY L.	699.30
HAYDEN, SCOTT K.	219.68	LEVER, FRANK K. & TANYA E.	1,697.44

LIBBY, AMY, ET AL	459.54	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	399.60
LIFE ENRICHMENT ADVANCING PEOPLE	639.36	PARLIN, DAVID W.	1,778.22
LOVEJOY, WILLIAM W. & MELISSA	3,236.76	PARLIN, JERRY R. & BONNIE J.	783.62
LOVEJOY, WILLIAM W.	2,117.88	PARLIN, MICHAEL A. & DENISE C.	2,197.80
LOWE, LINDA	1,118.88	PARLIN, RAYMOND E. & RAELENE J.	859.14
LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	159.84	** PAUL, BARBARA L. & LAWRENCE F.	1,318.68
LOWELL, LEE & LEE E.	319.68	PIAWLOCK, ASHLEY L. & ROY, ISRAEL	1,458.54
LUGER, CHARLES P.	199.80	PILLSBURY, DON LEON	2,857.14
LYDON, VICKY A.	499.50	PINKHAM, JOSEPH A.	1,098.90
MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	1,338.66	PLATT, NATHAN R.	1,758.24
MADORE, CYNTHIA M. & KEVIN J.	2,797.20	PLUMMER, BRUCE H. & BETSY R.	2,537.46
MADORE, CYNTHIA M.	3,336.66	PLUMMER, BRUCE H. & BETSY R.	99.90
MADORE, CYNTHIA M.	4,495.50	POND, TERESA L.	1,238.76
MADORE, JODY	439.56	POWERS, ANNA	339.66
MADORE, KEVIN J. & CYNTHIA D.	1,458.54	PRATT, MARION, HEIRS OF	1,218.78
MAGUIRE, BETTY A.	1,758.24	PRATT, CURTIS L.	299.70
MAHAR, JR., STEPHEN M.	193.14	PRATT, JOSHUA R.	219.78
MALINE, SARAH R.	2,817.18	PRESTON, KATIE S.	559.44
MALLETT, SAMANTHA	3,116.28	PURINGTON, KATHY	559.44
MANIATAKOS, VASILIOS	2,297.70	QUINN, MARTIN F. & PATRICIA	659.34
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	2,617.38	RAMU, CAROL M. & PHILIP M.	37.40
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	279.72	RAMU, PHILIP M. & CAROL M.	2,777.22
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	1,038.96	REINER, KARIN M.	2,577.42
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	199.80	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POSS.	679.32
MARKHAM, JOSHUA J. & LACY A.	1,718.28	RICHARDS, KATHERINE	139.59
MARQUIS, MAXINE	307.33	RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	379.62
MARSHALL BEACH CORP.	319.54	RICHARDS, JESSE & ELLIOTT, LAURA M.	679.32
MARSHALL, DAVID F.	1,298.15	RICHARDS, MICHAEL E. & SHEILA L.	2,797.20
MASON, ROBERT F. & SHIRLEY C.	599.40	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	699.30
** MASSELLI, ARLEEN M.	143.00	ROBINSON, MICHELLE P.	359.64
* MASSELLI, ARLEEN M.	3,523.34	ROY, ISRAEL	299.60
MCCABE, SALLY, G. & BARRY P.	1,918.08	RUNDLETT, RICK ALLAN	759.24
MCCLEARY, ANN J.	1,378.62	RURAL HOUSING SERVICE	1,558.44
MCCLEARY, ANN J.	659.34	SAVAGE, VIVIAN A. & JAMIE V.	77.34
MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,337.66	SAYWARD, GALEN R. & VIRGINIA E.	2,097.90
* MCFARLAND, MARY D.	806.14	SAYWARD, MICHAEL & DECKER, JAYNE	419.58
MCKINLEY, WILLIAM J., DEVISEES OF	1,176.08	SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	1,058.94
MCPHERSON, BRIAN K.	79.52	SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	139.86
METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	659.34	SEARLES, JR., RALPH	359.64
METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	719.28	SEARLES, JR., RALPH	579.42
MILLER, GILBERT, ET AL	339.66	** SHEA, MARILYN A.	4,735.26
MILLER, GILBERT	2,377.62	SHIPLEY, LINDA J.	665.82
MILLETT, ROBIN E., HEIRS OF	1,698.30	SIMONEAU, BRENDA L.	3,136.86
MITCHELL, SHAWN ADAM	918.18	SIMONEAU, RONALD E. & DENISE R.	379.62
MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	839.16	SIMONEAU, JR., RONALD & DENISE	399.60
MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	1,438.56	SMITH, ROBERT L.	119.88
MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	3,096.90	SNELL, JR., CHARLES H.	159.84
MORRIS, MICHAEL	779.22	SOLIS, CONNI S.	1,518.48
MSB ASSOCIATES INC	2,659.05	** SPAULDING, THOMAS E.	1,318.68
MTGLQ INVESTORS, LP	2,737.26	STAPLES, JOSEPH E. & ELIZABETH	4,035.96
* MURPHY, JOSEPH S.	453.91	STARBIRD, DAVID A. & DIANA B.	379.62
NADEAU, MELANIE	1,498.50	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANNE	299.70
* NICOLSON, DONALD A. & BARBARA C.	974.67	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANNE	6,553.44
NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	459.54	STEARNS, JR., DREW T.	59.94
NORTHERN MEAL CORP.	399.60	STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., HEIRS OF	519.48
OLIVADOTI, TREVOR & ZENA S.	1,638.36	* STEVENS, JR., ROBERT B. & CYNTHIA H.	1,878.12
OLIVER, NAOMI, ET AL	79.92	* STITSEL, JOYCE & GREEN, KITTY	459.54
* OPPENHEIMER, VICTOR	4,269.72	STOKES, JEANNE M.	2,757.24
ORR, RAYMOND B., DEVISEES OF	4,109.89	STUMP, KRISTIN & CHRISTOPHER	299.70
ORR, JR., RAYMOND B.	1,638.36	SWAIN, VALARIE	2,977.02
OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	4,615.38	** SWEETSER, JERRY S.	142.52
OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	339.66	SWETT, ELVA M.	1,838.16

SWETT, ELVA M.	1,838.16	WILLIAMS, ROGER B.	1,918.08
T & J, LLC	6,833.16	WOLFSTONE-FRANCIS, PAMELA R.	345.09
T & J, LLC	2,757.24	WORTHLEY, MICHAEL	7.10
TAYLOR, PAUL, WESTERN MTN. LAND TRUST	559.44	** WUORI, GUY P.	319.68
THEBEAU, NANCY & BLANCHE, MICHAEL	199.80	** WUORI, GUY P.	279.72
THOMAS, ANITA	613.39	WYMAN, MICHAEL S.	199.80
THORNDIKE, LESLIE J.	339.66	YORK, CHARLES R., HEIRS OF	199.80
TINKER, LEE ANN	2,037.96	YORK, BRENDA V.	139.86
TOMLINSON, STEVEN & TERRA, THOMAS	399.43	YORK, BRENDA V.	3,956.04
TROLL VALLEY, INC.	5,994.00	YORK, BRENDA V.	419.58
TYLER, CYNTHIA J. & EDWARD A.	1,877.40	YORK, BRENDA V.	3,356.64
TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH L.	2,117.88	YORK, BRENDA V.	239.76
TYLER, DAVID A. & NORMA M.	822.96	YORK, BRENDA V.	399.60
TYLER, EDWARD	799.20	YORK, BRENDA V.	1,818.18
TYLER, TONY S.	3,016.98	YORK, L. HERBERT	2,777.22
UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,618.38	YORK, L. HERBERT	359.64
VALERDE, KEELEY & RIORDAN, DENNIS	2,457.54	YORK, L. HERBERT	1,178.82
VELAZQUEZ, FELIX, HEIRS OF	59.94	YORK, LINWOOD H. & BRENDA V.	139.86
VILES, FRANK	2,277.72	YORK, LINWOOD H. & BRENDA V.	59.94
VILES, MICHAEL L.	899.10	YORK, LINWOOD H.	499.50
VINING, KENNETH H.	339.66	YORK, LINWOOD H.	299.70
VIOLETTE, KURT R.	1,198.80	YORK, LINWOOD H.	1,378.62
WAGNER, WILLIAM & DENISE	2,343.48	YORK, LINWOOD H.	1,198.80
WALL, ALEXANDER C.	119.88	YORK, LINWOOD H.	7,332.66
WALSH, BARRY E. & SUSAN A.	119.88	YORK, LINWOOD H.	339.66
WARE, ROGER W.	1,878.12	YORK, LINWOOD H.	199.80
WARREN, JOY M., HEIRS OF	799.20	YORK, LINWOOD H.	379.62
WATERS, CAROL A. CHANEY	1,698.30	YORK, LINWOOD H.	19.98
** WEBER, BRIAN M.	519.48	YORK, LINWOOD H.	39.96
WESTERN MOUNTAIN LAND TRUST	319.68	** YORK, LINWOOD H.	199.80
WESTERN MOUNTAIN LAND TRUST	337.21	YORK, LINWOOD H.	2,657.34
WESTGATE, EDWARD T.	1,498.50	YORK, LINWOOD H.	579.42
WHIPPLE, CARA D. & GRANT, DAVID L.	4,315.68	YORK, LINWOOD H.	739.26
WHITE, SALLY A. & CHRISTOPHER J.	559.44	YORK, LINWOOD H.	359.64
WHITLEY, RENEE M.	1,318.68	YORK, LINWOOD H.	219.78
WILDE, KATRINA & JOSEPH	899.10	YORKS, JEFFREY S.	379.62
WILLIAMS IRREVOCABLE TRUST	4,775.22	ZIEHM, DEBBIE, PERS. REP.	1,198.80

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PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE 2019

ANSON STREET ASSOCIATES	229.77	KENNEBEC HOME BREW SUPPLIES	45.95
BIDDEFORD INTERNET CORP.	83.92	LIQUID SUNSHINE	73.93
BRADYS	29.97	MADORES MARKET	655.34
** CAR CLINIC	103.90	MAPLE HILL FARM	241.76
COASTAL ENTERPRISES, INC.	31.97	MARDY BOGAR DESIGNS	39.96
CONOPCO, INC.	93.19	MINNESOTA REGIS CORP.	415.58
D & JM PROPERTIES, LLC	41.96	PINS & NEEDLES	631.37
DEEP ROOT TREE LANDSCAPING	167.83	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES	21.98
DEER CROSSING ASSOCIATES	577.42	PITNEY BOWES, INC.	9.99
DEVANEY DOAK & GARRETT BOOK SELLER	0.30	RAINS, MARK PHD	27.97
EXPENET TECHNOLOGIES	13.99	RDM ELECTRIC	35.96
FARMINGTON AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE	139.86	ROOST PUB & WINGERY	937.06
FARMINGTON HILL ASSOCIATES	255.74	RS ELECTRIC	47.95
FARMINGTON TOWING	121.88	RUG DOCTOR, INC.	69.93
HERITAGE APPRAISALS, INC.	1.63	SANDY RIVER FARMS	4,293.70
HIGI SH, LLC	69.93	** SEARS	2,433.56
ISA ECASH BODWELL BANK SOLUTIONS	73.93	SHIRETOWN TIRE	235.76
JAMES AUTO	35.96	THAI SMILE & SUSHI RESTRAUNT	43.96
K & G INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, LLC	10.35	THE FOUNDRY BJJ	55.94
KEMP ENTERPRISES, INC.	595.40	TIMBERLAND BUILDERS, INC.	47.95

TOMRA MAINE	1,354.64	TRUE PARTNERS CONSULTING, LLC	83.92
TRANTENS MARKET	1,636.36	TYLER, EDWARD	315.68
TREE LINE LANDSCAPING	239.76	W A MITCHELL, INC.	545.45
TROLL VALLEY, INC.	181.82	WEST MOUNT, INC.	199.80
		WESTERN MOUNTAIN OPHTHAMOLOGY	3,330.67

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ALLEN, DIANNE D.	247.53	HOISINGTON, BERNICE A.	1,289.00
AMES, EDWARD T.	773.89	HOWARD, PHEOBE	552.87
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A., HEIRS OF	1,068.87	HOWARD, STUART	1,981.38
* BANKS, JAMES & BEAUMONT, SCOTT	1,929.64	* HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	2,529.79
BELL, JENNIFER & JORDAN, LUKE	1,431.00	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	1,010.89
BLAIS, RENE E. & KEMPTON, SETH	260.61	HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	2,016.36
BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	1,010.89	HYDE, MARY A.	80.89
BRACKETT, PENNY A.	526.03	JULON PROPERTIES	10,466.58
* BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	125.98	KEMPTON, SETH	3,214.37
BROWN, LISA M.	1,489.33	KEMPTON, SETH J.	668.60
BRYANT, NANCY	1,446.55	KENDALL, ISAAC J.	134.38
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,489.33	KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	857.36
** BRYANT, NANCY R.	184.37	KENNEY, PHYLLIS	1,644.88
BRYANT, NANCY R.	291.33	KILLGREN, KEVIN, DEVISEES OF	511.05
* BUTLER, FULTON S.	3,420.49	KING, CHARLES B.	882.53
* CALLAHAN, JOHN MICHAEL	315.93	KING, CHARLES B.	155.17
CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	2,901.27	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	1,751.85
** CHICK, JENNIFER	326.31	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	104.58
CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	847.55	KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,901.59
CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	339.90	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	339.90
CLARK, ROY H.	143.31	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,944.39
COUSINEAU, JOSEPH B.	3,128.80	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	425.48
CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,495.13	** KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,238.41
D & JM PROPERTIES, LLC	6,722.06	LABAY, CHARLES R.	2,521.99
DALRYMPLE, DENIS E. & SARAH H.	183.81	LESPERANCE, BRUCE D. & PENNY L.	312.58
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	1,996.00	LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	240.75
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	697.79	LOWELL, LEE & LEE E.	411.89
DECKER, MARY R., HEIRS OF	1,866.61	LYDON, VICKY A.	596.63
DUBAY, JR., DANIEL S.	2,037.66	* MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	1,502.93
DUNHAM SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	511.05	MARKHAM, JOSHUA J. & LACY A.	1,901.59
* DUNHAM SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	468.27	MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,572.58
DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POSS.	618.02	METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	1,139.56
DUNN, DANIEL	83.19	METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	767.77
DYAR, RODNEY P.	810.56	MILLER, GILBERT, ET AL	433.28
FARNUM, PAUL A. & MARTIN P.	1,075.07	MILLER, GILBERT	2,615.36
FERRIS, MARLA D.	2,807.90	MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	968.11
* FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	583.04	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	1,609.90
FROST, KATHLEEN	2,187.51	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	3,385.51
* GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	532.44	NADEAU, MELANIE	965.26
GAY, TED F.	833.96	NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	561.44
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,601.77	NORTHERN MEAL CORP	489.66
GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,971.25	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	5,011.37
GREENMAN, MARY	724.98	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	425.48
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	2,273.07	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	489.66
* GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	3,227.96	POWERS, ANNA	258.56
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	1,289.00	PRATT, CURTIS L.	390.50
GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	1,823.82	PRATT, MARION, HEIRS OF	1,366.77
GUND, JOHN P.	4,305.40	* PRESTON, KATIE S.	660.80
HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	1,282.58	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS IN POS	789.16
HAYDEN, JOHN	347.70	RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	468.27
HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	446.87	RICHARDS, MICHAEL E. & SHEILA L.	784.11

RICHARDS, SARAH B.	802.76	STUMP, KRISTIN & CHRISTOPHER	382.70
SAYWARD, GALEN R. & VIRGINIA E.	1,912.61	TAYLOR, PAUL, WESTERN MTN. LAND TRUST	676.40
SAYWARD, MICHAEL & DECKER, JAYNE	511.05	THOMAS, ANITA	718.57
SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	1,195.63	TROLL VALLEY, INC.	3,803.16
SEARLES, DANIEL	454.67	TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH L.	2,337.25
SEARLES, DANIEL	689.99	TYLER, EDWARD	306.50
** SHEA, MARILYN A.	5,131.93	* TYLER, TONY S.	3,307.73
SNELL, JR., CHARLES H.	111.39	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,794.63
SOLIS, CONNI S.	1,703.26	VINING, KENNETH H.	425.48
STASIEWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANNE	382.47	VIOLETTE, KURT R.	1,345.38
STASIEWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANNE	7,073.68	WARREN, JOY M., HEIRS OF	917.52
STEARNS, JR., DREW T.	125.98	WESTERN MOUNTAIN LAND TRUST	454.67
STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., HEIRS OF	664.82	WESTGATE, EDWARD T.	138.38
** STITSEL, JOYCE & GREEN, KITTY	16.02	YORK, CHARLES R., HEIRS OF	275.73
		YORKS, JEFFREY STEWART	468.27

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ANSON STREET ASSOCIATES	227.01	PINS & NEEDLES	610.58
** CAR CLINIC	101.76	PROFESSIONAL HYDRO-BLASTERS'	236.80
D & JM PROPERTIES, LLC	41.10	R S ELECTRIC	46.97
DEEP ROOT TREE LANDSCAPING	156.56	RDM ELECTRIC	41.10
DEER CROSSING ASSOCIATES	565.57	ROOST PUB & WINGERY	919.79
EXPENET TECHNOLOGIES	4.85	SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO.	90.02
FARMINGTON AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE	133.08	TIMBERLAND BUILDERS, INC.	46.97
FARMINGTON HILL ASSOCIATES	250.50	TRANTEN'S MARKET	1,130.97
FARMINGTON TOWING	119.38	TYLER, EDWARD	309.21
ISA-ECASH, BODWELL BANK SOLUTIONS	68.50	W. A. MITCHELL, INC.	806.28
KEMP ENTERPRISES, INC.	571.44	WEST MOUNT INC.	187.87
LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING, LLC	64.58	WESTERN MOUNTAIN OPHTHAMOLOGY	3,260.36

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* BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	37.59	GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	3,189.81
** BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	56.78	GREENMAN, MARY	146.52
BRACKETT, PENNY A., PERS. IN POS.	559.81	GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	900.11
** BROWN, LISA M.	615.56	GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	2,248.94
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,592.11	** GRIMANIS, ROSE	1,921.37
** BRYANT, NANCY R.	23.19	GUND, JOHN P.	4,612.48
* BRYANT, NANCY, PERS. IN POS.	1,546.19	HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	988.63
** BUTLER, FULTON S.	507.24	HAYDEN, JOHN	367.62
** CHICK, JENNIFER	367.62	HOISINGTON, BERNICE A.	1,331.03
CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	903.28	** HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	353.79
CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	360.06	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	549.15
CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,599.95	** HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	2,158.57
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	583.35	IMLAY, JR., KENNETH W.	222.28
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	543.74	KEMPTON, SETH	3,444.40
** DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	98.16	KEMPTON, SETH J.	712.03
DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POS.	658.55	KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	865.20
DUNN, DANIEL	92.08	KILLGREN, KEVIN	458.32
FARNUM, PAUL A. & MARTIN P.	1,148.28	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	1,852.53
** FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	483.37	** KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,332.73
** GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	234.99	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	360.06
** GAY, TED F.	887.88	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	2,082.13
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,778.52	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	451.90

** KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,806.60	** SHEA, MARILYN A.	5,273.03
** LYDON, VICKY A.	635.58	SNIDER, ROBERT N.	451.90
** MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	1,163.29	STEARNS, JR., DREW T.	130.44
** MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,753.83	STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., ESTATE OF	696.35
MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	1,033.48	TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH L.	2,501.35
PRATT, CURTIS L.	334.59	TYLER, TONY S.	979.58
PRATT, MARION, HEIRS OF	1,261.73	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,921.41
PRESTON, KATIE S.	394.88	VINING, KENNETH H.	447.02
REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	842.24	VIOLETTE, KURT R.	1,576.99
RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	497.82	WILLIAMSON, BURCHARD	337.05
		YORKS, JEFFREY S.	497.82

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** CAR CLINIC	89.73	R S ELECTRIC	41.87
DEEP ROOT TREE LANDSCAPING	137.59	RDM ELECTRIC	35.89
FARMINGTON AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE	117.65	ROOST PUB & WINGERY	11.71
FARMINGTON TOWING	105.68	SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO.	79.76
ISA-ECASH, BODWELL BANK SOLUTIONS	69.79	TYLER, EDWARD	273.18
KEMP ENTERPRISES, INC.	504.48	W. A. MITCHELL, INC.	711.86
PINS & NEEDLES	538.38	WEST MOUNT, INC.	165.50
PROFESSIONAL HYDRO-BLASTERS'	209.37	WESTERN MOUNTAIN OPHTHALMOLOGY	2,877.34

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Dashing through the snow...



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BUDGET COMMITTEE

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



The Budget Committee held its first meeting in early December 2018 and elected the necessary officers, had a brief discussion about its duties and received the proposed budget for each Town department and some outside agencies. Town Manager Richard Davis offered some explanations of the presented budgets and indicated that there were several increases in department requests this year. There were numerous questions about the reasons for proposed increases.

During the following weeks, meetings were held and the Committee heard from each department head who gave an adequate explanation of needed budget items. Questions were asked by committee members about some of the reasons for increases in particular areas of their budgets. Cost of materials, insurance increases and personnel expenses were the primary reasons given.

After all the presentations were given the Committee discussed each requested budget and made its final recommendations in late January 2019. These were forwarded to the Selectmen and Town Manager for their review and consideration for the Town Warrant.

The Committee would like to thank the presenters for their fine presentations and the citizens who have supported the budget review process. The outcome was to provide the essential services that the citizens feel necessary for the Town of Farmington.

A long-time committee member and Secretary Fred O. Smith passed away before we had completed our work. We recognize him for his commitment over the years and his community service.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Clyde Ross,
Chairman

ASSESSING

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



We welcome Noel Madore of O'Donnell & Associates to the Farmington assessing team. Noel is a Certified Maine Assessor. He has a Master's degree in Public Policy and Management and a Bachelor's degree in Public Management from the University of Maine system. Noel is in the Assessor's Office every other Thursday. His involvement has greatly improved our response time on Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement forms. These are forms that our businesses need to file for reimbursement from the State of Maine for some of their paid personal property taxes.

While it probably was not apparent to the outside world, the Town Office staff completed an enormous data entry effort while continuing all their regular day-to-day work. The data entry was necessitated by a software conversion imposed by the municipal software provider. We conduct assessing work in thirty-seven towns and I can say the effort by the staff was unparalleled. This effort creates efficiencies that will save money and it will save time for the people of Farmington while conducting business at the Town Office.

The Town's assessment ratio is an expression of the average relationship between assessed values and current real estate sale prices. This ratio has hovered around 105% for quite a few years. The most recent sales ratio studies are showing that this ratio is dropping. This means, overall, properties are selling for more money in recent years. Towns do not want assessment ratios to be excessively high or low. The more important consideration is how widely dispersed the numbers that make up the average are. The range of ratios that make up the average are growing wider as the ratio drops (this is typical). None of these numbers are particularly "bad" right now, but they indicate the Town should be taking action in a few years to keep values from becoming unfair.

Some points of interest:

- Farmington's online assessing information can be viewed at www.jeodonnell.com and had 12,174 page views in 2019. The page view count is virtually the same as 2018.
- In 2019, a homestead exemption in Farmington provided a tax bill reduction of \$419.58.

We maintain regular office hours on Thursdays in the Town Office.
We are also available by phone and email the other days of the week.

Sincerely,

John E. O'Donnell III
John E. O'Donnell & Associates

2019 PROPERTY TAX RATE COMPUTATIONS

ASSESSMENT

County tax	\$ 568,764.75	
Municipal appropriation	\$ 6,115,386.00	
TIF financing plan amount	\$ 349,655.06	
School appropriation	\$ 4,793,090.62	
Overlay	\$ 39,487.48	
TOTAL ASSESSMENT		\$ 11,866,383.91

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 600,000.00	
Other revenue	\$ 1,513,330.00	
Homestead Reimbursement	\$ 355,696.45	
BETE Reimbursement	\$ 98,623.48	
TOTAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS		\$ 2,567,649.93

NET ASSESSMENT FOR COMMITMENT **\$ 9,298,733.98**

VALUATIONS

Taxable Personal Property Valuation	\$ 22,695,100.00	
Taxable Real Estate Valuation	\$ 442,707,001.00	
Total Taxable Valuation		\$ 465,402,101.00

RATE CALCULATIONS

Net Assessment for Commitment divided by Total Valuation = Tax Rate
 $\$9,298,733.98 / \$465,402,101.00 = .01998$

GROSS ASSESSMENT CALCULATIONS

Total Taxable Valuation	\$ 465,402,101.00	
X Tax Rate	\$ 0.01998	
Equals Net Assessment for Commitment		\$ 9,298,733.98

PROGRAMS THAT COULD AFFECT YOUR TAXES



For the following programs the application must be submitted to the Assessor by April 1, 2020. Applications and brochures are available at the Municipal Office or they can be downloaded from our website at www.farmington-maine.org on the Assessors' page. For further information on these programs, please contact the Assessor's Office at 778-6530.

VETERAN'S EXEMPTION – If you are a veteran aged 62 or older, or an un-remarried spouse of a deceased veteran who would have been 62 by April 1, 2020 and served during a federally recognized war period; or if you are a veteran who receives federal funds for 90-100% disability.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION – If you have been receiving the Homestead Exemption in the past, you do not need to reapply unless your home ownership status has changed.

BLIND EXEMPTION – If you are legally blind as determined by a properly licensed doctor, you are eligible to receive an exemption. A letter from a doctor stating that an individual is blind is all that is needed to apply for the exemption.

The above listed exemptions require that your primary residency be Farmington. If you are a new resident or currently a taxpayer that might qualify for one of the above exemptions, your application for the exemption must be submitted to the Assessor by April 1, 2020. These State programs exempt a fixed amount that is deducted from the taxpayer's residential assessed value before the tax rate is applied.

LANDOWNERS – There are three programs for which you might be eligible. The programs are: The Maine Tree Growth Tax Law, Farm Classification Law, and the Open Space Tax Law. As the laws for these programs are quite detailed, please contact the Assessor for more information.

OWNERSHIP AND ADDRESS UPDATES – To avoid errors in tax billing, please notify the Assessor's Office in writing when selling or transferring property and any changes to your mailing address.

STATE OF MAINE BUSINESS EQUIPMENT TAX REIMBURSEMENT (BETR) – If you purchased or transferred taxable business property to a Maine location after April 1, 1995, you may be eligible for this program.

STATE OF MAINE BUSINESS EQUIPMENT TAX EXEMPTION PROGRAM (BETE) – If you purchased eligible non-retail business equipment first subject to assessment on or after April 1, 2008, you may qualify for this exemption. BETE applications must be filed annually with the tax assessor by May 1st.

PROPERTY TAX AND RENT REFUND PROGRAM – The Maine Residents Property Tax and Rent Refund Program has been replaced by a refundable Property Tax Fairness Credit that can be claimed on the Maine Individual Income Tax Form.

The new credit is available on the Maine Individual Income Tax Form 1040ME. A worksheet will be included with Form 1040ME to calculate the amount of the credit.

Who will be eligible for the new Property Tax Fairness Credit? Homeowners or renters who meet all of the following requirements will be eligible:

- Were Maine residents during any part of the tax year;
- Owned or rented a home in Maine during any part of the tax year and lived in that home during the year;
- Had Maine adjusted gross income of not more than \$40,000; and
- Paid property tax on a home in Maine during the tax year that was more than 10% of Maine adjusted gross income or paid rent to live in a home or apartment in Maine during the tax year that was more than 40% of Maine adjusted gross income.

TOWN CLERK – WELFARE DIRECTOR

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



As quiet as this past year was in Elections, the upcoming year is going to be a busy one with the regular yearly elections along with a new Presidential Primary, which is set for March 3, 2020. Voting will be held upstairs at the Community Center for the Primary, the June Election and the November Election. This allows for more room to accommodate the voters and keep the lines moving. I am securing more voting machines to assist in the flow of traffic on these major election days. I want to again remind voters that Absentee Ballots are always available 30 days before any election. They can be requested at the town office in person, via a phone request by calling the office at 778-6539, or can be requested on line at: <http://www.maine.gov/cgibin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl> It is very important to let me know of any address or name changes so that we can maintain accurate information. This can be done prior to or on election day.

With a very political year coming upon us, I think this quote that I recently read is fitting, “Don’t let politics ruin relationships. One of the truest tests of maturity is the ability to disagree with someone while remaining respectful.”

Please remember to license your dog. Renewals are due each year by December 21st. Puppies must be licensed after six months. Always be sure to bring in your current rabies certificate along with any new neutering or spaying certificate.

I processed 148 General Assistance applications in 2019 and approved 116, which assisted a total of 172 people.

I look forward to seeing you all in the office and at the polls.

Respectfully submitted,

Leanne E. Dickey
Town Clerk

2019 ELECTIONS

March 25, 2019	Annual Town Meeting
June 11, 2019	RSU #9 Budget Referendum
September 10, 2019	Special Town Meeting
November 5, 2019	Referendum /Fire Truck Bond

BALLOT CLERKS

Bonnie Baker – Deputy Town Clerk, Denise Bell, Michael Bell, Terry Bell, Lynn Caldwell, Mark Caldwell, Shane Cote, S. Clyde Ross, and Diana Young

Dog Licenses	442	Births	235
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	928	Marriages	45
		Deaths	184

Boston Post Cane Recipient



Town Manager Richard Davis presents the cane to Nada Keeling who turned 101 December 2019

POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



I want to personally thank the citizens of Farmington and the entire community on behalf of the Farmington Police Department, for their continued support this past year.

We wish to express our condolences to the family, friends, and co-workers of Fire Captain Michael Bell.

We also send our thoughts out to Larry Lord and his family. Larry's actions saved many lives on the morning of September 16, 2019. To our brothers and sisters of the Farmington Fire Rescue, thank you for your willingness to provide and sacrifice your services to the citizens of Farmington. We also thank everyone who went above and beyond for their life saving efforts that fateful day and supported us after the tragedy.

In 2019, we lost several long- time members of our agency. Sergeant Michael Adcock, Detective Marc Bowering, Officer Darin Gilbert and Office Manager Bonnie Pomeroy either retired or took other employment positions within our community. Collectively, these four faithful employees worked for the Police Department for a combined 64 years. We wish them all well in their new endeavors and thank them for their dedicated and devoted service.

In 2019, we welcomed new Office Manager Karen Kidd and part-time Office Assistant Jocelyn Kelly. We also welcomed Officer Ethan Boyd who joined our department after starting his career at the Carrabassett Valley Police Department, as well as Walter "Roger" Bachelder as a part-time Reserve Officer.

In December of 2019, Officer Jeffrey Brann graduated from the Basic Law Enforcement Program at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy where I was honored to be asked to provide the commencement speech for their graduation. Congratulations to Officer Brann. We wish you a safe and productive career.

Our officers continued to support several charity events. These included the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run, "Operation Santa Claus", Safe Voices 5-K and the United Way. Members of the Farmington Police Department also served on various community-oriented boards and committees. These included the Franklin Community Health Network, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services and the domestic violence support organization "Safe Voices".

The year 2019 also brought with it the personal honor of my being sworn in as the President of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association at our fall conference at Sugarloaf this past September – the first Farmington Chief of Police and first ever from Franklin County to represent all the Police Chiefs of the State of Maine.

A reminder that the Farmington Police Department, in collaboration with the Healthy Community Coalition, has a “Drug Take-Back” box located in the lobby of the department. Unwanted medications, with the exception of syringes and liquids, can be dropped off during normal business hours.

If you have a loved one who has the potential to “wander” due to a mental or physical disability and would like emergency personnel to have access to their information, please contact our department. The same with our elder check program. If you know of someone or you would like to participate please contact us for assistance.

To the members of the Farmington Fire Rescue, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, NorthStar Ambulance, Franklin County Sheriff's Department, Maine State Police, UMF Police, Wilton Police, Jay Police, and all other agencies that assisted us in the last year – thank you. Special thanks go to the men and women who serve on the Farmington Police Department for their dedicated and devoted service.

The Department maintains a webpage on the Town of Farmington's website which may be reached at www.farmington-maine.org We also maintain a Facebook page at www.facebook.com/FPDME/ Both contain public service announcements and other helpful information. Please take a moment to check the sites from time to time as the information changes frequently. Our Department continues to strive to provide the best service and contribute to our mission “To create a feeling of safety for people within the Town of Farmington”.

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us or to stop in at your police department located at 116 Franklin Avenue. Members of the Department are also available every third Thursday of each month at Dunkin' on the Wilton Road for “Coffee with a Cop”. Please stop in with your questions or concerns, or just to say hello.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack D. Peck, Jr.
Chief of Police

Summary of the Most Common Crimes or Police Calls/Complaints			
Crime	2017	2018	2019
Rape	11	3	3
Assault	66	55	28
Burglary	10	13	16
Thefts	131	53	96
Criminal Mischief	38	47	36
Criminal Trespass	7	33	13
Drug Cases	34	26	16
Domestic Disturbances	66	90	32
Traffic Crashes	459	602	482
Arrests	798	531	464
OUI Arrests	87	95	90
Summons			
Speeding Summons	346	458	288
Traffic Warning	7,394	4,643	2,871
Parking Tickets	962	971	846
Missing Persons	14	27	4
Harassment Calls	106	98	82
Security Checks	<u>2,644</u>	<u>2,017</u>	<u>1,641</u>
TOTAL	13,173	9,762	7,008
Total Traffic Stops	6,426	9,209	6,340

These totals represent the number of calls for service made to the police department for investigation, not necessarily the number of crimes committed. For a more representative look at crime in Farmington or any community within the United States, refer to ***Crime in the United States***, an annual publication put out by the FBI.

Police Revenues			
	2017	2018	2019
Parking Tickets	\$ 16,740	\$ 17,090	\$ 28,770
Police Reports	\$ 140	\$ 1,498	\$ 2,642
Misc.& Gun permit	<u>\$ 665</u>	-	-
Gun Permits		\$ 625	\$ 575
Miscellaneous		<u>\$ 7,033</u>	<u>\$ 5,995</u>
TOTAL	\$ 17,545	\$ 26,246	\$ 37,982

OFFICER OF THE YEAR



**Sergeant Edward Hastings, IV
Congratulations!**

Farmington Police Department 2019



L to R Seated – Assistant Office Manager Jocelyn Kelly, Deputy Chief Shane Cote, Chief Jack Peck, Jr., Sergeant Edward Hastings, IV, and Office Manager Karen Kidd

L-R Standing – Officer Ryan Rosie, Officer Ethan Boyd, Officer Jesse Clement, Officer Roger Bachelder, Officer Brandon Sholan, Officer Jacob Richards, and Officer Bridgette Gilbert

Absent from Photo – Sergeant Michael Lyman, Crossing Guard Robert Hallman, Parking Enforcement Drew Holsten, and part-time Office Assistant Stephan Bunker

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



This is my annual report for the Farmington Fire Rescue Department for 2019. The Department responded to calls for assistance 457 times this year. We gave mutual aid assistance for other towns 43 times and received mutual aid assistance. The Department had a total of 21 training classes.

2018	2019	Calls for Assistance
70	57	Alarm malfunction / false alarms
34	36	Fire Inspection / fire prevention
44	48	Fire related calls
50	50	Good intent, such as calls from concerned citizens
164	155	Hazardous conditions with no fire
72	71	Rescue, extrication, and emergency medical calls
33	40	Service calls
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Severe weather</u>
480	457	Total Calls

Jon Alexander has been hired as a new full-time firefighter to replace Aaron Gordon who resigned to pursue an education as a paramedic. David Fronk resigned after 27 years of service and Brandon Scholan after 8 years of service. We have hired five new firefighters to fill per diem shifts. We are still trying to find ways to recruit new members for our department, and applications are available at the Fire Station and on the Town's website.

The Department was awarded \$509,000 from the Maine Fire Commission Live Fire Training Facilities Grant Program to build a multi-story training facility next to the Mt. Blue High School campus. This training facility will be used by firefighters, police and other first responders. The Department was also awarded funding through the Homeland Security Grant Program for extrication equipment. In the November referendum, voters approved the purchase of a new pumper truck to replace the 2002 Engine #1.

On September 16, 2019, the firefighters from the Farmington Fire Rescue Department responded to a propane odor investigation at the Life Enrichment Advancing People (LEAP) building located on the Farmington Falls Road. During the investigation an explosion

occurred demolishing the building. As a result, Captain Michael Bell lost his life. Fire Chief Terry Bell, Deputy Fire Chief Clyde Ross, Captain Tim D. Hardy, Captain Scott Baxter, Firefighter Ted Baxter, and Firefighter Joe Hastings were critically injured along with LEAP Maintenance Supervisor Larry Lord. As of December 2019, three of the six injured firefighters have resumed their duties, and the other three are still recovering from their injuries.

We would like to thank the Farmington community for their support and all the businesses who generously donated their time and resources to our Department. This is why Farmington is a great place to live and work. **“THANK YOU ALL”.**

Thank you to all the Fire Departments from around the state, Emergency Management Agencies, State Police, Maine Department of Transportation, County Law Enforcement Agencies, Emergency Management Services, Life Flight, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Advance Response Team, the medical community, and the Farmington Department Heads and their employees. A special thank you to Police Chief Jack Peck and his Department for their continued support.

Fire Rescue Department Roster and years of service to the town:

Jon Alexander 19 yrs.	Paris Duhamel 2 yrs.	Corey Mills 3 yrs.
David Ballard 1 yr.	Kyle Ellis 6 yrs.	Connor Perkins 3 mos.
Scott Baxter 14 yrs.	Aaron Gordon 1 yr.	Jennings Pinkham 13 yrs.
Teddy Baxter 13 yrs.	Levi Gould 1 yr.	S. Clyde Ross 48 yrs.
Michael Bell 30 yrs.	Steve Hall 3 mos.	Tiger Sikes 3 mos.
Terry Bell 42 yrs.	Tim A. Hardy 41 yrs.	Alan Stewart 1 yr.
James Brown 33 yrs.	Tim D. Hardy 22 yrs.	Junior Turner 48 yrs.
Stephan Bunker 41 yrs.	Joseph Hastings 6 yrs.	Peter Wade 17 yrs.
Patty Cormier 11 yrs.	Jim Kiernan 15 yrs.	Jonathan Wakefield 3 mos.
Jason Decker 3 mos.	Shawn Latulippe 3 yrs.	Stanley Wheeler 25 yrs.
Evan Dorr 2 yrs.	Michael Melville 11 yrs.	Stanley Wilcox 3 yrs.

Thank you to all members for your service.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry S. Bell, Sr.
Fire Chief

Tim A. Hardy
Acting Fire Chief

FIRE RESCUE TRAINING



The Farmington Fire Rescue Department has continued its regular training schedule as it has done for many years. All members are taking part in these trainings, some are learning new skills and others are just refreshing those from previous sessions. New mandates, new products and improved methods require us to keep up-dated all the time. Budget restraints have limited the types of equipment that can be replaced or purchased for training.

Training topics that are frequently used are similar to those from past years. Some of the common trainings are Ventilation, Ladders and Uses, Draft and Relay Pumping, Rural Hitch set p, Forcible Entry, annual Mandatory Topic Day (County departments), Vehicle Extrication and Stabilization, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, Rope Rescue Equipment review, Large Diameter Hose review, Truck Hose Lays and Deployment practices, review of building Pre-Plans, and Inspection of Personal Protective Equipment. One training session was at the Cascade Falls area of Mosher Hill where members were able to rappel using numerous rope operations. This year we had two equipment demonstrations including the uses and placement of stability struts, the use of air bags (proper location and how to use multiple bags) and the types and uses of battery-operated extrication tools. These were very informative and gave us new ideas for use and proper operation. Some of our members were able to attend an inspection class that will help in getting certified later.

The Fire Prevention Programs continue to be offered to the local schools, day care centers, tour groups and organizations that may want a safety presentation. A number of Fire Extinguisher classes have been taught in local businesses and living facilities. These help familiarize employees with the types of extinguishers and their uses. The Department continues to tour new facilities and businesses as they start up in town.

The per diem and the full-time crews have been very busy conducting the above activities and offering to assist local businesses with needed safety inspections. The Department has continued its dormitory evacuation drills with the University of Maine at Farmington.

Realizing the need for a new fire rescue pumper, several members visited a few fire departments to look at new units that had been recently purchased. This was very informative and gave us an opportunity to ask the department questions about what worked well and how they would have planned differently.

The Western Maine Public Safety Training site, located off the Seamon Road near the Mt. Blue Campus, is currently seeing its first construction. The cement pad has been installed as well as land preparation for more construction in the spring of 2020. Funding from the State was awarded in June, and public donations are still being accepted for the new site and building.

Mutual Aid departments are still being invited to our training sessions. This fosters good working relationships and helps all neighboring communities.

In closing, we thank all who have been involved with these situations and appreciate the citizens who support and understand the need for continuing education.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Clyde Ross
Deputy Fire Chief

Timothy D. Hardy
Captain

Farmington's 2nd Fire Engine



Photo courtesy of the Farmington Historical Society

CODE/PLANNING DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



With administration and coordination provided by the Code/Planning Office, during 2019 there were 11 Planning Board meetings. During its meetings, the Board reviewed 37 applications under the following ordinances: Site Review (15), Subdivision [Modification] (1), Shoreland Zoning (3), Floodplain Management (2), Soil Erosion Control & Storm Water Management (9), and Adult Use & Medical Marijuana Stores, Cultivation Facilities, Manufacturing Facilities, and Testing Facilities (9). Five applications were approved under in-house Code Enforcement Officer review: Site Review (2), and Wireless Telecommunication Facilities [Co-location] (3). The Board meets on the second Monday of every month, except for October when it meets on the third Monday.

On July 8, 2019, the Planning Board's annual election was held during which Clayton King was re-elected as Chairman and Lloyd Smith elected as Vice-Chairman. There are presently no vacancies on the Planning Board.

The Board of Appeals met on June 26, 2019 to elect officers, during which Galen Dalrymple was re-elected as Chairman and Pete Tracy was elected as Vice-Chairman/Secretary. There is one three-year term vacancy presently available for a regular member and two one-year term vacancies presently available for alternate members. The Board of Appeals met three times in 2019 and approved three variance applications.

The Zoning Board lost long-standing member Fred O. Smith, who served for thirteen years, when he passed on January 22, 2019. Four new members joined the Board in 2019: Paul Mills, John Moore, Kelly Kading, and Jane Woodman. The Zoning Board met four times in 2019, and conducted their annual administrative meeting on July 31, 2019, during which Paul Mills was elected as Chairman and Adrian Harris was elected as Secretary. The Zoning Board currently has two one-year term vacancies for alternate members.

During 2019, there were forty residential projects: four new stick-built houses; three new mobile homes; thirteen new garages, carports, and barns; and twenty new additions, decks, and sheds. In 2019, registration forms were filed for twelve business projects and for two home-occupations, and fifteen sign permits were issued.

In May, the Code/Planning Office completed the requisite activities

for the Town's five-year cycle re-certification for Class 8 rating under FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). This program provides federally backed flood insurance within communities that participate in the NFIP-CRS and enact and enforce floodplain regulations in an effort to mitigate flood damage and losses.

In July, the new Odor Control Panel, consisting of four town citizens, started evaluating marijuana cultivation businesses under the Zoning Ordinance's Performance Standard for Odor Nuisance Control & Abatement. In September, the Loan Review Board approved a loan from the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) for a downtown business.

A reminder to all those building new structures, and those installing slabs and/or foundations for new manufactured housing, that such work must be inspected by a Third-Party Inspector (TPI) under the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC).

Please check the Town's website www.farmington-maine.org for Board meeting dates, agendas, minutes, ordinances, and application forms. These are listed under Code/Planning on the homepage. All meetings are open to the public.

A very big thanks to the personnel in the Town's Fire Rescue and Police Departments, Franklin County Sheriff and Emergency Management Services, NorthStar Ambulance, State Police, and all assisting firefighters and first responders for their exemplary service during and after the explosion event at the Life Enrichment Advancing People property on September 16, 2019. We truly appreciate all you do for all of us.

I thank my co-workers, Planning Assistant Cindy Gelinias and Code Enforcement Assistant Kate Foster, for their hard work and dedication.

I also want to express my gratitude to all members of the above-mentioned Boards for the countless hours and guidance they have generously given the Town through their service, and to all citizens of Farmington, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager, and Town employees for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Stevens Kaiser
Code Enforcement Officer

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



This past year has been full of changes for the Recreation Department. Programs and events have been added and other programs modified, but the most notable change that occurred this year was in our Assistant Director Position.

After a little over two years as our Assistant Director, Jaycee Jenckes accepted a position at Mount Blue Middle School as one of their newest Health Educators. Ms. Jenckes served a total of seven years working for the Recreation Department, nine years including her time as a volunteer. She was a great asset to our Department and her work in helping to develop and improve our programs during her time here was extremely valuable. We will miss her wonderful, fun-loving personality, but are happy to see her stay in our community and know she will do great things wherever she goes.

Taking Ms. Jenckes place as our new Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation is Paris Duhamel. Ms. Duhamel has worked for the Town of Skowhegan Parks and Recreation Department for the past year and a half under the guidance of Director Denise LeBlanc, who is also the former President of the Maine Recreation and Parks Association. Ms. Duhamel has come to our Department with passion for our industry and a good foundation in parks and recreation knowledge. She has a wonderful personality and is sure to be loved by our local residents.

Throughout the year, the Department, as well as other members from our community, have been meeting with The Atlantic Salmon Federation, David Maynes Studios (Landscape Architect), and Acadia Civil Works to go over design and planning of the Walton's Mill Park. These updates are being paid for by the Atlantic Salmon Federation in conjunction with the removal of the dam. The plans include a larger parking lot, a 20' x 30' pavilion, a new restroom facility, pathway lighting, new observation deck, small amphitheater, better stream access, and new plantings as well as other new features. The project is expected to begin groundbreaking in the Spring 2021 and is sure to be an impressive remodel of the park that we are looking forward to. Another great addition to our community!

The Recreation Department was also able to introduce a few new programs this year like a new Easter Event, Kids Only 5K Running Camp, February Break Camp, Bug Camp, and Flag Football. Our Easter Event was held at the Community Center and drew around 100 children and parents. There were games, family photo booths, treats, and lights and decorations everywhere. Our Kids Only 5K Running Camp was a weekly running program for children that lasted the summer. At the end of the program the Department hosted a "Kids Only 5K" for anyone 12 years old and under and held it at the Water Department fields behind Narrow Gauge Cinema. Children who registered were then able to go see a movie and received a free popcorn and drink following the 5K as part of the event.

Our February Break Camp brought 35 children who spent the week off from school busy with activities and games here at the Community Center, along with swimming each day at the Fitness Center. Bug Camp was a big hit with the children. Hailey Mealey is fascinated with bugs and was the perfect person to introduce our local youth to the interesting world of insects! Hailey had access to many exotic bugs with her connections with the State and had several interesting art projects for the children to have fun with as well. We were also able to run a Flag Football Camp this past summer introducing children to football in a fun and safe way!

Lastly, I would like to say how proud I am to work for a town that was able to rally together to accomplish what felt like the impossible when our coworkers and citizens were shaken by the tremendous blow that was dealt us on September 16, 2019. Many people in our area were affected by the disaster, and several of our citizens and coworkers will be dealing with the aftermath of this event for some time to come. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all.

If anyone would like more information about the Parks and Recreation Department, feel free to stop by or check out our Facebook page www.facebook.com/farmingtonrec.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew L. Foster, CPRP
Director of Parks and Recreation

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



I am pleased to submit my fourth annual report as Director of Public Works.

At the Public Works Department, we aim to plan, build, maintain all infrastructure and help sustain public safety for all residents and visitors. The Department receives hundreds of calls each year from citizens. These calls help the Department respond to issues. Our full-time road maintenance crew consists of seven individuals managing 130 miles of travel way and over 15 miles of pedestrian walkways.

Major accomplishments for the Department were the full reconstruction of Front Street (Phase 2), Ski Slope Road, and a portion of the Webster Road totaling over 7,000 feet of reconstructed travel way. Our projects are on schedule with our 5-year road plan.

For the next season, we plan to reconstruct Perham Street with upgraded roadway and sidewalk. The Clover Mill Road will also receive major drainage and surface improvements.

We finally recovered from the harsh winter elements of 2019 that depleted our material inventory and took a toll on hours of manpower worked. With full staff and a full sand shed, we feel that we are prepared to journey through the 2020 season with success. The crew's long hours, dedication, and responsiveness make our roadway conditions clean and safe to travel on.

Lastly, I would like to thank the Citizens, Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, municipal staff and committees for their continuous support for making the current year and all future infrastructure upgrades.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Hutchins
Public Works Director

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WINTER ROADS OPERATING PROCEDURE

The Public Works Department (PWD) maintains approximately 120 centerline miles of Town roads during the winter.

WHEN A STORM BEGINS - For nights and weekend storms, the PWD relies on the Police Department to call our Director or Foreman when the road conditions deteriorate. Sometimes, however, the Public Works Director may call some plow units out earlier if ice or severe weather is forecast. When the snowstorms begin, all of our units are called. The major roads are Priority One. (Major roads are determined by traffic volume and time of day.) Priority One roads are plowed and pretreated with salt and calcium chloride when liquid additive is needed. Calcium Chloride is only used with very cold temperatures when salt will not work alone. We only use approximately 600 gallons of calcium chloride per season, or about five gallons per mile of road all season. **(Note – For more information on winter road treatment go to <http://mcspolicycenter.umaine.edu/?q=RoadSalt> for a study conducted by the University of Maine).** This liquid is also treated with a rust inhibitor before we accept delivery. This treatment prevents bonding of snow and ice to the pavement. Priority Two roads are plowed and sanded with sand/salt mix to also help prevent bonding of ice and snow. Priority Three roads are plowed and sanded with straight sand as needed after Priority One and Priority Two roads are safe for travel. Our goal is to keep the roads as safe as possible, and we try to keep the snow or ice from bonding and packing to the pavement.

AS THE STORM CONTINUES - Our primary goal is to keep the travel lanes free of snow and ice buildup and ice from bonding to the road. If snow becomes extremely heavy, we have to again prioritize how we plow roads by traffic volume and time of day. If needed, we may have extra plow operators come to help on secondary roads. We continue to plow until the storm subsides, or until the drivers have made their plow routes safe for the night. The crew will normally go home for sleep between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. If needed, a few substitute operators will keep main roads plowed during this time and respond to any emergencies. When the operators have their plow routes in a safe condition at the end of the storm all roads are re-treated with sand, salt, or combination of both. At this time snow banks are pushed back as far as possible to make room for more plowing and make room for water runoff during thaw cycles. This may sometimes

happen the day after the storm, depending on how many hours the crew has worked.

ROAD CLEANUP - After the storm, cleanup continues with plowing snowdrifts and widening all roads as needed. It may take several days to completely push all snow off the road shoulders.

SIDEWALKS - During the storm, our sidewalk plow starts clearing snow when the Director sees the need to clear sidewalks. Again, this is determined by snow intensity, time of day, and sidewalk traffic. Some sidewalks near the roadways become covered with snow when the plow trucks clean streets. Those sidewalks are cleared as soon as possible after the storm and any others with accumulation. Our priority is to clear the sidewalks near the schools and churches. The downtown area sidewalks that are not the responsibility of the area businesses are cleared as soon as possible. We have over nine miles of sidewalks. Again, depending on the storm intensity more than one day may be needed to accomplish clearing the sidewalks.

SNOW REMOVAL - The PWD recognizes that businesses in the downtown area rely on clean streets for parking. Within 48 hours of a major storm, the snow is removed in the downtown area during the hours between midnight and 7 a.m. Side streets such as Quebec and Middle, and parts of other in-town streets are cleared as soon as possible after the downtown area is cleared of snow; sometimes on the same night or the following night. Other areas, such as public parking lots, are done during the nighttime snow removal hours. The public needs to be aware that there is a parking ban in Farmington and any vehicles parked on the streets or sidewalks during the ban hours may be towed at the owner's expense.

PARKING BAN - The Town of Farmington has a Parking Ban in town between November 15th and April 15th. Main Street bans parking between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. On other in-town streets the ban is between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m. This includes the public parking areas. These bans are necessary to keep streets clear of vehicles so the streets can be plowed and sanded and the sidewalks cleared in the event of a snow storm. For more specifics, see Section 12-3.9 in Farmington's Traffic Ordinance Publication.

CATCH BASINS - Most of us forget about the catch basins in the height of winter. Should we get any rain, however, those catch basins are needed for drainage and to prevent the streets from icing. If you have a catch basin near your property, please keep it clear. That would be a tremendous help to the Public Works crew as our Department is responsible for over 600 basins.

TAXPAYER RESPONSIBILITY

MAILBOXES - The PWD gets as close as possible to your mailbox without damaging it. It is your responsibility to keep it clear. The box and the post may be damaged by the plow, but more often it is the weight of the snow being pushed back that damages the box. We suggest a post set back from the road edge 6 feet, with the mailbox suspended on chains from a yardarm at 39" to 42" off the ground, as required by the U.S. Postal Service for rural delivery. If mailbox damage occurs during a storm, please call 778-2191 so we can remind plow operators to be more careful. Mailboxes, however, are located in the Town right-of-way at the owner's risk.

It is unlawful for any person to place or cause to be placed or deposited, by motor vehicle or otherwise, any snow or ice onto any public right-of-way, which includes sidewalks. (Title 29-A M.R.S., Section 2396.4)

HELPFUL HINTS - If you are clearing the end of the driveway, put the removed snow on the side of your driveway opposite the direction from which the plow is coming. The plow will carry the snow away from your driveway. Otherwise, the snow will again fill your driveway entrance. Keeping a space clear before your driveway or walk minimizes the amount of snow falling into your driveway or walk. If possible, wait until the highway has been plowed before cleaning out the end of your driveway or walk. There is no practical way to plow the highway without depositing snow into your driveway. Please understand the Town of Farmington is required by law to keep roads and sidewalks plowed and sanded.

Snow Roller – Main Street



Photo courtesy of the Farmington Historical Society

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and Town Manager:



The year 2019 turned out to be another busy and productive year at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. As many of you might have seen, we were out cleaning and video inspecting the sewer collection system lines in town with the assistance of the Ted Berry Company. Along with the video inspections, the crew assisted Ted Berry with repairing areas in the collection system identified by the camera inspection that were cracked or broken and allowing groundwater to seep into the wastewater. These repairs are completed by a method known as Cured In Place Pipe repair. We have about one more year of this project, which will be completed a year early.

Our current discharge permit stipulates that we need to formulate a plan for reducing our total phosphorus discharge into the Sandy River. This past July, the Facility ran a chemical precipitant trial using a Harcros Chemical product named HPAC 8323, which is a liquid alum based chemical. HPAC precipitates the total phosphorus out of the water and allows it to be captured in the sludge solids to prevent it from being discharged to the river. The four-week trial was very successful, as we were able to lower our total phosphorus concentrations from 3.27 mg/l in week one to 0.74 mg/l by the fourth week, which easily meets our proposed discharge parameters. Moving forward in 2020, we will be adding HPAC for the entire four months of total phosphorus monitoring.

The year 2020 is what is known as a surveillance year in our current discharge permit. This means we will be performing tests on our effluent in all four quarters of the year. We will be sending out samples for analytical chemistry and copper in each quarter and Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) testing in the second and fourth quarters. This is to collect information before the final year of our current permit to see if any changes need to be made in our current discharge license. This is a process that all facilities go through in the fourth year of their discharge permits to see if more parameters are needed or if the frequency of some can be reduced.

As I have every year, I would like to take a moment here to thank my crew. We are four individuals from different walks of life with assorted abilities all coming together for a common goal. It has often been said by people you are only as good as the people who surround you.

The three men who work here for this Facility are the best, and I thank them. This job does not come with a lot of praise but I, for one, am thankful they are here.

In 2020, we plan to continue all the good work we do to improve the Treatment Facility and the Collection System and, as always, do what is needed to protect our environment.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen M. Millett
Superintendent



L to R: Superintendent Steve Millett, Paul Stanzel, Ethan Tracy, and Joe Hartigan.

SEWER DEPARTMENT
Liened Receivables as of December 31, 2019

* Partial Payments Ending 01-31-2020

** Paid in Full

	ACCOUNT	BALANCE	EARLIEST YEAR DUE
**	Bell, Danielle A.	295.60	2019
*	Brackett, Penny A.	1,990.21	2015
	Chretien, Jeffrey S.	1,187.59	2016
*	Cousineau, Joseph B.	1,152.62	2017
	Das-Wattley, Sharmila	2,774.01	2018
	Deutsche Bank National Trust	242.96	2018
**	Engberg, Deedra S.	79.99	2019
*	Fraser, Bruce M.	1,866.69	2017
	Gay, Ted, Heirs of	403.34	2017
	Gund, John P.	2,365.13	2016
	Hoisington, Bernice A.	465.45	2018
**	Jones, Blair A.	226.96	2019
*	Lapala, Corey	1,121.53	2017
	Lesperance, Bruce & Penny	637.11	2018
*	Lord, Kevin	947.26	2017
*	Morgan, Iris & Ryan	6,265.16	2017
	Nelson, Rebecca M.	207.55	2019
**	Pennymac Loan Services, LLC	147.69	2019
	Pond, Sonya L.	797.71	2018
	Spinney, David	600.51	2018
	Viles, Michael	985.01	2018

SAFETY COMMITTEE

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



The Safety Committee met six times this past year to review and update the Town's safety policies, conduct employee accident investigations, discuss training and equipment needs, and to monitor working conditions for compliance and risks.

I would first like to report that the Town of Farmington has always been a leader in safety; however, due to the circumstances we faced this past September we have learned that we cannot always prevent the worst from happening. The event that took place left our community and workplace in shock and disbelief. It took the life of a dear friend and coworker, as well as injuring several more that are near and dear to the Town of Farmington. Employees from every department will continue to attend numerous safety trainings throughout the year, and we will continue to strive for excellence in keeping our coworkers and friends safe.

The Town continues to participate in the Maine Municipal Association (MMA) Leader Program, which rewards municipalities that implement plans and activities to create a safer workplace for employees by crediting the Workers Compensation contributions. These savings, along with utilizing the safety training courses and services in 2019, provided the Town with a \$2,492 dividend check as a result of our loss prevention programs.

The Town and I wish to express our gratitude to the Committee for the time and work involved. This Committee not only helps with monetary savings to the taxpayers but also in having a safe environment to work and conduct business with the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew L. Foster, CPRP
Safety Committee Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



During 2019, the Farmington Conservation Commission (FCC) continued maintenance of the downtown lilac trees, held a local Arbor Week celebration, attended the state's Arbor Week event, manned a booth at the Downtown Summerfest with information about conservation issues, and began planning an invasive species response management plan for street trees in the town.

Maintenance of the trees included pruning and adding compost to the trees to promote healthy growth. Two trees succumbed to soil and environmental conditions this year and will be replaced in 2020. We will renew our effort to keep the trees weeded. We are also coordinating a project to protect the boles of the trees with protective guards. We plan to have them in place by the end of summer 2020. The "Adopt a Tree" program encourages downtown businesses to water and watch over the trees. We wish to thank the following businesses for their "TLC" given to the downtown planted trees. They are: Kyes Insurance, Pine Tree Cellular, WKTJ, Bangor Savings, Mills and Mills, Richards Florist, Franklin County, TD Bank, and Tuck's Ale House.

The State of Maine recognized Arbor Week from May 20th to May 25th this year. In recognition of that, we held an invasive species informational program at the North Church. This included expert presentations on invasive plants and insects that have local impact, including the emerald ash borer. We brought in staff and former students from Cascade Brook School to remind us about their project in 2014-2015 learning about the ash borer, ash trees and ecology. They produced a book, which is still available.

The state-wide celebration for Arbor Week took place on May 20th at the Camden Library. The new Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Amanda Beal, spoke as did Commission member Patty Cormier in her role as the Director of the Maine Forest Service. Farmington is again a Tree City, USA, for the 42nd consecutive year. Rural Farmington is tied with suburban Westbrook and urban Kennebunkport for the longest running Maine Tree City.

All together over 370 volunteer hours were put in and close to \$1,000 was spent on tree maintenance and other events.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Haslam
Chairman

Sally Rees Speich
Secretary

Downtown Farmington Falls



Downtown West Farmington



Photos courtesy of the Farmington Historical Society



IMPORTANT NOTICES

PUBLIC WELCOME TO ATTEND MEETINGS

As a citizen you are the key element of efficient and effective local government. The Town of Farmington's many boards, committees, and commissions welcome residents and taxpayers to serve on them and to attend meetings to express their questions, concerns, ideas, and opinions. Meetings are held in the Municipal Building located at 153 Farmington Falls Road. Vacancies are listed in the "Elected Officials, Appointed Boards and Committees" section of the Town Report. For membership questions, agenda details, and information regarding various other meetings, please contact the Town Secretary at 778-6538 or visit our website at www.farmington-maine.org.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

The Town of Farmington registers vehicles owned by Farmington residents only.

Before a vehicle can be excised and registered, the following information/documents must be presented:

Dealer Sales: Dealer Sales Tax form, Application for Title, window sticker, and proof of insurance.

Non-Dealer Sales: Title, Bill of Sale, mileage, and proof of insurance.

Re-Registrations: Previous registration, current mileage, and proof of insurance. Renewal registrations can also be done online at www.sosonline.org.

TRANSFER STATION PERMITS

Transfer Station Permits may be obtained at no cost at the Municipal Office located at 153 Farmington Falls Road. Please bring your registration and license plate number in with you.

BURN PERMITS

Burn Permits may be obtained at no cost online at www.maineburnpermit.com, or Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Fire Rescue Office, which is located on the main floor of the Municipal Office Building. Permits will be issued subject to safe weather conditions as set forth by the Maine Forest Service.

TOWN ORDINANCE AND STATE LAW COMPLIANCE

The Town of Farmington requires persons to contact the Code Enforcement Office to ensure compliance with Town ordinances and State laws administered locally if planning to do one or more of the following activities:

- Undertake **any** new development, construction, sign installation, building project, or earth moving activities,
- Start any new business (including home occupations),
- Relocate any existing business within Farmington, or
- Expand the footprint of any existing business.

One or more ordinances and/or laws may apply and the appropriate applications will be provided as necessary. If you have any questions please call (207) 778-5874.



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February 28, 2020

Board of Selectmen
Town of Farmington, Maine
Farmington, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Farmington, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Farmington, Maine as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2019 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be 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
Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Funds	Statement G
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Proprietary Funds	Statement H
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
Combining Balance Sheet - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule C
Combining Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule D

RHR Smith & Company

Certified Public Accountants

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2019

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,517,927	\$ 1,151,083	\$ 6,669,010
Investments	574,103	-	574,103
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	654,680	-	654,680
Liens	231,754	-	231,754
Notes	-	208,010	208,010
Other	32,808	3,403	36,211
Prepaid items	11,690	-	11,690
Due from other funds	81,776	978,299	1,060,075
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 7,104,738	\$ 2,340,795	\$ 9,445,533
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 498,495	\$ -	\$ 498,495
Payroll related payables	30,156	-	30,156
Due to other governments	23,532	-	23,532
Due to other funds	3,235,044	81,776	3,316,820
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,787,227	81,776	3,869,003
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	17,487	-	17,487
Advance payment of LRAP funding	83,030	-	83,030
Deferred revenue	670	-	670
Deferred tax revenues	729,639	-	729,639
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	830,826	-	830,826
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable - prepaid items	11,690	-	11,690
Restricted	-	1,517,542	1,517,542
Committed	-	744,293	744,293
Assigned	35,597	-	35,597
Unassigned	2,439,398	(2,816)	2,436,582
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	2,486,685	2,259,019	4,745,704
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 7,104,738	\$ 2,340,795	\$ 9,445,533

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT E

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property taxes	\$ 9,278,189	\$ -	\$ 9,278,189
Excise taxes	1,135,092	-	1,135,092
Interest on taxes	67,796	-	67,796
Intergovernmental	1,321,666	13,867	1,335,533
Charges for services	189,102	-	189,102
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	-	91,765	91,765
Miscellaneous revenues	27,809	661,246	689,055
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>12,019,654</u>	<u>766,878</u>	<u>12,786,532</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	855,534	-	855,534
Public safety	2,194,322	-	2,194,322
Health and welfare	13,716	-	13,716
Recreation and culture	342,365	-	342,365
Education	4,793,091	-	4,793,091
Public works	1,926,052	-	1,926,052
County tax	568,765	-	568,765
Community services	229,798	-	229,798
Unclassified	102,234	504,895	607,129
Debt service:			
Principal	82,667	-	82,667
Interest	17,087	-	17,087
Capital outlay	-	879,160	879,160
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>11,125,631</u>	<u>1,384,055</u>	<u>12,509,686</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>894,023</u>	<u>(617,177)</u>	<u>276,846</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	15,000	591,455	606,455
Transfers (out)	(591,455)	(15,000)	(606,455)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(576,455)</u>	<u>576,455</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	317,568	(40,722)	276,846
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	<u>2,169,117</u>	<u>2,299,741</u>	<u>4,468,858</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 2,486,685</u>	<u>\$ 2,259,019</u>	<u>\$ 4,745,704</u>

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STATEMENT G

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Enterprise Fund		
	Sewer	Sewer Reserves	Total
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Investments	\$ -	\$ 1,209,360	\$ 1,209,360
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	284,934	-	284,934
Due from other funds	1,569,021	687,724	2,256,745
Total current assets	1,853,955	1,897,084	3,751,039
Noncurrent assets:			
Capital assets:			
Land and buildings	9,893,516	-	9,893,516
Vehicles and equipment	2,030,073	-	2,030,073
Plant/infrastructure	7,940,149	-	7,940,149
Less: accumulated depreciation	(17,526,950)	-	(17,526,950)
Total noncurrent assets	2,336,788	-	2,336,788
TOTAL ASSETS	4,190,743	1,897,084	6,087,827
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows related to pensions	12,983	-	12,983
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	12,983	-	12,983
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 4,203,726	\$ 1,897,084	\$ 6,100,810
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities:			
Accrued interest	\$ 5,123	\$ -	\$ 5,123
Current portion of long-term obligations	29,993	-	29,993
Total current liabilities	35,116	-	35,116
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Noncurrent portion of long-term obligations:			
Bonds payable	535,254	-	535,254
Accrued compensated absences	15,918	-	15,918
Net pension liability	48,254	-	48,254
Total noncurrent liabilities	599,426	-	599,426
TOTAL LIABILITIES	634,542	-	634,542
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows related to pensions	16,508	-	16,508
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	16,508	-	16,508
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	1,776,847	-	1,776,847
Unrestricted	1,775,829	1,897,084	3,672,913
TOTAL NET POSITION	3,552,676	1,897,084	5,449,760
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	\$ 4,203,726	\$ 1,897,084	\$ 6,100,810

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Enterprise Fund		
	Sewer	Sewer Reserves	Total
OPERATING REVENUES			
Charges for services	\$ 1,061,486	\$ -	\$ 1,061,486
Other	6,783	6,409	13,192
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,068,269	6,409	1,074,678
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Payroll and taxes	345,283	-	345,283
Treatment plant	221,729	-	221,729
Professional services	157,183	-	157,183
Depreciation	286,880	-	286,880
Other	1,500	21,155	22,655
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,012,575	21,155	1,033,730
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	55,694	(14,746)	40,948
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)			
Interest (expense)	(19,365)	-	(19,365)
Transfers in (out)	(185,000)	185,000	-
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	(204,365)	185,000	(19,365)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(148,671)	170,254	21,583
NET POSITION - JANUARY 1, RESTATED	3,701,347	1,726,830	5,428,177
NET POSITION - DECEMBER 31	\$ 3,552,676	\$ 1,897,084	\$ 5,449,760

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1	\$ 2,169,117	\$ 2,169,117	\$ 2,169,117	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	9,313,234	9,313,234	9,278,189	(35,045)
Excise taxes	1,054,700	1,054,700	1,135,092	80,392
Interest on taxes	56,000	56,000	67,796	11,796
Intergovernmental	1,258,099	1,258,099	1,321,666	63,567
Charges for services	136,750	136,750	189,102	52,352
Miscellaneous revenues	32,000	32,000	27,809	(4,191)
Transfers from other funds	15,000	15,000	15,000	-
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>14,034,900</u>	<u>14,034,900</u>	<u>14,203,771</u>	<u>168,871</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	933,078	880,278	855,534	24,744
Public safety	2,333,853	2,326,353	2,194,322	132,031
Health and welfare	25,000	25,000	13,716	11,284
Recreation and culture	405,609	374,609	342,365	32,244
Education	4,793,091	4,793,091	4,793,091	-
Public works	1,904,593	1,860,593	1,926,052	(65,459)
County tax	568,765	568,765	568,765	-
Community services	236,998	236,998	229,798	7,200
Unclassified	459,142	123,964	102,234	21,730
Debt service:				
Principal	82,667	82,667	82,667	-
Interest	17,088	17,088	17,087	1
Transfers to other funds	106,500	591,455	591,455	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>11,866,384</u>	<u>11,880,861</u>	<u>11,717,086</u>	<u>163,775</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 2,168,516</u>	<u>\$ 2,154,039</u>	<u>\$ 2,486,685</u>	<u>\$ 332,646</u>
Utilization of assigned fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 14,477</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (14,477)</u>

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND REVENUES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 9,298,734	\$ 9,298,734	\$ 9,264,126	\$ (34,608)
Payment in lieu	14,500	14,500	14,063	(437)
Excise taxes	1,054,700	1,054,700	1,135,092	80,392
Interest on taxes	56,000	56,000	67,796	11,796
Total Taxes	10,423,934	10,423,934	10,481,077	57,143
Intergovernmental Revenues:				
State revenue sharing	600,000	600,000	673,484	73,484
Homestead exemption	355,696	355,696	350,669	(5,027)
GA reimbursement	18,000	18,000	10,897	(7,103)
Local road assistance	158,780	158,780	158,780	-
BETE reimbursement	98,623	98,623	98,695	72
Veteran reimbursement	7,000	7,000	6,764	(236)
Tree growth reimbursement	20,000	20,000	22,377	2,377
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	1,258,099	1,258,099	1,321,666	63,567
Charges for Services:				
Victualer / liquor license	1,050	1,050	18,806	17,756
Code enforcement fees	2,500	2,500	15,650	13,150
Motor vehicle fees	19,500	19,500	22,782	3,282
Vital statistics fees	17,000	17,000	1,285	(15,715)
Inland fisheries fees	1,700	1,700	1,722	22
Parks and recreation fees	28,000	28,000	29,571	1,571
Assessor	-	-	262	262
Dog fees	-	-	1,100	1,100
Rental of town property	5,500	5,500	5,600	100
Police department	19,500	19,500	32,406	12,906
Recycling fees	30,000	30,000	32,077	2,077
Cemetery fees	12,000	12,000	27,820	15,820
Misc fees/licenses	-	-	21	21
Total Charges for Services	136,750	136,750	189,102	52,352
Miscellaneous Revenues:				
Tax lien fees	12,000	12,000	11,185	(815)
Misc revenues	20,000	20,000	16,624	(3,376)
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	32,000	32,000	27,809	(4,191)
Amounts Available for Appropriation	\$ 11,850,783	\$ 11,850,783	\$ 12,019,654	\$ 168,871

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
General government:					
Administration	\$ 268,286	\$ -	\$ 268,286	\$ 265,085	\$ 3,201
Assessor	149,104	(50,000)	99,104	96,806	2,298
Clerk treasurer	262,416	-	262,416	250,916	11,500
Municipal building	84,835	(2,000)	82,835	82,680	155
CEO	161,137	-	161,137	154,725	6,412
Committees	7,300	(800)	6,500	5,322	1,178
	<u>933,078</u>	<u>(52,800)</u>	<u>880,278</u>	<u>855,534</u>	<u>24,744</u>
Public safety:					
Police department	1,393,975	(7,500)	1,386,475	1,248,986	137,489
Fire department	460,223	-	460,223	482,663	(22,440)
Hydrants	345,475	-	345,475	345,475	-
Street lights	86,000	-	86,000	73,408	12,592
Traffic lights	10,000	-	10,000	8,864	1,136
Ambulance	38,180	-	38,180	34,926	3,254
	<u>2,333,853</u>	<u>(7,500)</u>	<u>2,326,353</u>	<u>2,194,322</u>	<u>132,031</u>
Health and welfare:					
General assistance	25,000	-	25,000	13,716	11,284
	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>13,716</u>	<u>11,284</u>
Recreation and culture:					
Parks and recreation	182,846	(7,000)	175,846	165,188	10,658
Community center	130,781	(18,000)	112,781	94,779	18,002
Cemeteries	91,982	(6,000)	85,982	82,398	3,584
	<u>405,609</u>	<u>(31,000)</u>	<u>374,609</u>	<u>342,365</u>	<u>32,244</u>

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Education	4,793,091	-	4,793,091	4,793,091	-
Public works:					
Highway department	1,375,157	(40,000)	1,335,157	1,293,333	41,824
Recycling department	100,656	(4,000)	96,656	102,622	(5,966)
Local roads	158,780	-	158,780	322,832	(164,052)
Capital improvement for roads	270,000	-	270,000	207,265	62,735
	<u>1,904,593</u>	<u>(44,000)</u>	<u>1,860,593</u>	<u>1,926,052</u>	<u>(65,459)</u>
County tax	568,765	-	568,765	568,765	-
Debt service:					
Principal	82,667	-	82,667	82,667	-
Interest	17,088	-	17,088	17,087	1
	<u>99,755</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>99,755</u>	<u>99,754</u>	<u>1</u>
Community services:					
Animal shelter	16,296	-	16,296	16,296	-
Public library	201,704	-	201,704	201,704	-
Social services / economic development	17,998	-	17,998	10,798	7,200
Gay cemetery	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
	<u>236,998</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>236,998</u>	<u>229,798</u>	<u>7,200</u>

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Unclassified:					
Insurances	65,000	-	65,000	70,437	(5,437)
Contingency	-	-	-	4,977	(4,977)
TAN interest	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
TIF	349,655	(349,655)	-	-	-
Prior year	-	14,477	14,477	13,037	1,440
Overlay	39,487	-	39,487	13,783	25,704
	<u>459,142</u>	<u>(335,178)</u>	<u>123,964</u>	<u>102,234</u>	<u>21,730</u>
Transfers to other funds:					
Revaluation	-	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Legal reserve	30,000	-	30,000	30,000	-
Community center	-	18,000	18,000	18,000	-
ADA	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Police facilities	-	3,500	3,500	3,500	-
Police equipment	-	500	500	500	-
Police vehicle	-	3,500	3,500	3,500	-
Municipal landfill	-	4,000	4,000	4,000	-
Public works facilities	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Sidewalks	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Municipal facilities	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	-
Fire equipment	75,000	-	75,000	75,000	-
Cemeteries	-	6,000	6,000	6,000	-
Parks and recreation	-	7,000	7,000	7,000	-
Conservation committee	-	800	800	800	-
TIF	-	349,655	349,655	349,655	-
	<u>106,500</u>	<u>484,955</u>	<u>591,455</u>	<u>591,455</u>	<u>-</u>
 Total Departmental Operations	 <u>\$ 11,866,384</u>	 <u>\$ 14,477</u>	 <u>\$ 11,880,861</u>	 <u>\$ 11,717,086</u>	 <u>\$ 163,775</u>

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 194,888	\$ -	\$ 956,195	\$ 1,151,083
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	3,403	-	-	3,403
Notes receivable	208,010	-	-	208,010
Due from other funds	533,952	416,134	28,213	978,299
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 940,253</u>	<u>\$ 416,134</u>	<u>\$ 984,408</u>	<u>\$ 2,340,795</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to other funds	\$ 43,674	\$ -	\$ 38,102	\$ 81,776
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>43,674</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,102</u>	<u>81,776</u>
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-
Restricted	560,789	7,632	949,121	1,517,542
Committed	335,791	408,502	-	744,293
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	(1)	-	(2,815)	(2,816)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>896,579</u>	<u>416,134</u>	<u>946,306</u>	<u>2,259,019</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 940,253</u>	<u>\$ 416,134</u>	<u>\$ 984,408</u>	<u>\$ 2,340,795</u>

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 91,765	\$ 91,765
Intergovernmental	8,767	5,100	-	13,867
Other income	131,791	529,455	-	661,246
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>140,558</u>	<u>534,555</u>	<u>91,765</u>	<u>766,878</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	-	879,160	-	879,160
Other	504,395	-	500	504,895
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>504,395</u>	<u>879,160</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>1,384,055</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(363,837)</u>	<u>(344,605)</u>	<u>91,265</u>	<u>(617,177)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	448,455	143,000	-	591,455
Transfers (out)	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>448,455</u>	<u>143,000</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>576,455</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	84,618	(201,605)	76,265	(40,722)
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1	<u>811,961</u>	<u>617,739</u>	<u>870,041</u>	<u>2,299,741</u>
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 896,579</u>	<u>\$ 416,134</u>	<u>\$ 946,306</u>	<u>\$ 2,259,019</u>

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The following is a draft warrant, subject to change until such time as it is legally posted.

**2020 WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

TO: S. Clyde Ross, a Resident of the Town of Farmington in the County of Franklin and State of Maine.

GREETING: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Farmington, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Community Center at 127 Middle Street in said Town on Monday, the THIRTIETH DAY OF MARCH, 2020, at 8:45 o'clock in the morning to act upon Articles 1 and 2. The polls will open at 9:00 o'clock in the morning and close at 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon Article Second.

And also notify and warn the said Inhabitants to meet at the Community Center at 127 Middle Street in said Town on Monday, the THIRTIETH DAY OF MARCH, 2020 at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to hear the results of the secret ballot on Articles 1 and 2 and to act on Articles 3 through 40, all the Articles being set out below, to wit:

FIRST - To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

SECOND - To choose by ballot, according to the provisions of Title 30-A, M.R.S. Section 2528 as amended, two Selectmen, each for a term of three years, one School Director for a term of three years, one School Director for a term of two years, and one School Director for a term of one year.

THIRD - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate such anticipated revenues as vehicle excise taxes, state revenue sharing, supplemental taxes, license fees, and such other miscellaneous revenues to be received in the calendar year 2020, to reduce the taxes committed, in the amount of \$2,430,080.

FOURTH - To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with 30-A M.R.S. section 5721-A.7, to increase the property tax levy limit of \$3,929,548 established for Farmington by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the following Articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The budget recommended by the Selectmen meets the 2020 property tax levy limit. Because, however, the Town Meeting process is active, interactive, and unpredictable, the Selectmen cannot know with certainty whether the municipal

budget being proposed will be increased or decreased by the Town Meeting. Therefore, it is advisable to include this Article if there is any chance that the Town Meeting will raise and appropriate sums in excess of the property tax levy limit. It is also possible that unanticipated reductions in non-property tax revenues will result in a tax commitment that exceeds the limit. In such cases, State law requires voter action to authorize an increase in the limit. A vote on this Article requires a written ballot.

FIFTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$801,941	\$781,630
Selectmen Recommended	801,941	781,630
Budget Committee Recommended	801,941	781,630
Town Meeting Approved	801,941	

STATEMENT OF FACT:

	<u>Appropriated 2019</u>	<u>Requested 2020</u>	<u>Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommended</u>
1. Administration	\$268,286	\$254,397	\$254,397
2. Assessor	149,104	128,240	128,240
3. Treasurer / Clerk	262,416	290,030	288,145
4. Committees & Events	7,300	7,800	7,800
5. Municipal Building	84,835	73,048	73,048
6. Tax Anticipation Note	5,000	5,000	5,000
7. General Assistance	25,000	25,000	<u>25,000</u>
TOTAL	\$801,941	\$783,515	\$781,630

The Administration Budget includes personnel costs for the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Town Secretary and one half of the Planning Assistant, related office supply and equipment costs, and expenses for professional services such as the Town Report printing, annual audit, public notice advertising, and routine legal services. Included are 2% pay increases for 2020. The Town pays 80% of the employee premium and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for full time employees in this Department.

The Assessor's Department consists of a part-time contracted Assessor provided by John E. O'Donnell & Associates and a 20-hour per week in-house assistant position. Also included is \$50,000 for the Revaluation Reserve Account, the balance of which is currently \$185,596.74.

The Treasurer/Clerk Budget includes pay increases of 2%.

Committees and Events includes Memorial Day Flags (\$3,000), Planning Board (\$500), Conservation Commission (\$800), and Special Projects (\$3,500) which is a discretionary

account for the Selectmen through which they may authorize expenditures for special projects, promotions, or events deemed appropriate.

The Municipal Buildings budget includes funds to maintain and operate the Town Office and various outbuildings and structures not covered by other departments.

The Tax Anticipation Note provides funds for the Town to operate until taxes are due. The expense in this appropriation is offset by interest earned on investments.

The General Assistance program provides for the basic needs of persons who apply and qualify financially. The 2019 appropriation was \$25,000. Expenditures totaled \$13,716.17 for the year, which was well below average. Seventy percent of this expenditure is now reimbursed by the state and accrues to the General Fund.

SIXTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **CODE ENFORCEMENT** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$161,137	\$160,688
Selectmen Recommended	161,137	160,688
Budget Committee Recommended	161,137	160,688
Town Meeting Approved	161,137	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget request covers the operational expenses for two and one-half employees who oversee the Code Administration, Community Development (grant writing and implementation), and Planning functions. Included are 2% pay increases for 2020.

SEVENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **POLICE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,393,975	\$1,399,782
Selectmen Recommended	1,393,975	1,399,782
Budget Committee Recommended	1,393,975	1,399,782
Town Meeting Approved	1,393,975	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Police Department budget includes negotiated contract obligations for union members, including increased contributions to health insurance costs in lieu of pay increases. Management employees receive 2% pay increases for 2020. Also included are expenses related to building operation and maintenance.

EIGHTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$535,223	\$805,714
Selectmen Recommended	535,223	805,714
Budget Committee Recommended	535,223	805,714
Town Meeting Approved	535,223	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The increase in the Fire Department's request is to enable the hiring of two additional full-time firefighters and one additional per diem firefighter. The budget also includes 2% pay increases for current personnel for 2020. Also included is a \$125,000 appropriation to the Fire Equipment Reserve Account, the balance of which is currently \$62,843.39.

NINTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **OTHER PROTECTIONS** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$544,655	\$547,037
Selectmen Recommended	544,655	547,037
Budget Committee Recommended	544,655	547,037
Town Meeting Approved	544,655	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
1. Street Lights	\$ 86,000	\$ 70,000
2. Fire Hydrants	345,475	345,475
3. Insurances	65,000	85,000
4. Ambulance	38,180	36,562
5. Traffic Light Maintenance	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
TOTAL	\$544,655	\$547,037

The Street Light budget has decreased following conversion of the high-pressure sodium lights to more energy-efficient LED fixtures. The Fire Hydrant cost is governed by the Maine Public Utilities Commission, and is based on a percentage of the Water Company's total operating expenses. The Insurance category is based on anticipated premium costs in 2020. Included are employee cash handling bonds, blanket property and automobile coverages, public officials' liability, and unemployment insurance. The Ambulance subsidy is established by contractual agreement with NorthStar Ambulance. The Traffic Light Maintenance budget is based on 2019 actual expenditures and 2020 projected costs.

TENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PARKS AND RECREATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER DEPARTMENTS** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$313,627	\$331,351
Selectmen Recommended	313,627	331,351
Budget Committee Recommended	313,627	331,351
Town Meeting Approved	313,627	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested	Recommended
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2020</u>
Parks and Recreation	\$182,846	\$193,564	\$193,564
Community Center	<u>130,781</u>	<u>137,787</u>	<u>137,787</u>
TOTAL	\$313,627	\$331,351	\$331,351

The Parks and Recreation Budget includes operating expenses for all recreational activities, including personnel costs for the full-time Director, part-time seasonal positions, program directors and coaches. The Community Center budget includes personnel costs for one full-time Assistant Director and one part-time custodian.

ELEVENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,375,157	\$1,385,097
Selectmen Recommended	1,375,157	1,385,097
Budget Committee Recommended	1,375,157	1,385,097
Town Meeting Approved	1,375,157	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Public Works Department budget covers the operational expenses required to maintain the Town's 120 miles of roads. This budget covers the personnel costs for ten full-time employees.

TWELFTH - To see if the Town will vote to approve the Municipal Officers' Order of Discontinuance of the Stinchfield Road without reservation of a public easement in the same, dated August 13, 2019 and filed with the Town Clerk, and to appropriate the sum of \$0 to pay damages as stated in the Order.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Stinchfield Road is an approximately 750-foot long loop off Route 4 north of the Fairbanks bridge that serves one residence. That residence was recently sold, and the new owner has requested that the road be discontinued so that he can gate it off at each end and maintain it privately.

THIRTEENTH - Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and execute a long-term, multi-year Solar Easement Agreement with Boulevard Associates, LLC for the use of approximately 25 acres of Town-owned land located on the 82-acre former landfill at 152 Dump Road, for the establishment of a solar-powered electrical power generation and transmission project, to be known as the Farmington Landfill DG Solar Energy Center, and to take any and all actions necessary thereto, including but not limited to granting easements for the construction and operation of solar panels and related equipment, facilities and improvements, in exchange for annual compensation to the Town?

NOTE: A copy of the proposed Solar Easement Agreement is available for inspection at the Town Office.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Selectmen seek authority to lease a portion of the closed landfill at 152 Dump Road to Boulevard Associates, LLC, an affiliate of Nextera Energy Resources, LLC, for the installation of a solar array. The agreement would apply to a 25-acre portion of the landfill, which would be leased for \$1,250 per acre for twenty years. Boulevard Associates, LLC would own, build, and operate the project. The revenue to the Town would be about \$31,250 per year, based on a lease of 25 acres. In addition, the project would be taxable. The power generated would go into the electric grid and not be earmarked for the Town specifically.

FOURTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **RECYCLING DEPARTMENT** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$100,656	\$132,212
Selectmen Recommended	100,656	132,212
Budget Committee Recommended	100,656	132,212
Town Meeting Approved	100,656	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget covers all operating expenses for the transfer station, including personnel costs for two part-time employees. Included for the first time is \$30,000 for a recycling service agreement with Archie's, Inc. This budget is offset by approximately \$31,500 of revenue that accrues to the General Fund.

FIFTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **CEMETERIES** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$91,982	\$95,722
Selectmen Recommended	91,982	95,722
Budget Committee Recommended	91,982	95,722
Town Meeting Approved	91,982	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The 2020 request represents the amount needed to maintain the Fairview and Riverside Cemeteries in the current year. The amount requested is offset by cemetery fees estimated at \$14,500 and trust fund earnings estimated at \$15,000.

SIXTEENTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate State of Maine Local Road Assistance Program (LORAP) funds in the amount of \$158,780 for the year 2020, and to authorize the expenditure of said funds for road improvements.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$158,780	\$158,780
Selectmen Recommended	158,780	158,780
Budget Committee Recommended	158,780	158,780
Town Meeting Approved	158,780	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The figure shown in this Article is the amount the Town is projected to receive from the Maine Department of Transportation for 2020 funding. This allocation is used for capital improvements to Town roads.

SEVENTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR ROADS** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$270,000	\$270,000
Selectmen Recommended	270,000	270,000
Budget Committee Recommended	270,000	270,000
Town Meeting Approved	270,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The request represents the amount that is needed, over and above the \$158,780 appropriation in the preceding Article, to fully fund the second year of a five-year Capital Improvement Program for road rehabilitation. Planned for 2020 are the reconstruction of Perham Street from High Street to the New Hope Baptist Church, construction and paving of Clover Mill Road, and pavement overlay on Titcomb Hill Road. Additional projects will be included for 2021 and beyond, subject to annual funding approval.

EIGHTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **DEBT SERVICE** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$99,755	\$156,711
Selectmen Recommended	99,755	156,711
Budget Committee Recommended	99,755	156,711
Town Meeting Approved	99,755	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated <u>2019</u>	Requested <u>2020</u>	Recommended <u>2020</u>
Municipal Garage Debt	\$54,805	\$53,765	\$53,765
Police Building Debt	44,950	43,444	43,444
Fire Truck Debt	<u>0</u>	<u>59,502</u>	<u>59,502</u>
TOTAL	\$99,755	\$156,711	\$156,711

The amount indicated in this Article represents the debt service (principal and interest) for bonds for the municipal garage, the new police station renovations, and the new fire truck that was approved at the November 5, 2019 referendum. The garage debt will be retired in 2022, the police building debt in 2026, and the fire truck debt in 2029.

NINETEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **LEGAL RESERVE ACCOUNT** for the purpose of funding costs associated with actual or potential litigation for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$30,000	\$30,000
Selectmen Recommended	30,000	30,000
Budget Committee Recommended	30,000	30,000
Town Meeting Approved	30,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The various administrative accounts contain funding to cover routine legal costs related to tax liens, personnel issues, contracts, general liability, zoning, etc. Those amounts are not adequate to cover ongoing litigation and unforeseen legal expenses. The Legal Reserve Account provides for such expenditures. The account was depleted as of December 31, 2019. Therefore, the amount shown is requested in order to replenish the account and achieve a target balance of \$30,000 for legal expenses this year.

TWENTIETH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) RESERVE ACCOUNT** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,500	\$1,000
Selectmen Recommended	1,500	1,000
Budget Committee Recommended	1,500	1,000
Town Meeting Approved	1,500	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The ADA Reserve Account is used to improve accessibility to public facilities for people with disabilities. It currently has a balance of \$15,849.58.

TWENTY-FIRST - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FARMINGTON LIBRARY** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$201,704	\$205,404
Selectmen Recommended	201,704	205,404
Budget Committee Recommended	201,704	205,404
Town Meeting Approved	201,704	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The amount requested represents approximately 72.8% of the Library's total projected budget for 2020 and is a 1.8% increase over the 2019 Town appropriation.

TWENTY-SECOND - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **GAY CEMETERY** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,000	\$1,000
Selectmen Recommended	1,000	1,000
Budget Committee Recommended	1,000	1,000
Town Meeting Approved	1,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Gay Cemetery, named after the Gay family, is located on the South Strong Road. It is a 100-plot cemetery (including 16 veteran graves) maintained by the Gay Cemetery Association.

TWENTY-THIRD - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FRANKLIN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER** for the year 2020.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$16,296	\$17,072
Selectmen Recommended	16,296	17,072
Budget Committee Recommended	16,296	17,072
Town Meeting Approved	16,296	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The State of Maine mandates that all municipalities designate a shelter that will accept stray animals. Farmington contracts with the Franklin County Animal Shelter for this service. The shelter currently assesses all participating communities at \$2.20 per capita.

TWENTY-FOURTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate 100% of the refund of snowmobile registrations received annually from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the **SHIRETOWN RIDERS, NORTHERN LITES, AND NEW**

SHARON SNOW RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUBS, to be distributed to the clubs on the basis of mileage of trails each maintains in Farmington.

STATEMENT OF FACT: Based on the trail mileages, funds are distributed as follows: Shiretown Riders - 58%, Northern Lites - 21%, and New Sharon Snow Riders - 21%.

TWENTY-FIFTH - Shall the Town vote to adopt the following Resolution.

Statement from the voters of Farmington on March 30, 2020

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners have funded economic development and social services programs that serve the entire region for over 35 years, and

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners have vowed to cut all funding to social services agencies and economic development programs over the next three years, and

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners have cut \$143,000 from the budget request of \$209,000 in 2017, \$31,000 from the budget request of \$94,200 in 2018 and totally defunded 6 nonprofits, and

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners have withheld \$58,000 in payments to three nonprofits this year, and

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners plan to defund the remaining 4 nonprofits in the future, and

Whereas these organizations and their important services benefit the entire region and improve the quality of life for our residents,

Now Therefore, the Town of Farmington requests that Franklin County reverse its policy of not funding these programs, restore funding to these organizations and continue the regional approach for these services.

TWENTY-SIXTH - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the year 2020 the sum of \$17,998 for **NONPROFIT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCIES** that are impacted by the cuts that the Franklin County Commissioners made beginning in 2017.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Town of Farmington for 35 years has funded social services and economic development through Franklin County Government. Franklin County Commissioners in 2017 reduced funding to social services and economic development by 70% or \$143,000 and an additional \$31,000 in 2018 and withheld \$58,000 in approved funding in 2019. This reduction eliminated funding to 8 nonprofits and reduced support to 1 other. The Town of Farmington's taxation by the County was reduced by \$17,998 in 2017 as a result of these cuts. This Article asks if the Town wishes to continue support to these organizations for service rendered in Farmington in the same amount saved in

2017, \$17,998. The organizations agree to use this funding to support Farmington residents. The organizations recommend this funding be distributed proportionally to the amount lost by each nonprofit.

Proposed Disbursement of Town Funding						
Breakdown	Total Avail FY17	Dept Req. FY18	Comm. Req. FY18	Amount Lost	% of Loss	Farmington Share
Franklin County Children's Task Force (FCCTF)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	5%	\$ 857.00
Franklin County Adult Basic Education	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Western Maine Transportation Services (WMTS)	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	3%	\$ 514.00
Western Maine Community Action Inc. (WMCA)	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Greater Franklin Development Council	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ 42,000.00	40%	\$ 7,200.00
Seniors Plus	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Services (SAPARS)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Androscoggin Home Healthcare & Hospice (AHHCH)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,130.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	5%	\$ 857.00
	\$ 171,200.00	\$ 209,330.00	\$ 66,200.00	\$ 105,000.00	100%	\$ 17,998.00

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	\$17,998	\$17,998
Selectmen Recommended	17,998	17,998
Budget Committee Recommended	17,998	17,998
Town Meeting Approved	17,998	

TWENTY-SEVENTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take from the Unassigned Fund Balance sufficient funds to cover any account overdrafts resulting from unforeseen or emergency circumstances, provided that no single overdraft shall exceed \$20,000.

TWENTY-EIGHTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Unassigned Fund Balance those funds deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen to reduce the amount of property taxes to be collected to fund the Year 2020 budget in an effort to stabilize the tax rate in a manner consistent with prudent fiscal management.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Unassigned Fund Balance (UFB) as reported by the auditors as of the end of the 2019 budget year is approximately \$2,439,398. The auditors recommend carrying a minimum UFB level that is adequate to cover two months' expenditures, which is approximately \$1,917,048. Approval of this Article would allow the Selectmen to utilize whatever amount of UFB, if any, that they deem to be advisable in order to reduce the property tax commitment while maintaining adequate reserves.

TWENTY-NINTH - To see what amount, if any, of the Year 2020 Bee Line Cable Contract Franchise Fee and equipment and facilities fund the Town will vote to appropriate for the **CABLE FRANCHISE FEE RESERVE FUND** for the benefit of Bee Line Cable subscribers, to be expended or allocated at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Amount Requested	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Selectmen Recommended	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Budget Committee Recommended	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Town Meeting Approved	Full Franchise Fee	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Cable Television Franchise granted to Bee Line, Inc. by the Town of Farmington requires Bee Line to pay the Town 5% of its gross annual revenues as compensation for the rights and privileges granted by the Agreement. In 2019, that amount was \$42,810.11. This payment is used to support the operations of the Public, Educational, and Governmental (PEG) channel, Mount Blue TV (Channel 11). The Franchise Agreement also allows for a \$7,500 annual payment for Mount Blue TV's equipment and facilities. The full franchise fee for 2020 is expected to be an amount similar to or slightly less than that received in 2019.

THIRTIETH - To see if the Town will vote to make property taxes due and payable on Thursday, November 5, 2020 and, in accordance with 36 M.R.S. Section 505(4), charge interest on overdue taxes at the rate of 9.00% per annum after November 5, 2020.

THIRTY-FIRST - To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with 36 M.R.S. Section 506-A, to pay interest on refunds of overpaid or abated taxes at the rate of 5.00% per annum after Thursday, November 5, 2020.

THIRTY-SECOND - To see if the Town will vote to accept prepayment of taxes to the Tax Collector prior to the date of commitment and to pay no interest thereon.

THIRTY-THIRD - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish a Foreclosed Property Policy and further authorize the Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes and/or sewer charges thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable [except that the Selectmen shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. Section 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s)], and to execute the appropriate deed for such property, or to waive or delay disposition of foreclosed property as may be deemed appropriate on a case by case basis.

THIRTY-FOURTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell by bid or auction or on such terms and conditions as deemed in the best interest of the Town, such equipment, vehicles or furniture as are no longer necessary for Town operations.

THIRTY-FIFTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to replace and/or purchase additional services or equipment for the Town at such times as the Board of Selectmen deems necessary or in the best interest of the Town, but only at such times as sufficient funds are available in reserve accounts to pay for such equipment or services.

THIRTY-SIXTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend, without further action by Town Meeting, money from the State, federal or other governmental units or private sources which become available during the year, and to authorize the Selectmen to accept, on behalf of the Town, any and all unconditional gifts of any type of property.

State funds include the following categories: Maine Emergency Management Agency funds, General Assistance Reimbursements, Municipal Revenue Sharing, Local Road Assistance Program funds for road improvements, State Aid to Education, Snowmobile Registration Reimbursements, Tree Growth Program Reimbursements, Education Tax Relief Block Grant, Veterans' Exemption Reimbursement, Maine State Housing Authority, Public Library State Aid per Capita and Library Stipend, Property Tax Relief Funds, Homestead Act reimbursement, State grants and other State funds.

Federal funds include the following categories: Community Development Block Grant funds, Federal Emergency Management Agency funds, Housing and Urban Development funds, Economic Development Administration funds, USDA Rural Development funds, federal grants and other federal funds.

THIRTY-SEVENTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budget amount in each category of the 2020 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2021 until the Town Meeting in March, 2021.

THIRTY-EIGHTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and execute multi-year contracts, including but not limited to, contracts or agreements in the following areas: auditing, tax assessing, solid waste disposal, equipment purchasing, leasing and maintenance and collective bargaining agreements.

THIRTY-NINTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend funds from the Downtown Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Reserve Account for purposes consistent with the Downtown Municipal Tax Increment Financing District and Downtown Omnibus Development Program established in October 2013 and subsequently amended.


FORTIETH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend funds from the Franklin Printing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Reserve Account for purposes consistent with the Franklin Printing Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District and Development Program established in June 1998 and subsequently amended.

The Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Community Center on March 30, 2020 at the time of the meeting to add new names to the voting list or make changes to the voting list.

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk intends to begin the process of casting absentee ballots at 2:00 P.M., 4:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. on Town Meeting day.


Given under our hands at Farmington, Maine this twenty-fifth day of February, A.D. 2020.

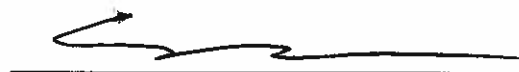
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Joshua H. Bell, Chairman

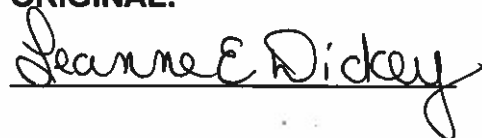

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ORIGINAL:


Jeanne E. Dickey

OFFICER'S RETURN

I certify that I have notified the voters of the Town of Farmington of the time and place of the Town Meeting by posting an attested copy of the within warrant at the **FARMINGTON MUNICIPAL BUILDING** at _____; at the **WEST FARMINGTON POST OFFICE** at _____; at the **FARMINGTON POST OFFICE** at _____; at the **FARMINGTON FALLS POST OFFICE** at _____; and at the **FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER** at _____, all being conspicuous public places within the Town of Farmington on March____, 2020, which is a least 7 days prior to the day of said meeting.

Dated at Farmington, Maine this ____ day of March 2020.

S. Clyde Ross
Resident of Farmington
True copy:

Leanne E. Dickey
Town Clerk



Janet T. Mills
GOVERNOR

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Dear Friends:

It was the highest honor of my life to take the oath of office to become Maine's 75th governor. Over the next three years, I will continue to do everything in my power to make Maine the safe, beautiful, prosperous state we all want for our children and grandchildren.

During my first year in office, I directed the implementation of the voter-approved Medicaid expansion, allowing over 40,000 Maine people to gain health care coverage. We added state-guaranteed protections for people with pre-existing conditions, passed a prescription drug reform package, and restored the Maine Drugs for the Elderly and Disabled program, covering an additional 1,800 seniors. And we continue to work on strategies to bring down the cost of health care for small businesses and others. I also signed an Executive Order directing my Administration to develop effective opioid prevention efforts in schools, make Narcan more available, increase medication assisted treatment, train recovery coaches, and expand drug courts.

Protecting Maine's environment and tackling climate change are key priorities of my Administration. I am committed to increasing Maine's Renewable Portfolio Standard to 80 percent by 2030; improving our modes of transportation; weatherizing homes and businesses; and reaching 100 percent renewable energy by 2050. By embracing the green technology of the future, we will reduce the impacts of climate change, create good-paying jobs, preserve clean air and water, and protect our state's farming, fishing, and forestry industries.

The biennial budget provided more revenue sharing, more homestead reimbursements, and more disaster assistance for towns – which all together will result in relief for property taxpayers. It invested \$115 million in education and school renovations, and we are working toward Pre-K for every 4-year-old, increasing post-high school options that result in a valued credential, and making sure that every able adult is working. Further, I, along with government agencies, small business owners, entrepreneurs, economists, and hard-working Mainers, developed a statewide economic development plan, the first in nearly 25 years. We will diversify our economy, empower innovators, and attract young, talented people to live, work, and raise their families here in Maine.

It is time for new, dynamic ideas that will change Maine for the better. I welcome your ideas. We are all in this together. We all want Maine to have a beautiful environment, healthy people, and prosperous communities.

Thank you,

Janet T. Mills
Governor



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Dear Friends,

As 2019 ends and 2020 begins, I am pleased to report that Congress made progress on a number of issues important to Maine families despite the polarization in our country.

In a major win for surviving military and retiree spouses to whom we are deeply indebted, I was proud to co-lead the repeal of what is often referred to as the “Military Widow’s Tax,” an unfair offset of survivor benefits that has prevented as many as 67,000 surviving spouses—including more than 260 from Maine—from receiving the full benefits they deserve.

The high cost of health care and prescription drugs continues to be a top issue for families and seniors. To provide continued relief for more lower- and middle-income individuals, I led the charge to extend for another two years the medical expense tax deduction that I included in the 2017 tax law. Without this extension, nearly 20,000 Mainers and millions of Americans with high medical expenses, including many with preexisting conditions, would have faced an increased tax burden. In other good news, the CREATES Act I cosponsored became law. It will prevent pharmaceutical companies from blocking access to a sufficient supply of brand-name drugs needed for the studies that allow less expensive alternatives to enter the marketplace.

Improving people’s health and wellbeing remains my priority. On a per capita basis, Maine has the highest incidence of Lyme disease in the country. In August, I held a Senate hearing at the University of Maine’s Tick Lab on this growing public health crisis. A comprehensive public health strategy to combat this epidemic is needed, and the new law I authored will do just that.

In addition, I helped champion another \$2.6 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health, our nation’s premiere biomedical research institution, including significant boosts for Alzheimer’s disease and diabetes research. Last year, NIH funded more than \$111 million for research at 14 Maine institutions.

To help prepare the graduates of Maine Maritime Academy, I secured \$300 million for a new training ship, which will ensure rigorous instruction for MMA students for decades to come.

Significant federal funding was approved for work at Bath Iron Works and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Funding appropriated by Congress will pay for three new destroyers, make a down payment on an additional ship, and finance infrastructure improvements at PNSY.

As Chairman of the Transportation and Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I have led efforts to improve our nation’s crumbling infrastructure and ensure that Maine’s housing needs are addressed. For Maine’s roads, bridges, airports, and seaports, tens of millions in federal funding will help make urgently needed upgrades and improve safety. Funding will also support housing assistance to low-income families and seniors and aid communities in reducing homelessness among our youth. The Community Development Block Grant program will assist numerous towns and cities in our State.

The Aging Committee I chair has continued its focus on financial security for our seniors. A new law I authored will make it easier for small businesses to offer retirement plans to their employees. Our Aging Committee’s Fraud Hotline fielded more than 1,200 calls this year. Congress passed a new law to crack down on robocallers who are often the perpetrators of these scams. And a new law I authored will expand the IRS’ Identity Protection PIN program nationwide to prevent identity theft tax refund fraud.

At the end of 2019, I cast my 7,262nd consecutive vote. In the New Year, I will keep working to deliver bipartisan solutions to the challenges facing Maine and the nation. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact one of my state offices or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2020 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 1, 2020

Dear friends,

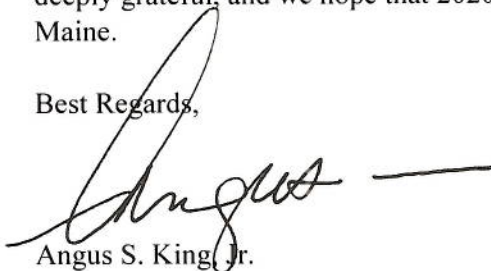
The beginning of a new year provides the opportunity to reflect on the progress of the past 12 months. If you've been watching cable TV, you might think that every waking moment of 2019 in Washington has been consumed by divisive, partisan issues – and while there's no shortage of those debates, there have also been opportunities for bipartisan cooperation. You sent me to the Senate to make the most of those opportunities, so as we enter into the New Year, I wanted to take a moment to update you on my efforts to work with members of both parties to make life better for the people of Maine.

One of my most important priorities this past year has been emphasizing preventive healthcare. Maine's distinction as the oldest state in the nation brings us wisdom, of course – but it also creates unique challenges, particularly relating to healthcare. The key to addressing these obstacles is being proactive, because the cheapest, safest medical procedure is the one that doesn't need to happen. That's why I've introduced legislation to incentivize healthier living, expand mental health screenings, and help more Americans access regular check-ups. We're making progress, but we've got a long way to go – and I'd like your help, because I know that the best ideas are the ones that come from families and communities on the front lines of these challenges. To strengthen this effort, I convened a policy forum on prevention in Bangor in October, which has already given me exciting new ideas that I'll carry with me into 2020. If you have additional thoughts on encouraging preventive healthcare, please share them with my office.

This year has also continued the growth of Maine's forest products industry – a key focus of my work to revitalize Maine's rural economy and communities. We've seen significant investment in mills across the state, creating good jobs to support rural Maine. I'm also pleased that the investments aren't just in our mills – the industry is thriving because of its commitment to innovation. We're fortunate to have the University of Maine's top-notch researchers exploring cutting-edge ways to use our forest resources, including capitalizing on the rise of 3D printing technology with the world's largest 3D printer. Combining this work with ongoing federal support, our vast forests, and Maine's dedicated workforce, I know that the future of this industry is bright, and I'll continue working to support it on all fronts.

I'm proud of all we've accomplished together this year, but even as I reflect on all that we've achieved, it is challenging to not think of the work left undone. It sometimes can be discouraging to watch these important priorities hang in limbo, but fortunately for me, encouragement is never far. After all, I get to live in Maine – which means I get to count Maine people as my neighbors and friends. I'm always struck by the kindness that our citizens show not only to me, but also to each other. This focus on collaboration and compassion is an inspiration, and it powers my efforts bring a little bit of Maine common sense to Washington. Thank you for all you do to for our state – Mary and I are deeply grateful, and we hope that 2020 will be a good year for you, your family, your community, and the State of Maine.

Best Regards,



Angus S. King, Jr.
United States Senator

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Dear Farmington Residents:

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

As we enter the Legislature's second session, we will review more than 650 measures covering a wide variety of topics. Last year, we passed bills to expand health care coverage, reign in the skyrocketing prices of prescription drugs, address climate change, lift up working Maine families, support our schools, improve broadband access and provide meaningful property tax relief. We will push even harder on those topics and more in the coming months.

With an extensive roadmap provided by Gov. Janet Mills's newly released 10-year strategic economic development plan, our Legislature will also be hard at work implementing policies that grow jobs and support local industries. Mainers are willing to work, and we deserve secure, good-paying jobs that support our families, strengthen our communities and grow our economy.

I continue to serve on the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, where we work to promote Maine's outdoor heritage, protect and manage our game and non-game species as well as their habitats, and safely connect citizens with our natural resources through outdoor recreation.

I am also working closely with colleagues on a number of bills, including a measure that will prevent tragedies like the one our community experienced last September by including liquefied propane gas lines in Maine's so-called "Dig Safe" law. We must act to strengthen this law in order to protect all Mainers from future disasters like the explosion at LEAP headquarters.

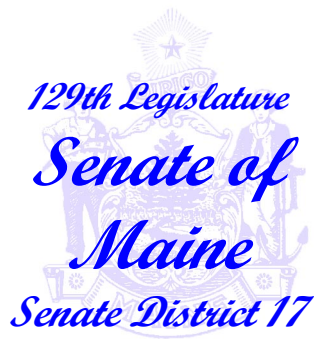
In all my work, I will continue to work with legislators of all political parties to advocate for our community and move Maine forward.

Please contact me if I can be of any help or if you want to discuss or testify on any legislation. My email is Scott.Landry@legislature.maine.gov. My phone number is 491-9041. I also send out periodic e-newsletters. Let me know if you would like to receive them.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Landry".

Scott Landry
State Representative



Senator Russell Black
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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Let me begin by thanking you for allowing me the privilege of serving you in the Maine Senate. I am honored that you have put your trust in me and can assure you I will continue to work tirelessly on your behalf.

Maine is in the midst of one of the greatest periods of prosperity in its history and has led the nation in a number of economic categories over the last several years. Unemployment is at record low levels, wages are up, and state government has had seven straight years of surpluses. The number of children living in poverty is in a steep decline, and Maine now leads the nation in equality for women in the workplace and politics.

Though we have accomplished a great deal in the past year, there is still much more to be done. Maintaining the prosperity that you have built over the last several years tops the list. We can do this by holding the line on government spending, doing our best to stay out of the way of local businesses so that they can thrive as a result of their own hard work, and making sure that government is the most fiscally responsible steward of your tax dollars. These will be a few of my priorities this coming year.

My work on the Agriculture, Conservation, & Forestry committee has allowed me to sponsor and co-sponsor forestry and industry bills to help improve Maine. We have also been able to provide property tax relief by allocating \$75 million in the budget to this cause, increasing the Homestead Exemption by \$5,000, and expanding the eligibility for the Property Tax Fairness Credit to include an additional 13,000 Mainers. We were able to pass a budget that raises the state's share of education funding to nearly 51 percent, which includes \$115 million in new state support for local education.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. The 129th Legislature certainly has a great deal more work to do; but I believe that if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or Russell.Black@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russell Black".

Russell Black
State Senator

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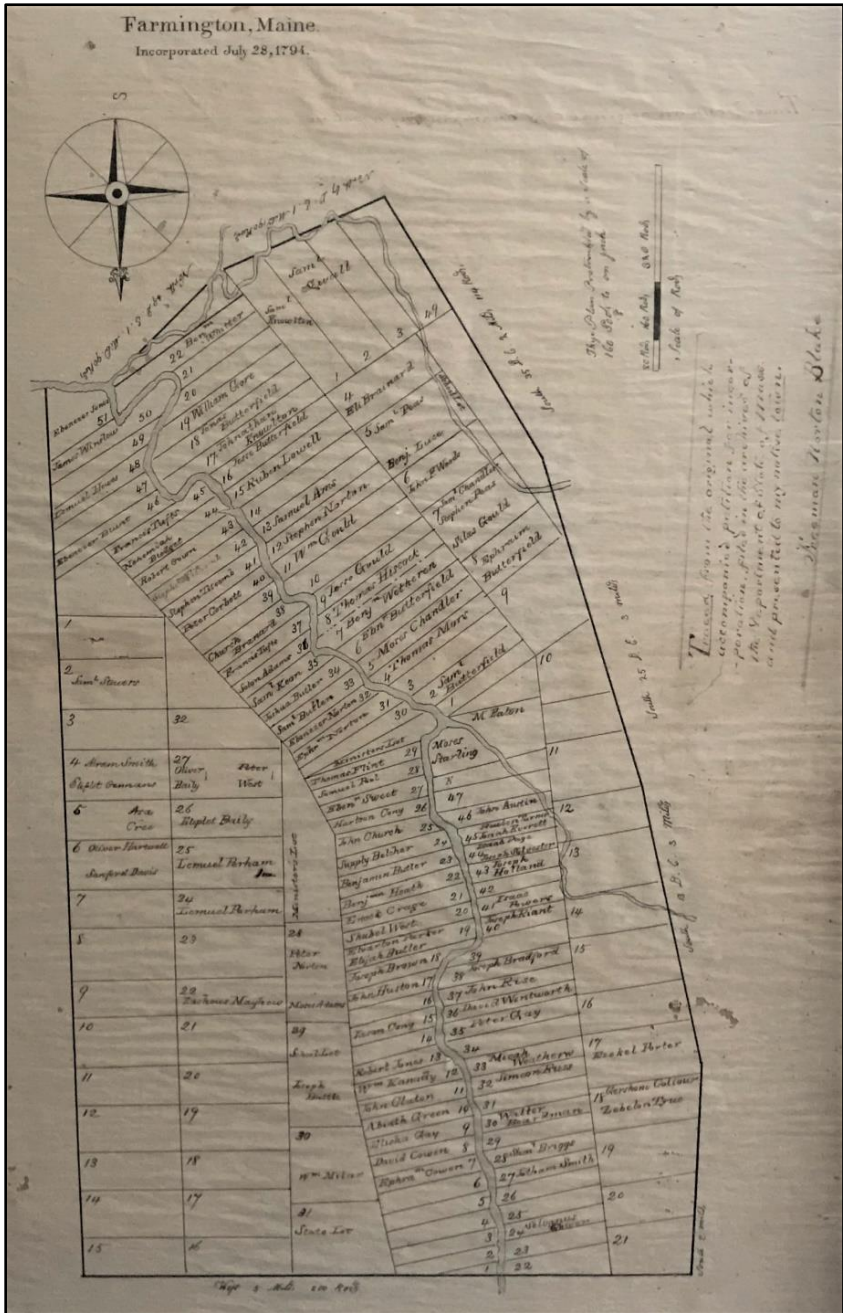
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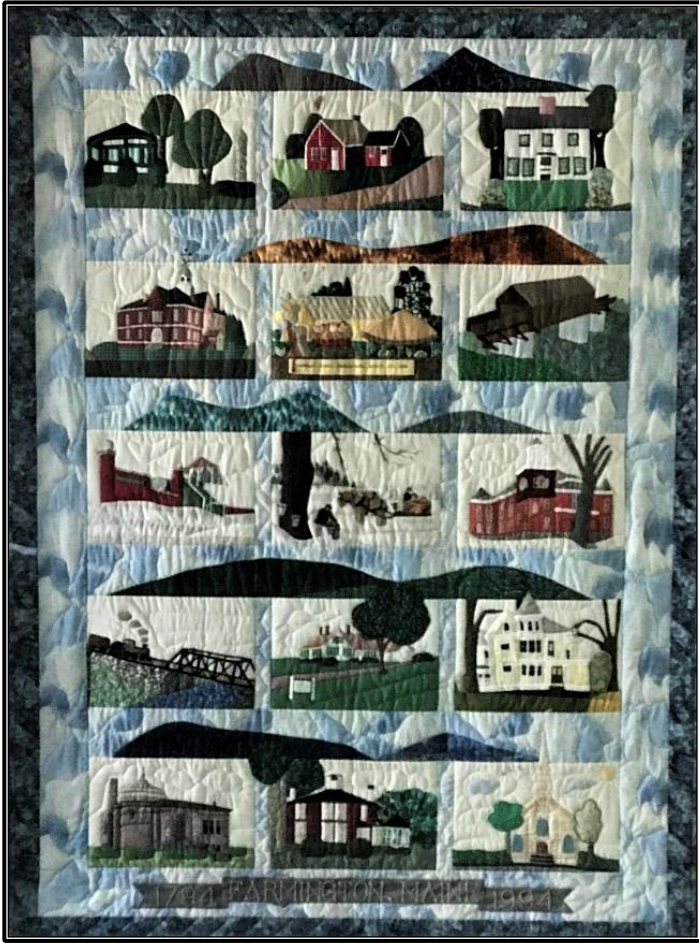
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BICENTENNIAL QUILT



- 1ST ROW** BANDSTAND – 1926 Linda Barden; RED SCHOOLHOUSE – 1852 Louise MacDonald; SAMUEL BUTTERFIELD HOUSE – c.1789 Joan Cook
- 2ND ROW** FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – 1885 Linda Nelson; FARMINGTON FAIR – 1840 Virginia Morrell; CENTER BRIDGE – 1808 Sarah Otley
- 3RD ROW** HIPPAH MEMORIAL ATHLETIC FIELD – (Ded.) 1916 Evelyn Norton; SAP GATHERING – Annual Spring Event Peggy McManus; FARMINGTON STATE NORMAL SCHOOL (Merrill Hall) – 1898 Cynthia Judkins
- 4TH ROW** TRAIN & IRON TRESTLE – c.1890s Weslene Marble; NORDICA HOMESTEAD – 1840 Cindy Heyse-David; CHESTER GREENWOOD HOUSE – 1896 Gloria Norwood
- 5TH ROW** CUTLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY – 1901 Mary Wilford; RAMSDELL (Octagon) HOUSE – 1858 Patricia Libby; UNITARIAN (North) CHURCH – 1873 Dorothy Rinaldi

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