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ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS  
of the  
Town of  
CARTHAGE

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For The Year Ending  
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# **Town Officers 1973**

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## **Clerk**

PEARL HUTCHINSON

## **Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor**

MERWIN SPAULDING                      ELIJAH WHITE JR.  
FRANK HUTCHINSON III

## **Treasurer**

DOROTHY MASON

## **Board of Directors SAD #21**

GARY HUTCHINSON                      DOROTHY MASON  
CAROLE SPAULDING

## **Superintendent of Schools**

FREDERICK ANDREWS JR.

## **Tax Collector**

BRENDA SKIDGELL

## **Constable**

GERALD WALKER

## **Health Officer**

CAROLE SPAULDING

## **Civil Defense Director**

HOLLIS SWETT

## **Budget Committee**

LEO CARRIER  
DOUGLAS SWETT  
HURCHIAL NOYES  
REGINALD SMITH

WILLIAM SKIDGELL  
MELVIN SMITH  
GEORGE BIDEN  
GALAN WILLIAMSON

# TOWN WARRANT

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COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, ss.

To Gerald Walker, a constable in the Town of Carthage in  
said County, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are requested to notify and warn inhabitants of the Town of Carthage, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Grange Hall, Berry Mills, in said Town on the 4th day of March, A.D., 1974 at 7:00 P.M. to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to elect all Town Officers by nomination from the floor.

Article 3. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to arrange for the Plowing and Sanding of Winter Roads to the best interest of the Town.

Recommended: Yes

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to leave the care of Town Roads in the hands of the Selectmen.

Recommended: Yes

Article 7. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Repair of Summer Roads and Bridges.

Recommended: None

Article 8. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the acquisition of Culverts.

Recommended: \$200.00

Article 9. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for State Aid Construction in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the Care of Ways, Highways and Bridges, under the provision Title 23, M.R.S. Sections 1101, 1103, or 1104.

Recommended: \$1,200.00 From Surplus

Article 10. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of Plowing and Sanding Winter Roads on Route #142, State Aid #3 and 4.

Recommended: \$1,500.00

Article 11. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Winter Roads.

Recommended: \$100.00

Article 12. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Care of the Poor.

Recommended: None

Article 13. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Overdrawn Accounts.

Recommended: \$388.14

Article 14. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Abatement.

Recommended: None

Article 15. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Current Expenses.

Recommended: \$4,000.00 From Surplus

Article 16. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Office Supplies and Equipment and Repairs.

Recommended: \$50.00

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to continue to participate in the Surplus Food plan, or Food Stamp plan. If so, to see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for same.

Recommended: Yes None

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to fix a date when Taxes are due and payable.

Recommended: Yes, Dec. 1st.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to charge 8% interest beginning December the First, next, on all remaining and unpaid Taxes.

Recommended: Yes

Article 20. To see what rate percent and final date to be allowed for Discount of Taxes on the 1974 Commitment.

Recommended: Yes, Aug. 20th., 3%

Article 21. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Discount of Taxes.

Recommended: \$550.00

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to sell and assign Unmatured Tax Mortgage Liens for the amount unpaid and the Costs and Interest.

Recommended: Yes

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any Real Estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of Taxes thereon, any such terms as they deem advisable, and execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Recommended: Yes

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire sums of money as may be necessary to pay Town Taxes and to issue and negotiate the note or notes of the Town so borrowed to an amount not to exceed in the aggregate of the total levy of the preceding municipal year, as Temporary Loans.

Recommended: Yes

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to have printed in the Town Report a true list of every Taxpayer's Account.

Recommended: Yes

Article 26. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Department and apportion same between the Carthage Company and the South Carthage Company.

Recommended for South Carthage Company: \$800.00

Recommended for Insurance: \$150.00

Recommended for Carthage Company: \$1,200.00

Article 27. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Cutting Bushes on Town Roads.

Recommended: \$200.00

Article 28. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward the Reconstruction and Tarring of Town Roads and Bridges.

Recommended: \$2,500.00

Article 29. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Civil Defense and Public Safety.

Recommended: None

Article 30. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Care of Cemeteries.

Recommended: \$300.00

Article 31. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Interest on the Permanent School Fund.

Recommended: \$45.00

Article 32. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the benefit of the Rumford Community Hospital.

Recommended: \$200.00

Article 33. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the necessary Bonds for Town Officers.

Recommended: \$25.00

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$177.50 in order to participate in the Tri County Mental Health Services, Inc.

Recommended: Yes

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to permit any business not included with the exemptions listed in the Public Laws of 1961 Chapter 362, to remain open for business on the days set forth in said chapter.

Recommended: Yes

Article 36. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Care of the Town Dump.

Recommended: \$100.00

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to have the Selectmen appoint a Budget Committee consisting of eight citizens of this Town.

Recommended: Yes

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$108.00 being Dues to the Maine Municipal Association.

Recommended: Yes

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30.00 toward the support and activities of the Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Recommended: Yes

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to install 1 (one) new Street Light.

Recommended: Yes

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1200.00 necessary to cover the street lighting service furnished to the Town for the current fiscal year under the contract with the Central Maine Power Company.

Recommended: None

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to prohibit yarding of wood on public ways without permission of selectmen.

Article 43. To see if the Selectmen will investigate into the feasibility of cost of purchasing a right of way from the Carthage Town dump road through to the road ending at Ernie Hunts camp, and having this information available by town meeting date 1975.

Recommended: Yes

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to co-operate with the Maine Forestry Bureau and Federal Government in the control of white pine blister rust control, in accordance with Title 12 M.R.S.A. Ch. 213 Sub Chapter IV.

Recommended: None

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to repair the Town Office building.

Recommended: Yes

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the Androscoggin Valley Regional Planning Commission.

Recommended: Yes

Article 47. Shall an ordinance entitled (Establishment of Carthage Planning Board) be enacted?

Recommended: Yes

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to:

- A. accept the present planning board.
- B. have a new board appointed by the Selectmen.
- C. elect a new planning board at the 1974 annual Town meeting.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds for the planning board.

Recommended: \$500.00

Appropriations of \$6,357.00 of Federal Revenue Sharing payments to the Town of Carthage.

Article 50. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Revenue Sharing for the Town dump.

Recommended: \$526.00

Article 51. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Revenue Sharing for Surplus Food or Food Stamp Plan.

Recommended: \$500.00

Article 52. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Revenue Sharing for Summer Roads and Bridges.  
Recommended: \$1,131.00

Article 53. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Revenue Sharing for street lights.  
Recommended: \$1,200.00

Article 54. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Revenue Sharing for Plowing and Sanding Winter Roads.  
Recommended: \$3,000.00

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$106.20 to help defray the cost of home health services available to residents of the Town through the Androscoggin Home Health Services, Inc.  
Recommended:

Article 56. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Hawthorne Ambulance Service for providing Ambulance Service for the Town of Carthage.

Article 57. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to provide Ambulance Service in the town of Carthage.  
Requested: \$648.00

Given under our hands at Carthage, this 2nd. day of February, A.D., 1974.

MERWIN SPAULDING

ELIJAH WHITE JR.

FRANK HUTCHINSON III

Selectmen of Carthage

The registrar will be at the Grange Hall one half hour before Town Meeting for the purpose of registration of new voters.

# Report of Selectmen and Assessors

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To the Citizens of the Town of Carthage:

Valuation of Property Taxed in 1973.

Valuation of Real Estate	\$ 782,130 00	
Valuation of Personal Estate	56,030 00	
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		\$ 838,160.00
<b>Grand Total Valuation</b>		
Total Value of Land	\$ 503,820 00	
Value of Buildings	278,310 00	
Rate of Taxation	.039	
Rate of Collection	2½%	

## Taxable Livestock

	No.	Value
Taxable Neat Cattle	76	\$ 11,900 00
Other Taxable Livestock	9	1,000 00
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Total		\$ 12,900 00

## Exempt Livestock

Cattle 24 months and younger	No. 83
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## All Kinds of Personal Property

Machinery & Equipment	\$ 37,040 00	
Boats	3,230 00	
Other Property	2,860 00	
Livestock	12,900 00	
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		\$ 56,030 00

## Money Raised and Assessed

Plowing and Sanding	\$ 2,000 00	
Winter Roads	100 00	
State Aid Construction	600 00	
Overdrawn Accounts	966 84	
Current Expenses	3,800 00	
Surplus Food Plan	500 00	
Discount on Taxes	250 00	
Fire Companies and Insurance	900 00	
Care of Cemeteries	50 00	
Interest on Permanent School Fund	45 00	
Rumford Community Hospital	200 00	
Bonds for Town Officers	25 00	
Tri County Mental Health Service	177 00	
Care of Town Dump	500 00	
Dues Maine Municipal Association	88 00	
Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation	25 00	
Street Lights and Service, Central Maine Power Company	1,200 00	
		\$ 11,426 84
School Budget S.A.D. #21		21,938 50
		\$ 33,365 34

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS Repair of Summer Roads and Bridges

Unexpended Balance	\$ 870 48	
Appropriated	None	
Available		\$ 870 48
Expended		1,077 47
Overdraft		\$ 206 99

## DETAILS OF EXPENDITURES

William Skidgell (Gravel-Tractor- Bulldozer Work)	\$ 649 50
Arthur Packard (labor)	11 25

Paul Berry (labor)	34 88	
Raymond Berry (labor)	9 00	
Lewellyn Chase (labor)	9 00	
Charles Skidgell (labor)	15 63	
R. & S. Swan (gravel)	75 00	
Lawrence McLennon (labor)	18 00	
Town of Weld (Grader use)	44 42	
Dan Berry (labor)	15 75	
Willis Berry (labor)	7 88	
Everett Skidgell (labor)	2 25	
Rickey Rice (labor)	27 00	
Blue Rock (cold patch)	69 01	
Timberlands Inc. (bridge plank)	86 40	
Towles Hardware (Spikes)	2 50	
		\$ 1,077 47

#### State Aid Road Construction

Unexpended Balance Feb. 2, 1974	\$ 5,597 36	
Appropriated	600 00	
		\$ 6,197 36

#### Plowing and Sanding Winter Roads

Appropriated	\$ 4,000 00	
Received from State	5,148 00	
Available		\$ 9,148 00
Expended		7,525 76
Balance		\$ 1,622 24

#### Winter Roads

Unexpended Balance	\$ 18 96	
Appropriated	100 00	
Available		\$ 118 96
Expended		86 00
Balance		\$ 32 96

### **Town Poor**

Appropriation	\$ 1,600 00	
Receipts	52 99	
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Available		\$ 1,652 99
Expended		873 71
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Balance		\$ 799 28

### **Abatements**

Expended	\$ 45 71	
Overdraft		\$ 45 71

### **Office Supplies, Equipment & Repairs**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 243 79	
Expended	75 30	
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Balance		\$ 168 49

### **Discount on Taxes**

Appropriation	\$ 250 00	
Unexpended Balance	241 33	
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Available		\$ 491 33
Expended		554 58
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Overdraft		\$ 63 25

### **Rumford Community Hospital**

Appropriation	\$ 200 00
Expended	200 00

### **Civil Defense**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 529 30
Expended	9 00
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Balance	\$ 520 30

## County Tax

Appropriation	\$ 1,200 00
Expended	1,200 00

## Current Expense

Appropriated	\$ 3,800 00
Receipts	1,163 22
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Available	\$ 4,963 22
Expended	4,692 36
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Balance	\$ 270 86

## Details of Expenditures

Merwin Spaulding (First Selectman)	\$ 600 00
Elijah White Jr. (Second Selectman)	500 00
Frank Hutchinson III (Third Selectman)	400 00
Dorothy Mason (Treasurer)	300 00
Carole Spaulding (Health Officer)	25 00
Gerald Walker (Constable)	100 00
Brenda Skidgell (Tax Collector)	1,061 45
Lights (Town Office)	26 40
Griffins Bottled Gas (Town Office)	5 47
Insurance (Town Office)	77 40
Lost Check	1 00
Brenda Skidgell (typing reports)	15 00
Town of Dixfield (Pre-School shots)	30 59
Douglas Swett (Moderator)	10 00
Town Reports	443 62
Lewiston Daily Sun	112 20
Maine State Retirement	222 30
Deed Transfers	13 50
Whiting & Kendell (deeds)	57 00
Raymond Berry (mowing, and cleaning)	31 75
Dorothy Mason (postage, telephone, leins)	82 45
Constable Badge	8 55
American Legion Post #203 (flags)	25 00
Frank Hutchinson III (postage)	25 28
Fay Hutchinson (typing)	9 00
Wilhelmina Hutchinson (ballot clerk)	25 00

Jeanette Swett (ballot clerk)	25 00
Carole Spaulding (ballot clerk)	25 00
Lena Davis (ballot clerk)	25 00
M.M.A. (welfare forms)	4 00
Harold Jordan (auditor)	425 00
Marks Printing (treasurer forms)	9 20
Hutchins Bros. (lein blanks)	5 50
Pearl Hutchinson (Town Clerk)	62 42

### Fire Department Accounts

**Carthage Company:**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 6 88	
Appropriated	600 00	
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Available		\$ 606 88
Expended		508 55
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Balance		\$ 98 00

**South Carthage Company:**

Appropriated	50 00	
Appropriated	50 00	
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Available		\$ 263 94
Expended		35 95
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Balance		\$ 227 99

**Insurance:**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 38 90	
Appropriated	250 00	
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Available		\$ 288 90
Expended		145 00
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Balance		\$ 143 90

**Fire House Fund:**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 424 07	
Expended	416 76	
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Balance		\$ 7 31

### Cutting Bushes

Unexpended Balance	\$ 139 14	
Available		\$ 139 14
Expended		80 75
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Balance		\$ 58 39

### Care of Cemeteries

Unexpended Balance	\$ 16 52	
Appropriated	50 00	
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Available		\$ 66 52
Expended		69 75
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Overdraft		\$ 3 23

### Permanent School Fund

Unexpended Balance	\$ 135 00	
Appropriated	45 00	
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Balance		\$ 180 00

### Bonds for Town Officers

Unexpended	\$ 19 80	
Appropriated	25 00	
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Available		\$ 44 80
Expended		29 00
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Balance		\$ 15 80

### Franklin County Counseling Service

Appropriated	\$ 177 00	
Expended		\$ 177 00

### Maine Municipal Association

Appropriation	\$ 88 00	
Expended		\$ 88 00

**Franklin County  
Soil and Water Conservation District**

Appropriation	\$ 25 00	
Expended		\$ 25 00

**Town Dump**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 163 08	
Appropriated	500 00	
Available		\$ 663 08
Expended		628 24
Balance		\$ 34 84

**Street Lights**

Balance	\$ 29 26	
Appropriated	1,200 00	
Available		\$ 1,229 26
Expended		989 04
Balance		\$ 240 22

**Franklin County Community Action**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 37 00	
Appropriated	727 00	
Available		\$ 764 00
Expended		525 00
Balance		\$ 239 00

**Reconstruction and Tarring of  
Town Roads and Bridges**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 323 02	
Appropriated	2,000 00	
Available		\$ 2,323 02
Expended		2,442 39
Overdraft		\$ 119 37

### Details of Expenditures Town Roads and Bridges

William Skidgell (Gravel and Tractor Work)	\$ 626 00
Dan Berry (labor)	37 12
Paul Berry (labor)	27 00
Charles Skidgell (labor)	4 50
R. & S. Swan (Gravel)	479 00
Roger Berry (labor)	9 00
Timberlands Inc. (bridge plank)	460 88
Town of Weld (Use of Grader)	172 04
Donald Houghton (bridge work)	20 25
Harold Walker (bridge work)	56 00
Biesaws Sand and Gravel (tarring)	500 25
Elijah White Jr. (trucking)	15 00
Towles Hardware (spikes)	15 35
Stuart Turner (bridge work)	20 00
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	\$ 2,442 39

### Summary of Overdrafts and Unexpended Balances

Unexpended Balance	\$ 270 86
Current Expense	98 00
Carthage Fire Department	98 00
South Carthage Fire Department	227 99
Insurance	143 90
Fire House Fund	7 31
Town Dump	34 84
State Aid Road Construction	6,197 36
Cutting Bushes	58 39
Plowing and Sanding	1,622 24
Winter Roads	32 96
Town Poor	779 28
Bonds	15 80
Office Supplies	168 49
Street Lights	240 22
Surplus Food	239 00

Civil Defense	520 30
Reconstruction and Tarring of Town Roads	119 37
Summer Roads and Bridges	202 29
Cemeteries	3 23
Discount of Taxes	63 25

Respectfully submitted,

MERWIN SPAULDING

ELIJAH WHITE JR.

FRANK HUTCHINSON III

## Report of Treasurer

Cash on Hand 2/3/73

\$ 10,806 62

### Receipts:

Tax Liens	\$ 1,083 82
Costs and Interest on Tax Liens	183 03
Real Estate & Personal Property	31,132 45
Excise Taxes	4,691 95
Transferred from Revenue Sharing	4,227 00
Poll Taxes	72 00
State Snow Removal	5,148 00
Snowmobile Reg. Refund	312 00
Health & Welfare	52 99
Federal Revenue Sharing	4,601 00
State Revenue Sharing	1,927 41
Fines & Fees (Dist. Court)	20 00
Vets. Tax Exemption	579 53
Quit Claim Deeds	47 00
Transferred from Savings	1,105 75

Total Available

\$ 65,990 55

Revenue Sharing in Trust Fund

—4,601 00

Warrants Paid

\$ 61,389 55

—42,629 32

Cash in Bank

\$ 18,760 23

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY MASON

Treasurer

# Report of Town Clerk

For Year Ending February, 1974

Dog Licenses Issued	
45 Males	\$ 45 00
12 Females	65 00
18 Spayed	18 00
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	\$ 123 00

## Vital Statistics

Births	3
Marriages	6
Deaths	3

Respectfully submitted,  
PEARL HUTCHINSON  
Town Clerk

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# Report of Health Nurse

For the Year Ending February, 1974

To the People:

I am pleased to report that again this year there have been no communicable diseases reported.

Respectfully submitted,  
CAROLE SPAULDING  
Health Officer

# **Tri-County Mental Health Services, Inc.**

## **Franklin County Area Clinic**

### **Annual Report—1973**

During 1973, staff consisted of two full-time counselors and one part-time counselor, providing services to adults with emotional and family problems. Another full-time counselor, working, primarily, with the schools has instituted a new program of screening children with respect to mental retardation, learning disabilities and educational disturbances, John Gallagher is coordinating the program. Charles W. Eastman, M.D. and John A. Arness, M.D. provide psychiatric services, a total of three days per week.

An alcoholism counselor has been involved in the schools and industries, setting up educational programs. Alcoholism programs were introduced to three industries in the area. Direct services have been provided to alcoholics and their families.

Our overall case load increased by 21% for the year of 1973.

In your town 0 children and 3 adults were seen for a total of 28 interviews.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. ADAMS

Director, Franklin County Area Clinic

Tri County Mental Health Services, Inc.

# REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

CANTON - CARTHAGE - DIXFIELD

FREDERICK H. ANDREWS, JR.

Superintendent of Schools

## BUDGET FOR 1973 - 1974

CASH BALANCE — July 1, 1972 \$ 72,429 36

### CASH RECEIPTS:

Municipal Assessments	\$ 274,998 00
State of Maine	431,335 29
Temporary Loans	15,000 00
Proceeds from Notes	10,500 00
Federal Projects	18,563 81
Clearing Accounts	15,818 45
Summer School	1,952 00
Evening School	716 00
Departmental Accounts	244 67
Accounts Receivable	122 72
Miscellaneous	867 28

TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS \$ 770,118 22

TOTAL \$ 824,547 58

### CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

Departmental Accounts	\$ 617,823 02
Accrued Salaries	58,160 60
Federal Projects	21,091 15
Temporary Loans	15,000 00
Clearing Accounts	15,818 45
Accounts Payable	6,028 97
Summer School	1,946 11

TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS \$ 735,868 30

CASH BALANCE—June 30, 1973 \$ 106,679 28

### TOWN ASSESSMENTS — JULY 1, 1974 — JUNE 30, 1975

	Canton	Carthage	Dixfield	Total
Basic 14 Mills	\$ 41,160 00	\$ 14,000 00	\$ 150,640 00	\$ 205,800 00
Maintenance of Effort	2,802 07	952 70	10,255 56	14,010 33
Leeway	6,790 80	2,308 88	24,854 34	33,954 02
Total Assessment	\$ 50,752 87	\$ 17,261 58	\$ 185,749 90	\$ 253,764 35

### DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TOWN ASSESSMENTS FOR 1973-74 and 1974-75 District Fiscal Year — July 1, 1974 — June 30, 1975

	Canton	Carthage	Dixfield	Total
Assessment 1974-75	\$ 50,752 87	\$ 17,261 58	\$ 185,749 90	\$ 253,764 35
Assessment 1973-74	64,524 99	21,938 50	236,161 47	322,624 96
	—\$ 13,772 12	—\$ 4,676 92	—\$ 50,411 57	—\$ 68,860 61
% of Decrease	21.3%	21.3%	21.3%	21.3%

### TOWN ASSESSMENTS DURING TOWN FISCAL YEAR Jan. 1, 1974 — Dec. 30, 1974

	Canton	Carthage	Dixfield	Total
Due on District				
73-74 Budget	\$ 32,262 49	\$ 10,969 24	\$ 118,080 73	\$ 161,312 46
½ Basic Allotment	20,580 00	7,000 00	75,320 00	102,900 00
½ Maintenance of Effort	1,401 04	476 35	5,127 78	7,005 17
½ Leeway	3,395 40	1,154 44	12,427 17	16,977 01
Total Assessment	\$ 57,638 93	\$ 19,600 03	\$ 210,955 68	\$ 288,194 64

### TOWN FISCAL YEAR — January 1, 1974 — December 31, 1974

	Canton	Carthage	Dixfield	Total
Assessment 1974	\$ 57,638 93	\$ 19,600 03	\$ 210,955 68	\$ 288,194 64
Assessment 1973	58,662 30	20,456 68	219,692 50	298,811 48
Difference	—\$ 1,023 37	—\$ 856 65	—\$ 8,736 82	—\$ 10,616 84
% of Decrease	1.7%	4.2%	4.0%	3.6%

**COMPLETE LIST OF TAXES ASSESSED  
TO RESIDENTS IN 1973**

Alfieri, Lee	\$ 108 42
Archibald, Minnie	85 80
Averill, George	101 40
Barnett, Thomas & Lois	191 88
Benner, Phillip	525 72
Berry, Edmond	159 51
Berry, Raymond	71 76
Berry, Roger	45 24
Berry, Ruel	157 17
Bickford, Clifton	276 90
Bickford, John	11 70
Biden, George	143 52
Bishop, Wendall	26 52
Blodgett, Minnie	113 10
Blodgett, Ralph	18 72
Bradeen, Donald	223 47
Brown, Alvin	209 82
Brown, Elwin	214 50
Burnham, Michael	72 15
Carrier, Leo & Clarice	589 29
Clark, Josiah	124 80
Coburn, Arvilla	455 91
Davis, Lena	93 60
Downs, George	207 87
Ellis, Kenneth & Mary	160 68
Ellis, Ronald	34 71
Flagg, Asa	468 78
Flagg, Minot	9 75
Gaudette, Lionel (Heirs of)	132 60
Girardin, Alfred	66 30
Girardin, George & Ellen	91 26
Gordon, Annabelle	92 43
Gordon, Ethel	148 98
Hammond, Arline	169 26
Hammond, John & Arline	74 10
Hatch, Rex & Marion	182 91
Hill, Philip	187 20
Houghton, Charles	256 62
Houghton, Conrid	294 45
Houghton, Kermit	34 32

Houghton, Lawrence	103 35
Hutchinson, Cecil	107 64
Hutchinson, Earl (Heirs of)	33 54
Hutchinson, Frank II	2 34
Hutchinson, Frank III	212 55
Hutchinson, Gary	78 78
Hutchinson, Harry	115 05
Hutchinson, Jan	79 17
Hutchinson, Jon	78 78
Hutchinson, Lee Gregory	68 64
Hutchinson, Richard & Jeanine	44 46
Hutchinson, Stetson	210 99
Hutchinson, Wilhelmina	218 79
Jamison, Albert & Audrey	121 68
Jones, Ethel	210 60
Kuhn, Robert	295 23
Lavoie, Vernal	195 00
Maillett, William & Sharon	193 83
Marion, James	63 18
McLennon, Frederick	3 90
Morean, Harold	40 50
Noyes, C. C.	44 46
Noyes, C. C. & Son	79 56
Noyes, Hurchial	202 80
Packard, Arthur	27 30
Park, Edward & Donna	137 28
Park, William & Josephine	128 31
Peterson, George	190 32
Pulk, Elizabeth	62 40
Robbins, Edith	52 26
Ruff, Norman & Elenor	140 40
Skidgell, Helen	39 78
Skidgell, Roland	299 52
Skidgell, William	167 70
Smith, Melvin	219 18
Smith, Reginald & Mildred '	132 21
Smith, Robert	41 34
Snell, John	148 20
Spaulding, Merwin & Carole	144 69
Swett, Douglas R.	308 10
Turner, June	46 80
Turner, Leo	83 46
Virgin, Ralph Jr.	56 94

Virgin, Ralph Sr.	98 67
Virgin, Wallace Sr.	85 80
Wade, Clifford	275 73
Walker, Harold	52 26
White, Elijah Jr.	193 05
White, Elijah Sr.	128 70
White, E. & W.	260 91
White, Hurchial	137 28
White, Hurchial & Lyle	12 48
White, Lyle R.	676 65
White, Wayne	101 01
Williamson, Galan & Nancy	333 06
Barr, Harold	99 06

#### EXEMPT VALUATION VETERANS

Ellis, Fred	38 22
Ellis, Grace	70 20
Hutchinson, Arthur	372 84
Hutchinson, Lee & Isabelle	103 74
Hutchinson, Pearl	156 39
Mason, George & Dorothy	246 09
Swett, Hollis & Harriet	163 02

#### COMPLETE LIST OF TAXES ASSESSED TO NON-RESIDENTS IN 1973

Allen, Vincent K.	15 60
Andrews, James	78 00
Ashley, Paul & Camilla	60 45
Averill, Lynn & Evelyn	56 55
Bates, Rowena	74 10
Belanger, Henry	114 66
Bentinck, Smith, Peter	114 27
Blaisdell, Eugene	31 98
Boivin, Eugene	163 41
Burnham, Ruel & Alice	19 50
Caldon, C. Harvey & Orman	56 16
Cappello, Paul	28 08
Carver, Donald & Raymond	73 32
Carver, Harry	164 97
Central Maine Power Co.	383 76
Chadbourne, Philip	35 10

Charron, Evelyn	19 50
Clark, Nelson Barrier	39 78
Clemens, Alfred & Doris	44 46
Collins, Donald Jr.	79 17
Dalrymple, Jessie W. Jr.	7 02
Damon, Lewis & Charlotte	42 90
Dean, Thomas L.	35 10
Diamond National Inc.	148 98
Dixon, Rachel	9 36
Dixon, Thomas Jr.	147 42
Dixon, Thomas Sr.	110 76
Driscoll, Jack	19 50
Dupaul, Burton	27 30
Dupois, Ernest	21 06
Dury, Bernard & Warren	203 58
Emery, Gerry & Helen	46 80
Feer, Michael	65 91
Filieo, B. R.	31 20
Fish, Cameron	5 46
Flagg, Freda	24 57
Gatchell, Edward L.	27 30
Geis, Douglas	19 89
Gill, Erlon	45 63
Gilvery, John	35 10
Girardin, Robert	15 60
Grant, Nicholas J.	716 04
Green, Mary	2,517 84
Haines, Virgil	42 90
Hall, Ralph (Heirs of)	144 69
Hallock, Helen	47 58
Hill, John & Lilly	20 28
Holt, Richard D.	44 07
Honeycutt, Marshall & Katherine	28 08
Hunt, Ernest & Alberta	62 79
Jackson, Clifford	33 93
Jackson, Evangeline	35 10
Jalbert, Leon W.	70 20
Jamison, Bertram	113 10
Johnson, Hubert	19 50
Johnson, Richard	97 50
Keith, James	19 11
Keith, Robert & Ann	201 24
Kellerman, Paul	70 98

Kelly, Jack	42 90
Kingsbury, Carl	93 60
Knox, Donald	42 90
Koliche, Suzanne, Katherine, & Hannah	143 91
Lablance, Rene	35 10
Lait, Margaret (Heirs of)	44 07
Libby, James	26 91
Loehfelm, George	124 80
Lowe, H. M. (Heirs of)	150 93
Masterman, Gladys	56 15
McDonald, John & Norman	29 64
McCormick, Fred M.	54 60
Merrill, Forest	54 60
Millet, Lloyd	110 76
Mitchell, Clayton	19 50
Mitchell, Jossie	4 29
Nolet, William	49 14
Norcross, Malcolm Jr.	7 02
O'Brien, Thomas	70 20
O'Conner, John & Eva	47 58
Oxford Paper Co.	187 98
Partridge, Charles	15 60
Pearson, David	22 62
Phillips, Henry	42 90
Poirer, Edward	27 30
Powell, Richard	19 50
Quimby, Ervin	15 60
Rice, Lillian	123 63
Richardson, Stanley	76 44
Robinson, Richard	42 12
Robbins, Vernon	109 20
Rossmann, Arnold	23 40
Rouleau, Francis	28 47
Safford, R. E.	304 59
Santella, Richard	32 37
Santella, Richard & Gwendlyn	28 86
Seymour, Peter	34 32
Shorey, Warren	39 00
Skilton, Alfred & Carl Robinson	37 44
Soper, Florence (Heirs of)	56 94
Stitzel, Douglas	8 97
Thurlow, Carroll	45 63
Thurlow, Maybelle Hope	61 62

Timberlands Inc.	4,971 72
Toothaker, Rurert R.	57 72
Trask, Nellie & Ryan, Mary Anne	7 80
Trubee, William	28 86
Twitchell, Michael & Edna	23 40
Twitchell, Roland B.	20 28
Van Horne, Wallace Sr.	35 88
Vaughn, Lawrence & Gertrude	56 94
Walker, Bruce & Lee	40 56
Wardwell, Kenneth & Evelyn	38 61
Webb River Land Co.	266 76
Webster, Gertrude	204 75
Webster, John	179 01
Weymouth, Norman	56 94
White, Alfred	75 66
White, Bailey	221 91
White, Gordon M.	43 68
Williams, Stanley	31 98
Willoughby, Edwin	68 64
Wing, John & Margaret	46 80
Worthly, Donald	42 90
Worster, Edgar	66 30
York, Virginia B.	970 32
Zerbst, Kenneth	39 00

# Report of Auditor

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HAROLD L. JORDAN  
Public Accountant  
250 Summer Street  
Auburn, Maine 04210

February 11, 1974

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Carthage  
Dixfield, Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, the records of the Town of Carthage have been audited for the fiscal year ended February 2, 1974.

An analysis was on a basis consistent with that of the preceding years, and included all procedures which were considered necessary. Insofar as could be ascertained within the scope of the examination, the financial transactions of the town appear to have been appropriately conducted.

The records incorporated in this report present the results of the financial condition and operations of the town for the period designated.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. JORDAN

Auditor

HLJ/bmc

## COMMENTS

Year Ended February 2, 1974

An audit of the financial records maintained by various officials of the Town of Carthage has been completed for the fiscal year ended February 2, 1974.

An analysis was made of receipts and deposits as well as disbursements and bank charges. Vouchers and cancelled checks were examined on a selective basis.

The Trust Funds, Town Clerk's records have been reviewed and the Security Bond coverage examined.

The Balance Sheet shows a cash balance of \$13,312.23; Taxes Receivable for 1972 and 1973 shows a balance of \$2,445.18. Amount due from Tax Collector is \$141.39. Balances carried total \$17,878.13, with Surplus overdrawn \$(1,587.82).

The Tax Collector should deposit with the Treasurer on a regular and more frequent basis. Tax collections and cash sheets should be the same. The Tax Collector should prepare unpaid tax list, balance her commitment before audit. This would save considerably on audit time.

## BALANCE SHEET

Year Ended February 2, 1974

### Assets

Cash — Checks and on Hand	\$ 13,312 23
Taxes Receivable, 1972 and 1973	2,445 18
Liens	253 89
Town Owned Property	137 62
Due From Tax Collector	141 39
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	\$ 16,290 31
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### Liabilities

Balance Carried	\$ 17,878 13
Unappropriated Surplus	(1,587 82)
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	\$ 16,290 31
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## UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS ACCOUNT

Year Ended February 2, 1974

Balance February 2, 1973		Minus	\$(1,034 60)
<b>Increase</b>			
Supplement Taxes	\$	14 58	
Departmental Balances		256 23	
			270 81
			\$( 763 79)
<b>Decrease</b>			
Overdrawn Accounts 1972	\$	612 53	
Abatements 1973		4 68	
Transfers		206 82	
			(824 03)
			\$(1,587 82)

## TREASURER'S CHECKING ACCOUNT

Year Ended February 2, 1974

First National Bank of Farmington

Account #22020270

Balance as of January 23, 1974

\$ 16,709 03

Less Outstanding Checks

3,396 80

Balance Checking Account

\$ 13,312 23

Receipts	\$ 55,183 95	Checking	\$ 13,312 23
Balance	10,806 62	Cash on Hand	5,448 02
	65,990 57		
Less Warrants	42,629 32	Bal. 2/1/74	\$ 18,760 25
	23,361 25		
Less Fed. Rev. Sharing	4,601 00		
	\$ 18,760 25		

## 1972 TAXES RECEIVABLE

Year Ended February 2, 1974

Balance as of February 3, 1973	\$ 2,616 21
Supplements	6 00
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	\$ 2,622 21
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Cash Receipts	\$ 1,618 98
Liens	976 71
Unpaid	26 52
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	\$ 2,622 21
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Unpaid Taxes	
John Bickford	\$ 3 00
Paul Berry	3 00
Harry Hutchinson	40
Roland Skedgell	18 90
Bailey, Edward & White	1 22
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	\$ 26 52
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## TAX LIENS

Year Ended February 2, 1974

1972 Liens	
Ellis, Ronald	\$ 30 45
Robbins, Edith	46 20
Turner, June	33 60
Turner, Leo	68 04
Virgin, Sr., Wallace	75 60
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TOTAL	\$ 253 89
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## TRUST FUNDS

Year Ended February 2, 1974

Rumford Bank & Trust Co., Dixfield Branch (Maine National)

	Book #	Prin.	Int.	Total
J. P. Staples	5778	\$ 50 00	\$ 30 19	\$ 80 19
F. M. White	7841	75 00	45 51	120 51
William F. Putnam	3480	200 00	122 94	322 94
F. H. & N.G. Hutchinson	8429	100 00	60 77	160 77
F. W. Brown	3613	200 00	98 69	298 69
Ada M. Smith	7350	115 00	68 11	183 11
Tyler Hutchinson	190113258	50 00	6 73	56 73

## FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUND

Year Ended February 2, 1974

First National Bank, Farmington, Maine Acct. #32 207 153-3			
Deposits 2-16-73		\$ 4,460 00	
Deposits 4-17-73		1,293 00	
Deposits 6-10-73		1,294 00	
Deposits 1-17-74		1,007 00	
Deposits 1-31-74		1,007 00	
Interest		180 46	9,241 46
Withdrawals 11-15-73		2,096 36	
Withdrawals 1-17-74		2,130 64	4,227 00
BALANCE February 2, 1974			\$ 5,014 46

**TOWN OF CARTHAGE**  
**STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL CHARGES**  
**Year Ending February 2, 1974**

	Balances 2-4-73	Appro- priations	Cash Receipts	Transfer Credits	Total Available	Cash Warrants	Transfers	Balances Lapsed	Carried
Current Expense	\$ (580 81)	\$ 3,800 00	\$ 1,163 22	\$ # 580 81	\$ 4,963 22	\$ 4,692 36			\$ 270 86
Civil Defense	529 30				529 30	9 00			520 30
Fire Dept., Carthage	6 88	600 00			606 88	508 55			98 33
Fire Dept., S. Carthage	213 94	50 00			263 94	35 95			227 99
Fire House				424 07	424 07	416 76			7 31
Insruance	38 90	250 00			288 90	145 00			34 84
Town Dump	163 08	500 00			663 08	628 24			143 90
State Aid Constructtion	1,597 36	600 00			2,197 36				2,197 36
Cutting Bushes	139 14				139 14	80 75			58 39
Plowing Winter Roads	(11,049 66)	2,000 00	5,148 00	• 13,049 66	9,148 00	7,525 76			1,622 24
Snow Fence	13 25				13 25				13 25
Recon. Town Roads	323 02			• 2,000 00	2,323 02	2,442 39			(119 37)
Culverts	235 93				235 93				235 93
Summer Rd. & Bridges	870 48				870 48	1,077 47			(206 99)
Town Poor	(386 03)		52 99	# 1,986 03	1,652 99	873 71			779 28
Care of Cemeteries	16 52	50 00			66 52	69 75			(3 23)
Newman Cemeteries	126 74				126 74				126 74
Bond Town Officers	19 80	25 00			44 80	29 00			15 80
Econ. Oppor. Act Program	13 00				13 00		13 00		
Office Supplies	243 79				243 79	75 30			168 49
Abatements						45 71			
Discount	500 00	250 00			750 00		554 58	(45 71)	(63 25)
Street Lights	29 26	1,200 00			1,229 26	989 04		258 67	240 22
SAD Account	1,207 47	21,938 50			23,145 97	20,456 68			2,689 29
Winter Roads	18 96	100 00			118 96	86 00			32 96
Excise Taxes	3,890 55		4,691 94		8,582 49				8,582 49
County Tax		1,200 00			1,200 00	1,200 00			
Overlay		43 17			43 17	(10)			
Me. Mun. Assoc. Dues		88 00			88 00	88 00		43 27	
Franklin Co. Counseling		177 00			177 00	177 00			
Rumford Hospital		200 00			200 00	200 00			
Interest School Fund	135 00	45 00			180 00				180 00
Overdrawn Accounts	612 53	966 84			1,1,579 37		#1,579 37		
Franklin Co. Act. Council	37 00	500 00		• 240 00	777 00	752 00			25 00
Franklin Co. Soil & Water		25 00			25 00	25 00			
Credit on Commitment		(1,846 11)			(1,846 11)	-0-	(1,846 11)		
	\$(1,034 00)	\$ 32,762 40	\$ 11,056 15	\$ 18,280 57	\$ 61,064 52	\$ 42,629 32	\$ 300 84	\$ 256 23	\$ 17,878 13

• Federal Revenue Sharing  
# Surplus

**TOWN OF CARTHAGE**  
**UNPAID 1972 TAXES**

Year Ended February 2, 1974

**RESIDENT**


Alferi, Lee	\$ 108 42
Berry, Roger	45 24
Ellis, Ronald	34 71
Flagg, Minott	9 75
Houghton, Lawrence	103 35
Houghton, Kermit	34 32
Hutchinson, Earl, Heir of	33 54
Hutchinson, Lee Gregory	68 64
Hutchinson, Jan	79 17
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Jamison, Albert & Audrey	121 68
Mailett, William & Sharon	193 83
Pulk, Elizabeth	62 40
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Turner, June	46 80
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Virgin, Wallace Sr.	85 80
Wade, Clifford	275 73
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	\$ 1,814 94


**NON-RESIDENT**

Ashley, Paul & Camilla	\$ 60 45
Dupal, Burton	27 30
Filieo, B. R.	15 60
Jalbert, Leon	70 20
Jackson, Evangeline	35 10
Jameson, Bartrum	113 10
Millett, Lloyd	110 76

Patridge, Charles

15 60

  
Roseman, Arnold

  
23 40

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595 14

**SUPPLEMENT**

Swett, Douglas

3 90

Caldon, Harvey & Arman

4 68

8 58

Total

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\$ 2,418 66

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