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Annual Town Report

Woodstock, Maine

For the Year Ending 12/31/2017



Annual Town Meeting

Monday March 26, 2018

Woodstock Elementary School

At 7:00PM

In an effort to maintain the memories of the Union Church, a plaque will be placed on the granite steps that will read,

These Granite steps were crossed countless times by families, friends, church goers and visitors alike to enter the building that stood on this site for over 150 years. The building served as a Church, a community center and as a meeting place for the Willing Workers Organization. It was removed from the site piece by piece and it lives on in some local homes and in a newly restored restaurant in Portland Maine.

These stairs serve as a reminder of a once very active community building that was filled with good times and happy memories.



Cover Photo

This American Bald Eagle successfully raised two baby eagles on North Pond, for a third year, on the same nest.

(Jane Chandler photo)

Inside front cover

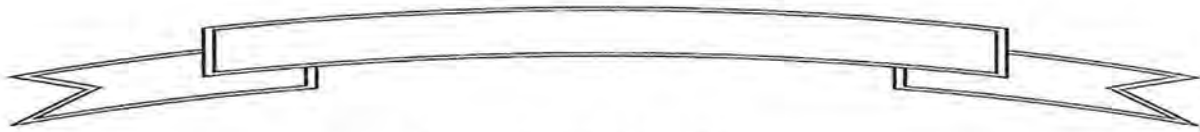
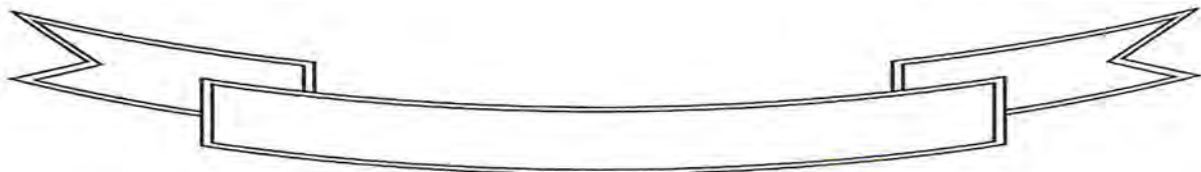


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The 2017 Woodstock Annual Town report is

Respectfully Dedicated to

Mr. Richard G. Felt

May 3, 1923 to March 12, 2017



Mr. Felt was an iconic figure in the Town of Woodstock. He cared about the people he served in his town. He took time to talk with people, to listen to them, and was willing to go the extra mile to help folks out when necessary. Mr. Felt served the Town of Woodstock as a Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor from 1972 to 1980. In June of 2015 Mr. Felt had the pleasure of riding in the Bicentennial Parade as one of Woodstock Oldest Citizens.

Selectmen's Annual Report to the Town

This past year has been a very busy and productive one with many exciting things that have happened for the town. The selectmen are very pleased with the many things accomplished which would not have been possible without the dedication and support of the staff in all the town departments.

- With the leadership from the fire department submitting a Home Land Security grant the town was awarded \$8,000.00 for an on demand generator for the town office if it loses power. This is a plus as the town can continue doing business for the community.
- Thanks to our Fire Department staff conducting and supporting skills and safety training along with responding to numerous calls it has lowered the towns ISO (Insurance Services Office) rating.
- With the expertise of the town's road crew and a subcontractor the installation of a culvert at concord pond was accomplished. With this culvert it will eliminate wash outs on concord pond road that cost the town thousand of dollars every year for road repair maintenance.
- This past year we also had a reorganization of leadership within the town crew. All the town crew was in support of this change where Josh Campbell became the new Road Foreman. With this change the staff is working harmoniously to support the many needs of town.
- Steve Beis stepped down as selectmen and newly elected Shawn Coffin filled that seat. We are very pleased to have Shawn as part as the board as he brings a lot of experience and knowledge in many different areas that we all can draw from. WELCOME SHAWN.
- The town also developed a written marijuana ordinance were there is a moratorium on recreational and club sales. The town adopted this moratorium because the state has not yet developed standards for towns to follow for sales.
- The town also looked at areas of potential savings and completed a light retrofit for energy efficiency in the town office, town garage, library, and the old MDOT building facility. The project cost was \$11,400.00. The town received a rebate from Efficiency Maine for \$4,200.00 and the town portion was \$ 7,200.00. This project has been saving \$2,000.00 yearly for electricity cost. So the pay back is about three and half years.
- The town of Woodstock and Greenwood had a re-evaluation where both towns shared the cost for that project.
- Julie Davis stepped down as school board director and newly elected Rick Young filled that seat. The town was very fortunate to have his real life experiences contributing to the decision making of the school board.
- The town this past year took delivery of a new plow truck which has the capacity to carry enough sand where it does not have to make two trips to sand the assigned route that it does.

In closing, the selectmen want the citizens to know that the town is financially stable with \$1,037,996.00 in surplus. This is because of many reasons but most specifically because of the leadership we have in the town office. We also want you to know that we are very pleased to have served the community and look forward to continued success in the future.

Ronald Deegan *Ronald Deegan*

Mike Nadeau *Michael J. Nadeau*

Shawn Coffin *Shawn Coffin*

Selectmen for the Town of Woodstock

Town Manager's Report - 2017

Greetings,

Once again it is my pleasure to write to you, the citizens and taxpayers of Woodstock, about the activities of Woodstock's governmental operations.

Woodstock continues to be stable financially as we work our way through unstable times. The Town's buildings and vehicles are in good condition and good maintenance routines are being developed and followed. This year the Library and the newly acquired former MDOT buildings were painted. New carpet was installed at the Town Office, the old carpet only lasted 30 years.

For the first time a 10 wheeler plow truck was purchased by the Town. This truck is used on the southern route and does save by eliminating two trips with salted sand. It is also set up to use liquid salt/calcium as a road treatment.

The Fire Department's 1988 Forestry truck was replaced this year with a 2018 Ford F 550 and is now in-service.

We are working steadfastly to keep our roads in good condition. We are also working toward "fixing" ongoing problem areas where weather causes washouts. For example we have reconstructed two major problems on the Concord Pond road by redesigning a brook crossing using a concrete box culvert and this year we put in a new 60" culvert at the outlet of Concord Pond. This replaces three culverts that often were plugged by beavers.

The Selectmen and I have spent a great deal of time working on the Cost Sharing Study plan with regard to the Town of Newry. It is very difficult to pull all of the information together. We have worked with the Selectmen and Town Managers to find common ground in the matter. We continue to look for ways to best handle this concern. As I write it looks like we may have another opportunity to vote on the cost Study Plan. Please contact one of your Selectmen or your Town Manager to ask them questions and give them your input.

I am well aware that the Town has a very dedicated full-time staff. I compiled the following chart to show you how long each employee has been with the Town of Woodstock. It is quite remarkable.

Woodstock Full-time Employees		Date Hired	Length of Service
Althea Hathaway	Librarian	June 1, 2003	14.5 years
Jon Campbell	Highway Department	July 1, 2004	13.5 years
Joshua Cambell	Road Foreman	June 1, 2006	11.5 years
Randy Eastman	Highway Department	July 1, 2000	17.5 years
Ricky Farnum	Highway Department	June 21, 2001	16.5 years
Rose Fraser	Admin Assistant	November 5, 2001	16 years
Vern Maxfield	Town Manager	August 1, 1988	29.5 years

It is also important to recognize the Town's many part time employees and committee members. Each one has a vital part in seeing to it that Woodstock runs smoothly.

The firefighters put their lives on the line, and under the leadership of Chief Kyle Hopps, we have one of the best small town fire departments anywhere. Thank them when you have the opportunity.

We are busy trying to stay up to date with changes that come our way. Our budget this year includes money for upgrades to our Trio Accounting software. This is the first major update since we purchased the program in 2001.

It has been very exciting to be able to work with Tucker Carlson, whose family has been part of Bryant Pond for many years. Tucker has developed a Fox News broadcast studio in the basement of the Library. He has been broadcasting his 8:00PM Tucker Carlson Live program from there on and off this past summer. He looks forward to being in the Bryant Pond Fox News Studio more this coming summer.

I am grateful to be able to work for the Town of Woodstock and its people. The Selectmen and I work on your behalf and would like to have you join us at our meetings anytime. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings at 5:00PM.

We look forward to seeing you at town Meeting.

Sincerely,

Vern



Milt Inman photo



Vern Maxfield, Thelma Hooper & George Hooper
(Barry Hallett photo)

George & Thelma Hooper were the Woodstock 2017 Spirit of America Award Winners.



Municipal Resolution

The 2017 Woodstock, Maine Spirit of America Foundation Tribute honors

George & Thelma Hooper

for commendable community service.

Be it Resolved by the Selectmen of the Town of Woodstock as follows:

Whereas, George & Thelma Hooper have been committed to the Betterment of the Town of Woodstock for over 35 years;

And that together they revitalized the local village store in the 1980's;

And that together they fought tirelessly to preserve the Ring-Down Hand Crank Magneto telephone system, which effort became a world-wide event putting Woodstock, Maine on the map;

And that together they remodeled four homes, including the former, now over 100 year old, Howe Farm, over the last 35 years, preserving the history of those buildings;

Whereas, George served as a Selectman from 1985 to 1989, during which time was instrumental in bringing the Town Manager form of Government to Woodstock;

Whereas, George has been an active member and Chairman of the Woodstock Republican Town Committee;

Initiated a plan to provide "Welcome to Bryant Pond" signs and donated them to the Town; and
Initiated a fund to purchase American Flags to adorn the power poles along Route 26 through the Village;

Whereas, George served on the Committee that wrote the Comprehensive Plan for Woodstock, Maine in 2003, with the idea of preserving the beauty and lifestyle of the Town;

Whereas, George took on the maintenance of a nearly forgotten Cemetery and made it respectable again;

Be it Resolved, by the Selectmen of the Town of Woodstock, that **George & Thelma Hooper** are hereby recognized for their great achievements and honors they have brought upon this community with the **2017 Woodstock Spirit of America Foundation Tribute**; and

Be it Further Resolved that a copy of this resolution be appropriately framed and presented to **George & Thelma Hooper, Mr. & Mrs. Woodstock**, for appropriate display.

Awarded March 27, 2017

Selectmen Ronald Deegan, Stephen Bies, Michael Nadeau

Town Manager Vern H. Maxfield

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

FOREMAN'S REPORT

2017

Greeting to the residents of Woodstock. The year of 2017 was a very busy year for the highway department. On top of our regular maintenance, we were able to do some specialty projects. One that stands out includes rebuilding the dump body on the 2005 Sterling plow truck. This will enable us to lengthen the life of the truck. As a department we are also excited about our new anticorrosion program that we have put into place to protect and prolong the condition of our trucks and other equipment.

We have also wrapped up work on the parking area located on the lower (Tee Ball) field. This gives ball game spectators ample parking, doing so clears up the sides of Lakeside Drive and Route 26 from any parking potential issues, and increases motoring and spectator safety during ball games.

Another capital improvement project that we took on late last summer was doing away with the three inadequate steel culverts that were located on the Concord Pond Road at the outlet of Concord Pond (Croc Brook). By changing the shape of the road, we were able to install a 5' smooth bore plastic culvert. This will handle any and all water that comes its way. It should also help to remedy the ongoing beaver dam issue that we have been battling for years.

After the trucks and equipment were set up and ready for winter, it gave us the opportunity to do some clean up and landscaping at the town's newly acquired garage located on Route 232 (previously Maine DOT Garage). Years of neglect to the property made this project quite extensive. We have made great progress in the appearance and overall functionality of the facility.

Also we've acquired the new 2018 Western Star Plow truck. Arriving late November we were not able to use it for any summer work but had many opportunities to use it for our winter snow and ice control duties. We have been very impressed with the quality and performance of this truck as of yet.

Roads paved include:

Perkins Valley Road (starting at Koskela Road intersection to the top of the hill)

Dudley Road (from Route 26 to newer hot top)

The Old Gore Road (located off the Gore Road)

Cushman Hill Road (at the end of the road)

Cushman Road (Starting where paving from the previous year ended and continued towards Perkins Valley Road)

Curtis Hill Road (section by the West Paris Town line)

Rowe Hill Road (from Old County Road to the Greenwood town line)

We look forward to another productive year serving the taxpayers and residents of this wonderful community in which we live!

Respectfully,

Josh Campbell
Road Foreman



(Concord Pond outlet)

Fire Department Report

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

This year was another very busy year for the department, having 193 calls. This is the highest amount of calls the department has ever had, beating 2015's record of 161 calls. Of these calls, 122 were fire calls and 71 calls were medical. The amount of calls continue to grow every year with the fire department responding to medical calls, structure fires, vehicle accidents, forest fires, grass fires, carbon monoxide and fire alarms, basement flooding, service calls and damage caused by severe storms.

Our daytime coverage crews responded to a record 56 calls while they were on duty, exceeding last year's daytime record of 45 calls. This daytime coverage continues to provide a valuable service to our town, as well as to our neighboring towns providing a quick response to the many emergency calls that occur during the day, when many firefighters are away from town working. In addition to responding to emergency calls, the firefighters continue to keep our equipment in great shape and ready to roll when the need arises. I'm grateful that we can continue to offer this service to the Woodstock residents.

Late in 2017 the fire department was able to purchase a Kawasaki Mule Pro 6 man cab UTV (off road vehicle) and trailer with funds from donations, fundraisers and billing revenue. This UTV will be a great addition to the department. This UTV will help Woodstock, as well as neighboring towns, with accessing remote forest fires, search and rescues, road washouts from severe storms and any other need where a car or truck cannot easily access. Firefighters will work in 2018 to get this UTV ready for the new year and to extensively train on this new unit before it becomes available to respond to emergencies.

This year's firefighter of the year award went to Donald Hoyt. The following firefighters received years of service award, which are issued to firefighters for every 5 years of service: Timothy Rosenberg for 30 years of service, Kenneth Ruff for 25 years of service and Shawn Coffin for 5 years of service.

We continue to provide our Emergency First Responder service, which responds to all medical calls in conjunction with the PACE ambulance service. This allows for trained medical staff to reach a patient in a timely manner and provide needed assistance to the ambulance crews. Woodstock currently has 4 EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians) and EMR's (Emergency Medical Responders).

We had another great turnout at this year's Parade of Lights. The weather was great which encouraged a large amount of people to stop by the station after the parade to socialize and enjoy the free refreshments. Thank you to all that attended and we hope to see you again in October 2018 for our next parade!

Thank you for your continued support,

Kyle Hopps, Fire Chief

2012

Fire= 79 Medical= 55

Calls during station coverage= 41

Total

134

2013

Fire= 84 Medical= 56

Calls during station coverage= 40

Total

140

2014

Fire= 68 Medical= 63

Calls during station coverage= 39

Total

131

2015

Fire= 71 Medical= 90

Calls during station coverage= 36

Total

161

2016

Fire= 76 Medical= 80

Calls during station coverage= 45

Total

156

2017

Fire= 122 Medical= 71

Calls during station coverage= 56

Total

193



The new 2018 Forestry Truck replaces the 1988 Forestry Truck. This truck was specifically designed by Chief Hopps and his team to serve the needs of Woodstock. It also has specifically designed storage cabinets for tools and other equipment needed when this truck is called into service. The cabinets were designed and built by Firefighter Ken Ruff.



WOODSTOCK FIRE DEPARTMENT

P.O. Box 317

Bryant Pond, Maine 04219

Phone- (207) 665-2345 Email- wfd@megalink.net

November 20, 2017

To the residents and business owners of The Town of Woodstock,

As of October 1st, 2017 the Insurance Services Office (ISO) has increased the rating for the Town of Woodstock from a 9/10 to an 8b/10. This increase is the first increase in the town's rating since ISO has been issuing these ratings for our town. Although this increase may seem to be small, it is a big step for a community without the assistance of a pressurized water system (fire hydrants). Communities with fire hydrants can obtain lower ratings due to the quicker availability of water.

Here is a little bit of information about ISO:

"ISO collects information on municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. In each of those communities, ISO analyzes the relevant data using our Fire Suppression Rating Schedule. We then assign a Public Protection Classification from 1 to 10. Class 1 generally represents superior property fire protection, and Class 10 indicates that the area's fire-suppression program doesn't meet ISO's minimum criteria.

By classifying communities' ability to suppress fires, ISO helps the communities evaluate their public fire-protection services. The program provides an objective, countrywide standard that helps fire departments in planning and budgeting for facilities, equipment, and training. And by securing lower fire insurance premiums for communities with better public protection, the PPC program provides incentives and rewards for communities that choose to improve their firefighting services." (from www.isomitigation.com).

By having an increase in our insurance rating, there is a potential that your home or business owner's insurance premium may be lowered. Unfortunately, ISO does not issue insurance rates, therefore they do not know what kind of effect this increase of our insurance rating will have on your insurance policy.

Please contact your insurance representative for more information about how this increase in the town's ISO rating may have an effect on your insurance premium.

Sincerely,

Kyle Hopps

Fire Chief

Woodstock Fire Department

REPORT FROM THE PLANNING BOARD

The regular Planning Board members are Keith Hadley, Chair, William Coolidge, Thomas Gallagher, Jerry Bernier, and Robert McQueeney. Carolyn Guilford is the alternate member. The Board meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room.

Kingston Brown is the current CEO.

The Board looked at a total of forty-nine applications. There were 5 new homes, 7 camps/cabins, 10 sheds/barns, 12 garages, 8 decks/porches, and 7 miscellaneous constructions.

The Planning Board voted to raise the building permit fees by \$10.00 each.

The Planning Board requests that all applications be submitted one week before the scheduled meeting. This allows the paperwork to be checked for completeness – all measurements to property lines, road right of ways, septic, well, etc. must be on the plan. It also gives the CEO time for a site visit if one is needed. If the application is for a new home, building or business, a copy of the deed must be provided.

Submitted by Rose Fraser, Secretary of the Board

2017 Code Enforcement Report

The Town of Woodstock has shown me what a treasure it truly is. With so much wilderness and water to explore, I am constantly amazed at what the town has to offer. With my appointment as Code Officer, Plumbing Inspector and now Health Officer, I stand ready, willing and able to tackle the tricky situations that you folks bring to my attention. Thank you for having me and I look forward to continue the mission of preserving the natural beauty that is Woodstock, Maine!

Calls and Situations –

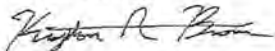
Calls	80
Site Visits	18
Board Meetings	5
Building Inspections	5
Plumbing Inspections	12

Plumbing Permits –

Internal Permits	4
Subsurface System Permits	8
Manufactured Housing Hook-up	
Permits	0
Transfers	0
Voided Permits	<u>0</u>
Total	12

<i>Maine DEP Surcharge (\$15/full system)</i>	<i>\$390.00</i>
<i>State Share of Fees (25%)</i>	<i>\$455.00</i>
<i>Town Share of Fees (75%)</i>	<i><u>\$1,365.00</u></i>
<i>Total Plumbing Permit Fees</i>	<i>\$2,210.00</i>

Respectfully,



Kingston A. Brown
Code Enforcement Officer

Whitman Library Report

2017

It has been a very exciting year for our Library!

We have had several speakers with a good audience in attendance. The advertising in several papers and the post office seems to work very well.

Wendy Coffin organized our summer children's program with a different theme each week. Children and the adults enjoyed it very much.

An exciting time for us was when Tucker Carlson (Fox News) made a studio in our basement to do his news broadcast.

Our library was painted this year. With the new roof last year, it is such a lovely old building!

We decided to get two small Christmas trees for the front windows. We also got a CD player for soft Christmas music.

The ukulele group came for a sing-a-long for our Christmas program. Everyone loved it! There were great refreshments and a lot of visiting.

It has been a good year! Please come in and enjoy your library!

Respectfully Submitted,

Althea Hathaway, Librarian

Board of Trustees

Marta Clements, President

Sonja Davis, Secretary

Jane Mills, Trustee

Edwin Howe, Trustee

Alice Deegan, Trustee

Vern Maxfield, Treasurer

MSAD #44 School Board - Woodstock Director's Report

During the past year these have been some of the most important developments in SAD 44.

- SAD 44 initiated a Pre-K program for 16 four-year-old kids. As there is currently a waiting list for enrollment, SAD 44 will consider expanding the current pre-K program
- SAD 44 passed a new anti-bullying policy and held a public meeting with an expert on bullying from the Maine Department of Education.
- Withdrawal negotiations were stalled between Newry and SAD 44 because it was not possible to come to agreement.
 - Voters in SAD had the opportunity to change the funding formula but the referendum was narrowly defeated. SAD 44 School Board recently voted not to bring a third effort to the voters.
 - The Maine Legislature continues to consider bills attempting to solve the impasse.
- Eight SAD 44 elementary school teachers have achieved National Board Certification. This is an extremely difficult certification to achieve and it attests to the skills and dedication of our teachers. Statewide, only 50 teachers received this certification. The certification training was facilitated by the multi-million dollar TIF grant.
- SAD 44 schools were assessed through School Digger

Overall SAD 44 - #69 of 171

Woodstock Elementary School - #13 of 295

Telstar Middle School - #35 of 98

Telstar High School - #117 of 118 (the basis was SAT scores for 39 students)

These scores vary widely from year to year so they are only one way to assess our schools. For example:

Woodstock Elementary School - 2013 - #93 of 243

Telstar Middle School - 2013 - #88 of 159

Telstar High School - 2015 - #44 of 98

Apparently, there are varying methods of counting the number of schools or school systems

Marcel Polak
Woodstock School Director
207 665-2577

Report of the MSAD #44 Superintendent of Schools - 2018



To the Citizens of Woodstock,

I am pleased to provide you with my annual update regarding the efforts of MSAD 44. First of all, you should be very proud of the fact that two current and one former Woodstock Elementary School teachers were among the eight district staff members who recently received the distinction of being named as National Board Certified Teachers. It is important to note that in the entire state, only 50 educators received this certification so our district was especially well represented. Kudos go to Tonya Prentice, Karen Wilson and Jessica Wilkey on their impressive achievements.

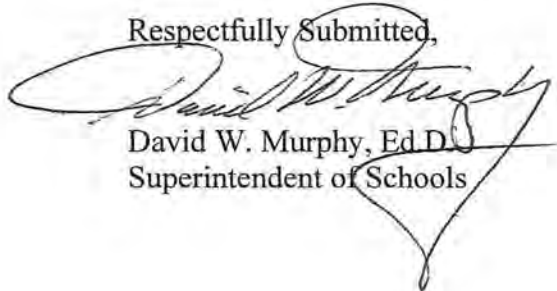
Although the district's recent association with Maine Schools for Excellence and the federal TIF grant came to an end this past September, the district will continue to reap the rewards of that effort in the years to come. One of the most important aspects of our involvement with the grant was the ability for us to develop a cadre of teacher leaders, who will help to guide the district forward in the years to come. Already, several of these teacher leaders have moved into district leadership roles. These people include Elaine Ferland, a former Woodstock teacher who is now the new principal of the Crescent Park School, Mark Kenney, Telstar Middle School principal and Jessica Wilkey, the new Woodstock School principal. In addition, Woodstock teacher, Tanya Nicols, is currently completing an internship to become certified as a Curriculum Director. Several other staff members are also seeking additional certifications, which will allow them to aspire towards district leadership roles in the years to come.

Our dual-enrollment program with Central Maine Community College (CMCC) continues to provide an outstanding advantage for members of our senior class. Since the program's inception in 2013, nearly 40 Telstar seniors have successfully participated in this program. After qualifying by meeting specific entry requirements determined by both Telstar and CMCC, all participants in this program take all of their academic classes on campus at CMCC in Auburn. In addition, they are responsible for their own transportation to and from that facility every day. Many of these students are still also able to participate as members of Telstar's varsity sports teams. This successful program is fortunate to receive a significant amount of financial support through the ongoing Gear Up grant, which the school district received several years ago.

This past fall saw MSAD 44 successfully introduce a pre-Kindergarten program into the district, again through the successful pursuit of grant funds available through the state. In its first year, the program is servicing 16 students at the Crescent Park School, including several from the Woodstock area. There has been great interest in the community to consider expanding this program into a universal pre-Kindergarten opportunity for all eligible students in the district. Doing so is likely to be a conversation that will take place during the FY 19 school budget deliberations. If that happens, it is possible that a Pre-K classroom might be established at the Woodstock School.

Over the past year, MSAD #44 has continued to provide quality educational experiences for the children of the district thanks to the support of the towns and its taxpayers. On behalf of the MSAD #44 Board of Directors, I would like to thank Woodstock residents for their continued support and urge you to remain active participants in our schools throughout the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W. Murphy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

David W. Murphy, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools



Community Lakes Association

The Town of Woodstock's single most valuable asset is its lakes. They provide a year-round range of activities for recreation, relaxation, and sports. They serve a large segment of our population, as well as provide income to others in the area. The commitment of the Community Lakes Association (CLA) is to maintain the quality of these lakes for the continued enjoyment for our townspeople.

A major function of the CLA is the ongoing control of milfoil infestation, in Shagg Pond, as well as one small area in Lake Christopher. In 2017 we implemented a new strategy for milfoil control in Shagg Pond. The harvest total for the year was 8,890 gallons, which was a 400% increase over the previous year of 2,200 gallons. We will be redeploying this process this year, beginning immediately after Memorial Day for another full season of harvesting. The total anticipated project cost for 2018 is \$44k with an anticipated \$19K of that coming from a State of Maine DEP grant. The remaining funds are contributed by the Towns of Woodstock and Greenwood, Spruce Mountain Wind Project/Patriot Renewables, membership donations, and, importantly, in-kind services from volunteers.

In 2018, we will install a kiosk at Lake Christopher with comprehensive information, which includes a presentation on boater responsibility in preventing the transportation of invasive plants from one location to another. The plan is to have kiosks at all boat ramps in town. This year North Pond is scheduled for a water chemistry report. Volunteers will also perform Secchi Tests for water clarity in all lakes and ponds in town. This will be another busy year.

We welcome anyone interested to attend our meetings and join our organization. We can be found on Facebook at Western Maine Community Lakes Association, or our website at <http://www.communitylakesassociation.org>.



*2017 milfoil harvesting project on Shagg Pond (note moose on right background).
Photo by Donny Potter*

Woodstock Conservation Commission

Report of activities in 2017

The Woodstock Conservation Commission has had a good year. Each meeting we start with sharing of nature sightings. These natural events remind us monthly the importance of the world outdoors, all around us.

2017 the annual Clean-Up / Green Up day was officially cancelled due to rain. Instead several people in town did cleaning up the roadways the following week. In addition members of the Telstar Interact Club cleaned up Route 26. We look forward to the upcoming Clean-Up / Green Up Day May 5, 2018. The legislature voted to make the first Saturday in May as statewide Clean-Up Day. Anyone is welcome to meet at the ballfield that Saturday at 9 a.m.

Jane Chandler and Bob McQueeney attended a training sponsored by Recreational Trails Program to learn about possible grants available for trail construction.

An energetic group of high school people built a new trail up Lapham Ledge. The Conservation Commission hired these students with Oxford County Conservation Corps (OC3) for two days of trail work. Bethel Pathways and the 4-H School sponsor the program that has young people trained in leadership and trail building skills. The trails have seen an increase in use and enjoyment. The Conservation Commission continues to maintain the trails for the public.

The Town of Woodstock has built a parking lot at the base of Buck's Ledge trailhead to alleviate parking problems on Route 26. They expanded the parking lot this year to make room for the cars evident during the summer and fall. This winter the town agreed to keep the parking lot plowed.

Jim Chandler removed purple loosestrife from Gore Road near North Pond and Merryfield. Everyone should be attentive to invasive plants nearby. He has turned milfoil eradication over to the Community Lakes Association.

The Conservation Commission evaluated the Trails End lot (town owned and not used) and found no conservation value. We agreed with the selectmen to sell the lot. The abutting lot with playground equipment has enough space for any other recreational uses.

The Conservation Commission evaluated a potential property in South Woodstock and agreed not to pursue its purchase. Western Foothills has an easement on the 160 acre Benson property behind Agnes Gray School and to Curtis Hill. The asking price was \$480,000.

The Conservation Commission continues to be updated in the potential wind development in Milton.

The proposed 2018 budget includes \$800 for OC 3 trail work on the Bucks and Lapham trail network and \$400 for scholarship for Woodstock Elementary School scholarship to the 4-H School.

Members included Marcel Polak, Jane Chandler, Bob McQueeney, Ed Rosenberg, Tonya Prentice, Phil Cantonese and Jim Chandler, secretary.



Telstar Interact Club helps to clean up Woodstock during the annual Woodstock Green-Up Day.
This year consider getting your garbage bag out and helping to pick up the roadside on
Saturday, May 5, 2018.
(Jane Chandler photo)

Oxford County Regional Recycling - Final Report

February 2018

Since 1994, I represented the interests of Woodstock on the Board of Directors of OCRR (originally titled Oxford County Regional Solid Waste). I am both sad and proud to report that the Board has determined that OCRR has fulfilled its purpose for existence, and therefore we have dissolved it.

Beginning in 1989, 13 local towns came together to create recycling services that did not yet exist in the private market. Membership since then has fluctuated to as high as 21 towns and eventually down to 15. Early on, the State Planning Office offered sizable grants for us to build the plant on Brown Street in Norway, and to create all the infrastructure necessary to collect, consolidate, bale, and sell recyclables. About a dozen years later, two other state grants allowed us to add onto the plant to create space to stockpile and ship so-called "universal waste," removing that also from the waste stream. This was both fiscally and environmentally sound policy.

OCRR never did fulfill the dream of total recycling self-sufficiency. Costs were always higher than revenues. But annual dues for member towns were nominal, and the tonnage recycled amounted to considerable savings in reduced quantities of solid waste. We also facilitated a multi-town tipping and hauling contract with rates that were much lower than individual towns could negotiate.

From the very beginning, we created reserve accounts to cover replacement costs as equipment wore out. OCRR never borrowed money.

Eventually, the private market got into the recycling business, and developed technologies like zero-sort recycling that were too costly for even 15 small towns together to build and operate. Many of our member towns now wanted services we could not provide. With a greatly reduced population base, OCRR could no longer operate efficiently. In 2016 we made the difficult decision: our membership would be best served by our dissolution.

It has taken over a year to sell off all assets and reach agreement on how to return all cash value to our members. The total distribution was close to \$318,000. Woodstock's share was over \$20,000.

OCRR played a vital role in our town for over 25 years. I believe we also benefitted the local area by closing our doors when the time had come.

Stephen Bies

RESPONSIBLE PET CARE OF OXFORD HILLS, INC.

Shelter & Adoption

9 Swallow Road, Paris Maine

www.rpc.petfinder.com ~ Facebook

Responsible Pet Care of Oxford Hills, Inc. is a non-profit, 501-C3 organization that provides a no-kill shelter for homeless cats and dogs located at 9 Swallow Road in Paris. We are equipped to provide treatment and shelter for up to 100 felines and 20 dogs. All cats and dogs are adopted into approved homes for reasonable adoption fees. All are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, tested and flea treated. In 2017, we adopted out or returned to owners nearly 700 cats and dogs from our shelter.

“RPC” has agreements with the Towns of Norway, Paris, Oxford, Otisfield, Woodstock, West Paris, Greenwood, Hebron, Buckfield, Mechanic Falls, Poland, Gilead, Milton Township and Bethel to take strays. We accept owner surrender cats and dogs when cage/kennel space allows, as well as transfers from other shelters.

- Did you know? One unspayed female cat is capable of producing 20+ kittens per year for most of her life, female kittens start reproducing as early as 6 months of age, *and* siblings will breed. This is why it is so important to spay, neuter and report strays to the animal control officer.
- Did you know? Each time a dog gives birth to puppies it takes two years off her life. When you purchase a puppy, be conscious of where it comes from. Do not support “puppy mills”. In “puppy mills”, female dogs are bred too often, puppies may be sold too young and dogs may be kept inhumanely. They may be sick or become sick. Be very careful if you purchase a pet on line.
- Did you know? It is unlawful to sell a puppy or kitten before the age of 6 weeks. It is also required that a breeder and/or pet dealer provide the buyer of the puppy or kitten with a written disclosure indicating their history, including healthy records.

Responsible Pet Care can direct you to resources for low cost spay and neuter for dogs and cats. The State of Maine FIX ME spay/neuter program in Augusta issues certificates at a cost of only \$10 for cats and \$20 for dogs. These certificates are for income qualifying residents of Maine only. Responsible Pet care will cover these fees to qualifying individuals, which essentially means free spay/neuter! RPC also has grants to assist owners with the cost of spaying and neutering their pets that do not qualify for FIX ME. To contact FIX ME, 800 367-1317, to contact RPC 743-8679.

Dog licenses are due each year by January 1. Cats are required by law to be vaccinated for rabies. There is rabies present in our area, so vaccination is very important. If your dog gets lost and is wearing the dog license tag or other identification, there is a very good chance that he will be returned to you. The cost to register your dog is \$6.00 if spayed/neutered and \$11.00 if not. If you do not license your dog by January 31, there is a late fee of \$25.00 per dog. “RPC” urges all pet owners to make sure pets are identified by ID tag, dog license tag and microchip if possible so that pets may be returned if lost. Responsible Pet Care sponsors rabies vaccinations clinics in January and September. For more information regarding those clinics please call us at 743-8679. Also, if you are missing your pet, please call both your animal control officer.

As always, we appreciate and thank you for your support and compassion.

Responsible Pet Care Directors

Shirley H. Boyce, Cynthia Wescott, Corinna Morse
Morgan Miles, Jayden Irons

**Western Hills Access Television
284 Walkers Mills Road
Bethel, Maine 04217**

January 6, 2018

Board of Selectmen
Town of Woodstock
Bryant Pond, ME 04219

Dear Friends:

Western Hills Access Television requests that you include a warrant article for the 2018 Town Meeting in the amount of the franchise fee from Spectrum Cable for the on-going operation of the community access station located at Telstar serving subscribers in the Town of Woodstock.

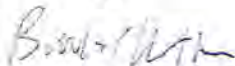
This Summer our aging broadcasting equipment suffered a major breakdown and had to be replaced. We were off the "air" for several months while new more up to date equipment was installed. We also received needed training in how to operate our new system.

Area filming included several historical society programs, Mahoosuc and Telstar concerts, Andover Summer Concert Series, MSAD # 44 School Board Meetings, Telstar and Community Rec basketball games, Senior College Players, Telstar Graduation, the LMUC Cantata and others.

Spectrum cable has moved us from channel 11 to channel 1302. We are still on line at westernhillsaccesstelevision.com. Also check out our Youtube and Facebook sites.

Woodstock's loyal support is much appreciated!

Sincerely,



Brooks Morton
W.H.A.T. Chairman



Wayne Howe



These young people from the Oxford County Conservation Corps build the new Lapham Loop trail. It provides an alternative way to get to Lapham Ledge. Woodstock Conservation Commission sponsored the young people, trained at the 4-H School, for trail work.

(Jane Chandler photo)



Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0001

Dear Citizen of Woodstock:

For the past seven years as your Governor, my priority has been to make Maine—our people—prosper. Helping you keep more money in your wallet by reducing taxes has been part of that mission.

Too many Maine families are facing skyrocketing property taxes that strain household budgets. Our elderly on fixed incomes are particularly vulnerable to these increases. School budgets are often blamed for annual increases in property taxes. But there's another reason. A tremendous amount of land and property value has been taken off the tax rolls, leaving homeowners to pick up the tab.

As of 2016, towns and cities owned land and buildings valued at nearly \$5.5 billion statewide. Large and wealthy non-profits, such as hospitals and colleges, often escape paying property taxes on their vast real estate holdings—totaling more than \$5.1 billion statewide.

In Maine, nearly 2.5 million acres of land have been set aside for conservation by the federal and state governments and non-profit organizations, including land trusts. Municipalities are losing out on property taxes on an estimated \$2 billion in land that has been either removed from the tax rolls or prohibited from development—shifting the cost of municipal services to local homeowners through higher property taxes.

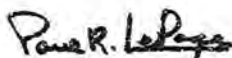
It's time to recognize the results of taking property off the tax rolls and identify solutions to reduce the burden on our homeowners. My administration's proposals have been met with staunch resistance.

In 1993, about 35,800 acres of land were documented as land-trust owned. That number has increased by an astonishing 1,270 percent. Land trusts now control over 490,000 acres with an estimated value of \$403 million. We must restore the balance. We will be working this session to ensure all land owners are contributing to the local tax base. It's time for them to pay their fair share.

I encourage you to ask your local officials how much land in your municipality has been taken off the tax rolls, as well as how much in tax revenue that land would have been contributing today to offset your property taxes.

If ever I can be of assistance to you or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor.

Sincerely,


Paul R. LePage
Governor



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United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904

Dear Friends:

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

Maine has the oldest average age in the nation. As Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, my top three priorities for the Committee are fighting fraud and financial abuse directed at our nation's seniors, increasing investments in biomedical research, and improving retirement security. Following the Committee's investigation into skyrocketing prescription drug costs, I authored bipartisan legislation to foster generic competition, which was signed into law. The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for seniors to report suspected fraud and receive assistance. To support the 40 million family caregivers in the United States, I am proud to have authored the RAISE Family Caregivers Act to create a coordinated strategy to support family members who make countless personal and financial sacrifices to care for their loved ones.

The opioid crisis touches families and communities across our state. As a member of the Appropriations Committee, I fought for significant increases in funding to support community, law-enforcement, and public health efforts. In April, the State of Maine was awarded over \$2 million to fight this devastating public health crisis. Additionally, I have authored legislation to support grandparents and other extended family members who are raising grandchildren as a result of the nation's opioid epidemic.

Biomedical research has the potential to improve and save lives, and also supports good jobs at research facilities here in Maine. Last year, the Appropriations Committee approved a \$2 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health for the third consecutive year. This includes an increase of nearly 30 percent for research on Alzheimer's, our nation's most costly disease. As founder and co-chair of the Senate Diabetes Caucus, I work to raise awareness of the threats posed by diabetes, invest in research, and improve access to treatment options. My bill to establish a national commission of health care experts on diabetes care and prevention was signed into law in 2017.

We owe our veterans so much. Last year, I worked to secure the authorization of a Community-Based Outpatient Clinic in Portland to support the health care of Maine's veterans in the southern part of our state. I also worked to secure funding extensions to help veterans throughout rural Maine receive health care within their communities. I also worked to secure funding for housing vouchers for veterans to reduce veterans' homelessness.

Maine's contributions to our national security stretch from Kittery to Limestone. I successfully advocated for critical funding for projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for construction of an additional ship that will likely be built at Bath Iron Works. This funding will strengthen our national security and preserve great jobs in our state.

As chairman of the Transportation and Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I worked to increase funding for the TIGER program that has provided Maine with more than \$122 million for vital transportation projects. For housing, I worked to provide \$160 million to help communities protect children from the harmful effects of lead poisoning.

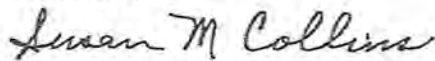
Growing our economy remains a top priority. I supported the comprehensive tax reform bill because it will help lower- and middle-income families keep more of their hard-earned money; boost the economy; and encourage businesses, both small and large, to grow and create jobs here in Maine and around the country. This legislation contains key provisions I authored that are important to Mainers, including preserving the deduction

for state and local taxes, expanding the deduction for medical expenses, and enabling public employees such as firefighters, teachers, and police officers, as well as clergy and employees of nonprofits, to make "catch-up" contributions to their retirement accounts. I led the effort to ensure that the tax cut will not trigger automatic budget cuts to Medicare or any other programs.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. As of December 2017, I have cast more than 6,500 consecutive votes, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Oxford County and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Lewiston office at 207-784-6969 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2018 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,

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

Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 3, 2018

Dear Friends,

Representing Maine in the United States Senate is an honor.

I continue my work on the Senate Armed Services Committee, each year authorizing the funding required to build our military capabilities and ensuring that our service members are trained and equipped to defend our nation. I was pleased to be part of a bipartisan effort to enact a new law to simplify the appeals review process to reduce the backlog our veterans are facing, as well as a new law that provides critical funding to the VA Choice Program, allowing veterans in rural Maine to access services closer to home.

While my committee work is important, working to combat the opioid epidemic is one of my top priorities. Although Congress has made some important strides, much remains to be done to provide additional funding for prevention, treatment and enforcement. I am working with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to pressure the Drug Enforcement Administration to reduce the amount of opioids produced and to thwart the flow of fentanyl and other deadly drugs into our country.

I am very optimistic about the integrated, multiagency effort I led with Senator Collins to foster innovation and commercialization in Maine's forest economy. Through the Economic Development Assessment Team (EDAT) we are already experiencing increased federal investments that will strengthen our existing forest products industry and help support job creation in rural communities. Initiatives like Cross Laminated Timber, Combined Heat and Power, nanocellulose, 3D printing with biobased materials and other biobased products will mean that Maine's wood-basket will continue to be a major jobs and economic contributor for our future.

Finally, the coming year will continue the work of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in the ongoing investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election. Our Committee has held seven public hearings and numerous classified sessions, reviewed tens of thousands of pages of documents and conducted hundreds of interviews. I remain focused on the security of our elections and committed to developing strategies to prevent interference by foreign governments in our democracy.

May 2018 be a good year for you, your family, your community and our great State.

Best,


Angus S. King
United States Senator

128th Legislature
Senate of
Maine
Senate District 18

Senator Lisa Keim
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Annual Report to the Town of Woodstock
A Message from Senator Lisa Keim

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to represent you in the Maine Senate. It has been an honor to work on your behalf to make our state an even better place to live, work and conduct business.

On August 2, Maine lawmakers finally adjourned for the year, after what proved to be the longest session in recent memory due to a brief government shut down over budgetary disagreements. While no state budget is ever perfect, the end product was a state budget that makes a record investment in our students, supports our communities and will tremendously benefit small businesses and our economy.

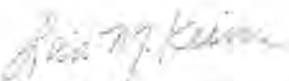
Perhaps the most significant action the Legislature took last year, as part of the biennial budget, was the removal of the oppressive, job-killing surtax. This tax was already hurting small businesses, doctors and other professionals that we so critically need, especially in rural Maine. In November 2016, voters sent a clear message that education funding was to be a priority of the 128th Legislature, and we heard that message loud and clear. However, the funding mechanism which was included in the measure – the surtax – presented a serious threat to the state's economy. This new tax gave Maine the ominous distinction of being the highest-taxed state in the country and primarily impacted small businesses, which are the backbone of our economy, taxing them at a rate that is higher than larger corporations are subject to pay. I am proud to say that after a lot of hard work and negotiating, in addition to our rebounding economy, we were able to support our local schools at a level we have never been able to before – without any additional taxation.

The Homestead Exemption, which provides much-needed property tax relief for homeowners, was also preserved in the budget with an increased exemption of \$20,000.

The Legislature also passed a measure to make Maine compliant with the REAL ID Act. As a result of this important new law, the federal government has granted Maine a waiver, meaning that Maine citizens can continue to use their driver's licenses to board commercial airplanes and access certain federal buildings.

While we accomplished much, there is still a lot of work ahead of us next session. Again, thank you for putting your trust in me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me if you need my help in navigating the state bureaucracy. I can be reached at home, 562-6023, in Augusta at 287-1505, or by email at Lisa.Keim@legislature.maine.gov.

Sincerely,



Lisa Keim
State Senator, District 18



John Madigan

PO Box 146

Rumford, ME 04276

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John.Madigan@legislature.maine.gov

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 STATE HOUSE STATION

AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002

(207) 287-1400

TTY: (207) 287-4469

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Woodstock in the Maine House of Representatives during the 128th Legislature. It is an honor to represent our community at the State House.

During the 2018 legislative session, our work has focused on urgent legislation and bills carried over from last year's session. We are scheduled to complete our work in late April.

One of our top priorities will be implementing recommendations from the Task Force to Address the Opioid Crisis, which completed its work last fall. Their recommendations include bettering prevention efforts and law enforcement resources and increasing treatment options. This is a serious issue and we must do more to protect Maine families.

I am proud to continue to serve as a member of the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government, where we will consider bills that address state government organization, public services and municipal and local government concerns. As a former town manager of 25 years, I am thankful for the firsthand experience I am able to bring to my work on the committee.

Input from the people of Woodstock is invaluable and will shape the work I do in Augusta to strengthen the partnership between town and state government. I fully welcome your questions and feedback.

Please feel free to contact me by phone at (207) 357-6229 or by email at

John.Madigan@legislature.maine.gov.

Kind regards,

John Madigan

State Representative

District 115: Roxbury, Rumford, Sumner and Woodstock, plus the unorganized territory of Milton Township

Oxford County Sheriff's Office

Wayne J. Gallant Sheriff

Sheriff
Wayne J. Gallant

Chief Deputy
Hart L. Daley



P.O. Box 179
South Paris, Maine 04281
(207) 743-9554 or 1-800-733-1421
Fax (207) 743-1510

January 22, 2018

Office of the Town Manager
Town of Woodstock
PO Box 317
Bryant Pond, ME 04219

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Woodstock:

The enclosed document packet is a summary of law incidents, offenses and times reported where the Oxford County Sheriff's Office has performed or assisted in law enforcement functions within your municipality from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

The totals on the law incident analysis time reported will be lower in number than the totals on the law incident total report. The reason for the difference in the two totals is that in the law incident analysis report some of the calls may have generated more than one offense or multiple similar offenses during the time of the call or assistance.

In addition to the law enforcement incidents I have included a one page report that shows the number of emergency medical and fire calls received at the Oxford County Regional Communications Center for the calendar year of 2017 for your municipality.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Hart L. Daley
Acting Sheriff

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Oxford County Sheriff's Office

Law Total Incident Report, by Location, Nature, Woodstock

Location: Woodstock

<u>Nature of Incident</u>	<u>Total Incidents</u>
Abandoned Vehicle	1
Administration Related Detail	1
Agency Assistance	11
Burglar Alarm	24
Carbon Monoxide Alarm	1
Alcohol Offense	1
Animal Problem	10
Assault	1
ATV Problem	2
Violation Of Release Condition	2
Burglary	3
Cardiac or Respiratory Arrest	1
Heart Problem	1
Citizen Assist	1
Citizen Dispute	3
Civil Complaint	11
Criminal Mischief	6
Custodial Interference	3
Detail	2
Disabled Vehicle	17
Disorderly Conduct	2
Domestic Problem	3
Exercise	1
Drug Info/Statistics	2
Controlled Substance Problem	1
DUI Alcohol or Drugs	6
TELEPHONE HANG UP CALL	32
Explosion	1
Domestic	5
Fireworks	1
Fraud	1
Gaming And Weapons	8
Harassment	6
Indecent Exposure	1
Information	3
Information Report	3
Intoxicated Person	4
Accident	34
Lost Property	1
Mail Theft	1
Mental Disorder	3
Wrong Number	2
Disturbance	2

2017 Fire and EMS Calls by Town

Fire	
Town	Total Calls
Adamstown	1
Albany Twp	24
Andover	38
Baldwin	3
Bethel	144
Brownfield	79
Buckfield	80
Byron	3
Canton	49
Denmark	49
Dixfield	64
Fryeburg	168
Gilead	14
Grafton Notch	3
Greenwood	29
Hanover	22
Hartford	34
Hebron	47
Hiram	37
Lincoln Plant	3
Lovell	61
Lynchtown Twp	1
Mason Twp	2
Mexico	126
Milton Twp	1
Minot	7
Newry	86
Norway	191
Otisfield	64
Oxford	222
Paris	250
Peru	56
Porter	20
Riley Twp	1
Roxbury	29
Rumford	208
Stoneham	8
Stow	18
Sumner	32
Sweden	44
Upton	1
Waterford	54
West Paris	59
Woodstock	69
Total	2501

EMS	
Town	Total Calls
Adamstown	2
Albany Twp	34
Andover	86
Baldwin	9
Bethel	296
Brownfield	139
Buckfield	173
Byron	8
Canton	205
Denmark	89
Dixfield	258
Fryeburg	469
Gilead	18
Grafton Notch	3
Greenwood	97
Hanover	39
Hartford	90
Hebron	146
Hiram	58
Lincoln Plant	1
Lovell	107
Magalloway Pln	1
Mason Twp	5
Mexico	451
Milton Twp	4
Minot	6
Newry	99
Norway	861
Otisfield	158
Oxford	615
Paris	987
Peru	129
Porter	42
Riley Twp	2
Roxbury	41
Rumford	1588
Stoneham	21
Stow	21
Sumner	89
Sweden	25
Upton	6
Waterford	136
West Paris	307
Wilson Mills	1
Woodstock	203
Total	8125

NOTE: These numbers do not include calls for service that were taken directly by the responding agency and these numbers do include calls taken where an emergency agency was not dispatched.

Bethel Region Age-Friendly Community Initiative



Annual Report for 2017

Mission: To explore ways to make the community more supportive of healthy aging and to make it possible for people to stay in their own homes (and communities) as they age.

Bethel Area Age-Friendly Communitive Initiative (AFCI) now includes the towns of Bethel, Greenwood, Woodstock, Newry, Gilead, and Hanover. Here is a summary of our activities in 2017.

- Transportation program provides free rides for seniors over 60 for both medical and non-medical rides. Neighbor-2-Neighbor volunteer driver program was added in October for non-medical rides. Call 824-4444.
- Safety in the Home grant from AARP provided an Adaptive Tool Kit which was displayed on election day and at the Woodstock Library. 12 free fall-prevention assessments were done in area homes. Free smoke alarms are offered to our townspeople through the Woodstock Fire Department and the American Red Cross.
- AFCI developed a Resource Directory, which is available electronically at the web site (www.agefriendlybethel.org). The town office and the library have a copy of the Directory.
- Local outreach provides a weekly column in the Bethel Citizen and a monthly newsletter.
- AFCI sponsored a Shredding Day in Bethel, in conjunction with AARP Maine, and shredded 6,500 pounds of paper on site.
- AFCI organizes a seasonal walking program that is available at Gould's Bingham Gym Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. In partnership with Senior Plus, AFCI taught an 8-week class "A Matter of Balance."

If you are interested in any of the Age-Friendly activities contact your representative to the Council, Jane Chandler (357-3524), or Al Cressy (824-0508), Chair of Bethel Area Age-Friendly Community Initiative

Town Clerk's Report - 2017

VITAL STATISTICS

Births: 6 – Male 3 – Female

Marriages: 9 – Resident
4 – Non-resident

Deaths:

Seaton, Richard	84	2/7/2017
Felt, Richard	93	3/12/2017
Danforth, Olive	86	3/24/2017
Bolio, Nadja	82	4/10/2017
Davis, Phillip	77	6/16/2017
Gammon, Judy	59	6/19/2017
Dillingham, Lolalee	75	6/20/2017
Hurd, Mary Belle	88	7/7/2017
Lyman, Kathleen	48	8/4/2017
Hall, Ruby	55	8/31/2017
Mason, Earl	79	10/1/2017
Lane, Kendalyn	56	10/25/2017
Poland, Dennis	67	11/8/2017
Cary, Michelle	48	11/11/2017
Magee, Terrence	60	12/8/2017

Boat/ATV/Snowmobile	2017
Permanent Boat	116
Temporary Boat	
Duplicate/transfer Boat	
Personal Watercraft	
Preserve ME Waters-Res	
Preserve ME Waters-Non-Res	5
ATV-Resident	74
ATV-Non-Resident	9
Transfer ATV	
Duplicate ATV	
Permanent Snowmobile	55
3-day Snowmobile	2
Duplicate Snowmobile	
Non-Resident Snowmobile	30

Dog Licenses	2017
Woodstock - Male & Female	62
Woodstock – Neuter/Spay	196
Kennels	1
Milton – Male & Female	4
Milton – Neuter/Spay	9

Hunting & Fishing Licenses	2017
Resident Hunt & Fish Combo	39
Resident Hunting	31
Resident Fish	55
Resident Archery Hunt	4
Junior Hunting	1
Muzzleload	9
Resident Small Game	
Fish & Archery Combo	
Expanded Archery	2
Resident 1-day Fish	
Resident 3-day Fish	
Complimentary Muzzleload	
Complimentary Pheasant	
Complimentary Waterfowl	
Bear Hunt	3
Spring Turkey/Fall	3
Crossbow	
Coyote Night Hunt	2
Migratory Waterfowl Hunt	2
Non-Resident Hunt	1
Non-Resident Junior Fish	
Non-Resident Small Game	
Non-Res Seasonal Hunt/Fish	1
Non-Resident Seasonal Fish	8
Over 70	5
1-Day Fish Non-Resident	
3-day Fish Non-Resident	4
7-Day Fish Non-Resident	
15-day Fish Non-Resident	1
Apprentice Hunt	
Saltwater Registry	1
Military Dependent Fish	
Military Hunt/Fish	
Superpack	
Supersport	
Duplicate	1

Fees received for Vital Records	\$1692.00
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Total excise received \$252,236.84

Municipal Valuation Report - 2017

	2015		2016		2017	
Land Values	\$71,977,575.00		\$73,649,865.00		\$84,232,893.00	
Trasmission Lines	\$8,859,359.00		\$8,859,360.00		\$10,612,300.00	
Building Values	\$110,684,058.00		\$112,305,578.00		\$111,173,490.00	
Personel Property	<u>\$1,001,182.00</u>		<u>\$907,515.00</u>		<u>\$972,425.00</u>	
	\$192,522,174.00		\$195,722,318.00		\$206,991,108.00	
Homestead Exemption	\$2,840,000.00	284	\$4,185,000.00	279	\$5,885,537.00	295
Veteran's Exemption	\$384,000.00	64	\$366,000.00	61	\$366,000.00	61
Blind Veteran	<u>\$8,000.00</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>\$8,000.00</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>\$8,000.00</u>	<u>1</u>
	\$195,754,174.00		\$200,281,318.00		\$6,259,537.00	
	\$189,682,174.00		\$191,537,318.00		\$209,938,007.00	
Assessed Taxable Value						
Mil rate	0.01270		0.01280		0.01280	
Taxes to Collect	<u>\$2,408,963.61</u>		<u>\$2,451,677.67</u>		<u>\$2,687,206.49</u>	

Properties Not Included in Valuation

USA & Maine State Property	\$826,925.00	\$826,925.00	\$763,540.00
Town of Woodstock Property	\$996,613.00	963,800 .00	\$1,230,574.00
Church Property	\$1,069,900.00	\$940,745.00	\$1,016,727.00
Fraternal Property	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Benevolent & Charitable	\$0.00	\$129,155.00	\$149,655.00
Veterans	\$392,000.00	\$374,000.00	\$374,000.00
School Property	\$1,560,995.00	\$1,560,995.00	\$1,609,129.00
Literary & Scientific property	<u>1,034,832 .00</u>	<u>\$1,065,867.00</u>	<u>\$1,171,889.00</u>
	\$5,881,265.00	\$5,861,487.00	\$6,315,514.00



Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>1</u>			
		<u>Selectmen's Stipend</u>	
\$6,000.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Ronald Deegan	\$2,000.00
		Michael Nadeau	\$2,000.00
		Stephen Bies	\$500.00
		Shawn Coffin	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
			\$6,000.00
			\$0.00
		<u>Selectmen's Expenses</u>	
\$150.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
			\$59.00
			\$59.00
			\$91.00
		<u>Town Manager's Salary & Expenses</u>	
\$60,679.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Vern Maxfield	
		Salary	\$56,180.61
		Expenses	\$412.90
		Retirement	<u>\$3,500.00</u>
			\$60,093.51
			\$585.49
		<u>Administrative Assistant</u>	
\$37,997.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Rose A. Fraser	\$38,000.66
			-\$3.66
		<u>School Board Director's Stipend</u>	
\$4,500.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Marcel Polak	\$1,500.00
		Sheryl Morgan	\$1,500.00
		Julie Davis	\$375.00
		Victor A. Young	<u>\$1,125.00</u>
			\$4,500.00
			\$0.00
		<u>Social Security & Medicare</u>	
\$24,500.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		FICA & MEDICARE	\$24,811.89
			-\$311.89

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
		<u>Office Supplies</u>	
\$4,500.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Postage	\$560.51
		PO Box 317 rental	\$144.00
		Town Report mailing	\$126.73
		Paper	\$139.95
		Ink Cartridges	\$1,126.42
		Copier maintenance	\$145.00
		Hygrade-laser checks	\$405.93
		Supplies	<u>\$592.22</u>
			\$3,240.76
			\$1,259.24
		<u>Computer Expenses</u>	
\$11,000.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Website license & updates	\$392.26
		Harris/Trio Maintenance Agreement	<u>\$9,826.90</u>
			\$10,219.16
			\$780.84
<u>5</u>		<u>Paving</u>	
\$160,000.00			
\$17,594.76		carried over	
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Perkins Valley Road	\$34,575.00
		Dudley Road	\$23,400.00
		Old Gore Road	\$16,500.00
		Rowe Hill Road	\$15,750.00
		Curtis Hill Road	\$14,025.00
		Cushman Road	\$4,425.00
		Pine Point Road	\$21,000.00
		Cushman Hill Road	\$6,000.00
		Cold Patch	\$7,599.97
		Ballfield entrance & walkway	<u>\$4,693.00</u>
\$177,594.76			\$147,967.97
			\$29,626.79

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
	<u>Winter Roads</u>		
\$175,000.00			
Town of Bethel			\$2,175.00
<u>Expenses</u>			
Payroll		\$100,627.34	
Winter Sand		\$27,422.00	
Road Salt		\$9,880.52	
Gravel & Crusher Dust		\$765.00	
Tree removal		\$2,800.00	
Spring sweeping		\$2,500.00	
Concord Pond Area - plow/sand		\$57,300.00	
Shagg Pond Area - plow/sand		<u>\$10,224.38</u>	
		\$211,519.24	
Due from Oxford County		<u>\$33,993.00</u>	<u>\$2,175.00</u>
(for Milton road winter maintenance)			
			-\$351.24
	<u>Summer Roads</u>		
\$90,000.00			
<u>Expenses</u>			
Payroll		\$62,696.70	
Misc		\$81.05	
Grass seed		\$690.01	
Loam		\$1,776.00	
Baled hay		\$1,071.00	
Culverts		\$6,384.10	
Gravel		\$12,874.50	
Rip Rap & stone dust		\$1,047.40	
Road fabric		\$687.94	
Street sweeper		\$1,796.27	
Roadside mowing		<u>\$2,300.00</u>	
		\$91,404.97	-\$1,404.97
	<u>Concord Pond Outlet - culvert</u>		
\$40,000.00			
<u>\$103,738.22</u> Carried over			
<u>Expenses</u>			
Koskela Brothers		\$10,011.50	
PFU -culverts		\$3,724.00	
Guard rail		\$3,500.00	
Roller rental		\$1,427.68	
Mulch hay		\$661.50	
Gravel		<u>\$8,755.21</u>	
\$143,738.22		\$28,079.89	\$115,658.33

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Equipment Account

Uniforms	\$2,813.48
Personal Protective Equipment	\$71.50
Miscellaneous	\$465.01
Repair Supplies	\$420.98
Drug Testing	\$674.02
Acetyolin & oxygen service	\$898.02
Cutting edges for plows	\$5,773.21
Street signs	\$394.44
Shop tools	\$4,075.59
Shop supplies	\$4,842.47
Hydraulic oil,hose & fittings	\$1,747.49
Sander chains	\$1,696.03
Batteries	\$242.63
Tires	\$3,593.64
Chain saws & chain	\$738.60
Maintenance/repair	\$3,375.71
2017 Western Star Wheeler	\$4,055.74
2016 Ford F 550	\$490.78
2011 International Truck	\$10,232.17
2005 Pick-up	\$318.00
2013 One ton truck	\$789.33
2007 Orange plow truck	\$3,212.55
2005 White plow truck	\$2,588.38
Interstate Trailer	\$213.85
John Deere Backhoe	\$2,356.12
Loader	\$1,155.29
Grader	\$287.01
Sweeper	\$476.86
Steamer	\$478.00
Chain Saw	\$396.41
Misc	\$725.42
PPE	\$918.93
Excavator rental	\$2,719.75
Training	<u>\$395.00</u>
	\$63,632.41

\$12,154.79

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<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>Cushman Road</u>			
\$45,000.00			
<u>\$4,425.00</u>	Transferred from Paving acct.		
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Pine Tree Paving	\$49,425.00	\$0.00
<u>Rumford Avenue</u>			
\$20,000.00			
<u>\$5,608.91</u>	Carried over		
	<u>Expenses</u>	\$0.00	
	Carried to 2018		\$25,608.91
<u>FEMA funds</u>			
\$5,126.33	Carried over		
	<u>No expenses</u>	\$0.00	\$5,126.33

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<u>Fire Department</u>			
\$63,000.00			
\$14,343.55	Carried over		
<u>\$30,000.00</u>	Daytime Coverage plan		
	Regular Firemen's payroll expense	\$31,173.12	
	Enhanced Mutual Aid payroll	\$23,886.50	
	Training	\$242.00	
	Expenses/compensation	\$1,351.90	
	Utilities	\$941.75	
	Computer	\$353.99	
	Supplies		
	Office equipment	\$17.40	
	Office Supplies	\$608.41	
	Training	\$1,363.00	
	Food & Lodging	\$1,748.44	
	EMS Supplies	\$224.74	
	Respiratory Medical Testing	\$541.00	
	Repiratory protection gear	\$1,929.52	
	Radio equipment	\$1,694.00	
	Fire Hose	\$3,218.53	
	Personel Protection Equipment	\$6,292.89	
	Fire Prevention	\$576.08	
	Pagers	\$285.10	
	Foam	\$870.00	
	Miscellaneous	\$11,021.39	
	Repair Supplies	\$762.57	
	Traffic Control	\$475.09	
	Parade Supplies	\$320.16	cont. next page

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<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Gas		\$98.07	
Diesel		\$51.96	
Shop tools		\$4.16	
Strobe /headlights/bulbs		\$281.75	
Unclassified		\$797.64	
2016 Frieghtliner		\$1,347.65	
2002 International		\$2,897.65	
1995 Ford L9000		\$1,274.79	
1988 Ford F 350		\$6,731.20	
2017 Ford F 550		\$701.77	
1994 Ford F 350		\$580.94	
1993 International Fire Truck		\$18.81	
1998 Smeal		\$2,146.78	
Kawasaki ATV purchase		<u>\$15,639.60</u>	
		\$122,470.35	
Insurance claims	\$6,964.92		
Safety Grants	\$3,532.01		
Forestry Grants	\$2,778.00		
Online burn permits	\$132.00		
Gift/Misc	\$532.91		
King Foundation	\$8,000.00		
From Reserve Acct	\$3,000.00		
Gift to Fire Dept	<u>\$5,349.26</u>		
\$107,343.55	\$30,289.10		\$15,162.30

Animal Control

\$5,000.00

<u>Expenses</u>		
Ozzie Hart, ACO	\$4,202.81	
Responsible Pet Care - stray dogs	\$1,277.00	
Stray Cats	<u>\$132.00</u>	
	\$5,611.81	-\$611.81

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Emergency Management

\$1,000.00

<u>Expenses</u>		
Kyle Hopps	\$400.00	
Ken Ruff	<u>\$400.00</u>	
	\$800.00	\$200.00

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>Insurance & Annual Audit</u>		
\$151,152.00		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Health	\$116,009.07
	\$9,163.98	Employee's share	
		Liability	\$15,411.00
		Worker's Comp	\$12,729.00
		Recreation	\$495.00
		Annual Audit	\$6,550.00
		Legal fees	<u>\$4,687.78</u>
	\$9,163.98		\$155,881.85
			\$4,434.13
<u>14</u>	<u>Municipal Utilities</u>		
\$60,000.00		Utilities	
\$20,000.00		Fuel	
		<u>Town Office</u>	
		Electricity	\$833.28
		Heat	\$1,565.45
		Telephone	\$2,700.88
		Furnace cleaning	\$150.00
		<u>Town Garage</u>	
		Electricity	\$966.36
		Heat	\$6,320.35
		Telephone	\$941.59
		Furnace cleaning	\$116.00
		<u>Fire Station</u>	
		Electricity	\$1,941.77
		Heat	\$3,494.35
		Telephone	\$874.40
		<u>Library</u>	
		Electricity	\$636.48
		Heat	\$3,066.84
		Telephone	\$460.71
		Furnace cleaning	\$150.00
		<u>Public Safety II</u>	
		Electricity	\$775.96
		Heat	\$2,245.52
		Telephone	\$0.00
		Furnace cleaning	\$230.96

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>Electricity</u>			
Street Lights		\$14,485.80	
Old Town Garage		\$182.39	
Ballfield		\$182.16	
Town Common		\$195.92	
Town Welcome sign		\$197.62	
Radio tower rental		\$2,652.00	
Cell phones		\$2,705.69	
Diesel		\$22,429.00	
Unleaded gasoline		\$1,214.52	
Fire Extinguishers		<u>\$27.50</u>	
		\$71,743.50	\$8,256.50
<u>15</u>	<u>Recreation</u>		
\$5,011.14 State Park Rev Sharing			
\$1,228.08			
\$510.00 Ball sign-ups			
\$150.00 Swim sign-ups			
\$655.00 Carried over			
<u>\$1,378.08</u> Town of Greenwood			
\$8,932.30			
From Rec Capital Acct			
<u>Expenses</u>			
Maintenance to ballfield		\$619.62	
Support to Championship Game		\$500.00	
Outdoor Adventure		\$300.00	
Swimming Lessons		\$500.00	
Repair to float		\$230.25	
Equipment		\$663.91	
Install/remove docks		\$600.00	
Uniforms		\$653.45	
Team Dues		\$650.00	
Umpires		\$300.00	
Youth football support		\$500.00	
Crown Awards reimbursemt		<u>\$102.87</u>	
		\$5,620.10	\$3,312.20
	<u>Recreation Capital Fund</u>		
11,781.30 Carried over			
Rec account balance 2017		\$3,312.20	\$15,093.50

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>20</u>		<u>Library</u>		
	\$9,000.00			
			<u>Expenses</u>	
			Librarian	\$5,200.00
			Asst. to Librarian	\$64.00
			Painting Library (1/2 cost)	\$2,500.00
			Postage	\$361.99
			Ink cartridges	\$128.17
			Office equipment	\$34.54
			Book purchases	\$1,001.39
			Office Supplies	\$23.90
			Letters for sign	\$25.98
			Miscellaneous	<u>\$216.08</u>
		Town of Greenwood	\$266.66	
		Tucker Carlson	\$5,000.00	
		Book late fees	<u>\$57.95</u>	
		\$5,324.61	\$9,556.05	\$4,768.56
		<u>General Assistance</u>		
<u>25</u>	\$5,000.00			
			Rent for one Client	\$250.00
			Administrator	<u>\$120.00</u>
				\$370.00
				\$4,630.00
		<u>Social Services</u>		
	\$12,994.00			
			<u>Expenses</u>	
			Safe Voices	200.00
			American RC	1,500.00
			Androscoggin Home Care	1,176.00
			Community Concepts	2,700.00
			Mahoosuc Kid	2,000.00
			MPBN	100.00
			Hope Assoc.	800.00
			Proj. Grad	600.00
			REACH	300.00
			Seniors Plus	1,738.00
			Western Maine Veterans	175.00
			Western Maine Transportation	255.00
			Woodstock Food Pantry	650.00
			Lifelight	300.00
			Aging In Place	<u>500.00</u>
			\$12,994.00	\$0.00

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>31</u>	<u>Building Maintenance</u>		
\$30,000.00			
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Town Office	\$1,520.00	\$11,211.64
	Town Garage		\$1,648.41
	Fire Station		\$980.67
\$2,500.00	Library	\$1,380.00	\$11,826.20
<u>\$3,625.55</u>	Public Safety II	\$1,320.00	\$9,564.62
	Welcome Sign		\$743.69
	Grandstand		\$456.08
	Pole shed		\$475.00
	Gazebo	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$500.68</u>
\$36,125.55		\$4,420.00	\$37,406.99
			\$3,138.56
<u>60</u>	<u>Property Maintenance</u>		
\$30,000.00			
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Cushman Cemetery		\$3,440.00
	Stone repairs		\$1,023.99
	Kinsman Sign		\$70.00
	Mowing contract		\$15,680.10
	Garbage collection		\$340.00
	Portable toilet rental		<u>\$375.00</u>
			\$20,929.09
			\$9,070.91
	<u>Lake Christopher Boat dock</u>		
\$4,000.00	Purchase of dock sections	\$4,024.99	-\$24.99
	<u>Lakeside Cemetery</u>		
\$4,500.00	Repairs to retaining walls	\$1,252.81	\$3,247.19
	<u>Roadside Spring</u>		
<u>\$1,000.00</u>	Monthly water testing	\$370.00	
		\$60.00	
		<u>\$122.36</u>	
		\$552.36	\$447.64
\$39,500.00		\$26,759.25	\$12,740.75

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>35</u>	<u>Solid Waste</u>		
\$90,000.00			
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Overdrawn 2016	\$9,262.92	
	Town of Greenwood 12/16	\$8,704.81	
	Jan-Nov 2017	\$104,011.43	
	Household Hazardous Waste	\$1,090.16	
	Lewiston-Auburn Waste Treatment	<u>\$250.00</u>	
	\$0.00	\$123,319.32	-\$33,319.32
	<u>G&W Capital Fund</u>		
\$9,000.00			
	From Oxford County	\$9,297.07	
	From Oxford County Regional Recycling (Dissolution of the organization)	\$20,123.13	
<u>40</u>	<u>Education</u>		
\$1,323,885.00			
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	MSAD #44	\$1,280,790.00	\$43,095.00
	<u>Woodstock Student Scholarship</u>		
\$2,000.00			
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Kirstie Haas	\$400.00	
	Madison Prentice	\$400.00	
	Cameron Rothwell	\$400.00	
	Kaylee Haas	\$400.00	
	Jillian Delallo	<u>\$400.00</u>	
		\$2,000.00	\$0.00
	<u>Anna Barker Award</u>		
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Elijah Laird - 2017 recipient	\$50.00	

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<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
	<u>Planning Board</u>		
\$500.00			
\$2,550.00	Income from Building Pemits		
\$2,710.00	Income from Plumbing/Septic permits		
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Board Member Stipends	\$2,360.00	
	Misc.	\$48.90	
<u>\$8,000.00</u>	Code Enforcement Officer		
	Kingston A. Brown	\$1,144.00	
	Fred S. Collins Jr.	\$1,804.00	
	AVCOG - dues	\$2,833.90	
	MMA - dues	<u>\$2,469.00</u>	
\$13,760.00		\$10,659.80	\$3,100.20
	Funds due to DEP		\$285.00
	Funds due to DHS		<u>\$1,869.50</u>
	Balance		\$945.70

Appeals Board

\$250.00	No meetings or expenses		\$250.00
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Conservation Commission

\$1,000.00			
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Lapham Loop Trail	\$800.00	
	Milfoil removal team	\$5,827.75	
<u>\$5,827.75</u>	Reimbursement from Lakes Assn		
\$6,827.75		<u>\$6,627.75</u>	\$200.00

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Assessing

\$70,000.00	Budget		
\$57,538.81	Carried from 2016		
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	John E. O'Donnell & Assoc.		
	Annual work	\$11,000.00	
	Map updates	\$1,500.00	
	On-line service	\$1,750.00	
	Software licensing	\$1,200.00	
	Tax Re-valuation/Equalization	\$75,000.00	
	2% Discount for early payment	\$36,257.34	
	Abatement - Farrington	\$73.51	
<u>\$5,081.82</u>	Lien costs/discharges	\$4,404.05	
	Postage	<u>\$1,257.58</u>	
\$132,620.63		\$132,442.48	\$178.15

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>70</u>	<u>Capital Purchases</u>		
\$190,000.00	2018 Freightliner O'Connor Motors H.P. Fairfield	104,151.68 <u>82,875.00</u>	
		\$187,026.68	\$2,973.32
\$61,000.00	2017 Ford 550 Rowe Ford - cab & chassis Fire Tech & Safety - equipment Hews - body	36,313.50 16,250.00 <u>4,850.00</u>	
		57,413.50	3,586.50
<u>\$28,037.89</u>	Engine 1 Androscoggin Bank 2nd of 5 payments on Engine 1	<u>28,037.89</u>	<u>0.00</u>
\$279,037.89		\$272,478.07	\$6,559.82

North Pond Boat Landing

\$64,661.28	Carried forward		
	<u>Expenses</u>		
	Returned to Solely for Land Conservation	\$50,000.00	
	Atlantic Asbestos removal	\$850.00	
	(Balance to be returned to Money-In-Lieu Fund)		\$13,811.28

<u>85</u>	\$171,812.00	<u>Oxford County Tax</u>	<u>\$171,812.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
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<u>86</u>	\$14,185.48	<u>Overlay</u>	\$14,185.48	\$0.00
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Spruce Mountain Wind Farm

Received January 2017		\$20,000.00	
Received December 2017		\$20,000.00	
Expended			
Woodstock Historical	\$1,500.00		
		\$38,500.00	

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

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<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>Miscellaneous Account</u>			
\$8,500.00			
		<u>Expenses</u>	
		Annual Town Report printing	\$1,495.00
		Town of Bethel - Fireworks	\$500.00
		Town Meeting Moderator	\$125.00
		Office Cleaning	\$715.00
		Employee Christmas/Thanksgiving	\$761.11
		Advertising	\$362.83
		Checking Account Service chg	\$816.44
		Miscellaneous	\$627.50
		BANC Membership	\$100.00
		Election Clerks	\$432.00
		Retirement plaques	\$199.20
		Christmas Tree lighting	\$339.82
		Bronze Memorial Plaque	\$0.00
		for Union Church	<u>\$429.00</u>
			\$6,902.90
	Oxford County -clerks	\$400.00	
	MSAD #44 - sign	<u>\$100.00</u>	
		\$500.00	\$2,097.10
<u>Lakes Association</u>			
\$3,000.00			
	Community Lakes Assn	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
<u>Memorial Day</u>			
\$600.00			
	Tri- State Flag	\$343.88	
	Elsie Bonney	<u>\$256.12</u>	
\$600.00		\$600.00	\$0.00
<u>Greenstock Snowmobile Club</u>			
<u>\$1,000.00</u>			
	Greenstock Snowmobile Club	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	
\$13,700.00		\$11,502.90	\$2,197.10
<u>200th Anniversary Celebration</u>			
\$5,849.76	Carried forward		
	No expenses		
	Bicentennial Coins	\$219.00	\$6,068.76

Town of Woodstock Accounts - 2017

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Balance</u>
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Planning Board Escrow Accounts

<u>Escrow Fees-</u>		<u>Expenses</u>
Harbor Hill	\$200.00	\$0.00
Oak Hill II	\$375.00	\$0.00
Glad Family Developme	\$225.00	\$0.00
MannRock Woods	\$50.00	\$35.40
Fuller Hill	\$300.00	\$667.72
Rustic Outlook	\$600.00	\$533.82
Rustic Outlook	\$1,650.00	\$0.00
Perkins Brook	\$100.00	\$0.00
<u>Oak Hill III</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$409.48</u>
Woodstock Overlook	<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$765.00</u>
	\$4,300.00	\$2,411.42
Balance 12/31/2012		<u>\$1,888.58</u>

Money in Lieu of Land

MannRock Woods	3/18/2005	\$1,500.00
Oak Hill III	2/7/2011	\$9,400.00
Rustic Outlook	7/28/06	\$1,000.00
Rustic Outlook	3/21/2008	\$16,800.00
<u>Woodstock Overlook</u>	<u>7/11/2011</u>	<u>\$6,000.00</u>
Balance as of 12/31/2012		\$34,700.00

Trust Funds, Permanent Funds and Capital Projects

Account	Debits	Credits	Balance
535-00 Library Trust Fund			9,672.73
Interest 2017		48.14	9,720.87
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535-05 Gift from the E T Bean Estate		No changes	3,160.00
To use at the discretion of the Library Trustees			
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540-00 Cemetery Trust Fund			51,893.52
Interest 2017		258.26	52,151.78
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541-00 Soley For Local Land Conservation			81,045.28
Interest 2017		403.37	81,448.65
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545-00 Cemetery Sale of Lots			5,500.48
Kinsman Trust Cem		10.00	
Dillingham, Gordon & LolaLee So. Woodstock		300.00	
Kenneth Haas So. Woodstock		300.00	
TL MaGee & Diane Dupuis Lakeside		150.00	
Frank Walker Cole Hill		300.00	
Interest		<u>27.39</u>	
		1,087.39	6,587.87
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550-00 Anna Barker Trust			528.08
Interest		<u>2.61</u>	
One annual \$50.00 Scholarship for a graduating Senior			530.69
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560-00 Urban Rural In Program			52,038.25
URIP 2017		40,352.00	
Transfer to Paving Account	40,000.00		
Interest		<u>258.99</u>	
	40,000.00	40,610.99	52,649.24
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570-00 Tree Growth Reserve Fund			28,146.21
To Major Highway Reserve	20,000.00		
To Fire Truck Reserve	15,000.00		
Received from State of Maine		31,975.84	
2 tree grth penalties		4,440.20	
Interest		<u>140.10</u>	
	35,000.00	36,556.14	29,702.35
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580-00 Major Highway Equip Reserve			159,451.35
2018 Wheeler purchase	187,026.68	0.00	
Sale of 2007 Sterling to Halacy & Son		10,500.00	
for truck purchase		50,000.00	
From Taxes		30,000.00	
From Tree Growth		20,000.00	
Interest		<u>729.97</u>	
	187,026.68	111,229.97	83,654.64
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585-00 Woodstock Student Scholarship Reserve			5,190.76
Interest		<u>25.83</u>	
	0.00	25.83	5,216.59
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Trust Funds, Permanent Funds and Capital Projects

Account	Debits	Credits	Balance
590-00 Fire Truck Reserve			46,253.93
Sale of 1988 Forestry Truck	9,200.00		
Fire Truck Reserve		30,000.00	
Fire Truck Reserve	60,413.50		
	<u>28,037.89</u>	30,000.00	
FTR Tree Growth		15,000.00	
Interest		<u>230.22</u>	
	97,651.39	75,230.22	23,832.76
592-00 Tangible Benefit from Spruce Mtn Wind			
Received January 2017		20,000.00	
Received December 2017		<u>20,000.00</u>	
		40,000.00	0.00 40,000.00
<p>This money is from Patriot Renewables and represents a \$20,000.00 contribution each year that can be used at the discretion of the Selectmen for the good of the town.</p>			
597-00 Money-In-Lieu			
Carried from 2017		34,700.00	34,700.00
<p>This money is from developers who have created a subdivision in Woodstock and contributed to this fund instead of giving land in the subdivision for a Green Space.</p>			
598-00 Recreation Fund			18,584.44
<p>Before the old Fire Station on Railroad Street was sold, donations were given to develop the building into a Recreation Center. This money represents the proceeds from the sale, along with some donations.</p>			
599-00 G&W Capital Account			
Carried	12,042.50		12,042.50
600-00 Athletic Fund			1,184.30
Interest 2017		<u>5.87</u>	
No Expenses			
		5.87	1,190.17

Cemetery Report - 2017

Hamlin Gore

My grandson and I spent hours righting grave markers and putting some markers where there weren't any. This cemetery is very steep and in disrepair. Thanks to the road crew for bringing loam. Using a backhoe, we were able to do some much needed repairs to the sunken graves. They were filled in, seeded and hayed. There is more work to be done.

Cole Cemetery Route 232

We spent hours with a backhoe making new plots by digging out large rocks and stumps. Thanks again to the road crew for hauling off the stumps and rocks. Corner markers were cemented back in place. Many grave stones that were found buried were uprighted and repaired over the last few years.

Lakeside Cemetery

This cemetery is very hard to mow so on the old part of the cemetery some of the cement boulders that marked plots were removed with a backhoe and hauled off by the road crew. More loam/fill was hauled in and spread by hand thanks to John Winningham. Everything was seeded. One big, old stump was sawed off and taken care of. Some markers were cleaned or repaired.

Koskela/Dunham Cemetery

I sprayed for poison ivy, mowed, and weed whacked. New markers were made by me and put in place. Sunken graves will be filled in 2018.

South Woodstock Cemetery

Stones were uprighted and cleaned.

Whales Back Cemetery

Stones were uprighted, repaired and cemented in place. They were then cleaned.

Nute/Stevens Cemetery

I started here about three years ago. It had not been mowed in years and the golden rod was over three feet tall. I mowed it with a riding lawn mower this year. Sunken graves were again filled and seeded. Markers were up-righted where that was needed.

There is a lot of work still needed in most cemeteries in Woodstock. They have war veterans buried in them and by law they must be maintained. I would do it anyway out of respect.

I am asking anyone who has unneeded fake flowers that are still pretty to please drop them off at the town office. They will be placed on as many long forgotten graves around Woodstock that I can.

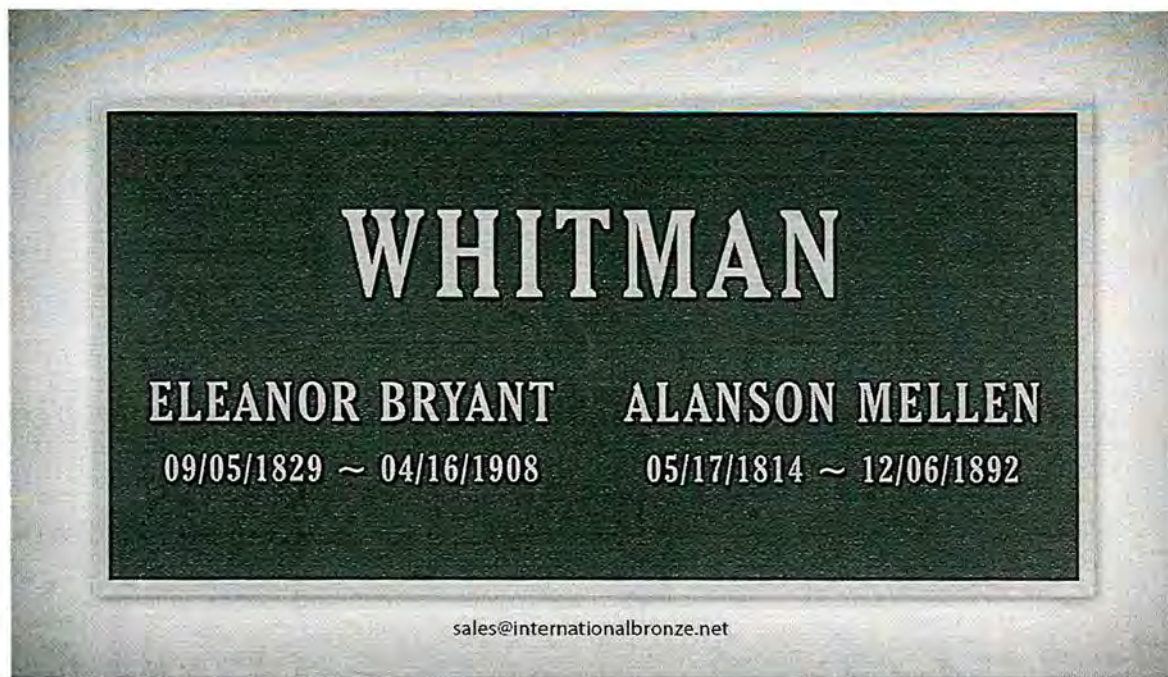
I am trying to get to as many cemeteries in Woodstock that I can to do repairs. I do hire help when needed at my expense. If you know of a cemetery in need of repair, please let the town office know and I will try to get to it this year, 2018.

Shirley and Bryce Koskela

Perpetual Care Accounts	Balance 12/31/2016	Interest 2017	Balance 12/31/2017
Abbott/Farrington	348.11	1.73	349.84
Andrews, Ormond L.	400.95	1.99	402.94
Bacon, Herbert C.	492.52	2.44	494.96
Barker, Charles	1,127.53	5.59	1,133.12
Bartlett/Burns	1,688.86	8.37	1,697.23
Bean, Edward O. Heirs	1,010.12	5.01	1,015.12
Benner, Betty J.	80.29	0.40	80.69
Berry, Angie	393.83	1.95	395.79
Berry, CH & DA	79.35	0.39	79.74
Berrymont, Kristie	70.97	0.35	71.32
Bessey, William W.	558.81	2.77	561.58
Billings, Maud M.	950.65	4.71	955.36
Billings, Roydon & Kathleen	627.99	3.11	631.10
Bowker, A.P. & Bacon H.A.	1,951.18	9.67	1,960.85
Bowker, Albert L.	472.89	2.34	475.23
Bowker, Charles	379.23	1.88	381.11
Brooks, Francis & Glennis	174.56	0.87	175.43
Bowker, James L.	316.65	1.57	318.22
Brooks, Gleyenn & Georgeianna	91.65	0.45	92.10
Brooks, Seymour & Agnes	188.02	0.93	188.96
Broomhall, Philip/Rose-Anne	52.45	0.26	52.71
Brown, George @ Cole Hill	76.12	0.38	76.50
Bryant, Daniel E.	462.34	2.29	464.63
Bryant/Hemingway	310.90	1.54	312.44
Carlson, Richard & Patricia	179.20	0.89	180.09
Chase, A. Stephen	77.19	0.38	77.57
Chase, A.Mont & Anna F.	404.04	2.00	406.04
Chase, Faulkner & Caroline	77.19	0.38	77.57
Chase, Gordon	77.19	0.38	77.57
Chase, Joseph Cummings	412.25	2.04	414.29
Childs, David & Merry	70.97	0.35	71.32
Cohen B / Kolker R.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cole, Cynthia A.	113.17	0.56	113.73
Cole, Fred M.	471.63	2.34	473.96
Cole, Myra	7.04	0.03	7.07
Cole, Reuben	579.36	2.87	582.23
Cole, Burton/Smith S&E	53.08	0.26	53.34
Crawford/Cushman	58.13	0.29	58.42
Crockett, George	596.19	2.96	599.15
Crockett, Georgia A.	298.69	1.48	300.17
Crockett, Robert C.	786.08	3.90	789.98
Crooker, Vertie	36.20	0.18	36.38
Cummings/Whitman	196.86	0.98	197.83
Cummings, Fannie P.	309.83	1.54	311.36
Cummings, L.N.	4.88	0.02	4.91
Cushman Family, Matthew	100.45	0.50	100.95
Cushman, G.L.	463.55	2.30	465.84
Davis, Bernice & Gayden	236.24	1.17	237.41
Davis, Phillip & Davis, Robert	164.40	0.82	165.21
Davis, Esther	65.91	0.33	66.24
Deegan, Ronald & Alice	74.12	0.37	74.49
Day, James M.	103.26	0.51	103.77
Day, Thomas	659.12	3.27	662.39
Dudley, Ansel & Josephine	1,292.81	6.41	1,299.22
Dunham/Small	1,871.53	9.28	1,880.81
EnEarl, Ida May	112.10	0.56	112.65
Farrington, Arthur/Leora	58.48	0.29	58.77
Farnum, Carolyn J.	362.35	1.80	364.14
Farnum, Cecil & Leona	68.78	0.34	69.12
Farnum, David W.	407.54	2.02	409.56
Farnum, Esther	460.33	2.28	462.61

Perpetual Care Accounts	Balance 12/31/2016	Interest 2017	Balance 12/31/2017
Farnum, Fred & Eleanor	94.32	0.47	94.79
Farnum, James H.	574.72	2.85	577.57
Farrar, Jerry B.	484.04	2.40	486.44
Farrar, Stanley & James F.	214.33	1.06	215.39
Felt, Lena M.	936.54	4.64	941.19
Felt, Richard & Barbara	70.97	0.35	71.32
Forkus, Michael & Suzanne	80.29	0.40	80.69
Gallison, John	66.02	0.33	66.35
Hanson, Linwood/Virginia/Ellen	0.00	0.00	0.00
Geraghty, John & Rosemary	72.03	0.36	72.39
Haskell, Gilbert & Suzanne	77.19	0.38	77.57
Hathaway, Ells. & Joyce	70.97	0.35	71.32
Hathaway, John E.	153.41	0.76	154.17
Hathaway, Lloyd & Florence	56.10	0.28	56.38
Hathaway, Raeburn B.	187.28	0.93	188.21
Henley Family, Albert & Faye	80.29	0.40	80.69
Hill, Charles	244.26	1.21	245.47
Hooper, Donald O.	294.07	1.46	295.52
Howe, Charles & Lois	73.91	0.37	74.28
Howe, Edwin & Elouise	72.78	0.36	73.14
Hoyt, Kenneth & Alice	77.19	0.38	77.57
Jackson, Clara L.	301.48	1.49	302.98
Johnson, Oscar	583.36	2.89	586.25
Keniston, Floyd & Evangeline	69.95	0.35	70.30
Kimball/Dudley	806.77	4.00	810.77
King, Ralph A.	75.80	0.38	76.17
Knightly, Brian & Donna	77.19	0.38	77.57
Koskela, Kenneth & Theresa	77.19	0.38	77.57
Langway, Marion	50.13	0.25	50.38
Linscott, Laura Day	401.98	1.99	403.98
Littlefield, John S.	431.84	2.14	433.98
Loomis, Michael & Jennifer	80.29	0.40	80.69
Lurvey, John B.	684.86	3.40	688.26
Lyons, Herbert & Mary	184.39	0.91	185.30
Mackillop G./Verrill H.	69.38	0.34	69.73
McAllister, Kathleen & Charles	47.80	0.24	48.04
Marshall, Michael & Suzanne	100.00	0.50	100.50
Miller, Howard	102.63	0.51	103.14
Mills, Edward L. & Blaine	324.83	1.61	326.44
Mills, Luella & O'Neil	214.94	1.07	216.01
Mills, Jeffery & Family	102.37	0.51	102.88
Morgan, Edgar	138.54	0.69	139.23
Morrow, Wanda	81.35	0.40	81.75
Mosher, Birdena	418.80	2.08	420.88
Newkirk, Leroy	77.19	0.38	77.57
Noyes, Charles E.	156.73	0.78	157.50
Noyes, Winfield	694.02	3.44	697.47
Otero-Otero Family	94.32	0.47	94.79
Parker, Alida Bailey	579.53	2.87	582.40
Perham, Edwin R.	139.65	0.69	140.35
Perham, Stanley heirs	28.59	0.14	28.73
Phillips, Kay	53.82	0.27	54.09
Poland, Alberto & Virginia	34.79	0.17	34.96
Poulin, Archille	71.34	0.35	71.69
Raymond, Fred & Muriel	58.76	0.29	59.05
Richmond, Albert & Sylvania	528.66	2.62	531.28
Ricker, Arthur C.	1,006.43	4.99	1,011.42
Ricker/Lawrence	111.37	0.55	111.92
Ricker, Thomas	699.64	3.47	703.11
Riley, William & Ernestine	72.83	0.36	73.19
Riley, William & Ernestine	53.88	0.27	54.15

Perpetual Care Accounts	Balance 12/31/2016	Interest 2017	Balance 12/31/2017
Ring, Linwood A. & Arthur	297.20	1.47	298.68
Ring, Merle Sr.	71.42	0.35	71.77
Roberts, Carolee	54.47	0.27	54.74
Rosenberg, Peter	85.31	0.42	85.73
Rowe, Lee M.	95.80	0.47	96.27
Russ, Albert H.	394.38	1.96	396.34
Russ, Henry H.	360.82	1.79	362.61
Russ, Samuel L.	381.01	1.89	382.90
Savage, Gary R. & Sandra	80.29	0.40	80.69
Smith, Clarence & H. Cole	781.03	3.87	784.90
Soule/Jacobs	663.20	3.29	666.49
Sprague/Carey	100.25	0.50	100.74
Stanley/Harding	546.35	2.71	549.06
Stephens, George E.	833.29	4.13	837.42
Stevens, Fred L.	351.95	1.74	353.69
Stone, Anthony & Mary	77.06	0.38	77.44
Stowell, Joseph	56.61	0.28	56.89
Strickland, Edley & Etta	67.60	0.34	67.93
Swan, Ada B.	284.71	1.41	286.12
Swan, Emery S.	920.55	4.56	925.12
Sweetser, Samuel & Ella	554.11	2.75	556.86
Taylor, Ada & Edward	56.52	0.28	56.80
Thurston, Ray & Cindy	71.72	0.36	72.07
Tilton, Frederick E.	6.20	0.03	6.23
Titus, John A.	547.00	2.71	549.71
Twitchell, Flossie E.	220.11	1.09	221.20
Twitchell, Roger, Louise, Stuart	82.19	0.41	82.60
Tyler, Harold G. & Fred	104.49	0.52	105.01
Tyler, Lawrence	63.83	0.32	64.14
Vittum, Helen	237.74	1.18	238.92
Warrington, Ralph	73.01	0.36	73.37
Waterhouse, Geo & Alta	0.00	0.00	0.00
Whitman, Elizabeth	193.50	0.96	194.46
Whitman, George W.	435.50	2.16	437.65
Whitman, Gilman & Elizabe	199.22	0.99	200.21
Whitman, H.S.	478.15	2.37	480.52
Wiegand's Lot	23.36	0.12	23.47
Wiggin, Lyle &	100.25	0.50	100.74
Willard/Corkum	75.19	0.37	75.56
Wing, Clarence & F Farnum	50.94	0.25	51.19
Wing, Elwood & Weldon	152.02	0.75	152.77
Wiske/Harding	78.15	0.39	78.54
Wyman/Elliot	359.13	1.78	360.91
York, George H.	817.16	4.05	821.21
Vienot, W.L.	46.74	0.23	46.97
Zemaitis, Joseph & Sophie	61.74	0.31	62.05
Lindahl, Gunnar	271.07	1.34	272.41
Andrews, Jesse	434.01	2.15	436.16
Davis, Guyson	98.20	0.49	98.69
Luther Briggs - G. Hooper	301.41	1.49	302.90
Cole's Hill	22.57	0.11	22.68
So. Woodstock Cemetery	641.55	3.18	644.74
Whales Back Cemetery	420.43	2.08	422.51
Whitman Cemetery	805.66	3.99	809.65
	23.37	0.12	23.48
Farnum Jas & Dudley Lots-	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	\$52,093.72	258.26	\$52,351.98



Thanks to the effort of Heidi & Geff Inman and Belinda Hagar, Eleanor & Alanson Whitman will now have a marker on their gravesites after all these years. They discovered that the grave stones read only Husband & Wife. The marker, as shown above, will be placed in its rightful place this spring.

It was Eleanor Whitman that left money in her will for the construction of the Whitman Memorial Library in Bryant Pond, Maine.

The Whitman Cemetery



A close look shows the lack of names on the markers. The new marker will be placed on the larger monument behind the smaller ones.

2017 Unpaid Property Taxes as of 12/31/2017

ALLEN PETER C. ATTN: James Johnston	150.11	DAVIS SCOTT R	288.76
ANDOVER LOG HOMES INC.	2,423.48	DAY SUSAN DAY JOHN	1,281.84
ASSETS RECOVERY 24 LLC	517.85	DAY WALTER WIDTFELDT MELINDA	396.80
x AUSTIN RICHARD L. AUSTIN RICHARD C. & P/	746.06	DEVLIN JR GERARD DEVLIN DEBORAH	282.88
v BAKER DAVID S HAYS DEBORAH	790.85	DOLLOFF JANIS	807.54
BAKER DAVID S HAYS DEBORAH J	269.82	DOW CLIFFORD II	462.31
v BAKER MATTHEW	1,503.51	DURGIN KEITH PALIOCHA CECILIA	684.72
BALLWEBER LEOLA R.	437.71	DURGIN KEITH PALIOCHA CECILIA	652.92
BAR REALTY TRUST	247.81	DURGIN KEITH PALIOCHA CECILIA	645.21
BARKER JENNIFER G	1,025.70	ECKER ANDREW K.	1,267.66
BARKER LAVORGNA JENNIFER	795.57	ESTY PAUL ESTY MICHAEL S & DAVID ESTY	627.52
BARONE DAVID	172.06	ESTY PAUL ESTY MICHAEL S & DAVID ESTY	246.66
x BEAN LANCE A. BEAN JENNIFER E.	1,428.72	EVANS ROBERT	831.49
BENNETT BRYAN D.	684.39	FARNUM DAVID C SR TRUSTEE FISH DAVIE	1,574.77
x BENNETT THOMAS R.	1,341.99	FARNUM DAVID C SR TRUSTEE FISH DAVIE	653.49
BENNETT THOMAS R.	271.36	x FARNUM RICKY FARNUM TAMMY	329.98
BERNARD JAY C BERNARD CAROL A	1,638.26	x FARNUM RICKY FARNUM TAMMY	917.06
BERTHIAUME RICHARD R JR	1,420.74	x FAULKNER ALICE M	8.19
x BILLINGS PAUL	460.06	FENTON JOHN B. SIMOLLARI KRISTINE D.	160.26
BILODEAU ANTHONY	203.21	FERZOCO CHARLES FERZOCO CATHY	2,842.37
BLACK JESSICA	321.88	FIFIELD ANN	752.99
BLACK JESSICA LORANGER BLACK ROBERT E	291.85	x FISH DAVID	774.96
x BOUCHARD ARMAND D. BOUCHARD ROSE M.	1,727.85	x FITZGERALD HELEN	404.79
BRENNION JAMES BRENNION EDITH	411.72	FORBES SCOTT R	1,449.91
BRIGHT STEPHEN	40.96	FRAZER STEVEN E FRAZER KRYSTL M	654.63
BRYANT POND REALTY TRUST	1,020.43	FULWIDER KIMBERLY S.	149.27
BUCK JASON R.	499.32	GAIDIS JOSEPH	308.80
CALIRI JOSEPH A.	1,713.91	GAIDIS JOSEPH SANGIOLO-GAIDIS CATHEI	1,383.10
CALIRI JOSEPH A.	305.92	x GALLAGHER TIMOTHY	400.12
v CALLIS STEPHEN B. CALLIS DAMON B.	1,406.95	GAMMON CRAIG C.	2,375.64
CAMELO EMANUEL S CAMELO STACEY L	234.09	x GAMMON EDWARD	763.24
CAMELO EMANUEL S CAMELO STACEY L	232.24	GAMMON SR. EDWARD	532.10
CARD JOHN A., SR. CARD JUNE E.	350.25	GIVEN PATRICK R	1,374.92
CASEY KEVIN P. CASEY KRISTIN A.	4,132.53	GLAD WILLIAM F. GLAD BRENDA Y.	202.88
x CAUBET JEAN-FRANCOIS	2,015.01	x GLOBUSH CYNTHIA K	260.48
CHADBOURNE THOMAS	268.80	GOWELL EUGENE	1,477.17
CHAPMAN MILDRED A.	1,543.63	GREENWELL DONALD H.	411.92
x CHAPMAN WAYNE	1,140.72	HADLEY BARRY HADLEY MELODY	66.89
v CHASE JR. RODNEY E. CHASE LOIS D.	958.30	HADLEY KEITH	602.24
CHENARD ROGER G. BURNHAM-CHENARD NIK	706.07	HALL ERLON HALL STACEY	151.77
CLARK ALLEN COMPANY LLC	1,291.62	HARDY MARGARET M HARDY MICHAEL N	154.56
CLEGG GARY	2,818.04	HARDY MICHAEL HARDY MARGARET	1,440.31
CLEGG GARY	373.21	HARLOW KERRY & MICHAEL YATES PATTI	1,663.16
v COFFIN LAWRENCE E. COFFIN CONSTANCE	1,037.11	HARVEY BRIAN & HEATHER SCHANCK MAR	2,739.40
v COFFIN LAWRENCE E. COFFIN CONSTANCE	699.29		
COREY JOSEPH	339.34	HEAD DAVID A HEAD FRANCES M	250.88
COX DAVID	1,897.18	HECKLEY ALICE HECKLEY MANUEL	1,328.12
COX JOHN E III	219.43	HELMS ANDREW HELMS KELLEY	524.03
COX JOHN E III	757.44	HERSHBERGER JEFFREY R.	272.64
COX JOHN E III	10.24	x HERTNECK CHARLES W. TRUSTEE OF THE	235.52
COX JOHN E. III	456.23	x HERTNECK CHARLES W. TRUSTEE OF THE	1,523.67
COX JOHN E. III	400.65	x HINKLEY ROBERT M HINKLEY SHELLY L	891.96
COX JOHN E. III DOLORME ROLAND S.	282.88	v HINKLEY ROBERT M. HINKLEY SHELLY L.	570.50
x CUMMINGS ARTHUR K.	89.11	HOLMES VIKKI D	1,132.39
CUMMINGS JULIE E. CUMMINGS MICHAEL A.	319.91	HOWE CHRISTOPHER P	32.05
CUMMINGS, MEAGHAN	36.06	HOWE CHRISTOPHER P. HOWE PAULA MAF	278.44
x CURRAN SUSAN	1,460.36	v HURD CHARLES T.	1,612.79
DAGGETT DANA DAVIS CAROL	2,015.21	x HURD CHARLES T.	237.06
DAVIS DAWN	27.81	x HURD CHARLES T.	426.10
DAVIS DAWN M DAVIS LORI L	1,347.75	JACKSON DONALD JACKSON STEPHANIE	277.68

2017 Unpaid Property Taxes as of 12/31/2017 (cont.)

JALBERT JACQUES P BILODEAU JESSARIAH J	250.88	PAUL ERIC	3,201.98
JAM COLE LLC	1,373.79	x PETERSON JAMES	260.89
JARAMILLO KELLY	370.02	PHELPS GERALDINE ESTATE OF C/O RICKY	811.93
JOHNSON ANDREW	80.90	PIORKOWSKI PAMELA	4,026.96
JOHNSON BRIAN K JOHNSON DREW W	1,020.20	x PIRES MOUNTAIN LLC	7.20
JOHNSON CHRISTOPHER	1,533.04	v POLAK MARCEL ECKER EMILY SEARS	645.37
JOHNSON DESIREE	120.12	POLAND SHAWN REAVIS TRACY L.	748.94
JOHNSON SHELLEY A. JOHNSON FREDERICK C	2,073.38	x POMERLEAU HALYNE L POMERLEAU BRANC	3,296.49
JOHNSTON JAMES M JOHNSTON MICHELLE E	1,882.25	PULKKINEN CODY J	132.74
JOYCE EDWARD D. JOYCE JOAN E.	4,232.60	PULKKINEN CODY J	668.99
KELLY MARTIN E. KELLY JOANNE M.	1,274.41	PULKKINEN LENA M.	1,409.96
v KISSEL RANDALL A	461.22	RAMSAY ANNETTE RAMSAY CASEY	1,305.08
KNAPP BRENDA L.	10.24	RAND DENNIS M. RAND JENNIFER H.	201.60
KNAPP BRENDA L.	488.81	REDDING ELIZABETH G	249.60
KOSKELA JASON R.	555.71	REDDING SARAH KATE	250.88
KOSKELA TANELI	157.04	REIS FREDERICK L.	790.73
KRONSTADT ANDREW	137.15	REZENDES JOSEPH A REZENDES PATREAS/	755.78
KRONSTADT ANDREW S.	234.96	RISKO LARRY & MICHAEL A HOWE ROBERT	1,353.27
KURTZ ARTHUR N.	466.53	RISKO LARRY HOWE ROBERT C	1,413.00
KURTZ ARTHUR N.	232.96	ROBBINS DALE S. ROBBINS RANDY I.	834.73
LANDSFELD HEATHER H	588.80	ROBERT YVONNE M	1,145.91
LANE PATRICK LANE KENDALYN	466.28	x ROGERS FREDERICK	217.15
LAWRENCE DONALD D LAWRENCE JOHANNA J	126.03	ROSE DAVID MARSHALL BRENDA	1,051.39
LAWRENCE DONALD D LAWRENCE JOHANNA J	259.26	ROSENBERG PETER A, JR.	311.04
LAWRENCE DONALD D. LAWRENCE JOHANNA	725.50	ROUTHIER DARYL R	488.55
LAWRENCE DONALD D. LAWRENCE JOHANNA	500.43	x ROUTHIER DARYL R. HOLMES RONALD B. J	455.91
LAWRENCE DONALD D. LAWRENCE JOHANNA	326.78	SANGIOLO-GAIDIS CATHERINE	1,491.26
LAWRENCE DONALD D. LAWRENCE JOHANNA	1,061.36	x SCANLON KAREN M & THOMAS J TRUSTEE/	230.40
LAWRENCE DONALD D. LAWRENCE JOHANNA	1,607.88	x SCANLON KAREN M & THOMAS J TRUSTEE/	429.44
LAWRENCE DONALD D. LAWRENCE JOHANNA	1,922.33	SELIGMAN STEVEN & BARBARA	189.64
LEBOVITZ TROY	332.56	SHORT ART	144.76
LYNCH ANN MARIE	538.83	SICOTTE TIMOTHY L. SR.	1,371.76
	4,695.55	x SING THOMAS M SING REBECCA D	388.08
MABERRY ERNEST O. JR. MABERRY MARY L.	911.94	SMITH ANGELA - Shane Smith, Shane Britt	66.18
x MACLEOD KENNETH IAIN VEROST CATHY	292.61	x SOUTHWORTH JENNIFER	2,944.87
MADDOCKS BRANDY L. RUSSO-	1,860.13	x ST.LAWRENCE & ATLANTIC RR C/O ACCOU	17.92
MADDOCKS BRANDY L. RUSSO- CUMMING MIC	335.24	x STALEY JOHN I STALEY PRISCILLA J	347.84
MADDOCKS SCOTT A	336.64	STEVENS LISA	432.00
MAGOON JOSEPH M. MAGOON DONNA M.	1,917.98	STOWELL NORRIS A. STOWELL BARBARA A	2,578.36
MALM RANDALL MALM BRENDA C.	2,451.52	SULLIVAN STEPHEN A. CASEY-SULLIVAN S/	536.60
x MASON JERROLD L	520.91	TALLEY DAVID W	247.04
v MAYES JANICE E	1,156.95	TALLEY DAVID W TALLEY, ANDREA G.	320.51
MCINNIS PERCY L	939.70	TAYLOR GLADYS T	594.01
x MCKENNA DEBORAH BUCK KRISTEN	1,234.73	TAYLOR-KEMP ALEXANDRIA	459.25
MICHEL-FOKINE HEIDI MICHEL SUZANNE & LI	452.16	THORNFELDT ERIC P.	1,142.16
MILLS PAULINE L.	657.66	THURSTON JAMES M. THURSTON CLIFTON	926.40
MOONEY-WYNNE PATRICIA TRUSTEE WYNNE	1,360.83	x TOUGAS GEORGE J. TOUGAS NANCY A	1,489.03
MOORE BRANDY P.	2,514.39	TROESTER PAUL	306.00
MORGAN SHELTON A. MORGAN CATHY J.	804.39	TYLER QUENTIN	240.87
x MORGAN SHELTON A. MORGAN CATHY J.	2,062.03	VANVLIET MERTON JR	150.81
MORGAN SHERYL	535.27	VANVLIET MERTON JR	282.24
x MORIN GERALD MORIN EVELYN	209.34	WALKER HAROLD A. WALKER BERTHA I.	608.04
MORRISON ROBIN MORRISON MICHAEL	1,432.15	WALLACE EARL H. & RICHARD H. HILES LC	1,080.38
MORRISON ROBIN MORRISON MICHAEL	332.80	WALSH ANTHONY WALSH OLIVIA	735.10
MOWERY JASON N	51.11	WALSH MICHAEL WALSH KAREN	1,805.52
MURPHY SCOTT	544.64	x WALTON CATHY E WALTON LARRY K	117.76
NAPOLITANO ANTHONY REED GLENN	270.13	x WATROUS MICHAEL	274.98
NET DEVELOPMENT CORP.	2,188.92	WEBB EDWARD	1,236.79
O'BEAR THOMAS	2,005.16	x WELCH RODNEY D. WELCH DAWN	1,817.80
x OLSON STEVEN G. OLSON JOY L.	1,350.69	x WHEELER ROGER A	320.51
ONORATI FAMILY TRUST II	904.13		
PALMER VINCENT PALMER DIANE	83.17		

x Payment in full after books closed

v Payment in part after books closed

2017 Unpaid Property Taxes as of 12/31/2017 (cont.)

x WHEELER ROGER A WHEELER THADDEUS	138.24	2016 unpaid taxes continued	
WILDAY LAWRENCE A. WILDAY ELAINE T.	612.22	ROBBINS DALE S. ROBBINS RANDY I.	\$245.02
WILDAY RANDALL S. WILDAY RACHEL M.	1,530.79	ROBERT YVONNE M	\$987.12
WILLIAMSON II GARY H. WILLIAMSON JULI	493.57	ROBERTS HOLLY J & KELLOG HEATHEF	\$207.54
WILLIAMSON II GARY H. WILLIAMSON JULI	3,423.63	ROGERS FREDERICK	\$114.16
WILSON DOUGLASS J.	243.17	ROSE DAVID MARSHALL BRENDA	\$878.59
v WILSON RUTHANN	3,421.34	SICOTTE TIMOTHY L. SR.	\$1,356.38
x WING RICHARD C/O Kellie Lima	1,788.98	SMITH ANGELA - Shane Smith, Shane Bri	\$153.21
WINSLOW MYRON WINSLOW CAROL	569.23	x ST.LAWRENCE & ATLANTIC RR C/O ACC	\$64.16
WINSLOW RANDY E.	859.56	TAYLOR GLADYS T	\$608.11
WOLFSON KAREN B.	<u>1,479.12</u>	VANVLIT MERTON JR	\$387.77
	232,310.45	WALKER HAROLD A. WALKER BERTHA I	\$649.97
		WEBB EDWARD	\$989.08
		WILDAY RANDALL S. WILDAY RACHEL M	\$1,422.44
		WILSON DOUGLASS J.	\$291.92
		v WOLFSON KAREN B.	<u>\$1,248.23</u>
			\$42,996.45

2016 Unpaid Property Taxes/Liens

ASSETS RECOVERY 24 LLC	\$795.47		
BALLWEBER ROBERT C. BALLWEBER, LEC	\$124.38		
v BENNETT BRYAN D.	\$1,102.60		
BENNETT THOMAS R.	\$584.91		
BERTHIAUME RICHARD R JR	\$213.02		
BILODEAU ANTHONY	\$233.13	v 2015 Unpaid Property Taxes/Liens	
x CALLIS STEPHEN B. CALLIS DAMON B.	\$41.53	CUMMINGS JULIE E. CUMMINGS MICHA	\$516.97
CHAPMAN MILDRED A.	\$1,669.41	CUMMINGS, MEAGHAN	\$68.55
CLARK ALLEN COMPANY LLC	\$1,499.96	FORBES SCOTT R	\$945.64
CUMMINGS JULIE E. CUMMINGS MICHAEL	\$465.78	FRAZER STEVEN E FRAZER KRYSTL M	\$900.68
CUMMINGS, MEAGHAN	\$110.42	JOHNSON ANDREW	\$77.44
DAY SUSAN DAY JOHN	\$570.70	MOWERY JASON N	\$55.28
DOLLOFF JANIS	\$680.76	v RAND DENNIS M. RAND JENNIFER H.	\$312.45
DOW CLIFFORD II	\$473.42	ROSE DAVID MARSHALL BRENDA	\$768.45
ECKER ANDREW K.	\$1,097.30	SELIGMAN STEVEN & BARBARA	\$25.77
ESTY PAUL ESTY MICHAEL S & DAVID EST	\$681.52	SMITH ANGELA	\$109.52
ESTY PAUL ESTY MICHAEL S & DAVID EST	\$293.93	WILDAY RANDALL S. WILDAY RACHEL M	\$1,388.38
v EVANS ROBERT	\$904.17	WILSON DOUGLASS J.	<u>\$53.27</u>
FIFIELD ANN	\$759.82		\$5,222.40
FORBES SCOTT R	\$1,362.28		
FRAZER STEVEN E FRAZER KRYSTL M	\$817.40		
FULWIDER KIMBERLY S.	\$196.32	2014 Unpaid Property Taxes/Liens	
GIVEN PATRICK R	\$1,400.49	ASSETS RECOVERY 24 LLC	\$745.91
GOWELL EUGENE	\$1,469.80	CUMMINGS, MEAGHAN	\$58.41
HADLEY KEITH	\$625.84	FRAZER STEVEN E	\$695.41
HALL, ERLON & STACEY	\$137.24	HALL ERLON	\$233.18
HELMS ANDREW HELMS KELLEY	\$610.05	JOHNSON ANDREW	\$66.78
HOWE CHRISTOPHER P	\$76.68	MOWERY JASON N	\$45.92
HOWE CHRISTOPHER P. HOWE PAULA MA	\$325.65	SELIGMAN STEVEN & BARBARA	\$24.86
HURD CHARLES T.	\$1,901.65	SMITH ANGELA	\$96.96
JOHNSON ANDREW	\$119.71	WILDAY RANDALL S.	<u>\$1,300.30</u>
JOHNSON CHRISTOPHER	\$1,387.66		\$3,267.73
JOHNSON SHELLEY A. JOHNSON FREDER	\$1,811.60		
JOHNSTON JAMES	\$372.20	2008-2013 Unpaid Property Taxes/Liens	
KNAPP BRENDA L.	\$56.20	CUMMINGS, MEAGHAN	\$64.69
KNAPP BRENDA L.	\$735.85	FRAZER STEVEN E FRAZER KRYSTL M	\$152.41
LANE PATRICK LANE KENDALYN	\$658.83	HALL ERLON	\$110.78
LEBOVITZ TROY	\$375.05	SMITH ANGELA	\$182.43
MADDOCKS BRANDY L. RUSSO-	\$1,886.94	SMITH ANGELA	\$173.26
MADDOCKS BRANDY L. RUSSO- CUMMING	\$327.15	SMITH ANGELA	\$58.12
MALM RANDALL MALM BRENDA C.	\$2,101.10	SMITH ANGELA	\$764.28
MAYES JANICE E	\$782.58	SMITH ANGELA	\$123.26
MOWERY JASON N	\$96.56	SMITH ANGELA	\$102.40
MURCH TERA	\$118.59	WILDAY RANDALL S. WILDAY RACHEL M	<u>\$1,125.21</u>
NET DEVELOPMENT CORP.	\$2,402.06		\$2,856.84
PALMER VINCENT PALMER DIANE	\$119.28		
PAUL ERIC	\$3,167.30		
PHELPS GERALDINE ESTATE OF C/O RICK	\$381.71	Total 2017	\$232,310.45
PIRES MOUNTAIN LLC	\$776.38	Total 2016	\$4,870.45
PIRES MOUNTAIN LLC	\$724.26	Total 2015	\$5,222.40
PIRES MOUNTAIN LLC	\$1,159.28	Total 2014	\$6,043.74
PIRES MOUNTAIN LLC	\$827.44	Total 2008-2013	<u>\$2,856.84</u>
POLAND SHAWN REAVIS TRACY L.	\$536.41	Total unpaid real & personal taxes & liens	\$251,303.88
PULKKINEN CODY J	\$529.20		
RAND DENNIS M. RAND JENNIFER H.	\$317.48		

2018 Woodstock Budget Explanation

This year's General Government portion of the budget is increased this year by contracted pay raises and an increase in the computer software account because TRIO Software updates are needed and maintenance fees are higher.

The Road Maintenance account is down this year because we are nearly complete with the long term upgrade of the Concord Pond Road, and the major improvements to the Cushman Road are done for now. We are planning work on Rumford Ave and Perkins Valley Road this year.

The Fire Department budget is up by \$1,666.00 this year due only to the minimum wage increase.

The Insurance costs are higher due to our Worker's Compensation Insurance. We had two claims in 2016 which brought our mod rate up causing a steep increase. We did look to see if other carriers would cover our Worker's Comp, but there are basically only two carriers in Maine for municipalities. Only time and no more major claims will bring our premiums back down. The health insurance cost is down slightly because of a change in one employee's dependent coverage.

The Municipal Utilities budget is on the rise again and we a budgeting more to make sure we can cover actual costs based on historic usage and estimated costs per gallon.

There is no change in our Recreation budget.

There is no change in our Library budget

We have had a new \$ 5,000.00 request from the Mahoosuc Heart & Soul Organization for funding to help with their work in the four town area. The Selectmen are bringing this to Town Meeting for you to decide.

We have not made any increase in the Building and or Property Maintenance budget for 2018. The amounts we have worked with the last few years seems to work. Projects under consideration for this year include painting the roof of the Town Office and painting the front, long side of the Town Garage Fire Station Building and installing a man door entrance on the pole shed.

Our Solid Waste budget is up due to the lack of sales of recyclable goods now that we have moved to Zero Sort recycling. A new compactor will be online by the time Town Meeting rolls around. The current one lasted over 25 years. Not bad!

The costs that towns have to pay but have little say on are the School and County budgets. The Oxford County budget is up dramatically this year and Woodstock's portion is up over \$40,000.00. As of this writing the School budget increase for Woodstock is not known, but we are anticipating a 9% increase which is about \$55,000.00.

There are only minor increases in dues to AVCOG & MMA in our Planning budget.

Our Assessing budget is back down to the regular amount as the Re-Valuation is behind us again. With the revaluation results we were able to maintain our mil rate. The purpose of the revaluation is to bring all properties in-line with like properties in our town based on the history of property sales in Woodstock.

The Capital Purchases budget, other than the annual monies set aside for future purchases of Highway and Fire Dept Equipment, is designed to:

- Pay the third of 5 payments on the 2017 Fire Engine Tanker.
- Purchase a used pick-up for the highway department to replace the 2005 GMC pick-up that has served us well.
- Pave the parking lot at the Town Office/Garage/ Fire Station.
- Three new garage doors and restructuring of the wall section they are in.
- Rent an excavator to do road work more efficiently, including-
 - major work to do on the Granite Ledge Road at the sharp corner that goes over the brook.
 - guard rails and culvert repair on the Billings Hill road bridge

It is worth noting that when the Wind Turbines went online in 2012 that our mil rate dropped from .01285 to .01145. Six years later we are now back to .01280, which is still less that it was six years ago. During that time the town has paid for some major capital improvement and purchases. The increase in revenue from the Turbines has allowed the town to do some things of importance that perhaps otherwise would not have been done, at least without larger mil rate increases.

For the first time in a number of years we will be recommending use of some Fund Balance (Surplus) money to help offset the budget. The Woodstock fund balance is very strong at \$1,030,000.

budget

Budget Item		2017 Final w/tax commit	Proposed 2018
1	<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>		
	Selectmen's Salaries	6,000.00	6,000.00
	Selectmen's Expenses	150.00	150.00
	Manager's Salary	56,179.00	58,426.16
	Manager's Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Manager's Retirement	3,500.00	3,500.00
	Administrative Assistant	37,997.00	39,136.91
	Office Assistant	6,000.00	6,000.00
	School Board Director's	4,500.00	4,500.00
	Office Supplies	4,500.00	4,500.00
	Software & Maintenance Agreements	11,000.00	15,000.00
	Social Security/Medicare @7.65%	<u>24,500.00</u>	<u>24,500.00</u>
	Section total	155,326.00	162,713.07
5	<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u>		
	Winter Roads	175,000.00	175,000.00
	Summer Roads	90,000.00	90,000.00
	Paving & Reclaim	160,000.00	160,000.00
	Concord Pond Road	40,000.00	0.00
	Rumford Ave	20,000.00	40,000.00
	Perkins Valley	0.00	25,000.00
	Cushman Road	45,000.00	0.00
	Equipment Maint & Supplies	<u>75,000.00</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>
	Section total	605,000.00	565,000.00
10	<u>FIRE DEPARTMENT</u>		
	Operations	63,000.00	64,666.00
	Enhanced Mutual Aid	<u>30,000.00</u>	<u>30,000.00</u>
		93,000.00	94,666.00
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	Emergency Management	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Animal Control	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>5,500.00</u>
	Section total	6,000.00	6,500.00
12	<u>INSURANCE & LEGAL</u>		
	Liability	16,000.00	16,000.00
	Unemployment	0.00	0.00
	Health Insurance	107,602.07	105,000.00
	Worker's Comp	13,000.00	28,328.00
	Legal Fees	8,000.00	8,000.00
	Annual Audit	<u>6,550.00</u>	<u>6,650.00</u>
	Section total	151,152.07	163,978.00
14	<u>MUNICIPAL UTILITIES</u>		
	Heat, Electric, telephones	60,000.00	72,000.00
	Municipal Diesel & Unleaded fuel	<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>24,000.00</u>
		80,000.00	96,000.00

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Budget Item		2017 Final w/tax commit	Proposed 2018
15	<u>RECREATION</u>		
	Recreation Activities	<u>5,011.14</u>	<u>5,011.14</u>
		5,011.14	5,011.14
20	<u>LIBRARY</u>	<u>9,000.00</u>	<u>9,000.00</u>
		9,000.00	9,000.00
25	<u>SOCIAL SERVICES</u>		
	General Assistance	5,000.00	3,500.00
	Mahoosuc Heart & Soul	0.00	5,000.00
	Provider Agency requests	<u>12,994.00</u>	<u>12,839.00</u>
	Section total	17,994.00	21,339.00
31	<u>PROPERTY MAINTENANCE</u>		
	Buildings	30,000.00	30,000.00
	Grounds & Cemetery Care	30,000.00	30,000.00
	Cemetery retaining walls & monuments	4,500.00	4,500.00
	Docks for beach & or public wharf	4,000.00	4,000.00
	Roadside Spring	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
	Section total	69,500.00	69,500.00
35	<u>SOLID WASTE</u>		
	G&W Recycling Center	90,000.00	100,000.00
	retaining wall	<u>0.00</u>	<u>7,500.00</u>
	Section total	90,000.00	107,500.00
40	<u>EDUCATION</u>		
	School Commitment	1,323,885.00	1,376,840.00
	Woodstock Scholarship	2,000.00	<u>2,000.00</u>
	Section total	1,325,885.00	1,378,840.00
50	<u>PLANNING</u>		
	Planning Board	500.00	500.00
	Appeals Board	250.00	250.00
	Conservation Commission	1,000.00	1,200.00
	CEO & LPI	8,000.00	8,000.00
	Dues- AVCOG	2,833.00	2,998.00
	Dues- MMA	<u>2,469.00</u>	<u>2,515.00</u>
	Section total	15,052.00	15,463.00
55	<u>ASSESSING</u>		
	ReValuation	20,000.00	0.00
	Annual Work	12,000.00	18,000.00
	Abatements	3,000.00	3,000.00
	Discounts	<u>35,000.00</u>	<u>36,000.00</u>
	Section total	70,000.00	57,000.00

Budget Item	2017 Final w/tax commit	Proposed 2018
70 CAPITAL PURCHASES		
Major Highway Reserve Account	50,000.00	55,000.00
New wheeler plow truck	190,000.00	0.00
Fire Truck Reserve	15,000.00	15,000.00
Payment on 2016 Fire Truck	30,000.00	30,000.00
Fire Dept Forestry Truck	61,000.00	0.00
Town Garage door/Wall Maintenance	0.00	20,000.00
Used 3/4 ton pick-up w/plow	0.00	10,000.00
Excavator lease		10,000.00
Pave Municipal Complex		<u>25,000.00</u>
Section total	346,000.00	165,000.00
90 MISCELLANEOUS		
Miscellaneous	8,500.00	8,500.00
Lakes Association	3,000.00	3,000.00
Greenstock Snowmobile Club Request	1,000.00	1,000.00
Memorial Day	<u>600.00</u>	<u>600.00</u>
Section total	13,100.00	13,100.00
85 COUNTY TAX	<u>171,812.00</u>	<u>210,050.00</u>
Section total	171,812.00	210,050.00
GRAND TOTALS	<u>3,223,832.21</u>	<u>3,140,660.21</u>
LESS:		
State Park Revenue Sharing	5,011.14	5,011.14
Local Road Assistance	40,000.00	40,000.00
Major Highway Equipment Reserve	140,000.00	0.00
Fire Department Reserve Acct	28,037.89	28,037.89
Fire Department Reserve Acct	48,100.00	0.00
Tree Growth Account	35,000.00	35,000.00
Interest Income	1,200.00	1,200.00
License Fees	6,500.00	6,500.00
Fund Balance	0.00	95,000.00
State Revenue Sharing	35,000.00	35,000.00
Auto Excise	210,000.00	210,000.00
BETE Reimbursement	52.86	52.86
Estimated Homestead Reimbursement	<u>37,667.44</u>	<u>37,667.44</u>
Total Monies to reduce Commitment	<u>586,569.33</u>	<u>493,469.33</u>
86 Estimated overlay	<u>14,185.48</u>	<u>14,185.48</u>
Estimated to be raised from taxes	2,651,448.36	2,661,376.36
Estimated town Valuation	206,991,108.00	206,991,108.00
Estimated Mil Rate	0.01281	0.01286
	<u>\$100,000.00</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
	\$1,280.95	\$1,285.74

G & W Budgets

2/22/2018

		2018 Proposed	2017 Actual	2016 Actual	2016 Budget	2015 Actual	2014 Actual
FICA		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,907.00	\$ 2,850.00	\$2,700.00	\$ 2,566.00	\$ 2,382.00
Wages		\$ 40,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 37,231.00	\$35,000.00	\$ 33,544.00	\$ 34,024.00
Expenses		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,815.00	\$ 2,820.00	\$3,000.00	\$ 3,092.00	\$ 3,070.00
Supplies		\$ 500.00	\$ 635.00	\$ 485.00	\$500.00	\$ 248.00	\$ 191.39
Utilities		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,822.00	\$ 3,252.00	\$3,200.00	\$ 3,573.00	\$ 2,013.00
Facility Repairs		\$ 500.00	\$ 473.00	\$ 500.00	\$500.00	\$ 395.00	\$ 496.44
Dues & Fees		\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$600.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 610.00
Advertising				\$ 13.00	\$200.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 13.00
Fuel		\$ 500.00	\$ 349.00	\$ 458.00	\$800.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 578.00
Compactor Repair		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,315.00	\$ 3,891.00	\$2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,789.00
Backhoe Repair		\$ 1,500.00	\$ 258.00	\$ 50.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 575.00	\$ 105.54
Metal		\$ 2,102.00	\$ 2,102.00	\$ 2,103.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 2,232.64	\$ 613.56
CD		\$ 50,000.00	\$ 47,975.00	\$ 51,900.00	\$43,000.00	\$ 48,390.00	\$ 42,405.00
MSW		\$ 53,000.00	\$ 52,632.00	\$ 51,330.00	\$45,000.00	\$ 49,281.50	\$ 44,258.00
Tires		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 748.00	\$ 856.00	\$1,200.00	\$ 1,088.00	\$ 966.00
Zero Sort Recycling		\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,850.00	\$ 7,600.00		\$ 3,809.15	
Universal Waste		\$ 250.00	\$ 194.00				
Composting		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 780.00				
Expenses		\$ 170,952.00	\$ 162,455.00	\$ 165,939.00	\$140,200.00	\$ 150,154.29	\$ 133,514.93
Cap. Impr. Ex.		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00				
Brush Dump		\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 6,000.00		
Zero Sort Updates						\$ 26,000.00	\$ 33,408.21
Fencing							
OCRR				\$ 15,650.00			
Tags/metal/tires			\$ 8,178.00	\$ 6,200.00			
Revenues		\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,178.00	\$ 21,850.00	\$4,500.00	\$ 4,631.00	\$ 8,423.00
			budget				
			\$ 162,500.00				
Final Budget		\$ 198,000.00	\$ 189,277.00	\$ 144,089.00	\$141,700.00	\$ 171,523.29	\$ 158,500.14
Woodstock	60%	\$ 118,800.00		\$ 86,453.00	\$85,020.00	\$ 102,914.00	\$ 95,100.08
Greenwood	40%	\$ 79,200.00		\$ 57,636.00	\$ 56,680.00	\$ 68,610.00	\$ 63,400.06



Woodstock

Annual Town Meeting Warrant

March 26, 2018

To: Rose A. Fraser, a Resident in the Town of Woodstock,

Greetings; In the Name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Woodstock, Maine, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Woodstock Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room on Monday, March 27, 2017 at 7:00 PM there and then to vote on the following articles, to wit;

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

Article 2. To elect a Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for a three (3) year term.
Michael S. Nadeau's term expires

The election for School Board director has will now be held in June along with the School Board Budget Referendum vote.

Article 3. To elect a Whitman Memorial Library Trustees for a three (3) year term.
Alice Deegan's term expires

Article 4. Shall the town vote to offer for sale, by sealed bid the 1.3 acre parcel on Trail's End, shown on the Tax Maps for Woodstock Maine as, Map 016 Lot 084-003, with a minimum bid of \$60,000.00.

See attached tax map

Article 5. Shall the town vote to have the building, acquired by the town of non-payment of taxes, shown on the Tax Maps for Woodstock Maine as Map 016 Lot 090, at 62 North Main St. demolished and hauled away.

Article 6. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 162,713.07 for the following General Administration expenses.

	2018	2017
Selectmen's salaries	\$6,000.00	6,000.00
Selectmen's expenses	\$150.00	150.00
Town Manager's salary	\$58,426.16	56,179.00
Town Manager's expenses	\$1,000.00	1,000.
Town Manager's retirement	\$3,500.00	3,500.
Administrative Assistant	\$39,136.91	37,997.00
Office Assistant	\$6,000.00	6,000.00
School Board Director's stipend	\$4,500.00	4,500.00
Office Supplies	\$4,500.00	4,500.00
Computer software and licensing	\$15,000.00	11,000.00
Social Security/Medicare	<u>\$24,500.00</u>	<u>24,500.00</u>
Total	\$162,713.07	150,826.00

Article 7. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 589,000.00 for the following town road maintenance costs.

	2018	2017
Winter Roads	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
Summer Roads	\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00
Paving account	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00
Concord Pond Bridge	\$0.00	\$40,000.00
Rumford Ave	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00
Cushman Road	\$0.00	\$45,000.00
Perkins Valley Road	\$25,000.00	\$0.00
Equipment Maint & supplies	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
Diesel & Unleaded fuel	<u>\$24,000.00</u>	<u>\$20,000.00</u>
Total	\$589,000.00	\$625,000.00

Article 8. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$25,000.00 to repave the Town Office/Garage/Fire Station parking and travel area.

Article 9. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 to rent an excavator for a six month period.

Article 10. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 20,000.00, plus up to \$15,000.00 from the Building Maintenance Account, to restructure the Town Garage wall to accommodate two (2) 14' wide doors and (1) one 12' wide doors and purchase new doors to for allow easier access for the trucks.

Article 11. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 72,000.00 for the **Municipal Utilities Account**.

\$60,000.00 in 2017

Article 12. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000.00 for Woodstock's half of the **Enhanced Mutual Aid** program with the Greenwood Fire Department.

Same as 2017

Article 13. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$64,666.00 for the operating and payroll expenses of the **Woodstock Fire Department** for the ensuing year.

\$60,000.00 in 2017

Article 14. Shall the town vote to purchase a **¾ ton pick-up for the use of the Highway Department**. This will replace the 2005 GMC that will not pass inspection for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00

Article 15. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 1,000.00 for the operating expenses of the **Emergency Management Department** for the ensuing year.

Same as 2017

Article 16. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 5,500.00 for **Animal Control**, plus fees collected for dog licenses & fines, for the ensuing year.

\$5,000.00 in 2017

Article 17. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 163,978.00 for the following **Insurance, Legal & Audit** expenses plus dividends or rebates specific to these accounts.

	2018	2017
Liability Insurance	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00
Unemployment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Insurance	\$105,000.00	\$107,602.07
Worker's Comp	\$28,328.00	\$13,000.00
Legal Expenses	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Annual Audit	<u>\$6,650.00</u>	<u>\$6,550.00</u>
Total	\$163,978.00	\$151,152.07

Article 18. Shall the town vote to appropriate the State Park Revenue Sharing Grant, in the amount of _____, to the **Recreation** Account.

Article 19. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 9,000.00 for the **Whitman Memorial Library** operating account for the ensuing year. Same as 2017

Article 20. Shall the town to raise and appropriate \$ 3,500.00 for **General Assistance**, plus refunds to this account, for the ensuing year.

\$5,000.00 in 2017

Article 21. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 12,839.00 as requested by the following **Provider Agencies**.

	2018	2017
Aging In Place	\$600.00	500.00
American Red Cross	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Androscoggin Home Care	\$1,176.00	\$1,176.00
Woodstock Food Pantry	\$650.00	\$650.00
Community Concepts	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00
Lifeflight	\$300.00	\$300.00
Mahoosuc Kids	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Maine Public Broadcasting	\$100.00	\$100.00
Hope Association	\$800.00	\$800.00
Project Graduation	\$600.00	\$600.00
Sexual Assault & Response	\$300.00	\$300.00
Safe Voices	\$200.00	\$200.00
Senior's Plus	\$1,738.00	\$1,738.00
Western Maine Veteran's	\$175.00	\$175.00
Western Maine Transportation	0.00	255.
Funds now provided through Oxford Co.	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$12,839.00	\$12,994.00

Article 22. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 5,000.00 as requested by the Mahoosuc Heart & Soul Project.

Article 23. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 69,500.00 for the following **Building & Property Maintenance** expenses.

	2018	2017
Building Maintenance	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Grounds & Cemetery Care	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
New Docks for beach area	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Cemetery Retaining Wall repair	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
Roadside Spring water testing	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
	\$69,500.00	\$69,500.00

Article 24. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 100,000.00 for Woodstock's share of the operational expenses of the **G&W Transfer Station**.

\$90,000.00 in 2017

Article 25. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$7,500.00 to create a new retaining wall around the metal collection area at the G&W Transfer Station. (This is Woodstock's 50%)

Article 26. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 15,463.00 for the following **Planning & Dues** expenses, and to pay the Planning & Appeals Board Members \$ 30.00 per meeting.

	2018	2017
Planning Board	\$500.00	500.00
Appeals Board	\$250.00	250.00
Conservation Commission	\$1,200.00	1,000.00
CEO/LPI	\$8,000.00	8,000.00
AVCOG Dues	\$2,998.00	2,833.00
MMA Dues	<u>\$2,515.00</u>	<u>2,469.00</u>
	\$15,463.00	15,052.00

Article 27. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 2,000.00 for the **Woodstock Student Scholarship Fund**.

(Each Woodstock Student graduating from High School and going to college is qualified to apply for a \$600.00 grant.)

Article 28. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 16,500.00 for the annual **Assessing** and mapping work.

Article 29. Shall the town vote to allow a **2% discount** on taxes that are paid in full within 30 days from the date of mailing

Article 30. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 39,000.00 to cover **discounts and abatements** on taxes.

\$ 3,000.00 for abatements and \$ 36,000.00 for discounts

Article 31. Shall the town vote to appropriate funds for the Capital Reserve Accounts, as follows.

\$ 55,000.00 for the Major Highway Reserve Account

\$ 35,000.00 from taxes and \$ 20,000.00 from the tree growth reserve account

\$ 45,000.00 for the Fire Truck Reserve Account

\$ 30,000.00 from taxes and \$ 15,000.00 from the tree growth reserve account.

(\$ 28,037.89 from this reserve is for 2018 Fire Truck purchase payment)

Article 32. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$ 13,100.00 for the **Miscellaneous Account** and the following **Community Organizations** as requested.

	2018	2017
Miscellaneous	\$8,500.00	8,500.00
Lakes Association	3,000.00	3,000.00
Greenstock Snowmobile Club	\$1,000.00	1,000.00
Memorial Day	<u>\$600.00</u>	<u>600.00</u>
	\$13,100.00	\$13,100.00

Article 33. Shall the town vote to charge the rate of **7% interest** on unpaid taxes after December 1, 2018, and to state that taxes are due and payable by December 1, 2018.

Article 34. Shall the town vote to accept payment of taxes prior to the annual tax commitment.

Article 35. Shall the town vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the town, to **sell or dispose** of obsolete or unneeded town equipment, valued at \$ 4,000.00 or less, on such terms as they deem advisable.

Article 36. Shall the town vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the town, to sell or dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon, by bid process, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Article 37. Shall the town vote to appropriate the money received from the Town of Bethel for winter road maintenance of sections of Gore Road and Bird Hill Road to the Winter Roads Account.

Article 38. Shall the town vote to contribute our 2017 stipend from Charter Communications, formerly Time Warner, in the amount of \$ 4,066.14 to **Western Hills Access Television Channel 11** local access station.

Article 39. Shall the town vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend an amount not to exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ of the budgeted amount in each category, except for Winter Roads and Liability Insurances, during the period from January 1, 2019 to Annual Town Meeting 2019.

Article 40. Shall the town vote to appropriate funds from the following accounts to help reduce the tax commitment for 2018.

	2018	2017
Interest Income	\$ 1,200.00	1,200.00
License Fees	\$ 6,500.00	6,500.00
Fund Balance (surplus)	\$ 95,000.00	0.00
State Revenue Sharing	\$ 35,000.00	35,000.00
Excise Tax	\$210,000.00	210,000.00
Total	\$347,700.00	\$252,700.00

Annual Town Meeting Warrant given unto our hands this 6th day of March 2018.

Ronald Deegan

Michael S. Nadeau

Shawn W. Coffin

A Majority of the

Board of Selectmen
of Woodstock, Maine

A true copy of the warrant, attest, _____
Vern H. Maxfield, Town Clerk

Woodstock Residents

The **Annual Woodstock Town Meeting** will be held on Monday March 26, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Woodstock Elementary School.

The Woodstock **Annual Town Reports** will be delivered by the US Postal Service on or before March 15, 2018. Copies will be available at the Town Office on March 15, 2017.

Just a reminder that **Dog Licenses are now overdue**. There will be an additional fee for dogs still not registered on or before April 1, 2018. It will be \$25.00.

Notice to Veterans

Veterans or Widows of Veterans age 62 or older, who may be eligible for property tax exemption under our Maine Laws, should be familiar with the requirement; where by, application for tax exemption must be made to the Assessors before April 1st of the year in which exemption is expected to begin.

Blind Exemption

Exemptions are available to persons determined to be blind within the definition provided by title 22, Chapter 959, who are receiving aid under that Chapter. Exemption must be filed with Assessors before April 1st of the year in which the exemption is expected to begin

Assessor's Notice

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 91-A. Section 34 R.S. 1954 Amend, all resident and non-resident property owners are hereby notified to bring into the Assessors, on or before April 1st, 2018, a true copy and perfect list of their estates, real or personal, of which they are possessed on the April 1st 2018, and be prepared to take oath on same. Any person who neglects to comply with this notice is barred his rights to make application to the assessors or the Assessment Board of Review for any abatement of his tax unless he satisfies the Assessors that he/she was unable to offer it at the appointed time.

Maine Homestead Exemption

If you are a legal resident of the State of Maine, have owned homestead property in Maine for at least the past 12 months, or owned a homestead in another Maine municipality within the past 12 months and declare this homestead as your permanent place of residence, you may meet the requirements to qualify for a Homestead Exemption under the terms of the homestead exemption statute Title 36 MRSA Sections 681-689. Please contact your local Town Office for more information.

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