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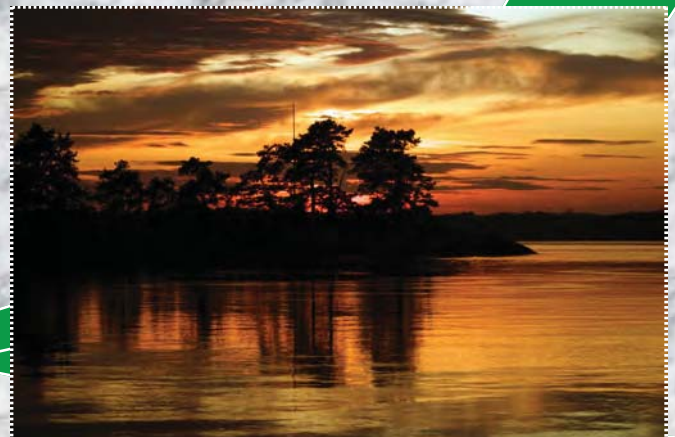
**Town of Bowdoinham  
Maine**

**Audited Year Ending  
June 30, 2013**



**Budget and Warrant Articles  
For Fiscal Year 2014-2015**

**Please Bring This  
Report to Town Meeting  
June 11, 2014 at 7:00pm**



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Police, Fire, Ambulance ( <b>Emergency Only</b> )	911
County Sheriff's Dept (Non Emergency)	443-8201
State Police	1-800-452-4664
Bowdoinham Town Office	666-5531
Bowdoinham Recycling Barn	666-3228
Bowdoinham Fire Station	666-3505
Bowdoinham Community School	666-5546
Mount Ararat High School	729-2950
Mount Ararat Middle School	729-2951
MSAD/RSU 75	729-9961
Bowdoinham Post Office	666-3465
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Memorial Day	Monday,	05/26/2014	Christmas Eve	Wednesday,	12/24/2014
Independence Day	Friday,	07/04/2014	Christmas Day	Thursday,	12/25/2014
Labor Day	Monday,	09/01/2014	New Year's Day	Thursday,	01/01/2015
Columbus Day	Monday,	10/13/2014	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday,	01/19/2015
Veterans Day	Tuesday,	11/11/2014	Presidents' Day	Monday,	02/16/2015
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday,	11/27/2014	Patriots Day	Monday,	04/20/2015
Thanksgiving	Friday,	11/28/2014	Memorial Day	Monday,	05/25/2015

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Tue. 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m., 2:00p.m.-5:00p.m.,  
 7:00p.m.-8:00p.m.  
 Wed. 2:00p.m.-6:00p.m.  
 Fri. 2:00p.m.-5:00p.m.  
 Sat. 10:00a.m.-3:00p.m.

- Incorporated September 18, 1762
- 17th Town in the State of Maine
- Settled In 1725
- Total Area of 22,176 Acres
- Estimated Population– 2,806 (Maine Municipal Association)
- Town Meeting - Select Board - Town Manager - Form of Government

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The 2013-2014 Annual Report  
Dedication  
In Loving Memory of  
**Dorothy P. Baker**  
10/2/1931 – 01/09/2014

The Town of Bowdoinham dedicates this year's town report to Dotty Baker, who died in January at 82 after many years of service to the town. A longtime resident, Dotty and her husband Stan Baker, who died in 2000, had lived on the River Road since the 1950's where Dotty remained until her passing.

Dotty was an active member of the community, participating in many ways. She served on a committee formed to save the historic Coombs School building that now houses the town office and public library. She managed the Coombs School thrift store, volunteering her time to raise money to pay for the restoration and maintenance of the building.

In 1972, Dotty was elected as a member of the Board of Selectman where she served a 3 year term. She then served 10 years on the finance committee and for 18 years worked at town elections. She was a hard and dedicated worker who valued her independence. If she was physically capable of performing a task on her own, she did.

Until illness prevented her, Dotty spent the last 25 years working in the town office as the assessing clerk, where she was always considered a valuable assistant. She loved her job. Even during her illness, she talked about recovering so that she could return to work. She did return for a brief time, which made her extremely happy. She would often say work is the best medicine.

Dotty was a wonderful knitter and loved attending craft fairs to sell her beautiful creations. Regardless of what Select Board Meeting you attended, you would always find Dotty sitting in the back row knitting away. She made mittens and hats for the giving tree to ensure they got to children who needed them. One of the last knitting projects she completed was a pair of mittens, scarf and hat that she donated to the heating assistance fundraiser as an auction item.

Her love of Spider Solitaire and Snickers candy bars came second only to her love for her cat, Babe, who she always spoke fondly of. She and her husband had loved attending bluegrass festivals during the summer at Thomas Point Beach in Brunswick.

Those who knew Dotty know she gave the best hugs. With heavy hearts, we say goodbye to a longtime community member, fellow employee, volunteer and friend.

*Pamela Ross and Kathy Tome, on behalf of the  
Residents and Staff of the Town of Bowdoinham*

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM**

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Brian Hobart, Chair  
M. Theresa Turgeon, Vice-Chair  
Doug Tourtelotte  
Kathleen Gallant  
Wendy Cunningham

**Recycling Barn**

Solid Waste Manager  
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**Town Planner**

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Augusta, Maine 04333



**Municipal Committees****Board of Selectpersons**

Brian Hobart	2015	Chair
Douglas Tourtelotte	2016	
Kathleen Gallant	2014	
Wendy Cunningham	2016	
M. Theresa Turgeon	2014	Vice Chair

**Biking, Walking, Paddling Committee**

Bradford Foley	2014
Linda Christie	2015
Lynn Sanford	2016

**Board of Appeals**

David Jones	2017	
Ed Friedman	2016	
Kathleen Montejo	2017	Vice Chair/Secretary
Mark Favreau	2016	Chair
Robert Cree	2017	Alternate
Sylvia Hultman	2017	
William J. Bryan	2017	

**Finance Advisory Committee**

David Engler	2015	
Eugene McKenna	2018	
George Christopher	2018	
Jeff Lauder	2016	
John Beaudoin	2016	Alternate
Tom Walling	2015	

**MSAD #75 School Board of Directors**

Julie Booty	2016
Susan Brown	2015

**Planning Board**

Brent Zachau	2016	Chair
Justin Schlawn	2014	Alternate
Daniel Stockford	2014	
Tracy Krueger	2014	Alternate
Nathan Drummond	2018	
Paul Baines	2016	
Paul Beltramini	2017	Vice Chair
William Shippen	2014	

**Bowdoinham Energy Committee**

Brant Miller	2015
Chester Rice	2015
Margaret Patterson	2015
Thomas Deforeest	2015
John Capron	2015

**Community Development Advisory Committee**

Wendy Rose	2015	Chair
Brian Smith	2016	
Leleah Parker	2016	
Will Zell	2014	
Steven Bunn	2014	

**Comprehensive Planning Committee**

Albert Stehle	2014
Bradford Foley	2014
Brant Miller	2014
Brian Smith	2014
Cynthia Lamoreau	2014
David Whittlesey	2014
Felicity Beede	2014
Heather Cox	2014
Joanne Joy	2014
Paul Beltramini	2014
Pete Galle	2014
Richard Morin	2014
Sally Martinez	2014
Thomas DeForest	2014

**Solid Waste Committee**

Ann Harwood	2015
Elaine Diaz	2015
George Christopher	2014
Gordon Hayes	2015

**Advisory Committee on Aging in Bowdoinham**

Peggy Muir	2014	
Theresa Turgeon	2016	
George Christopher	2015	
Gracia Woodward	2015	
Martha Cushing	2014	
Linda Jariz	2016	
Ann Davis	2015	Alternate
Jeanine Beaudoin	2016	
Kathryn Pszczolkowski	2015	

**Trustees of the Water District**

Brant Miller	2018
David Reinheimer	2018
Donald Lamoreau	2018
Gordon Johnson	2014
Stephen Cox	2018

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## **Select Board Report**

**Brian Hobart, Chair**

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The secret is out. Bowdoinham is one of the six best Maine towns to live in according to *DownEast Magazine*. On top of that, they called us “crafty” in a good way. Our success comes from a caring, community oriented group of talented people that work hard to keep Bowdoinham at the top. Community spirit continues to thrive as more and more activities take place; many of which help those in need. Volunteerism continues to be the engine pushing our town forward and without it our successes would be few.

This past year, Mother Nature has presented difficult challenges. A wet summer left the hay farmers pulling their hair out, no fish made the smelt fishing tough, and a brutal winter exhausted the plow drivers while raising havoc with the winter budget. Fortunately, Bowdoinhamers have grit and we made it through as we always do. Budget problems in Augusta threatened to trickle down to towns and cities but fortunately the Legislature kept our best interests in mind and we held on to our revenue sharing, or at least did not suffer large reductions like last year.

This always helps when there never seems like enough funds to go around.

As in the past I try not to steal anybody’s thunder therefore leaving it up to the departments and boards to report their own successes and accomplishments. This past year, because of so many talented, smart, and hardworking people the job of Select Board chair has been the easiest that I can remember. Staff and volunteers alike have shown extraordinary teamwork and cooperation to get it done. A big THANK YOU to everyone. *Down East Magazine* hit the nail on the head when they put us on their list of the six best Maine towns in which to live.

Brian Hobart

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## **Town Manager’s Report**

**William Post, Town Manager**

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To the Select Board and Citizens of Bowdoinham:

### **Introduction**

In July, I will be marking my third year with the Town of Bowdoinham. I thank the Select Board members, volunteers, Town employees and all the citizens I have had a chance to meet for your support through my first three years.

It has been another busy year for your town employees and officials and I am proud to say that we are moving forward with projects that will make Bowdoinham a better place to live, work and play. This past year the Public Works Department focused on improving gravel roads including Carding Machine Road, Dingley Road, Walentine Road, Hornbeck Cross Road, Pratt Road, Blanchard Cross Road, and Brown’s Point Road. In addition, the Town purchased a new 2013 backhoe/loader to replace the 1997 model at the Public Works Department. This summer, the Public Works Department will continue working on gravel roads while we continue to upgrade the town’s road system.

The Community and Economic Development Department has also been busy by drafting a new Tax Increment Financing district proposal for the CMP Project that, if approved at town meeting, will provide additional funds for more projects. The Town is also moving forward with plans to construct a restroom facility at Maily Waterfront Park that will include a boat pump-out station and a community-wide sign master plan.

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## **Town Manager's Report**

**William Post, Town Manager**

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If you are interested in watching board and committee meetings, you may now do so by logging on to the Town's website and clicking on "View Meetings". This will take you to townhallstreams.com and you may watch meetings live, or previous meetings that were recorded.

### **Annual Town Meeting**

The 2014 Annual Town Meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bowdoinham Community School.

### **Budget Process**

The spending levels outlined in the proposed budget attempt to provide the programs and services that the residents of Bowdoinham have experienced over the past several years. It is our goal to provide the citizens of this community with the best level of service possible within the financial resources available. The budget development process begins with the receipt of budget requests from Department Heads, followed by the Town Manager's review. The budget is then submitted to the Finance Advisory Committee, Select Board and then submitted to the voters at the annual town meeting for final adoption.

### **Budget Highlights**

The Fiscal Year 2015 municipal budget as proposed is significantly the same as the current year (fiscal year 2014). The proposed expenditures for the municipal budget are 1.18% more than FY14, or \$18,188 (including \$10,000 for BCDI and MAC discussed below). Non-property tax revenues are expected to increase by \$22,542, or 3.34%. However, a reduction in revenue sharing and a decrease in the amount used from the undesignated fund balance will increase the amount to be raised from taxes for the municipal budget, but only slightly.

### **Wages & Benefits**

This budget provides a Acost of living adjustment@ (COLA) for employees at 1.5%. Health insurance costs have increased overall, by \$124.03, on average, per month for each eligible employee.

### **Undesignated Fund Balance**

The Undesignated Fund Balance as of June 30, 2013 was \$930,034, a decrease of \$138,014 over the previous year due in large part to the use of undesignated fund balance for the Town's share of the Sidewalk Project, which amounted to \$127,702. The Finance Advisory Committee and Select Board are recommending a reduction in the use of undesignated fund balance to \$75,000, from \$100,000 in FY14.

### **School Assessment & County Tax**

The school assessment as approved by the RSU School Board on April 10<sup>th</sup> shows an increase of \$189,804 for Bowdoinham, or 7.7% which will result in a significant tax rate increase. The County Tax is proposed to increase by \$12,233, or 2.8%.

### **Administration**

The Administration budget, while only showing a small increase of \$4,489, or 1.2%, contains two changes in staff. The assessing clerk retired and the budget proposes to eliminate that position and add a new part-time staff position (tentatively called "Older Adult Services Coordinator) that will work with the Advisory Committee on Aging. This position is budgeted for ten hours per week.

## **Town Manager's Report**

**William Post, Town Manager  
(continued)**

### Public Works Department

The proposed budget includes \$10,000 towards the replacement of the 1997 light-duty pick-up truck in the Public Works Department. If approved, this will be added to \$15,000 from the current year's budget to purchase a used truck. The budget also includes \$4,500 more to replace the winter sand that was used this past winter.

### Outside Organization Requests

New to the budget this year are requests from two outside organizations: the Bowdoinham Community Development Initiative (BCDI) and the Merrymeeting Arts Center. Both organizations have requested \$5,000 in funding from the Town. These requests will be voted on in individual articles at Town Meeting.

### Revenue Sharing

Thanks to the State Legislature, revenue sharing will "only" see a reduction of \$10,940 in FY15, instead of a much more drastic cut that was approved as part of the state's biennial budget last year. The legislature approved a bill that restored the future reduction.

If you have any questions, or ideas that you would like to discuss, please feel free to contact me at the Town Office or by email at [wpost@bowdoinham.com](mailto:wpost@bowdoinham.com). In closing, I would like to thank the municipal employees who work very hard to satisfy your need for municipal services. I would also like to thank the Select Board and the various other volunteer boards and committees for your unselfish dedication to make your community a better place to live, work and play.

Respectfully submitted,

*William S. Post*

William S. Post  
Town Manager







## TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

57 Post Road Bowdoinham, Maine  
Telephone (207) 666-5961 / Fax (207) 666-5961

Fire Chief Arthur Frizzle

Deputy Chief Bob Frizzle

Deputy Chief Dave Lewis

**A**pril 2014 marks my first full year as chief of the Bowdoinham Fire Department. I would like to thank the Town Manager and Select Board for giving me this opportunity. I would also like to thank the men and women of the Fire Department. Their hard work and dedication has made the transition seamless.

We have gone through some big changes in the last year. Chief Jack Tourtelotte retired after serving for fifty-seven years, fourteen of those as Chief. Deputy Chief Rodney Douglass also hung up his helmet after serving for over forty years. Their service is greatly appreciated and we wish them well.

The department currently has 27 active members that responded to 193 calls for service in 2013. This is a 24% increase in calls over the previous year. Mondays seemed to be our busiest day of the week and the bulk of our calls for service (141) occur between 6 A.M. and 6 P.M.



We can be found at the fire station every Monday evening with the exception of a few holidays. A lot of time is spent training and ensuring that our equipment is in working order. In 2013 we had over 2400 man hours doing training of some sort.

Burning permits are issued at the fire station every Saturday and Sunday between 07:30 and 08:30. Last year we issued 170 permits. There is also the option to purchase permits online through the State of Maine website [www.maineburnpermit.com](http://www.maineburnpermit.com) at any time.

	2013	
<b>Mutual Aid</b>	81	Being a volunteer firefighter is a tremendous commitment. Having to leave gatherings with family and friends or giving up personal time is not a sacrifice that every person is willing to make, but for those that are willing to commit the rewards are returned many times over. We are always looking for volunteers, if you are interested please stop by the station and see what we have to offer.
<b>Building Fires</b>	03	
<b>All other fire types</b>	11	
<b>EMS/Public Assist</b>	15	
<b>Smoke Detector</b>	04	
<b>Carbon Monoxide</b>	04	It is an honor to serve as the Fire Chief for the Town of Bowdoinham and I would like to thank all of the townspeople for the continued support. Please take the time to install a smoke and carbon monoxide detector and make sure to change the batteries regularly. A very small investment and a few simple steps can save your life.
<b>Vehicle Crash</b>	33	
<b>Power Lines</b>	23	Respectfully submitted, Arthur Frizzle Fire Chief, Town of Bowdoinham
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**Bowdoinham Emergency Medical Services**

Ann Davis, Director



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Select Board and Town Manager for letting me keep my position as EMS Chief despite all the medical issues I have had in 2013.

I have not been able to run calls but have been an administrative chief since March. With any luck within the next month I should be back on the road helping people in town when they are in a medical emergency. I also want to thank everyone for all the well wishes I have received. It means a lot to me.

Bowdoinham EMS responded to 106 calls last year. We still don't have very good coverage during the days during the week. Jeff Fischer is about to finish up his class and all his testing and

he has committed to doing some day calls for us. And as soon as I can run I will respond to day calls also. We also have 7 people going through the basic EMT class now that will finish in June so that will certainly help our roster out. Good luck to all of those students.

The online training program that we are taking part in to help us re-license when the time comes has been very helpful as we can do the classes at our leisure. There is a huge list of classes from us to pick from. We also participated with Northeast in some live trainings such as tourniquet training, protocol update, mega bleed and splinting. We also continue to train with the fire dept. We perform fire rehab on training burns. I would also like to take this chance to thank Chief Jack Tourtelotte for everything he did for EMS and welcome Chief Arthur Frizzle to his new position.

Please don't forget if you need EMS coverage at an event for your organization we are more than happy to be there for you.

Thanks so much again for all the support we get from the people of this town, And I would like to thank all the hard work from the responders as they give their time day or night.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ann Davis, Bowdoinham EMS Chief

## Roster:

Ann Davis Chief	Basic EMT
Colleen Wormwood	Paramedic
Linda Williams	Intermediate
Deb Frizzle	Basic EMT
Dawna Bowlin	Basic EMT
Teresa Graeff	Basic EMT



## Local Health Officer

Rebecca Miller, RN,MPH - Local Health Officer

All local health officers in Sagadahoc County meet bi-monthly to discuss on-going health related issues in our communities. We also provide brochures and material on various seasonal health topics of interest and resources in our community. Check it out next time you are in the town office. You can also go to

[http://sagcounty.com/ema\\_pages\\_75\\_area.html](http://sagcounty.com/ema_pages_75_area.html)

for downloadable resources and information about the local health officers. Here are some common health related interest and resources:

### Influenza

The 2013-2014 flu was back in full swing this season. Influenza (flu) can be serious and lead to hospitalization and sometimes even death. Please be sure to get your flu shot every fall. Flu shots are widely available through your own health care provider or local pharmacies. Bowdoinham will also hold a flu clinic usually in October. For more information or up-to-date reports on influenza in Maine, go to

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/influenza/maineflu/>



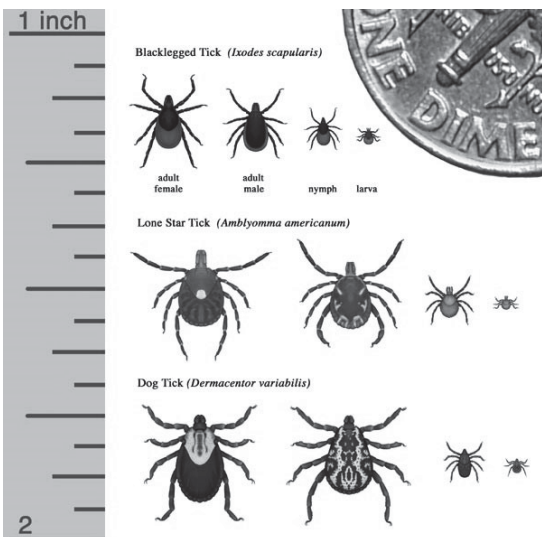
### Mold

Mold continues to be an ongoing problem for many homeowners and tenants. Mold generally is not considered toxic. However, it can cause damage to your home or items in your home. If an individual has an existing respiratory illness such as COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) or asthma, mold could worsen their symptoms. If your home has a mold problem, call 1-800-821-5821 or go to

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/disease/mold.shtml>

### Mosquitoes

Mosquitoes continue to be a problem because they may carry the eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile Virus (WNV). These diseases can be dangerous to animals and humans. Maine does not see a lot of cases of EEE and WNV, but precautions still should be taken to avoid them. By draining off standing pools of water, using insect repellent as directed, wearing long sleeves and long pants while out in the yard and woods helps prevent these diseases.



### Ticks

Precautions should also be taken to avoid tick bites. Lyme disease is transmitted by the deer tick. There have been many cases of Lyme disease reported in Maine and continue to rise. If you or a family member develops flu like symptoms or rashes that are not explained, see your doctor and discuss the possibility of these diseases. For more information, go to

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/vector-borne/index.shtml>

or

call 1-800-821-5821.

Another deer tick disease, Powassan, was recently seen in Maine. For more information, call to

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/vector-borne/powassan/index.shtml>.

**Local Health Officer****Rebecca Miller, RN,MPH - Local Health Officer**

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**Rabies**

Rabies continues to be a problem in Maine. If you see a wild animal (raccoon, fox, bat, etc.) that is acting sickly or attacks you or your animals, especially during the day, contact your health care provider (or veterinarian) or the Maine CDC right away. Do not try to capture the animal yourself. Call your local animal control officer or the police right away to report the animal. For more facts on rabies in Maine, go to <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/public-health-systems/health-and-environmental-testing/rabies/rabies.htm>.

If you would like to know more information about how to have your well water tested, go to <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/public-health-systems/health-and-environmental-testing/standard.htm>

**Public Health Nursing**

If you know someone who may be in need of some medical support, call Maine Public Health nursing, call 207-287-9025 or go to <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/local-public-health/phn>.

If you have any requests for special information or have a question that I can help with, please feel free to contact me at [rebeccamillermph@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccamillermph@gmail.com) or call the town office at 666-5531.

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**Public Works Department****Chadd Mayo, Foreman**

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For the winter of 2012-2013 the Public Works Department and our contractor responded to 29 different winter related events. Bowdoinham had 94.5 inches of snow last winter; 48 inches of that was just in the month of February with 26 inches of that coming from one storm - the big blizzard Nemo! I have worked for the Town for ten years now and that was the worst storm I have plowed in. I would like to thank the Public Works staff and the contractor for their hard work and dedication last winter and for their great work during the blizzard.

This past summer and fall our gravel roads got a lot of work done to them. We ditched the entire length of the gravel part on Carding Machine road hauling off about 600 yards of fill and added about 700 yards of 1 ½ inch crushed gravel. We also did ditch work on Dingley road and Wallentine road. We added gravel to Dingley Road, Wallentine Road, Hornbeck Cross Road, Blanchard Road, Pratt Road and Browns Point Road. This coming year we hope to do more work on the gravel roads to keep them in the best shape we can.

With the approval at town meeting the Public Works Department bought a new backhoe. The department bought a 2013 CAT 420F IT which replaced the 1997 Case 580L backhoe that the town bought new. The old backhoe served the town well for the past 16 years. The old backhoe was going to need a lot of work done to it in the summer of 2014. The new backhoe has a quick release front bucket that will allow us to put the sweeper on it in 5 minutes with one guy. With the old backhoe it would take two hours with two guys. The department also bought a used sweeper for the sidewalk machine. It will make the street and sidewalk sweeping easier and faster in the spring.

As I write this in January I look forward to the coming spring and hoping for another nice summer.

Respectfully Submitted by,  
Chadd Mayo, Public Works Foreman.



**Town Clerk Report**

Pam Ross, Clerk

I would like to thank all the election workers for the elections they worked on this year:

Leslie Barker, Kim Billings, Nora Bishop, Susan Hemond, Emily Newell, Stacy Pare, Joanne Savoie, and Linda Williams. With a new state wide tabulator being used for the first time in Bowdoinham for the November election it went really smooth and for that I would like to thank Peter Sullivan our Warden for each and every election. Again I am thanking Robert Lenna for continuing to be our Moderator for our Annual Town Meeting.

**Town Meetings**

Annual Town Meeting - June 11, 2013 **152 registered voters in attendance**

**Elections:****June 10, 2013**

Municipal/M.S.A.D. No. 75 Budget Referendum Election **196 votes cast**

**August 27, 2013**

Special Election State Senate District 19 **757 votes cast**

**November 5, 2013**

Municipal/State of Maine Referendum Election **556 votes cast**

**There were a total of 25 Marriages in 2013****MARRIED****NAMES****MARRIED****NAMES**

January 04, 2013	Matthew John Pelletier & Emily Sue Johnson	August 10, 2013	Jennifer Lynne Garneau & Derek Raymond Campbell
January 09, 2013	Laura Elizabeth Morgan & Eric Michael Ryan	August 10, 2013	Jennifer Erin Allen & James Wellington Bentley
February 06, 2013	Sarah Quinn Geis & Charles Andrew Wingard	August 13, 2013	Abigail Marie Smith & Christopher Jacob Goyette
February 14, 2013	Ronald Leonard Turcotte & Tyne Jeannine Whittaker	August 17, 2013	Matthew Seidler Rogers & Whitney Lee Leighton
April 20, 2013	Rebecca Lynn Hewett & Jeremy David Williamson	August 24, 2013	Dana Carrie Innis & Curtis Benjamin Cochrane
April 27, 2013	Regina Lee Paul & Christopher Wayne Colby	August 25, 2013	M Theresa Turgeon & Gracia Leah Woodward
April 27, 2013	Janet Elaine Begert & Alyson Barbara Cummings	September 14, 2013	Kayla Marie Beasley & Nicholas James McGee
June 11, 2013	Monica Rene Jimenez & Travis Roger Chapin	September 21, 2013	Allison Nicole Hackett & Matthew Charles Leavitt
June 29, 2013	Ivy Carmen Mussomeli & Kurt Merrow Luthy	September 28, 2013	Sathya Sai Prasad Gosselin & Andrea Marie Smith
July 05, 2013	Donald Francis McKinnon & Sarah Ann Richardson	October 12, 2013	Amy Margaret Merritt & John Lewis Wilson
July 10, 2013	Pamela Joy Buffington & Joanne Elaine Joy	October 31, 2013	Duane Cedric Heal & LeeAnn Marie Jenkins
August 07, 2013	Kristin Marie Sammon & Christopher Scott Cavendish	December 28, 2013	Sarah Bourget Crane & Joseph Paul Lamontagne
August 10, 2013	Jeffrey Ellinwood Lipton & Alison Bayne Hunsberger		

**Town Clerk Report**

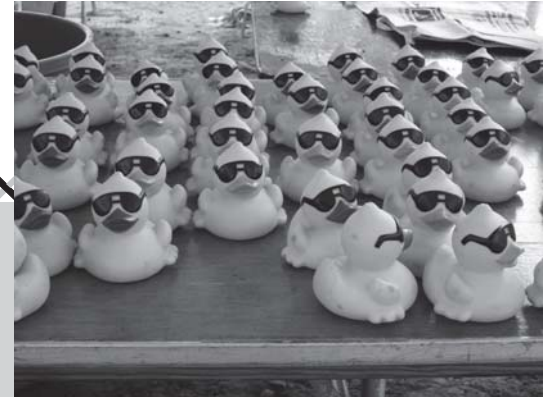
Pam Ross, Clerk

**There were a total of 23 Deaths in 2013  
IN MEMORY OF**

Stephen W. Allen	August 14, 2013	Jacqueline C. Leroux	September 27, 2013
James L. Brawn	May 1, 2013	Adrian E. MacDonald	June 26, 2013
Jeannette Maria Coffin	April 10, 2013	Marie E. Miller	July 14, 2013
Kathleen Cressey	April 22, 2013	Frank Carroll Neiman	August 14, 2013
Wayne S. Crooker	August 05, 2013	Eleanor L. Purington	April 20, 2013
Lucy Rose Crooker	May 19, 2013	Irvin Gilbert Temple	February 21, 2013
Hartley Maxwell Douglass	November 26, 2013	Susan A. Toth	January 21, 2013
Mary Ellen Dyer	July 21, 2013	Marianne Von Randow	February 18, 2013
Robert Roy Emmerson	November 08, 2013	Glenn Voparil	November 17, 2013
Raymond Dudley Hamlin	July 06, 2013	Steven Charles Walker	June 26, 2013
Hollis D. Hanscom	June 15, 2013	Amanda S. Ward	December 14, 2013
		Louise D. Woofenden	January 18, 2013



I would like  
to take this



opportunity to also thank all the residents who registered their dogs. Dog licensing has been an important part of combating the spread of rabies in the United States. The fee that you pay goes toward helping to fund the Town's animal control program and the Animal Welfare Program. The tags your dog wears also acts as an ID for your dog if they ever get lost they can be returned home. The Town had a total of 434 registered dogs and 3 kennels. There were 381 Spayed/Neutered and 53 Fully Equipped.



## Animal Control Officer

### Cliff Daigle, Animal Control Officer

#### Fees

\$6.00 per year for spayed/neutered dogs  
 \$11.00 per year for dogs not spayed/neutered  
 \$25.00 late fee after January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year

All dogs 6 months and older must have a license. In order to obtain a license for your dog, the owner must provide a current State of Maine Rabies Certificate. If your dog has been spayed or neutered please bring that certificate with you also.



#### Kennel inspection 2013

Kennel rules and regulations:

All dogs in town/state are to be licensed at six months of age. Rabies shots are required to for all dogs, cats and ferrets.



All dogs kept outside need proper shelter with shelters having 4 sides, water proof, and a roof. If chained, the chain must be at least 5 times the size of the dog.

#### Programs Initiated

The following programs were in operation during 2013:

- ◆ Rabies prevention program
- ◆ Interactive program with the Community Policing in area
- ◆ Emergency program for animals of Bowdoinham - Animal Response Team
- ◆ EMA program for animals in danger of storm and disaster
- ◆ Animal food program with area food bank and shelter for town people in need
- ◆ Training with the Sheriff's Dept and Local Fire Department on what to do with an animal they may encounter arriving first on scene

I believe that with education, together we can make a difference with the public in the Town of Bowdoinham.

Clifford Daigle,  
 Animal Control  
 Officer

Call Type	2013	2012	2011	2010
Calls received for service and information	736	671	610	560
Wildlife	73	62	62	42
Calls court summons	43	53	36	32
Dog bites/Cat bites in Town	16	19	12	4
Unlicensed dogs	405	352	310	283
Calls for cats	96	134	115	84

## The Community Development Advisory Committee

Wendy Rose, Chair

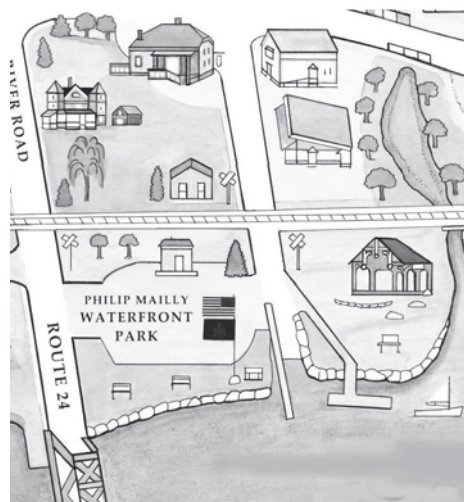
The role of the CDAC is to advise the Select Board about community development strategies and activities. Working closely with Town Director of Economic Development, Nicole Briand, the Committee gives consideration to such things as business and economic development projects, town wide festivals, and ideas that will promote Bowdoinham as a wonderful place to live and work. During 2013, we focused on some on-going projects, sponsored business workshops, and hosted several business gatherings. The on-going projects included:

The Merrymeeting Trail project. This is a multi-town endeavor to create a recreational trail that will eventually link Brunswick all the way up to Augusta. Hiking, biking, roller blading, and outdoor activities will encourage more people to explore our beautiful environment and bring folks to our village.

The Waterfront facilities project. Some progress was made on this project to have a pump out station and public restroom at the waterfront park. Completion is expected in 2015.

A new project that got underway is a town signage effort. We have chosen a contractor who will be helping us to develop a town plan for welcome signs and directional signs and will hopefully feature town businesses and organizations. We expect this project to be a big focus for 2014.

In an effort to promote and support business development, two free workshops were offered by Will Zell. They introduced entrepreneurs to website planning and Facebook/social media opportunities. A number of businesses attendees were able to immediately create their Facebook business pages.



The Committee has continued to host periodic business gatherings at different venues throughout town. In May, Fred Haer hosted a meeting in the Merrymeeting Art Center space and in September, Steve Bunn hosted a meeting at his home/business on Middle Street. These meetings are open to all entrepreneurs in town and offer a great opportunity to meet colleagues and learn about town efforts to support businesses.

Town festivals and events are an ideal ways to feature the community and its businesses. The Smelt Festival, summer barbeque, Celebrate Bowdoinham, and Holiday Festival attract out-of-town visitors and showcase the very special community we live in.

A major focus of our work this year has been an upcoming TIF (Tax Increment Financing) project that will bring new resources for economic development activities. The committee first met with Scott Benson of the Midcoast Council of Governments in August to learn about the TIF mechanisms and to outline some initial ideas for our town's TIF proposal. We got more input from town businesses at the gathering at Steve Bunn's in October. Scott took all these ideas and drafted an initial proposal that the Committee reviewed in January.

The Committee welcomes guests to its meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. and would love to have individuals volunteer to serve on the committee. Please let us know. Current members include Steve Bunn, Lee Parker, Wendy Rose, Brian Smith, and Will Zell.

Respectfully Submitted  
Wendy Rose, Chairperson



## Recreation Department Report

**Brandi Lohr, Director**

Bowdoinham is a community that is not as large as its surrounding communities, but let me tell you, size does not stop it from having people that care about one another, or volunteers that make a difference in any program that we offer. The Bowdoinham Recreation Department would like to take this time to thank all of the countless volunteers who make this department what it is. People like Steve Cox, Thomas Egan, Cameron Cox, Steve McKim, Brandon Dionne and so many more people have had their part in making the Bowdoinham Recreation Department what it is. Here is a summary of what the Recreation Department has been up to:

### New Programs:

- Yoga – taught by Dana Wieluns Leagwicz – took place in Coombs Building – for adults
- Adult Dodgeball – took place at Bowdoinham Community School
- Adult Volleyball – took place at Bowdoinham Community School
- Indoor Soccer Clinic – taught by Dean Zoulamis – took place at Bowdoinham Community School – for kids 5-13
- Funtown Splashtown Tickets and Aquaboggan Tickets were offered at a discounted rate
- Celebrate Bowdoinham Bike Ride
- Playground Crew



### Programs :

- Basketball for 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades – Fall/Winter
- Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Basketball – Winter
- Village Seniors meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at the Second Baptist Church for a luncheon and social time.
- Adult Basketball – Winter
- Baseball/Softball/T-Ball – Spring
- Kickball – Fall
- Family Swim at Bowdoin College – Fall/Winter/Spring
- Lost Valley Skiing and Snowboarding – Winter
- Free Children Museum Passes are offered

We were quite busy this year, trying to develop new programs and maintaining our existing ones. If you have a program that you would like to see here in Bowdoinham please let me know. You are probably familiar with the old saying “Where there’s a will there’s an A”, I changed it to say “Where there’s a will there’s a Bowdoinham Volunteer!” Not one single program can function without the help of those who step up to volunteer their time. I cannot thank you enough for making Bowdoinham what it is.

## Advisory Committee on Aging

George Christopher, Chairman

The mission of the Advisory Committee on Aging (ACOA) is to provide services and supports that enable older residents of Bowdoinham to live in their homes for as long as possible as well as provide programs geared to keeping older adults active and engaged.

Over the past year, the ACOA has been working very hard to bring programs, information and services to older residents of Bowdoinham. These include a one-day a week senior center, speakers on various topics, a twice weekly exercise program, a walking group, home safety assessment information, an 8 week course on preventing falls (A Matter of Balance), transportation in unique situations, Tai-Chi for balance, Bridge lessons, advocating for accommodations so that older adults can participate in other activities and a monthly resource and activities list.

These programs have involved over 700 volunteer hours; providing over 1092 hours of resident contact time.



Much more remains to be done including outreach to home-bound older residents, home safety assessments to prevent injuries and falls and much more work on transportation options.

For a full report on the activities of the past year, including principles that guide our work, more detailed accomplishments, lessons learned and where we are headed, please see the COA section in the town's website [www.bowdoinham.com](http://www.bowdoinham.com) and look under the Town Committee section: Advisory Committee on Aging.





## Department of Community & Economic Development

Nicole Briand

The Department of Community and Economic Development is funded through a TIF (Tax Increment Financing) that originated by town vote in June 2000. The funds are derived from tax dollars of the Northeast Pipeline properties located in Bowdoinham. The goal of the department is to support the existing businesses of Bowdoinham through promotion of their services, educational opportunities, community awareness and networking. The Department strives to develop and attract sustainable businesses to Bowdoinham that will reflect the high quality of life and strong sense of community that Bowdoinham is known for. Finally, the department develops, organizes, and coordinates community-enhancing events to bring together the citizens of Bowdoinham.

The **Bowdoinham Farmers' Market** had another successful year in 2013. We look forward to the 2014 season, starting on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The Bowdoinham Farmers' Market will be open on Saturdays from 8:30am to 12:30pm, so come on down to the Grange to enjoy great food and support our local farmers.

The **Summer Concert Series** continues to bring great music to Mailly Waterfront Park. For the 2013, the Summer Concert Series moved to Thursday nights and were extended to 6-8pm. We will be bringing back your favorite local bands again this year, starting June 26<sup>th</sup>. Concerts will continue through August 28<sup>th</sup> and will feature a wide range of rock, folk, country and acoustic music.



Our second annual **Open Farm Day** was held on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. I would like to extend a special Thank You to Apple Creek Farm, Stonecipher Farm, Left Field Farm, Gruff Acres Farm, Fishbowl Farm and Six River Farm for opening their farms to us and making this event possible. The planning for 2014 is underway; mark your calendars for Bowdoinham's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Open Farm Day on Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>.



Once again, **Celebrate Bowdoinham** was a wonderful community day filled with fun activities for the whole family to enjoy. As always, Celebrate included Bowdoinham's favorites: the Silent Auction, the KenDucky Derby, the lobster crate races, the coin scramble and the Library Book Sale. The music played while the vendors, local businesses and organizations shared their crafts with us, until the fireworks lit of the night's sky, thanks to our fireworks sponsors: StarFix Inc., Sitelines, Bilodeau Insurance Agency, Alder Stream & Fence Company, Five County Credit Union, Hobart Farm, Androscoggin Bank and Doug Tourtelotte Excavation. Celebrate Bowdoinham would not be possible without all of our volunteers! Thank you

to: Annie Davis & Pamela Ross for organizing the parade, Ann Tourtelotte for helping solicit items for the Silent Auction, Adelaida Gaviria & Carmen Serier for organizing Bowdoinham's Best, Susan Browne for organizing the Pie Contest, Merrymeeting Arts Center for running the "Kids Art Tent," Doug Tourtelotte for catching all our runaway ducks, Bowdoinham Fire Department for running the lobster crate races, Brent Zachau and Josephine Mussomeli for sponsoring and running the coin scramble, Wayne Dorr for being our commentator for the KenDucky Derby, Margot Frost for singing the National Anthem, The Town Landing Restaurant for creating and sponsoring the scavenger hunt, the Town Landing Restaurant for creating and sponsoring the scavenger hunt, the Mount Ararat Cheering squad for supervising all the kids activities, and all of the businesses who donated to the Silent Auction. Thank you to everyone who helped make Celebrate Bowdoinham a success!

## Department of Community & Economic Development

Nicole Briand

In 2013, the **Holiday Festival** was added to the Town's yearly events. The Bowdoinham Community School Parent Group started the Holiday Festival in 2012 for the Town's 250th Anniversary with funding from the 250th Anniversary Committee. In order to help support the Bowdoinham Community School Craft Fair, the Bowdoinham Guild of Artists' Annual Sale and the Town's Buy Bowdoinham Program, the Town has added the coordinating and marketing of this now annual event to its yearly events. Mark your calendars for the 3rd Annual Holiday Festival for December 5th and 6th.

**The Bowdoinham News** has been expanded from three issues per year to six: January, March, May, July, September and November. In order to accommodate for this increase without increasing the budget, we are now creating the newsletter in-house for the printer. I would like to thank all of the organizations, Town departments and Town committees for contributing articles to this newsletter. I would also like to extend a special thank you to Wendy Rose for writing our Business Spotlight segment of the newsletter. Wendy has done a wonderful job writing interesting articles that showcase our Bowdoinham businesses; thank you, Wendy! For more information on how to submit an article or advertise in The Bowdoinham News, please contact Nicole Briand.

The planning study for a **Restroom Facility and Pump-out Station at Maily Waterfront Park** has been completed. The Town hired Wright-Pierce to conduct the study thanks to \$10,000 Shore & Harbor Planning Grant we received from Maine Coastal Program of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. The Town of Bowdoinham was one of 11 applicants totaling, \$177,950 in requests, for the \$60,000 of available funding. This Study is now available on the Town's website, under the Department of Community & Economic Development page.

The Town has been working to create a **new TIF District**, along part of CMP's corridor where CMP is constructing a second set of towers (or poles), as part of CMP's Maine Power Reliability Project. The Town is NOT proposing to give any monies to CMP as a credit enhancement agreement. All tax funds from this proposed TIF district would be used by the municipality for economic development. The tax revenues from the TIF district can



be used for: Town economic development programs, Town events, marketing, creating a revolving loan fund, and skills development and training. To assist the Town in creating this TIF District the Town hired Midcoast Economic Development District. Scott Benson, their Senior Program Director has been working with TIF Districts for over 20 years. The proposed TIF District will be brought before voters at Town Meeting 2014. Why create a TIF District? Creating a TIF District provides funding that is dedicated to economic development. The increased assessed value within the TIF District is "sheltered" from the Town's overall valuation, which is how the Town's share of county taxes, state revenue sharing and school budget are determined. Creating a TIF District allows the Town to capture up to 100% of the tax revenue on the increased assessed value. Whereas, if a TIF District wasn't created the Town would lose about 70% of that tax revenue to higher county and school bills and lower state revenue sharing. This proposed TIF District is a great opportunity for the Town to complete some economic development projects.

The Town has hired Amy Files of Wilderbydesign to create a **Master Signage Plan** for the Town. Amy will be working closely with the Community Development Advisory Committee this spring to developing signage, such as welcome signage, informational signage, and wayfinding signage. The goal of improving the Town's signage is to improve visitor (internal and external) experience in Bowdoinham by helping them reach their desired destinations, to increase our community identity, and to support and enhance the community's sense of place. We are looking forward to completing the Master Signage Plan this summer and installing our first signs this fall.



**Department of Community & Economic Development**

Nicole Briand

I continue to work with the Community Development Advisory Committee on programs and projects to strengthen local businesses. The Committee continues to focus its efforts through developing the **Buy Local Buy Bowdoinham Campaign** and providing resources for businesses through the **Quarterly Business Meetings** and **Business Workshops**.

For more information about any of these events or projects, please contact me, Nicole Briand, Director of Planning & Development at 666-5531 or nbriand@bowdoinham.com or you can visit the Town's website (www.bowdoinham.com) or Facebook page.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nicole Briand  
Director of Planning & Development

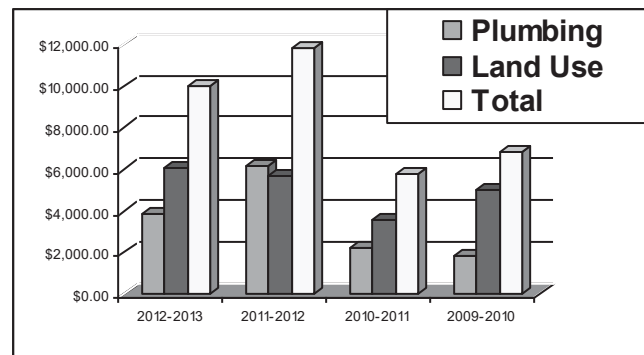
**Code Enforcement Officer/Local Plumbing Inspector**

Nicole Briand, CEO/LPI

Darren Carey, Deputy CEO/Deputy LPI

The numbers presented are from July 1st, 2012 to June 30th, 2013. As the data suggest it was another busy year. Over the course of the year the CEO was responsible for administrating and enforcing the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance. The Land Use Ordinance is a document containing rules and regulations adopted by the Town which controls, directs or delineates allowable uses of land and the standards for those uses.

Through a permitting and inspection process the CEO is able to determine and ensure that the development project is in compliance with all Local Ordinances and any State and Federal Regulations.



There are a number of specific state laws that are required to be enforced. Some of these include Shoreland Zoning, Uniform Plumbing Code, Subdivision Law, Junkyards/ Automobile Graveyards, Dangerous Buildings and Floodplain Development just to name a few.

Year	Plumbing	Building Land Use	Total Fees Collected	Plumbing Permits	Building Permits	Land Use Permits
2012-2013	\$3,877.50	\$6,071.70	\$9,949.20	37	65	5
2011-2012	\$6,165.00	\$5,629.42	\$11,794.42	53	83	3
2010-2011	\$2,196.75	\$3,567.72	\$5,764.47	36	41	6
2009-2010	\$1,800.00	\$4,985.20	\$6,785.20	33	51	8

If you are planning a new project and are not sure if you need a permit, please call me at the Town Office or e-mail me at dcarey@bowdoinham.com.

Darren Carey  
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer  
Deputy LPI

- Plumbing Permits Includes Internal and Subsurface Wastewater Permits
- Land Use Permits Includes Floodplain, Shoreland, Site Plan Review Tier 1
- Building Permits Includes Dwellings, Accessory Structure, Demolitions, Commercial Structures

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## **Comprehensive Planning Committee**

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The Town formed this Comprehensive Planning Committee (CPC) to in January 2011 to update the Town's Comprehensive Plan. The following individuals hare on the Committee:

- Albert Stehle – Albert has been a self-employed contractor since 1978 and has lived in Bowdoinham even longer. In his spare time, Albert enjoys cleaning and fixing up old cemeteries and has served as the coordinator for Cemetery Clean-up Day. Recently, Albert has purchased and begun rehabilitating the old Ridge Road Church.
- Brad Foley – Brad has worked for the Maine Department of Transportation for more than 25 years. He is currently the Highway Program Manager tasked with oversight of the design and construction of Maine's roadways. He is a graduate of the University of Vermont with a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering and is registered as a PE in the state of Maine. Brad has served the town as a member of the Town Hall renovation committee and as a member of the Biking, Walking, and Paddling Group. Brad and his wife Jen have lived in Bowdoinham for over 20 years and have enjoyed working on improvements to their house for all those years.
- Brant Miller – Brant is a farmer, engineer and member of the Water District and Town's Energy Committee.
- Brian Smith – Brian is a surveyor who owned his own business, Brian Smith Surveying for 38 years. Brian has served on several different Town committees and boards since 1975, but currently serves on the Town's Community Development Advisory Committee, whose purpose is to develop and assist in plans designed to support and enhance community and economic development in the Town of Bowdoinham. In his spare time, Brian enjoys fishing, woodworking, being outdoors and spoiling his granddaughter.
- Cynthia Lamoreau, Chair – Cyndie works at LL Bean in their Direct to Business Division. Cyndie currently serves on the Maine Archaeological Society, Board of Directors and in the past has served on the Androscoggin County Chamber of Commerce, Central Maine Health Care Associates and Southern Mid-Coast Maine Chamber of Commerce. Cyndie was raised in Bowdoinham and returned 20 years ago. In her spare time Cyndie enjoys gardening, archaeology, local history; music of many styles, going to Bluegrass Festivals, home food production and preserving and working on her small farm.
- David Whittlesey – David moved to Bowdoinham in the mid-70's and taught and coached hockey at Mt Ararat before working internationally for 25 years. Since returning to Bowdoinham in 2004 he has served as a Member and Chair on the Select Board, and helped to form the Bowdoinham Community Development Initiative, BCDI, a local non-profit of which he is currently the consulting manager.
- Felicity Beede – Felicity was born and raised in Brunswick but lived in Bowdoinham during her late teens and early twenties. After marrying, and starting a family that has since grown to two sons and two daughters, her husband Jon begged a return to Bowdoinham. Not only did he get his wish, Felicity and Jon recently moved into the house they built last summer and fall. Felicity has taught 7th grade in Brunswick for 17 years.
- Heather Cox – Originally from Central Maine, Heather first moved to Bowdoinham in 1997. Heather and her husband own Casco Bay Frames in Portland and are raising two girls and many pets. For a period of about ten years, they purchased, renovated and sold or rented real estate. Heather is on the library finance committee and volunteers at the school library.
- Joanne Joy, Vice Chair – Joanne is the Executive Director of Healthy Communities of the Capital Area, a Healthy Maine Partnership, located in Gardiner that serves communities in southern Kennebec County and Richmond. Her expertise is in policy and environmental changes to decrease tobacco use and exposure, prevent substance abuse, improve access to physical activity and to improve nutrition including access to local foods. She is an experienced facilitator and public health planner. The CPC is Joanne's first Bowdoinham committee participation. She also serves of the Chair of both the Richmond Area Health Center Board of Directors, and HealthReach Community Health Centers Board.

## Comprehensive Planning Committee

She is on the Executive Committees of the Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health that advises the Maine CDC, and the Maine Network of Healthy Communities. She is also a member of multiple public health associations in Maine. Joanne grew up in Bucksport on a farm with 8 siblings and is pleased to be a part of the resurgence of farming and local foods that is part of the fabric of this community. Joanne is married, has 3 adult children and 2 young grandsons.

- Paul Beltramini - Paul and his wife have made Bowdoinham their home for almost 30 years, and their two children were born and raised here. For the last 18 of those years Paul has worked at MaineGeneral Medical Center in Augusta as an acute care Physical Therapist. Paul completed his under-graduate degree in Human Ecology and had worked the previous 20 plus years as a primarily self-employed carpenter/builder with a particular interest in energy-efficient design and construction. In addition to the Comp. Plan Committee, Paul has been a member of the Bowdoinham Planning Board for 8 years now. When not working or at committee meetings, Paul's interests include music, photography, travel, and about any activity that gets him outdoors. In all his work and play Paul maintains his interest as a Human Ecologist in bettering his understanding of the relationships between humans and their natural and social environments.
- Pete Galle – Professionally after a stint as an officer in the Air Force Pete was a banker heavily involved in home construction and purchase financing. Since 1982, Pete has been self-employed as a Certified General Real Estate Appraiser working in both the residential and commercial/industrial markets. Pete is an affiliate member of the Appraisal Institute. Pete is also co-owner of Apple Creek Farm, founded in 1985. Pete is the coordinator for the Bowdoinham Farmers' Market and is a member of the Merrymeeting Grange. Pete has also served on the Planning Board for over ten years and has served on three Comprehensive Planning Committees.
- Richard Morin – Richard has lived in Bowdoinham since 1968 and has served on several Town Committees and Boards over the years including the Planning Board, Finance Advisory Committee and two previous Comprehensive Planning Committees. Richard served in the Air Force for four years before becoming a licensed engineer in 1974. Richard and his family (wife and son) operate a small beef farm on the River Road.
- Sally Hildreth – Sally is a Senior analyst for a software development company located in Baltimore. Sally has a small farm with horses, cows, dogs and cats. In addition to serving on this Comp Plan Committee, Sally serves on Town's Cable-Internet Committee.
- Tom Deforeest – Tom is a retired carpenter who has lived in Bowdoinham since 1973. Tom is a member of the Town's energy committee as well as the Bowdoinham Historical Society.

The Comprehensive Planning Committee set a regular meeting date of the first Tuesday of the Month with some exceptions and several extra meetings. All committee meetings have been open to the public. All meetings have been advertised on the Town's website and their regular meeting schedule has been periodically advertised in The Bowdoinham News.

The CPC held committee meetings on the following dates over the last 3 and a half years:

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|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| • January 11, 2011  | • November 1, 2011   | • October 2, 2012   | • October 1, 2013        |
| • February 1, 2011  | • December 6, , 2011 | • November 5, 2012  | • November 6, 2013       |
| • March 1, 2011     | • January 3, 2012    | • December 4, 2012  | • December 3, 2013       |
| • March 15, 2011    | • January 10, 2012   | • January 8, 2013   | • January 7, 2014        |
| • April 5, 2011     | • February 7, 2012   | • February 11, 2013 | • February 4, 2014       |
| • May 3, 2011       | • March 6, 2012      | • February 19, 2013 | • March 4, 2014          |
| • June 7, 2011      | • April 3, 2012      | • April 2, 2013     | • April 1, 2014          |
| • August 2, 2011    | • May 1, 2012        | • May 7, 2013       | • June 3, 2014 (planned) |
| • September 6, 2011 | • June 5, 2012       | • August 6, 2013    |                          |
| • October 4, 2011   | • September 4, 2012  | • September 3, 2013 |                          |

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## **Comprehensive Planning Committee**

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### **Committee Start-up - January-March 2011**

The Committee's first order of business was to create their Working Agreement (committee rules) and determine the process they would use for creating this comprehensive plan.

### **Visioning - April-August 2011**

The Committee began their comprehensive process by creating the Vision, of which the goals and strategies would be built on. To create the Vision Statement, the committee conducted the following:

#### ***Public Workshops***

The Committee held three public workshops to create the Vision Statement. To ensure a fair, efficient, and productive process, Craig Freshley of Good Group Decisions was hired to facilitate the meetings.

#### ***Public Outreach***

Committee members conducted outreach to the following groups:

250th Anniversary Committee - May 23, 2011  
Board of Appeals - May 23, 2011  
Community Development Advisory Committee - May 26, 2011  
Finance Advisory Committee - May 26, 2011  
Fire Department - May 23, 2011  
Planning Board - May 26, 2011  
Select Board - April 26, 2011  
Bowdoinham Community School Parent Group - April 26, 2011  
Boy Scouts - May 21, 2011  
Cathance River Education Alliance - June 21, 2011  
Friends of Merrymeeting Bay - April 27, 2011  
Merrymeeting Arts Center - April 18, 2011  
Village Seniors (luncheon) - May 26, 2011  
ACCESS Health - June 16, 2011



#### ***Visioning Survey***

Committee conducted a Vision Survey, which was created by Craig Freshley of Good Group Decisions for the Committee's use. Then a second survey was done to gather input on the draft Vision Statement.

### **Goals - August 2011 - February 2012**

Using the State's list of goals and the feedback the Committee gathered through the visioning process, the Committee created a draft list of goals. The Committee then used the feedback gathered from public outreach and a goals survey to create the goals for this Plan.

#### ***Goals Survey***

The Committee conducted a Goals Survey to gather input on the proposed Goals.

#### ***Public Outreach***

Committee members met with the following groups to discuss Goals for Bowdoinham:

- Community Development Advisory Committee - September 20, 2011
- Cable-Internet Cable - September 22, 2011
- Bowdoinham Public Library - October 20, 2011
- Planning Board - September 22, 2011



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- Select Board - October 11, 2011
- Bowdoinham Community School Parent Group - October 20, 2011
- Table at Celebrate Bowdoinham - September 10, 2011

### Policies & Strategies including Inventory & Analysis - January 2012 - January 2013



Using the State's list of policies and strategies and the feedback the Committee gathered through the public workshops and outreach, the Committee created the recommendations for this Plan.

#### ***Public Workshop***

Agriculture Workshop - February 28, 2012

A letter inviting farmers to this workshop, as well as a survey was mailed directly to all

Bowdoinham farmers and over fifty people came to this workshop.

#### ***Economy Workshop - March 20, 2012***

This was a joint workshop with Community Development Advisory Committee, to which all

Bowdoinham businesses were invited.

#### ***Policies & Strategies Workshops***

Once again, the Committee hired Craig Freshley of Good Group Decisions to facilitate these workshops. For these workshops, the vision statement, goals, inventory (including maps) and analysis were provided to participants. Large-scale (24x36in) inventory maps were placed with worksheets for participants to list their suggested strategies. Given the number of topic areas the workshops were split as follows:

#### ***Resource Workshop - April 18, 2012***

- Forest Resources, Natural Resources, Water Resources, Historical & Archeological Resources, and recreation

#### ***Infrastructure Workshop - April 25, 2012***

- Transportation, Housing, Public Facilities & Services, Fiscal Capacity & Capital Investment, and recreation

#### ***Public Outreach***

Committee members met with the following groups to discussed the strategies for Bowdoinham:

- Biking, Walking & Paddling Group - February 27, 2012
- Fire Department - April 26, 2012
- Merrymeeting Arts Center - March 5, 2012
- Community Development Advisory Committee - February 21, 2012
- Bowdoinham Public Library - March 29, 2012
- Planning Board - May 24, 2012
- Select Board - April 10, 2012
- 250th Anniversary Committee - May 2, 2012

In addition, the Committee requested that an agriculture work group be established to create the recommendations for the agriculture section. As a result, two work groups were formed and met on the following dates:

- older farmers, who were mostly animal farmers met on March 22 & 29, 2012
- younger farmers, who were mostly organic vegetable farmers met on March 21 & 28, 2012.

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### ***Agriculture Survey***

The Muskie School Graduate Class developed a survey for the Comprehensive Planning Committee to gather information from Bowdoinham farmers.

### ***Future Land Use - December 2012 - December 2013***

The Committee began the future land use section by creating the Future Land Use Map. The Future Land Use Map was created based on the feedback the Committee revised at the public workshops, the inventory maps, and the state's guidelines for growth, rural and transitional areas. Once the Future Land Use Map was complete the Committee developed a list of possible Future Land Use strategies, based on the state's list and June's Panel discussion. The committee gathered feedback on the list of possible strategies from the public workshops and two surveys, in order to create the recommendations in this plan.



### ***Public Workshops***

The Committee hired Craig Freshley of Good Group Decisions to facilitate all of these workshops.

### ***Mapping Workshops - March 20 & 21, 2013***

Participants were provided with the inventory mapping and information about the state's guidelines for growth, rural and transitional areas. Participants then created maps showing where they thought the growth, rural and transitional areas should be.

### ***Future Land Use Map Discussion - April 23, 2013***

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the proposed Future Land Use Map created by the Committee.

### ***Land Use Panel Discussion - June 4, 2013***

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss land use strategies that the Town could use to achieve its vision. MacGregor Stocco and Steve Walker joined the Committee for this open discussion. MacGregor holds a master's degree in urban and environmental planning from the University of Virginia. Mac worked for the Kennebec Valley Council of Governments for 2 years as a community planner, prior to joining the state. He has been a land use planner for the state for 4 years. He was originally hired in the Land Use Program at the State Planning Office, but since the government restructuring he works in the Municipal Planning Assistance Program at the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Steve Walker is a wildlife biologist who currently works as the mid-coast region (including Bowdoinham) project manager for Maine Coast Heritage Trust. Prior to his work at MCHT, Steve was coordinator of the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife's Beginning with Habitat program that assists municipalities and local land trusts with strategic conservation planning efforts. Steve also worked as the Natural Resources Planner for the Town of Brunswick from 2001 to 2006. Prior to that Steve worked as a land use consultant for several years. Steve has degree in Environmental Studies from Brown University and Wildlife Ecology from the University of Maine, Orono. Steve lives in Brunswick where he is a member of the local planning board and board member of the Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust.

### ***Strategy Workshop - September 10, 2013***

The purpose of this workshop was to discuss possible land use strategies to achieve the Vision for Bowdoinham.

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### Strategy Workshop - October 22, 2013

The purpose of this workshop was to discuss proposed land use strategies recommended by the Committee.

### Future Land Use Strategies Surveys

The Bowdoinham Comprehensive Planning Committee conducted two future land use surveys to gather public on possible future land use strategies.



### Finalize Comprehensive Plan - January-May 2014

Over the last six months the Committee have held four public hearings to discuss the proposed Plan with the public. Once again, meetings were facilitated by Craig Freshley. Meetings were scheduled on:

- February 11, 2014
- February 25, 2014
- March 25, 2014
- May 6, 2014

We hope we have created a Plan that Bowdoinham can be proud of and we look forward to presenting this Comprehensive Plan (update) at Town Meeting 2014.

## Planning Board

**Brent Zachau, Chair**

The following applications were submitted and approved by the Planning Board in 2013.

- Subdivision application for Libby Holdings Subdivision, a three-lot subdivision on Pond Road was approved on January 24, 2013.
- Site Plan Review, Tier 1 Application for Home by the Bay Consignment Shop on Main Street was approved on March 28, 2013.
- Setback Determination for an addition to a non-conforming structure at 532 Bay Road was approved per Article 3.C.1.b on June 27, 2013.
- Subdivision Amendment application for the Dimauro Subdivision, located at 233 and 241 Carding Machine Road to split one lot, was approved on June 27, 2013.
- Subdivision Application for Jennings Subdivision, a three-lot subdivision on the White Road was approved on September 12, 2013
- Setback Determination for an addition to a non-conforming structure at 371 Main Street was approved on September 12, 2013
- Site Plan Review Amendment application by Central Maine Power, concerning the one-year notification requirement, was approved on September 26, 2013.

In addition to reviewing these applications, the Planning Board has continued their annual review of the Land Use Ordinance.

Brent Zachau  
Planning Board

**Planning Department**

Nicole Briand

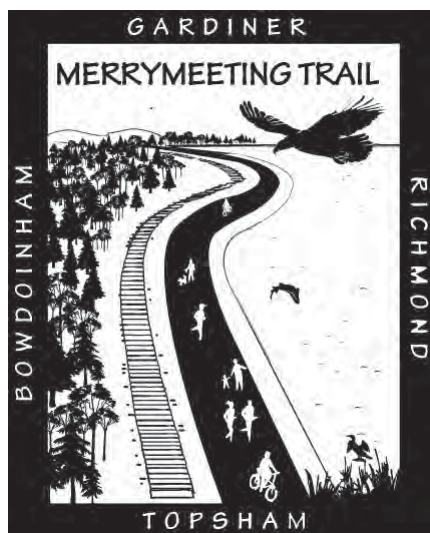
It has been another busy year with a lot of exciting things happening in Bowdoinham.

The Town's **Skatepark project** continues to move forward. We've had the skatepark designed, obtained the necessary permits and constructed the base of the park. Now we continue our fundraising efforts through our buy-a-brick program, business sponsorships and grant opportunities. Thank you to: the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee for their \$5,000 donation; our business sponsors: Doug Tourtelotte Excavation for over \$5,000 worth of site work, Ray Labbe & Sons for over \$2,000 in materials, and Country Fare, Inc. for \$500 in materials; and Seth Berry and all those whom sponsored him to take the plunge at the Polar Bear Dip.



The **Merrymeeting Trail Initiative** continues its efforts to create a regional trail from Topsham to Gardiner, which connects: the Androscoggin River Pedestrian Bike Path in Topsham, Bowdoinham village, Richmond village, and the Kennebec River Rail Trail in Gardiner. Over this last year, we continued to work on getting approval for the Interlocal Agreement for the management of the trail, as well as the signage for the interim on-road route (Route 24). For more information about the Merrymeeting Trail Initiative please visit us at [www.merrymeetingtrail.org](http://www.merrymeetingtrail.org) or Facebook.

In partnership with the City of Bath and Town of Topsham, the Town Bowdoinham applied for and received a grant to study the effect of **Sea-Level Rise** in Bowdoinham. JT Lockman, Catalysis Adaptation Partners, LLC, was hired by the Maine Coastal Program, to write a sea-level rise chapter for the Town's Comprehensive Plan. The funding was provided by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce. Peter Slovinsky, Marine Geologist for Maine Geological Survey, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry created the data and maps showing the potential effects of sea level rise in Bowdoinham.



I continue to work with the **Planning Board**. I assist the Board in reviewing applications and applicants with putting together their application packages. This year was a relatively quiet year for the Planning Board, which allowed the Board time for their annual review of the Land Use Ordinance.

The Comprehensive Plan update is almost complete with the Town's **Comprehensive Planning Committee**. After three years of work the Committee is finalizing the Comprehensive Plan for Town Meeting 2014.

For more information, please contact me, Nicole Briand, Director of Planning & Development at 666-5531 or [nbriand@bowdoinham.com](mailto:nbriand@bowdoinham.com) or you can visit the Town's website ([www.bowdoinham.com](http://www.bowdoinham.com)) or Facebook page.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Briand  
Director of Planning & Development



## Recycling & Solid Waste Department

David Berry, Solid Waste Manager



The past year has been generally uneventful at the Bowdoinham Recycling Barn. Prices for recyclable materials, with the exception of mixed paper, have remained in line with what we have been receiving for the past several years. Cardboard is selling at more than \$100 per ton, and newspapers and magazines are still bringing in \$50 per ton on average. Scrap metal remains our highliner material however, with prices hovering around \$200 per ton. Mixed paper prices have dropped significantly during the past year, primarily as a result of the world's biggest buyer of that material, China, taking steps to curb the flow of contaminated bales of mixed paper coming from the U.S. into their mills.

Much of the mixed paper coming out of the single-stream sorting facilities in this country has contained high levels of contaminants such as plastics and soiled paper. Early this past summer, the Chinese government began enforcing strict contaminant standards, severely reducing the amount of material the mills would accept. The result was a glut of mixed paper backed up in the U.S. and rock bottom prices for that commodity. Because Bowdoinham's mixed paper stream is "source-separated" by Town residents, it is generally much cleaner than the paper coming out of the single-stream facilities, and after having the opportunity to send some of our material to a local Maine mill for "testing", we hope to have found a buyer who will pay a little more for a better quality product. The lesson to be learned here is that Town residents need to continue to be careful to include only clean paper in their mixed paper stream.

Once again, I encourage Town residents who use a dumpster service to consider that with all recyclable material removed, a weeks worth of "trash" in a \$10-15 per week dumpster will probably fill a \$2.50 bag set out for Town curbside pickup. Many thanks to those who donate their returnable bottles to the Town's Heating Assistance Fund.

As we begin the 26<sup>th</sup> year of operations at the Recycling Barn, I must again thank the twin pillars of our continued success, the care and pride of our Town's residents, and the dedication and hard work of the Barn staff.

Respectfully submitted,

David Berry, Solid Waste Manager



## Harbor Master Annual Report

John McMullen, Harbor Master

In 2013, I continued to offer the free U.S. Coast Guard Safety Inspections at the town boat ramp. This is a courtesy examination of boats to verify the presence and condition of certain safety equipment required by State and Federal regulations. Please contact me if you would like to schedule one for your boat.

	2013	2012
Number of Moorings	21	26
Registered Boats	272	272

Aids to Navigation floats marking the channel across Merrymeeting Bay are normally in position from the latter part of May through mid to late September.

Once again during the 2013 boating season there was an increase in paddle craft on the river and bay. When paddling, always assume that powerboats do not see you. I

suggest you be more obvious by wearing bright, noticeable colors. Place reflective tape on the tips of your paddles and always have a white light ready for use during periods of poor visibility. Did you know that the State of Maine requires paddlers to have not only a life jacket on board but also a signaling device? A whistle attached to your life jacket is a good idea.

Unsafe boating observations on the water last summer included:

- A. Boaters not using navigation lights after sunset and prior to sunrise.
- B. Illegal dumping of trash in the Cathance River.
- C. Watercraft being operated at a speed greater than headway speed while in the **WATER SAFETY ZONE.**

The water safety zone is the water area within 200 feet of shoreline.  
(State Law)

Make safety your foremost concern whenever you are on the water. Sign-up for a U.S. Power Squadron or Coast Guard Auxiliary boating course.

### Reminders:

1. Always check the weather before going boating.
2. Always notify a friend or family member who could report your delay/non-return.
3. Always wear your life jacket (mandatory age 10 and under in Maine).

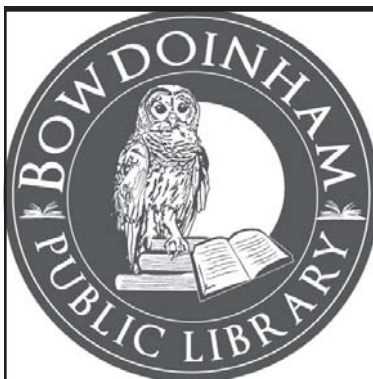
For anyone interested in a mooring in the town mooring field please be advised there is space available. Contact me for details. Have a safe and fun boating season.

John McMullen  
Harbor Master



**Bowdoinham Public Library Report**

Kate Cutko, Librarian



January, 2014

The life of our little library continues as it has for 104 years, changing in response to the community's needs, yet staying constant in providing quality resources for the people who live here.

Many happy library patrons are never coming through the doors of the old Coombs School! With the library's participation in the Maine Infonet program, those patrons are downloading e-books and audiobooks from a collection of over 1000 titles available with their Bowdoinham Public Library barcode, all from the comfort of home. The e-book or audiobook is "borrowed" electronically for a

two week period before it disappears from the patron's device. We are pleased that we can offer this service and always happy to coach folks who may not feel comfortable trying it. Come to the library, bring your laptop or e-reader and we'll walk you through it. Have no fear, we will always provide good old paper books.



Because of our strong fundraising, support from the town, and our sound investments, the library's budget continues to be able to support purchases of new books at all age levels and in all genres. We completed an overhaul of the "Young Adult" area of the library, with new furniture, new books, and an area for quiet study. We hope this effort will result in attracting more teen patrons.

The weekly storytime for preschoolers and the summer reading program for school-aged kids thrive. Adult programming including author visits, lectures and workshops keep the place hopping. The library continues to offer computers

for public use as well as a high-speed wireless access with a password-protected wi-fi account. Books, magazines, DVDs, large-print books, even jigsaw puzzles – it is all here for Bowdoinham residents to enjoy with only a free library card.

Once again, we need to thank our legions of devoted volunteers. We welcome anyone who would like to get involved in the many projects the library has going.

Please come and explore your library.

Kate Cutko  
Library Director





## Water District Trustees Report

Donald Lamoreau, Chairman

The Bowdoinham Water District's mission is to provide its customers with a safe, high quality and reliable water supply that meets or exceeds all federal and state drinking water requirements. Our goal is to produce and distribute our product in the most efficient way, while maintaining and upgrading the system to meet future requirements. We are also committed to providing professional and courteous service to satisfy the diversified needs of our customers.

An open house was held at the new Pump Station on West McIver road in Bowdoin in the fall on 2013. The Bowdoinham and Bowdoin Fire Departments and all Municipal Officers and the public were invited.

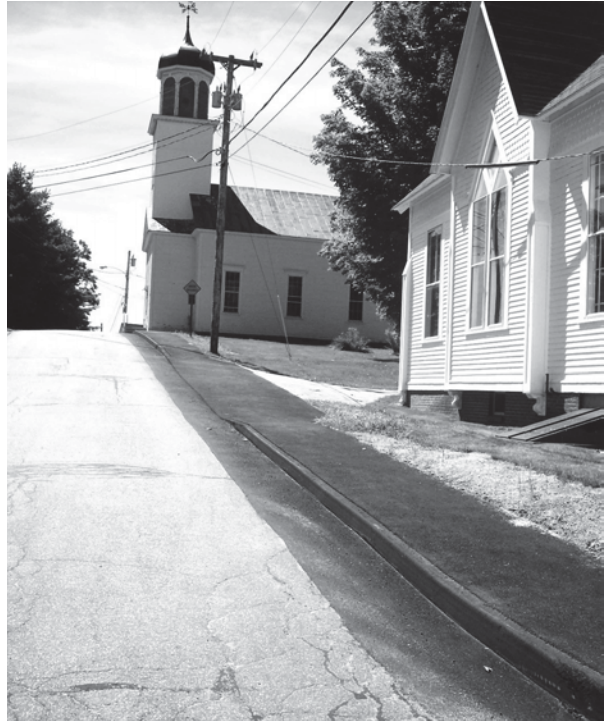
We would like to remind everyone to please report unusually wet areas to the District for investigation as potential leaks. Successful leak detection and pipe repair reduces the treatment and pumping cost associated with lost water and postpones the need to develop additional water sources of supply. The cost savings benefit not only all ratepayers, but all citizens through lower water costs for fire fighting.

In 2013 the Water District joined the Five Rivers Water Council that includes Bath Water District, Boothbay Region Water District, Bowdoinham Water District, Brunswick and Topsham Water District, Great Salt Bay Sanitary District, Richmond Utility District and Wiscasset Water District. The council's biggest benefit will be networking, mutual aid, purchasing power and parts and procedures standardizations.

The Water District would like to thank F. D. Oakes Jr. for 17 years of service as Chairman and Trustee to the Water District. Don's dedication and service to the Water District is greatly appreciated. Enjoy your retirement.

The Water District Trustees are Donald Lamoreau (Chairman), Brant Miller (Treasurer), David Reinheimer, Stephen Cox, and Gordon Johnson. The Superintendent is Arthur Mclean, and the Secretary Linda Labbe.

Sincerely,  
Donald Lamoreau





**MSAD 75 School Board****Susan Brown****Julie Booty**

It is a pleasure to provide this report to the Town of Bowdoinham. Much has happened in the past twelve months!

Academically, we know the importance of building a solid foundation in the reading, writing and math. **At the elementary schools**, we are in the fourth full year of implementing The Teacher College Project by providing professional development for teachers in the classroom, working directly with students. Teachers report that students are more excited about reading, talking more about reading, and better able to think and understand what they have read than previously. For the past three years, teachers in the **Middle School** have focused on the increasing student engagement by providing opportunities for student choice in the learning. Students display their learning in different ways, and are becoming more responsible for their learning than ever before. **The High School** is in transition with changes in leadership. Donna Brunette is serving on promoting relationships with two interim Assistant Principals. The emphasis has been on promoting relationships with our middle level colleagues through discussions about best teaching practices and laying the groundwork that supports creating a plan for implementing a proficiency-based teaching and learning system. (See Below)

Providing a safe and respectful learning environment is one of the School Board's adopted goals. We have increased our efforts to address concerns about bullying and harassment, gather and use data that identifies students who present at risk factors, and provide interventions or revision of practices to support student success. The tragedy of school violence, heightened by the Sandy Hook shooting in December 2012 confirmed the importance of emergency planning we began during the 2010-11 school year. All schools are developing comprehensive emergency plans in cooperation with local fire, law enforcement, and emergency management personnel. We applied for and received a grant that partially funded automatic door-locking systems, intercom and cameras at all schools. We have a full-time School Resource Officer at Mt. Ararat High School in partnership with the Topsham Police Department.

A major effort to bring our libraries into the 21<sup>st</sup> century has resulted in the implementation of a Learning Commons model. Here, technology and the traditional roles of library blend together in an active and inviting environment. A full-time staff member or more serves each Learning Commons.

The challenges we face in education are unprecedented. State initiatives, describe in the most recent edition of Foundations (<http://thecryeronline.com/bus/>) impact every teacher and administrator. These include developing a "proficiency-based" system for graduation, where each district must decide what that means and how proficiency will be determined, this includes a requirement that students must be allowed multiple pathways for demonstration their abilities. At the same time, the State is changing from the NECAP/SAT statewide assessment to Smarter Balanced Assessment system. The Smarter Balance tests represent a significant department from the "fill in the bubble" tests most of us remember. In addition, a new law significantly changes the way teachers and principals are evaluated, with three-year timeline for full implantation. We are busy working on all these initiatives, while continuing to teach the children who come to school each day!

We complete several capital projects this past year including phase one of upgrading our transportation bus area with additional drainage, lighting, and paving the existing lot. We upgraded sections of roofs to both Mt. Ararat High School and Bowdoinham Community School. We also replaced siding and trim at Bowdoinham.

We continue to appreciate the support and commitment to education that exists within our four towns. As apart of the budget development process, it was my pleasure to meet with parents from each school and hear their priorities for the budget developed and submitted to the voters last June. Parents overwhelming expressed their concern about the impacts of reductions in personnel and programs. They want a comprehensive education for their children. This includes courses for advanced learners, several foreign languages, strong music and art program, support for at-risk students and high quality special education programs. Parents overwhelming expressed pride and confidence in their schools, but are concerned about the impact of reductions to staff and programs. What it comes down to, as it always has, is the quality of the teacher who is in front of the students each day. I am proud of the teachers and other employees of MSAD No. 75 who display dedication and commitment to the students, families and communities we serve.

Respectfully,

Bradley V. Smith

Superintendent of Schools

**COUNTY OF SAGADAHOC****COMMISSIONER CAROL A. GROSE****District 2 – Bowdoinham, Georgetown, Phippsburg, Richmond & Woolwich**

Citizens of Bowdoinham,

It has been my honor to continue serving the citizens of Bowdoinham as a Sagadahoc County Commissioner. After completing five years on the Board, I remain totally committed to insuring that the services provided by the County are delivered in the most cost effective and professional way possible.

As we move forward in this challenging economic climate, which is accentuated by more proposed cuts in state revenue sharing, the Commissioners remain acutely aware of the impact the County tax assessment has on Sagadahoc municipalities and remain committed to minimizing increases as we enter into the FY 2014-15 budget process. Unfortunately, however, our reserves cannot continue to subsidize the increases in operating and capital costs that we have experienced over the past several years and we must try to find other savings to reduce the impact on our citizens.

During 2013, the County's many activities and accomplishments included the following: **Administration** oversaw renovations to the administrative building that will result in significant energy savings. In addition, the County converted to TRIO financial software, which provides much more flexibility in terms of training and future staffing. **Probate Court** processed 217 new filings and 314 passport requests and continued to back-scan its records into an electronic database; **Deeds** continued its efforts to make all deeds, plans and surveys available for viewing at [sagadahocdeedsme.com](http://sagadahocdeedsme.com); **Emergency Management Agency** planned and implemented regional training, assisted local EMA Directors and community officials in meeting federal emergency preparedness requirements, obtained a number of public safety grants, and worked closely with area emergency responders and public health agencies including the **Sagadahoc County Board of Health**; the **Communications Center** filled all departmental vacancies during the past year and also made upgrades to improve communications between towers.

In 2013, the **Sheriff's Office** saw a slight decrease of approximately 0.5% in the number of calls when compared with 2012, from 5,576 to 5,547. The **District Attorney's Office** continued to handle a high volume of court cases. The **Patrol Division** and **Detective Divisions** were brought up to full staffing levels, which The S.O. continues to work collaboratively with various task forces to solve our most serious crimes. The **Transport Division** handled 876 transports last year and continued to monitor inmates on home release. The community public works program resulted in the performance of 2,500 hours of labor in Sagadahoc County. The **Civil Division** continues to serve orders and writs in a consistently professional manner.

Sheriff Merry and Commissioner Dawson were named by the legislature to serve on a special task force that was established to make recommendations concerning the funding crisis within the unified jail system. In addition, we worked closely with Lincoln County to seek legislation to address debt service inequities and to educate our legislative delegations on this matter.

In order that I may represent constituents effectively, it is important that I am aware of your questions and concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 319-5290. And I encourage interested persons to attend Board of Commissioners' meetings, which are held at 3:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month and 5:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday (if needed), in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the County Courthouse, 752 High Street, Bath, Me. (For details, call 443-8202.)

Respectfully,

Carol A. Grose, Sagadahoc County Board of Commissioners



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As I write this, I am starting my eighth year as your Representative, and my second as House Majority Leader. I am determined to continue our work for better opportunity for all, and to sustain what is best about our state.

A priority in this year's budget will again be to prevent property tax shift. Last year, the elimination of state funding to towns, proposed by the Governor, was averted in the bipartisan budget enacted over his veto. Your select board was loud and clear in their opposition, and the worst of the proposed shift was averted. Rather than suffering cuts, K-12 school funding was also slightly increased. In 2014, the Legislature and Governor must work together to keep the state's promises and not pass the buck to towns or to our children.

Supporting Maine's future workers and small businesses will also be important themes for me this year. Following on our bipartisan workforce bill in 2013, the committee I co-chair will seek to accelerate small business growth through better access to capital. Through a bill of mine called the "Know Before You Go Act" as well as others, we will also work to make higher education more accessible and better tailored to today's world.

I also continue to press for better support for our youngest children and their families. As we know now from science as well as economics, the first three years of life are the most important in learning and brain development.

To help you stay informed, I occasionally send out an e-newsletter with updates from Augusta. To receive this or to check in, please contact me anytime at: [bhamberry@gmail.com](mailto:bhamberry@gmail.com).

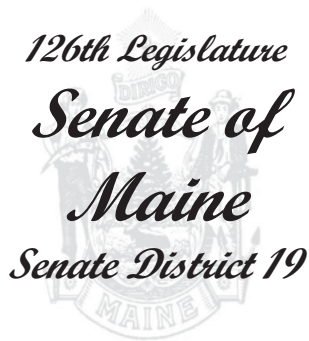
Due to term limits, I am unable to run for a fifth consecutive term, so will be taking a break from legislative service. I am indebted to Bowdoinham for the trust you have placed in me, and for the opportunity to serve this generous, creative, and spirited town.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Seth".

Seth Berry  
State Representative

*District 67: Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Richmond and the Unorganized*



**Senator Eloise Vitelli**  
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Dear Residents of Bowdoinham,

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

Even with these limitations we have over 300 pieces of legislation to consider before the statutory deadline in April. The legislature will consider four bills I sponsored to expand the Maine Apprenticeship program, increase access to dental care for children eligible for MaineCare, and promote solar energy in Maine. I know the citizens of Bowdoinham have invested heavily in the education of your children and your school which is why I am proud to sponsor a bill developed by my predecessor, Seth Goodall, to establish universal voluntary pre-Kindergarten in Maine.

This session I will serve as the Senate Chair of the Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry Committee, as well as on the Joint Select Committee on Maine's Workforce and Economic Future. In these roles and as your voice in the Legislature, I continue to advocate for government that serves Maine people well and meets the needs of our region. Though we face substantive challenges, we live in a place with great natural resources, a highly regarded work ethic, and a strong sense of community. If we all work together, I am confident about a better future for our children and grandchildren.

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

Best regards,

Senator Eloise Vitelli

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Dear Friends:

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

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

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

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


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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator

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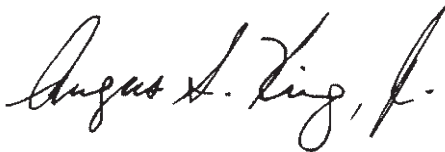
Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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



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Dear Friend,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. It is an honor to represent you in Congress and a pleasure to update you on the work I am doing in Maine and Washington.

You are probably aware that Washington is a very challenging place to get anything done these days. The partisan climate has kept many important issues from being addressed and even led to a shutdown of the federal government. Worst of all, it has created uncertainty for Maine families and the economy. It's the last thing we need. Over the next year, I will continue pressing Congressional leaders to bring the focus back to helping people rather than advancing ideologies.

As difficult as it's been, though, there are areas where I have been able to make progress on needed policy reforms. One has been support for local food producers. For decades now, federal agriculture policy has only benefited huge farms and commodity crops, not the kind of the diverse family farms we have in Maine. It's time for that to change. With small federal changes, we can capitalize on the huge economic potential of the local food movement. I've introduced the Local Farms, Food, and Jobs Act to make some of those changes, and have been pleased to see many of these reforms gain bipartisan support.

Another issue is helping veterans who were sexually assaulted during their service. I've introduced the Ruth Moore Act—named after a Maine veteran who struggled for 23 years to get disability benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs after she was sexually assaulted while in the military. The bill would help veterans like Ruth get the assistance they need to recover from the debilitating trauma they suffered while serving the country. The bill passed the House and now awaits consideration in the Senate.

While policy in Washington is important, so is the work my staff and I do here in Maine. My office keeps close connections to Maine communities and their leaders to make sure we're doing all we can to help them succeed. This work might include providing letters of support for federal grant applications, getting answers from federal agencies, or bringing national officials to our state to raise awareness about the good things being done here.

We also work with hundreds of constituents who have issues with federal agencies and programs. Not everyone knows that you can call your Member of Congress for this kind of thing, but it's an essential part of my responsibilities and my commitment to the people I serve. Members of my staff are experts on issues ranging from veterans benefits and IRS questions to Social Security problems and passport inquiries. They can help you navigate the process, communicate with federal agencies, and, in certain circumstances, facilitate the expediting of claims. If there is an area where you need assistance, I encourage you to call my Portland office at (207) 774-5019 or go to my website, [www.pingree.house.gov](http://www.pingree.house.gov).

Again, it's a privilege to serve you in Congress. Please stay in touch.

Hope to see you in Maine soon,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chellie P.', written over a horizontal line.

Chellie Pingree  
Member of Congress

**Outstanding 2013 Real Estate Taxes**

As Of 06/30/2013

Name	Due	Name	Due
ALEXANDER, PATRICK	172.49	FITZGERALD, JOHN &	695.88
ALLYN, JENNIFER L. & CHRISTOPHER	1157.25	FRIZZLE, TOBEY W	647.64
ASHLEY, GARY R. & LISA M.	1079.68	GALLIGAN, GERALD A	1096.11
ASHOUWAK, LARA PERTEL	1985.20	GARLAND, LORI A (HILL)	168.85
AT&T MOBILITY (IN POSSESSION)	3546.27	GAUTHIER, SUZANNE	842.97
ATWATER, ELIZABETH	1193.26	GREEN, JADE ARIAN & JOSEPH J TC	753.61
ATWOOD, LARRY E	1666.51	GRIATZKY, STEVEN M	88.55
AUSTIN, BEDINA J.	1135.13	GUSTAFSON, PAUL E	1021.47
AVERY, JEFFREY A	716.06	GUSTAFSON, PAUL E & KIM P	1879.33
BAMFORD, JAMES J	461.88	HAER, FREDERICK C & JILL S JT	3324.41
BERRY, MARIAH L	93.59	HAER, FREDERICK C & JILL S JT	409.70
BEYERSDORFER, CHRISTA B & HANS G	982.38	HALSEY, IAN	1642.90
BISHOP, JOHN W IV	3316.65	HALSEY, SEAN	490.18
BLASINGAME, DONALD & CLARA	767.46	HARRIMAN, HOPE L (PERS REP)	791.03
BLODGETT, LANCE H (LE)	100.00	HARRIS, DAVID	1647.30
BRAWN, CHRISTOPHER	1249.74	HEATH, GEORGE MRS	2053.51
BRYAN, WILLIAM J	839.44	HERARD, CARL R & THERESA R JT	1657.57
BRYER, SUSAN	154.14	HEWETT, REBECCA & SALLY	232.56
BUTLER, DEBORAH J	1158.19	HOLMAN, RONALD C JR	9.74
BUTTERFUSS, FRANK	69.87	HOLMAN, RONALD C SR & JUDITH	37.48
CALL, PAULA	170.58	HUNTER PROPERTIES LLC	4264.38
CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL (PERS REP)	1110.12	HUNTINGTON, PATRICIA & ALLEN	161.40
CARON, JASON D & SARAH	947.42	JACQUES, TODD (HEIRS)	141.23
CARON, SARAH E	1336.30	JEROSCH, SEBASTIAN & ANITA-ANN	339.78
CARRAS FIELD SUBDIVISION ASSN.	11.31	JOHNSON, TAMMY A	2.30
CASON, TIMOTHY M	1069.46	KANE, ROBERT E II	1839.68
CHATTLEY, JAMES B & HELEN M JT	914.85	KEGERREIS, SHARON	1952.87
CONGLETON, KARIN A	857.12	KELLETT, RAYMOND M & ANNE R	1920.04
CROOKER, RANDY N	845.95	KIERNAN, JENNIFER L.	180.43
CURRAN, CYNTHIA MARIE	1141.84	KNEE, FRED	602.78
CURRAN, ROBERT	323.06	KORINECK, STEPHEN F & LORI R JT	12.16
CUTLER, ALAN F	1132.65	KOTOW, VALA	259.53
DAVIS, ROBERT C & KELLY L	277.51	KRECHKIN, ALEXEJ A JR	1616.65
DELANO, DAVID M. & STEPHANIE T.	240.77	LAMOREAU, SHAWN S & CHRISTINE	1822.75
DELYRA, MICHEL CARLOS	1920.83	LAMOREAU, SHAWN S & CHRISTINE	2572.84
DEROCHER, WAYNE	134.63	LLOYD, JOANE K	531.97
DESPRES, JOSEPH L & ANGELIA B JT	853.75	LORD, ALBERT (PERS REP)	606.96
DEVICES OF THE JANET M. SHIRLEY	1047.27	LYNCH, DOREEN	669.77
DRISCOLL, ROBERT	982.88	MADSEN, DANA	811.97
DUNN, DONALD C	428.27	MAILLY, MARY	1502.01
DUNN, DONALD C	448.70	MALOY, SHAWN	819.40
DUNN, DONALD C & EILEEN F	381.95	MARTONFFY, DENES (EAGLE LLC)	1.91
DUNN, JOHN B	713.17	MCGOWAN, BRIAN B	563.29
EMMERSON-ESTELA, DAWN M	54.30	MCKENNA, DANIEL R & CATHY L	363.64
ENGLAND, LINDA L.	374.17	MCKENNA, DANIEL R & CATHY L JT	2178.22
FARRIS, CHRISTY L	3437.70	MCKENNA, DANIEL R & CATHY L JT	479.91
FEE, LOUIS S	699.18	MCPHERSON, JAMES A	757.36



**Outstanding 2013 Real Estate Taxes**

As Of 06/30/2013

<b>Name</b>	<b>Due</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Due</b>
MCPHERSON,JAMES A	4322.87	SMITH,BRIAN B.& LUANA L.	0.26
MCPHERSON,JAMES A	178.51	SMITH,CARL H & TILBOR,KAREN R	827.31
MESSER,DANA	437.95	SMITH,LUANA L	0.11
MORGAN,MAURICE E & LINDA M	483.20	SNOWDEAL,JOAN M	569.99
MORGAN,RICHARD	93.02	ST JEAN,RAYMOND D	410.04
MORGAN,RICHARD D & SUSAN M	22.65	STANLEY, DONALD G	1751.12
MORTIMER,CLIFFORD E	505.30	STEHLE,ALBERT E	1101.65
MULLDUNE,WILLIAM & DWAYNE &	820.05	STEVENS,DEXTER III & DONNA S	720.69
NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS LLC	438.90	STILLWELL'S AUTO REPAIR INC	874.25
NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS OF THE	341.32	STRANDSKOV,NICOLETTE P	377.39
NOYES,CHARLES A SR	777.49	TALBOT,KATHLEEN BIANCA	1357.22
NOYES,ERNEST P E	950.51	THEBEAU,KRISTI	1104.35
PALMER,MICHAEL T	878.39	THOMAS,BRIAN	2190.74
PATTERSON,DENNIS & PAMELA	999.15	TOMPKINS, RANDY W.	1294.87
PATTERSON,DENNIS D	764.27	TOUCHTON,JOHN (life estate )	935.53
PETROFF,MARK	156.89	TOURTELOTTE,DOUGLAS R &	1878.62
PETROFF,STEPHEN H ET AL	663.49	TRUDELL,PETER J	339.96
POISSON,ALBERT R & NANCY A JT	9.30	TRUDELL,PETER J	1239.83
READ,JAY E	855.32	TUCKER,MARIE L	2281.73
RICHARDS,LOLA HAYES (LT)	1456.95	TYLUS,SUSAN (TRUSTEE)	11.24
RIDEOUT,MARK A	1136.49	TYLUS,SUSAN (TRUSTEE)	1.14
RIDEOUT,MARK A	4142.68	TYLUS,SUSAN (TRUSTEE)	3.22
RILEY,SEAN G & LISA M JT	1647.18	U.S. CELLULAR	427.41
ROBERT,PAUL R & CHRISTIE A	2043.60	VALDEZ,NOEL( HEIRS OF)	485.89
ROLLINS,JOSHUA	82.85	VALLEY,JAMES D & JOLEEN M	80.84
ROSS,LYNN (POLAND)	13.57	VENO,RUTH G (HEIRS)	2486.28
SEEKINS,JOHN A	11.36	WEEMS,STEVEN L & SUSAN S.	967.32
SHAFFER, RICHARD	135.28	WEST,ELIZABETH A	2621.19
SHAW,MATTHEW J. & MELISSA P.	1199.92	WHITTAKER,TYNE J	530.46
SHORETTE,FRED S	1802.77	WRIGHT, ANNE M	283.62
SHOREY,DAVID B & NINA JT	84.49	YARMALA,JOSEPH A & CYNTHIA C	1919.49
SIEGLER,RAYMOND J JR	421.44	YASI,JENNY	1.40
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	7.69		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	559.00		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	591.62		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	659.27		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	546.77		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	501.92		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	546.77		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	538.62		
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	534.54		
SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	109.54		
SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	12.00		
SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	7.69		
SKELTON,DAVID C	540.60		
SMITH,BRIAN B	0.32		
			<b><u>152275.62</u></b>

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Tax Year 2010, 2011 &amp; 2012 as of 06/30/2013

Year	Name	Due	Year	Name	Due
2010	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	321.60	2012	LAMOREAU,SHAWN S & CHRISTINE	902.93
2011	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	291.93	2012	MAILLY,MARY	1,662.52
2011	CUTLER,ALAN F	769.33	2012	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	2,676.75
2011	DAVIS,ROBERT C & KELLY L	199.61	2012	MORGAN,MAURICE E & LINDA M	284.70
2011	DELYRA,MICHEL CARLOS	768.86	2012	MORGAN,RICHARD	84.55
2011	MAILLY,MARY	1,781.77	2012	MULLDUNE,WILLIAM,DWAYNE&SHANE	927.03
2011	MULLDUNE,WILLIAM,DWAYNE&SHANE	560.68	2012	NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS OF THE	514.76
2011	RILEY,SEAN G & LISA M JT	1,677.94	2012	NOYES,ERNEST P E	949.76
2011	SIEGLER,RAYMOND J JR	1,187.24	2012	PATTERSON,DENNIS & PAMELA	1,133.61
2011	WHITTAKER,TYNE J	553.52	2012	READ,JAY E	964.59
2012	ASHOUWAK,LARA PERTEL	502.30	2012	RICHARDS,LOLA HAYES	155.55
2012	ATWATER,ELIZABETH (HEIRS)	1,342.52	2012	RIDEOUT,MARK A	2,249.89
2012	ATWOOD,LARRY E	1,649.66	2012	RILEY,SEAN G & LISA M	1,833.17
2012	BAMFORD,JAMES J	538.89	2012	ROBERT,PAUL R & CHRISTIE A	575.69
2012	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	116.39	2012	SHORETTE,FRED S	2,030.41
2012	CARON,JASON D & SARAH	540.57	2012	SIEGLER,RAYMOND J JR	1,109.04
2012	CONGLETON,KARIN A	962.11	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	48.66
2012	CROOKER,RANDY N	955.57	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	644.59
2012	CURRAN,ROBERT	386.98	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	680.51
2012	CUTLER,ALAN F	1,417.62	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	753.98
2012	DAVIS,ROBERT C & KELLY L	362.91	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	631.52
2012	DELYRA,MICHEL CARLOS	2,119.66	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	582.55
2012	DESPRES,JOSEPH L & ANGELIA B	968.97	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	631.52
2012	GAUTHIER,SUZANNE	952.30	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	623.36
2012	GRIATZKY,STEVEN M	131.07	2012	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	618.47
2012	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E	1,141.69	2012	SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	53.55
2012	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E & KIM P	2,073.95	2012	STANLEY, DONALD G	1,968.73
2012	HALSEY,IAN	1,828.26	2012	TALBOT,KATHLEEN BIANCA	1,508.27
2012	HALSEY,SEAN	550.84	2012	THOMAS,BRIAN	2,435.62
2012	HARRIMAN,HOPE L (PERS REP)	383.60	2012	TOMPKINS, RANDY W.	1,382.79
2012	HARRIS,DAVID	1,472.83	2012	VAILLANCOURT,PATRICK	1,130.70
2012	HERARD,CARL R & THERESA R	1,875.62	2012	VENO,RUTH G (HEIRS) (TRUSTEES)	2,722.12
2012	HUNTINGTON,PATRICIA & ALLEN	209.44	2012	WEST,ELIZABETH A	2,881.34
2012	JACQUES,TODD (HEIRS)	188.22	2012	WHITTAKER,TYNE J	607.82
2012	JOHNSON,TAMMY A	49.51	2012	YARMALA,JOSEPH A & CYNTHIA C	2,259.29
2012	KERINA,THOMAS K & JEFFREY M	153.15			<b><u>71,207.45</u></b>

**2013 and Prior Delinquent**  
**Personal Property as of 06/30/2013**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Due</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Due</b>
BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS INC	102.68	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	219.04
BEAULIEU,JASON	26.64	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	224.96
BEAULIEU,JASON	28.12	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	170.20
BEAULIEU,JASON	28.69	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	181.20
CAVANDISH, CHRIS	134.68	NORTON INSURANCE AGENCY INC	12.08
CAVANDISH, CHRIS	137.64	PRINDALL,WILLIAM E	27.02
CAVANDISH, CHRIS	146.47	READ,JAMES W	36.99
DOWNEAST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION	59.94	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	88.78
EAGLE ATM (C/O DELL HOLMAN )	88.80	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	91.54
EAGLE ATM (C/O DELL HOLMAN )	24.16	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	54.56
EVANS, RICHARD III	21.89	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	71.76
FOX,ROBERT T JR & HELEN G	97.68	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	73.95
FOX,ROBERT T JR & HELEN G	102.68	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	69.56
GRAY,WENDY	208.68	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	71.04
GRAY,WENDY	183.52	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	71.04
GRAY,WENDY	164.59	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	72.52
HILLTOP LOG HOMES INC	666.00	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	77.01
HITZ,PAUL M A	65.97	STEEN,DAVID S	19.24
HITZ,PAUL M A	66.60	STILLWELL'S AUTO REPAIR INC	88.21
HITZ,PAUL M A	68.08	STILLWELL'S AUTO REPAIR INC	169.12
HITZ,PAUL M A	69.56	ZOULAMIS,DEAN	48.49
HITZ,PAUL M A	73.99	ZOULAMIS,DEAN	93.24
HOYT,JEFFREY E	73.23	ZOULAMIS,DEAN	81.40
LAMOREAU,SHAWN S	58.89	ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	37.83
LEIGHTON,RICHARD	20.72	ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	93.62
LEIGHTON,RICHARD	<u>22.65</u>		<u>5,345.11</u>

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### **REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

Board of Selectmen and Manager  
TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
Bowdoinham, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the financial statements, of the Town of Bowdoinham, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, as listed in the table of contents, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.



**Opinions**

We were unable to obtain sufficient evidential source documentation to support the permanent funds because the relevant legal indentures could not be located. The prior audit reports did not distinguish between expendable and nonexpendable trust funds.

In our opinion, except for the permanent funds, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, major funds, and remaining fund information of the Town of Bowdoinham and the changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, of those activities and funds and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Other Matter**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) which is the responsibility of management, is represented for purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedure applied in the audit of the financial statements and accordingly we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.



SMITH & ASSOCIATES, CPAs  
*A Professional Association*

Yarmouth, Maine  
October 9, 2013

**EXHIBIT I**

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2013**

	Primary Government Governmental Activities
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 983,002
Investments	596,727
Accounts Receivable	62,576
Taxes Receivable	158,090
Liens Receivable	62,738
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>1,304,746</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 3,167,879</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	\$ 22,346
Accrued Expenses	82,677
Non Current Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	189,553
Due in More Than One Year	<u>1,498,994</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 1,793,570</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ (383,801)
Restricted for:	
Tax Increment Financing District	17,066
Unrestricted	<u>1,741,044</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 1,374,309</b>

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**EXHIBIT II**

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Primary Government	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	
<b>Primary Government</b>					
<b>Governmental Activities</b>					
General Government	\$ 476,324	\$ 68,960	\$ 0	\$ (407,364)	
Public Works and Maintenance	920,385	2,264	174,864	(743,257)	
Solid Waste	178,805	85,231	0	(93,574)	
Public Safety	103,813	8,770	0	(95,043)	
Culture and Recreation	61,055	48,532	2,878	(9,645)	
Public Health and Welfare	37,074	3,803	4,999	(28,272)	
Education	2,444,553	0	0	(2,444,553)	
Contingency	3,390	0	0	(3,390)	
County Tax and Overlay	430,717	0	0	(430,717)	
Interest on Long-Term Debt	43,559	0	0	(43,559)	
Depreciation - Unallocated	96,811	0	0	(96,811)	
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	<b>\$ 4,796,486</b>	<b>\$ 217,560</b>	<b>\$ 182,741</b>	<b>\$ (4,396,185)</b>	
<b>General Revenues</b>					
Property and Other Taxes				\$ 3,886,997	
Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Special Programs				263,017	
Unrestricted Investment Earnings				18,133	
Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments				12,720	
Realized Gains (Losses) on Investments				22,708	
<b>Total General Revenues</b>				<b>\$ 4,203,575</b>	
<b>Changes in Net Position</b>				<b>\$ (192,610)</b>	
<b>Net Position – July 1, 2012</b>				<b>1,566,919</b>	
<b>Net Position – June 30, 2013</b>				<b>\$ 1,374,309</b>	

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EXHIBIT III

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2013**

	General Fund	Permanent Funds	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash	\$ 967,182	\$ 0	\$ 15,820	\$ 983,002
Investments	0	596,727	0	596,727
Taxes Receivable	158,090	0	0	158,090
Tax Liens Receivable	62,738	0	0	62,738
Accounts Receivable	62,576	0	0	62,576
Due From Other Funds	<u>2,063</u>	<u>3,203</u>	<u>99,828</u>	<u>105,094</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,252,649</b>	<b>\$ 599,930</b>	<b>\$ 115,648</b>	<b>\$ 1,968,227</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$ 1,252,649</b>	<b>\$ 599,930</b>	<b>\$ 115,648</b>	<b>\$ 1,968,227</b>
<b>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance</b>				
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$ 22,346	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 22,346
Accrued Expenses	40,541	0	0	40,541
Deferred Revenues	156,697	0	0	156,697
Due to Other Funds	<u>103,031</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,063</u>	<u>105,094</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 322,615</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 2,063</b>	<b>\$ 324,678</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
<b>Fund Balance</b>				
<i>Reserved, Reported In:</i>				
<i>Nonspendable</i>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<i>Restricted</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>Committed</i>				
Capital Funds	0	0	74,270	74,270
<i>Unreserved, Reported In:</i>				
<i>Assigned</i>				
Appropriated from Surplus to Reduce Taxes in FY 2013/14	100,000	0	0	100,000
Permanent Funds	0	599,930	0	599,930
Special Revenue Funds	0	0	39,315	39,315
<i>Unassigned</i>				
General Fund	<u>830,034</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>830,034</u>
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 930,034</b>	<b>\$ 599,930</b>	<b>\$ 113,585</b>	<b>\$ 1,643,549</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,252,649</b>	<b>\$ 599,930</b>	<b>\$ 115,648</b>	<b>\$ 1,968,227</b>

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EXHIBIT IV

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**Total Fund Balances – Total Governmental Funds** \$1,643,549

**Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of  
Net Position is Different Because:**

Capital Assets Used in Governmental Activities are Not  
Current Financial Resources and Therefore are Not  
Reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. 1,304,746

Interest Payable on Long-Term Debt Does Not Require Current  
Financial Resources and Therefore Interest Payable is Not Reported  
as a Liability in Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. (23,297)

Property Tax Revenues are Reported in the Governmental Funds  
Balance Sheet Under NCGA Interpretation-3, Revenue Recognition-  
Property Taxes. 156,697

Long Term Liabilities are Not Due and Payable in the Current Period  
and Therefore, They are Not Reported in the Governmental Funds  
Balance Sheet:

Due in One Year	\$ 189,553	
Due in More Than One Year	1,498,994	
Accrued Compensated Absence Pay	<u>18,839</u>	<u>(1,707,386)</u>

**Net Position of Governmental Activities** \$1,374,309

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**EXHIBIT V**

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	General Fund	Permanent Funds	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				
Taxes	\$ 3,824,282	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,824,282
Intergovernmental	316,014	0	129,744	445,758
Licenses, Permits and Fees	50,007	0	0	50,007
Charges for Services	117,437	0	12,601	130,038
Investment Income	2,184	15,944	5	18,133
Realized Gains	0	22,708	0	22,708
Unrealized Gains	0	12,720	0	12,720
Miscellaneous	14,709	0	22,806	37,515
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 4,324,633</b>	<b>\$ 51,372</b>	<b>\$ 165,156</b>	<b>\$ 4,541,161</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
<i>Current</i>				
General Government	\$ 403,396	\$ 5,998	\$ 66,929	\$ 476,323
Public Works and Maintenance	441,831	0	539,962	981,793
Solid Waste	175,097	0	4,563	179,660
Public Safety	97,171	0	6,642	103,813
Culture and Recreation	36,445	0	26,103	62,548
Public Health and Welfare	30,039	0	7,035	37,074
Education	2,441,553	3,000	0	2,444,553
Contingency	3,390	0	0	3,390
Debt Service	206,085	0	0	206,085
County Tax and Overlay	430,717	0	0	430,717
<i>Capital Outlay</i>	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 4,265,724</b>	<b>\$ 8,998</b>	<b>\$ 651,234</b>	<b>\$ 4,925,956</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 58,909</b>	<b>\$ 42,374</b>	<b>\$ (486,078)</b>	<b>\$ (384,795)</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers In (Out)	\$ (196,923)	\$ (5,000)	\$ 201,923	\$ 0
Proceeds From Loan	0	0	400,000	400,000
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>\$ (196,923)</b>	<b>\$ (5,000)</b>	<b>\$ 601,923</b>	<b>\$ 400,000</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ (138,014)</b>	<b>\$ 37,374</b>	<b>\$ 115,845</b>	<b>\$ 15,205</b>
<b>Fund Balance – July 1, 2012</b>	<b>1,068,048</b>	<b>562,556</b>	<b>(2,260)</b>	<b>\$ 1,628,344</b>
<b>Fund Balance – June 30, 2013</b>	<b>\$ 930,034</b>	<b>\$ 599,930</b>	<b>\$ 113,585</b>	<b>\$ 1,643,549</b>

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EXHIBIT VI

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

<b>Net Change in Fund Balance – Total Governmental Funds</b>	\$15,205
<b>Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are Different Because:</b>	
Governmental Funds Report Capital Outlays as Expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the Cost of Those Assets is Allocated Over Their Estimated Useful Lives and Reported as Depreciation Expense. This is the Amount of Capital Assets Recorded in the Current Period.	67,100
Depreciation Expense on Capital Assets is Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, But They Do Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources and Therefore, Depreciation Expense is Not Reported as Expenditure in Governmental Funds.	(96,811)
The Issuance of Long-Term Debt (e.g. Bonds and Accrued Compensated Absence Pay) Provides Current Financial Resources to Governmental Funds, While the Repayment of the Principal of Long-Term Debt Consumes the Current Financial Resources of Governmental Funds. Neither Transaction, However, has Any Effect on Net Position. Also, Governmental Funds Report the Effect of Issuance Cost, Premiums, Discounts, and Similar Items When Debt is First Issued, Whereas the Amounts are Deferred and Amortized in the Statement of Activities. This Amount is the Net Effect of These Differences in the Treatment of Long-Term Debt and Related Items.	(244,044)
Some Property Tax Will Not be Collected for Several Months After the Town's Fiscal Year End; They are Not Considered "Available" Revenues in the Governmental Funds. This Amount is the Net Effect of the Differences.	62,715
Accrued Interest Expense on Long-Term Debt is Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, But Does Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources; Therefore, Accrued Interest Expense is not Reported as Expenditures in Governmental Funds.	<u>3,225</u>
<b>Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<u>\$ (192,610)</u>

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EXHIBIT VII

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
GENERAL FUND  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Amounts</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>
				<u>Positive</u>
				<u>(Negative)</u>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Taxes	\$ 3,868,144	\$ 3,868,144	\$ 3,824,282	\$ (43,862)
Intergovernmental	310,158	310,158	316,014	5,856
License, Permit and Fees	41,200	41,200	50,007	8,807
Charges for Services	138,300	138,300	117,437	(20,863)
Investment Income	4,000	4,000	2,184	(1,816)
Other	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>14,709</u>	<u>13,309</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 4,363,202</b>	<b>\$ 4,363,202</b>	<b>\$ 4,324,633</b>	<b>\$ (38,569)</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
<i>Current</i>				
General Government	\$ 428,296	\$ 428,296	\$ 403,396	\$ 24,900
Public Works and Maintenance	481,403	481,403	441,831	39,572
Solid Waste	180,054	180,054	175,097	4,957
Public Safety	105,309	105,309	97,171	8,138
Culture and Recreation	48,474	48,474	36,445	12,029
Public Health and Welfare	29,500	29,500	30,039	(539)
Education	2,441,553	2,441,553	2,441,553	0
Contingency	10,000	10,000	3,390	6,610
Debt Service	205,876	205,876	206,085	(209)
County Tax and Overlay	<u>463,516</u>	<u>463,516</u>	<u>430,717</u>	<u>32,799</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 4,393,981</b>	<b>\$ 4,393,981</b>	<b>\$ 4,265,724</b>	<b>\$ 128,257</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue</b>				
<b>Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ (30,779)</b>	<b>\$ (30,779)</b>	<b>\$ 58,909</b>	<b>\$ 89,688</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers In	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 0
Transfers Out	<u>(68,821)</u>	<u>(201,923)</u>	<u>(201,923)</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Other Financing Sources</b>				
<b>(Uses)</b>	<b>\$ (63,821)</b>	<b>\$ (196,923)</b>	<b>\$ (196,923)</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ (94,600)</b>	<b>\$ (227,702)</b>	<b>\$ (138,014)</b>	<b>\$ 89,688</b>
<b>Fund Balance – July 1, 2012</b>	<b><u>1,068,048</u></b>	<b><u>1,068,048</u></b>	<b><u>1,068,048</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>
<b>Fund Balance – June 30, 2013</b>	<b>\$ <u>973,448</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>840,346</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>930,034</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>89,688</u></b>

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**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
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JUNE 30, 2013**

**NOTE 7 – INTERFUND ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)**

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2013, consisted of the following:

<b>Transfer To</b>	
Non Major Governmental Funds:	
Special Revenue Funds	\$ 74,221
Capital Project Funds	<u>127,702</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 201,923</u></b>
 <b>Transfer From</b>	
General Fund	\$ 196,923
Permanent Funds	<u>5,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 201,923</u></b>

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

**NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Town carries commercial insurance.

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverages during the fiscal year and no significant settlements that exceeded insurance coverage.

**NOTE 9 – OVERLAPPING DEBT**

The Town's proportionate share of Sagadahoc County's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham. At June 30, 2013, the Town's share was 5.49% (or \$482,773) of the County's outstanding debt of \$8,793,687.

The Town's proportionate share of Maine School Administrative District No. 75's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham. At June 30, 2013, the Town's share was 12.56% (or \$1,391,878) of the District's outstanding debt of \$11,081,829.

**NOTE 10 – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING/DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS**

During 2002, the Town of Bowdoinham was given approval for the creation of the Natural Gas Pipeline Pipeline Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District ("the District").

TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
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**NOTE 10 – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING/DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS (CONTINUED)**

The designation of the District and pursuit of the Development Program will generate substantial economic benefits for the Town and its residents, including employment opportunities, broadened and improved tax base and economic stimulus and therefore, constitutes a good and valid public purpose.

The expenditures from this development project will be recouped in future years via an incremental tax levied upon the District's captured assessed value over a twenty-year period.

**NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES**

Previously, the Town implemented the following accounting standard issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB):

- GASB Statement 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions.

GASB Statement 54 clarifies the existing governmental fund type definitions and provides clearer fund balance categories and classifications. The hierarchical fund balance classification is based primarily upon the extent to which a government is bound to follow constraints on resources in governmental funds and includes the terms: nonspendable, committed, restricted, assigned, and unassigned.

The Town's fund balances represent: **(1) Nonspendable Fund Balance**, resources that cannot be spent because of legal or contractual provisions that require they maintained intact. (e.g. the principal of an endowment). **(2) Restricted Purposes**, which include balances that are legally restricted for specific purposes due to constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; **(3) Committed Purposes**, which include balances that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Selectmen; **(4) Assigned Purposes**, which includes balances that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. **(5) Unassigned Fund Balance**, net resources in excess of what is properly categorized in one of the four categories already described. A positive amount of unassigned fund balance will never be reported in a governmental fund other than the general fund, because GASB Statement 54 prohibits reporting resources in another fund unless they are at least assigned to the purpose of that fund. However, funds other than the general fund could report a negative amount of unassigned fund balance should the total of nonspendable, restricted and committed fund balance exceeds the total net resources of the fund.

The Town of Bowdoinham has the responsibility for committing fund balance amounts and likewise would be required to modify or rescind those commitments.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. When committed, assigned, and unassigned resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use committed or assigned resources first, then unassigned resources as they are needed.

The General Fund unassigned fund balance total of \$830,034 represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund.

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
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**NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)**

As per Exhibit III, a summary of the nature and purpose of these reserves by fund type at June 30, 2013 follows.

*Restricted***Special Revenues**

Tax Increment Financing District	\$ 17,066
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*Committed***Capital Projects Funds**

2012 Bond Roads	\$ 33,670
Skateboard Park	17,699
Electronic Equipment Reserve	10,000
Waterfront Reserve	5,654
Fire Department	5,620
Coombs Septic	3,182
Solid Waste Hazardous	505
Recreational	3
Shore Harbor Grant	<u>(2,063)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 74,270</b>

*Assigned***General Fund**

Appropriated from Surplus to Reduce Taxes in FY 2013/14	\$ 100,000
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*Assigned***Special Revenues**

Celebrate Bowdoinham	11,348
Comprehensive Plan Reserve	5,400
Bottle Funds Community Projects	2,817
Home Heating for Needy Families	1,543
EMS Donations	1,163
Planning Board Fees	<u>(22)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 22,249</b>

*Assigned***Permanent Funds****Cemetery Funds:**

Noble Maxwell	\$ 351,642
Village Cemetery	42,477
Ridge	27,936
Charles B. Randall	19,977
Sara Miles	8,450
Eliza Mustard	1,701
Browns Point	<u>(66)</u>

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
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**NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)**

*Assigned*

**Permanent Funds(Continued)**

<b>Total Cemetery Funds</b>	\$ 452,117
Worthy Poor	16,659
Commemorative Trust	84,631
Anniversary Trusts	6,632

**Other Funds:**

Bowdoinham Community School Scholarship	14,303
Viola Coombs	6,544
Volunteer Fire Dept	6,084
Lewis Fulton-Prize Trust	4,624
Lancaster Bishop School	2,920
Franklin K. Jack	2,191
Dussault	2,008
Carrie Rideout	<u>1,217</u>

<b>Total Permanent Funds</b>	<b><u>\$ 599,930</u></b>
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*Unassigned*

<b>General Fund</b>	<b><u>\$ 830,034</u></b>
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**NOTE 12 – FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATIONS**

At the Annual Town Meeting on June 13, 2012 and at a previous Town meeting, the Townspeople voted appropriations of general fund balance to reduce the commitment, which are reflected as the excess of budgeted expenditures over budgeted revenues as per Exhibit VII. These appropriations were for the following purposes:

To Reduce Tax Rate	\$100,000
Sidewalk Grant per 11/3/2009	
Special Town Meeting	<u>127,702</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$227,702</u></b>

**NOTE 13 – OVERDRAFTS**

At the Annual Town Meeting on June 12, 2013, the Townspeople voted to close all Fiscal Year 2012/2013 overdrafts to surplus.



**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
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JUNE 30, 2013**

**NOTE 14 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**A. - Budgetary Accounting**

The Town of Bowdoinham utilizes a formal budgetary accounting system to control revenues and expenditures accounted for in the General Fund. This budget is established by the Board of Selectmen and must be approved at the Annual Town Meeting.

**B. - Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations**

For the year ended June 30, 2013, expenditures exceeded appropriations in two categories. Exhibit VII shows the following overdrafts:

Public Health and Welfare	\$	(539)
Debt Service	\$	(209)

The Town ratified these overdrafts at the 2013 Annual Town Meeting.

**C. - Deficit Balances**

Generally accepted accounting principles require disclosure of individual funds that have deficit balances at year-end.

As of June 30, 2013, the following funds held a deficit balance:

<b>Capital Projects Funds</b>		
Shore Harbor Grant	\$	(2,063)
<b>Special Revenue Funds</b>		
Planning Board Fees	\$	(22)
<b>Permanent Funds</b>		
Browns Point	\$	(66)

The Town anticipates receipts to offset these deficit balances in the following fiscal year.

**NOTE 15 – DEFERRED OUTFLOWS AND INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

All governments with periods beginning after December 15, 2011 are required to implement the following statements:

*GASB No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position and GASB No. 65, Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities.*

GASB 63 and GASB 65 amend GASB 34 to incorporate deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources into the financial reporting model. These terms are defined as follows:

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**NOTE 15 – DEFERRED OUTFLOWS AND INFLOWS OF RESOURCES (CONTINUED)**

*Deferred Outflows of Resources* - a consumption of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. It has a positive effect on net position, similar to assets.

*Deferred Inflows of Resources* - an acquisition of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. It has a negative effect on net position, similar to liabilities.

The GASB emphasizes in GASB 63 that deferred inflows and deferred outflows are not assets or liabilities and therefore should be separately categorized in the financial statements.

GASB 65 clarifies which financial statement items should continue to be presented as assets and liabilities and which should be reclassified as deferred outflows and deferred inflows, and which items should be treated as current period expenditures (outflows) or current period inflows.

The term "Net Assets" has been replaced with the term "Net Position" on the face of the statements. For governmental, proprietary and fiduciary statements, the residual amount remaining after the effects of assets plus deferred outflows less liabilities and deferred inflows has been referred as Net Position rather than Net assets, Proprietary, or Fiduciary Fund Balance or equity.

The previously component of net assets title "Net Assets Invested in Capital Net of Related Debt" is now named "Net Investment in Capital Assets." It also changed the calculation of that amount to include the effects of deferred outflows and inflows related to the acquisition, construction or improvements of those related capital assets. Lastly, it removes the portion of debt or deferred inflows related to unspent proceeds of those capital related financing transactions from the calculation of Net Investment in Capital Assets.

There are no deferred outflows or inflows of resources listed at June 30, 2013 for the Town of Bowdoinham.

**NOTE 16 – DATE OF MANAGEMENT'S REVIEW**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through October 9, 2013 the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

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**PROPOSED BUDGETS  
FOR FISCAL YEAR**

**2014-2015**

**Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015****Summary**

ARTICLE #	DEPARTMENTS	FY 14 BUDGET	FY 15 REQUEST	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
5	Administrative Budget	374,955	379,444	4,489	1.20%
6	General Services Budget	29,500	29,500	0	0.00%
7	Debt Services Budget	256,662	244,057	(12,605)	-4.91%
8	Fire Department Budget	71,684	72,530	845	1.18%
9	Town Maintenance Budget	86,350	81,735	(4,615)	-5.34%
10	ACO/Harbor Master	17,054	17,054	0	0.00%
11	EMS Budget	17,651	20,804	3,153	17.86%
12	Public Works Budget	376,506	394,096	17,590	4.67%
13	Solid Waste & Recycling Budget	174,709	177,982	3,274	1.87%
14	Recreation Budget	45,957	45,402	(555)	-1.21%
15	Planning/Codes	77,153	73,766	(3,388)	-4.39%
16	Contingency	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
17&18	Agency Requests	0	10,000	10,000	100.00%
TOTAL		1,538,181	1,556,369	18,188	1.18%

**Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015****Administration Budget**

Department Item	FY14 Budget	FY15 Request	Increase/	Percent
<b><u>Personnel</u></b>				
Town Manager Salary	73,500	74,603	1,103	1.50%
Administrative Personnel	81,644	84,300	2,656	3.25%
Subtotal:	155,144	158,903	3,759	2.42%
<b><u>Support &amp; Benefits</u></b>				
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	11,869	12,156	288	2.42%
Health, & Retirement benefits	42,797	43,873	1,076	2.51%
Subtotal:	54,666	56,029	1,364	2.49%
Subtotal Personnel Svcs Budget:	209,810	214,932	5,123	2.44%
<b><u>Professional Services</u></b>				
Legal Expense	7,000	6,000	(1,000)	-14.29%
Maine Municipal Assoc. Dues	3,200	3,200	0	0.00%
Municipal Audit Services	6,100	6,100	0	0.00%
Mapping Services	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Assessing Services	16,400	17,000	600	3.66%
Subtotal:	35,700	35,300	(400)	-1.12%
<b><u>Boards &amp; Stipends</u></b>				
Selectmen's Stipend	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%
Election Stipends	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Health Officer	750	750	0	0.00%
Cemetery Sexton	550	550	0	0.00%
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	750	750	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	10,550	10,550	0	0.00%



**Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015****Administration Budget**

<b>Department Item</b>	<b><u>FY14 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>FY15 Request</u></b>	<b><u>Increase/ Decrease</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>				
Print/Publications/Training	4,500	5,000	500	11.11%
Election Expenses	5,500	4,500	(1,000)	-18.18%
Miscellaneous Expense	750	750	0	0.00%
Payroll Service Expense	3,700	4,400	700	18.92%
Mileage Expense	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Office Supplies	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Postage & Bulk Mail	4,500	4,800	300	6.67%
Registry of Deeds	<u>2,520</u>	<u>3,400</u>	<u>880</u>	<u>34.92%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>26,470</b>	<b>27,850</b>	<b>1,380</b>	<b>5.21%</b>
<b><u>Equipment Maint./Repair</u></b>				
Equip. Replace/Repair/Computer	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Software Licenses	7,900	8,400	500	6.33%
Postage Meter-Lease/Purchase	1,250	1,250	0	0.00%
Copier Lease/Maint. Agreement	<u>6,395</u>	<u>6,395</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>23,545</b>	<b>24,045</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>2.12%</b>
<b><u>Risk Management</u></b>				
Public Officials Liability	5,880	5,600	(280)	-4.76%
Employee Bonding	500	500	0	0.00%
Worker's Comp	24,753	22,920	(1833)	-7.41%
Unemployment	7,048	5,342	(1706)	-24.21%
General Liability	6,600	7,780	1,180	17.88%
Vehicle Insurance	5,700	6,525	825	14.47%
Fire Dept Ins.	<u>9,300</u>	<u>9,300</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>59,781</b>	<b>57,967</b>	<b>(1814)</b>	<b>-3.03%</b>
<b><u>Utilities Expense</u></b>				
Electricity	2,600	2,600	0	0.00%
Heating Expense	2,400	2,400	0	0.00%
Water Service	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
Telephone Expense	<u>2,900</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>(300)</u>	<u>-10.34%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>9,100</b>	<b>8,800</b>	<b>(300)</b>	<b>-3.30%</b>
<b>Total Administrative Budget:</b>	<b>374,955</b>	<b>379,444</b>	<b>4,489</b>	<b>1.20%</b>

**ARTICLE 5**

## **Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015**

### **General Services & Debt Service Budget**

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/ Decrease</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
<b><u>GENERAL SERVICES BUDGET</u></b>				
General Assistance	7,500	7,000	(500)	-6.67%
Library Appropriation	18,500	19,000	500	2.70%
Snowbirds Appropriation	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Ambulance Contract	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>General Services Budget:</b>	<b>29,500</b>	<b>29,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b><u>DEBT SERVICE BUDGET</u></b>				
2008 Pleasant & Ridge Rd Bond (10 yr)	43,336	43,336	0	0.00%
2009 Road Bond (10 yr)	30,000	30,000	0	0.00%
2011 Road, PW Truck Bond (10yr)	64,400	64,400	0	0.00%
2011 Fire Truck Bond (15 yr)	17,067	17,067	0	0.00%
2012 Millay Road, PW Trackless Bond (10yr)	34,752	32,131	(2,621)	-7.54%
2013 Lease/Purchase Backhoe (10yr)	11,000	10,524	(476)	-4.33%
Interest Expense	<u>56,107</u>	<u>46,599</u>	<u>(9,508)</u>	<u>-16.95%</u>
<b>Debt Service Budget:</b>	<b>256,662</b>	<b>244,057</b>	<b>(12,605)</b>	<b>-4.91%</b>
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>286,162</b>	<b>273,557</b>	<b>(12,605)</b>	<b>-4.40%</b>

**ARTICLE 6&7**

## **Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015**

### **Recreation Budget**

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/ Decrease</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Rec Director	17,006	17,861	855	5.03%
FICA	1,301	1,366	65	5.02%
Health/Retirement	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
	<b>18,307</b>	<b>19,227</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>5.03%</b>
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>				
Misc. Expense	1,800	2,000	200	11.11%
Food Service Expense	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Recreation Advertising	350	175	(175)	-50.00%
Recreation Facilities	<u>6,000</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	<b>12,150</b>	<b>12,175</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0.21%</b>
<b><u>Athletic Program</u></b>				
Program Expenses	<u>6,500</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>(500)</u>	<u>-7.69%</u>
<b>Athletic Program Expense</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>(500)</b>	<b>-7.69%</b>
<b><u>Activities Program</u></b>				
Activities	<u>9,000</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>-11.11%</u>
<b>Activities Expense</b>	<b>9,000</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>(1,000)</b>	<b>-11.11%</b>
<b>Recreation Budget:</b>	<b>45,957</b>	<b>45,402</b>	<b>(555)</b>	<b>-1.21%</b>

**ARTICLE 14**

**Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015****Fire Department Budget**

<b>Department Item</b>	<b><u>FY 14 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>FY 15 Request</u></b>	<b><u>Increase/ Decrease</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
<b><u>Administration</u></b>				
Fire Chief Salary	15,155	15,383	228	1.50%
Vol. Reimb.	<u>16,600</u>	<u>16,600</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
FICA	2,429	2,447	17	0.72%
Health, & Retirement benefits	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>34,184</b>	<b>34,430</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>0.72%</b>
<b><u>Operating Expense</u></b>				
Training	1,900	2,500	600	31.58%
Mileage Reimburse	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Office Supplies	500	500	0	0.00%
Physicals/Innoculations	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Fire Suppression Equipment	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Equipment Testing	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
Radio Purchase & Repair	2,800	2,800	0	0.00%
Turnout Gear replacement	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Building Maintenance	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>23,700</b>	<b>24,300</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>2.53%</b>
<b><u>Utilities Expense</u></b>				
Electricity	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Heating Expense	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
Water Service	300	300	0	0.00%
Telephone	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>7,300</b>	<b>7,300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b><u>Vehicle Maintenance</u></b>				
Diesel	2,800	2,800	0	0.00%
Vehicle Maintenance/Parts & Repair	<u>3,700</u>	<u>3,700</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Fire Department Budget:</b>	<b>71,684</b>	<b>72,530</b>	<b>845</b>	<b>1.18%</b>
<b>ARTICLE 8</b>				

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015

### Maintenance Budget

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<b><u>TOWN MAINTENANCE</u></b>				
Custodial & Supplies	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Town Hall / Office Maint & Repair	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Town Hall Painting	5,000	0	(5,000)	-100.00%
Waterfront Maintenance/Parks	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Hydrant Rental	54,850	55,235	385	0.70%
Street & Facility Lighting	9,000	9,000	0	0.00%
Memorial Day	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Town Maintenance Budget:</b>	<b>86,350</b>	<b>81,735</b>	<b>(4,615)</b>	<b>-5.34%</b>
<b>ARTICLE 9</b>				

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015

### Planning/Codes Budget

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/</u> <u>Decrease</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
<b>Personnel</b>				
Planner (55%)	28,050	28,471	421	1.50%
Code Enforcement Officer	20,150	20,453	303	1.50%
FICA	3,687	3,743	55	1.50%
Health, & Retirement benefits	<u>14,976</u>	<u>15,809</u>	<u>833</u>	<u>5.56%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>66,863</b>	<b>68,476</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>2.41%</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Print/Publications/Training	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Enforcement	250	250	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous	500	500	0	0.00%
Mileage	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Postage/Bulk	500	500	0	0.00%
Telephone	<u>540</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>3,790</b>	<b>3,790</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Planning Expenses</b>				
Comprehensive Plan	5000	0	(5,000)	-100.00%
Planning/Appeals	1500	1,500	0	0.00%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>(5,000)</b>	<b>-76.92%</b>
<b>Planning Budget:</b>	<b>77,153</b>	<b>73,766</b>	<b>-3,388</b>	<b>-4.39%</b>
<b>ARTICLE 15</b>				



## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015

### ACO/Harbor Master Budget

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/ Decrease</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
<b><u>PERSONNEL</u></b>				
ACO Salary	8,115	8,115	0	0.00%
Harbor Master salary	1,800	1,800	0	0.00%
FICA	<u>759</u>	<u>759</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Subtotal:	<b>10,674</b>	<b>10,674</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b><u>ACO</u></b>				
Pager/Phone	840	840	0	0.00%
Mileage Reimbursement	500	500	0	0.00%
Impound Fees	3,750	3,750	0	0.00%
Feral Cat/Disposal	150	150	0	0.00%
Supplies & Equip./Training	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Subtotal:	<b>5,690</b>	<b>5,690</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b><u>HARBOR MASTER</u></b>				
Training & Membership	375	375	0	0.00%
Harbor Master Supplies & Equip	150	150	0	0.00%
Telephone	<u>165</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Subtotal:	<b>690</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
Animal Control/Harbor Budget:	<b>17,054</b>	<b>17,054</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
ARTICLE 10				

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015

### Contingency Budget

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/ Decrease</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
<b><u>Contingency</u></b>				
Contingency	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Contingency Budget	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b><u>Agency Requests</u></b>				
BCDI	0	5,000	5,000	100.00%
Merrymeeting Arts Center	<u>0</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Agency Requests Budget	<b>0</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
ARTICLE 16				

**Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015****EMS Budget**

<b>Department Item</b>	<b><u>FY 14 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>FY 15 Request</u></b>	<b><u>Increase/ Decrease</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
<b><u>EMS</u></b>				
Volunteer Reimburse	2,500	4,500	2,000	80.00%
EMS Director	5,304	5,304	0	0.00%
FICA/Medicare	597	750	153	25.63%
Print/Publications/Train	2,400	2,400	0	0.00%
Equipment	4,300	4,300	0	0.00%
Mileage	900	900	0	0.00%
License/Memberships	650	650	0	0.00%
Protective Clothing	<u>1,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
<b>EMS Budget</b>	<b>17,651</b>	<b>20,804</b>	<b>3,153</b>	<b>17.86%</b>

**ARTICLE 11****Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015****TIF Budget**

<b>PIPELINE TIF</b>				
<b>Department Item</b>	<b><u>FY 14 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>FY 15 Request</u></b>	<b><u>Increase/ Decrease</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
<b>Staff</b>				
Econ. Development Director	22,950	23,295	345	1.50%
FICA	1,756	1,782	26	1.48%
Health, & Retirement benefits	<u>6,582</u>	<u>7,263</u>	<u>681</u>	<u>10.35%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>31,288</b>	<b>32,340</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>3.36%</b>
<b>Operating</b>				
Print/Publications/Training	1,000	750	(250)	-25.00%
Website/Phone/Maint.	1,600	1,600	0	0.00%
Office Equip./Supplies/Computer	500	750	250	50.00%
Concert Series	2,300	2,500	200	8.70%
Printing/Advertise/Postage	250	1,000	750	300.00%
Dues/ Memberships	1,000	750	(250)	-25.00%
Celebrate	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Newsletter	9,000	6,500	(2,500)	-27.78%
Capital Projects	<u>13,883</u>	<u>15,998</u>	<u>2,115</u>	<u>15.23%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>37,533</b>	<b>37,848</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>0.84%</b>
<b>Pipeline TIF Budget Total</b>	<b>68,821</b>	<b>70,188</b>	<b>1,367</b>	<b>1.99%</b>

**CMP/RIVERFRONT TIF**

<b>Department Item</b>	<b><u>FY 14 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>FY 15 Request</u></b>	<b><u>Increase/ Decrease</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
<b>Operating</b>				
Projects & Events	<u>0</u>	<u>26,180</u>	<u>26,180</u>	
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26,180</b>	<b>26,180</b>	
<b>CMP/Riverfront TIF Budget Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26,180</b>	<b>26,180</b>	

**Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015****Public Works Budget**

<b>Department Item</b>	<b><u>FY 14 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>FY 15 Request</u></b>	<b><u>Increase/ Decrease</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
Public Works Foreman	39,568	40,156	588	1.49%
PW Personnel	<u>56,265</u>	<u>57,130</u>	<u>865</u>	<u>1.54%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>95,833</b>	<b>97,286</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>1.52%</b>
FICA	8,837	8,965	128	1.45%
Health, & Retirement benefits	<u>39,155</u>	<u>42,845</u>	<u>3,690</u>	<u>9.42%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>47,992</b>	<b>51,810</b>	<b>3,818</b>	<b>7.96%</b>
<b><u>Operating Expense</u></b>				
Printing/Pubs/Training	1,000	750	(250)	-25.00%
Miscellaneous Supplies	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Vehicle Maintenance	9,500	9,000	(500)	-5.26%
Vehicle Replacement Fund	0	10,000	10,000	100.00%
Tools/Equip/Radios/Uniforms	4,500	4,000	(500)	-11.11%
Building Maintenance	<u>3,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>-33.33%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>19,000</b>	<b>26,750</b>	<b>7,750</b>	<b>40.79%</b>
<b><u>Utilities</u></b>				
Electricity	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Heating	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Telephone/Internet/trash	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b><u>Highway Maintenance</u></b>				
Mow/Grade/Culvert	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Ditching/Gravel	20,000	20,000	0	0.00%
Signage	1,000	850	(150)	-15.00%
Paving/Surf mant	12,500	11,000	(1,500)	-12.00%
Gas/Diesel	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>47,500</b>	<b>45,850</b>	<b>(1,650)</b>	<b>-3.47%</b>
<b><u>Snow &amp; Ice Removal</u></b>				
Plowing & Sanding Contract(s)	16,000	14,500	(1,500)	-9.38%
PW Overtime	19,681	19,900	219	1.11%
Road Salt and Sand	75,500	80,000	4,500	5.96%
Diesel	19,000	19,000	0	0.00%
Winter Vehicle& Equip. Main.	<u>28,000</u>	<u>31,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>10.71%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>158,181</b>	<b>164,400</b>	<b>6,219</b>	<b>3.93%</b>
<b>Road &amp; Highway Budget:</b>	<b>376,506</b>	<b>394,096</b>	<b>17,590</b>	<b>4.67%</b>
<b>ARTICLE 12</b>				

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2015

### Solid Waste & Recycling Budget

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/ Decrease</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
<b><u>Personnel</u></b>				
Recycling Personnel	38,284	39,799	1,515	3.96%
Recycling Director	19,632	19,917	285	1.45%
FICA	4,431	4,568	138	3.11%
Health & Retirement benefits	<u>7,700</u>	<u>8,200</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>6.49%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>70,047</b>	<b>72,484</b>	<b>2,438</b>	<b>3.48%</b>
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>				
Misc. Expense	2,550	2,850	300	11.76%
Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance	4,000	3,000	(1,000)	-25.00%
Recycling Barn Lease	14,562	14,998	436	2.99%
Gas/Oil/Propane	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Building Upgrades	1,500	0	(1,500)	
Building Maintenance - General	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>25,812</b>	<b>24,048</b>	<b>(1,764)</b>	<b>-6.83%</b>
<b><u>Utilities Expense</u></b>				
Electricity & Telephone	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>10.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>10.00%</b>
<b><u>Recycling &amp; Disposal Expenses</u></b>				
Single Stream Contract	350	350	0	0.00%
General Disposal	5,000	5,500	500	10.00%
Curbside Pickup Contract	54,500	56,000	1,500	2.75%
Trash Disposal	17,000	17,500	500	2.94%
Hazardous Waste	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>77,850</b>	<b>80,350</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>3.21%</b>
<b>Solid Waste &amp; Recycling Budget:</b>	<b>174,709</b>	<b>177,982</b>	<b>3,274</b>	<b>1.87%</b>
<b>ARTICLE 13</b>				



## Bowdoinham FY 2015

### Revenue Budget

Department Item	<u>FY 14 Budget</u>	<u>FY 15 Request</u>	<u>Increase/</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<b>Tax Collector's Revenue</b>				
Excise - Boat	5,400	5,400	0	0.00%
Excise - Airplane	50	50	0	0.00%
Excise - Auto	405,000	435,000	30,000	7.41%
DMV Agent	10,500	10,500	0	0.00%
Veterans Reimbursement	2,600	2,900	300	11.54%
Interest - Taxes	<u>13,000</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Total Tax Collectors Revenue</b>	<b>436,550</b>	<b>466,850</b>	<b>30,300</b>	<b>6.94%</b>
<b>Treasurer's Revenue</b>				
Local Road	45,120	38,012	(7,108)	-15.75%
Snowmobile	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
General Assistance	3,750	3,500	(250)	-6.67%
State Park Fees	2,600	2,800	200	7.69%
Tree Growth Reimb	<u>8,500</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>11.76%</u>
<b>Total Treasurer's Revenue</b>	<b>61,170</b>	<b>55,012</b>	<b>(6,158)</b>	<b>-10.07%</b>
<b>Local Revenue</b>				
Plumbing Fees	3,000	4,000	1,000	33.33%
Building Fees	4,000	5,000	1,000	25.00%
Ordinance/Fines	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Rec. Advertising	1,000	700	(300)	-30.00%
Rec. Fundraising	3,000	1,500	(1,500)	-50.00%
Rec. Food Service	6,800	6,800	0	0.00%
Rec. Registration	11,500	11,500	0	0.00%
Rec. Sponsor	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
<b>Total Local Revenue</b>	<b>33,800</b>	<b>34,000</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0.59%</b>
<b>Other Revenue</b>				
General Disposal	6,000	5,500	(500)	-8.33%
Solid Waste	70,000	68,000	(2,000)	-2.86%
Hazardous Waste	0	0	0	0.00%
Recycling	22,000	20,000	(2,000)	-9.09%
Public Works Recycling	500	500	0	100.00%
Mooring Fees	900	900	0	0.00%
Rentals	7,800	8,200	400	5.13%
Cemetery	0	0	0	
Trust Transfers	5,000	6,000	1,000	20.00%
Fire Station Rental	500	500	0	100.00%
Franchise	11,500	12,500	1,000	8.70%
Lien Fees	5,000	5,000	0	100.00%
Investment	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
EMS Donations	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Fire Donations	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
<b>Total Other Revenue</b>	<b>135,500</b>	<b>133,400</b>	<b>(2,100)</b>	<b>-1.55%</b>

**Bowdoinham FY 2015****Revenue Budget**

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<b>Department Item</b>	<b><u>FY 14 Budget</u></b>	<b><u>FY 15 Request</u></b>	<b><u>Increase/</u></b>	<b><u>Percent</u></b>
<b>Town Clerk Revenue</b>				
IF & W Agent	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
Dog Agent	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
Late Dog	1,400	1,200	(200)	-14.29%
Vital Statistics	2,000	2,100	100	5.00%
Misc. Revenue	1,600	2,000	400	25.00%
<b>Total Town Clerk Revenue</b>	<b>7,600</b>	<b>7,900</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>3.95%</b>
<b>Subtotal Non Property Tax Revenue</b>	<b>674,620</b>	<b>697,162</b>	<b>22,542</b>	<b>3.34%</b>
<b>Undesignated Fund Balance</b>				
Undesignated FB	100,000	75,000	(25,000)	-25.00%
<b>Total Undesignated FB Revenue</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>(25,000)</b>	<b>-25.00%</b>
<b>Total Non Property Tax Revenue</b>	<b>774,620</b>	<b>772,162</b>	<b>(2,458)</b>	<b>-0.32%</b>
<b>Property Tax Related Revenues</b>				
Homestead Reimbursement	62,524	60,498	(2,026)	-3.52%
Municipal Revenue Sharing	132,501	122,309	(10,192)	-6.15%
BETE Reimbursement	491	491	0	
<b>Total Property Tax Related Revenue</b>	<b>195,516</b>	<b>183,298</b>	<b>(12,218)</b>	<b>-5.47%</b>
Total Non Property Tax Rev	774,620	772,162	(2,458)	-0.32%
Total All Revenues	970,136	955,460	(14,676)	-1.51%

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

**Sagadahoc, ss**

**State of Maine**

To: Linda Jariz, a resident of the Town of Bowdoinham, in said County of Sagadahoc, State of Maine

**GREETINGS:** In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Bowdoinham, in said County, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the **Bowdoinham Town Hall on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.** then and there to act on Article 1 as set out below.

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the **Bowdoinham Community School** in said town on **Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**, then and there to act on Articles 2 through 39 as set out below:

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

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**ORDINANCE**

**ARTICLE 2:** Shall the ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to Add and Revise Definitions, Revise Terminology Regarding Non-Conforming Buildings, Add Provisions Regarding Junkyards and Automobile Graveyards, Establish Procedures for Setback Determinations by the Planning Board, and to Clarify Licensing Procedures for the Board of Selectmen” be enacted?

Copies of the proposed amendments are available from the Town Clerk.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board and Planning Board recommend this article to pass.

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**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall the Town adopt a new Comprehensive Plan entitled, “Town of Bowdoinham Comprehensive Plan, April 2014, Approved for June 11, 2014 Town Meeting Warrant,” which will repeal and replace the existing Comprehensive Plan, adopted by the Town on November 1, 2000?

Copies of the proposed comprehensive plan are available from the Town Clerk.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends this article to pass.

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**TAX INCREMENT FINANCING**

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the voters of the Town of Bowdoinham designate a municipal tax increment financing district pursuant to Title 30-A, Chapter 206 of the Maine Revised Statutes to be known as the “Town of Bowdoinham CMP/Riverfront Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District” (“the District”) in accordance with the resolution approved by the Select Board on March 25, 2014 attached hereto, and adopt the Development Program for such District as presented to the Town Meeting?

**Description:**

The proposed Town of Bowdoinham CMP/Riverfront Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District (“the District”) would consist of 110.07 acres located in two distinct tracts, one near Main St. and the other near Brown’s Point Road, as depicted in the map of the District. The development program for the District proposes to provide financial support to a number of Town economic development projects and programs. The percentage of new taxes to be captured by the Town if the proposed 20-year program is approved is 100% for years 1-20.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

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**EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES**

**(All recommendations for the Expense Budget Articles are joint unanimous recommendations of the Select Board and the Finance Advisory Committee.)**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Administrative Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 379,444.00**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for General Services Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 29,500.00**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Debt Services Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 244,057.00**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Fire Department Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 72,530.00**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Town Maintenance Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 81,735.00**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Animal Control Budget/Harbor Master Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 17,054.00**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 20,804.00**



**ARTICLE 12:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Public Works Department Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 394,096.00**

**ARTICLE 13:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Solid Waste & Recycling Department Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 177,982.00**

**ARTICLE 14:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Recreation Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 45,402.00**

**ARTICLE 15:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Planning/ Code Enforcement Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 73,766.00**

**ARTICLE 16:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Contingency Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$ 10,000.00**

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**OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION REQUESTS**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Bowdoinham Community Development Initiative (BCDI).

**RECOMMENDATION: The Select Board (Vote: 4 – 1 ) and Finance Advisory Committee (Vote: 5 – 0) recommends \$5,000.00**

**ARTICLE 18:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Merrymeeting Arts Center.

**RECOMMENDATION: The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee unanimously recommends \$5,000.00**

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**PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$699,180 established for Bowdoinham by State law in the event the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

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**REVENUE BUDGET ARTICLE**

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$697,162.00 from the Estimated Revenues Account (Non-Property Tax Revenues) to be applied to reduce the 2015 tax rate?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

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**FUND BALANCE ARTICLE**

**ARTICLE 21:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$75,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to be applied to reduce the 2015 tax rate?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

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**BUSINESS ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 22:** Shall the Town vote to fix the fifteenth day of October 2014 and the fifteenth day of April 2015 when all 2015 real estate and personal property taxes shall be due and payable in semi-annual installments and to instruct the Tax Collector to charge interest at 7.00% per annum on all taxes unpaid after said date(s)?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to establish the interest rate of 3% per year on the amount of overpayment to be paid to a taxpayer who is determined to have paid an amount of real estate or personal property taxes in excess of amount finally assessed pursuant to 36 M.R.S. §506-A.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax payments prior to the commitment of taxes.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 25:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a 2015 Tax Club Plan to taxpayers who enroll no later than July 31, 2014, who pay the total amount of 2015 taxes by monthly payments from July 2014 to June 30, 2015; who abide by the requirements of said plan; who shall receive from the Town, in return for such payments, full credit for such taxes paid without incurring any charge of interest?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 26:** Shall the Town authorize the payment of any overdrafts that may occur in the Town's 2014 budget to be paid out of the fund balance?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to spend funds from various reserve funds, as they deem necessary, in a manner that is consistent with the purposes for which said funds were established?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to accept on behalf of the Town, monetary gifts, and to appropriate said gifts to supplement the accounts specified by the benefactor.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will authorize the following actions on behalf of the town: (1) to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to rent, lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Municipal Quit Claim deeds for same; (2) to authorize the Select Board to keep any real estate acquired for non-payment of taxes or portion thereof for the use of the town when they deem it to be in the town's best interests; and (3) to authorize the Select Board to rent or lease town-owned real estate that was not acquired for non-payment of taxes when they deem it to be in the town's best interest and on such terms as they deem advisable.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of a tax lien mortgage by recording a Waiver of Foreclosure at the Registry of Deeds in which the Tax Lien Certificate is recorded, prior to the right of redemption expiring, pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 944.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town to sell or dispose of obsolete Town equipment, material and commodities on such terms as they deem proper.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to accept any donations, gifts or grants of money for the Heating Assistance Program reserve account and to expend available funds from the account for the designated purpose.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to enter into multi-year contracts necessary to provide services to the Town.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass. Services for the town include but are not limited to ambulance service, banking, road maintenance, snow removal, curbside recycling and rubbish disposal.

**ARTICLE 34:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to enter into an interlocal agreement with the municipalities of Gardiner, Richmond, and Topsham to facilitate the planning, construction and maintenance of a regional multi-user trail known as the Merrymeeting Trail, pursuant to the Maine Interlocal Cooperation Act, 30-A M.R.S. § 2201-2208?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to accept and expend Community Development Block Grant Funds and other federal, state or private grants on behalf of the Town.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to annually set fees for returned checks, copies of Town ordinances and other documents, and notary services.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to collect Solid Waste Management User Fees for FY 2014/2015 at the rate of \$2.50 per bag.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the recommendations of the Select Board to set the annual permit fee, pursuant to the provisions of 7.1.1 of the Solid Waste Management Ordinance, for commercial haulers operating within the Town of Bowdoinham.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board's recommendation is for a \$150.00 fee per year, per truck for trucks with up to and including six (6) wheels; a fee of \$250.00 per year, per truck for trucks with more than six (6) wheels. Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to close any road or roads or portions thereof for winter maintenance and to annul, alter, or modify such decisions, pursuant to 23 M.R.S. §2953, and that such orders made by the Select Board shall be a final determination.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

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