

2015

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**ANNUAL REPORT  
Of the  
Town Officers**



Maine's 102nd Town

Preceding Maine Statehood by 24 Years

Incorporated February 3, 1796

From Washington Plantation

Above The Signature and by the Authority of

The Architect of the American Revolution

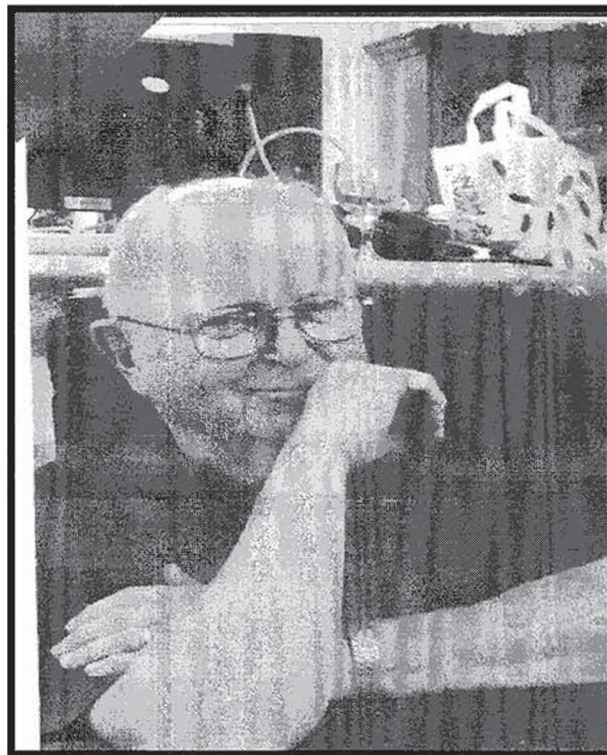
And Then Governor of Massachusetts,

**SAMUEL ADAMS**

FOR THE YEAR 2015



## Annual Town Report Dedication



Robert A. Early

("Bob")

1937-2015

Bob was born in Biddeford on July 15, 1937, the son of George A. Early and Catherine Flynn Early. He was a graduate of Old Orchard Beach High School and received a Bachelor's Degree from New Hampshire College. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He worked in many capacities in the computer field. He also served the communities in which he lived in Londonderry, N.H., where he was elected to the Board of Selectmen for twelve years. He was on the Airport Authority and was instrumental in the construction of Manchester Airport.

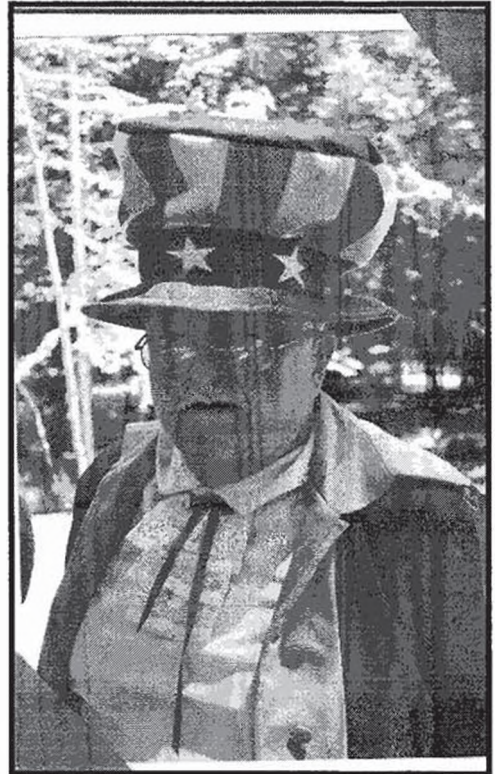
Bob first came to Belgrade, 52 years ago. The family summered here for a number of years. He and his wife Arlene permanently moved to Belgrade in the middle to late nineties and he became Town Manager for the Town of Belgrade. This was a job he thoroughly enjoyed, as he was no stranger to town government. Bob worked as Town Manager during the construction of the Belgrade Lakes Golf Course. He enjoyed taking residents and non-residents alike for a tour of the new town golf course.

He was working as Town Manager during the beginning stages of negotiations of the purchase of the property for the new recreation facility, now called the "Center for All Seasons." Bob retired after his Town Manager position, to stay at home and take care of his beloved wife of many years, Arlene. Although he was retired, he continued to work for Day's Real Estate part-time.

Bob had a great sense of humor! He cared about the people, the town, and the community of Belgrade. Bob was blessed with many supportive friends and loved ones. The Town Of Belgrade both residents and non-residents alike will miss Bob.



The Town of Belgrade would like to thank Bob's family for allowing us to be part of your lives and to thank you for sharing Bob with us. Thanks for your service to the Town and its residents, we will fondly remember you.





## Memorials

### Mayna Mithee Damren

Mayna Mithee Damren came to live in North Belgrade when she married her love, Richard Damren in 1955. She made Belgrade her home with Dick and her 3 children on Damren Road. The most important things in her life were family. Her years in Belgrade brought happy times at her camp on Great Pond where she loved to spend her summers with her kids as they were growing up.



Mayna and Dick operated Damren's Store for 10 years, which brought her happy memories. She loved being in the community every day seeing friends and neighbors with whom many became second family to her. She loved those days, always with a smile and a story when she reflected on DAMREN'S

Back in the late 80's early 90's Mayna belonged to the Belgrade Fire Auxiliary. She often got together with the other members including her husband to take coffee, water, food, and whatever else was needed for our firefighters at any hour of the day or night. Then it was time to put the jar out on the counter at Damren's Store and pick up the phone to line up a benefit supper for those in need. She had a contact from every end of Belgrade and with everyone's help it was happening!



She loved traveling, the ocean, bird watching, chatting with friends, cooking, knitting and her crossword puzzles.

In her later years she had many ailments that kept her pretty much home bound but, even as sick as she was she put everyone else first. That was her nature to take care

of others first and worry about herself later. Thank you, Mayna Damren for the lessons on family, friends and love. You made Belgrade sure feel like home to many as you were always ready to offer a meal and open your home to others in need of family.

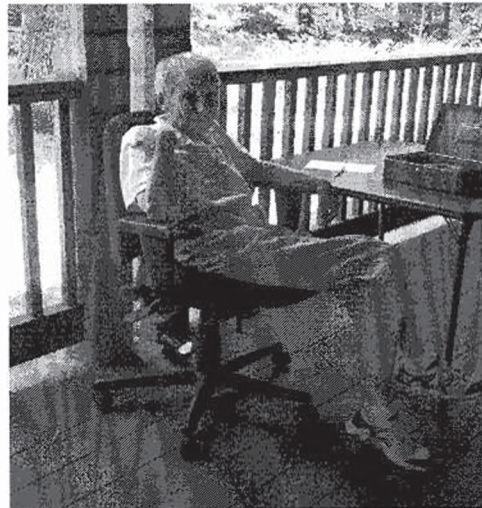
She passed peacefully at home with her children at her side in North Belgrade on 10/28/2015; she got her angel wings. She will be missed by those blessed to have known her kind soul.



## Betty 'BJ' Howard

BJ's love for community and recreation was obvious to all that knew her. She loved being involved at the Center for All Seasons and would always lend a helping hand whenever she was needed.

It was obvious however, that children were her true passion. She visited the Center often during the summer; when there were kiddos everywhere enjoying the fun of summer camp. She knew tons of the children and loved seeing them play. It is unclear how many she considered 'Her Kids'. But there were oodles and she loved them all.



BJ was very excited when the proposed plans for a new playground at the Center for All Seasons were approved. It seemed appropriate to name it after someone whose love for children and recreation ran as deeply as hers. The Betty 'BJ' Howard Playground is a place of fun and laughter, just the way she liked it.



## Sue Gawler

1955-2015

Sue came to Belgrade in 1960, when her family bought a summer camp on Great Pond. She was five years old, and except for schooling she chose to live in Belgrade her whole life; or, as she said, "Belgrade chose me." Her folks bought an old farm on the Guptill Road where she built a cabin in the early 70's. When she was eighteen she and her brother John started the annual Buttermilk Hill music festival, which ran for 25 years. She took an active interest in Town affairs and was always out with a smile and a helping hand. J. Lawrence Minot nicknamed her "the eager beaver". Along with her professional pursuits as a college professor, plant ecologist of national reputation, consultant, and in state service, Sue never lost sight of the important things: her family and community.



She became active in the small farming movement and promoted the idea of healthy and locally-grown food. Along with others she started the Belgrade Lakes Farmers' Market, seeing it through growing pains and helping people deal with differences while always focusing on the big picture. Sue was a dedicated member of the Union Church and its choir and loved being part of its spirit. She was instrumental in the Docks to Doorways project, restoring the connections between summer and year-round residents which were so formative in her childhood. When the community needed her unique skill set, she worked on the Tree Committee and Streetscape initiatives. Her early efforts for the Maine Lakes Resource Center and its integration into the greater Belgrade community was acknowledged by all, receiving the first Eddie Mayer Conservation Award in recognition of her service.

These are just a few of the many ways she touched us. Well known and well-loved in Belgrade for her good cheer, compassion, and selfless commitment to others, she dedicated her life to preserving the beauty of Maine and the happiness of her community. Perhaps the best way to remember Sue: a cheerful willing worker who loved to have fun.

In her last years, dealing with ALS, Sue chose to react with grace and dignity, focusing her energies outward and engaging with her friends and loved ones to the very end. Her warm smile never left her. Sue's work and spirit live on and she remains a perennial inspiration to us all.

## Jerry Dean Merrow

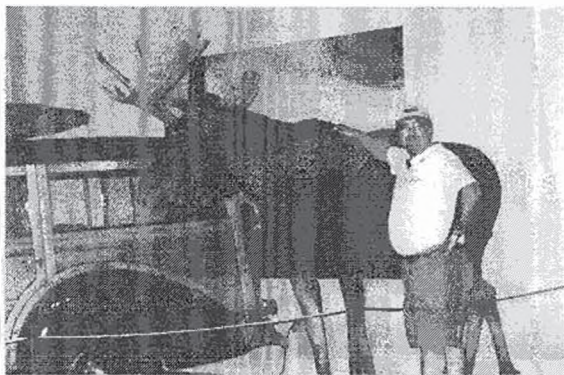
1953 – 2015

Jerry was born in Augusta, to Leah S.(Bachelder) Merrow and Ashley L. Merrow on Nov. 18, 1953. Jerry graduated from Messalonskee High School in 1973 and retired from the State of Maine, Department of Transportation in 2007. After retirement Jerry worked part time for Northeast Safety.

Jerry had a good sense of humor, was a great conversationalist, loving uncle, fan of the Philadelphia Eagles. He enjoyed four wheeling, riding his motorcycle, and spending time with his family and friends. Being an avid snowmobiler, he was a long time dedicated club member and officer of the Belgrade Draggin' Masters Snowmobile club. He was a Trail master for many years and organized trail maintenance, bridge repair and ramp installations. He dragged trails on a regular basis and often repaired club and club member's sleds. He did a great job fundraising and got donations from various companies. These donations helped support club expenses and activities.

We will remember Jerry – and will think of him when riding trails, and traveling over "Jerry's Bridge" in Mt. Vernon. The bridge got its name because while on a ride, Jerry missed the bridge and ended up in the brook.

He was a good man and will be missed by all.





## Reference Information

### Emergency Numbers

For emergencies dial 9-1-1

Kennebec Sheriff's Department	1-800-498-1930
Maine State Police	1-800-452-4664
State Warden Service	1-800-292-7436

### Animal Control Officer

Kathy Ross	441-7121
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### Belgrade Public Library

Janet Patterson, Director  
495.3508

### Belgrade Regional Health Center

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00 am -4:30pm & Tuesday 8:30 am – 7pm

### Belgrade Town Office

Call	495-2258
Fax	495-2742
E-mail	<a href="mailto:admin@townofbelgrade.com">admin@townofbelgrade.com</a>
Website	<a href="http://www.townofbelgrade.com">www.townofbelgrade.com</a>

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Thursday 8:00 am-7:00 pm  
Open the last Saturday of the month in April, May, & June

### Center for All Seasons

Valencia Schubert, Director	495-3481
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### Code Enforcement Officer/Plumbing Inspector

Gary Fuller  
Thursday 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

### Emergency Management Director

Jeremy Damren, Director	495-3861
Ed Ketch, Jr., Ass't Directory	

### Food Pantry

Tuesday 9:00 am- 11:00 am	New Location: North Belgrade Community Center
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### Health Officer

Karen Childs	446-2982
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### Information Officer

Barbara Geaghan	495-2258
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**Fire & Rescue Department**

Dan MacKenzie, Fire Chief

**Fire Wardens-Burn Permits**

Dan Mackenzie	446-0603
Mark Day	495-3840
Ed Ketch, Jr.	495-3861
Scott Damren	465-5191
Bruce Plourd	441-1651
Bruce Galouch	495-3660

*Maine law requires that burning permits be issued for all outdoor fires.*

*Online permits-[www.wardensreport.com](http://www.wardensreport.com)*

**Planning Board Meetings**

First and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Town Office

**Post Office**

Belgrade	495-2011
Belgrade Lakes	495-2064

**Public Information Officer**

Jeremy Damren	495-2258
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**Road Commissioner**

Maurice Childs	(H)495-2982/©446-7895
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**Schools**

Belgrade Central School	495-2321
Messalonskee High School	495-7381
Messalonskee Middle School	495-2167
RSU 18 Superintendent	465-7384

**Selectboard Meetings**

First and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Town Office

**Cable**

Time Warner (Customer Service)	1-800-336-9988
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**Town Manager**

Greg Gill	495-2258
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**Transfer Station**

Ken Scheno-Manager	495-3326
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Hours: Wednesday 11:00 am – 7:00 pm, Saturday 7:00 am – 3:00 pm

Memorial Day to Columbus Day: Thursday Noon to 5:00 pm

## 2015 Town Officers

### PLANNING BOARD

Five members with staggered three-year terms, two alternate with indefinite Length of terms.

Peter Sargent, Alternate  
Roger Derosier, (18)  
Richard Baker (17)  
Gary R. Fuller, CEO  
Daniel Trembly, Alternate

Peter Rushton, Chair (17)  
George Seel, (16)  
Stephen Foster, (16)

### BOARD OF APPEALS

Seven members with staggered three-year terms, no alternates

Tammy Fulling (17) Donald Smith (18)  
Kerri Hammond (16) Valton Wood (16)  
John Bradshaw (Jr.) Jay (18) Richard McCarthy (17)  
Diane Atkins, Secretary

### BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Three members with staggered three-year terms, with two alternate members  
Two Vacancies and one alternate vacancy

Richard Bourne (17) Rhaeto Pfister (18)

### BUDGET COMMITTEE

Six members with staggered three-year terms.

Cheryl Cook (17) John Sutton (17)  
Daniel Newman (18) Laura Hudson (16)  
Howard Holinger, Chair (18) Michael Benecke (17)

### DAMS COMMITTEE

Four Belgrade members with staggered three-year terms.

Craig Alexander, Alternate (17) Doug McCafferty (18)  
George Hoy (18) Dennis Purington, Chair (16)  
Raymond Hewett (17)

### BOARD OF PARKS & RECREATION

Ten members with staggered three-year terms.

Karen McFadden (17) Linda Bacon (18)  
Joe Adlam (17) Mark Ardito (17)  
Roger White (16) Tracy Wright (16)  
Dana Doran (16) Katherine Ferguson (18)  
Two Alternate, Vacancies

### FIRE DEPARTMENT/RESCUE

Fire Chief appointed to five-year term, Deputy, Lieutenant, and Assistant Chiefs appoint by the Fire Chief with three-year terms.

Dan MacKenzie, Fire Chief (16)  
Lisa Day, Asst. Chief of Rescue (18)  
William Pulsifer, Deputy Chief (17)  
Travis Burton, Capt. of Rescue (16)  
Edward Ketch, Jr., Assistant Chief/Lakes (17)  
Conrad Shaw, Lt. of Rescue (18)  
Scott Damren Asst. Chief/N. Bel. (16)  
Bruce Galouch, Asst. Chief/Depot (16)  
Douglas Sawyer, Lt/Lakes (17)  
Dan Newman, Lt/Depot (16)  
Kathryn Damren, Capt. / N. Belgrade (16)  
Mark Day, Capt/Lakes (16)  
Bruce Plourd, Capt/Depot (16)

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

Four-member board with three-year terms plus the Sexton  
Mike Heino (16)                      Robert Lewis (18)      Gary Foss, Sexton  
Phillip Sprague, Chair (18)              Bruce Galouch (17)

**TRANSFER STATION & RECYCLING COMMITTEE**

Six members with staggered three-year terms  
Town Manager, Advisory Only  
Samuel Dunbar (16)  
Rhaeto Pfister (18)  
David Viens (16)  
Bruce Galouch, Chair (16)  
Cathy Sears, (18)  
Susan Littlefield (18)  
Two Alternate Vacancies  
Kenneth Scheno, Transfer Station Supervisor

**TOWN MANAGER**

Appointed by Selectpersons with contract – Gregory E. Gill

**INDIVIDUAL POSITIONS**

Nominated by the Town Manager and confirmed by the Board, one year or indefinite terms.

Animal Control Officer	Katherine Ross	1 yr
Civil Emergency Director	Jeremy Damren	1 yr
Civil Emergency Mgt. Asst. Dr.	Edward Ketch	1 yr
Public Information Officer	Jeremy Damren	1 yr
Health Officer	Katherine Riddle	3 yr
Historian	Nancy Mairs	1 yr
Plumbing Inspector	Gary Fuller	1 yr
Tree Warden	Gregory Gill	1 yr
Code Enforcement Officer	Gary Fuller	1 yr
Assistant Clerk	Charlene Houle	Indefinite
Agent, IF&W	Barbara Geaghan	Indefinite
Agent, Motor Vehicle	Mary Vogel	Indefinite
Town Clerk/ Registrar	Barbara Geaghan	Indefinite
Tax Collector	Mary Vogel	Indefinite
Deputy Clerk/Deputy Registrar	Mary Vogel	Indefinite
Executive Bd. Secretary	Mary Vogel	Indefinite
Deputy Clerk/Deputy Registrar	Donna Boudreau	Indefinite
GA Administrator	Gregory E. Gill	Indefinite
Asst. GA Administrator	Mary Vogel	Indefinite
Asst. GA Administrator	Barbara Geaghan	Indefinite
Treasurer	Barbara Geaghan	Indefinite
Deputy Treasurer	Gregory E. Gill	Indefinite
Town Moderator	John R. Bradshaw, Jr.	1 year

**Economic & Community Development Committee**

The Town Manager serves in an advisory capacity.

Kathleen Wall (18)                      George Seel (18)                      Gary Mahler (18)  
Peter Sargent (18)

**ROAD COMMITTEE**

Ernest Rice                                      Jeffery Clark                                      Rhaeto Pfister  
David Stevens                                      Bruce Plourd  
Tom Streznewski                                      Dennis Keschl  
Jack Sutton                                      Jason Stevens  
Maurice Childs, Road Commissioner  
The Town Manager serves in an advisory capacity

**BOARD OF SELECTPERSONS**

Five members with staggered three-year terms, elected in March of each year

Michael Barrett, (17) Rick Damren, Vice Chair (16)  
Ernest Rice, Chair (16) Bruce Plourd (18)  
Gary Mahler (18)

**RSU #18**

Two RSU members with staggered three year terms.

Debra McSweeney (17) Rebecca Seel (16)

**ROAD COMMISSIONER**

One individual for a one-year term elected in March, with term to expire at the annual March Town Meeting.

Maurice Childs (15)

**RECREATION DIRECTOR**

Valencia Schubert

**LIBRARIAN**

Janet Patterson

Jarod Bond, Assistant Librarian

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Staggered three-year terms (expire in December)

Diane Wright (15)

Marshalyn Baker (15)

Dianne Dowd (17)

David Leigh (17)

Loyce Hayslett (15)

Elizabeth Symonds, Chair (15)

Zigmunt Streznewski (16)

Hailey Palleschi, Youth Representative (16)

**D.C. STEVENS**

Three-year term

Pamela Prescott, Chair (17)

## About Belgrade

Belgrade is located just a few miles northwest of Maine's capital city, Augusta. Our current population is estimated to be about 4,000 year-round citizens, and that number nearly doubles when non-residents arrive to spend the summer months at their cottages.

The first settlers came to Belgrade in 1774, and the Town was incorporated in 1796. In the early days, most of its citizens earned a living by farming or working in its several grist and lumber mills. Gradually, however, residents started commuting to nearby cities for employment. There is only one working farm remaining in Belgrade, and the town has become what many call a "bedroom community" composed of people who reside here but who work elsewhere. Employment in town is limited, with two lumber companies and a manufacturer of concrete products employing most locals. Small businesses such as restaurants and country stores provide a few year-round jobs, with rental cottages, boys/girls camps, marinas and a golf course adding part-time positions in the summer.

Belgrade covers about sixty square miles, with a large part of this area composed of lakes, streams and wetlands. Its five lakes and their inlet/outlet streams offer several species of fish for those who enjoy fishing, plenty of water surface for boaters, and excellent opportunities for those people interested in bird watching. With our forest acreage expanding, as former farmland reverts to tree growth, deer, moose and birds have become more plentiful for people to enjoy. There is a new 18-hole golf course, just south of Belgrade Lakes Village, with entrance from the West Road.

Law enforcement is provided by the Main State Police, the Kennebec County Sheriff's Department, and the State Game Wardens. Our Fire Department and Rescue Unit is comprised of local volunteers, and operate from facilities in three locations-Belgrade Depot, Belgrade Lakes Village and North Belgrade. The Town does not have municipal water district, a sewer disposal system or a public works department, although we do have a Road Commissioner. Belgrade also has a transfer station for disposal of rubbish, garbage and items which can be recycled.

Belgrade has retained the traditional Town Meeting form of government with oversight provided by a Board of Selectpersons. Day-to-day Town Administration is provided by a Town Manager, with staff of a Town Clerk/Treasurer/Registrar of Voters, Deputy Clerk, Deputy Clerk/Executive Secretary/ Tax Collector and an Assistant Clerk. Citizen Volunteers serving on our several boards and committees provide technical advice and assistance on specialized matter to the Town Manager and Selectboard.

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### More About Belgrade

Size:	27,917 Acres of Land
	9,638 Acres of Water
	<u>1,158 Acres of Bog or Swamp</u>
	38,713 Total Acres

Registered Voters: 2,475

#### Schools:

All schools are part of RSU #18  
Belgrade Central School (K-5), Belgrade  
Messalonskee Middle School, Oakland  
Messalonskee High School, Oakland

#### Churches:

Belgrade Bible Church-Rt. 27, 1 mile north of intersection Rt. 135 & Rt. 27  
North Belgrade Baptist Church-at the intersection of Rt. 11 & North Belgrade Station Road  
Old South Church-at the intersection of Rt. 135 & West Road  
St. Helen's Church-Belgrade Lakes Village  
Union Methodist Church-Belgrade Lakes Village

**Belgrade's Elected Representatives**

**To State Government**

Senator Tom Saviello (R)

District 18

Senate Chamber, State House Station #3, Augusta, ME. 04330

60 Applegate Lane

Wilton, ME. 04294

Residence: 207- 645-3420

Capital Telephone: 207-287-1505 or 1-800-423-6900

E-mail: [drtom16@hotmail.com](mailto:drtom16@hotmail.com)

Representative Gary L. Hilliard (R)

District 76

House of Representatives, State House Station #2, Augusta, ME. 04333

511 Dunn Road, Belgrade, ME 04917

Residence: 207-495-3677

State House TTY: 207-287-4469

Toll-free message center: 1-800-423-2900

E-mail: [Gary.Hilliard@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Gary.Hilliard@legislature.maine.gov)

**Belgrade's Elected Representatives**

**To Federal Government**

Senator Susan M. Collins (R)

172 Russell Office Building, Washington, DC 20510

202-224-2523, FAX: 202-224-2693

E-mail: [senator@collins.senate.gov](mailto:senator@collins.senate.gov)

Senator Angus King (I)

359 Dirksen Building, Washington, DC 20510

202-224-5344

Representative Bruce Poliquin (R)

426 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515

202-225-6306, FAX: 202-225-2943

## Board of Selectpersons' Report

2015 was a very busy year for the Board of Selectpersons.

After many meetings reviewing and debating the proposed new stand alone Town office, the project was put before the voters who approved it. We worked through numerous challenges just to get to the construction phase. As with any large construction project, there were changes required. As of the end of January 2016, the project was really taking shape.

The Belgrade Rome Food Pantry moved to North Belgrade Community Center (NBCC). After minor remodeling, and adding a backup generator and alarm system, the NBCC may be better utilized by the whole Town. This facility could now be used as an emergency shelter.

Bids were approved for the following:

- Tax Assessor contract was awarded to Gary Geaghan
- Solid Waste Contract was awarded to Waste Management of Maine, a 3 year contract.
- Winter roads plowing and sanding was awarded to Warren Brothers. This contract was restructured into one. The old was made up of two contracts dividing the Town into two areas. The other addition to the new contract requires all plow trucks be equipped with tanks to apply brine solution to sand and salt during application.

Signed an agreement with Mt Vernon and renewed same with Rome to accept solid waste @\$2.00 per bag and process their recycling.

New Committees:

- Economic and Community Development Committee to work on the goals laid out in the Comprehensive Plan.
- Belgrade/RSU18 Review Committee. The committee is a fact finding committee to identify the advantage for Belgrade to remain in RSU 18, given the large increase in cost to Belgrade residents.

The Select Board wishes to thank Bruce Plourd for his seven years of service on the Select Board. Town Meeting 2016 will be his last day of service. His place of residence will be in another town, so the Board accepted his resignation with regret. Bruce has been a valuable asset to the Town and Select Board. He will be missed by all. Good luck Bruce, we wish you the very best.

Greg Gill, Town Manager, will officially retire on the last day of March 2016. Greg has dedicated five years of service to the Town and has served the Town well. The Select Board thanks Greg for his dedication and support. He will be missed.

The Select Board thanks all Town employees and departments for a job well done, including the Town office staff and Town Manager, transfer station employees, grounds and building maintenance crew, library staff, recreation department and the fire and rescue department. We also thank all our committees and boards for their long hours of hard work and dedication; you are a truly valuable resource. In closing there are several openings on Town boards/committees; we invite all residents of Belgrade to consider serving. If interested please contact the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted as representative of the Board of Selectpersons,

Ernie Rice, Chairman  
Rick Damren, Vice Chairman  
Bruce Plourd, Selectperson  
Mike Barrett, Selectperson  
Gary Mahler, Selectperson



## TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

To the Residents and Tax Payers of Belgrade:

The new Town Office is ahead of schedule and is staying within our budget. So far the only extra cost we have is due to the waters high salt content and will have to be filtered. Our contingency fund will cover the extra cost of the water filtration system and we foresee no other extra costs at this time.

I personally wish to thank all the local contractors for helping to reduce the cost of building the new Town Office especially Hammond Lumber Company, all the owners and their employees.

Moving the Belgrade and Rome Food Bank into the North Belgrade Community Center (NBCC) has worked out very well not only for the staff that runs the Food Bank but also for the residents who need to use the Food Bank. This facility is a lot safer to use, has a security system, has back up power, and is ADA compliant. At this point the only item left to repair is the parking area which will be done this spring.

We have completed the 2016 Town Meeting Warrant and the requested municipal budget for 2016 is lower than last year's if the voters take advantage of the three year bond package we are offering on Road Repair & Paving.

2016 Town Meeting:

Each year we try to repair and pave three miles of roadway in Belgrade. Last year we did three miles of the West Road as our paving program for the year. This year we are offering the voters a two year bond package to repair and pave approximately 9 miles of roadways in Belgrade, all this year. If passed we would not be asking for any additional paving funds for the next two years. (2017 & 2018 Town Meetings) We would continue to request yearly maintenance funds which is the Road Commissioners budget used to cut brush, replace culverts, repair washouts, etc.

There are several reasons for requesting a two year repair & paving bond article.

Background: During the summer of 2015 there was a meeting held between the residents of Mill Stream Road, the Road Commissioner, and the Select Board. At that meeting the Select Board voted to place the reconstruction and paving of Mill Stream Road onto the 2016 Town Meeting Paving Article with an estimated reconstruction and paving cost of \$145,000.00. The Road Committee's 2016 budget request was for the last three miles of the repair & paving of the West Road at an est. cost of \$369,366.00, repair & shim work on Wings Mills Road at an est. cost of \$5,415.00 and repair & shim work on Dunn Road at an est. cost of \$4,582.00. If you combine the Select Board

request of \$145,000 and the Road Committee request of \$379,363.00 we ended up with a 2016 request for repair & paving of roads of \$524,363.00. (Article # 26 in this year's Town Meeting Warrant)

We then looked at the fact that we were falling behind with our paving program by only doing three miles of paving a year, we looked at the fact that asphalt was and is at the lowest price it's been for years, the fact we can borrow money for under 2%, and the fact our Road Commissioner said he could get several miles of roadways ready to pave by this summer; so, we said, "let's get funding and do three years of paving in one year and get our road paving program caught up".

Article # 25 in this year's Town Meeting Warrant is requesting a two year maturity bond for \$810,000 (\$785,000 principal est. \$25,000 legal fees and interest), raising \$400,000 from taxation, and appropriating \$60,000 from the Public Works Road Maintenance and Paving capital reserve Account, for a three year capital repair and paving program to be completed in 2016.

Summary: The voters will have two articles dealing with road repair and paving in this year's Town Meeting Warrant:

Article # 25 is for a three year paving program to repair and pave approximately 9 miles of roads, all this year, for a total cost of \$1,270,000. (\$400,000 to be raised by taxation, \$60,000 appropriated from Capital Reserve and \$810,000 to be bonded over the next two years (2017 & 2018 FY payments)).

Article # 26 is for a one year repair & paving program requesting a total of \$524,363.00 (\$60,000 from Capital Reserve & raise \$464,363 by taxation) for the repair and paving of Mill Stream Road and repair & paving of the remaining three miles of the West Road.

If you pass article # 25 you will be raising \$400,000 by taxation this year and bonding for two additional years at \$810,000. If you turndown article # 25 when you would vote on article # 26 which is requesting \$464,363 by taxation this year with no bonding costs. Article # 26 will be bypassed if article # 25 is passed.

Note: There is a complete breakdown of all work listed under each article in the Town Report. If you have any questions on these articles then please contact me at any time. There is also an article to purchase a new one ton dump truck with a v-plow to be used by several departments. This truck would replace our  $\frac{3}{4}$  ton pickup which will not pass inspection unless a lot of expensive repairs are done this spring. I am requesting a dump truck over a pickup truck for two major reasons; the first being safety. We do not just ride around in these trucks they are being loaded everyday by cemetery workers or transfer station worker, or the sexton, or the facility maintenance workers. Each time the pickup truck is loaded it has to be unloaded by hand. This operation has caused several

accidents over the last year; so, we now send two employees to unload the pickup truck each time for safety reason. If both trucks are dumps then only one worker would be unloading the truck and there would be less of a safety issue and it would free up a worker. We do not have to pay exercise tax when we purchase a vehicle. If you purchase a new dump truck you pay sticker price when you register the truck this is why used heavy duty truck cost as much, sometimes more, than new heavy duty trucks, as you pay excise tax on the purchase price of a used truck. It really makes no sense for the Town to purchase a good used dump truck when for very little more we can purchase a new one with all the guarantees. We really need another small one ton dump truck, not a ¾ ton pickup truck, for safety reasons and productivity reasons. If approved; all the funds will be appropriate from undesignated funds with no burden on the taxes.

#### SUMMARY:

The new Town Office is set up with the clerks sitting down at their desk while they serve you. We are told this setup is supposed to be a safer work environment and a more productive work station; I guess time will tell. That is really the only big operational change in the new Town Office, outside of size!

I can say for the last five years I have worked in a very small room and I am sure the new Town Manager will really enjoy the new Town Manager's office as will all the people who visit that office from time to time.

I have worked for and with some great people over the last five years and I wish to thank you for the support which allowed me to be your Town Manager during that time.

Once I sell my home in Mt. Vernon I will be moving to Deering N. H. into a 1782 center chimney colony which I purchased a year ago.

I wish you all the best in health and a long life!

Respectfully submitted,

  
Gregory E. Gill

## 2015 Budget Committee Report

The Budget Committee continues to serve as an advisory group for the budget issues facing the Town of Belgrade. We are involved in reviewing the requests of all the various committees and departments that make up the town budget. After the Select Board and the Budget Committee has had an opportunity to hear the budget requests, the Select Board votes on the article and then the Budget Committee votes as well. You have the votes of both, associated with each article in this town report.

The committee has also been involved in a couple of special projects this year. We have been involved with the Cemetery Committee to review the activity of the Cemetery Trust funds. In particular, we wanted to work with them to audit the deposits and transfers from the Perpetual Care Fund and the Trust Fund. It has been a few years since we have seen a clear reporting in the Town Report. After a number of meetings, the decision to have an outside audit report was approved by the Selectboard and the results are included in this year's Town Report.

We also took the opportunity to review the D C Stevens funds and the findings of the audit for those funds are also included in this year's report.

In addition to the outside audit, we have developed a procedure for reporting the activity for these Trust Funds in the future. It is important to point out here that we have not been concerned about the integrity of these funds, only the practice of reporting fund activity and balances. With changes in town personnel, we will all be better served with clear reporting practices going into the future.

The Budget Committee has also been involved in the committee, established by the Selectboard, to look into Belgrade's relationship with RSU 18. The school budget is a significant part of our town's financial responsibility. The town has voted the budget down for a number of years. Gaining an understanding of our options and educating the town about the school budget process is viewed by some as a way to develop a more positive relationship with the RSU and the budget process.

We had some changes in the committee membership this year. Thank you to Mike Benecke and Gary Mahler for your service. Welcome new members Dan Newman and Kim Haggan.

As the Chair of the Budget Committee, I wish to express my thanks to the various departments in the town and their hard work to keep expenses down. This year, the Road Committee and the Road Commissioner have developed a new approach to funding paving projects. There has been a lot of input to develop a plan that will save the town money in the long run and also take advantage of lower raw material costs. Please look over the proposal carefully and if you have any questions, please contact a Road Committee member, the Road Commissioner, or the Town Office.

Howard Holinger, Budget Committee Chair

Committee Members: Jack Sutton, Cheryl Cook, Dan Newman, Laura Hudson, Kim Haggan

## Road Commissioner Report

How quickly time passes! This year we did a lot of shoulder work and brush cutting, as planned. We paved the West Rd. from the Sunset Grill almost to the tower on the West Rd. There was a lot of culvert and shoulder work done in preparation for paving and just routine maintenance.

This year we plan on paving the rest of the West Rd. and along, with pending voter approval, a large project. This would involve completely rebuilding and paving Mill Stream, shimming on spot on the Dunn Rd and a couple of small spots on Wings Mill Rd. Also, reclaiming and paving the Knowles Rd (which also includes finishing the shoulder work and culvert replacement), and shim and pave the Sahagian Rd. We plan on shimming and paving the Point Rd, if there is money enough to do so. This project entails borrowing money (a bond) which the town manager can fully explain. What this actually means is that we will be doing 3 years of paving in 1 year and skipping the next 2 years. This is a perfect time with the price of asphalt and fuel being a lot lower. The price has gone from over \$100 per ton 2 years ago, to the low \$70's last year and projected to be in the low \$60's this year. If this project is not passed at town meeting, the backup plan would be to finish paving the West Rd, Mill Stream and shimming Wings Mills and the Dunn Rd.

Please call me with any questions.

I welcome call and comments on our roads in general. You can e-mail me at [kccmwc@mayfairpoint.net](mailto:kccmwc@mayfairpoint.net), or call in the evenings 495-2982 (best time to reach me).

Thank you

Maurice Childs  
Road Commissioner

## Planning Board Report

The Planning Board has had an ambitious year. We conducted our regular business acting on numerous applications (most usually involving either Shoreland Zone Ordinance or Commercial Development Review Ordinance). We have spent considerable effort revamping Our Commercial Development Review Ordinance. This was done by setting aside the second meeting of each month entirely to this effort. We utilized the skills, expertise, and patience of Chris Huck, from Kennebec Valley Council of Governments (KVCOG). We have made considerable improvements to the Ordinance are excited to bring it forward to the citizens of Belgrade for consideration and hopefully approval.

I want to take this opportunity to thank George Seel, Roger DeRosier, Rich Baker, Dan Trembly, Pete Sargent, and Steve Foster, for their contributions to the Planning Board. Each member has a unique set of skills and experiences to bring to the table. Collectively the group listens intently, asks good questions, and work very hard to reach informed decisions. In addition the Planning Board members occasionally travel to conduct site visits. I'm grateful they've chosen to volunteer time to this process. Thank you for your service!

Cheryl Cook has done a great job as our Secretary. The job requires lots of attention to detail, and never ending patience with the process. Cheryl has those skills, plus a whole lot more, and she keeps us on track. Thank you Cheryl!

Respectfully submitted  
Peter Rushton, Chairperson

## Belgrade Fire & Rescue Report

Belgrade Fire and Rescue has had another busy year responding to calls, training, and participating in many community service events. We were dispatched a total of 364 times last year.

In January, we celebrated our annual Awards Banquet at the Sunset Grille. Congratulations to Travis Burton for receiving the Rescue Person of the Year and Steve Smith who accepted the Fire Fighter of the Year award. We appreciate your hard work and dedication to our town

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our community for the continued support. In addition we would like to recognize the following businesses for allowing their employees to respond to calls during the day: Hammond Lumber, Bob the Plumber, Generators of Maine, Belgrade Lakes Electric, and the Town of Belgrade. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

We would like to wish everyone a safe and healthy 2016. As a department, we are committed to providing the best care possible in case of an emergency. Thank you again for your support.

Respectfully Submitted

Daniel R. Mackenzie, Fire Chief

William P. Pulsifer, Deputy Chief

Lisa C. Day, Rescue Chief

Edward Ketch Jr., Assistant Chief, Belgrade Lakes

Bruce Galouch, Assistant Chief, Belgrade Depot

Scott Damren, Assistant Chief, North Belgrade

### 9 Year Fire & Rescue

#### Response Summary

2007-335

2008-326

2009-263

2010-355

2011-333

2012-333

2013-317

2014-338

2015-364

### Breakdown of Calls for 2015

Total Calls 364

Structure Fires 3

Woods Fires 0

Car Fires 4

Motor Vehicle Accidents 22

Chimney Fires 5

C/O other gases 5

Fire Alarms 21

Water/ice Rescue 2

Tree down/Tree on Wires 17

Other 12

Medical 183

Trauma 39

Mutual Aid 51

(Rome, Augusta, Sidney, Smithfield,  
Oakland, Mt. Vernon, & Manchester)

## Transfer Facility and Recycling Committee

I want to let the residents, commercial haulers and businesses of Belgrade know that with your dedication and combined efforts in recycling, 2015 was another successful year.

We need everyone to keep participating endlessly so we can set a recycling rate record for 2016. We recycle all paper products, every kind of plastic, all types of metals, batteries, universal waste (i.e. televisions, printers and computers) and various other items. This past year we have made some improvements to our recycling facility which has helped us to process your recyclables more efficiently. By recycling, we keep transfer costs down and by doing that we also bring in revenue from those recyclables. The combined efforts keep these items out of the regular household trash stream. I see the stream everyday and notice less recyclables in it, which is outstanding. There is always room for improvements, though. Our main goal should always be lowering the costs of running the facility and increasing the revenue brought in. We will be trying new things during 2016 to help you, and to improve and meet our goal. All of us at the facility are dedicated to Belgrade with recycling and continue to ask you to keep up the good work. It pays off for all.

The table below gives a 2 year overview and a 1 year projection. This years' projection rises due to the drop off and current soft markets in recyclable sales. This is a trend that happens occasionally and rises a great deal in the spring.

	<u>2014 Actual</u>	<u>2015 Actual</u>	<u>2016 Proposed Budget</u>
Solid Waste Management Program	\$ 255,793.15	\$ 246,972.98	\$ 251,297.00
*Waste Fees Collected on site	\$ 8,943.83	\$ 12,870.38	\$ *combined
*Revenue from sale of recyclables	\$ 24,935.51	\$ 9,128.04	\$ 20,000.00
Net cost of programs	\$ 221,913.81	\$ 224,974.56	\$ 231,297.00

### Reminders:

- Display current Transfer Station sticker. They are available at the Town Office.
- Separate and dispose of recyclable items properly. See attendant for guidance.
- Keep loads covered and secure on the road and when entering the facility.
- Practice strong safety values while on the facility.
- Participate in the "punch card program" it saves you money and stream lines our process. Punch cards are available (no charge) at the town office.

Thank you all for your efforts and teamwork in maintaining and making the "too good to throw away" building a huge success. A big thanks to the donors. A lot of people benefit from your generosity.

THANKS FOR YOUR COMMITMENT AND EFFORTS IN RECYCLING.

REMEMBER: WHEN YOU RECYCLE BELGRADE SAVES MONEY, PRESERVES THE ENVIRONMENT AND KEEPS OUR BEAUTIFUL TOWN CLEAN FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

Sincerely,

Ken Scheno  
Transfer Station Manager



will Be in setting

Code Enforcement  
Report

**BELGRADE PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**124 Depot Road**  
**Belgrade, ME 04917**

The Belgrade Public Library continues to improve in 2015! We have many people to thank for another great year! A special grant from the Belgrade Regional Health Center allowed us to purchase almost \$1,000 worth of new health and medical resources to update our collection. Another grant from the Maine Humanities Council enabled us to provide three programs on world policy and events featuring Eric Hooglund, Seth Singleton, and Scott Erb at the Library. A special bequest from the Sylvanne Labun estate to the Belgrade Public Library in 2015 permitted us to present several programs by Maine authors such as John Ford, Mark Nickerson, Daniel Tortora, and George Smith. Our continued cooperation with RSU #18 libraries provided access to additional summer reading materials again this year. The Maggie Schneider Fund continues to assist us in bringing science and environmental programs to our community and the William Alford Fund empowers us to expand our children's book collection again this year. With all these wonderful resources helping the Belgrade Public Library, we can't wait to see what 2016 brings!

Have you heard about our new monthly email newsletter? Find out what's happening at the Belgrade Public Library each month from the comfort of your living room. Get reminders and news about the library as well as updates on special events like author visits and kids' programs. Simply send your name and email address to [Belgrade@belgrade.lib.me.us](mailto:Belgrade@belgrade.lib.me.us) to begin receiving the email newsletter.

The Library continues to offer:

- Online catalog linked on our website [www.belgrade.lib.me.us](http://www.belgrade.lib.me.us)
- Weekly children's story time
- Monthly Minecraft programs (weekly in summer)
- Children's summer reading incentive program
- Monthly book discussions for adults
- Special events such as Mad Science of Maine and Chewonki programs and various author visits
- Basic computer training, reference assistance and interlibrary loans
- Printer, scanner and fax equipment for public use
- Internet access and high-speed Wi-Fi
- Ebooks and audio books through *Maine Infonet Download Library*

Members of the Library Board of Trustees are appointed by the Select Board to oversee the municipal library. In 2016 the trustees are: Diane Wright, Loyce Hayslett, David Leigh, Zigmunt Streznewski and Dianne Dowd with Hailey Palleschi serving as the Youth Representative. Currently, they are seeking applicants for two open positions on the Board of Trustees (for more information call Loyce at 465-7058). They meet in the library on the first Thursday of each month at 7p.m.

We want to take this opportunity to thank our regular volunteers Sandra Fowler, Loyce Hayslett, Diane Wright, and Jessica Zhang, who continue to be very helpful. Many others volunteer in the library and we appreciate their service to the community.

Of course, we would also like to show our appreciation for Jared Bond, library assistant, and Brian Cote, summer library aide, for their wonderful service to the Belgrade community in 2015.

Belgrade Public Library is open 25 hours each week.

**Tuesday 10-7**  
**Wednesday 2-6**  
**Thursday 10-7**  
**Saturday 10-1**

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Patterson  
Library Director

**Belgrade Public Library**  
**2015 statistics**

Card holders	1762
Items borrowed	8,377
Ebooks & audiobooks	1,678
Interlibrary loans	343
Library volunteers hours	168

**[www.belgrade.lib.me.us](http://www.belgrade.lib.me.us)**  
**495-3508**

## Friends of the Belgrade Public Library

The Friends of the Belgrade Public Library continue our work to maintain the building and the property of the Belgrade Public Library without the use of tax payer money. Through the tireless efforts of the many volunteers who devote hours of their own time we are able to do this through our various fund raisers from March through August. Mark your calendars for these activities during the coming year.

For 2016 our fund raising events are:

3/12 Book sale at the Belgrade Central School 9 AM – 2 PM

3/25 Basket Bingo at Belgrade Central School along with the Belgrade Fire & Rescue 5 PM – 9 PM

6/11 Yard Sale at Day's Real Estate, Rte. 27, 8 AM – 2 PM

7/4 Book and Bake Sale at the Center for All Seasons, 9 AM – 2 PM

7/30 5K Walk, Jog or Run starting at the Library, 8 AM ( Registration at the Central School at 7:30 AM)

8/5 Britannica Concert at the Center for All Seasons, 7 PM

If you are able to attend one or more of the fund raising events, it will be greatly appreciated. If you would like to join the "Friends", please contact any of the board members listed below. Meetings are the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30, in the library. We are a hard working group but we have fun working together. Please visit our web site, [www.Friendsofthebelgradepubliclibrary.org](http://www.Friendsofthebelgradepubliclibrary.org) or our Face Book Page Friends of the Belgrade Library for updates on our meetings and events.

Donations to help with the operating and maintenance of the library are tax deductible and always gratefully accepted. Checks may be made out to the Friends of the Belgrade Public Library, PO Box 474, Belgrade, ME 04917.

Board members:

Cheryl Cook & Linda Sprague Co-Presidents

Beverly Megill, Vice President

Linda Bacon, Secretary

Diane Bourque, Treasurer

Kathy Brown, Corresponding Secretary

Judy Johnson, Board Member at Large

# Dams' Committee Report

To:

Town of Belgrade

Town of Oakland

Town of Rome

Late last winter it appeared that we could have run-off problems with the amount of snow we had on the ground. However we did not get heavy rains during the snow melt and we had a very mild run-off. Unlike 2014, we had very little rain throughout the summer and all of the ponds were below full pond for most of the summer.

This year we did minor repairs to the dams and do not anticipate major repairs in 2016.

For 2016 we are requesting the Towns of Belgrade, Oakland and Rome appropriate a total of \$10,000 for continuing maintenance and repairs of our dams. The amount requested from the three towns is:

Belgrade	\$5,600 (56%)
Oakland	\$1,700 (17%)
Rome	\$2,700 (27%)

The members of the Dam's Committee would like to thank the residents and officials of Belgrade, Oakland and Rome for their assistance and support.

The Dam's Committee was very sorry to hear of the passing of the former Chairman, Robert Early.

Respectfully Submitted on behalf of all members of the Belgrade Area Dams Committee,

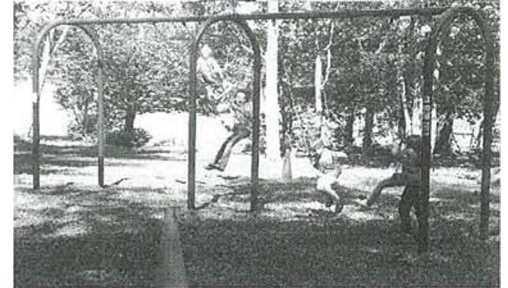
Dennis A. Purington, Chairman

## Belgrade Recreation Department

207-495-3481 – [communitycenter@townofbelgrade.com](mailto:communitycenter@townofbelgrade.com)

2015 was a very exciting year for the Belgrade Recreation Department! After hours of hard work, the dream of a new playground at the Center for All Seasons became a reality. It was truly heartwarming, especially watching the hard working volunteers, considering the donations of materials and equipment, and, the efforts of the wonderful people that kept the crew fed! "Thank you" will never be enough for turning a dream into a wonderful, safe place for kids to be kids!

Please join me in thanking these people & businesses that donated their time or materials for this huge project! Becket House, Day's Store, G & L Contracting, Hallowell Construction, Hammond Lumber Company, Sargent Materials, Veilleux Concrete, Rick Damren, the Dobos Family, the Doran Family, Chris Dutil, Camille Fontaine, Adam Gardner, Roxanne Godin, Judy Hallowell, Sarah Krizo, Jacob Marsh, Phil Mulville, Diane & Kerry Oliver, Jim Reardon, Dean Schubert, Lily Schubert, Ryan Scott, Mac Stocco, Wayne Sylvester, Cindy & Roger White, Derek White, our after school kids and Eric, Josh and Danny from Maine Park & Recreation Equipment. **THANK YOU, TOGETHER WE DID IT!!!!**



The Center for All Seasons hosted many fun events in 2015: the Father Daughter Dance, Draggin' Masters Snowmobile Club Fishing Derby, Town voting & Town Meeting, Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Indoor Market, Mom & Son Super Hero Bash, Camp Golden Pond and Camp Loon for Teens, July 4th Ice Cream Social & Book Sale, Belgrade Fire & Rescue Bean Hole Dinner, Lakeside Artisan Show, Harvest Festival, Halloween Party, Holiday Fair & Gingerbread House Contest, Santa Movie & Train Night and more!

The Center continues to grow and offers many weekly programs for all ages, such as Basketball, Ping Pong, Toddler Open Gym, Kids Cooking, Gentle Yoga and Hatha Yoga, Zumba and Circuit Training. We are always pleased to see how many people turn out to enjoy our events and programs.

Our After School Enrichment Program and Summer Camps continue to grow as more families learn about the fun, safe programs we run. We are also looking forward to the third year of Great Pond Youth Sailing Camp this July and August, sponsored by Great Pond Yacht Club and SailMaine.

Please remember the Center for All Seasons is a wonderful venue for your next family gathering. Whether you are holding a retirement party, wedding, birthday party, bridal shower, baby shower or reunion the Center is a beautiful spot with plenty of space.

The Recreation Department has a monthly e-newsletter to help people stay up to date on what is happening. If you would like to be added to our list you can sign up on our website: <http://www.townofbelgrade.com/belgrade-center-for-all-seasons> or Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/BCCforallseasons> or email us at [communitycenter@townofbelgrade.com](mailto:communitycenter@townofbelgrade.com) Please do not hesitate to let us know if there is something you are interested in having the Rec Department offer.

Respectfully submitted,

Valencia Schubert - Recreation Director

## Belgrade Historical Society Annual Report 2015

As the Chairman of the Belgrade Historical Society (the Society), I am pleased to submit this annual report for the Belgrade Historical Society (BHS).

2015 has been a very busy year!

We aggressively implemented our Strategic Plan improving many aspects of our educational outreach efforts to provide our members, friends and neighbors information about the rich history of the Town of Belgrade and surrounding areas. Among these are:

- The BHS History Room at the Center for All Seasons, now open to the public from Monday through Friday all year, is constantly being updated with new items and information. We further enhanced the room by mounting a photo exhibit, "*Belgrade in Bygone Times*" that provides a view into Belgrade history.

- We initiated limited volunteer staffing in 2015 and now intend to have the History room staffed from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Thursdays from May to October, with staffing available by appointment throughout the year. This is our effort to help visitors in their areas of interest and to help show many historical images, documents, etc. to those interested.

- We have made our holdings more accessible to the public. Now those who are interested in doing research about Belgrade history, including well-known "Belgrade families", historical places, events, etc. can more readily access this information because of our efforts to provide limited staffing of the area in June to October. During this period we began limited staffing of the History Room on Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. We continued this until October when we are offering to have staff present, by request. We hope to continue and expand our staffing during 2016. By doing this we are better able to engage those who visit the room and/or want to do research.

- Our monthly membership e-newsletter has expanded and provides interesting historical insights into people, places and things related to Belgrade and surrounding areas. Many of the e-newsletters feature new stories and findings.

- Our website [www.belgradehistoricalsociety.org](http://www.belgradehistoricalsociety.org) and our facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/belgradehistorical> are constantly being updated with news and historical items for all to see and read. Belgrade history is truly becoming more available to all through the internet and you can renew your membership or become a member, as well as, order the items we have for sale through the website.

- We had several successful fundraising events this year, including the sale of a more readable version of the *History of the Town of Belgrade* booklet, the 2016 calendar sale, the sale of Belgrade Historical Society Aprons and Hats, our "open house" during the *Winter Stroll*, and the first "annual" Belgrade Historical Society

Summer Fair that celebrated the bicentennial of the construction of the Old Townhouse. We appreciate the support provided by our members, friends, and neighbors for all of these events.

- We have had several new additions to our holdings...all of which have provided new insights into our history. An original canoe used at the Belgrade Hotel donated by Robert Acheson and an extensive collection of Belgrade memorabilia given to us by Martha Withers Pink top the list of 2015 donations. However, many others stepped forward to let us scan their family and camp photographs, and allowing us to share these images with other and to preserve them for future generations.

- We relaunched our oral history program in 2015, starting hearing from members of the Yeaton family who offered recollections of growing up in Belgrade and of their very deep family roots in the area. Next a group of former campers and staff at Camp Kennebec shared their memories.

- We realized a long-time goal by organizing a committee to research the history of the many youth camps on the seven lakes in the regions...soon to be followed by committees on tourist establishments, families, and businesses.

- We also sponsored six programs during the year that ranged from the restoration of old buildings to an antiques appraisal. All were well attended.

- We also acquired a new computer that in addition to helping with administrative tasks, also stores important documents and the large number of images in our collections. Our pictures are indexed, so if you have a subject you'd like to check out, please come see us.

- Finally, we continued our planning to restore and renovate the Old Townhouse as the new home for the Belgrade Historical Society. We are finalizing the plans and our building campaign fundraising goal. In 2016 we plan to schedule a meeting with the community to discuss our plans, gain support for them, and then to initiate the building campaign. We look forward to your continued support of our efforts to preserve the interesting and colorful historical of the Town of Belgrade and surrounding areas for current and future generations.

As Chairperson of the Society, I want to extend my sincere thanks to our entire Executive Committee, who have worked so hard to make this year a success. However, I offer my special thanks to Elizabeth Symonds for her work to re-do the *Town of Belgrade History*, to Adelaide LaLime whose work made the first annual summer fair a success, to Eric Hoogland and his work on our collection, and for providing much of the staffing of the History Room, and, of course, to Linda McLoon for her outstanding efforts to improve our collections and the access others have to it, and for her work to increase our membership keeping it informed of our activities.

Submitted by:

Dennis L. Keschl, Chairman  
Belgrade Historical Society

2015 Belgrade Executive Committee Members:

Elizabeth Symonds, Secretary  
Duane Farnham, Treasurer  
Loyce Hayslett  
Adelaide LaLime  
Bob Lewis  
Sandy Lewis  
Nancy Mairs  
Linda McLoon  
Margaret McMorrow  
William Pulsifer



## Maine Farmer, Agriculture, Mechanic Arts, Literature, News &c.

AUGUSTA Me., Morning Sept 29, 1864, Vol.XXXII

“The Draft in Maine, 3<sup>rd</sup> District:”

“According to instructions from the War Department, the draft to complete the quota of towns in the 3<sup>rd</sup> district was commenced on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> inst., under the superintendence of H.A. Williams, Esq., Commissioner of Enrollment, & brought to a close on Friday last. Below we give a list of the names of the drafted men by town, the several towns of the District:

BELGRADE :

Joseph Hersom, HH Abbott, Samuel R. Damren, Geo E Minot, David H Westworth, John R. Dmren, Seth Bickford, Joseph Maxwell, James M. Chandler, Martial M. Verrill, Chas H. Yeaton, Isaac Yeaton, Joel Page, Geo D. Wyman, David Nickerson, Jas. Alexander, Gilman J. Page, Willard A. Turner, Oliver Brand, Joseph Knowles Jr, Leander Yeaton, O.B. Dixon, Chas W.L. Dunlap, Wm L. Rollins, Augustus W. Welman, Andrew J. Littlefield, John H. Libbey, John F. Damren, Geo Staples, Geo. Worcester, Nathan A. Hall, Greenlief T. Stevens, Howard H. Wadley, Freeman G. Yeaton, Jos H. Sager, Charles H. Farnham, Henry Golder, John H. May. 38”

Lists of recruits from Waterville and 21 small towns made up a large total number of men leaving the 3<sup>rd</sup> District. The one large sheet of fragile paper is folded to make 4 newspaper pages. It includes advice for drafted men, letters and lists from the front and prisons (including the name of Adjutant Abner R. Small, 16<sup>th</sup> Reg., who wrote a memoir upon his return to Oakland), news of Gen. Sheridan’s march, Harper’s Ferry Sept 20, the Shenandoah campaign, and the gallant 9<sup>th</sup> Maine, about 80 “returning remnant whose term had expired”, about 80 left in hospitals, and the exchange of sick prisoners.

There was “Glorious news from the Shenandoah ....The Rebel Army Routed with Terrible Slaughter.... Gen. Sheridan transmits to Gen. Grant....“News from New Orleans...Mobile....Sheridan following up... Ad for Palmer’s artificial limbs.....Need for supplies for injured soldiers, clothing, food...Harper’s Ferry Sept 20

Lot Morrill’s brief and stirring address to men going into action, enlistees.....Governor Cony

Also in this issue we find these items:

Around Augusta .....death reports...diphtheria.....more about other War locations...exchange sick prisoners

The gallant 9<sup>th</sup> Maine, about 80, “returning remnant, term having expired.....about 80 left in hospitals

“September 16, 1864 – Pound keepers – found sorrel mare, pay damages and get her...”

“The Steam Car below Gardiner, Hallowell, Augusta has become a decided necessity...”

*Changes in Post Office-all postmasters will get fixed salary, not commission...the greater part of the regular mail distribution now done at post offices, is to be done on board of railway trains, thus hastening the delivery of mail matter at large P.O. Portland & Bangor w/be 1<sup>st</sup> class P.O. Salaries w/b based on 5 sizes/classes.*

Farm market prices – cattle – Portland-Boston-New York....Poem, Ads for Medicines, Organs, Loans, News, Marriages,....

## Health Officer Report

Again another year has passed and so an annual reminder that the following diseases must be reported to the Health Officer: Animal Rabies, Lyme Disease, Meningitis, Chicken Pox (Varicella), Viral encephalitis, Malaria, Invasive Influenza, Invasive Strep Group A, Chlamydia, Toxic Shock Syndrome, Gonorrhea, Syphilis, Salmonella, Giardiasis, E-coli, Tuberculosis, Mumps, Rubella, Pertusis, Hepatitis and HIV Infection. There is a more extensive comprehensive list on the CDC website. If you were seen by our doctor for treatment, it will be reported to the Bureau of Health by them. It is extremely difficult to track these diseases in our community without your help.

Childhood and adult immunizations must be kept up-to-date. Mandatory vaccines for attendance in our schools include: DTAP, MMR, Polio, Hepatitis B and Varicella. Annual influenza vaccine is strongly recommended for all. RSU 18 has held free clinics for students this year at all schools in the district. It is important to keep children at home with Flu symptoms (fever, coughing, sneezing, vomiting or diarrhea). All adults in the workplace should also consider this recommendation. During the Flu season, it is very important to wash hands with soap and water frequently, cover coughs and sneezes and do not share personal items with friends or other family members.

I have been asked to help with some issues like infestation of mice, rats, bats and squirrels. The Town Manager, Code Enforcement Officer has been helpful in some of these cases and the Animal Control Officer was also notified if necessary.

Please check in on your elderly homebound neighbors especially during the holidays or in cold or very hot weather or if the power is out. They may need assistance and may be too proud to ask for help.

Our local food bank, located at the North Belgrade Community Center, serves residents of Belgrade and Rome. Donations of non-perishable foods, time or money are always welcome. Please contact the Town Office for help or information.

If I can be of help, please contact me thru the Town Office or at home at 495-2982.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Riddle, RN,BS CHES

Karen Childs, RN

Belgrade Health Officer

2015 Interments

#	Name	Lot Number	Date
1	Muriel knowles	P-2 R-3 SP- 83	5/7/2016
2	Geneva Wadleigh	P-2 R-6 SP-19-3	5/8/2015
3	Patricia Leighton	P-4 R-8 SP-8-2	5/10/2015
4	Pearl Estes	P-4 R-1 SP-2-3	5/11/2015
5	Ricky Rose	P-4 R-5 SP-12-3	5/19/2015
6	Leon Doyon	P-4 R-2 SP-15-1	5/20/2015
7	Sandra Corbett	P-4 R-1 SP-12-4	5/22/2015
8	Jed Barker	P-2 R-7 SP-7-8	5/31/2015
9	Joan Galouch	P-4 R-7 SP-18-3	6/5/2015
10	Gideon Talbot, Jr.	P-2 R-7 SP_17-2	6/6/2016
11	Elise Dolloff	P-3 R-7 SP-15-4	6/13/2015
12	Carol Kelly	P-4 R-3 SP-6-4	6/13/2015
13	Gloria J. Isbister	P-4 R-7 Sp-3-2	6/20/2015
14	Luther Perkins	P-2 R-8 SP-19-2	7/15/2015
15	Martha Fabian	P-1 R- 12 SP-35-1	7/17/2015
16	Gwendolyn Young	P-3 R-6 Sp-25-6	7/22/2015
17	Walter McGlashing II	P-4 R-1 SP-6-6	7/25/2015
18	Stephen Kadnar	P-2 R-8 SP-11-3	7/26/2015
19	Lawrence Longfellow	P-2 R-6 SP-14-1	7/26/2015
20	Germaine Boucharad	P-3 R-8 SP-9-2	8/10/2015
21	Jean Hanna	P-1 R-6 SP-23-2	8/16/2015
22	Shirley Willely	P-3 R-4 SP-20-2	8/19/2015
23	Alice Drouin	P-4 R-5 SP-3-2	8/22/2015
24	David Williams	P-1 R-7 SP-35-2	8/29/2015
25	Paul Doucett	P-4 R-1 SP-9-2	9/5/2015
26	Robert Early	P-2 R-7 SP-17-5	9/9/2015
27	Victor Ashland	P-3 R-8 SP-11-2	9/17/2015
28	Williston Mosher	P-2 R-11 SP-11-6	9/23/2015
29	Mayna Damren	P-2 R-7 SP-19-7	11/5/2015
30	Jerry Lorey	P-1 R-7 SP-32-7	11/10/2015

2015 Lot Assignments

Name	Lot#	Spaces	Amount Paid	Resident
Joseph Healey	P-1 R9 L32 SP5-8	4	\$1,000.00	N
Don Morrell	P-3 R7 L26 SP7-8	2	\$5,050.00	Y
Lawrence Kolloff & Audrey Keller	P-4 R4 L19 SP1-2	2	\$\$100.00	Y
Fred Perkins	P-4 R4 L19 SP3-4	4	\$200.00	Y
Dwight Spiller	P-4 R3 L18 SP5-8	4	\$200.00	Y
Michael Benecke	P-1 R-12 & R-35 SP1-8	8	\$400.00	Y

## **Belgrade Cemetery Committee Report**

The year 2015 brought more changes to the Pine Grove Cemetery. We were able to widen and resurface the back road to allow the vault trucks easier access to the lots. The hill on Plan 5 where the trees were removed a year ago was somewhat leveled which made it easier to mow. This also helped to improve the appearance of that section.

New veteran markers and flags were purchased in the spring and with a great deal of help from volunteers we got them out in time for Memorial Day and they were left on the graves until Veteran's Day. This will continue to be the norm from now on to better honor our veterans.

The cemetery committee did some research on the Woodside Cemetery and was able to get more of those veterans of our earliest wars identified and recognized with flags. Work was also done to prune some of the overgrown shrubs, bushes and trees covering the monuments.

More construction is scheduled to begin on Plan 5 during the spring and early summer starting with completely removing the hill beyond the back road and leveling the field. Completion of this work will take a few more years and lots will not be available for purchase until the work is done.

We will examine the waterline to see if there is anything that can be done to solve the salty water problem that plagues that entire area. This would certainly make it easier for watering plants and the grass.

In preparation for Memorial Day weekend we again ask that lot owners remove all of last year's decoration before May 15<sup>th</sup>. This will keep us from discarding something you might want to keep. I would like to thank all the many volunteers for the work they do to prepare the cemetery for Memorial Day. This includes placing the flags on the proper graves and planting all the geraniums. Sometimes Mother Nature does not allow us much time to get all the necessary work accomplished.

I would also like to thank Phil Sprague and his crew for putting out all the Fire Fighter markers and flags to honor our past firemen.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary Foss, Sexton

## Don C. Stevens Trust Fund Advisory Committee Report for 2015

The students of Belgrade Central School are very fortunate to benefit from the generosity of Don. C. Stevens whose foresight provided this trust fund. The fund provides for students in many ways, including additional programs during school, after school enrichment activities, additional materials and resources, and new experiences above and beyond what our school district is able to provide. The Trust truly enriches the educational experience of all Belgrade students.

The Parents Creative Arts Committee continues to extend our students' artistic and cultural experiences. This school year we will have a puppetry residency, a dance and movement residency, a water color artist, and the Missoula Children's Theater. Our students get great training during these experiences, which expose them to acting, prop and costume preparation, as well as puppets, paintings, and performances themselves.

The Trust helps fund field trips, support for which continues to be needed in these difficult budgetary times. These trips extend students' learning greatly beyond their textbooks.

The Fund provides many materials which reach every student. Special funds to provide extra Art, Reading, Math, and Science materials are made available and are well used. Classroom libraries continue to grow. A special program (Black Bear Book Awards) to encourage reading was designed by our librarians.

Our library is continuing to arrange the annual visit of a children's book author or illustrator. This year we had author/illustrator Kevin Hawkes, visiting, who was able to provide a dual perspective on children's books for our students. These wonderful authors and illustrators provide whole-school presentations, as well as individual classroom workshops.

As always, this committee truly enjoys the work it does, helping to provide enriching experiences for the children of Belgrade Central School.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Prescott (chair), Laura Dunbar, Becky Seel, Jill  
Mackenzie, and Janet Stocco

## Don C. Stevens Trust Fund

	2015 Propose	2015 Spent	2016 Proposed
<b>General</b>			
Miscellaneous	\$500	\$446.40	\$500
Parent folders		\$500	
<b>Art</b>			
Teacher Supplies	\$1,000	\$792.64	\$1,000
Laminater	\$500	\$432.36	\$500
<b>Enrichment</b>			
PCAC	\$7,000	\$7,193.60	\$6,850
Math/Science Materials	\$500	\$165.23	\$650
Field Trips	\$1,000	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
<b>Reading/Writing</b>			
Reerence	\$500	\$412.00	\$500
Library	\$1,500	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
Black Bear			
Book Awards	\$300	\$300.00	\$300
Supplemental	\$2,000	\$1,683.67	\$3,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$14,800</b>	<b>\$13,925.90</b>	<b>16,300</b>

## Quarterly Report of the **Economic and Community Development Committee**

In 2014, the voters of Belgrade accepted a **Comprehensive Plan** that had been created by over 600 adults and children who contributed their input during meetings in 2012-2014.

In early 2015, the select board moved the plan forward by approving the creation of an **Economic and Community Development Committee** to track and help implement the approved recommendations from the various sub-committees that developed the **Comprehensive Plan**.

In August, 2015, the select board approved a chairperson to begin the process of bylaw development, committee membership, and creation of a plan for implementation of the recommendations.

The inaugural committee of five members created governing bylaws and submitted them to the select board for approval. The committee will carry a maximum of seven voting members and refilled as they become vacant. **There is an open invitation to anyone interested in the work of the committee to attend meetings when they occur on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6PM in either the Town Office or the Center for All Seasons.** There may be changes that occur and they will be posted on the town website 10 days in advance.

**Current members:** Kathi Wall, Chair, Gary Mahler, George Seel, Denise Lord, Peter Sargent, and Cathy McElway. We may be contacted at anytime through the town office if you have questions or comments.

The initial order of business was to meet with representatives of each committee to determine what, if any, of the prioritized, approved recommendations have been completed and what the plans are for future tasks.

Each committee was asked the following questions:

Who is responsible for the implementation of the recommendations?

What has been completed since approval of the plan? What is yet to be done? Have you created a workplan? What assistance is needed in order to move your recommendations forward?

A matrix of progress by the committee will be established and posted on the town website. Viewers will be able to follow ECDC progress.

**October:** We met with Denny Keschl, President of the Belgrade Historical Society to learn about their progress in completing the Historical and Cultural Resource goals of the **Comprehensive Plan**. The bulleted agenda and report can be seen on the town website along with the date of the next meeting. (include link here)

**November:** We met with Joe Adlam as a representative of the Belgrade Recreation Subcommittee and learned of their progress on trails and plans for developing plans to continue to meet the needs of children and adults in Belgrade's communities.

**December:** We met with Peter Rushton, Chair of the Planning Board. He has developed a matrix for **Comprehensive Plan** recommendations that dovetail with the continuing work of the planning board as they render approvals and permits for new construction and old remodels. There are updated shoreland zoning rules. Commercial zoning

**January 2016:** As water quality continues to loom as a challenge for Belgrade residents, we will be discussing the potential for developing a Water District throughout the region to research, improve, and monitor water quality in regards to oxygen and phosphorus levels as well as invasive plants. We continue information gathering to strengthen and craft recommendations for the select board.

2016 is an election year. Two select positions will be changed and we look forward to working with new members as soon as they are known.





# Regional School Unit No. 18

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Gary N. Smith  
Superintendent of Schools

Carl Gartley  
Chief Academic Officer

Bobbi Avery  
Chief Operations Officer

January 19, 2016

Dear Citizens of the Town of Belgrade:

Looking back at 2015 I want you to know that it has been a busy year for your Schools. These Schools are safe places, filled with wonderful staff working hard to prepare your children to be successful in life after high school wherever their paths may lead them. We work hard to have your children proficient in and having completed graduation requirements in eight curriculum areas (English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Technology, Social Studies, Visual and Performing Arts, Health and Physical Education, World Languages, and Career and Educational Development), and also that they have become Clear and Effective Communicators, Self-Directed and Lifelong Learners, Creative and Practical Problem Solvers, Responsible and Involved Citizens, and Integrative and Informed Thinkers. And something to be proud of the 2015 Messalonskee High School Graduation rate was 92%, while our drop out rate was only 1.2%! These are some of the best results in Maine!

While the work of educating your children remains our core focus, my message this year is more about some of the challenges that RSU 18 faces. These challenges: increasing costs of educating students, receiving less funding for education from the state based upon how the funding formula works, slowly dropping student enrollments, and needing investments in our schools' facilities to keep them in good shape - schools that were built for larger student enrollments. These issues are difficult conundrums to solve and while not new, the RSU 18 Board of Directors is actively working on ways to address these challenges.

**Education Funding & Spending in RSU 18.** The cost of educating a student in RSU18 for 2015-16 was \$11,362 and is among the lowest per student cost in Central Maine. Looking at 2013-14 actual spending, Maine's per student spending was \$12,056, while for RSU 18, spending was only \$10,257 (\$ 1,799 less) per student and among the lowest in Central Maine. Even though RSU 18 per student costs are some of the lowest locally and across the state, the challenge is that RSU 18 now pays a larger share of the per student cost locally based upon how the Maine Educational Funding Formula works. So while RSU 18's budget is only up 2.74% from the budget of five years ago, educational revenues from the state have dropped by \$3.35 million (-21%). Rising property values in RSU 18 relative to other parts of Maine, coupled with a slowly declining student enrollment, are the principle reasons for this funding shift from the state. The RSU 18 Board of Directors is actively engaging with our communities to hear input in order to develop fiscally responsible school budgets while still providing for a quality education system.

**Enrollments and Our Schools.** This past July an enrollment study was completed and projected that in 2025 student enrollments are to be in the 2500-2600 range, down from 3,312 students in 2009, with our current enrollment being 2,906 as of October 1, 2015. Our schools are sized for a student enrollment of roughly 3,400 students. Messalonskee Middle School, our newest school turns 15 years old next year, and the "new" China Primary School is now 35 years old! Our schools are aging

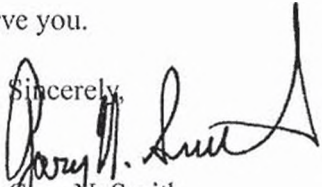
"Proudly serving the children in the Belgrade and China Lakes Regions."  
Belgrade - China - Oakland - Rome - Sidney

and are in need of repair to keep them in good shape, while they are also sized for a larger student population than we currently have (or are projected to have). Given these difficult budget times, it is a struggle to put adequate funding into RSU 18 spending plans to take care of this aging infrastructure!

Your RSU 18 Board of Directors is addressing this issue and in August formed a 30 member community led Facilities Study Committee co-chaired by Richard Labelle of Rome and Mike Tracy of Oakland. The Board charged them with taking a comprehensive look at our schools and the issues we face, asking them to bring specific recommendations back to the RSU 18 Board of Directors. This group is now hard at work, and it is hard work, and expectations are for the Committee's recommendations to be presented to the RSU 18 Board later this year. Solving RSU 18's facility issues requires new and creative thinking if we are to continue offering the communities of RSU 18 a high quality, cost effective, educational system. There is still much work to do here, and you will be hearing more about this work as time progresses.

Your Board of Directors is actively working on the challenges facing RSU 18. They are an active, capable, and dedicated Board, whose service directly benefits the towns of Belgrade, China, Oakland, Rome, and Sidney. They do a wonderful job, and if you are out and about and happen to see them, please remember to thank them for their many hours of service on your behalf.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,  
  
Gary N. Smith  
Superintendent of Schools

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# Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group

[www.belgradelakesmaine.com](http://www.belgradelakesmaine.com)

The Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group (BLRBG) would like to thank the many members of our community that support local businesses and for taking part in the events that we sponsor.

In 2015, BLRBG replaced all of the lights on the village tree, providing a festive look to all as they travelled through the Village. The Belgrade Information Center continued to see more visitors last year. Members are encouraged to bring their brochures, business cards and other information to the Center. Please note that we are always looking for volunteers in the summer months to help man the Belgrade Region Information Center.

The group, with help from Hammond Lumber Company, is projected to replace the Welcome to the Belgrade Lakes Region sign this year. One more project we are working on to enhance the Region, with hopes of bringing more business to our members.

Also in 2016, the BLRBG will be extending the annual renewal to begin in September; a time of year that is much easier for small businesses to be able to afford the fee. For those businesses that are not currently members, please consider joining. The Group offers wonderful networking opportunities, community involvement, state of the art website, printed maps, and many other benefits.

## Upcoming Events:

**March 16<sup>th</sup> ~ Belgrade Business After Hours** will be held at LakePoint Real Estate. These meetings have been a fantastic time to catch up with folks interested in regional business. Please join us!

**March 18<sup>th</sup> ~ PLEASE VOTE YES on ARTICLE 10!** The BLRBG matches these funds to make July 4<sup>th</sup> in Belgrade Lakes possible.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support last year in approving the referendum vote which assists us in organizing and funding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks and events. We would like to ask for your support again this year so that we can continue this great tradition which makes our town so unique and special.

**Please vote yes in support of the Fireworks on March 18th!**



## **BELGRADE/ROME SPECIAL NEEDS FOOD PANTRY ANNUAL REPORT - 2015**

The big event for our Food Pantry in 2015 was our new facility - The Belgrade/Rome Food Pantry is now located at 508 Smithfield Road (Route 8) in North Belgrade. The pantry is very grateful to both the town of Belgrade and the town of Rome for our wonderful new facility. The town of Rome was able to provide us with extra funding (in addition to their usual monetary donation) to offset some of our moving costs – those funds were allocated to the purchase of material for shelving, the purchase of various rolling carts, a copy machine and the cost of our new sign. The town of Belgrade provided our new space, built walls, moved our food inventory and appliances, installed an automatic generator, a security system and is taking responsibility for the cost of utilities. Our application to the United Way Capacity Building Grant was accepted and we were given funds to purchase a new freezer. We are now operating out of a bright, sunny, handicapped accessible, permanent new facility. Please feel free to drop in and “check us out”, we are open Tuesdays from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

The Food Pantry is always trying to be a visible but discreet part of the community. At the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities in Belgrade Lakes, we had a table on Main Street with literature and information about our efforts along with baked goods. Look for us again there next summer. We also were visible at the annual Holiday Stroll, where we had food collection baskets located at the Maine Lakes Resource Center and at the Annex and monetary donations were being accepted at the 1830 House. We also have a Facebook page where current happenings are always posted.

We should note – the Belgrade/Rome Food Pantry should be recognized as an essential component of town services provided to its citizens to promote and enhance the quality of life of the community. Nutrition is a key component of good health and quality of life and children and adults benefit from the food that is provided on a regular basis from our Food Pantry. We are able to assist our fellow neighbors only with the generous monetary assistance, food drives and item donations of the taxpayers of Belgrade and Rome, schools, clubs, churches, foundations, government and private business support and the 25-plus volunteers. But expenses are ever increasing along with the number of families we are serving. We at the Food Pantry are attempting to keep costs down by shopping more frequently at Good Shepherd Food Bank, relying on government, United Way and FEMA contributions and limiting the variety of items we distribute.

In 2015 the pantry had 66 households registered from Belgrade (of those, 26 were new families) and 29 households were from the town of Rome (10 new families). Within those households, on the average 35 families - 107 clients each month were provided with food and household items to last them a week. The Food Pantry is always busy – accepting donations of 9,100 food and other necessities and distributing 27, 344 items to our 95 registered families.

In addition to regular monthly food distributions, during December the pantry allocated items for Holiday Baskets for 53 families which included an entire meal of turkey/chicken, fresh potatoes, squash and apples, canned vegetables, pies and all the trimmings. It was a very generous time of the year. The pantry received support from local businesses by way of food donations and from the many individuals who showed their concern and support by sending monetary contributions.

The Food Pantry would like to thank the towns of Belgrade and Rome and all the individuals, local businesses, churches and organizations who help to make these services possible. We are always looking for able-bodied volunteers to help, if you are interested, please call 495-2022.

Board of Directors: Marylou Butterfield, Chairperson; Vicky Bedard, Manager; Hazel Labbe, Secretary; Tony Mastromarino, Treasurer; Laverne Pelletier; Evelyn Fowler; Maureen Maslak

## Belgrade Draggin Masters Snowmobile Club

As avid snowmobilers who love the sport, we are happy to say that we are still going strong despite losing a few members but gaining a few.

This past year we lost a very good member and friend who did a lot for us in our club. As a former Trail Master, Jerry Merrow had great PR with land owners and business people in making things work for our club. Jerry will be greatly missed but our fond memories of him will last forever. Our condolences go out to his family and friends who knew and loved him as we did.

Also this year, our former club president, Lou Ashland, has resigned due to health reasons. Lou has been a great asset to us in keeping everything in order to keep our club running. We wish Lou and his family all the best and want to thank him for all his efforts as president of our club.

I, as the new president for the club, am hoping to fill Lou's shoes in doing all I can to keep a healthy working club together which means working together with land owners and our town and state government for a safe and happy tail riding for all to share.

This year, weather permitting, we will hold another fishing derby in hopes to be successful. Last year the weather was very cold and we did not get the turnout that we had expected. By the time most of you read this, the derby will have come and gone. It is our concern to have a safe event that can be enjoyed by all.

On behalf of our snowmobile club, we wish to thank all the land owners for allowing us to use and maintain the trails through your property. Also we want to thank the business members who support our club along with our town government who make it possible to operate and maintain our equipment and all that we do. I personally want to thank those of our club members who have worked hard to keep the trails maintained and groomed.

Our land owner's supper will be held on April 10, 2016 at 5:00 pm at the Center for All Seasons and encourage as many to attend in our appreciation. Without you people, we would not enjoy what we have.

If there are any problems/issues that may arise, please contact me (Larry Mare) at 557-4919 or Ernie Rice (Vice President) at 495-3452.

Thank you and may 2016 be safe and prosperous for you all.

Larry Mare  
President



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January 2016

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is an honor to serve you as your State Representative for House District 76. After a challenging first session in 2015, I look forward to starting the second session well rested and energized.

As many of you may know, I currently serve as a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. I was pleased to sponsor and pass several bills, including a bill that would allow youth to hunt in Maine at whatever age their parents deem appropriate by removing the age limit. The bill, which is now law, also extends the Apprentice Hunter trial period to five hunts. I believe that this is important to continue the heritage of hunting, but it also benefits the overall conservation of wildlife and economy within the state.

There are many people throughout the district that recognize we live in a well water hotspot zone in regards to the arsenic levels, as currently only 45% of households even test their water for arsenic. Increasing the testing for arsenic, at no cost to the taxpayers, will remain at the top of my list of things to get accomplished.

I want to thank all who have taken the time to reach out to me regarding matters including welfare reform, lake water quality, the state retirement plan, LMF bonds and numerous other issues. I will be seeking your input regularly and want to hear from you with your thoughts and comments. Please call me anytime at 495-3677 or email at [Gary.Hilliard@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Gary.Hilliard@legislature.maine.gov) to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request.

Thank you again, for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta!

Sincerely,

Gary Hilliard  
State Representative

*127th Legislature*  
*Senate of*  
*Maine*  
*Senate District 17*

*Senator Thomas B. Saviello*  
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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I am so grateful and thankful that you've selected me to represent you in the Maine Senate. I am honored that you've put your trust in me, and I will continue to work tirelessly for the betterment of you and your neighbors, as well as for the great state of Maine. Please let me provide you with a recap of the first session of the 127<sup>th</sup> Legislature as well as my hopes for the second session, which will begin in January 2016.

The most important item on our to-do list is clear: our state needs more jobs at all levels of the pay scale, so it is our responsibility and my solemn promise to work to expand economic opportunity for all Mainers. To this end, my fellow legislators and I accomplished a great deal during the first session of the 127<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

We passed a biennial budget that ensured that more Maine families received a tax cut than did in the "largest tax cut in Maine history" in 2011. That same budget stopped taxes on military pensions, so those who have given all that a person can give can feel welcomed and at home in our state. We restructured portions of our welfare system, increasing funding for nursing homes, and put far more funding towards eliminating waitlists for services for brain-injured and intellectually disabled Mainers.

I'm really looking forward to watching how the significant changes we've already made will better the everyday lives of Mainers. I wanted to serve in Augusta because I believe that, while I'm here, I can have an impact on the direction of our district and state. Because of this belief, passing vital legislation (and, sometimes, stopping bad legislation) is so gratifying.

As you know, more changes are necessary. Next year, during the second session of the legislature, we need to make progress towards addressing the cost of energy in this state. There are a number of bills that have been proposed that would change the way our state's energy system works, and I look forward to putting my own energy into legislation that would lower your energy costs. I also believe that working to provide support to areas hard-hit by recent mill closings should be a focus of the 2016 session.

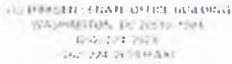
You have my humble and sincere thanks for allowing me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 and [drtom16@hotmail.com](mailto:drtom16@hotmail.com) if you have comments or questions, or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy. I continue to be enthusiastically ready to help you.

Sincerely,



Senator Tom Saviello

SUSAN M. COLLINS  
Maine



## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate. I am grateful for the trust the people of our State have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments from 2015.

Growing the economy by encouraging job creation was and remains my top priority. The tax-relief bill signed into law at the close of last year contains three key provisions I authored to help foster job creation and provide small businesses with the certainty they need to invest, grow, and, most important, hire new workers. Another provision I authored that became law last year gives a boost to both Maine's economy and traffic safety. This provision permanently changed the federal law that previously had forced the heaviest trucks onto our country roads and downtown streets, rather than allowing them to use Maine's federal Interstates. In addition, I was glad to help secure another significant award for the University of Maine's deepwater offshore wind initiative, which has the potential to advance an emerging industry and create thousands of good jobs in our state.

Maine's historic contributions to our nation's defense must continue. In 2015, I secured funding toward a much-needed additional Navy destroyer, likely to be built at Bath Iron Works. Modernization projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard that I have long advocated for were also completed, as were projects for the Maine National Guard.

I was also deeply involved in crafting the new education reform law to better empower states and communities in setting educational policy for their students. The law also extends a program I co-authored that provides additional assistance to rural schools, which has greatly benefitted our state. A \$250 tax deduction I authored in 2002 for teachers who spend their own money on classroom supplies was also made permanent last year.

As a result of a scientific evaluation of the nutritional value of potatoes required by a law that I wrote, the wholesome fresh potato finally was included in the federal WIC nutrition program. I also worked on other issues important to Maine's farmers and growers, including research on wild blueberries and pollinating bees.

As Chairman of the Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I have made combating veterans' homelessness a priority. This year's housing funding law includes \$60 million for 8,000 new supportive housing vouchers for homeless veterans. Since this program began in 2008, the number of homeless veterans nationwide has dropped by one third. Maine has received nearly 200 vouchers to support homeless veterans.

Last year, I became Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee. My top three priorities for the committee are retirement security, investing more in biomedical research, and fighting fraud and financial abuses targeting our nation's seniors. I advocated for the \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health to advance research on such diseases as diabetes and Alzheimer's. The Senate also unanimously passed my bill to support family caregivers. The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for senior citizens to report suspected fraud and receive assistance and has already received more than 1,000 calls.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. As 2015 ended, I cast my 6,072<sup>nd</sup> consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Belgrade and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Constituent Service Center in Augusta at (207) 622-8414 or visit my website at [www.collins.senate.gov](http://www.collins.senate.gov). May 2016 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan M. Collins".

Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator





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Paul R. LePage  
GOVERNOR

Dear Citizens of Belgrade:

Maine has a long tradition of civil participation in both state and local government, and I thank you for being informed and involved citizens.

My vision for Maine is prosperity, not poverty. For this reason, one of my top priorities is the reduction and eventual elimination of the income tax. Some are pushing to raise the minimum wage, but I want Mainers to earn a maximum wage. Reducing the income tax is the biggest and most immediate pay raise for all hard-working Mainers.

Not only does an income tax cut put more money back in your pockets, but it will also attract businesses that can offer good-paying careers to keep our young people here in Maine. It shows the nation that we are serious about wanting people and businesses to come—and stay—in Maine.

Another of my priorities is to lower the cost of student debt in Maine. If young people are struggling with too much student debt, they are unable to afford homes or vehicles. We are now offering programs to help them lower their debt, stay in Maine, begin their careers and start families.

To provide good-paying jobs for our young people, we must also work hard to reduce our energy costs. High energy costs are a major factor in driving out manufacturers, mills and other businesses that need low-cost electricity. I am committed to lowering the cost of energy, not only to attract job creators, but also to allow Maine people to heat and power their homes affordably and effectively.

And finally, we are making progress to address the drug pandemic in our state. It is my most important duty to keep the Maine people safe. While education, treatment and prevention efforts are important, we must get the dealers off the streets. I am pleased the Legislature has finally agreed to fund my proposal for more drug agents to stem the supply of deadly opiates flowing into our communities, but our law enforcement agencies are still understaffed. We must do more.

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

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage  
Governor



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# Maine Municipal Audit Services, PA

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Mindy J. Cyr, CPA

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Belgrade  
Belgrade, Maine

At the time of town report printing, we are currently in the process of completing the audit for the Town of Belgrade, Maine for the year ended December 31, 2015. The full report will be available at the town office upon completion. Should you have any questions please contact us at (207) 884-6408 or by email at [maineaudits@gmail.com](mailto:maineaudits@gmail.com)

Maine Municipal Audit Services, PA

Levant, Maine  
February 12, 2016

## 2015 Unpaid Taxes

2 G'S TRANSPORTATION	171.99
2 G'S TRANSPORTATION, INC	391.76
AKJ ASSOCIATES	3,684.14
AMIK REALTY LLC	11,195.73
ANDREWS JOHN L & WOOD	0.60
ARDITO RALPH	1,954.68
ASHLAND BRIAN & DORI	627.90
AUGER MICHAEL C & VICTORIA	117.39
BAILLIE ALAN	3.14
BAKER JAMES H & KIMBERLY	608.79
BALLARD GLEE C	1,819.55
BARCLAY BARRY & TRUDY	1,699.43
BARCLAY BARRY & TRUDY	2,885.61
BAREJKA GAIL	1,403.55
BARROWS FREEMAN JR	947.31
BEAN ROBERT L	84.70
BEEDLE DUANE	429.98
BELGRADE LAKES CAMPS CONDO	61.43
BELGRADE LAKES SUMMER CAMPS	14,864.79
BELGRADE LAKES SUMMER CAMPS	105.11
BERUBE GERARD & BONNIE L	944.58
BICKFORD THOMAS & PAULA	1,322.69
BIRCH RONALD T & JENNIFER L.	4,604.01
BISCHOFF GERALD H & CAROL A	916.20
BONAMO FREDERICK	7.65
BOND CRYSTAL M	54.33
BONNEFACE DARLENE	559.26
BRANN, ROBERTO	255.26
BRENDA STEPHEN	3,536.72
BROZ MEGAN MARIE	716.63
BURCH KATHRYN	1,685.78
BUREAU KENNETH E & DORNA R	2,816.00
BUREAU, DENNIS	117.39
BURGESS CHRIS J	709.80
BURKE SEAN F & ROBERTA L REV	5,279.82
BURNHAM LYLE	498.23
BURTON DAVID C	601.97
CARDALI EMILE J	1,128.86
CAREY JASON J & CATHERINE	316.68
CARPENTER TINA	3,690.96
CARPENTER TINA	189.74
CHILDS,GORDON	1,171.17
CIFORELLI ROBERT	2,480.99
CLARK DOUGLAS & KATHERINE	858.79
CLARK DOUGLAS M & KATHERINE J	2,003.82
CLARK MARINE	1,044.23
COCHRAN MARION	283.92
COLE EDWARD F & ELIZABETH R	725.36
COLLINS FRANCIS	91.46
CONANT, MELISSA ROSE	803.99
COON TIMOTHY P & PHYLLIS	7,691.78
COTE HENRY R & CAROL A	1,167.54

COULOMBE AMANDA S	10,545.99
CROSBY DONALD L	1,592.96
CROSBY GORDON A	252.53
CROSLAND LINDA A	417.69
DANFORTH VERONICA	667.49
DAVIS DAVID W (TRUSTEE)	1,651.65
DAVIS JEFFREY & REBECCA	910.46
DEAN DAVID & DOROTHY	233.42
DESIMONE MICHAEL D	312.59
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST	1.76
DEVOE ROBERT H	2.46
DEXTER PATRICK VERNON	2,046.99
DINGUS LAURENCE	1,036.04
DINGUS LAURENCE	731.64
DONAHUE ANDREW T	1,981.98
DOSTIE FLORIAN & EVELYN	3,737.37
DULAC PAULA B & E.S.	5,238.87
EAST-WEST TRUST	309.86
EATON NANCY M	1,163.82
EDERLE DOUGLAS TRUSTEE OF	31,427.76
EDGECOMB PATRICIA	20.48
ELLIS KIMBERLY J	1,122.71
EMMONS DEAN R.	337.16
EQUITY TRUST CO c/o	423.15
EQUITY TRUST COMPANY C/O	2,159.43
ERMATINGER TIMOTHY C	956.87
FARINA JOHN P	5,387.66
FAUCHER, JEFFREY J.	1,283.10
FELDBOUSE WALTER B	1,962.87
FELDMUS AARON	1,497.41
FINLEY MARTIN S JR	760.31
FISCHER KEITH J & DONNA A	1,609.34
FISHER ROBERT	1,321.32
FOSTER VERNON L	9.56
FRANKLIN CAROL & COLIN	2,141.69
FRANKLIN CAROL & COLIN J	10,901.56
FRANKLIN CAROL & COLIN J	697.52
FRANKLIN COLIN & CAROL	2,542.40
FRENCH FREDERICK E JR	167.90
FRENCH GAIL & FRED E SR	913.43
FRENCH GREGORY	1,139.78
FRENCH HELEN	975.98
FULLING TAMMY & NATHANIEL	2,910.18
GARDNER JEANETTE F & NEIL L	1,939.95
GARDNER JEANETTE F & NEIL L	153.17
GENNESS SHERRIE & CLAY	2,199.02
GENOVAY JOHN J & BONNIE	361.53
GERRIE MARY P	429.98
GLASTER RICHARD & TRUDY	47.78
GLASTER RICHARD & TRUDY	50.51
GLASTER RICHARD & TRUDY	671.58
GLASTER RICHARD C & TRUDY A	39.59
GRANT JEFFREY R & MICHELE M	1,089.27
GRANT SHAWN A	2,917.01
GRANT SHAWN A	465.47

GREEN WAYNE	218.40
GRIFFITH BEVERLY	14.05
HANNA VIKTORIA	206.12
HATT CLIVE JR & GENEVA E	2,186.73
HEALY LINDA	2,207.21
HIEBERT CARL P & TAFEE A	305.53
HOOPER LUCRETIA	1,071.53
HUBBARD HARRIET F	1,222.05
JABAR JOHN P JR	117.39
JABAR JOHN P JR	21,536.97
JAGGER ALLAN D	5.36
JENNEY DOUGLAS G	270.58
JOHNSON HELEN H FAMILY	4,332.51
JOSEPH ROSALIND	376.74
KADNAR KEITH J & STEPHANIE S	1,995.63
KAPE PROPERTIES LLC	4,485.39
KELLEY BARBARA HUTCHINS &	4,328.42
KELLEY JEANNE	81.90
KROLAK JOSEPH A	1,577.94
LABBE JASON & HAZEL R	2,058.42
LABBE RICHARD	507.78
LABUN-MICHAUD ANGELIQUE S	3,591.32
LAFLAMME MONIQUE	2,411.96
LAFRENIERE GARY L & JEAN E	1,878.21
LAFRENIERE STEPHEN M	599.24
LAGRANGE DAVID B.	249.80
LANGUET JON A	2,676.77
LAVENSON JOEL S & CRISTA C	9,064.37
LEMELIN DEBORAH	23.21
LEMELIN JIMM R SR & EILEEN	595.14
LEONHARDT ROBERT L TRUSTEE	5,181.54
LEWIS THOMAS SANDRA & JOSEPH	1,456.46
LIBBY STEVEN & MAE	947.31
LITTLE ROSEMARIE	1,461.92
LYNCH NATALIE MARY	1,965.60
MADOLE HARRY & JANICE	1,962.87
MAHEU SUZANNE D	2,484.30
MAHI KATHRYN G & BLAINE	1,957.41
MARKHAM TRACY L	320.78
MARSHALL GILBERT	84.63
McBRIDE SONYA S & PATRICK F	2,197.65
MCCRAY KEITH A & DONNA L	5,520.06
MEGILL MARK	1,071.53
MERITT, WESLEY O	585.59
MERROW EUGENE B & ANITA	267.54
MERROW EUGENE B & ANITA	128.31
MERROW MICHAEL J & CARRIE	1,348.98
MEYERS HARRY M III & EUGENE L	1,006.46
MILLETT TINA	672.95
MONK BETH	158.34
MOORE BARBARA & STANLEY B JR	3,397.49
MORIN HOLLY REBEKAH	677.04
MORIN HOLLY REBEKAH	191.10
MORISSETTE ANN M	2,332.68
MORISSETTE ANN M	41.76

MORRISON EUGENE W	588.32
NICKLESS CHAD & KIM	3,089.00
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND	417.69
NUTTER, WILLIAM C.	1,902.81
OHALLORAN CAMP ASSOCIATION	19.21
OHALLORAN FAMILY TRUST	2.81
OSBORNE GARY M & AMY S	3,728.75
PALLESCHI ARRON ETAL	377.81
PARKER MICHAEL E & JEANNETTE Y	13.32
PELLETIER PETER M	8.07
PELLETIER REGINALD L	296.21
PELLETIER ROGER & THERESA	1,105.65
PEPPER DAVID	300.30
PEPPER DAVID E.	577.40
PEPPER DAVID E.	3,009.83
PIERCE RENEE R	2,182.64
POULIN CATHLEEN L	1,696.70
POULIN EDWIN & JUNE	1,991.54
POULIN EDWIN J & JUNE M	410.87
PUPPA DAREN & MARGARET	32,407.83
RACKLIFF NELSON F	1,553.37
RHOADES, LEANNE	64.16
ROGUE ENTERPRISES LLC	2,570.02
ROGUE ENTERPRISES LLC	2,876.06
ROSE KELLY	1,487.85
ROY LOUIS & DIANNA	1,666.67
RUF BERNARD E & NANCY A	300.30
SALSBURY CARROLL	981.44
SANTANA CARLOS A & ELLEN B	1,957.41
SAUCIER JAMES	3,367.46
SEITZ HAROLD F & LOUISE R	2,773.68
SERIO FRANK & PAMELA	3,333.33
SHEPARD AMY	4,114.11
SHEPHERD SHARON	1,036.64
SHIRLEY & LAMBERT ASSOCIATES,	2,873.33
SKEEL RICHARD D	2,372.37
SMITH JAMES & HOLLY	4,522.25
SOPER RUSSELL	945.95
SOUCY CAROL L	235.94
ST PIERRE STACY	2,818.73
STANDER, H. JOHN	2,555.28
STANFORD SUSAN	298.94
STEINBERG ROBERT J & ANN	2,164.89
STETSON GEORGE A III ( ET AL)	280.72
STEVENS ORMAND	941.85
STEVENS ORMAND	23.21
STILPHEN BRENDA M	3,374.28
STOVALL OCHILO JON	227.96
STRATTON HAL	170.63
STRATTON HAL	61.43
STRATTON HAL M & GAYLE L	1,367.73
STUART JOHN & VERA	2,009.28
STUART JOHN & VERA	1,801.80
STUART, JOHN & VERA	3,497.13
SWEENEY RICHARD EDWARD	4,219.22

SWEET PEA COTTAGE LLC	2,604.42
THERIAULT DANIEL R	1,493.31
TILLEY JON P & MARY E	3,673.22
TILLEY JON PETER & MARY	192.47
TILLEY OSMER R III	1,999.73
TORCHIA JASON J	376.74
TRIPP, JOEL WING	90.09
TRIPP, JOEL WING	58.70
TUKEY COLLEEN	1,158.89
URIARTE MARCIA C	3,871.14
VINTINNER RALPH & MICHELLE	599.78
VIOLETTE RANDY & CHRISTINE	2,927.93
VIOLETTE RANDY R & CHRISTINE V	402.68
VOGEL, DARREN	147.42
WALDMAN DAVID H	2,332.79
WASSERMAN ROBERT F	53.24
WATSON JAMES S, TRUSTEE OF	2,461.10
WEBSTER GLORIA	242.97
WEBSTER JAMISON	494.13
WEBSTER JOHN G & SANDRA	3,013.92
WHITE BARRY M & ERICA L	3,468.47
WILSON BETTY	1,646.19
WOOD HARVEY & JOYCE	2,295.93
WORTHING JACKIE	1,019.57
WOYTOWICZ JOHN M	2,309.58
WRIGHT CHESTER D & KAREN S	761.67
YORK CARROLL L JR & GAIL A	3,775.59
YOUNG JILL A	2,411.96
ZOZULA ROBERT B & MARYANN	3,469.96
<b>Total for 252 Accounts:</b>	<b>482,561.00</b>

## 2014 Unpaid Taxes

ADAMS, STACIE	163.90
AKJ ASSOCIATES	3,770.03
AMIK REALTY LLC	6,450.80
ARDITO RALPH	1,640.29
ASHLAND BRIAN & DORI	690.78
BEEDELE DUANE	498.28
BELGRADE LAKES CAMPS CONDO	94.92
BERUBE GERARD & BONNIE L	1,009.18
BICKFORD THOMAS & PAULA	1,389.33
BURGESS CHRIS J	773.13
COCHRAN MARION	46.09
CROSBY DONALD L	1,409.79
DANFORTH VERONICA	199.47
DOSTIE FLORIAN & EVELYN	3,817.07
FINLEY MARTIN S JR	589.67
GERRIE MARY P	407.02
GRANT JEFFREY R & MICHELE M	1,070.27
HANNA VIKTORIA	266.71
HEALY LINDA	2,278.62
JABAR JOHN P JR	177.51
KADNAR KEITH J & STEPHANIE S	2,091.87
KELLEY JEANNE	57.32
LANGUET JON A	2,757.22
LEMELIN JIMM R SR & EILEEN	952.54
MARSHALL GILBERT	144.58
MCKENNA CHERYL	250.08
MEGILL MARK	152.57
MILLETT TINA	744.32
NICKLESS CHAD & KIM	3,052.90
NUTTER, WILLIAM C. & MARION L.	2,109.83
PEPPER DAVID	361.41
PEPPER DAVID E.	638.63
PEPPER DAVID E.	3,085.59
PIERCE RENEE R	2,253.93
PUPPA DAREN & MARGARET	32,649.03
RACKLIFF NELSON F	1,621.26
ROSE KELLY	1,555.38
SALSBURY CARROLL	69.86
SHEPARD AMY	4,202.33
SKEEL RICHARD D	146.70
SOPER RUSSELL	1,020.16
ST PIERRE STACY	2,899.94
STEINBERG ROBERT J & ANN	2,242.57
STEVENS ORMAND	900.89
STEVENS ORMAND	82.82
STILPHEN BRENDA M	893.97
STRATTON HAL	236.52
STRATTON HAL	121.25
STRATTON HAL M & GAYLE L	1,434.61
STUART JOHN & VERA	2,079.63
STUART JOHN & VERA	1,877.52
STUART, JOHN & VERA	3,582.02
SWEENEY RICHARD EDWARD	219.96



TUKEY COLLEEN	1,224.65
URIARTE MARCIA C	3,951.56
VIOLETTE RANDY & CHRISTINE	3,003.25
VIOLETTE RANDY R & CHRISTINE V	470.84
WALDMAN DAVID H	436.16
WEBSTER JAMISON	556.29
WEBSTER JOHN G & SANDRA	2,970.31
WILSON BETTY	1,727.56
WOOD HARVEY & JOYCE	2,367.83
WOYTOWICZ JOHN M	108.44
YOUNG JILL A	68.88
<b>Total for 64 Accounts:</b>	<b>120,117.84</b>

## Personal Property

Name ----	Year	Due
AKJ DBA SUNSET GRILL	2015	103.74
ARDITO RALPH	2012	29.87
ARDITO RALPH	2013	29.87
ARDITO RALPH	2014	33.38
ARDITO RALPH	2015	34.13
BEAN ROBERT	2014	40.05
BEAN ROBERT	2015	40.95
BELGRADE LAKES SUMMER CAMPS LLC	2015	614.25
PEPIN, CLAIRE	2015	1,792.25
RAYS AUTO	2014	66.75
RAYS AUTO	2015	68.25
ROWE, RODNEY	2013	66.92
<b>Total for 12 Accounts:</b>		<b>2,920.41</b>

**2015 Abatements**

GALOUCH BRUCE A	\$193.83
KUEGEL, WAYNE	\$110.57
MCGRAW, GLORIA & RICHARD B.	\$30.03
JANUS, ANDROIKE	\$1,651.65
VEILLEUX, ROBERT	\$138.41
PERRY MARK E	\$1,092.00
PARKER, JAMES & JOANNE	\$70.98
GAGNE & SONS	\$1,178.47
	\$4,465.94

***Annual Property Tax Mil Rate Calculation***

Municipal Budget  
+ Education (RSU # 18)  
+ County  
**= Total Expenditures**

State Revenue Sharing  
+Local Road Assistance  
+All State/Federal Funding  
+Vehicle & Boat Excise Tax  
+ License & Permit Fees  
+ Town Fees  
+Other Misc Income  
**= Total Non-Property Tax Revenues**

Total Expenditures  
-Total Non-Property Revenues  
**=Net to be Raised by Property Taxes**

Net to be Raised by Property Taxes  
+Overlay (Max 5% of Net)  
**=Commitment**

Commitment  
÷ Total Municipal Assessments  
**= Mil Rate**

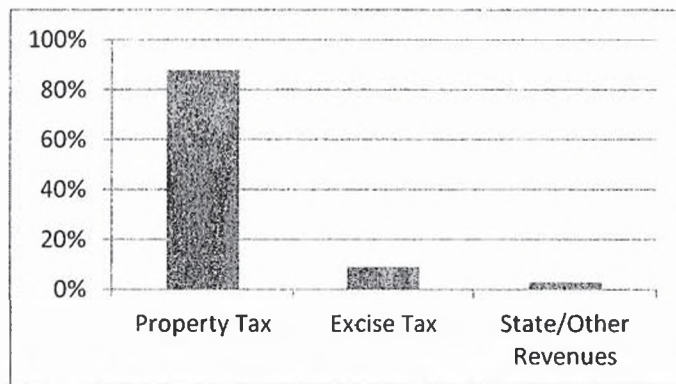
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***2015 Property Tax Calculations***

|                                   |                                       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2015 Municipal Property Valuation | = \$556,400,900                       |
| Total Revenues Required           | = \$88,757,801                        |
| Total Non-Property Tax Revenues   | = \$1,120,269                         |
| Net Raised through Taxation       | = \$7,637,532                         |
| With Overlay (\$30,530)           | = \$7,668,062                         |
| Commitment ÷Valuation             | = 01365 Mil Rate                      |
|                                   | (\$13.65 per \$1,000.00 of valuation) |

Where the money comes from in 2015

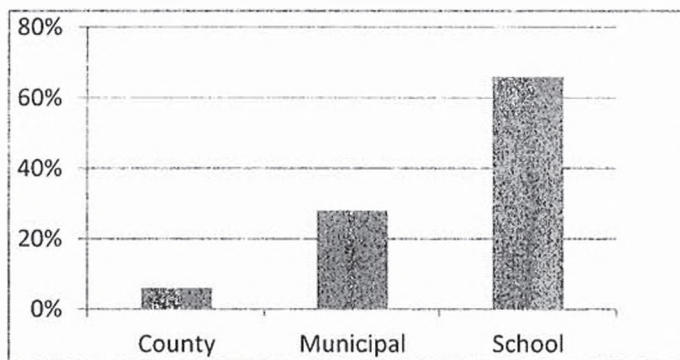
Property Tax  
Excise Tax  
State/Other Revenues



88%  
9%  
3%

Where it went in 2015  
Analysis of Total Budget by Percentage

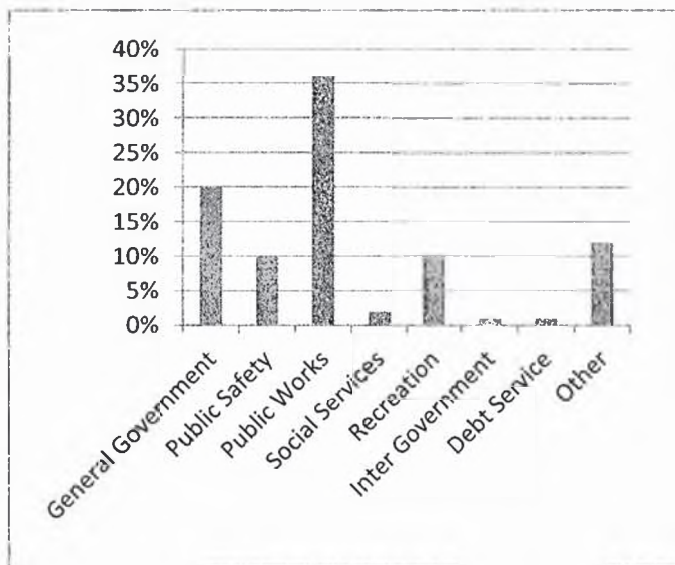
County  
Municipal  
School



6%  
28%  
66%

Analysis of Municipal Budget by Percentage

General Government  
Public Safety  
Public Works  
Social Services  
Recreation  
Inter Government  
Debt Service  
Other



20%  
10%  
36%  
2%  
10%  
1%  
1%  
12%

Treasurer's Report  
Proposed Municipal Budget 2016

Notes: 1) Fiscal year=calendar year. 2.) Amounts for County and School are projections only.

| Area of Expenditure               | 2016(P)          | 2015             | 2014             | 2013             |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>General Government:</b>        |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Board of Selectmen                | 16,455           | 16,455           | 16,455           | 16,455           |
| Board of Appeals                  | 2,811            | 2,811            | 2,810            | 3,310            |
| Administration                    | 275,285          | 279,703          | 294,859          | 285,859          |
| Town Manager                      | 84,879           | 85,059           | 82,465           | 79,990           |
| Assessing Review                  | 22,200           | 22,200           | 28,700           | 28,300           |
| Planning Board                    | 7,133            | 7,133            | 7,033            | 7,985            |
| Growth Management                 | 7,976            | 7,976            | 7,976            | 7,976            |
| Hearings & Elections              | 6,525            | 6,025            | 6,225            | 6,225            |
| Historian                         | 400              | 400              | 400              | 400              |
| Town Office Capital Reserve       | 49,483           | 50,000           | 50,000           | 50,000           |
| <b>General Government Totals:</b> | <b>473,147</b>   | <b>477,762</b>   | <b>496,923</b>   | <b>486,500</b>   |
| <b>Public Safety</b>              |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| EMA Director                      | 320              | 320              | 980              | 970              |
| Public Safety                     | 780              | 660              |                  |                  |
| Fire Department                   | 259,666          | 242,666          | 216,792          | 133,256          |
| Fire Dept. Capital Reserve        | 50,000           | 50,000           | 50,000           | 40,000           |
| Code Enforcement                  | 23,013           | 22,622           | 22,224           | 21,668           |
| Street Lighting                   | 9,000            | 9,000            | 7,500            | 8,000            |
| ACO                               | 11,513           | 11,086           | 11,086           | 11,086           |
| Health Officer                    | 450              | 450              | 450              | 450              |
| <b>Public Safety Totals:</b>      | <b>354,742</b>   | <b>336,804</b>   | <b>309,032</b>   | <b>215,430</b>   |
| <b>Public Works</b>               |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Roads, General Maintenance        | 115,000          | 115,000          | 115,000          | 107,597          |
| Roads, Paving                     | 464,363          | 407,315          | 390,110          | 286,300          |
| Roads, Plowing & Sanding          | 354,600          | 314,111          | 312,060          | 314,560          |
| Solid Waste Management*           | 251,297          | 235,739          | 214,620          | 236,923          |
| Cemetery                          | 67,216           | 63,276           | 35,601           | 60,967           |
| Water Line Capital Reserve        | 2,500            | 2,500            | 1,250            | 1,250            |
| Landfill Closure                  | 5,600            | 5,600            | 42,500           | 8,646            |
| Facilities Maintenance Support    | 65,323           | 63,476           | 67,128           | 59,903           |
| <b>Public works Totals:</b>       | <b>1,325,899</b> | <b>1,207,017</b> | <b>1,178,269</b> | <b>1,076,146</b> |
| * Includes Recycling              |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <b>Social Services</b>            |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| General Assistance                | 6,450            | 6,450            | 4,450            | 10,100           |
| Memorial Day                      | 300              | 200              | 200              | 200              |
| Special Requests                  | 48,541           | 57,341           | 56,341           | 10,541           |
| Town Fuel Fund                    | 1,000            | 1,000            | 0                | 1,000            |
| <b>Social Services Totals:</b>    | <b>56,291</b>    | <b>64,991</b>    | <b>60,991</b>    | <b>21,841</b>    |

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**Recreation**

|                                 |                |                |                |                |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Recreation Facilities           | 6,375          | 8,375          | 8,825          | 8,825          |
| The Center for All Seasons      | 34,750         | 35,685         | 38,285         | 50,159         |
| North Belgrade Community Center | 10,800         | 7,350          | 7,350          | 8,327          |
| Library                         | 52,046         | 55,130         | 48,927         | 50,159         |
| Library Capital Reserve         | 2,000          | 2,000          | 2,000          | 2,000          |
| Recreation Programs             | 138,479        | 133,836        | 136,950        | 137,437        |
| <b>Recreation Totals:</b>       | <b>244,450</b> | <b>242,376</b> | <b>242,337</b> | <b>256,907</b> |

**Inter-Government**

|                                 |               |               |               |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Dams                            | 10,000        | 10,000        | 10,000        | 10,000        |
| <b>Inter-Government Totals:</b> | <b>10,000</b> | <b>10,000</b> | <b>10,000</b> | <b>10,000</b> |

**Debt Services**

|                              |               |               |               |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Bond Payments & Interest     | 49,483        | 50,334        | 50,334        | 50,334        |
| Tax Anticipation Note        | 18,200        | 20,000        | 20,000        | 20,000        |
| <b>Debt Services Totals:</b> | <b>67,683</b> | <b>70,334</b> | <b>70,334</b> | <b>70,334</b> |

**Unclassified**

|                                     |               |               |               |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Workers & Unemployment Compensation | 52,000        | 41,700        | 34,200        | 24,115        |
| <b>Unclassified Totals:</b>         | <b>52,000</b> | <b>41,700</b> | <b>34,200</b> | <b>24,115</b> |

**Trust Funds**

|                              |        |        |        |        |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| D.C. Stevens Enrichment      | 16,310 | 20,000 | 13,000 | 13,000 |
| Town of Belgrade Scholarship | 500    | 500    | 500    | 500    |
|                              | 16,810 | 20,500 | 13,500 | 13,500 |

|                                     |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Total Municipal Requirements</b> | <b>2,601,022</b> | <b>2,471,484</b> | <b>2,415,586</b> | <b>2,221,825</b> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|

**County & School District**

|                                             |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Kennebec County*                            | 633206.45        | 614,763.54       | 614,764          | 614,705          |
| RSU #18*                                    | 5926155          | 5,643,957        | 5,349,169        | 4,867,495        |
| <b>County &amp; School District Totals:</b> | <b>6,258,720</b> | <b>6,258,720</b> | <b>5,963,933</b> | <b>5,482,200</b> |

\* Estimate

|                           |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Total Requirements</b> | <b>8,859,742</b> | <b>8,741,104</b> | <b>8,379,519</b> | <b>7,704,025</b> |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|

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| Area Of Revenue                               | 2016(P)           | 2015              | 2014           | 2013           |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Taxes, Licenses, &amp; Permits</b>         |                   |                   |                |                |
| Vehicle Excise Tax                            | 675,000           | 655,000           | 620,000        | 600,000        |
| Boat Excise Tax                               | 0                 | 8,250             | 16,500         | 17,000         |
| Town Fees/Vital Statistics                    | 18,000            | 18,000            | 18,000         | 18,000         |
| Licenses and Permit Fees                      | 6,000             | 6,500             | 6,500          | 7,000          |
| Interest and Cost Fees                        | 30,000            | 35,000            | 35,000         | 30,000         |
| <b>Taxes, Licenses, &amp; Permits Totals:</b> | <b>729,000.00</b> | <b>722,750.00</b> | <b>696,000</b> | <b>672,000</b> |
| <b>State Funds</b>                            |                   |                   |                |                |
| Municipal Revenue Sharing                     | *89,840           | *88,800           | *91,404        | *91,404        |
| Local Road Assistance                         | 49,500            | 49,500            | 49,500         | 49,500         |
| Tree Growth Reimbursement                     | 12,000            | 12,000            | 12,000         | 12,000         |
| General Assistance Reimbursement              | 5,050             | 5,050             | 5,050          | 5,050          |
| Veterans Exemption Reimbursement              | 1,900             | 1,900             | 1,900          | 1,900          |
| Other State Grants and Funds                  | 500               | 500               | 500            | 500            |
| <b>State Funds Total:</b>                     | <b>158,790</b>    | <b>157,750</b>    | <b>68,950</b>  | <b>160,354</b> |
|                                               | *TBD              | *TBD              | *TBD           | *TBD           |
| <b>Other</b>                                  |                   |                   |                |                |
| Cable Fees                                    | 43,000            | 43,000            | 43,000         | 43,000         |
| Investments                                   | 3,000             | 3,000             | 3,000          | 3,500          |
| Recreational Program Fees                     | 75,000            | 70,000            | 72,500         | 77,000         |
| Waste & Recycle Revenues Fees                 | 20,000            | 25,000            | 25,000         | 15,000         |
| <b>Other Total:</b>                           | <b>141,000.00</b> | <b>141,000.00</b> | <b>143,500</b> | <b>138,500</b> |



## Reserves Trust Funds

## Town Office Reserve Account

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Balance 1/1                   | 179,435.94 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015   | 268.54     |
| Appropriation (March 21,2015) | 50,000.00  |
| Less: Due to General Fund     | 200,000.00 |
| Balance 12/31/2015            | 29,704.48  |

## Fire Department Capital Reserve

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Balance 1/1                    | 283,075.92 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015    | 423.67     |
| Appropriation (March 21, 2015) | 50,000.00  |
| Less: Due to General Fund      | 178,131.04 |
| Balance 12/31/2015             | 155,368.55 |

## Public Works Road Miantenance and Paving Reserve

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Balance 1/1                   | 72,814.61  |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015   | 108.97     |
| Appropriation (March 21,2015) | 59,784.00  |
| Balance 12/31/2015            | 132,707.58 |

## Sidewalk Improvement Capital Reserve

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 39,274.48 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 58.78     |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 39,333.26 |

## Solid Waste Capital Improvement Fund

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 74,276.80 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 111.17    |
| Less: Due to General Fund   | 36,234.00 |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 38,153.97 |

## Recreation Capital Reserve

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 67,807.46 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 101.45    |
| Due to Reserve              | 35,151.00 |
| Less: Due to General Fund   | 24,133.28 |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 78,926.63 |

## Library Capital Reserve

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 7,752.81 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 11.54    |
| Due to Reserve              | 6,871.00 |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 3,764.37 |

## Cemetery Water Line Reserve

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 9,867.76 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 19.38    |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 9,887.14 |

## Reserves Trust Funds

## Guy A. Yeaton Cemetery Trust Fund

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 3,602.56 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 7.28     |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 3,609.84 |

## Lacroix Cemetery Trust Fund

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 12,969.23 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 26.01     |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 12,995.24 |

## Robert A. Guptill Historical Trust

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 13,251.83 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 26.70     |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 13,278.53 |

## D.C. Stevens Scholarship Trust

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 2,017.82 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2012 | 8.52     |
| Balance 12/31/2012          | 2,026.34 |

## Board of Appeals Reserve Account

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 4,007.65 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 6.02     |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 4,013.67 |

## Planning Board Reserve Account

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 7,464.22 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 11.18    |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 7,475.40 |

## Code Enforcement Officer Reserve Account

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 21,170.69 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 31.16     |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 21,201.85 |

## Dams Reserve Account

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance 1/1                 | 28,084.31 |
| Add: Interest to 12/31/2015 | 46.82     |
| Due to Reserve              | 6,890.33  |
| Balance 12/31/2015          | 35,021.46 |

## Old Town Meeting House Reserve Account

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1         | 0.00     |
| Add: Due to Reserve | 1,000.00 |
| Balance 12/31/2015  | 1,000.00 |

## Plan 5 Capital Reserve

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Balance 1/1         | 0.00     |
| Add: Due to Reserve | 5,000.00 |
| Balance 12/31/2015  | 5,000.00 |

**CEMETERY PORTIFOLIO**

**Balance:01-01-15** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$422,144.31**

**ADD: Realized/Unrealized: Gains/Losses** \_\_\_\_\_ **(\$7,826.77)**

**Interest/Dividends:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$8,252.44**

**Total Deposits:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 425.67**

**LESS: Bank Fees** \_\_\_\_\_ **(\$2,961.55)**

**Balance: 12-31-15** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$419,608.43\***

- Doesn't include perpetual care revenues or deductions due from Town Meeting approved appropriation article(s).

**U-files-TM-Cemetery Town Meeting Portfolio report 2016**

**TOWN OF BELGRADE  
2016 TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

STATE OF MAINE  
Kennebec, S.S.

To Jeremy Damren, a Public Information Officer in the Town of Belgrade, in the said County and State:

Greetings:

In the name of the State, you are hereby required to notify and warn inhabitants of the Town of Belgrade, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, in said Town, Friday March 18th, 2016 at 7:45 a.m. to elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting, to elect Town Officers for the ensuing year(s) and to vote by secret ballot on Articles 2 to 11. Polls are to be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The inhabitants of the Town of Belgrade, qualified to vote in the Town affairs, are hereby also warned to assemble at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, on Saturday, March 19th, 2016, at 1:00 p.m., to act on Article 12 to the end of the Warrant. In the event of inclement weather, a date of Monday, March 21st, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., has been set, with the inhabitants of the Town of Belgrade to assemble and act on Article 12 to the end of the warrant, at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons.

(ARTICLE 1) To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

(ARTICLE 2) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, as directed by statute, on the Election of Town Officers for the ensuing year(s):

Two Selectpersons-three year term  
One Selectperson- two year term  
One Road Commissioner-one year term  
One R.S.U. #18 Member-three year term

(ARTICLE 3) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,750 to support the operational budget for The Center for All Seasons?

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2015 Budget: \$35,685      2016 Request: \$34,750

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 4) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$138,479 to support the recreational programs and events at the Center for All Seasons?

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2015 Budget: \$133,836      2016 Request: \$138,479

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 5) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 54,077 to support the Library budget?

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2015 Budget: \$55,130      2016 Request: \$54,077

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 1*

(ARTICLE 6) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town of Belgrade amend the “Belgrade Cemetery Ordinance” as proposed in the document entitled “March 2016 Amendments to the Town of Belgrade Cemetery Ordinance”?

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*

**\*\*\*SOCIAL SERVICE DONATIONS\*\***

(ARTICLE 7) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town of Belgrade authorize the Select Board to continue the agreement dated April 21, 2009 between the Town and the Belgrade-Rome Special Needs Assistance Food Pantry for the next three years, (2016 – 2019), with any associated costs to be considered as a donation by the Town to the Food Pantry?

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 8) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to support the Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area?

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2015 Budget: \$1,500      2016 Request: \$1,500

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 9) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,041 to support Central Maine Area on Aging; AKA-Spectrum Generations?

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2015 Budget: \$2,041                      2016 Request: \$2,041

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 4    Against: 1    Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*SPECIAL REQUESTS\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 10) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following question: Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$31,750, and appropriate \$8,250 of 2016 boat excise tax revenue, for a sum of \$40,000 for lake water quality programs, including erosion control and invasive plant (milfoil) prevention and removal, operated by the following non-profit organizations:

|                                                                                                      |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Belgrade Lakes Association- Great Pond milfoil removal                                               | \$16,250 |
| Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance-Courtesy Boat Inspection, Youth Conservation Corps           | \$ 8,500 |
| Friends of Messalonskeec- Belgrade Stream milfoil removal                                            | \$13,250 |
| McGrath Pond-Salmon Lake Association- Courtesy Boat Inspection, Youth Conservation Corps, Port-O-Let | \$2,000  |

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2015 Budget: \$47,800                      2016 Request: \$40,000

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 11) To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, on the following special request: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 to support the Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group's July 4th fireworks with a set rain date?

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2015 Budget: \$4,500                      2016 Request: \$4,500

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*GENERAL GOVERNMENT\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 12) To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectpersons to act on the following:

- Spend an amount not to exceed one-fourth of the approved budget for 2016 between January 1, 2017 and the date of the regular 2017 Town Meeting.
- Vote to accept any and all overdrafts and balances that have lapsed, and are not otherwise directed, to the Undesignated Fund.
- Vote to set Friday, September 9, 2016 as the date that the 2016 property taxes are due, and charge interest at the rate of 4% per annum on taxes paid after September 9, 2016, with interest to continue until the tax and tax lien are paid in full, and to see if the Town will set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on taxes paid and later abated at 2% per annum from the date of the tax payment to the date the abated amount is refunded to the taxpayer. (Note: 7% Maximum per State Treasurer)

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*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*

(ARTICLE 13) To see if the Town will appropriate revenues from the following sources in 2016 to reduce the 2016 Property Tax Commitment:

|                      | <u>2016 Proposed</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Vehicle Excise Tax   | \$675,000            |
| License/Permit Fees  | 6,000                |
| Town Fees            | 18,000               |
| Interest & Cost Fees | 30,000               |
| Cable Franchise Fees | 43,000               |
| Investment Income    | 3,000                |
| Recreation Revenues  | <u>75,000</u>        |
| Total                | \$850,000            |

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2015 Budget: \$809,000

2016 Request: \$850,000

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*

*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 14) To see if the Town will authorize the following accounts to be carried forward to the current year:

|                           |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| New Office Server:        | \$10,500       |
| Forestry Management Plan: | <u>\$2,500</u> |
|                           | \$13,000       |

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 15) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$435,724 to support the costs associated with municipal operations and administrative activities. Itemized requirements are as follows:

|                                                                           |               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| ▪ Selectpersons:                                                          | \$ 16,455     |
| (Including Emergency Funds \$7,500)                                       |               |
| ▪ Board of Appeals                                                        | \$ 2,811      |
| ▪ Administration:                                                         | \$ 287,345    |
| (Town Office Operations, Maintenance,<br>Admin Support, Wages & Benefits) |               |
| ▪ Town Manager: (Salary \$63,676)                                         | \$ 84,879     |
| ▪ Assessing/Review:                                                       | \$ 22,200     |
| ▪ Planning Board:                                                         | \$ 7,133      |
| ▪ Growth Management(KVCOG Dues)                                           | \$ 7,976      |
| ▪ Hearings/Elections:                                                     | \$ 6,525      |
| ▪ Town Historian                                                          | \$ <u>400</u> |
|                                                                           |               |
| Total Article:                                                            | \$435,724     |

2015 Budget: \$430,520                      2016 Request: \$435,724

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 16) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,704 from the Fire Department Capital Reserve account for the fourth year payment on two fire trucks and appropriate \$19,630 from the Public Works Road Maintenance and Paving Capital Reserve account for the fourth year payment on the Sand/Salt Shed, for a total sum \$50,334.

2015 Budget: \$50,334                      2016 Request: Appropriate \$50,334

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent:*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*



(ARTICLE 17) To see if the Town of Belgrade will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$49,483 for the first year payment on the new town office bond?

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2015 Budget: \$50,000                      2016 Request: \$49,483

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent:*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

**CONTINGENCY ARTICLES-CFAS & LIBRARY**

(ARTICLE 18) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,000 to support the cost of heat, lights, and upkeep of recreational facilities for the calendar year 2016. (Article 18 is required if Article 3 is defeated)

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2015 Budget: \$20,525                      2016 Request: \$26,000

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 19) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,000 to support the cost of salaries until March 31, 2016 and the maintenance costs for the Center for All Seasons for the calendar year 2016. (Article 19 is required if Article 3 and Article 4 are defeated)

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2015 Budget: \$25,660                      2016 Request: \$24,000

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 20) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,350 to support the cost of salaries until March 31, 2016 for the library. (Article 20 is required if Article 5 is defeated.)

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2015 Budget: \$11,450                      2016 Request: \$11,350

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

\*\*\*PUBLIC SAFETY\*\*\*

(ARTICLE 21) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$95,076 to support the following Divisions of the Public Safety Department:

- Emergency Management Director \$ 320
- Contracted Law Enforcement \$ 780
- Fire & Rescue Capital Reserve Account \$ 50,000
- Code Enforcement Officer \$ 23,013
- Municipal Streetlights \$ 9,000
- Animal Control Officer \$ 11,513
- Health Officer \$ 450

Total Article: \$ 95,076

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2015 Budget: \$94,138      2016 Request: \$95,076

*Selectpersons Recommend: For:    Against:    Absent:*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For:    Against:    Absent:*

(ARTICLE 22) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$224,227 to support the Fire & Rescue Department; with any unspent funds to be applied to the bond for the two fire trucks.

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2015 Budget: \$207,227      2016 Request: \$224,227

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 23) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,517 to support the Public Safety Answering Point (call answering \$6,600, dispatch services \$7,974 and rural dispatch, \$17,943; fees are for Fire, Police and Rescue Calls).

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2015 Budget: \$35,439      2016 Request: \$32,517

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*PUBLIC WORKS\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 24) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$469,600 for general maintenance, plowing, sanding and salt for Town roads as follows, with any unexpended balance to lapse back into the Public Works Road Maintenance and Paving Capital Reserve Account:

|                                 |                  |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| • General Maintenance:          | \$115,000        |
| • Maintenance of Salt/Sand Shed | \$ 950           |
| • Plow & Sand:                  | \$232,420        |
| • Sand & Salt:                  | <u>\$121,230</u> |
| <br>Total Article:              | <br>\$469,600    |

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2015 Budget: \$428,611      2016 Request: Raise: \$469,600

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 25) Shall the Town **(1) approve** a capital project consisting of road maintenance and paving as proposed by the Select Board and on terms the Board deems appropriate, which will allow the Town to take advantage of historically low prices and complete improvements in 2016 that had been anticipated to be completed over a three-year period: **(2) Appropriate** \$1,269,000 (including costs of financing) to fund the project, as follows: (a) expend \$60,000 from the Public Works Road Maintenance and Paving Capital Reserve Account (with the actual amount to be expend from the Reserve Account to be determined by the Select Board, if the Board deems that additional funds are needed in excess of the original appropriation to complete the project): (b) raise \$400,000 by taxation; and (c) obtain up to \$809,000 from the proceeds of a loan on terms deemed appropriate by the Town Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board: **(3) authorize** the Treasurer and Chair to issue general obligation securities of the Town ( including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$809,000 to partially fund the appropriation: **(4) delegate** to the Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board the authority and discretion to fix the dates, maturities, interest rates, denominations, calls for redemption (with or without premium), form, and other details of said securities, including authority to execute and deliver the securities on behalf of the Town.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**      Total Town Indebtedness:

|                                                    |            |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------|
| A. Outstanding balance of Bonds previously issued: | \$ 802,872 |
| B. Bonds authorized and unissued:                  | \$ 0       |
| C. Anticipated amount of bonds to be issued:       | \$ 810,000 |

Costs: At an estimated net interest rate of 2.0 % for a two year maturity, the estimated cost of this bond issue will be:

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Total principal       | \$785,000 |
| Interest & Legal Fees | \$ 24,000 |
| Total Debt Service    | \$809,000 |

Validity: The validity of the bonds and the voter's ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates, the ratification by the voters is nonetheless conclusive and the validity of the bonds is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Treasurer / Town of Belgrade

Below is a listing of roadways to be worked on if the above article is passed. All work estimates are based on present funding.

If the estimated funding is lower than the final bid amount then the Point Road will be the roadway not completely done; however, the above article does allow the Select Board to remove additional funding from the Capital Reserve Account if they deem necessary; in order to complete the entire project. If there is additional funding left after all the roadways listed below are completed then any leftover funds will be used on the Guptill Road.

**PROJECT LISTING:**

Mill Stream – Reclaim all existing pavement, leave in place, grade and compact, Cover with Mirafi-500 X geotextile fabric 22 feet wide and apply a 6 inch lift of 1½ inch gravel, compact to proper grade & slope for paving, est. at = \$ 65,200  
 Pave 2 ½ inch lift of modified “B” 20 ft wide est.  
 To be 2,950 feet long, est. 901 tons @ \$75/ton = \$ 67,575  
 Shoulders 3 feet wide gravel & compact est. at = \$ 12,225  
 Est. 2,950 ft. Est. TOTAL \$145,000

Wings Mills – Preparation Work / Labor & Equipment est. at = \$ 3,165  
 Paving: est. 30 tons of shim @ \$75/ton = \$ 2,250  
 Est. 350 ft. Est. TOTAL \$ 5,415

West Road – Preparation Work: Labor, equipment, materials  
 Culverts, & rented equipment est. at = \$ 63,328  
 Est. Paving: shim 950 tons @ \$75/ton = \$ 71,250  
 Est. Paving: “c” mix 2930 tons @ \$72/ton = \$210,988  
 Est. Paving: cross culverts & driveways = \$ 4,000  
 Shoulder: 3 feet wide gravel & compact est. at = \$ 19,800  
 Est. 15,840 ft. Est. TOTAL \$369,366

Dunn Road – Preparation Work / Labor & Equipment est. at = \$ 1,582  
 Est. Paving: Shim 40 tons @ \$75/ton = \$ 3,000  
 Est. 485 ft. Est. TOTAL = \$ 4,582

Knowles Road – Preparation Work: Labor, equipment, materials, & rented equipment est. at = \$106,187  
 Brush Cutting / Contracted Services est. at = \$ 10,000

Reclaim all existing pavement,  
 leave in place, grade and compact  
 est. at 11088 ln. ft. X 20 ft wide / 9

|                                       |   |            |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------|
| = 24,540 sq. yds. X \$1.15/sq. yd     | = | \$ 28,336  |
| Est. Paving: 2.5 in lift Modified "B" |   |            |
| Est. 3,327 tons X \$72/ton            | = | \$ 239,544 |
| Driveways, culverts, & Shoulders:     |   |            |
| 3 feet wide gravel & roll est. at     | = | \$ 13,860  |
| Est. 11,088 ft. Est. TOTAL            | = | \$397,927  |

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| Sahagian Road- Preparation Work: Labor, equipment, & material est. at | = | \$ 5,489  |
| Paving cross-culverts                                                 |   |           |
| Est. 30/tons X \$200/ton (hand work)                                  | = | \$ 6,000  |
| Grading pavement work est. at                                         | = | \$ 244    |
| Est. Paving: Shim 150/tons X \$75/ton                                 | = | \$ 11,250 |
| Est. Paving: 2323ln ft x 1inch lift "C" mix Est. 280/tons @ \$72/ton  | = | \$ 20,160 |
| Shoulders: 3 feet wide gravel & roll est. at Est. 2,323 Est. TOTAL    | = | \$ 2,904  |
|                                                                       | = | \$ 46,047 |

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|------------------------------------------------------------|---|------------|
| Point Road - Preparation Work: Labor, equipment, materials |   |            |
| Culverts, est. at                                          | = | \$ 47,011  |
| Brush Cutting / Contracted Services est. at                | = | \$ 4,913   |
| Est. Paving: shim 1435 tons @ \$75.00/ton                  | = | \$ 107,625 |
| Est. Paving "c" mix 1435 tons @ \$72/ton                   | = | \$ 103,320 |
| Shoulders: 3 feet wide gravel & roll est. at               | = | \$ 13,794  |
| Whole length of road Est. TOTAL                            | = | \$ 276,663 |

|                                                                                          |   |             |
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| EST. TOTAL MAINTENANCE & PAVING COSTS (3years)<br>(Approximately 9 miles of paving work) | = | \$1,245,000 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|-------------|

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|--------------------------------------------------|---|------------|
| Est. Bonding Interest & Legal Costs              | = | \$ 24,000  |
| Appropriate from Capital Reserve                 | = | \$ 60,000  |
| Raised & Appropriate 2016 Town Meeting           | = | \$ 400,000 |
| TOTAL BONDING (Two additional years 2017 & 2018) | = | \$ 785,000 |

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| 2015 Budget: \$407,315 | 2016-17- 18 TOTAL Requested: \$1,269,000 |
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*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

**Note: The following article is to be by-passed if the preceding article passed:**

(ARTICLE 26) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$60,000 from the Public Works Road Maintenance and Paving Capital Reserve Account and raise and appropriate \$464,363 for Road Maintenance and Paving projects, as listed below, for a Total Project Cost of \$524,363.00 with any unexpended balance to lapse back into the Public Works Road Maintenance and Paving Capital Reserve Account.

**PROJECT LISTING:**

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 geotextile fabric 22 feet wide and apply a  
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Est. Total Project = \$524,363  
 TOTAL APPROPRIATED = \$ 60,000  
 TOTAL TO BE RAISED = \$464,363

Note: The Select Board reserves the right to use additional Capital Reserve funds if needed to complete the above project.

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| 2015 Budget: \$407,315 | 2016 Requested: Raised | \$ 464,363       |
|                        | Appropriated           | <u>\$ 60,000</u> |
|                        | Total Article:         | \$ 524,363       |

Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0  
 Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1

(ARTICLE 27) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,323 to support Town Facility Maintenance.

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2015 Budget: \$63,476      2016 Request: \$65,323

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 28) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$47,000, from undesignated funds, for the purchase of a 1 ton pickup with “V” plow and stainless steel dump body.

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 3 Against: 2 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 2 Against: 1 Absent: 3*

(ARTICLE 29) To see if the Town will raise \$231,297 and appropriate \$20,000 from anticipated revenue from Solid Waste Operations for a total request of \$251,297 and place \$5,000 of unspent funds into/or draw any revenue short fall from the Solid Waste Capital Reserve Account.

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| 2015 Budget: \$235,739 | 2016 Request: Raise | \$231,297        |
|                        | Appropriate         | <u>\$ 20,000</u> |
|                        |                     | \$251,297        |

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 30) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,600 for Landfill Monitoring and grounds maintenance on the closed Dunn Road Landfill and the closed Chandler Road Landfill as required by D.E.P. Landfill Closure regulations.

- Dunn Rd. Landfill Monitoring: \$ 3,500
  - Dunn Rd. Landfill bush hogging: \$ 1,000
  - Chandler Rd. Landfill bush hogging & fertilizing \$ 1,100
- Total Article: \$ 5,600

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2015 Budget: \$5,600      2016 Request: \$5,600

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 31) To see if the Town will raise and/or appropriate the sum of \$67,216 to support costs of operation and maintenance of Belgrade Cemeteries for 2016. Itemized requirements are as follows:

|                                    |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| ▪ Personnel Wages & Benefits       | \$43,116 |
| ▪ Services & Contracts             | \$ 4,465 |
| ▪ Supplies & Materials             | \$11,750 |
| ▪ Capital Outlay, land & Equipment | \$ 7,000 |
| ▪ Licensing                        | \$ 635   |
| ▪ Advertising                      | \$ 250   |

Total Article: \$67,216

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| 2015 Budget: \$65,776 | 2016 Request: \$ 67,216 |
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*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 4 Against: 0 Absent: 2*

(Article 32) To see if the Town will raise the sum of \$1,250 and appropriate \$1,250 from the Cemetery Perpetual Care Interest for a total of \$2,500 to be placed into the Water Line Capital Reserve Account.

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| 2015 Budget: \$ 2,500 | 2016 Request: \$2,500 |
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*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 4 Against: 1 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 33) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed into a Plan 5 Capital Reserve Account for future surveying and construction of new cemetery lots.

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| 2015 Budget: \$0 | 2016 Request: \$5,000 |
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*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 3 Against: 0 Absent: 3*



**\*\*\*SOCIAL SERVICES\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 34) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,750 as compensation and support for the following Social Service Divisions:

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| • General Assistance: | \$6,450        |
| • Memorial Day:       | \$300          |
| • Emergency Fuel Fund | <u>\$1,000</u> |
| Total Article:        | \$7,750        |

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2015 Budget: \$7,650      2016 Request: \$7,750

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*\*RECREATION\*\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 35) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,175 for the operations of the following divisions of the Recreation Department:

|                                                           |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| • All Town facilities excluding<br>Center For All Seasons | \$ 6,375        |
| • North Belgrade Com. Center:                             | <u>\$10,800</u> |
| Total Article:                                            | \$17,175        |

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2015 Budget: \$15,725      2016 Request: \$17,175

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 36) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the Library Capital Reserve.

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2015 Budget: \$2,000      2016 Request: \$2,000

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 4 Against: 1 Absent: 1*

(ARTICLE 37) To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Parks & Recreation to conduct fundraising to support the capital and/or operating and programming costs for the Belgrade Recreation Department. Fundraising proceeds up to \$75,000 will be applied to the reduction of taxes, and revenues above this amount to be placed in the Recreation Capital Reserve.

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2015 Budget: \$70,000      2016 Request: \$75,000

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*INTER-GOVERNMENT\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 38) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,600 as Belgrade's share of 2016 operating/maintenance costs of the region's three dams - Belgrade Lakes, Wings Mills, and Salmon Lake. Total projected cost in 2015 equals \$10,000 (Rome's share = \$2,700 and Oakland's share = \$1,700).

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2015 Budget: \$5,600      2016 Request: \$5,600

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*DEBT SERVICE\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 39) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,200 to pay interest charges and costs associated with the Tax Anticipation Note in 2016.

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2015 Budget: \$9,866      2016 Request: \$18,200

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*UNCLASSIFIED\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 40) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$52,000 to pay Workers, Unemployment Compensation, & Health Reimbursement premiums for municipal employees.

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2015 Budget: \$41,700      2016 Request: \$52,000

*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 5    Against: 0    Absent: 1*

**\*\*\*TRUST ACTIVITIES\*\*\***

(ARTICLE 41) To see if the Town will authorize, designate or release the collective sum of \$16,950 as dictated by the following trusts and funds:

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|--------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Authorize use of DC Stevens Fund Interest: | \$ 16,310 |
| Total Article:                             | \$ 16,310 |

Note: DC Stevens Fund interest to benefit Belgrade Central School students.

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| 2015 Budget: \$14,800 | 2016 Request: \$16,310 |
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*Selectpersons Recommend: For: 5 Against: 0 Absent: 0*  
*Budget Committee Recommends: For: 3 Against: 0 Absent: 3*

(ARTICLE 42) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the amount of \$500 to support a scholarship from the Town to the highest ranking Belgrade senior graduating in 2016 and continuing his/her education

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| 2015 Budget: \$500 | 2016 Request: \$500 |
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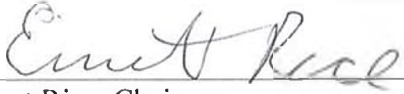
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**\*\*\*BUDGETARY AUTHORIZATION\*\*\***

Note: Bypass this article if Article #25 is passed

(ARTICLE 43) To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$1,323,613 established for Belgrade by state law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that of the property tax levy limit. (Estimated increase of \$64,897 on the property tax levy limit)

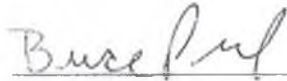
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Ernest Rice, Chairman



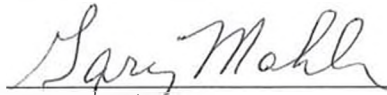
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