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Town of Farmington

Greenacre ~ Built in 1880



Photo courtesy of the Farmington Historical Society



Annual Town Report
2016

Historic Homes of Farmington

The inside front and back covers show a sampling of homes dating to the 1800s. Settlers built single-story houses with center chimneys to insulate against the harsh New England winters, and as families grew, some colonists built larger two-story homes. Many architectural styles can be found in Farmington, including the predominant Cape Cod, Federal, Georgian, and Colonial Revival, as well as Queen Anne, Greek Revival, Italianate, and various Victorian styles.



FARMINGTON, MAINE

ANNUAL REPORT



FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 2016

Greenacre

Joseph P. Thwing lived in New Sharon where he ran a successful tannery. In 1872, his wife and he decided to move to Farmington to provide a better education for their children. Their son, Charles, later became president of Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland for 30 years, and would also become national president of the prestigious Phi Beta Kappa honor society. The Thwings bought land in Farmington, where he built the first steam-powered tannery in the area, and he also purchased a one-acre lot from Isaac Cutler. In 1880, he engaged master builders, Alvin Neal and Theodore "Thede" Stewart, to build the two-story ornate Italianate-style house with a three-story tower.

In 1894, Mr. Thwing sold his home to Franklin Clark of East Wilton. Mr. Clark proceeded to add to the wings on either side of the original building, giving it an even more impressive appearance. It was called "Lady Katherine's Lawn" in its time.

In 1919, the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company, as trustee under the will of Mr. Clark, sold the property to Harold A. Titcomb. Mr. Titcomb was an internationally recognized mining engineer and consultant who had wed Ethel Brignall, whom he had met in England. The Titcombs divided their time between England and Farmington. They named the house "Greenacre", and it was a fashionable social center in the community when they were in residence during the summer. The Titcombs furnished the house with family antiques and other interesting articles acquired in their extensive travels throughout the world. The Titcomb Memorial Ski Slope is named for their son, John Abbot Titcomb.

The property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1982. The photo on the left shows two people standing on the roof.



Photos courtesy of the Farmington Historical Society. Information excerpted from the Maine Historic Preservation Commission submittal to the National Register of Historic Places, and Paul Mills, Esq.

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DEDICATION

It is with sincere appreciation that we dedicate the
2016 Annual Town Report to

Richard W. Wilde



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

This year, the Town Report is dedicated to Richard W. Wilde who has volunteered immeasurable hours of service to the Farmington community and to educating students in Computer Technology at Foster Career and Technical Education Center (FCTEC) at Mt. Blue High School.

You will also see Richard working at Ron's Market on Sundays. The money he earns there funds the Wilde Foundation Scholarship program that he founded, which awards three \$700 scholarships to students for non-educational expenses tied to furthering their education. These are given to two students from Mt. Blue High School, and to one student from FCTEC.

Richard is a mentor for the FIRST Robotics The Blue Team 6153, which has competed in many events. They earned the All-Star Rookie Award for the best new team in Providence Rhode Island. These competitions include making alliances with other teams. He said, "I have never been so proud of a group of students. One team can't win by itself. It showcases skills employers look for such as communication, teamwork, cooperation, meeting deadlines, and problem-solving. I wish I had started this program when I began teaching 15 years ago."

After graduating from Mt. Blue High School in 1980, Richard received a four-year Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) scholarship for tuition, and graduated from Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont in 1984 with a B.S. in Business Administration. Richard has coached the Farmington Falls Hawks T-Ball and Live Pitch and he was the Assistant Coach for the Farmington Youth Football. He is a member of the Maine Masonic Lodge #20, Elks Lodge #2430, and Sons of the American Legion Post #28.



Photos and information courtesy of the Wilde Family, Daily Bulldog and Lewiston Sun Journal

IN MEMORIAM

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

Emily C. Floyd

10/25/1916 – 01/16/2016



Emily was born in Colebrook, NH, and graduated from Maine General Hospital School of Nursing in 1938. She married Paul Floyd, MD in 1940, and they moved to Farmington in 1946 where she was his ophthalmological surgical assistant for the 30 years he was in practice. Emily was an active volunteer who was devoted to making her community a better place. She was a member of numerous boards and committees including the Franklin Memorial Hospital, Cutler Memorial Library, Farmington Historical Society, United Way, and the Nordica Memorial Association, among other civic organizations. Emily served on the Farmington Board of Selectmen for three years, SAD 9 School Board for nine years, Board of Assessment Review for 13 years, Budget Committee for 17 years, Revolving Loan Fund Committee for 15 years, Town Report Committee for 15 years, and the Space Utilization Committee for the Public Works and Police Departments. Emily's favorite place was her camp on Clearwater Lake, where she delighted in spending time with family and friends.

Rita Culverhouse

07/02/1950 – 03/27/2016



Rita was raised in Belle Fourche, SD. She moved to Farmington and opened Rita's Fine Women's Clothing in 1985. Rita also worked for the University of Maine at Farmington, the Franklin Journal, and in the early 1990s, the Town of Farmington as Administrative Secretary. She was actively involved in designing and building the skateboard park, and forming a new youth softball league.

Guthrie S. Colpitts**08/28/1930 – 10/02/2016**

Gus was born in Campton, NH. He graduated from Plymouth High School, and the University of New Hampshire class of 1952 with a major in social services. Gus managed stores for JJ Newberry throughout New England including Haverhill, MA, Manchester, NH, and Farmington, ME. He left Newberry's in 1970 and bought his own Ben Franklin store in Madison, ME, which he ran for 13 years. An entrepreneur at heart, Gus also opened a Hallmark store in Farmington – Mickey's Hallmark, along with a variety of other retail enterprises. In the 1970s, Gus was president of the Chamber of Commerce, and joined the Board of Directors at Franklin Savings Bank where he was chairman from 1992 – 2003. He served on the Farmington Planning Board from 1990 – 1992.

Denis T. Castonguay**12/05/1951 – 11/07/2016**

Denis was born in Farmington and graduated from Livermore High School in 1970. He was drafted into the U.S. Army that year and served in Vietnam in the Army Corps of Engineers. Denis worked for International Paper until 1986, and then he opened a snowmobile parts and service shop from his home. He was the public works director for the Town of Livermore Falls, and in 2008 until he retired in 2016, he served as public works director for the Town of Farmington. Denis took great pride in the many projects his department completed for the Town, especially the Whittier Road Bank Stabilization Project. He served on the Safety Committee, Transportation Advisory Committee, and the Recycling Committee for eight years. Denis enjoyed spending his spare time with his family fishing at his camp, woodworking, and NASCAR.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

3 Year Term

Joshua Bell, Chairman	(March 2019)
Stephan Bunker, Vice Chairman	(March 2017)
Andrew Buckland, Secretary	(March 2017)
Michael Fogg	(March 2019)
Matthew Smith	(March 2018)

RSU #9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS FARMINGTON MEMBERS

3 Year Term

Douglas Dunlap	(July 2019)
Scott Erb	(July 2019)
Tami Labul	(July 2017)
Ryan Morgan	(July 2017)
Iris Silverstein	(July 2018)
Kenneth Charles (Term ended 2016)	
Nancy Porter (Term ended 2016)	

APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Board of Appeals

3 Year Term

Galen Dalrymple, Chairman	(June 2019)
Michael Deschenes	(June 2017)
Andrew Marble	(June 2018)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2017)
Peter Forrest Tracy	(June 2019)
Robert Vallette	(June 2018)
Robert Yorks	(June 2018)

Alternate – 1 Year Term
(2) Seats Vacant

Board of Assessment Review
3 Year Term

Michael Moffett, Chairman	(June 2018)
Michael Deschenes	(June 2017)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2017)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2019)
Michael Otley	(June 2019)
Richard Davis, Secretary - Ex-Officio	

Planning Board
3 Year Term

Clayton King, Jr., Chairman	(June 2018)
William Marceau, Vice Chairman	(June 2017)
Thomas Eastler	(June 2019)
Craig Jordan	(June 2018)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2019)
Lloyd Smith	(June 2018)
Donna Tracy	(June 2017)
Alternate - 1 Year Term	
Jeffrey Wright	(June 2017)
Michael Otley	(June 2017)

Zoning Board
3 Year Term

Joel Chandler, Chairman	(June 2019)
Adrian Harris	(June 2018)
Fred O. Smith	(June 2018)
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate - 1 Year Term
(2) Seats Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

2016 Budget Committee
3 Year Term

S. Clyde Ross, Chairman	(June 2019)
Lloyd Smith, Vice Chairman	(June 2017)
Fred O. Smith, Secretary	(June 2018)
Michael Deschenes	(June 2019)
Beth Edwards	(June 2018)
Judith Murphy (Appointed 01/12/16)	(June 2017)
Catherine Rogers	(June 2018)
Peter F. Tracy	(June 2017)
Ryan Haggan (Resigned 01/12/16)	
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate – 1 Year Term
(3) Seats Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

Conservation Commission
3 Year Term

Peter F. Tracy, Chairman	(June 2019)
Patty Cormier	(June 2019)
William Haslam	(June 2017)
Matthew Smith	(June 2017)
Sally Speich	(June 2018)
Jane Woodman	(June 2019)
Robert Zundel	(June 2018)
Associate – 1 Year Term – Unlimited Vacancy	

Downtown TIF Advisory Committee

Alison Hagerstrom, Chairman	Ron Gelinis
Byron Davis, Vice Chairman	Kevin Madore
Joshua Bell	Mike Mansir
Richard Davis	Paul Mills
Gary Edwards	John Moore
Cindi Ferguson	Tom Saviello (Resigned 11/08/16)

Parking Ordinance Committee

Michael Bell
Terry Bell
Byron Davis
James Kiernan
Richard Davis, Ex-Officio

Paul Mills
John Moore
Jack Peck
Pamela Poisson

Recreation Committee 3 Year Term

Tom Bissell	(June 2019)
Laurie Churchill	(June 2017)
Frederick Conlogue, III	(June 2018)
Kim Richards	(June 2019)
Catherine Rogers	(June 2018)

Recycling Committee

Stephan Bunker	Andrew Hufnagel
Richard Davis	Philip Hutchins (Appointed 03/14/16)
Cindy Gelinis	Dennis Pike
Denis Castonguay (01/01/16-04/01/16)	

Revolving Loan Fund

Stephan Bunker	John Moore
Alvin Da Costa	Robert Vallette
Byron Davis	
Richard Davis – Ex-Officio	Steve Kaiser – Ex-Officio

Safety Committee

Matthew Foster, Chairman	Leanne Dickey
Shane Cote, Vice Chairman	Timothy A. Hardy
Cindy Gelinas, Secretary	Philip Hutchins
Jonathan Alexander	Steve Millett
Scott Baxter	Jack Peck
Terry Bell	S. Clyde Ross
Richard Davis	Ed Vining
Denis Castonguay (01/01/16-04/01/16)	Board of Selectmen

2016 Annual Town Report Committee

Alvin Da Costa	Edmund Lewis
Richard Davis	Linda Smith
Cindy Gelinas	Nancy Twitchell
Marjorie Goodwin	

Farmington Transportation Advisory Committee

Dennis O'Neil	Dennis Pike	
Michael Otley	Lloyd Smith	
Denis Castonguay (Resigned 06/14/16)	Matthew Smith	
	Ad-Hocs	
Richard Davis	Philip Hutchins	Jack Peck

Administration



Front L to R: Mavis Gensel and Daryl Schramm
Back L To R: Linda Grant and Annie Tibbetts

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Town Manager Tax Collector Road Commissioner Public Access Officer	Richard P. Davis	778-6538
Treasurer Finance Director Deputy Tax Collector	LucyAnn Cook	778-6539
Town Clerk Welfare Director Registrar of Voters Assessing Clerk	Leanne E. Dickey	778-6539
Town Secretary	Linda H. Grant	778-6538
Accounts Clerk Deputy Town Clerk Deputy Welfare Director Deputy Treasurer	Daryl T. Schramm	778-6539
Motor Vehicle Agent Sewer Clerk	Mavis A. Gensel	778-6539
Assessor John E. O'Donnell & Assoc., Inc.	John E. O'Donnell, III	778-6530 926-4044
Fire Chief Emergency Management Director	Terry S. Bell, Sr.	778-3235
Police Chief	Jack D. Peck, Jr.	778-6311
Public Works Director	Philip Hutchins	778-2191
Director of Parks & Recreation	Matthew Foster	778-3464
Code Enforcement Officer	J. Stevens Kaiser	778-5874
Wastewater Superintendent	Stephen M. Millett	778-4712
Local Plumbing Inspector	Richard A. Marble	778-6968

TOWN MANAGER

To the Citizens and Board of Selectmen of Farmington:



It gives me great pleasure to present my annual report for the year 2016. I appreciate this opportunity to highlight some of the significant events of the past year. More detail will be provided in the departmental reports contained within this booklet. I hope you will find these reports to be both interesting and informative.

Town employees were sorry to learn of the passing of former Public Works Director Denis Castonguay in November. Denis retired on April 1, 2016 after eight and a half years of employment with the Town of Farmington. It is truly unfortunate that he was not able to enjoy his well-earned retirement. Our roads are in better condition as a result of Denis' work for the Town from 2007 to 2016.

Philip Hutchins was hired as the new Public Works Director and began work in March. Phil did a great job of managing several road projects over the summer. Phase two of the Porter Hill Road project was completed, as well as the reconstruction of Mohawk, Seminole, and Shawnee Drives in the Voter Hill Estates subdivision. Additionally, the Front Street drainage project was finally completed, thus resolving a longstanding drainage problem in the downtown. As many are aware, the Town also constructed a new parking lot at 112 Church Street. This last project was funded through the Downtown Tax Increment Financing (TIF) program, which supports improvements in the downtown area and West Farmington village. Another highly visible public works project was the Maine Department of Transportation's repaving of the Wilton Road, which has resulted in a much smoother riding surface.

Other retirements in 2016 included Terry Norton, who retired on May 31st after twenty-seven faithful years of employment as a Wastewater Operator and Jane Ford, who retired on July 29th after nineteen dedicated years as the Town's Code Enforcement Assistant. Best wishes to both Terry and Jane as they enjoy their much-deserved retirements. I am pleased to welcome Terry's and Jane's successors, Ethan Tracy and Lori Simpson.

Diana Young also retired on September 22nd after fourteen years as the Town's Treasurer/Finance Director. I am extremely appreciative

of Diana's outstanding work over the years, and I wish her a long and happy retirement. Diana's successor, LucyAnn Cook, began working with Diana on August 8th. Lucy has hit the ground running and has already shown herself to be a very knowledgeable and dedicated employee.

A memorable event for the Parks and Recreation Department was the Hippach Field Centennial Celebration held on June 18th. The event was attended by several hundred people, who enjoyed free food and a vintage style baseball game. I extend my thanks to the planning committee for the event, especially Roger Spear who was instrumental in getting it organized. Many others stepped up to provide support, both financial and logistical, for the celebration. Their contributions demonstrate once again that Farmington is a close-knit, caring community.

At a Special Town Meeting on July 26th the voters in attendance approved a Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District and adopted the Development Program for Woodlands Senior Living of Farmington. The 36 bed memory care facility, currently under construction at 175 Knowlton Corner Road, will be a welcome addition to the community. It will provide excellent care for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related memory impairments while providing employment opportunities and, at the conclusion of the Development Program, substantial property tax revenue.

Looking ahead, plans for 2017 and beyond include a two-year reconstruction of Anson Street and Titcomb Hill Road. Phase one of the project will cover about half of the distance from High Street to Mosher Hill Road. I appreciate the support of the voters for these road projects and hope that support will continue.

In conclusion, I extend my appreciation to the citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town's department heads and employees for your continuing support and cooperation. It is because of your conscientious work that Farmington remains a strong, vibrant community; one which is the envy of many municipalities in our great state.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard P. Davis
Town Manager

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Farmington:



Front row: Stephan Bunker and Michael Fogg. **Back row:** Matthew Smith, Joshua Bell, and Andrew Buckland.

It gives me great pleasure to be able to write to you this year and share a few things that have transpired. It always amazes me how fast time flies, and that it has been a year already. I hope this town report greets you well and that you've all had a good year.

The town has seen some turnover in our department heads, through retirement, and has been fortunate to fill those positions with two qualified and very competent individuals. One being our new Public Works Director, Philip Hutchins, and the other, our new Finance Director and Treasurer, LucyAnn Cook. We, as Selectmen, have been happy with their performance and encourage them to stay for many years to come. We were very saddened at the loss of our former Public Works Director, Denis Castonguay, who passed away last fall.

Philip, along with the Public Works crew, have had a successful and productive year. The five-year road plan, approved by the residents at the Town Meeting, was, and continues to be, money well-spent, investing in our local infrastructure. I ask for your patience, if you do not see them working on your road. Please understand that they have been working diligently on your neighbors' roads and will get to yours in the near future.

One major project the Town was able to accomplish this year was fixing and installing a new storm water drain on Front Street. Hopefully, this will solve the drainage problems in the downtown for years to come.

Another project the Town was able to accomplish was the Church Street parking lot. This has proved to be very beneficial to the town, providing much-needed parking for the businesses, who make our downtown vibrant. I would like to thank the Downtown TIF Advisory Committee for their hard work on this project and their dedication to our town.

We have seen many new businesses come to town this year. We are more than pleased to see this, and that we continue to grow. The

town works hard at trying to be business friendly and encourages all to reach out to us on ways to improve our business environment.

We, as Selectmen, continue to try to be as fiscally responsible with your tax dollars as possible, and are constantly faced with hard decisions of how they are spent. We know that you are all hard-working individuals who are just trying to feed your families and pay your bills. Taxes are increasing, and we are trying our very best to prevent that from happening, while still providing the services we all expect. I would like to encourage you all to reach out to me, or one of my fellow Selectmen, with any concerns you may have through either email or phone number. These can be found on our town website.

In conclusion, I would like to encourage all of my fellow citizens to attend our annual Town Meeting to share your ideas and concerns and let your voice be heard. It is at our Town Meeting where we, as a collective body of residents, will either vote in favor or opposition to our annual budget. It saddens me to see so few attend over the years, and just strongly encourage all to come and participate in democracy.

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua H. Bell
Chairman

Church Street Parking Lot



L to R: Planning Assistant Cindy Gelinias; Greater Franklin Development Corp. Alison Hagerstrom; Farmington Selectmen Michael Fogg and Stephen Bunker; Town Manager Richard Davis; Downtown TIF Advisory member Byron Davis; Scott Landry; and Ron Gelinias

Photos courtesy of the Daily Bulldog

ASSESSING

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



2016 has been a busy year in the assessing office.

- Farmington's property information for tax assessing purposes is now available online at **www.jeodonnell.com**.
- We have added approximately 1,400 property pictures and 900 scanned sketches to the Town's assessment system.
- Farmington now has access to an online mapping program. The web address is **www.axisgis.com/FarmingtonME**.
- A major effort at overhauling coding of personal property records is complete. The new coding expedites the processing of Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement requests for businesses.
- More coding! Farmington's Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Districts are requiring more time and attention. Our efforts have focused on more structure and use of codes to enhance the integrity of the valuation and tax dollar computations involved in TIF Districts.
- Tree Growth compliance – We are scanning Tree Growth records and recording management plan dates. This effort helps make this information readily available to property owners and foresters. This will assist all involved with monitoring and complying with the requirements placed on owners of property in Tree Growth Classification.

Farmington's assessing records systems, both paper and computerized, are dated. We intend for 2017 to be a continuation of efforts to modernize these information systems. These efforts will be deliberate and cost conscious. The goals are continued fairness in distribution of Farmington's property tax burden and creation of efficiencies to control the cost of assessment administration.

Respectfully submitted,

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

2016 PROPERTY TAX RATE COMPUTATIONS

ASSESSMENT

County tax	\$ 527,436.00	
Municipal appropriation	\$ 5,421,031.00	
TIF financing plan amount	\$ 125,000.00	
School appropriation	\$ 4,673,007.84	
Overlay	\$ 24,163.84	
TOTAL ASSESSMENT		\$ 10,770,638.68

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 393,500.00	
Other revenue	\$ 1,363,081.00	
Homestead Reimbursement	\$ 215,331.09	
BETE Reimbursement	\$ 54,366.46	
TOTAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS		\$ 2,026,278.55

NET ASSESSMENT FOR COMMITMENT **\$ 8,744,360.13**

VALUATIONS

Taxable Personal Property Valuation	\$ 22,659,600.00	
Taxable Real Estate Valuation	\$ 430,886,050.00	
Total Taxable Valuation		\$ 453,545,650.00

RATE CALCULATIONS

Net Assessment for Commitment divided by Total Valuation = Tax Rate
 $\$8,744,360.13 / \$453,545,650 = .01928$

GROSS ASSESSMENT CALCULATIONS

Total Taxable Valuation	\$ 453,545,650.00	
X Tax Rate	\$ 0.01928	
Equals Net Assessment for Commitment	\$ 8,744,360.13	

PROGRAMS THAT COULD AFFECT YOUR TAXES



For the following programs the application must be submitted to the Assessor by April 1, 2017. Applications and brochures are available at the Municipal Office or they can be downloaded from our web site at www.farmington-maine.org on the Assessors' page. For further information on these programs, please contact the Assessor's Office at 778-6530.

VETERAN'S EXEMPTION – If you are a veteran aged 62 or older, or an un-remarried spouse of a deceased veteran who would have been 62 by April 1, 2017 and served during a federally recognized war period; or if you are a veteran who receives federal funds for 90-100% disability.

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

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

The above listed exemptions require that your primary residency be Farmington. If you are a new resident or currently a taxpayer that might qualify for one of the above exemptions, your application for the exemption must be submitted to the Assessor by April 1, 2017. These State programs exempt a fixed amount that is deducted from the taxpayer's residential assessed value before the tax rate is applied.

LANDOWNERS – There are three programs for which you might be eligible. The programs are: THE MAINE TREE GROWTH TAX LAW, FARM CLASSIFICATION LAW, and THE OPEN SPACE TAX LAW. As the laws for these programs are quite detailed, please contact the Assessor for more information.

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

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

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

PROPERTY TAX AND RENT REFUND PROGRAM – The Maine Residents Property Tax and Rent Refund “Circuitbreaker” Program has been repealed as part of the enacted state budget for claims beginning on or after August 1, 2016. The “Circuitbreaker” Program has been replaced by a refundable Property Tax Fairness Credit that can be claimed on the Maine Individual Income Tax Form.

The new credit will be available beginning in January, 2017 on the 2016 Maine Individual Income Tax Form 1040ME. A worksheet will be included with Form 1040ME to calculate the amount of the credit.

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

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

**Town of Farmington, Maine
Building Notification Form**

MAP _____	LOT _____
TRIO # _____	
DATE _____ / _____ / _____	

PROPERTY OWNER _____ PHONE# _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

TOWN _____ ZIP CODE _____

PROJECT LOCATION _____

CONTRACTOR _____ PHONE# _____

Is any part of this property or project located in any of the following?

Shoreland Zone _____ **Floodway** _____ **Floodplain** _____

PROJECT DESCRIPTION _____

****Public Sewer: YES or NO (please circle)**

Number of plumbing fixtures: Presently _____ Proposed _____

Number of bedrooms: Presently _____ Proposed _____

Estimated Start Date: _____ / _____ / _____ Estimated Completion Date: _____ / _____ / _____

Please draw a sketch of the project showing dimensions and placement of building(s).

**The Town now has building setback requirements that could affect your project.
Please check with the Code Enforcement Officer concerning the standard.**

The above information provides accurate information concerning the project described.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE OF NOTIFICATION** _____ / _____ / _____

REVENUE HISTORY AND PROJECTION

Revenue Category	2015 Estimate	2015 Actual	2016 Estimate	2016 Actual	2017 Estimate
Vehicle Excise	\$875,000	\$907,391	\$920,000	\$927,802	\$930,000
Watercraft Excise	\$4,778	\$3,872	\$3,800	\$4,485	\$4,000
Victualers, Liquor Licenses	\$740	\$742	\$740	\$1,138	\$1,100
Code Fees	\$2,750	\$2,443	\$2,500	\$1,872	\$2,000
State Revenue Sharing	\$369,734	\$418,118	\$393,500	\$398,192	\$415,000
State Welfare Reimbursement	\$10,000	\$11,386	\$10,000	\$13,478	\$13,000
State Tree Growth	\$21,275	\$19,820	\$19,800	\$22,981	\$21,000
State Veterans Exemption	\$6,000	\$5,838	\$5,800	\$6,614	\$6,000
Motor Vehicle Fees (Town)	\$19,300	\$19,891	\$19,300	\$19,596	\$19,500
Vital Statistics (Town)	\$19,000	\$20,231	\$20,137	\$19,656	\$19,500
Hunting, Fishing, R.V., Dogs (Town)	\$1,657	\$2,369	\$1,810	\$4,511	\$2,500
Interest on Taxes	\$39,500	\$50,868	\$48,736	\$60,654	\$55,000
Tax Lien Fees	\$13,735	\$15,467	\$15,400	\$16,613	\$16,500
Recreation Fees	\$14,500	\$15,248	\$15,200	\$28,930	\$25,000
Rental of Town Property	\$3,200	\$3,071	\$3,000	\$4,259	\$3,500
Timber Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Investment Income	\$1,450	\$107	\$500	\$0	\$0
Contributions in Lieu of Taxes	\$5,600	\$25,858	\$15,858	\$15,833	\$15,800
Miscellaneous - Police Dept.	\$18,000	\$16,406	\$16,500	\$16,213	\$16,200
Miscellaneous - All Other Depts.	\$16,000	\$28,703	\$26,400	\$30,344	\$30,000
Unemployment Comp. Dividend	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Recycling	\$29,500	\$27,874	\$27,820	\$26,607	\$26,500
Cemetery Fees	\$17,645	\$16,670	\$16,000	\$18,930	\$17,000
Cemetery Trust Fund Earnings	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
SUBTOTAL	\$1,504,364	\$1,627,373	\$1,597,801	\$1,653,708	\$1,654,100
LORAP (Local Road Assistance Prog.)	\$158,324	\$161,196	\$158,780	\$160,924	\$158,780
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES*	\$1,662,688	\$1,788,569	\$1,756,581	\$1,814,632	\$1,812,880

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

BUDGET COMMITTEE

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



The Budget Committee held its first meeting in early December 2015. It elected the necessary officers, had a brief discussion about its duties, and received the proposed budget for each Town department and some outside agencies. Town Manager, Richard Davis, offered some explanations of the presented budgets and how the increases/decreases might affect the tax rate for the coming year. As usual, there were numerous questions about the reasons for proposed increases.

During the following weeks, meetings were held and the Committee heard from each department head who gave an adequate explanation of needed budget items. Questions were asked by Committee members about some of the reasons for increases in particular budget areas. Cost of materials, insurance increases, and personnel expenses were the primary reasons given. The Selectmen were often in attendance at our meetings so all of us were hearing the same information.

After all the departmental presentations were given, the Committee thoroughly discussed each requested budget and made their final recommendations in late January 2016. These were forwarded to the Selectmen and Town Manager for their review and consideration for the Town Warrant.

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

Respectfully submitted,

S. Clyde Ross
Chairman

TAX COLLECTOR

Bankruptcy Notice

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

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

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

2016 End of Year Taxes Receivable	
2016	\$ 671,247.83
2015	\$ 183,655.93
<u>2014</u>	<u>\$ 73,333.88</u>
TOTAL	\$ 928,237.64
Properties Liened	234
Properties Foreclosed	21

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

University of Maine at Farmington Ambulance Fee	\$ 5,833.36
University of Maine at Farmington Contribution*	\$ 10,000.00

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

- Paving projects on town streets and sidewalks valued at \$23,000
- Mount Blue TV (provide free facilities and utilities)
- Handle snow removal and sanding of town sidewalks adjacent to campus
- Provide lawn, parking and plowing service for Farmington Public Library
- Share Prescott Fields at no charge with the community – includes bathroom facilities and maintaining playing surfaces
- UMF/Town of Farmington/RSU #9 combine for a compost program where UMF transports all materials to the compost facility and absorbs all costs associated with the program

FINANCE DIRECTOR

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



I would like to start by thanking Diana Young for her years of service to the Town of Farmington and her continued professional support as I pick up the mantle of the Finance Director and Treasurer positions. I certainly have a tough act to follow but I believe I am up for the challenge. I would also like to sincerely thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, and staff in welcoming me to the team. You truly are remarkable people and I am proud to be counted amongst your numbers.

This year in an effort to have tax-acquired properties start contributing to the Town's budget again, the Board of Selectmen put 17 properties up for bid. The results were positive with full payment received on five properties, one sale and one pending sale. Although the Town still has possession of some tax-acquired properties, I feel that headway was made in furthering the Board of Selectmen's goal of bringing the remaining properties back to sharing in the cost of the services provided to the Town's citizens.

At the time this report was prepared, our ladies of administration had collected approximately 87.9% of the 2016 Real Estate taxes and 90.2% of the 2016 Personal Property taxes. Looking back at your payment history this collection rate is consistent with the past four years. I applaud you all in your efforts to support your Town. It is because of your prompt payment that Farmington has been able to continue to operate without borrowing, a great savings to all of its citizens. Please contact me if you would like to discuss any unpaid bill(s). My goal is to increase the collection rate every year and working together we should be able to accomplish this. I look forward to meeting and working with all of you and I hope to see you in my reported percentages next year.

With one month still to go in 2016, our actual revenues for the most part, are exceeding the estimated revenue projections from 2015. Currently, excise tax has increased 1.97% from last year and will continue to increase this month. Being new, my experience working with the department managers has been a positive one to date. All take a proprietary interest in the running of their individual departments: we have spent time going over expenses and budget numbers for the current and upcoming year. With that being said my

review of the current budget is positive with any deviations from the current budget being explainable in unforeseen costs for maintenance, an unexpected replacement or an increased utilization of benefits that could not have been predicted. The majority of the departments' expenditures are within budget and it appears that if this trend continues we will have a modest surplus for 2016.

Currently, the Town's Unassigned Fund balance is \$1,793,694. It is important to maintain an adequate fund balance. A good cash flow allows the Town to not only pay its bills on time, but creates an emergency revenue source for unforeseen circumstances.

I would like to remind all of you that the Town of Farmington accepts credit and debit cards at the Town office. There is a 2.5% processing fee (minimum \$1.00) charged by the vendor providing this service.

The Town of Farmington continues to accept tax payments throughout the year. By including your tax bill into your monthly budget you can pay the bill on time and save money by avoiding interest charges later.

Wishing all of you prosperity and good health in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

LucyAnn Cook
Director

Front Street Drainage Project



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TAXES RECEIVABLES 2016

131 WILTON ROAD, LLC	16,657.92	CAPE LAWSON TRUST	115.68
ABBOTT, PAMELA J. & BARRY, ERIC	525.38	** CAPE LAWSON TRUST	38.56
ADAMS, GARY K., HEIRS OF	482.00	* CASSIDY, JAMES H.	1,237.96
ADAMS, MCKINLEY G.	983.28	CASSIDY, MARSHALL	212.08
ADAMS, RANDY W. & BONITA F.	520.56	CD BANC, LLC, PERS. IN POS.	771.20
* ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	944.72	** CHANCEY, DEAN A. & JOANNE A.	5,899.68
* ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	347.04	* CHANDLER, JOEL A. & REBECCA J.	4,207.86
ALLEN, DIANNE D.	351.86	* CHAPMAN IRREVOCABLE TRUST	2,526.26
ALLEN, JOHN O.	461.76	CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	2,508.90
AMES, EDWARD T.	776.02	* CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	1,965.66
ARNOLD, KRISTOPHER M.	289.20	* CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	469.54
ARSENAULT, JR., JOSEPH A.	2,183.46	* CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	2,953.17
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A. & WENDY L.	1,007.38	CHAPMAN, BONNIE J.	2,304.41
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A.	424.16	CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	2,544.96
AYER, KAREN B.	833.86	CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	795.30
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	96.40	CHRETIEN, MICHAEL S.	776.02
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	983.28	CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	250.55
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	385.60	CLARK, JR., DUANE J.	332.58
** BARD, CHRIS	134.96	CLARK-UTANS, SALLY	3,668.02
** BARD, CHRIS	57.84	CLARK, ROY H.	428.98
* BARD, CHRISTOPHER J.	1,778.58	CLARY, MATTHEW	1,431.54
BARD, JASON T. & BARKER, AMY B.	790.48	CLOUGH, TAWNIA L.	3,200.48
BARKOW, CHERYL D.	776.02	COMEAU, MAURICE R. & ANN MARIE	643.52
BARTON, FREDERICK	718.18	COMPTON, HENRY	443.44
BARTON, FREDERICK & HOLT, MARTILDA	751.92	COMPTON, JAMIE	4.82
BATES, BRIAN T.	968.82	* COOK, DOROTHY	255.04
BATZELL, JOEL S.	77.62	COOK, JR., LEE RICHARD	289.20
BEAL, BRUCE	313.30	** COTE, CURTIS W. & DELORES A.	1,392.98
BEAULIEU, JUSTINE	1,561.68	COUSINEAU LUMBER	462.72
** BEAUMONT, SCOTT E. & BANKS, JAMES	3,205.36	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	327.76
BECKLER, DOUGLAS E & MARY LOU	80.79	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	404.88
BEEDY, JEFFREY PRATT	713.36	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	154.24
BEGIN, CLERMONT G.	2,140.05	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	250.64
BEGIN, CLERMONT G.	154.27	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	269.92
* BEISAW, ROBERT E.	2,429.28	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	462.72
BINNS, ROBIN A.	482.00	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	404.88
** BLAINE-WALLACE, VICTORIA & WILLIAM	2,660.64	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	269.92
BLANCHET, RENEE M.	1,373.70	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	385.60
BLUE, TARA J. & CARLETON, EDWARD L.	1,740.02	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	616.96
BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	57.84	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	424.16
BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	602.50	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	192.80
BRACKETT, PENNY A., PERS. IN POS.	519.60	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	2,392.72
BRACONI, STEPHEN & CARLSON, JOSEPH	9,003.76	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	385.60
BRACONI, STEPHEN & CARLSON, JOSEPH	3,181.20	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	5,359.84
BRADY, STEVEN & BETSY	3,971.68	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	8,348.24
BRADY, STEVEN & BETSY	3,060.68	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	2,390.72
BROWN, LISA M.	968.82	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	1,908.72
BRYANT, NANCY L., PERS. IN POS.	96.40	COUSINEAU, INC.	771.20
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,373.70	COUSINEAU, INC.	385.60
BRYANT, NANCY R.	192.80	COUSINEAU, INC.	289.20
BRYANT, NANCY, PERS. IN POS.	1,233.92	COUSINEAU, INC.	327.76
BUCKLAND, ANDREW R. & ANN L.	2,800.00	COUSINEAU, JOSEPH B.	2,757.04
BULLEN, TIMOTHY H.	1,759.30	COUTURE, PETER J. & STEPHANIE J.	2,318.42
BUTLER, FULTON & SIMONEAU, BRENDA	3,026.96	CO-WALLIS, CHERYL L.	2,569.06
** BUTLER, STANLEY & KEANE, THEODORE	2,988.40	CRANDALL, WILLIAM C.	616.96
** BUTLER, STANLEY & KEANE, THEODORE	2,390.70	CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,291.76
** BUTLER, STANLEY & KEANE, THEODORE	3,123.36	CROSSLEY, DAVID J.	539.84
* BUTTERFIELD, JR., ROBERT & MARY L.	784.24	CUMMINGS, JONATHAN, PERS. IN POS.	776.02
** BYERS, JR., REID S. & PATRICIA B.	2,219.09	CURRIER, MARILYN L.	1,001.60
CALLAHAN, JOHN MICHAEL	2,009.94	D & JM PROPERTIES, LLC	6,825.12
CAPE LAWSON TRUST	134.96	DAKU, BENJAMIN R. & BRIDGET M.	1,808.18

DAKU, GINGER	212.08	GRIFFIN, SANDRA L.	636.24
DAKU, JACOB G. & GINGER A.	38.56	GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	1,985.84
DALOT, RICHARD & DECKARD, JUDY	409.70	GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	1,932.82
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	197.84	GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	2,853.44
DAVIS, JAMES R. & DAVIS, AMANDA	2,757.04	GUND, JOHN P.	3,817.44
DECKER, MARY R., HEIRS OF	1,619.52	HALL, KAMILLA L.	2,434.10
DECKER, STEPHEN M. & CATHERINE A.	2,260.58	HALL, WILLIAM L. & RUBY C.	2,029.22
** DELPHI HOLDINGS I, LLC	90.33	* HAMMOND, ARTHUR T. & CYNTHIA K.	217.97
DEMARSH, DONALD J. & LORRAINE A.	2,511.22	HAND, MARC A., ETAL	597.68
DENNISON, REBECCA G.	327.76	HARGREAVES, HAROLD F. & PAMELA A.	77.12
DENNISON, REBECCA G.	3,359.54	HARGREAVES, HAROLD F. & PAMELA A.	2,356.98
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	77.12	HART, ALAN P. & DULONG, HEIDI P.	2,202.74
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	886.88	HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	1,290.80
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	1,465.28	HAYDEN, JOHN	351.86
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	501.28	* HAYDEN, SCOTT K.	308.48
** DEXTER, KELLY G.	3,875.28	HEAP, JAMES R.	351.86
DIAMOND, LLC	89.68	HEATH, CHRIS D.	2,583.52
DOIRON, MICHAEL & ENGBERG, DEEDRA	1,619.52	* HEATH, DANIEL S.	128.55
DORR, IRVING G. & JOY B.	1,489.38	** HELLGREN, HEATHER L.	4.82
DOYLE, KATHERINE & ATKINSON, MELISSA	308.48	HENDERSON, ETHEL V.	77.12
DOYLE, KIRK E. & JOANNE	2,029.22	HENDERSON, NAOMI R. & CHAD M.	802.56
DUBAY, SR., DANIEL S.	1,470.10	HENRY, HAROLD & NAOMI	4,150.02
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	404.88	** HINES, JAMES & ROSEMARY A.	4,535.62
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	467.54	HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	448.26
DUNHAM, BETTY D.	197.62	HODGKINS, JR., PAUL S.	756.06
DUNHAM, GERALDINE O., HEIRS OF	679.62	** HOGAN, DEBORAH S.	1,580.96
DUNHAM, KEVIN E. & LINDA J.	621.78	HOLBROOK, THOMAS & ANGELA	1,836.42
DUNN, BRIAN D.	776.02	HOLMES, SHAWN P.	1,045.94
DUNN, DANIEL	77.12	HOWARD, JULI	544.66
DUNN, DANIEL	77.12	HOWARD, PHEOBE	404.88
DYAR, RODNEY P.	674.80	HOWARD, STUART	1,715.92
EATON, JAMES R. & JUDITH L.	57.84	HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	2,318.42
EATON, JAMES R.	853.14	HOWE, SANDRA J.	1,450.82
EATON, ROBERT P. & BRINDA P.	503.45	HUISH, WENDY A.	968.82
EDWARDS, STEPHEN A.	173.52	HUISH, WENDY A.	347.04
EUBANK, JOHN R.	2,486.16	HUNTER, JAMES N.	1,065.22
EUBANK, POPPY JOY & JOHN R.	2,255.76	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	949.54
* EVERETT, CHRISTOPHER & ALISA A.	423.11	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	19.28
FAIRVIEW HOUSING, LLC	1,079.68	HURLEY, JOHN	385.60
FARMER, GLENDON S. & CATHERINE B.	1,971.38	HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	1,855.70
FARMER, GLENDON S. & CATHERINE B.	19.28	HUTCHINSON, PRISCILLA J.	255.46
FARNUM, PAUL A., ET AL	906.16	HYDE, MARY A.	1,084.50
FERRIS, MARLA D.	2,569.06	** IBARGUEN, WILLIAM B.	3,918.66
FESTA, FRANK E. & MARIA	1,593.49	IMLAY, JR., KENNETH W.	134.96
FILAROSKA, JOSEPH M.	236.18	JACOBS, ORIN M. & KYMBERLY R.	2,241.30
FOSS, JAYME E.	289.20	JALBERT, CHERI B. & RONALD D.	1,932.82
FOSS, NEIL C. & NORMAN S.	327.76	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	212.05
** FOSS, NEIL C.	1,759.30	KEMP, CLAYTON A. & PRISCILLA A.	3,180.24
FOSS, NEIL C., ET AL	212.08	KEMP, MARK S. & KATHERINE A.	5,822.56
FOURNIER, MARC	269.92	KEMP, PRISCILLA	4,338.00
FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	563.94	KENDALL, DAVID D.	1,894.26
FROST, JUDITH A.	1,431.54	KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	371.14
** FROST, KATHLEEN	1,009.94	KENNEY, PHYLLIS	1,426.72
GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	525.38	KIDDER, JEFFREY A. & KAREN E.	1,740.02
GAY, TED F.	674.80	KIMBALL, CATHERINE M.	3,205.30
GAY, TED F.	1,137.52	KING, JR., CLAYTON P. & JOYCE	4,053.62
GIANQUINTO, NINA	2,429.28	KING, JR., CLAYTON P. & JOYCE	3,701.76
GILMAN, JR., NELSON F., ESTATE OF	57.84	KING, JAMES E.	0.40
GIUSTRA, MATTHEW R.	1,118.24	KLINKO, JOSEPH & SYLVIA	376.40
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,376.26	KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,658.08
GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,622.08	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	250.64
GREENMAN, MARY	172.56	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,388.16
GRIFFIN, BRIAN N. & SANDRA L.	134.96	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	327.76

KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	57.84	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	2,988.40
KOMUAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,465.28	MORRILL, CHRISTOPHER	115.68
KRAUSE, JANELLE M.	1,537.58	MORRIS, MICHAEL	853.14
LAFRAMBOISE, BRIAN	327.76	* MURPHY, JOSEPH S.	550.09
** LAKIN, LINDA & DAVID, PERS. IN POS.	250.64	NADEAU, MELANIE	1,547.22
LAURITANO, SUZANNE B.	1,990.66	NEIL, THEODORE P. & HEIDI A.	38.56
LAVOIE-KERBO, KIMBERLY & MARK	1,233.92	NEIL, THEODORE P. & HEIDI A.	38.56
** LEEMAN, LAWRENCE N.	1,696.53	NEIL, THEODORE P. & HEIDI A.	57.84
LEGERE, TIMOTHY R. & PAMELA S.	3,740.32	NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	443.44
** LINKLETTER TIMBERLANDS, LLC	11.73	NILE, OWEN	655.52
LOCICERO, JAMES V. & DAVID	237.78	ODONNELL, BETTINA L. & JAMES W.	2,704.02
LOMBARD, RAYMOND	96.40	OLIVER, ERNEST	101.22
LOVE, KEVIN D.	1,797.86	OLIVER, NAOMI, ET AL	178.34
LOVE, PAMELA J.	355.52	OPPENHEIMER, VICTOR	5,059.88
* LOVEJOY, WILLIAM & MELISSA	3,123.36	ORR, JR., RAYMOND B. & DEBORAH	1,682.18
* LOVEJOY, WILLIAM W.	2,144.90	PALMER, LEIGHANN	10.56
LOVELL, KENDRA S.	62.66	PARLIN, DAVID W. & MAE E.	817.14
LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	255.46	PARLIN, HERBERT J. & MARY P.	578.40
LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	308.48	PARLIN, JERRY R. & BONNIE J.	336.52
LUGER, CHARLES	192.80	PARLIN, MICHAEL A. & DENISE C.	2,120.80
LYDON, VICKY A.	482.00	PARLIN, RAYMOND E. & RAELENE J.	930.26
* M S B ASSOCIATES, INC.	1,341.44	PARTRIDGE STREET, LLC	1,631.96
MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	1,696.64	* PAUL, BARBARA L. & LAWRENCE F.	1,168.90
MACNEIL, GEORGIANNA E.	2,954.66	PHILLIPS, KURT W.	829.04
MADORE, CYNTHIA M.	3,104.08	PIAWLOCK, ASHLEY L. & ROY, ISRAEL	603.44
MADORE, KEVIN J. & CYNTHIA D.	1,508.66	PIAWLOCK, TERRY T. & LINDA A.	385.60
MAGUIRE, BETTY A.	1,797.86	PILLSBURY, DON LEON	3,161.92
MAHAR, JR., STEPHEN M.	1,026.66	** PLATT, NATHAN R.	1,797.86
MAHAR, JR., STEPHEN M.	559.12	PODGURSKI, EDWARD & LABREE, VICTORIA	1,527.94
MALINE, SARAH R.	2,718.48	POND, DOUGLAS J. & NANCY J.	679.62
MALLET, SAMANTHA	2,313.60	POND, GAIL E.	1,335.14
MARCHETTI, RANDY	84.53	POND, TERESA L.	1,296.58
MARKHAM, JOSHUA J. & LACY A.	1,658.08	* POWERS, ANNA	452.74
MARQUIS, GREGORY & MULFORD, JOHANNA	269.92	PRATT, CURTIS L.	289.20
MARSHALL BEACH CORP.	308.48	PRATT, GEORGE L. & ANNE	1,214.64
MARSHALL, DAVID F.	1,253.20	** PRATT, JOSHUA R. & LISBETH R. A.	212.08
MARTIN, DAVID M.	968.82	PRATT, MARION, HEIRS OF	872.42
* MASSELLI, ARLEEN M.	97.58	PRATT, RUSSELL L. & NANCY C.	1,410.47
* MASSELLI, ARLEEN M.	2,668.77	PRESBY, SCOTT, STONEY, STEWARD	197.62
MASON, JULI A. & MICHAEL F.	1,605.06	PRESTON, KATIE S.	539.84
* MASON, ROBERT F. & SHIRLEY C.	229.62	** PRIEST, MARNIE P. C. & JONATHAN W.	4,299.44
MAYER, MIKE F., PERS. REP.	38.56	PURINGTON, KATHY	641.06
MAYO, TERRI L.	732.64	RACKLIFF, JR., HERSCHEL J. & SHARON L.	1,662.90
MCARTHUR, RONALD & WALKER, BETH	1,258.02	** RAMU, CAROL M. & PHILIP M.	24.63
MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,255.76	** RAMU, PHILIP M. & CAROL M.	753.37
MCFARLAND, MARY D.	554.42	REEVY, DAWN M. & STEPHEN J.	2,005.12
MCINNES, BRUCE	4,000.00	RENAUD, CHRISTOPHER & CHRISTINA M.	86.24
MCPHERRAN, MARK L.	2,125.62	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	655.52
METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	795.30	RICHARDS, KATHERINE	134.96
METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	636.24	RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	467.54
MILLER, GILBERT, ET AL	404.88	RICHARDS, JESSE L. & ELLIOT, LAURA M.	1,060.40
MILLER, GILBERT	2,294.32	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	674.80
MITCHELL, SHAWN ADAM	1,855.70	ROBBINS, MITCHELL	62.66
MOBILE HOME ASSOC.	19.28	ROBBINS, SANDRA & JASON	77.12
MOBILE HOME ASSOCIATES II, LLC	14,382.88	ROLLINS, JASON & JEROMIE	269.92
MOBILE HOME ASSOCIATES II, LLC	867.60	ROSENWALD, JOHN & ANN	173.52
** MOORE, JR., JOHN W.	5,147.76	** ROWE, KENNETH A.	3,108.90
MOORE, JR., JOHN W.	77.12	RUSHI, LLC	8,444.64
** MOORE, JR., JOHN W.	6,323.84	RYAN, THOMAS J. & ANGELA D.	327.76
** MOORE, JR., JOHN W.	2,699.20	SANDY RIVER PROPERTIES, LLC	14,594.96
MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	809.76	SAVAGE, VIVIAN A.	1,812.32
** MOORE, JOHN W.	5,668.32	SAVAGE, VIVIAN A.	2,930.56
MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	1,388.16	SAVAGE, VIVIAN A. & CHRISTINE M.	2,969.12

SAVAGE, VIVIAN A.	3,759.60	THORNDIKE, LESLIE J.	428.98
SAVAGE, VIVIAN A. & JAMIE V.	771.20	** TOMLINSON, STEVEN & TERRA, THOMAS	385.60
SAVINI, ANTHONY J.	616.96	TRACY, BERNAL	250.64
SAYWARD, GALEN R. & VIRGINIA E.	2,024.40	TRICKETT, CAROLE W. & GEORGE A.	2,299.14
SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	4,882.66	TROLL VALLEY, INC.	5,764.72
SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	1,021.84	TURNER, CELESTE A.	1,605.06
SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	134.96	TYLER, ADA H., DEVISEES OF	327.76
SEAMON, TIMOTHY A.	1,624.34	TYLER, CYNTHIA J. & EDWARD A.	1,628.37
SEARLES, DANIEL & BERRY, LORI	1,889.44	TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH L.	2,144.90
SEARLES, DANIEL & BERRY, LORI	559.12	** TYLER, DAVID A. & NORMA M.	1,244.96
SEARLES, JR., RALPH M.	891.70	TYLER, EDWARD	771.20
SHERWOOD ASSOCIATES LIMITED	15,925.28	TYLER, TOBY W.	910.98
SHERWOOD ASSOCIATES LIMITED	8,386.80	TYLER, TONY S.	674.80
SILVA, DAVID & LUCE, CINDY	101.22	TYLER, TONY S.	2,911.28
SIMONEAU, RONALD E. & DENISE R.	366.32	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,662.90
SIMONEAU, RONALD E. & DENISE R.	385.60	VILES, MICHAEL L.	488.54
SMALL, JOAN U.	1,388.16	VINING, KENNETH H.	428.98
SMALL, JOAN U.	578.40	VIOLETTE, KURT R.	872.75
SMALL, JOAN U.	1,489.38	WADSWORTH, DONALD A.	885.92
SMITH, ROBERT L.	115.68	WARREN, JOY M.	346.08
SNELL, JR., CHARLES H., PERS. IN POS.	255.46	WASHBURN, JANET M.	1,735.20
SNIDER, ROBERT, BANNOCK MTN. TRUST	327.76	WASHBURN, JANET M.	1,238.74
SNOW, GARY ALLAN	332.58	WASHBURN, JANET M.	1,446.00
SOTO-MARENO, LOURDES	5,147.76	WASHBURN, JANET M.	1,407.44
STASIEWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANNE	289.20	* WEEKS, GEORGE R.	1,562.36
STASIEWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANN	6,323.84	WEEKS, HELEN A., PERS. REP.	231.36
STEELE, JOAN K.	1,523.12	WESTERN ME COMMUNITY LAND TRUST	347.04
STEVENS, JR., ROBERT & CYNTHIA H.	2,724.58	WESTERN MOUNTAIN LAND TRUST	597.68
STEVENS, JR., ROBERT & CYNTHIA H.	1,672.89	WESTGATE, EDWARD T. & DORIS L.	168.00
STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., ESTATE OF	501.28	WESTGATE, EDWARD T. & ROSALIE A.	404.88
STEVENS, GUY E.	732.64	WHELPLEY, MICHAEL & CHRISTINE	250.64
STEVENS, LINCOLN R. & KATHERINE J.	385.60	WHIPPLE, CARA D. & GRANT, DAVID L.	4,164.48
STITSEL, JOYCE & GREEN, KITTY	428.41	WILDE, DATRINA & JOSEPH	636.24
STUMP, KRISTIN & CHRISTOPHER	285.41	WILLIAMS IRREVOCABLE TRUST	4,607.92
SWEETSER, BRUCE L.	1,605.06	WILLIAM, BURCHARD	231.36
SWEETSER, JEFF A. & KAREN D.	250.64	WING, JOANNA L.	2,009.94
SWETT, ELVA M.	1,874.98	WORTHLEY, MICHAEL	1,657.97
THE MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	2,626.90	WYMAN, ALLAN S. & KATHERINE D.	1,674.12
THE MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	269.92	WYMAN, MICHAEL SHAWN	196.54
THE MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	983.28	YORK, CHARES R., HEIRS OF	192.80
THE MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	192.80	YORK, GARY	2,337.70
THE MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	212.08	YORKS, JEFFREY STEWART	366.32
THEBEAU, NANCY & BLANCHE, MICHAEL	294.02	YOUNG, RUSSELL & ELISABETH M.	259.59
THERIAULT, ELIZABETH, PERS. IN POS.	539.84	ZIEHM, DEBBIE, PERS. REP.	1,156.80
		ZUNDEL, ROBERT & CLAWSON, MELLISA	347.04

2016 TOTALS

671,247.83

TAXES RECEIVABLE 2015

* ABBOTT, PAMELA J. & BARRY, ERIC	662.31	BRACKETT, PENNY A., PERS. IN POS.	684.47
ADAMS, MCKINLEY G.	1,258.02	* BRACONI, STEPHEN & CARLSON, JOSEPH	9,248.50
ALLEN, DIANNE D.	513.24	BROWN, LISA M.	1,149.77
* AMES, EDWARD T.	964.71	BRYANT, NANCY R.	254.29
ARNOLD, KRISTOPHER M.	366.17	BRYANT, NANCY, PERS. IN POS.	1,310.32
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A. & WENDY L.	483.72	BURNHAM, RANDY E.	214.93
BARD, JASON T. & BARKER, AMY B.	857.66	BUTLER, FULTON & SIMONEAU, BRENDA	3,048.99
* BARTON, FREDERICK & HOLT, MARTILDA	217.03	* CALLAHAN, JOHN MICHAEL	1,972.07
BINNS, ROBIN A.	549.50	** CAPE LAWSON TRUST	90.10
* BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	109.78	CD BANC, LLC, PERS. IN POS.	837.98

	CASSIDY, MARSHALL	267.23	**	LAKIN, LINDA & DAVID, PERS. IN POS.	306.59
	CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	2,662.11		LAURITANO, SUZANNE B.	2,186.13
**	CHICK, JENNIFER	106.68	*	LAVOIE-KERBO, KIMBERLY & MARK D.	1,222.43
	CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	972.65		LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	421.58
	CLARK- UTANS, SALLY	3,911.85		LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	365.64
	COMPTON, HENRY	503.40		LYDON, VICKY A.	542.76
	COMPTON, JAMIE	158.99		MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	1,789.41
	CO-WALLIS, CHERYL L.	2,796.78		MAHAR, JR., STEPHEN M.	1,202.08
	CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,369.37		MAHAR, JR., STEPHEN M.	621.49
	CROSSLEY, DAVID J.	601.81	*	MALLET, SAMANTHA	2,144.87
	CUMMINGS, JONATHAN, PERS. IN POS.	946.23		MARTIN, DAVID M.	1,149.77
	CURRIER, MARILYN L.	1,176.49		MAYER, MIKE F., PERS. REP.	90.10
	DALOT, RICHARD & DECKARD, JUDY	572.29	*	MAYO, TERRI L.	516.44
	DECKER, MARY R., HEIRS OF	1,703.94	*	MCARTHUR, RONALD & WALKER, BETH	1,458.09
	DECKER, STEPHEN M. & CATHERINE	2,461.66		MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,360.16
*	DEMARSH, DONALD J. & LORRAINE A.	2,270.82		METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	756.53
	DUBAY, SR., DANIEL S.	1,661.48		METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	700.21
	DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	464.04		MOBILE HOME ASSOC.	70.42
	DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	631.33		MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	877.34
	DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POS.	355.80		MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	1,467.77
*	DUNHAM, GERALDINE O., HEIRS OF	430.86		MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	3,101.29
	DUNN, BRIAN D.	952.97		NADEAU, MELANIE	1,713.78
*	DYAR, RODNEY P.	739.57		NADEAU, MELANIE A.	76.92
	EDWARDS, STEPHEN A.	227.87		NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	510.14
	EDWARDS, STEPHEN A.	11,936.26		OLIVER, IRENE	119.62
	FARNUM, PAUL A., ET AL	982.49		ORR, JR., RAYMOND B. & DEBORAH	1,877.97
	FOSS, JAYME E.	345.95		PARLIN, MICHAEL A. & DENISE C.	2,229.13
	FOURNIER, MARC	326.27	*	PIAWLOCK, ASHLEY L. & ROY, ISRAEL	204.31
	FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	743.21	*	PODGURSKI, EDWARD & LABREE, VICTORIA	1,713.78
**	FROST, JUDITH A.	1,622.12	*	POND, GAIL E.	1,319.92
*	GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	303.61	*	PRATT, CURTIS L.	150.98
	GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,593.23	*	PRATT, MARION, HEIRS OF	241.82
	GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,734.09		REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	719.89
*	GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	1,801.94		RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	631.33
	GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	2,133.82		RICHARDS, SARAH B.	739.57
	GRIMANIS, ROSE	2,970.27		ROBBINS, SANDRA & JASON	129.46
	GUND, JOHN P.	3,954.32		ROLLINS, JASON & JEROMIE	333.01
	HAND, MARC A., ET AL	660.85		SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	5,204.06
	HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	1,478.45		SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	1,093.83
	HAYDEN, JOHN	519.98		SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	195.25
	HEAP, JAMES R.	513.24		SEAMON, TIMOTHY A.	1,818.93
	HEATH, DANIEL S.	407.56		SEARLES, DANIEL & BERRY, LORI	1,979.48
*	HENRY, HAROLD & NAOMI	3,420.45	*	SEARLES, DANIEL & BERRY, LORI	71.28
	HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	611.65		SEARLES, JR., RALPH M.	1,064.31
	HOWARD, JULI	710.05	*	SILVA, DAVID & LUCE, CINDY	140.90
*	HOWARD, PHEOBE	56.17		SNELL, JR., CHARLES H., PERS. IN POS.	414.84
	HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	1,230.44		SNIDER, ROBERT, BANNOCK MTN. TRUST	385.32
**	HOWE, SANDRA J.	548.52		SNOW, GARY ALAN	701.17
*	HUNTER, JAMES N.	932.16		STASIEWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANN	6,506.10
	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	1,123.35		STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., ESTATE OF	739.57
	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	70.42		THERIAULT, ELIZABETH, PERS. IN POS.	608.55
	HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	2,055.10		TRACY, BERNAL	306.59
*	HYDE, MARY A.	318.30		TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH C.	2,350.32
*	IMLAY JR. KENNETH W.	44.50	*	TYLER, EDWARD	285.10
	KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	532.92		TYLER, TOBY W.	1,090.73
*	KING, JR., CLAYTON P. & JOYCE	4,259.37		TYLER, TONY S.	739.57
*	KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,666.71		UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,851.55
	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	306.59		VINING, KENNETH H.	591.97
	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,467.77		WASHBURN, JANET M.	1,418.57
	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	385.32		WASHBURN, JANET M.	1,526.81
	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	100.02		WEEKS, HELEN A., PERS. REP.	286.91
	KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,546.50		WESTERN ME COMMUNITY LAND TRUST	405.00
	LAFRAMBOISE, BRIAN	392.06	*	WHIPPLE, CARA D. & GRANT, DAVID L.	4,111.33
			*	WING, JOANNA L.	1,159.35

2015 TOTALS

183,655.93

TAXES RECEIVABLE 2014

	ADAMS, MCKINLEY G.	974.61	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	68.70
**	ARNOLD, KRISTOPHER M.	345.37	HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	1,939.57
	ATWOOD, MICHAEL A.	68.78	** KING, JR., CLAYTON P. & JOYCE	2,379.69
**	BINNS, ROBIN A.	41.84	** KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	293.51
**	BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	40.98	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,355.37
	BRACKETT, PENNY A., PERS. IN POS.	662.69	** KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	373.93
**	BRACONI, STEPHEN & CARLSON, JOSEPH	3,329.21	** KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	113.38
	BROWN, LISA M.	770.94	KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,446.75
	BRYANT, NANCY R.	238.11	LAFRAMBOISE, BRIAN	378.83
	BRYANT, NANCY, PERS. IN POS.	1,221.95	** LAKIN, LINDA & DAVID, PERS. IN POS.	298.98
	BURNHAM, RANDY E.	210.69	** LAURITANO, SUZANNE B..	618.17
**	CAPE LAWSON TRUST	92.47	LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	387.12
	CASSIDY, MARSHALL	264.27	LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	421.44
	CD BANC, LLC, PERS. IN POS.	795.54	LYDON, VICKY A.	521.96
**	CHICK, JENNIFER	128.45	* MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	997.40
	CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	928.96	MAYER, MIKE F., PERS. REP.	90.64
	COMPTON, HENRY	523.45	* METCALF, JR., JOHN L., PERS. IN POS.	363.41
	CROCKETT, CHRIS	465.10	METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	483.59
	CROSSLEY, DAVID J.	560.34	MOBILE HOME ASSOC.	76.02
	CUMMINGS, JONATHAN T., PERS. IN POS.	907.59	* MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	544.33
	DALOT, RICHARD & DECKARD, JUDY	549.38	** NADEAU, MELANIE	767.42
	DECKER, CHRIS & PAULTON, TINA	63.23	* NADEAU, MELANIE	510.43
	DECKER, STEPHEN M. & CATHERINE A.	2,325.27	* NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	486.66
*	DUBAY, SR., DANIEL S.	1,500.06	* OLIVER, IRENE	86.08
	DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	578.67	ORR, JR., RAYMOND B. & DEBORAH	1,771.50
	DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POS.	337.37	** PODGURSKI, EDWARD & LABREE, VICTORIA	81.14
	DUNN, BRIAN D.	903.37	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	677.31
	EDWARDS, STEPHEN A.	432.41	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	644.15
**	FARNUM, PAUL A., ET AL	930.21	ROBBINS, SANDRA & JASON	133.37
	FOSS, JAYME E.	326.40	ROLLINS, JASON & JEROMIE	322.18
	FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	302.61	** SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	4,940.43
**	FROST, JUDITH A.	1,059.23	** SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	1,024.57
	GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,436.19	** SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	192.42
	GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,622.22	SEAMON, TIMOTHY A.	1,711.19
	GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	2,009.10	SEARLES, JR., RALPH M.	1,008.12
	GRIMANIS, ROSE	2,776.71	* SNELL, JR., CHARLES H., PERS. IN POS.	386.94
**	GUND, JOHN P.	3,694.18	STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., ESTATE OF	392.20
	HAND, MARC A., ET AL	613.35	* THERIAULT, ELIZABETH, PERS. IN POS.	193.82
*	HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	651.39	TRACY, BERNAL	300.82
	HAYDEN, JOHN	502.54	* TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH L.	1,335.87
	HEAP, JAMES R.	506.47	TYLER, TOBY W.	1,033.13
**	HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	174.85	* TYLER, TONY S.	56.45
	HOWARD, JULI	675.49	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,735.52
	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	1,075.73	** VINING, KENNETH H.	490.89
			WEEKS, HELEN A., PERS. REP.	280.71

2014 TOTALS

73,333.88

* Partial Payment

** Paid in Full

TOWN CLERK – WELFARE DIRECTOR

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



As all of you are aware, 2016 was the year of the Presidential Election. This definitely was an election unlike any I have seen in my 26 years as a clerk. Across the nation and here in Maine the election brought out a lot of passion and emotions in the voters. There was also much concern of the legitimacy and security of the election process. My very knowledgeable and experienced ballot clerks were able to handle all the questions and concerns voters brought to them on November 8th. Due to the anticipated crowds on Election Day the decision was made to move the election upstairs at the Community Center. This helped keep the flow of voters moving during the day and provided a much larger space to place the portable booths. Through the election budget, an interlocking removable tile floor was purchased to protect the gym floor for future elections and hall rentals. I would like to thank all of the voters for their patience with this new change and for their suggestions on how to improve it in the future.

The Farmington community definitely came out on Election Day to express their opinions on not only the presidential candidates, but also many local state questions. We also processed 563 new voter registrations that day.

In the General Assistance (GA) program for Farmington, this year I processed 146 applications, and approved 132 which assisted a total of 283 people. I again came in slightly under budget in 2016 and requested the same amount for 2017. There continue to be many changes in the State welfare laws that affect the local GA program.

Respectfully submitted,

Leanne E. Dickey
Town Clerk

2016 ELECTIONS

March 28, 2016	Annual Town Meeting
June 14, 2016	RSU 9 /State Primary
July 26, 2016	Special Town Meeting
November 8, 2016	Presidential Election
November 22, 2016	Special Town Meeting

BALLOT CLERKS

Bonnie Baker, Beverly Besaw, Stephan Bunker, Lynn Caldwell, Mark Caldwell, Stephanie Clark, Shane Cote, Mary Flint, Jane Ford, Richard Jacques, Paul McGuire, Jill Perry, S. Clyde Ross, Charlotte Woodcock, and Diana Young.

Dogs	488
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	1,062

Births	271
Marriages	58
Deaths	182

Boston Cane Recipient Leona Cross Celebrates 107th Birthday



Town Manager Richard Davis, Leona, and Pierce House Director Darlene Mooar

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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



The Farmington Police Department wishes to thank the entire community for their support this past year.

I would like to thank Greg Patterson from Walmart, Laura Ross and her staff at Hannaford's, music artist Mark Gentle, and the American Legion for their efforts to support our veterans. The Farmington Police and the Farmington Fire Rescue Department hosted two community events this past year, to honor and support our wounded veterans and their families. The two barbecues helped raise almost \$3,000 for the Lone Survivor Foundation and the Travis Mills Foundation. I wish to personally thank everyone involved who helped in this effort.

Thank you State Senator Tom Saviello for recognizing Officers Darin Gilbert and Michael Lyman with a Legislative Sentiment at the State House in April. They were honored by the 127th Maine State Legislature for their actions in helping a young child who was abducted in the summer of 2015.

On July 30, 2016, Ron Gregoire suffered a heart attack and his wife Deborah performed CPR on him for fourteen minutes before Officer Bridgette Gilbert arrived. Officer Gilbert applied an automated external defibrillator (AED) and delivered an electronic pulse. Due to their efforts, he is alive and well today. Officer Gilbert and Deborah were recognized this past year for their efforts in saving Ron's life.

Our sincere condolences go out to the family of Taylor Gaboury. Taylor was fatally struck by a drunk driver, who fled the scene of the crash. This occurred within the first half hour of the New Year in 2016. Due to the hard work and professionalism of Sergeant Edward Hastings, IV and Officer Michael Lyman, the driver was ultimately convicted in Franklin County Superior Court last June.

In 2016, we welcomed new Officers Kevin Lemay, Jesse Clement and Brandon Tiner. Officers William Tanner and Derrick Doucette left our department to pursue other endeavors. I wish to thank them for their work while employed by the citizens of Farmington.

2016 also saw the promotion of Darin Gilbert from Patrolman to Detective. This was due to his years of hard work and

professionalism. Detective Gilbert is a 15 year veteran, who has been named the Employee of the Year three times. He is also an instructor with our department and the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Detective Gilbert had been the training coordinator and the lead Field Training Officer for the department. Officer Michael Lyman is now responsible for those duties.

Our officers continued to support several charity events. These included the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run, the Special Olympics “Tip a Cop” fund raiser, and the “Fueling Dreams” program in collaboration with Irving Oil. Officers also supported the American Cancer Society’s “Relay for Life”, “Operation Santa Claus”, the Western Maine Homeless Shelter, and the United Way.

A family who wished to remain anonymous, donated money to give to those in need during the last Christmas season. The money was donated in memory of Richard E. Caton, III, our former Police Chief who passed away suddenly in 2010. The donors called it the “REC Project” or “Remembering Every Christmas”, which are also former Chief Caton’s initials. Our department was proud to disseminate the money in the form of gift cards in his honor.

In 2016 the Department received several grants. “DriveSober, Maine!” awarded the Department \$5,000 to conduct saturated patrols to apprehend and educate motorists of the consequences of operating under the influence of drugs or alcohol. We also received \$864 for directed enforcement to participate in the “Click it or Ticket” campaign, and \$3,500 for speed enforcement.

If you or a loved one has the potential to “wander” due to mental or physical disability and would like emergency personnel to have access to their information, please contact our department.

The same with our elder check program. If you know of someone or you would like to participate please contact us by phone, email or on our Facebook page.

To the members of the Farmington Fire Rescue, Farmington Public Works, Farmington Recreation Department, NorthStar Ambulance, Franklin County Sheriff’s Department, Maine State Police, UMF Police, Wilton Police Department, Jay Police Department, and all other agencies that assisted us in the last year, thank you.

Special thanks go to the men and women who serve on the Farmington Police Department for their dedicated and devoted service.

The Farmington Police Department maintains a website at [**www.farmington-maine.org**](http://www.farmington-maine.org) and a Facebook page. These contain public service announcements and other helpful information. Please take a minute and check the sites from time to time as the information changes frequently.

Our department continues to strive to provide the best service and contribute to our mission: "To create a feeling of safety for people within the Town of Farmington".

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us or to stop in at your Police Department. Myself or one of our members is also available every third Thursday of each month at Dunkin' Donuts on the Wilton Road for "Coffee with a Cop". Please stop in with your questions or concerns, or just to say hello.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack D. Peck, Jr.
Chief of Police

Summary of the Most Common Crimes or Police Calls/Complaints			
Crime	2014	2015	2016
Rape	9	4	5
Assault	78	68	39
Burglary	16	23	16
Thefts (combined)	156	117	68
Criminal Mischief	37	70	45
Criminal Trespass	55	34	45
Drug Cases	50	69	53
Domestic Disturb.	66	71	53
Traffic Crashes	498	468	435
Arrests	553	541	486
OUI Arrests	50	89	110
Summons			
Speeding Summons	488	500	271
Traffic Warnings	5,702	5,436	4,617
Parking Tickets	994	746	925
Missing Persons	2	20	18
Harassment Calls	136	143	135
Security Checks	<u>2,254</u>	<u>1,948</u>	<u>1,788</u>
TOTAL	11,144	10,347	9,109
Total Traffic Stops	6,793	6,998	5,006
Police Revenues			
	2014	2015	2016
Parking Tickets	\$ 18,355	\$ 11,000	\$ 12,980
Police Reports	\$ 1,457	\$ 1,272	\$ 625
Misc. & Gun Permit	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,027	\$ 1,003
Court Fees & Outside Extras	<u>\$ 9,126</u>	<u>\$ 19,560</u>	<u>\$ 17,181</u>
TOTAL	\$ 30,700	\$ 32,859	\$ 31,789

OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Michael Lyman

Congratulations!

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Winter 2016 –	Detective Darin Gilbert
Spring 2016 –	Detective Marc Bowering
Summer 2016 –	Detective Darin Gilbert

Farmington Police Department 2016



Front L to R: Officer Michael Lyman, Sgt. Edward Hastings, IV, Officer Brandon Tiner, Officer Bridgette Gilbert, Officer Justin Blais, Detective Marc Bowering, and Officer Kevin Lemay

Back L to R: Sgt. Michael Adcock, Detective Darin Gilbert, Officer Jesse Clement, Chief Jack Peck, Jr., Office Manager Bonnie Pomeroy, Officer Ryan Rosie, and Deputy Chief Shane Cote

Absent from photo: Parking Enforcement Drew Holston, Animal Control Officer Dexter Bridges, Crossing Guard Robert Hallman, and part-time secretaries Maryellen Martin, Stephan Bunker, and Kyle Ellis

SAFETY COMMITTEE

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



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

I am glad to report that we had very few employee accidents to investigate again this year. Employees from all departments in the Town attended numerous safety related trainings throughout the year.

The Town continues to participate in the Maine Municipal Association (MMA) Leader Program which rewards municipalities that implement plans and activities to create a safer workplace for employees by crediting the Workers Compensation contributions. These savings, along with utilizing the safety training courses and services in 2016, provided the Town with a total value of \$16,176 in workers compensation fund benefits.

The Town was also able to take advantage of a few MMA Grants. The Waste Water Department purchased six hatch nets with the funding they received and the Public Works Department was able to purchase a chemical storage cabinet.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Committee for the time and work involved. This Committee not only helps with monetary savings for the taxpayers but also in creating a safe work environment for the employees.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Foster
Chairman

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

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



I submit my annual report for the Farmington Fire Rescue Department for 2016. The Department responded to calls for assistance 465 times this year. We gave mutual aid assistance for other towns 38 times, and received mutual aid assistance 18 times. Members conducted 31 fire inspection and 21 fire prevention programs. We also had 17 training classes.

2015	2016	Calls for Assistance
54	55	Fire related calls
69	72	Rescue, extrication, and emergency medical calls
112	116	Hazardous conditions with no fire
107	54	Service calls
42	49	Good intent, such as calls from concerned citizens
50	67	Alarm malfunction / false alarms
434	413	Total Calls for Service

We gathered information to present to the Selectmen and citizens regarding adding full-time firefighter positions to our Department. After several meetings and much discussion, it was approved at Town Meeting to go forward with four full-time firefighter positions. The full-time positions have helped in our immediate need to have at least two firefighters ready to respond to calls from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day of the week. This is supplemented on Monday through Friday, when the per diem firefighter and the Chief are also available to respond with the two full-time firefighters.

We are still working toward increasing our roster of paid call firefighters. At this time we have 25 members, including the full time firefighters.

This year, as in the years past, we continue to have monthly mutual aid meetings and trainings. This is helpful in that it allows each department's members to be familiar with the same methods and equipment used, which makes for a smoother fire ground operation.

This year the all-terrain vehicle that we received last year from a Homeland Security grant has been called into action on a number of

occasions for woods fires around the county, as well as snowmobile and ATV crashes.

In 2016, with a donation from Frances Hardy's family, we were able to purchase smoke alarms to be installed in residents' homes in our community.

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

Jon Alexander 16 yrs.	Stephan Bunker 38 yrs.	Tim A. Hardy 38 yrs.	Jennings Pinkham 10 yrs.
Scott Baxter 11 yrs.	Patty Cormier 8 yrs.	Tim D. Hardy 19 yrs.	Gerald Provencher 2 yrs.
Teddy Baxter 10 yrs.	Mike Cote 7 yrs.	Joseph Hastings 3 yrs.	S. Clyde Ross 45 yrs.
Michael Bell 27 yrs.	Kyle Ellis 3 yrs.	Jim Kiernan 12 yrs.	Brandon Sholan 6 yrs.
Terry Bell 39 yrs.	Jon Paul Fortier 12 yrs.	Michael Melville 9 yrs.	Junior Turner 45 yrs.
James Brown 30 yrs.	David Fronk 25 yrs.	Doug Oliver 53 yrs.	Peter Wade 14 yrs.
Stanley Wheeler 22 yrs.			

Thank you all for your years of service.

I would also like to thank all the Department Heads and their employees for their help this past year. This is why Farmington is a nice place to live and work. **"THANK YOU ALL"**.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry S. Bell, Sr.
Fire Chief



FIRE RESCUE TRAINING

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



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

Training topics that are frequently used are similar to those from past years. Some of the common trainings are Ventilation, Ladders and Uses, Draft and Relay Pumping, Rural Hitch set up, Forcible Entry, the annual mandatory topic day (County departments invited), Vehicle Extrication, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, County Hazardous Materials Training, Rope Rescue Equipment review, Large Diameter Hose review, Truck Hose Lays and Deployment practices, review of building pre-plans, and Inspection of Personal Protective Equipment. We have members participating in the current Fire Fighter I and II classes, completed in May, as well as members taking the pilot class, Basic Fire Officer. This is only a few of the many trainings that take place in the year. Mutual Aid departments have also been invited to attend our sessions.

“Company” training nights have been very beneficial to the members because there is an opportunity for everyone to have more “hands on” participation. This also offers a time for questions and explanations making some situations clearer. Demonstrations are a useful tool here too.

The Fire Prevention Programs continue to be offered to the local schools, day care centers, tour groups, and organizations that may want a safety presentation. Two of our people took a class in Home Sprinkler Systems, which is becoming more acceptable today. A number of Fire Extinguisher classes have been taught in local businesses and living facilities. These help familiarize employees with the types of extinguishers and their uses.

The Per Diem and the Full-Time crews have been very busy conducting the above activities and offering to assist local businesses with needed safety inspections. The Department has continued its dormitory evacuation drills with the University of Maine at Farmington. We have also had tours of the new wood chips and propane heating systems currently in place at the University.

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

Respectfully submitted,

S. Clyde Ross
Deputy Fire Chief

Timothy D. Hardy
Captain

Cold Water Rescue Training – Clearwater Lake



CODE/PLANNING OFFICE

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



With administration and coordination provided by the Code/Planning Office, during 2016 there were nine Planning Board meetings held, and one site walk-over conducted. During its meetings, the Board reviewed 23 applications under the following ordinances: Site Review, Subdivision, Shoreland Zoning, Floodplain Management, and Soil Erosion Control/Storm Water Management. The Board meets on the second Monday of every month unless a holiday falls on that Monday, in which case the Board meets on the third Monday.

On July 11, 2016, the Planning Board's annual election was held, during which Clayton King was re-elected as Chairman and William Marceau was re-elected as Vice Chairman. Michael Otley joined the Board as an alternate member and there are presently no vacancies on the Board.

The Board of Appeals met on July 12, 2016 to elect officers, during which Galen Dalrymple was re-elected as Chairman. There are two one-year term vacancies presently available for alternate members.

The Zoning Board conducted their annual administrative meeting on July 12, 2016, during which Joel Chandler was re-elected as Chairman. The Board met on September 29, 2016 to review proposed modifications to the Zoning Ordinance Table of Uses for Solar Energy Systems. Currently, there are two three-year term vacancies for regular members, and two one-year term vacancies for alternate members.

During 2016, there were fifty-three residential projects: six new stick-built houses; twenty-four new mobile, double-wide, and modular units; thirteen new garages, carports, and barns; three home additions; and seven new porches, decks, and sheds.

During 2016, there were twenty-four business projects: five new business structures; three expansions of existing business structures; twelve new businesses in existing buildings; and four existing business renovation projects. Three home occupation registration forms were also filed, and twenty sign permits were issued.

The Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Board met in May and October of 2016, and approved two loans for business expansion.

The Code/Planning Office applied for and received Community Development Block Grant funding to install twelve new rental housing units at the 82 High Street housing neighborhood. Construction will be substantially completed in 2016 and site work completed in 2017.

In October, the Code/Planning Office earned the required amount of credits for re-certification as Class 8 under FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). This program provides federally backed flood insurance within communities that participate in the CRS, and enact and enforce floodplain regulations in an effort to mitigate flood damage and losses.

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

I thank my assistants Jane Ford and Cindy Gelinas, and Lori Simpson, who filled the Code Enforcement Assistant position on Jane's retirement, for their hard work and dedication. I also thank the members of the above-mentioned Boards for the countless hours and talents they have generously given the Town through their service.

We especially express our appreciation to Jane, who retired in July, for her many years of service in the Code/Planning Office, and wish her the best in retirement. She helped establish and improve many aspects of the Town's planning efforts, and this work provides a solid foundation for future growth.

I would also like to thank the citizens of Farmington, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager, and Town employees for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Stevens Kaiser,
Code Enforcement Officer

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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



2016 proved to be an eventful year for the Recreation Department. We had several new program offerings, a centennial celebration, new additions added to our facilities along with a few other new events.

On Saturday, June 18th we celebrated Hippach Field's 100th anniversary. It was the most perfect evening for baseball you could ever ask for. The event began with introductions by Paul Mills, Town Manager Richard Davis, and local baseball historian Roger Spear. A few of Howard Hippach's relatives were in attendance and the first pitch of the game was thrown out by Edward Spalding, the great nephew of Howard Hippach himself. As the Dirigo Vintage Baseball Club played the Sunrise Vintage Baseball Club of Brunswick the smell of hot dogs and kettle corn wafted through the air. The sun set and as the game slowly transitioned under the lights, it truly transcended us to another time with Model T cars parked nearby and the teams sitting on their benches made of hay bales. I am very pleased with the celebration that reached nearly 800 people and am grateful to Bucky Leighton, Roger Spear, Richard Davis, Paul Mills, Dave and Ellie Duley, and Jack Peck for taking the time to help plan and organize such a wonderful event.

The Department also had an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Day at Walton's Mill Pond Park in West Farmington. There were about 1,000 eggs with a piece of candy placed in the Park with a 10 egg limit for the 75 – 100 children that enjoyed the hunt that morning. We also sponsored our first ever Earth Day event called "Adopt-a-Park", where seven volunteers from our community came and helped clean up all of the litter in our parks around town. Probably the most surprising response was to our Trunk-or-Treat Event here in the Community Center parking lot, where we had 16 participants register and decorate their vehicles to distribute Halloween candy to children and have a chance at being crowned the Trunk-or-Treat Champion. This event drew nearly 1,000 children to view the decorated vehicles with their families. The staggering numbers we have received this year are encouraging to our Department to say the least.

Additions to our Department this year through grants included a new rock climbing bouldering wall at the Community Center and a new ice skating rink with a combined value of over \$23,000, thanks to the

skating rink with a combined value of over \$23,000, thanks to the Healthy Community Coalition and the Carol M. White Physical Education Program grant. Walmart also contributed \$1,000 toward the new ice skating rink. We were able to run several new rock climbing programs during the summer and fall as well as begin a Middle School Climbing Club. We have just started setting up the new rink as I write this and are looking forward to an improved facility this winter.

The Department was also able to acquire a new gymnasium floor covering for elections, building rentals, and meetings.

The volleyball court at Hippach Field was also revitalized with grant funds from McDonald's. Some lights were repaired and more installed for evening matches, as well as a new net and boundary line. The sand court was re-tilled and weeded and now I often see many residents enjoying a new activity as I pass by Hippach Field.

The Parks have all received a few make-overs with large amounts of brush removed, fences replaced, trees pruned and most notably the flower beds having the attention they deserve. Emily O'Donnell was hired this past summer to share her expertise in ornamental horticulture with our Department. She has begun the process of rehabilitating our flower beds and other ornamental areas of our parks. Her experience has allowed us to accept a few new responsibilities along the Fairbanks Road wall, the new parking lot on Church Street, as well as the traffic island flower garden at the intersection of Routes 2 and 4.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew L. Foster
Director

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

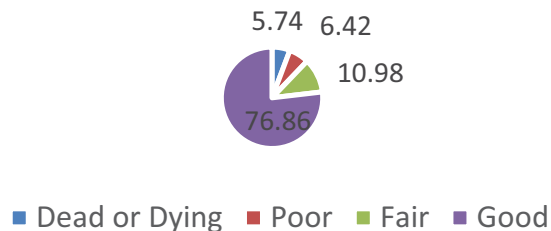
To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



2016 was another busy and productive year for the Farmington Conservation Commission (FCC). The really big project has been the completion of the \$8,958 grant project received from the Maine Forest Service Project Canopy for a survey of trees in the Downtown Rights of Way (ROW), to include Hippach Field. We now know every tree by species, size, location (GPS), and health within the ROW's. All information is stored in the "cloud", on the United States Forest Service "I-Tree" website, and on our computers.

We tallied 592 trees. The value of these trees to our town is \$49,402. This is formulated by attaching dollar values for aesthetics, rainfall interception, energy conservation, decreased air pollution, and CO2 storage. The chart at right shows the condition of those trees.

Condition Class of Farmington's Inventoried Public Trees (%)



At this writing, the FCC is in the exploratory stages concerning a woodlot donation to the Town as a working forest, to conserve the Cascades, a unique natural landmark.

Farmington is again a Tree City, USA, for the 39th consecutive year. Rural Farmington is tied with suburban Westbrook and urban Kennebunkport for the longest running Maine Tree City! Farmington celebrated Arbor Week April 22-29.

With the "Adopt a Tree" program, we wish to thank the following businesses for their "TLC" given to the downtown planted trees. They are: Kyes Insurance, Pine Tree Cellular, WKTJ, Bangor Savings, Mills and Mills, Richards Florist, Franklin County, TD Bank, and Tuck's Ale House.

In 2016 there were 145 hours donated by FCC volunteers for varying projects. The total value of these donated hours: \$3,625!
Help! The FCC is a small but dedicated corps. We need your help!
We're looking for individuals, Scouts, students, churches, any group or organization. See Linda at the Town office.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Forrest Tracy
Chairman



Edward and Michael Spaulding are descendants of Howard Hippiach.



Celebration Committee members Paul Mills and Roger Spear, Ball Player silhouette courtesy of Henry Noonkester, and Dirigo Vintage Base Ball Team

Photos courtesy of the Daily Bulldog

PUBLIC WORKS

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



I am pleased to submit my first annual report as the current Director of Public Works. Farmington is truly an amazing town with a wonderful history of hard working citizens that take pride in making this the best place to live, work, and visit.

I thank all the committees for giving me the opportunity to serve this community. I found my first year as a public employee challenging but rewarding. The biggest lessons were in learning where the private sector ends and the public sector begins. Both share concepts around productivity and quality while the public sector works to define its products and services under the boundaries of governed policies. I couldn't ask for a better role, working beside the incredible group of people who represent our organization.

The Department provides a variety of community services including road rehabilitation, road painting, roadside brush and tree removal, trash clean up, street sweeping, full town fleet and equipment maintenance, landscaping, winter plowing and snow removal, roadside mowing, street sign maintenance, and on-call weather emergency services. I would like to thank the crew's hard work and dedication with the many projects they are responsible for. I also would like to thank the citizens of this community for their patience as we work through the priorities for maintaining this beautiful town.

I would like to thank Denis Castonguay for implementing procedures that made this department stronger in its capabilities to manage the four different seasons. It's his dedication and hard work, year after year, that makes this possible.

This was an exceptionally productive year with many achievements. Here are some of the highlights from 2016.

- The Town's five-year Capital Road Improvement Program is a success and ahead of schedule. We have completed full depth reconstruction of three miles of existing roads and two miles of fresh overlaid surfaced roads including Porter Hill, Voter Hill Estates, Middle Street, and upper Maple Avenue/lower Bailey Hill.

- Several upgrades to infrastructure and maintenance have been completed. We installed over 2,940 feet of storm drain and culvert, upgraded 35,840 feet or 6.78 miles of ditch lines to protect our roads from storm water run-off, and laid 1,815 cubic yards of new base and surface gravel. We took advantage of the low liquid asphalt index prices to install 1,200 tons of extra pavement for overlays, shoulder washouts, driveway aprons, pot hole repairs, and cross trench repairs enabling us to exceed the projected 2016 construction schedule.
- We upgraded 48 inch x 1200 feet of storm drain outfall with a detention pond. This outfall pipe runs from Front Street through the UMF sports fields that keys into a one acre detention pond and disperses our town's storm water into the Sandy River.
- Construction of the Church Street Parking lot was completed, which provides an additional 27 parking spaces for downtown use, and is a big win for the local community.

As the crew transitions from the 2016 construction season to the 2017 winter plow operations, all storm equipment has been prepared and 7,000 cubic yards of road sand is ready for the elements. The crew's long hours, dedication, and responsiveness makes our roadway conditions clean and safe to travel on.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Hutchins
Director

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WINTER ROADS OPERATING PROCEDURE

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

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

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

ROAD CLEANUP - After the storm, cleanup continues with plowing

snowdrifts and widening all roads as needed. It may take several days to completely push all snow off the road shoulders.

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

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

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

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

TAXPAYER RESPONSIBILITY

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

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

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



SEWER DEPARTMENT

Liened Receivables as of December 31, 2016

- * Partial Payments Ending 01-31-2017
- ** Paid in Full

	ACCOUNT	BALANCE	EARLIEST YEAR DUE
	Brackett, Penny A.	2,130.05	2013
	Chretien, Jeffrey S.	671.52	2014
	Donahue, Terrence	262.92	2015
	Fraser, Bruce M.	1,744.26	2014
	Gay, Ted	435.79	2014
*	Grimanis, Rose V.	4,430.58	2014
	Gund, John P.	565.13	2015
	Hutchinson, Priscilla	312.84	2015
**	Lakin, Linda & David	2,944.55	2013
	Morgan, Ryan & Iris	4,170.10	2014
	Neubauer, Eric	1,021.33	2015
	Riddle, Virginia	273.52	2014
	Smith, II, Fred O.	433.28	2015
	Spinney, David	720.72	2014
	Weeks, Helen A.	396.51	2014
	Ziehm, Debbie, Pers. Rep.	474.93	2014

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

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



In 2016 we had another busy year at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. We said good-bye to long-time operator Terry Norton as he retired at the end of May after 27 years of service. We wish him well in his retirement and thank him for his many years of dedicated service to this Facility.

With the announcement of Terry Norton's retirement we once again had an opening for a full-time operator. After going through the screening process, we hired Ethan Tracy. Ethan's background is with the fish hatchery in Oquossoc, and his experience at the hatchery with pumps, piping, and laboratory procedures, coupled with his Degree in Biology from UMF, made him a good fit.

Paul Stanzel, our new hire from 2015, has excelled in his position and this fall passed his Grade 1 Wastewater Certification Exam. Paul and Ethan have been excellent additions here and their abilities complement the remaining staff well.

The big undertaking for 2016 was replacing all of the old cast iron manhole covers on Route 2 with the new ductile iron hinged covers. This project took place in conjunction with the Maine DOT paving project from the Wilton/Farmington town line to Center Bridge. The new covers are rated for 120,000 pounds and should stand up to the heavy truck traffic on Route 2.

Last fall we began working on a Geographic Information System (GIS) to digitally map the collection system. The Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Public Works Department together purchased the GIS locating equipment. During the summer we employed two UMF students to assist us in locating the wastewater collection system, and the Public Works drainage system. We hope to have this information ready to tie in to the tax maps early next year.

Looking ahead to 2017, I plan on upgrading the computer programming which operates our Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system (SCADA). We are currently at capacity with the number of SCADA tags we are using to monitor the outlying system. By electing to upgrade the current program we will increase the current number of tags from 150 to 500. The additional tags will allow

us to monitor more pump station functions and help us be better prepared when answering alarms.

2016 was the final year of the Facility's current five year State Discharge Permit. The next five year permit has a limit for total phosphorus pounds per day that we will be able to discharge. The Maine Department of Environmental Protection has given the Treatment Facility five years to implement and execute a plan for meeting those limits. Over the next five years we will be working with an engineering firm to set up a schedule to work toward meeting those limits.

This Department's operators will continue to research the best and most cost effective ways of removing the larger debris from the waste stream entering the plant, as well as a more efficient way of dewatering the bio-solids we send out for composting.

2017 looks to be another busy year as we continue to make upgrades and improvements to keep the Treatment Facility operating for years to come and continue to protect the environment we live in.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen M. Millett
Superintendent

Rotor House



MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

Municipal Building Address:

153 Farmington Falls Road, Farmington, Maine 04938

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

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

Website: www.farmington-maine.org

Recycling Facility/Transfer Station Hours:

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

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

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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

NOTE: If you are physically unable to access any of the Town's programs or services, please contact Linda Grant at 778-6538 OR TTY 778-5873 so that accommodations can be made.



IMPORTANT NOTICES

PUBLIC WELCOME TO ATTEND MEETINGS

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

VEHICLE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

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

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

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

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

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

TRANSFER STATION PERMITS

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

BURN PERMITS

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

TOWN ORDINANCE AND STATE LAW COMPLIANCE

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

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

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



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March 1, 2017

Board of Selectmen
Town of Farmington, Maine
Farmington, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Farmington and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Farmington as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2016 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, is available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds	Statement C
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds	Statement D
Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual – General Fund	Schedule 1
Schedule of Departmental Operations – General Fund	Schedule A
Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule B
Combining Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule C

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STATEMENT C

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2016

	General Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,161,431	\$ 147,094	\$ 4,308,525
Investments	-	863,264	863,264
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	721,992	-	721,992
Liens	245,604	-	245,604
Notes	-	224,591	224,591
Other	136,737	-	136,737
Prepaid items	3,987	-	3,987
Tax acquired property	-	-	-
Due from other funds	409,236	1,227,836	1,637,072
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,678,987	\$ 2,462,785	\$ 8,141,772
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 213,745	\$ -	\$ 213,745
Payroll related payables	54,258	-	54,258
Accrued expenses	7,180	-	7,180
Due to other funds	2,768,024	409,236	3,177,260
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,043,207	409,236	3,452,443
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	5,362	-	5,362
Deferred police revenue	12,533	-	12,533
Advance payment of LRAP funding	80,598	-	80,598
Deferred tax revenues	718,795	-	718,795
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	817,288	-	817,288
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	3,987	-	3,987
Restricted	-	1,636,313	1,636,313
Committed	-	275,096	275,096
Assigned	20,811	146,868	167,679
Unassigned	1,793,694	(4,728)	1,788,966
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,818,492	2,053,549	3,872,041
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 5,678,987	\$ 2,462,785	\$ 8,141,772

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STATEMENT D

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	General Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property taxes	\$ 8,847,054	\$ -	\$ 8,847,054
Excise taxes	932,289	-	932,289
Intergovernmental	912,897	356,045	1,268,942
Charges for services	183,857	-	183,857
Miscellaneous revenues	74,838	267,063	341,901
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>10,950,935</u>	<u>623,108</u>	<u>11,574,043</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	821,225	-	821,225
Public safety	1,929,293	-	1,929,293
Health and welfare	23,890	-	23,890
Recreation and culture	307,423	-	307,423
Education	4,725,725	-	4,725,725
Public works	1,711,909	-	1,711,909
County tax	527,436	-	527,436
Community services	167,920	-	167,920
Unclassified	233,860	1,024,049	1,257,909
Debt service:			
Principal	128,817	-	128,817
Interest	22,264	-	22,264
Capital outlay	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>10,599,762</u>	<u>1,024,049</u>	<u>11,623,811</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>351,173</u>	<u>(400,941)</u>	<u>(49,768)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	15,000	207,874	222,874
Transfers (out)	(207,874)	(15,000)	(222,874)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(192,874)</u>	<u>192,874</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	158,299	(208,067)	(49,768)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	<u>1,660,193</u>	<u>2,261,616</u>	<u>3,921,809</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 1,818,492</u>	<u>\$ 2,053,549</u>	<u>\$ 3,872,041</u>

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SCHEDULE 1

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final	Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1	\$ 1,660,193	\$ 1,660,193	\$ 1,660,193	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	8,744,361	8,744,361	8,847,054	102,693
Excise taxes	923,800	923,800	932,289	8,489
Intergovernmental	857,577	859,477	912,897	53,420
Charges for services	129,927	129,927	183,857	53,930
Miscellaneous revenues	99,974	99,974	74,838	(25,136)
Transfers from other funds	15,000	15,000	15,000	-
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>12,430,832</u>	<u>12,432,732</u>	<u>12,626,128</u>	<u>193,396</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	834,182	834,182	821,225	12,957
Public safety	2,003,767	2,003,767	1,929,293	74,474
Health and welfare	25,000	25,000	23,890	1,110
Recreation and culture	327,157	327,157	307,423	19,734
Education	4,673,008	4,673,008	4,725,725	(52,717)
Public works	1,706,155	1,688,708	1,711,909	(23,201)
County tax	527,436	527,436	527,436	-
Community services	166,020	167,920	167,920	-
Unclassified	226,164	226,164	233,860	(7,696)
Debt service:				
Principal	128,817	128,817	128,817	-
Interest	22,506	22,506	22,264	242
Transfers to other funds	190,427	207,874	207,874	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>10,830,639</u>	<u>10,832,539</u>	<u>10,807,636</u>	<u>24,903</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 1,600,193</u>	<u>\$ 1,600,193</u>	<u>\$ 1,818,492</u>	<u>\$ 218,299</u>
Utilization of unassigned fund balance	<u>\$ 60,000</u>	<u>\$ 60,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (60,000)</u>

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
General government:					
Administration	\$ 240,052	\$ -	\$ 240,052	\$ 235,910	\$ 4,142
Assessor	87,784	-	87,784	84,746	3,038
Clerk treasurer	253,665	-	253,665	263,615	(9,950)
Municipal building	95,320	-	95,320	88,368	6,952
CEO	150,561	-	150,561	144,440	6,121
Committees	6,800	-	6,800	4,146	2,654
	834,182	-	834,182	821,225	12,957
Public safety:					
Police department	1,172,050	-	1,172,050	1,148,191	23,859
Fire department	406,565	-	406,565	380,608	25,957
Hydrants	276,378	-	276,378	276,380	(2)
Street lights	87,500	-	87,500	79,984	7,516
Traffic lights	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-
Ambulance	51,274	-	51,274	34,130	17,144
	2,003,767	-	2,003,767	1,929,293	74,474
Health and welfare:					
General assistance	25,000	-	25,000	23,890	1,110
	25,000	-	25,000	23,890	1,110
Recreation and culture:					
Parks and recreation	150,640	-	150,640	149,579	1,061
Community center	99,006	-	99,006	94,602	4,404
Cemeteries	77,511	-	77,511	63,242	14,269
	327,157	-	327,157	307,423	19,734

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Education	4,673,008	-	4,673,008	4,725,725	(52,717)
Public works:					
Highway department	1,249,537	(17,447)	1,232,090	1,206,016	26,074
Recycling department	64,838	-	64,838	88,170	(23,332)
Local roads	233,000	-	233,000	233,000	-
Drainage project	-	-	-	32,410	(32,410)
Capital outlay	158,780	-	158,780	152,313	6,467
	1,706,155	(17,447)	1,688,708	1,711,909	(23,201)
County tax	527,436	-	527,436	527,436	-
Debt service:					
Principal	128,817	-	128,817	128,817	-
Interest	22,506	-	22,506	22,264	242
	151,323	-	151,323	151,081	242
Community services:					
Animal shelter	15,520	-	15,520	15,520	-
Public library	149,500	-	149,500	149,500	-
Snow clubs	-	1,900	1,900	1,900	-
Gay cemetery	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
	166,020	1,900	167,920	167,920	-

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Unclassified:					
Insurances	72,000	-	72,000	78,075	(6,075)
Contingency	-	-	-	-	-
Tan interest	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
TIF	125,000	-	125,000	125,000	-
Dangerous buildings	-	-	-	-	-
Overlay	24,164	-	24,164	30,785	(6,621)
	<u>226,164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>226,164</u>	<u>233,860</u>	<u>(7,696)</u>
Transfers to other funds:					
Drainage project	60,000	-	60,000	60,000	-
Municipal landfill	4,000	-	4,000	4,000	-
Legal reserve	15,000	-	15,000	15,000	-
ADA	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Public works	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-
Municipal building	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	-
Revaluation	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-
Community center	17,500	-	17,500	17,500	-
Police department	42,500	-	42,500	42,500	-
Fire department	27,927	-	27,927	27,927	-
Highway equipment	-	17,447	17,447	17,447	-
Parks and recreation	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-
	<u>190,427</u>	<u>17,447</u>	<u>207,874</u>	<u>207,874</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 10,830,639</u>	<u>\$ 1,900</u>	<u>\$ 10,832,539</u>	<u>\$ 10,807,636</u>	<u>\$ 24,903</u>

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SCHEDULE B

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 147,094	\$ -	\$ 147,094
Investments	-	863,264	863,264
Notes receivable	224,591	-	224,591
Due from other funds	1,191,564	36,272	1,227,836
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 1,563,249</u>	<u>\$ 899,536</u>	<u>\$ 2,462,785</u>
LIABILITIES			
Due to other funds	\$ 374,760	\$ 34,476	\$ 409,236
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>374,760</u>	<u>34,476</u>	<u>409,236</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Restricted	771,253	865,060	1,636,313
Committed	275,096	-	275,096
Assigned	146,868	-	146,868
Unassigned	(4,728)	-	(4,728)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>1,188,489</u>	<u>865,060</u>	<u>2,053,549</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 1,563,249</u>	<u>\$ 899,536</u>	<u>\$ 2,462,785</u>

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SCHEDULE C

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/ (losses)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest income	-	44,514	44,514
Intergovernmental	356,045	-	356,045
Other income	222,549	-	222,549
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>578,594</u>	<u>44,514</u>	<u>623,108</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Capital outlay	-	-	-
Other	1,014,999	9,050	1,024,049
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>1,014,999</u>	<u>9,050</u>	<u>1,024,049</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(436,405)</u>	<u>35,464</u>	<u>(400,941)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	207,874	-	207,874
Transfers (out)	-	(15,000)	(15,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>207,874</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>192,874</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(228,531)	20,464	(208,067)
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1	<u>1,417,020</u>	<u>844,596</u>	<u>2,261,616</u>
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 1,188,489</u>	<u>\$ 865,060</u>	<u>\$ 2,053,549</u>

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

**2017 WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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

GREETING: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Farmington, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Community Center at 127 Middle Street in said Town on Monday, the TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, 2017, at 8:45 o'clock in the morning to act upon Articles 1 and 2. The polls will open at 9:00 o'clock in the morning and close at 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon Article Second.

And also notify and warn the said Inhabitants to meet at the Community Center at 127 Middle Street in said Town on Monday, the TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, 2017 at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to hear the results of the secret ballot on Articles 1 and 2 and to act on Articles 3 through 37, all the Articles being set out below, to wit:

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

SECOND - To choose by ballot, according to the provisions of Title 30-A, M.R.S. Section 2528 as amended, two (2) Selectmen and two (2) School Directors, each for a term of three years.

THIRD - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate such anticipated revenues as vehicle excise taxes, state revenue sharing, supplemental taxes, license fees, and such other miscellaneous revenues to be received in the calendar year 2017, to reduce the taxes committed, in the amount of \$1,812,880.

FOURTH - To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with 30-A M.R.S. section 5721-A.7, to increase the property tax levy limit of \$3,786,990 established for Farmington by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the following Articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The budget recommended by the Selectmen exceeds the 2017 property tax limit by \$3,771. Because the Town Meeting process is active, interactive, and unpredictable, the Selectmen cannot know with certainty whether the

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

FIFTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$725,621	\$706,130
Selectmen Recommended	725,621	706,130
Budget Committee Recommended	725,621	706,130
Town Meeting Approved	725,621	

STATEMENT OF FACT:			
	Appropriated	Requested	Selectmen and Budget Committee
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>Recommended</u>
1. Administration	\$240,052	\$248,202	\$248,202
2. Assessor	97,784	81,634	81,634
3. Treasurer / Clerk	253,665	245,274	245,274
4. Committees & Events	6,800	6,800	6,800
5. Municipal Building	97,320	94,220	94,220
6. Tax Anticipation Note	5,000	5,000	5,000
7. General Assistance	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
TOTAL	\$725,621	\$706,130	\$706,130

The Administration Budget includes personnel costs for the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Town Secretary and one half of the Planning Assistant, related office supply and equipment costs, and expenses for professional services such as the Town Report printing, annual audit, public notice advertising, and routine legal services. Included are 0.6% pay increases for 2017 and a \$200 increase in each Selectman's stipend. The Town pays 80% of the employee premium and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for full time employees in this Department.

The Assessor's Department consists of a part-time contracted Assessor provided by John E. O'Donnell & Associates and a 20-hour per week in-house assistant position. Also included is \$10,000 for the Revaluation Reserve Account, the balance of which is currently \$83,596.74.

The Treasurer/Clerk Budget includes pay increases of 0.6%.

Committees and Events includes Memorial Day Flags (\$2,700), Planning Board (\$800), Conservation Commission (\$800), and Special Projects (\$2,500) which is a discretionary account for the Selectmen through which they may authorize expenditures for special projects, promotions, or events deemed appropriate.

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

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

The General Assistance program provides for the basic needs of persons who apply and qualify financially. The 2016 appropriation was \$25,000. Expenditures totaled \$23,890.15 for the year, and are likely to increase in 2017 due to increasing demand. Seventy percent of this expenditure is now reimbursed by the state, and accrues to the General Fund.

SIXTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **CODE ENFORCEMENT** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$150,561	\$139,187
Selectmen Recommended	150,561	139,187
Budget Committee Recommended	150,561	139,187
Town Meeting Approved	150,561	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget request covers the operational expenses for two and one half employees who oversee the Code Administration, Community Development (grant writing and implementation), and Planning functions. Included are 0.6% pay increases for 2017. The Town pays 80% of the employee premium and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for employees in this Department.

SEVENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **POLICE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,214,550	\$1,244,941
Selectmen Recommended	1,214,550	1,244,941
Budget Committee Recommended	1,214,550	1,244,941
Town Meeting Approved	1,214,550	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Police Department budget includes 1% pay increases and negotiated contract obligations for union members. Management employees receive 0.6% pay increases for 2017. The Town pays 80% of the employee premium and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for employees in this Department. Also included are expenses related to building operation and maintenance.

EIGHTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$434,492	\$516,057
Selectmen Recommended	401,513	516,057
Budget Committee Recommended	434,492	516,057
Town Meeting Approved	434,492	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Fire Department's request includes 0.6% pay increases for 2017. The Town pays 80% of the employee portion and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for full-time members. Also included is a \$75,000 appropriation to the Fire Equipment Reserve Account, the balance of which is currently \$116,052.

NINTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **OTHER PROTECTIONS** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$497,152	\$498,494
Selectmen Recommended	497,152	498,494
Budget Committee Recommended	497,152	498,494
Town Meeting Approved	497,152	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
1. Street Lights	\$ 87,500	\$ 85,000
2. Fire Hydrants	276,378	276,378
3. Insurances	72,000	80,000
4. Ambulance	51,274	47,114
5. Traffic Light Maintenance	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
TOTAL	\$497,152	\$498,494

The Street Light budget shows a slight decrease based on anticipated expenses. The cost of Fire Hydrants is governed by the Maine Public Utilities Commission, and is based on a percentage of the Water Company's total operating expenses. The Insurance category is based on anticipated premium costs in 2017. Included are employee cash handling bonds, blanket property and automobile coverages, public officials' liability, and unemployment insurance. The Ambulance subsidy is established by contractual agreement with NorthStar Ambulance. The Traffic Light Maintenance budget is based on 2016 actual expenditures and 2017 projected costs.

TENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PARKS AND RECREATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER DEPARTMENTS** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$272,146	\$279,769
Selectmen Recommended	272,146	279,769
Budget Committee Recommended	272,146	279,769
Town Meeting Approved	272,146	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested	Recommended
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2017</u>
Parks and Recreation	\$155,640	\$163,227	\$163,227
Community Center	<u>116,506</u>	<u>116,542</u>	<u>116,542</u>
TOTAL	\$272,146	\$279,769	\$279,769

The Parks and Recreation Budget includes operating expenses for all recreational activities, including personnel costs for part-time seasonal positions, program directors and coaches. Also included is 80% of the employee portion and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for the Director. The Community Center budget includes personnel costs for one full-time Assistant Director and one part-time custodian. Included are 0.6% pay increases for 2017.

ELEVENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,249,537	\$1,330,734
Selectmen Recommended	1,249,537	1,330,734
Budget Committee Recommended	1,249,537	1,330,734
Town Meeting Approved	1,249,537	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Public Works Department budget covers the operational expenses required for maintaining and improving the Town's 120 miles of roads. Additional funding for road capital improvements is received from the State (see Article 15). This budget covers the personnel costs for ten full-time employees. Included are 0.6% pay increases and 80% of the employee premium and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium.

TWELFTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **RECYCLING DEPARTMENT** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$68,838	\$76,658
Selectmen Recommended	68,838	76,658
Budget Committee Recommended	68,838	76,658
Town Meeting Approved	68,838	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget covers all operating expenses for the transfer station, including personnel costs for two part-time employees. This budget is offset by approximately \$26,000 of revenue that accrues to the General Fund.

THIRTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **CEMETERIES** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$77,511	\$86,643
Selectmen Recommended	77,511	86,643
Budget Committee Recommended	77,511	86,643
Town Meeting Approved	77,511	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The 2017 request represents the amount needed to maintain the cemeteries in the current year. Included are 0.6% pay raises for cemetery personnel. The amount requested is offset by cemetery fees estimated at \$17,000 and trust fund earnings estimated at \$15,000.

FOURTEENTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate State of Maine Local Road Assistance Program (LORAP) funds in the amount of \$158,780 for the year 2017, and to authorize the expenditure of said funds for road improvements.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$158,780	\$158,780
Selectmen Recommended	158,780	158,780
Budget Committee Recommended	158,780	158,780
Town Meeting Approved	158,780	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The figure shown in this Article is the amount the Town is projected to receive from the Maine Department of Transportation for 2017 funding. This allocation is used for capital improvements to Town roads.

FIFTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR ROADS** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$233,000	\$270,736
Selectmen Recommended	233,000	270,736
Budget Committee Recommended	233,000	270,736
Town Meeting Approved	233,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The amount requested represents the amount that is needed, over and above the \$158,780 appropriation in the preceding Article, to fully fund the fifth year of a five-year Capital Improvement Program for road rehabilitation. Planned for 2017 is the first year of a two year reconstruction project on Anson Street / Titcomb Hill Road. Additional projects will be reviewed and prioritized for 2018 and beyond.

SIXTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PUBLIC WORKS RESERVE** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$5,000	\$10,000
Selectmen Recommended	5,000	10,000
Budget Committee Recommended	5,000	10,000
Town Meeting Approved	5,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Public Works Reserve Account was established several years ago for use in planning and building the Town Garage, which was constructed in 2002. The current balance in the account is \$30,519.34. The amount requested for 2017 will be added to the balance. A portion of the funds from this reserve account will be used to make necessary structural repairs to the sand/salt storage building.

SEVENTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **DEBT SERVICE** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$151,323	\$102,206
Selectmen Recommended	151,323	102,206
Budget Committee Recommended	151,323	102,206
Town Meeting Approved	151,323	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested	Recommended
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2017</u>
Municipal Garage Debt	\$57,265	\$56,555	\$56,555
Fire Truck Debt	47,073	0	0
Police Building Debt	<u>46,985</u>	<u>45,651</u>	<u>45,651</u>
TOTAL	\$151,323	\$102,206	\$102,206

The amount indicated in this Article represents the debt service (principal and interest) for bonds for the municipal garage and the new police station renovations. The 2007 fire truck debt was retired in 2016. The garage debt will be retired in 2022 and the police building debt in 2027.

EIGHTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **LEGAL RESERVE ACCOUNT** for the purpose of funding costs associated with actual or potential litigation for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$15,000	\$7,500
Selectmen Recommended	15,000	7,500
Budget Committee Recommended	15,000	7,500
Town Meeting Approved	15,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The various administrative accounts contain funding to cover routine legal costs related to tax liens, personnel issues, contracts, general liability, zoning, etc. Those amounts are not adequate to cover ongoing litigation and unforeseen legal expenses. The Legal Reserve Account provides for such expenditures. The account balance as of December 31, 2016 was \$20,769.76. The amount shown is requested in order to achieve a target balance of approximately \$28,000 for legal expenses this year.

NINETEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) RESERVE ACCOUNT** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,000	\$1,500
Selectmen Recommended	1,000	1,500
Budget Committee Recommended	1,000	1,500
Town Meeting Approved	1,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The ADA Reserve Account is used to improve accessibility to public facilities for people with disabilities. It currently has a balance of \$11,350.00.

TWENTIETH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FARMINGTON LIBRARY** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$149,500	\$187,094
Selectmen Recommended	149,500	157,723
Budget Committee Recommended	149,500	165,945
Town Meeting Approved	149,500	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The amount requested represents approximately 71% of the Library's total projected budget for 2017 and is a 25.1% increase over the 2016 Town appropriation. The Selectmen's recommendation shows a 5.5% increase over the 2016 appropriation, which they feel is more in keeping with the municipal budget than the requested amount. The Budget Committee's recommendation represents an 11% increase over the 2016 appropriation.

TWENTY-FIRST - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **GAY CEMETERY** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,000	\$1,000
Selectmen Recommended	1,000	1,000
Budget Committee Recommended	1,000	1,000
Town Meeting Approved	1,000	

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

TWENTY-SECOND - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FRANKLIN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER** for the year 2017.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	\$15,520	\$15,520
Selectmen Recommended	15,520	15,520
Budget Committee Recommended	15,520	15,520
Town Meeting Approved	15,520	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The State of Maine mandates that all municipalities designate a shelter that will accept stray animals. Farmington contracts with the Franklin County Animal Shelter for this service. The shelter assesses all participating communities at \$2.00 per capita.

TWENTY-THIRD - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate 100% of the refund of snowmobile registrations received annually from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the **SHIRETOWN RIDERS, NORTHERN LITES, AND NEW SHARON SNOW RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUBS**, to be distributed to the clubs on the basis of mileage of trails each maintains in Farmington.

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

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

TWENTY-FIFTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Unassigned Fund Balance those funds deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen to reduce the amount of property taxes to be collected to fund the Year 2017 budget in an effort to stabilize the tax rate in a manner consistent with prudent fiscal management.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Unassigned Fund Balance (UFB) as reported by the auditors as of the end of the 2016 budget year is approximately \$1,793,694. The auditors recommend carrying a minimum UFB level that is adequate to cover two months' expenditures, which is approximately \$1,757,254. Approval of this Article would allow the Selectmen to utilize whatever amount of UFB, if any, that they deem to be advisable in order to reduce the property tax commitment while maintaining adequate reserves.

TWENTY-SIXTH - To see what amount, if any, of the Year 2017 Bee Line Cable Contract Franchise Fee and equipment and facilities fund the Town will vote to appropriate for the **CABLE FRANCHISE FEE RESERVE FUND** for the benefit of Bee Line Cable subscribers, to be expended or allocated at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Requested	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Selectmen Recommended	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Budget Committee Recommended	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Town Meeting Approved	Full Franchise Fee	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Cable Television Franchise granted to Bee Line, Inc. by the Town of Farmington requires Bee Line to pay the Town 5% of its gross annual revenues as compensation for the rights and privileges granted by the Agreement. In 2016, that amount was \$44,955.90. This payment is used to support the operations of the Public, Educational, and Governmental channel, Mount Blue TV (Channel 11). The Franchise Agreement also allows for a \$5,000 annual payment for Mount Blue TV's equipment and facilities. The full franchise fee for 2017 is expected to be an amount similar to or slightly less than that received in 2016.

TWENTY-SEVENTH - To see if the Town will vote to make property taxes due and payable on Tuesday, November 1, 2017 and, in accordance with 36 M.R.S. Section 505(4), charge interest on overdue taxes at the rate of 7.00% per annum after November 1, 2017.

TWENTY-EIGHTH - To see if the Town will vote to pay interest on tax refunds at the rate of 7.00% per annum after Tuesday, November 1, 2017.

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

THIRTIETH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish a Foreclosed Property Policy and further authorize the Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes and/or sewer charges thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute the appropriate deed for such property, or to waive or delay disposition of foreclosed property as may be deemed appropriate on a case by case basis.

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

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

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

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

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

THIRTY-FOURTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budget amount in each category of the 2017 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2018 until the Town Meeting in March, 2018.

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

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

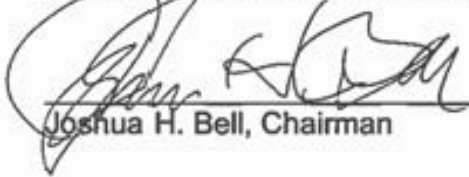
THIRTY-SEVENTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend funds from the Franklin Printing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Reserve Account for purposes consistent with the Franklin Printing Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District and Development Program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

The Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Community Center on March 27, 2017 at the time of the meeting to add new names to the voting list or make changes to the voting list.

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

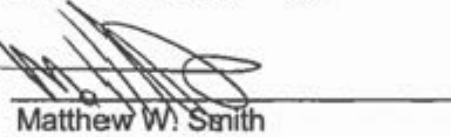
Given under our hands at Farmington, Maine this twenty-eighth day of February, A.D. 2017.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN


Joshua H. Bell, Chairman

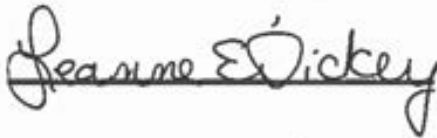

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OFFICER'S RETURN

I certify that I have notified the voters of the Town of Farmington of the time and place of the Town Meeting by posting an attested copy of the within warrant at the **FARMINGTON MUNICIPAL BUILDING** at _____; at **RON'S MARKET** at _____; and at the **FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER** at _____, all being conspicuous public places within the Town of Farmington on March ____, 2016, which is at least 7 days prior to the day of said meeting.

Dated at Farmington, Maine this ____ day of March 2017.

S. Clyde Ross
Resident of Farmington
True copy:


Leanne E. Dickey
Town Clerk

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January 20, 2017

Town of Farmington
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Dear Friends,

I would like to thank each and every resident of Farmington for allowing me to represent your interests in the Maine State Legislature. I am very much looking forward to meeting more constituents in the coming two years, and appreciate all of the interest many of you have in the important work we do on your behalf at the State House.

As a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology, I will be reviewing legislation pertaining to energy policy, telecommunications, water and sewer utilities, and the Public Utilities Commission. I believe that lowering energy costs must be a priority not only for individuals, but for Maine businesses as well.

I'm always willing to help constituents who are working with state agencies to solve problems, and encourage you to contact me at any time with your questions, concerns or suggestions about state government. My legislative office number is (207) 287-1440, and is staffed Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Please don't hesitate to share your perspective, after all, it is through your input that I can best represent the people who call Farmington home.

All my best,


Lance Harvell
State Representative

Proudly Representing House District 113: Farmington & New Sharon

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Let me begin by thanking you for allowing me the honor of serving you in the Maine Senate. I am humbled that you have put your trust in me for a fourth term and can assure you I will continue to work tirelessly on your behalf. Please let me provide you with a recap of the 127th Legislature, as well as my hopes for the upcoming 128th Legislature, which convenes in December.

Last year we continued the work of reforming our state's welfare system and achieved the long sought-after goal of banning the purchase of alcohol, tobacco and lottery tickets with welfare benefits. While there is more work to be done in reforming our welfare system, I believe these efforts will help to deter such abuse of the system and help ensure that benefits are going to those who truly need them.

The Legislature also worked in a bipartisan fashion to begin addressing the drug crisis affecting our state. We approved putting 10 new drug enforcement agents on the street, as well as provided funding for treatment programs and drug use prevention efforts.

In the upcoming session, it is clear that we must continue to do all we can to attract more jobs to our state. To that end, I will work to advocate for proposals which will expand economic opportunity for all Mainers. We must also continue to fight the drug epidemic threatening our state and hurting our families. It is my hope the Legislature can once again work together to find good solutions to what has become a widespread problem.

You have my humble and sincere thanks for allowing me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or drtom16@hotmail.com if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,



Tom Saviello
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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.

Growing our economy by encouraging job creation remains a top priority. The tax relief bill enacted during this last Congress contains provisions I authored to provide small businesses with the certainty that they need to invest, grow, and, most important, hire new workers. The 2017 National Defense Authorization Act includes a provision the Maine delegation worked together to champion requiring that military recruits be provided with athletic footwear made in America, as is required for other equipment and uniform items whenever possible. This is a great victory for our troops and for the 900 skilled workers at New Balance factories here in Maine.

Maine's contributions to our national security stretch from Kittery to Limestone. As a senior member of the Appropriations Committee, I successfully advocated for critical funding for projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and \$1 billion towards the construction of an additional ship that will likely be built at Bath Iron Works. This funding will strengthen the Navy and our national security, and the additional destroyer will help meet the Navy's goal of a 355-ship fleet.

Maine's growing population of older individuals creates many challenges. That's why, as Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, my top three priorities are fighting fraud and financial abuse directed at our nation's seniors, increasing investments in biomedical research, and improving retirement security.

The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for senior citizens to report suspected fraud and receive assistance. Last May, a call to the hotline helped lead to the arrest of a national crime ring targeting seniors, and in June I worked to secure the humanitarian release of a Maine senior who had been imprisoned in Spain after being victimized by an international drug smuggling scam.

The Aging Committee also released an extensive report detailing the findings of our bipartisan investigation into the abrupt and dramatic price increases for prescription drugs whose patents expired long ago.

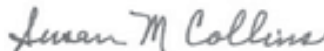
I advocated strongly for the \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health to advance research on such diseases as diabetes and Alzheimer's. I also championed and authored portions of the 21st Century Cures Act that will further support biomedical innovation and make significant reforms to our mental health system.

The Senate also took steps in the past year to combat the nation's heroin and opioid epidemic by passing the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA), which I was proud to cosponsor. CARA is a monumental step forward in our effort to address the devastating addiction crisis affecting countless families and communities across the country and right here in Maine.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. In December 2016, I cast my 6,236th consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Farmington and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Lewiston state office at 207-784-6969 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2017 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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Dear Friends of Farmington:

Since being sworn into the Senate in 2013, I have made it my mission to address at the federal level the most important issues facing our great state. Working closely with my colleagues in the Maine Congressional Delegation, we've been able to successfully secure a number of legislative victories that support our state's economy, our rich traditions, and the hardworking people I am proud to represent. In an increasingly polarized Congress, my goal as an Independent is to put partisanship aside, build consensus and further common-sense solutions to address the needs of the American people. To this end, I have co-founded the Former Governors Caucus, a group of former state executives who are frustrated with legislative gridlock and eager to find bipartisan solutions. And as always, I aim to bridge the partisan divide by hosting barbeque dinners in Washington with colleagues ranging from Ted Cruz to Elizabeth Warren. If you know a person's children, then you see them as a mother or father and not a rival vote, and working to further personal dialogue and build relationships can lay the foundation for successful legislation.

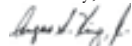
One of the accomplishments of which I am most proud is the legislative victory that protects our college students and their families from an expensive hike in student loan interest rates. In 2013, as students faced a significant spike in interest rates that would have taken thousands of dollars out of their pockets, I brought together colleagues from across the political spectrum to broker compromise legislation called the Bipartisan Student Loan Certainty Act. Thanks to this bill, students will save \$50 billion over the next 10 years by lowering their interest rates, which means that a student in Maine will now save between \$3,000 and \$6,000 over the life of their loan.

Being an Independent in the Senate has allowed me to make calls and vote on policies that are best for Maine, but it has also made it possible to play key roles in finding simple solutions and legislative fixes that make good commonsense to both parties. Of course, much of what we do in the Senate doesn't happen on the Senate floor, or even in committee. Instead, it involves working across all levels of government to ensure the State of Maine receives attention and support from the federal government. Take, for example, the opioid and heroin epidemic devastating communities across our state. While Congress has passed legislative solutions aimed at expanding access to medical treatment, I've also pressed for other changes that can be accomplished more quickly and make a more immediate difference in Maine. For example, I successfully urged the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to increase the number of patients to whom a doctor can provide medication-assisted treatment, and in 2015 brought the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to Brewer to meet directly with Mainers and hear their stories. I've also engaged law enforcement – including the Drug Enforcement Agency – to crack down on the production of opioids and work to limit their diversion. Together, Senator Collins and I helped pass the Northern Border Security Review Act to combat drug and human trafficking along our border with Canada. While the opioid epidemic is certainly our biggest public health crisis, job loss in Maine is still our number one economic problem and that's why we need to focus on bringing good paying jobs back to Maine and protecting the ones we still have. As a member of the Armed Services Committee, I teamed up with Senator Collins and Representative Poliquin to successfully secure a provision in the defense bill that can help domestic shoe manufacturers like New Balance. The three of us also worked together with the Department of Commerce to establish an Economic Development Assessment Team, known as an EDAT, to assist Maine's forest industry in the wake of several mill closures. We have an incredible spirit of innovation and ingenuity in Maine and I believe finding ways to invest in that spirit will reignite Maine's forest products sector and our economy. Part of our economic path forward must also include expanding access to high-speed broadband, which can help connect our businesses and communities to information and economic opportunities.

As a member of the Senate Armed Services and Intelligence Committees, I work to keep Maine and our nation safe. Part of that important work means continuing to work for funding for the construction of Navy ships that will be used to protect American interests across the globe. We all know that "Bath Built is Best Built," which is why I've fought to authorize funding for Navy ships built at BIW. The best way to preserve peace is by deterring war through unassailable strength, and to do that we must support our shipbuilders and our brave service members and invest in our military. I strive to meet this solemn responsibility every day as a member of these committees, which is why I hardly ever miss a hearing and take great care in overseeing the agencies sworn to keep us safe. Armed Services Chairman John McCain called me "one of the most serious and hard-working members" of the Committee, and that's a humbling compliment from a true American hero.

As always, please call or write me with thoughts or concerns with matters currently before Congress, or if you need assistance navigating a federal agency. Please call my toll-free line at 1-800-432-1599 or local office: (207) 622-8292, or write me on our website at www.king.senate.gov/contact. It is an honor and a privilege serving the people of Maine in the Senate, and I look forward to working with you in our search for a more perfect Union.

Sincerely,



Angus S. King, Jr., *United States Senator*

Historic Homes of Farmington

Many Farmington homes have charming designs and decorative elements that have arisen out of necessity – such as interior wainscoting and window shutters to make homes more comfortable in severe weather. The railroad opened Farmington up to new markets and architectural designs, and following the Civil War a demand for new housing also brought a variety of building styles.



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