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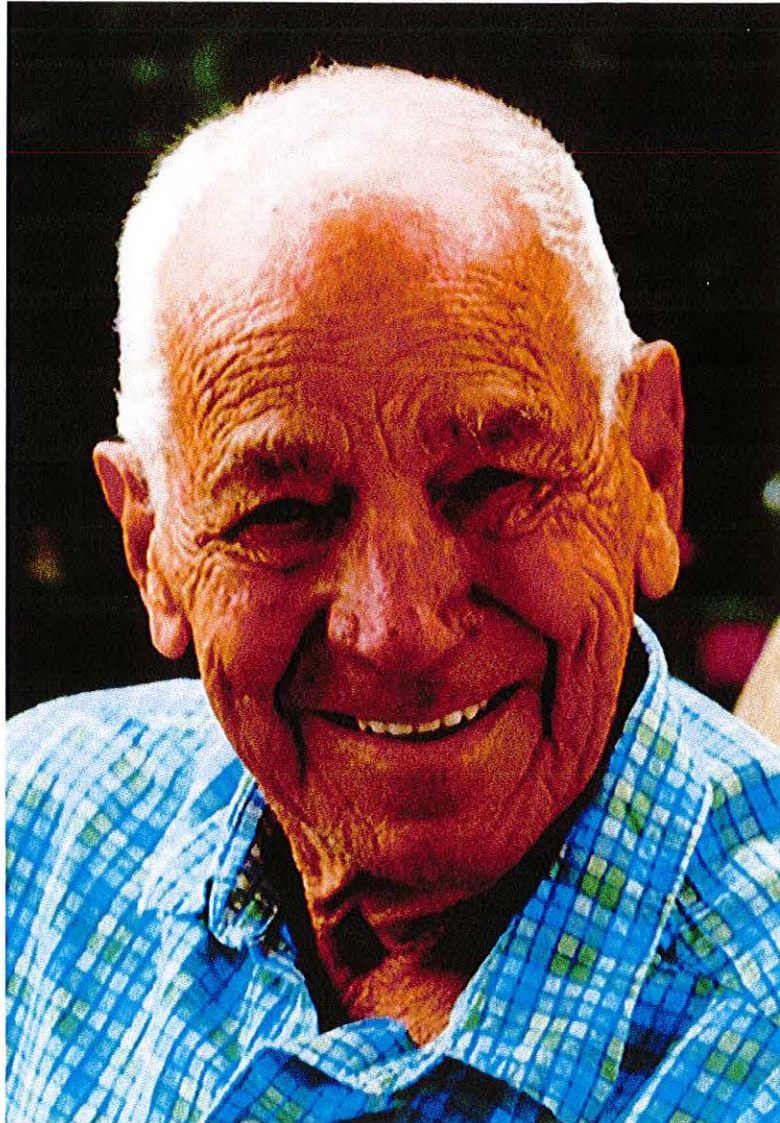
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# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**WAYNE, MAINE**



**FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 2015**

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\*\* Note: A complete copy of the audit and notes to financial statements are available at the Town Office or on the Town website for inspection.

## **Annual Town Report Dedication**

Every year the Wayne Board of Selectmen is given the distinct task of recognizing an individual or organization that has demonstrated true community spirit and contributed much to the shaping of our wonderful community of Wayne. This year's dedication of the Annual Town Report will be awarded to one amazing resident. This resident, through their unlimited time, energy, and devotion, have given much to the betterment of our community. This honor has been awarded to: Thomas George Lane.

Tom was born February 28, 1926 in Tampa Florida, and grew up in Kents Hill, Maine, on the Lane family farm. Tom attended school at Giles Hall in Readfield, Kents Hill Preparatory School, and University of Maine at Orono. At age 18, Tom enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served in World War II as a turret gunner in TBM Avenger aircraft operating from USS Hornet (CV-12) in the Pacific. After the war he returned to Kents Hill where he learned from his father the skills of stonemasonry and carpentry. Tom also maintained a passion for aviation and learned to fly seaplanes, which allowed him to enjoy many flying adventures.

Tom worked for many years in South Carolina, and returned to live in Wayne in 1971, where he became the Maintenance Director for Camp Androscoggin, where his father had worked before him.

Tom was a political person and was active in the Wayne community. He served terms as Town Constable, Code Enforcement Officer and was on the Board of the Ladd Recreation Center. He served as Wayne Democratic Chairperson, and was a founder of Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corporation and the Winthrop area chapter of Veterans for Peace.

Tom built a beautiful home overlooking Wilson Pond. Inspired by the Maine Craftsman Thomas Mosher and his friend Bob McKee, Tom began crafting beautiful furniture out of cherry during his retirement years. Tom enjoyed living the good life in Wayne with his wife Margaret, until his passing June 23, 2015. He is also survived by three children: James Charles Lane, Carroll Kent Lane, and Meredith Porter Lane.

The Town of Wayne recognizes and appreciates Tom for his community spirit and volunteerism.

On behalf of a grateful community, the Board of Selectmen is proud to extend their deep appreciation and gratitude to this remarkable man for his many years of volunteer work and instilling a true sense of community spirit.

**Photo Provided by: Margaret Lane**

## **TOWN OFFICIALS**

**July 1, 2015**

### **Elected Town Officials**

#### **Board of Selectmen/Assessors and Overseers of the Poor [3YR-Elected]**

Stephanie Haines, Vice Chair	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
Jonathan Lamarche	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
Gary Kenny, Chair	Term Expires in 6/30/2017
Don Welsh	Term Expires in 6/30/2017
Peter Ault	Term Expires in 6/30/2016

#### **Budget Committee**

#### **[5YR-Elected]**

Dallas Folk, Chair	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
James Perkins	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
Susan Reynolds	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
David Stevenson	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
Chris McKee	Term Expires in 6/30/2017

#### **RSU #38 School Board**

#### **[3YR-Elected]**

Gary Carr	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
Stefan Pakulski/ Joan Farrar	Term Expires in 6/30/2017

#### **School Committee**

#### **[3YR-Elected]**

Stan Davis	Term Expires in 6/30/2018
Joan Farrar	Term Expires in 6/30/2017
Theresa Kerchner	Term Expires in 6/30/2016

#### **Moderator**

#### **[1YR-Elected]**

Douglas Stevenson	Term Expires in 6/30/2016
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### **Appointed Town Officials**

#### **Animal Control Officer**

Mark Birtwell

#### **Assessor Agent (RJD Appraisal)**

Matt Caldwell

#### **Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector**

Kenneth Pratt

#### **E-911 Addressing Officer**

Bruce Mercier



**Fence Viewer**

Charles King

**Fire Department**

Andrew Knight, **Fire Chief Emeritus**

Bruce Mercier, **Fire Chief, Fire Warden and Emergency Management Director**

Brian Roche, **Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Warden**

James Welch, **Assistant Fire Chief and Fire Warden**

Mark Bachelder

Andy Blais

Steve Booth

Jillian Booth

John Christopher

Elaine Christopher

Bill Coolidge

Pauline Coolidge

Matt Davenport

Jareb Dyer

Taylor Stevenson

Tim Sullivan

**Tax Collector**

Dawna Gardner

**Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters**

Cathy Cook

**Town Manager, General Assistance Administrator, Health Officer and Road Commissioner**

Aaron Chrostowsky

**Treasurer**

Bruce Mercier

**Wayne Village Dam Keeper**

Wayne Bryant

**Boards, Commissions, and Committees**

**Archival Board**

Leo Behrendt

Judy Danielson

Ed Kallop

Carroll Paradis

Gerry Paradis

**Board of Appeals**

David Ault

Laura Briggs, Chair

Anne Huntington  
Theresa Kerchner  
*Vacancy*

**Cemetery Association**

Peter Ault  
Warren Davenport, President  
George Draper, Secretary  
Ken Foss, Sexton  
Tom Fylstra, Treasurer  
Britt Norton  
*Vacancy*

**Cobbosse Watershed District Trustee**

Jane Andrews

**Comprehensive Plan Committee**

Teco Brown  
Anne Huntington, Board of Appeals Rep.  
Lloyd Irland, Co-Chair, Conservation Commission Rep.  
Theresa Kerchner, Co-Chair  
Jon Lamarche, Selectboard Rep.  
Steve McLaughlin, Planning Board Rep.  
Bruce Mercier  
Dave Petell

**Conservation Commission**

Pamela Green  
Anne Huntington  
Lloyd Irland, Chair  
Leslie Latt  
Ken Spalding

**Farmers' Market Committee**

Tammy Birtwell  
Leslie Burhoe  
Jane Davis  
Sandra Dwight-Barris  
Theresa Kerchner  
Emily Perkins, Emeritus

**Facilities Committee**

Norm Barris  
Ken Bate  
Fred Duplisea  
Dallas Folk  
Gary Kenny

**North Wayne Schoolhouse Preservation Committee**

Linda McKee

**Planning Board**

Fred Duplisea

Seth Emery

Reed Lee

Robert McKee

Steve McLaughlin

Ford Stevenson, Chair

**Memorial Day Committee**

David Ault

Peter Ault

John Estrada

Ernie Farrar

Doug Stevenson

Holly Stevenson

Don Welsh

**Readfield/ Wayne Solid Waste Committee**

Mark Birtwell

Mary Farnham

Stephanie Haines, Selectboard Representative

**Village Center Development Committee**

Margot Gyorgy

Martha Hoddinot

Carol Ladd

Sam Saunders

Nancy Teachout

**30-Mile River Watershed Association Representative**

Robert Stephenson



## TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Wayne:

This report will address the current state of the Town and discuss the future needs of the Town of Wayne.

### Administrative Services

The Town of Wayne remains in excellent financial condition as stated by our Independent Audit Report (See Independent Auditor's Report enclosed). The Town's Undesignated Fund Balance or "Surplus Funds" is just above the recommended level of 25 percent of total annual expenditures (current level is 33 percent). This year you will notice on the ballot, the use of surplus funds to assist the Town with funding several capital reserve funds and lessening the tax impact on all taxpayers.

**This year the Board of Selectmen's Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets recommended a \$0.47 cent increase in the mill rate (+1.87%). This budget also recommends total appropriations which includes town, school and county budgets of +\$262,952 more than last year's budget (+8.39%). However, it is important to note, this proposed budget recommends a municipal expenditures side of the budget (town-only expenses) +\$99,982 (+9.42%) more than last year's budget. However, this proposed budget projects non-property tax revenues including municipal fees and state revenues to generate an increase in the amount of +\$34,602 over last year's budget (+1.30%). For an average property tax payer (based on median home value of \$182,900) this will amount to an \$85.97 increase in their property tax bill. This budget complies with LD1 tax law.**

### Highway

The Highway Department maintains over 30 miles of paved and gravel roads. The Town agreed to exercise its option to extend both Winter Highway Maintenance and Winter Lot Maintenance contracts for another year with Bruen Construction and J.D. Maintenance. The Town continues to use the Town of Readfield for roadside mowing and dust control.

The Town contracted with All States Asphalt to reclaim and pave portions of Berry Road, Church Street, Cross Road, Hathaway Road, Kents Hill Road, Kings Highway, Lovejoy Pond Road and Walton Road. Bruen Construction completed all the required prep for paving work including ditching and culvert replacement. Stevenson Solutions removed any necessary brush and trees in the Town's Right-of Ways to improve line of sight as part of the prep for paving. The Town made substantial improvements to the Hardscrabble Road near the end of the pavement by widening the road and improving drainage.

On the ballot, this year, we are asking for continued support of the Town's 10-Year Road Financing Plan. This Plan recommends borrowing for the first five years, then back to capital reserve funding. This year the Town contracted with All State Asphalt to reclaim and pave the entire length of Mount Pisgah Road from Winthrop Town Line to Old Winthrop Road intersection contingent upon Town Meeting approval. Also, we are recommending increasing funding for the Road Reconstruction and Paving Capital Reserve Fund from \$50,000 to \$100,000. This year we bid out our paving earlier to get a more favorable pricing and scheduling. Also, we are proposing to pave the Lovejoy Pond Road from the Fayette Town Line to Walton Road intersection.

### Public Safety

The Town of Wayne has excellent public safety services anchored by the hard work and dedication of the Wayne Volunteer Fire Department. The Town renewed contracts with the Winthrop Ambulance, Somerset

County for 911 Dispatch Services, the State for Rural Law Enforcement Patrol Dispatch Services, and the Kennebec Valley Humane Society for Animal Sheltering Services.

Bruce Mercier has done an outstanding job during his first year as Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director. Under Bruce's leadership, he has worked well with the Town Manager to update insurance schedules and other special projects. The fire department replaced 1970 era fire trucks with a new 2014 fire truck better suited to respond to fire calls on camp roads. On the ballot this year, the Fire Department is requesting \$30,000 from the Fire Truck Reserve Fund. This increase of \$5,000 is intended to be set aside for the replacement of our aging fleet of fire trucks sooner.

Also, on the ballot this year, the Town is increasing Sheriff Patrol due to increased problems at North Wayne Dam and traffic safety issues on Main Street during the Farmers Market. Also, the Town is taking other steps to help resolve some of these problems by updating the Parking Ordinance, installing new signage and working with local law enforcement. The Town is a Maine Department of Transportation grant recipient of a \$5,000 radar feedback sign for Main Street.

### **Planning and Development**

The Town has completed the updating of the Comprehensive Plan. The Town's Comprehensive Plan is a planning document that helps set the vision for community. It covers important topics such as planning and development, natural and cultural resources, public services and infrastructure. If your community has zoning bylaws, the Comprehensive Plan is required to stay in congruence with the Town's Zoning Bylaws. As a result, the Town needs to update the Comprehensive Plan every 10 years and submit it to the State for the review and comment. The Board of Selectmen formed a committee to update the Comprehensive Plan led by Theresa Kerchner and Lloyd Irland. They have met on a regular basis, drafted the plan and held several public forums over the course of this past several years. The Town submitted a draft of the Comprehensive Plan to the State for review for completeness and consistency with Maine Growth Management Act. I am pleased to report, that the Town has received notification from the State that our Comprehensive Plan is complete and consistent with the Maine's Growth Management Act. After several years of work and consensus developed amongst the members of Comprehensive Plan Committee, Planning Board, Conservation Board, Board of Appeals and Selectboard on language of the Comprehensive Plan will be on the ballot. This operating budget includes membership to Kennebec Valley Council of Governments, KVCOG, to assist with the implementation of Comprehensive Plan.

On the ballot this year, the Planning Board has work closely with the Comprehensive Plan Committee to update several Land-Use Ordinances (Zoning Ordinance and Yard Sale Ordinance) to fix a couple of perceived weaknesses and make them more consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. More changes will be forthcoming over the next few years.

Several years ago, the Town acquired the former Robert Pettengill property due to a mature tax lien. Unfortunately, for Mr. Pettengill he didn't pay his property taxes for over five years and didn't bother responding to any of the notices from the Town regarding his property. As a result, the Town acquired his property. This property is over 100+ acres on Wilson Pond off the House Road. Mr. Pettengill expressed interest in the property after the lien had matured and the Town had already started to develop plans to preserve the property from future development. The Town has worked over the last two years with the Kennebec Land Trust and Robert Pettengill to reach a settlement that would be in the interest of all parties involved. However, early in 2016, negotiations fell through due to the complexities of the deal. At last Annual Town Meeting voters authorized the Selectmen to Quiet the Title of said property, the Selectboard decided to proceed with this process after the failed negotiations. The Town Attorney feels that by the end of summer that the Town will

have secured clean title for this property. Then the Town, will be able to discuss what the Town would like to do with the property. A decision for a future Town Meeting.

The Town worked cooperatively with Time Warner Cable to apply for a ConnectME Authority grant for extending broadband technology (cable and high-speed internet) down the Strickland Ferry and Tucker Ferry Roads. Unfortunately, the Town didn't receive the grant this round, we are hopeful that we will be more successful in future rounds due to public support.

### **Recreation**

The Town continues to invest in water quality projects throughout town with its various conservation partners. The Town works with 30-Mile River Watershed Association to remove invasive non-native plants and installed new non-invasive native plants around the Mill Pond. On the ballot this year, the Town supports increases in Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corporation and 30-Mile River Association for increased courtesy boat inspection and water quality monitoring programs.

This year on the ballot, the Town is proposing to increase funding for the Wayne Athletic League to pay a stipend for a Recreational Sports Coordinator. This position is needed to pay for the increased time demands on volunteers to help organize various sport teams and someone who will advocate for Wayne children in the Maranacook area sport leagues.

### **Solid Waste**

In an effort to find a better Solid Waste solution than Readfield that was cheaper and more responsive to our concerns. We worked with Winthrop to see if we could find a fair and equitable partnership with them after several months of working with Winthrop Town Manager Peter Nielsen, we were informed that they were no longer interested in exploring that relationship. This led us back to Readfield, where we expressed some of our overall management and financial concerns again at the Transfer Station. They were more receptive to our concerns began examining some of the cash differences – installed new signage (better educate public), retrained employees (better educate staff), installed a cover on one of the demo bins to prevent the Town for paying for water being disposed, and increased fees to cover the losses. Readfield is looking to purchase a scale to assess fees more accurately at their expense. During this process, Fayette was looking for a place to dispose of their Solid Waste. After a couple of discussions, all towns agreed to accept Fayette's waste at the Readfield Transfer Station for a trial period while we negotiate a long term agreement which could result in Wayne's share going down dramatically.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their continued support and their dedicated service to the community. I would also like to thank all the volunteers and town staff who strive to make Wayne a better place to live, work, and play. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at the Town Office, by telephone at (207) 685-4983 or by email at [townmanager@waynemaine.org](mailto:townmanager@waynemaine.org). I hope to see you around Town!

Sincerely,  
Aaron Chrostowsky  
Town Manager



Dear Friends:

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

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

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

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

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

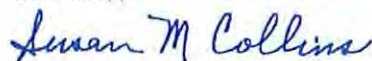
As Chairman of the Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I have made combating veterans' homelessness a priority. This year's housing funding law includes \$60 million for 8,000 new supportive housing vouchers for homeless veterans. Since this program began in 2008, the number of homeless veterans nationwide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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins

United States Senator



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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Dear Friends of Wayne:

It has been a privilege to serve the State of Maine since being sworn into the U.S. Senate.

Much of my time in Washington this past year has been devoted to the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Select Committee on Intelligence. Protecting our homeland and the people of Maine from terrorism and violence remains one of my top priorities. Through my work on the Armed Services Committee, I was able to secure several provisions in the 2016 National Defense Authorization Act that benefit Maine. The legislation authorizes the construction of an additional DDG-51 Arleigh Burke Class Destroyer that could be built at Bath Iron Works and expands the HUBZone program to stimulate economic growth at former military installations like the former Brunswick Naval Air Station.

Returning control to teachers, school districts, and states has also been a primary concern of mine. I am encouraged that the Every Student Succeeds Act has become law. It eliminates the burdensome requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act and ensures access to a quality education for all students. A provision I helped author in the bill will give states the opportunity to pilot the use of their own proficiency-based assessments in lieu of federally-mandated standardized tests. Also included in the bill are several measures I secured to promote local input, fund education technology initiatives, and explore new strategies to increase student access to the internet outside of school.

Communities across Maine have taken bold action to improve their broadband connectivity, and I have been proud to foster federal support for these types of projects. My amendments to the Every Student Succeeds Act will promote the type of work already occurring in Washington County, where students who lack broadband access are able to check out mobile hotspots from their local libraries. Additionally, a bill I co-sponsored, the Community Broadband Act, helped pave the way for the FCC to enact rules protecting the ability of municipalities to invest in better broadband. I am excited by Maine's leadership on this important economic development issue and will continue to support local efforts in this area.

After extensive negotiations, the Senate passed a five-year transportation bill that will increase highway and transit funding in Maine and provide stability to improve our transportation infrastructure. The legislation contains provisions I cosponsored to cut red tape and improve predictability and timeliness by streamlining the federal permitting process for large infrastructure projects. Also incorporated in this bill are my provisions to relieve financial regulations on Maine's community banks and credit unions and to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank, a critical tool that supports communities and small business across the state.

Following my inquiries in the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, the National Park Service has announced they will begin exploring strategies to allow park visitors to purchase electronic passes online and will pilot the program at Acadia National Park. These passes would improve access to our nation's most treasured landscapes and would generate resources for years to come. I remain deeply engaged in preserving Maine's natural beauty and strengthening our outdoor recreation economy.

It is with solemn responsibility that I have focused my energy addressing the opioid epidemic in Maine. This work includes convening roundtables with a wide-range of health care and law enforcement professionals to combat addiction; introducing a proposal to safely dispose of excess prescription drugs; cosponsoring a

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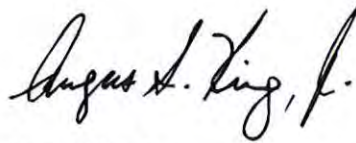
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Senate-passed bill that addresses mothers struggling with addiction and the alarming effect it has on newborns; cosponsoring the TREAT Act, which expands the ability of medical specialists to provide life-saving medication-assisted therapies for patients battling heroin and prescription drug addiction; and calling on the Commander of U.S. Southern Command to increase efforts to stop the flow of heroin at our southern border.

I like to think of Maine as a big small town – and in a small town, the leaders are accessible and eager to listen. In that spirit, I've made it a priority to stay connected with people from all over Maine who e-mail, write, and call with suggestions or questions. If I can ever assist in your interaction with a federal agency, or you have thoughts, concerns, or personal input on a matter that is currently before Congress I hope you will contact me, let me know where you stand, and engage in this critical part of democracy. Please call my toll-free line at **1-800-432-1599** or one of my offices: Augusta (207) 622-8292, Presque Isle (207) 764-5124, Scarborough (207) 883-1588, or Washington, D.C. (202) 224-5344. You can also write me on our website at [www.king.senate.gov/contact](http://www.king.senate.gov/contact).

As always, I am honored to represent the people of Maine and look forward to working with you for the betterment of our great state.

Sincerely,



Angus S. King, Jr.  
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**Congress of the United States**  
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Dear Friends,

This past year—my first as your Congressman in the U.S. House of Representatives—I am proud to have supported Maine families, local businesses and communities by working hard with Republicans and Democrats to promote policies that will preserve and create jobs and lower energy costs. I have worked to ensure our Veterans and active military members have the services they have earned and deserve, protected the individual rights and liberties they have fought for, and strengthened our national security to keep Americans safe and free.

I have fought tooth and nail to protect and create jobs for Maine. I stood up against the Washington political establishment, including Congressional leadership, to oppose granting fast-track authority to the President, a policy that allows him to facilitate massive international trade agreements that are unfair to American businesses, especially those in Maine. I am also extremely proud to have led the charge in successfully ending unfair and job-killing Canadian subsidies and to win a major victory for Maine by pushing into law a provision that will continue the FDA's use of paper inserts, efforts that combined to preserve hundreds of traditional Maine papermaking jobs.

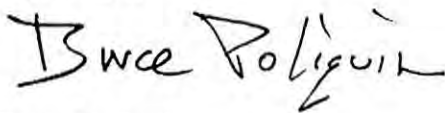
As a proud member of the Military Veterans Caucus, I have been fighting for our Veterans by supporting several bills to increase funding for Veterans' health programs and hold the VA accountable. I also am proud to have introduced my own bill—the Helping Our Rural Veterans Receive Health Care Act—to give our rural Veterans easier access to their earned health care services by letting local hospitals care for them instead of VA centers far from home. I extend my thanks to all who have served.

In this first year, I also had one of my own bills signed into law. My critical and bipartisan Child Support Assistance Act will help children and their families receive legally due support in a timelier manner from delinquent parents. My District offices also helped hundreds of Maine families resolve issues with federal agencies and get the answers, benefits and services they deserved.

There is much more work to be done. Our Great State and Nation face many critical challenges. Please know that I am working hard, every day, to serve you and that I will continue to work here at home and in Washington for our families, local businesses and communities.

If you ever have any concerns or if I can provide assistance, please contact my Congressional Offices in Bangor (942-0583), Lewiston (784-0768), Presque Isle (764-1968) and Washington, DC (202-225-6306), or visit my website at [poliquin.house.gov](http://poliquin.house.gov). It is an honor to represent you and our fellow Mainers in Congress.

Best wishes,



Bruce Poliquin  
Member of Congress





### **A Message from Senator Garrett Mason**

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

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

Legislators considered a number of bills last year that would have tightened spending and eligibility for Maine's welfare system. It has always been a priority of mine to reform our state's welfare programs to target the elderly, disabled, and those truly in need. Although the Senate approved many of the proposed changes, most of the initiatives were killed in the House. One change we were able to make addresses fraudulent use of benefits. This past year, the Department of Health and Human Services expanded its welfare fraud investigative unit, which addresses more than 3,000 allegations of abuse every year. Lawmakers changed the law so a person who makes a false statement in order to obtain municipal general assistance is now guilty of a Class E crime and is ineligible to receive further welfare assistance for a period of 120 days or until the benefits received are reimbursed, whichever period is longer. It's a step in the right direction and it is my hope that we continue to make more changes to reform our welfare system.

During the second session of the Legislature, we need to make progress towards addressing the cost of energy in this state. There are a number of bills that have been proposed that would change the way our state's energy system works, and as a member of the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee, I look forward to tackling legislation that would lower your energy costs. I also believe that working to provide support to areas hard-hit by recent mill closings should be a focus of the 2016 session.

One issue that will be at the forefront of discussion this year in Augusta is legislation aimed at tackling the state's drug crisis. Lawmakers are currently debating legislation that proposes to hire more drug agents and expand substance abuse treatment. The bill, which would dedicate \$4.9 million to this problem, would fund 10 additional investigator positions within the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency and direct the state to open a drug detoxification facility in northern or eastern Maine. It also seeks to fund projects run by jails or local law enforcement agencies to help drug users connect with community-based treatment and recovery programs.

Again, thank you for entrusting me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me if you need my help in navigating the state bureaucracy. I can be reached in Lisbon Falls at 577-1521, in Augusta at 287-1505, or by e-mail at [Garrett.Mason@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Garrett.Mason@legislature.maine.gov).

Sincerely,

Senator Garrett P. Mason



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January 2016

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Gary Hilliard  
State Representative





# 2015 Activities

## *Youth Conservation Corps (YCC): Restoration*

For its fifth year, YCC performed erosion control projects to reduce polluted runoff, filter stormwater carrying phosphorous into the lakes, protect water quality and build awareness of lake stewardship. Thanks to support from grants, towns, lake associations and individuals, we provided technical assistance and project labor at minimal cost to landowners. In 2015, YCC:

- ✓ Designed and installed 32 Best Management Practices at 16 project locations throughout the watershed [Androscoggin (2), Lovejoy (2), and Pocasset (1)].
- ✓ Partnered with the Kennebec County Soil and Water Conservation District on all projects to provide professional services and education.
- ✓ Conducted 14 additional site evaluations, providing recommendations for erosion control.

## *Courtesy Boat Inspections: Prevention*

Courtesy Boat Inspectors (CBIs) are the “first line of defense” against invasive aquatic plants, one of the biggest threats to our lakes. They educate boaters while preventing hitchhiking plant fragments from entering the lakes.

In 2015, paid and volunteer CBIs:

- ✓ Performed a record number of inspections – 1817 – at three public boat launches, including Androscoggin (702 inspections).
- ✓ Staffed boat launches 948 hours (Androscoggin: 317 hours), with 149 volunteer hours.
- ✓ Removed eight plant fragments from boats and trailers.

## *Water Quality Monitoring: Understanding*

To protect our lakes, we must understand them. With increased monitoring, we will better be able to identify trends and at-risk areas, allowing for more holistic assessment and ultimately better protection of these natural resources. In 2015, we:

- ✓ Began developing our new water quality monitoring program, to be launched in May 2016. With partial funding from the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund and additional support from towns, lake associations and individuals, we will build upon the work of the watershed’s dedicated volunteers to monitor lake health more thoroughly and frequently than ever before.
- ✓ Partnered with the University of Maine at Farmington to install temperature data loggers on four lakes, including Lovejoy Pond.

## *Invasive Plant Patrol: Early Detection*

Every summer, teams of trained volunteers survey the lakes for invasive aquatic plants. As regional coordinator, 30MRWA supports and trains volunteers throughout the watershed as we strive towards surveying all our waters. In 2015, 68 volunteers and staff contributed over 300 hours of their time surveying five lakes and ponds, including Androscoggin, Lovejoy and Pocasset,. No invasive plants were found.

## *Gravel Road Erosion Control and Technical Assistance*

To reduce road runoff, one of the biggest watershed polluters, we provide training, technical support, and funding for road improvements. In 2015, we:

- ✓ Co-hosted three road maintenance workshops, targeting town managers, CEOs, road commissioners, public works departments, and private road associations.
- ✓ Provided technical assistance and funding, through a grant from the Maine DEP, to implement major erosion control practices on two gravel roads on Parker Pond.

### Outreach and Education

Through outreach and education, we continue to raise community awareness about lake protection. In 2015, we:

- ✓ Hosted the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Paddle trek, a daylong guided trip along 15 miles of connected lakes and streams, ending in Wayne village, with 66 participants.
- ✓ Delivered education programs in elementary school classrooms.
- ✓ Spoke at meetings of town select boards, lake associations and other community groups.
- ✓ Provided education about watershed protection through our website, electronic newsletter, social media, town newsletters, lake association newsletters, and local newspapers.

30MRWA's income for 2015 was \$132,481 and expenses were \$133,887. Income sources included contributions from individuals and corporations (39%), grants (23%), coalition members (25%), donated services (9%), and program fees (4%). The Town of Wayne, a coalition member, contributed \$4,000, 3% of total income. Wayne's financial support and leadership are critical to protecting the watershed and are vital to the organization's success leveraging grants and contributions from individuals and other coalition members.

We request \$5,000 from Wayne for FY 2016/2017. This additional funding would help support our new water quality monitoring program, described above. All of our programs protect Wayne's lakes within the 30 Mile River Watershed, 20% of which lies within Wayne.

To become a volunteer, a supporter or to learn more, visit [www.30mileriver.org](http://www.30mileriver.org).

Thank you for your support in protecting our valuable lake resources.

Lidie Robbins, Executive Director

*Formed in 2008, 30MRWA is a nonprofit organization and public-private collaboration of eight lake associations, seven towns, and two land trusts with a mission to protect, preserve and improve the land and water quality in the 30 Mile River Watershed.*



## Assessor's Report

I have enjoyed serving the Town of Wayne as its Assessors Agent over the last year. I am available at the Town Office typically the fourth Monday of the Month. Please call the office to schedule an appointment. Annually, the Assessor's Office reviews valuations and makes adjustments to the valuations that include any additions and deletions. We are also responsible for maintaining accurate records of property ownership. Part of the assessment process includes conducting an annual "ratio study", which compares the actual selling price of property to assessments. The most recent study conducted for the state valuation purposes indicated the assessed values, on average, to be at approximately 100% of market value.

### PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

#### HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION CHANGES FOR 2016 (TY17)

Beginning in 2016 (TY17) the homestead exemption will increase from \$10,000 to \$15,000. To qualify, homeowners must fill out a simple form declaring property as their principal residence by April 1 in the tax year claimed. Once the application is filed, the exemption remains until the owner sells or changes their place of residence. Forms are available in the Assessor's Office.

#### VETERANS EXEMPTION

Any person who was in active service in the armed forces of the United States during a federally recognized war campaign period and, if discharged or retired under honorable conditions, may be eligible for a partial exemption from taxes on their primary residence.

The Veteran must have reached age 62 or must be receiving a pension or compensation from the United States Government for total disability, either service or non-service connected.

\*IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR VETERANS EXEMPTIONS IN 2016, the Law was amended to remove the requirement that a Vietnam veteran serve on active duty for 180 days (any part of which must have occurred after February 27<sup>th</sup>, 1961 and before May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1975) in order to qualify for the exemption. The law now only requires that the veteran served on active duty after February 27<sup>th</sup>, 1961 and before May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1975, regardless of number of days.

\*\*Veterans that previously did not qualify under the old law requirements that now qualify under the new law requirements must re apply to the Assessor's office prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> of the year it will go into effect.\*\*

Applications forms can be obtained in the Assessor's Office and must be filed with military discharge documentation on or before April 1st of the year it will go into effect.

#### BLIND EXEMPTION

Residents of Wayne who are certified to be legally blind by their eye care professional are eligible for a partial exemption from taxes on their primary residence in the town.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Caldwell CMA  
Assessors Agent

**MAINE REVENUE SERVICES - 2015 MUNICIPAL TAX RATE CALCULATION STANDARD FORM**

Municipality: WAYNE

**BE SURE TO COMPLETE THIS FORM BEFORE FILLING IN THE TAX ASSESSMENT WARRANT**

1. Total taxable valuation of real estate	1	<b>180,625,700</b>	
		<small>(should agree with MVR Page 1, line 6)</small>	
2. Total taxable valuation of personal property	2	<b>750,200</b>	
		<small>(should agree with MVR Page 1, line 10)</small>	
3. Total taxable valuation of real estate and personal property (Line 1 plus line 2)	3	<b>181,375,900</b>	
		<small>(should agree with MVR Page 1, line 11)</small>	
4. (a) Total exempt value for all homestead exemptions granted	4(a)	<b>3,530,000</b>	
		<small>(should agree with MVR Page 1, line 14)</small>	
(b) Homestead exemption reimbursement value	4(b)	<b>1,765,000</b>	
		<small>(Line 4(a) multiplied by 0.5)</small>	
5. (a) Total exempt value of all BETE qualified property	5(a)	<b>5,600</b>	
		<small>(should agree with MVR Page 2, line 15)</small>	
(b) The statutory standard reimbursement for 2015 is 50% Municipalities with significant personal property & equipment may qualify for more than 50% reimbursement. Contact MRS for the Enhanced Calculator Form.	5(b)	<b>2,800</b>	
		<small>(Line 5(a) multiplied by 0.5)</small>	
6. Total Valuation Base (Line 3 plus line 4(b) plus line 5(b))	6	<b>183,143,700</b>	

**DO NOT QUALIFY**

**ASSESSMENTS**

7. County Tax	7	<b>\$183,969.00</b>	
8. Municipal Appropriation	8	<b>\$1,061,015.00</b>	
9. COBBOSEE WATER SHED	9	<b>\$2,345.00</b>	
		<small>(should agree with MVR Page 2, line 18)</small>	
10. Local Education Appropriation (Local Share/Contribution), (Adjusted to Municipal Fiscal Year)	10	<b>\$1,871,059.00</b>	
11. Total Assessments (Add lines 7 through 10)	11	<b>\$3,118,388.00</b>	

**ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS**

12. State Municipal Revenue Sharing	12	<b>\$44,726.00</b>	
13. Other Revenues (All other revenues that have been formally appropriated to be used to reduce the commitment such as excise tax revenue, free growth reimbursement, trust fund or bank interest income, appropriated surplus revenue, etc. (Do Not Include any Homestead or BETE Reimbursement)	13	<b>\$420,482.00</b>	
14. Total Deductions (Line 12 plus line 13)	14	<b>\$465,208.00</b>	
15. Net to be raised by local property tax rate (Line 11 minus line 14)	15	<b>\$2,653,180.00</b>	

16.	<b>\$2,653,180.00</b>	x	<b>1.05</b>	=	<b>\$2,785,839.00</b>	Maximum Allowable Tax
	<small>(Amount from line 15)</small>					
17.	<b>\$2,653,180.00</b>	÷	<b>183,143,700</b>	=	<b>0.014487</b>	Minimum Tax Rate
	<small>(Amount from line 15)</small>		<small>(Amount from line 6)</small>			
18.	<b>\$2,785,839.00</b>	÷	<b>183,143,700</b>	=	<b>0.015211</b>	Maximum Tax Rate
	<small>(Amount from line 16)</small>		<small>(Amount from line 6)</small>			
19.	<b>181,375,900</b>	x	<b>0.014570</b>	=	<b>\$2,642,646.86</b>	Tax for Commitment
	<small>(Amount from line 3)</small>		<small>(Selected Rate)</small>		<small>(Enter on MVR Page 1, line 13)</small>	
20.	<b>\$2,653,180.00</b>	x	<b>0.05</b>	=	<b>\$132,659.00</b>	Maximum Overlay
	<small>(Amount from line 15)</small>					
21.	<b>1,765,000</b>	x	<b>0.014570</b>	=	<b>\$25,716.05</b>	Homestead Reimbursement
	<small>(Amount from line 4b)</small>		<small>(Selected Rate)</small>		<small>(Enter on line 3, Assessment Warrant)</small>	
22.	<b>2,800</b>	x	<b>0.014570</b>	=	<b>\$40.80</b>	BETE Reimbursement
	<small>(Amount from line 5b)</small>		<small>(Selected Rate)</small>		<small>(Enter on line 3, Assessment Warrant)</small>	
23.	<b>\$2,668,403.71</b>	÷	<b>\$2,653,180.00</b>	=	<b>\$15,223.71</b>	Overlay
	<small>(Line 16 plus line 21 and 22)</small>		<small>(Amount from line 15)</small>		<small>(Enter on line 3, Assessment Warrant)</small>	

Results from this completed form should be used to prepare the Municipal Tax Assessment Warrant,  
Certificate of Assessment to Municipal Treasurer and Municipal Valuation Return



## Cary Memorial Library

It has been another lively and event-filled year at the CML. The Cary Memorial Library functions as a free public lending library to the extended Wayne community. It is run by the Wayne Library Association, a 501(3)C non-profit organization with a nine member Board of Library Trustees. Our renovated space continues to be well-used and a source of pride to the library community. The library boasts a collection of 11,865 books, magazines, audiobooks, and DVDs. Circulation of books, interlibrary loans and Maine Download Library items (eBooks and audiobooks) was 8187. We hosted 38 children's events and 39 adult events at the Cary, with many additional cultural and social happenings taking place at the Williams House. Indeed the Williams House has become a delightful and popular gathering place, hosting meetings, book sales, fundraising activities like the Silent Auction and the Lobster Lunch, and all manner of music, artistic and literary happenings.

The library's events continue to attract wonderful attendance. Library visits and event attendance totaled 8579, and Williams House visits and event attendance totaled 2062, which means 10,641 individuals accessed library programs last year. We are very proud to have that kind of support and enthusiasm for our offerings! We are able to promote our programs with our crisp, newly designed website: [www.cary-memorial.lib.me.us](http://www.cary-memorial.lib.me.us), tended by volunteer Webmaster MaryJean Cowing. If you would like to be added to the library's email list for news and events, contact Librarian Janet Adelberg at [jadelberg@cary-memorial.lib.me.us](mailto:jadelberg@cary-memorial.lib.me.us)

Highlights included the Meet-A-Maine-Author series featuring New York Times best-selling author Lily King, Wayne author Bestsy Bowen, Wayne author Kelley Kittel, and Maine columnist George Smith. We hosted informative travel and information slide shows offered by generous residents, two Chewonki Traveling Natural History programs, the Lobster Roll Festival, and of course the inspiring Veterans of Wayne display at the Williams House. Day-to-day, we offer free Wi-Fi and public computers, weekly story-time for children, and a fresh, appealing collection of books, movies and audiobooks available to our library patrons.

How does a small library do so much? The answer is easy. Many dedicated volunteers serve on the Board of Trustees, maintain the two buildings and grounds, help staff the front desk, and organize and staff the Williams House events, and assist in a variety of other tasks. We continue to be indebted to and grateful for the expertise of our professional volunteer Treasurers, Dawn and Kevin Brooks.

As the librarian, I would like to extend a welcome to one and all to visit the library and take advantage of this town gem.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janet Adelberg, Librarian

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## **Cobbossee Watershed District**

The Cobbossee Watershed District (CWD) was formed in 1973 with the purpose to improve and protect the 28 lakes and ponds of the 217-square mile Cobbossee Watershed, which includes Wilson, Berry, and Dexter Ponds. To support this mission, the CWD undertakes a routine water quality monitoring program of district lakes, coordinates lake water levels throughout the district, provides technical support to local officials and citizens, and conducts lake and watershed projects to address nonpoint sources of pollution to sensitive or impaired lakes.

As part of the CWD's routine lake monitoring program, each year the CWD monitors the water quality of Wilson, Berry, and Dexter Ponds monthly from May through October. With this critical water quality data the CWD is able to maintain a sense of the environmental health of the lakes and ponds of the Cobbossee Stream watershed. Relative to lakes state-wide, the water quality of the three ponds continues to be moderate, but Wilson Pond, however, continues to be under close watch ever since it suffered its worst year water clarity-wise in 2004. Wilson Pond was placed on the state's List of Impaired Waterbodies in 2006 due to declining water quality. Although Wilson Pond has not recorded a season with a 'severe' algae bloom, it has gotten quite turbid-green during several years and appears to be trending that way, particularly in 2015 when the pond started out green in spring and never seemed to fully recover. The average water clarity for Wilson Pond for 2015 was 3.7 meters (12.1 feet), which represented one of its poorest years on record and continues to be a major concern. Dexter Pond continued to be about average water clarity-wise in 2015 with an average clarity reading of 5.6 meters (18.4 feet), and Berry Pond had quite good water clarity of 5.1 meters (16.7 feet). Water clarity is largely determined by the amount of algae that is in the lake water, which in turn, is primarily determined by the concentration of phosphorus that is in the lake. Phosphorus, the plant nutrient most responsible for impacting lake water quality, enters the ponds through stormwater runoff from the watershed during rain events and serves to generate algae blooms which cause the lakes to turn cloudy green, thereby reducing water clarity.

To ensure proper management for flood and erosion control, as well as water quality, fisheries and wildlife concerns, among others, the CWD manages a district-wide program of lake water levels management. The program includes frequent monitoring of the water levels of Berry, Dexter, and Wilson Ponds throughout the year. To ensure that water levels on all District lakes and ponds are within the CWD's seasonal standards, the CWD coordinates with dam owners throughout the District. For all three ponds, the water levels are recorded at the Wilson Pond dam in North Monmouth, which is owned and operated by Tex-Tech Industries.

In 2015, the CWD continued work on the Wilson Pond NPS Watershed Restoration, Phase II Project. Unfortunately, little progress was made in 2015 with regard to implementing pollution-control projects causing the project to be extended through 2016. The project is a continuation of the initial Wilson Pond Water Quality Rehabilitation Project, which was completed in 2012; both projects provide funding to apply best management practices (BMPs) in the watersheds of Berry, Dexter, and Wilson Ponds with the goal of reducing phosphorus runoff to the ponds. The CWD is assisted on this project by the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed.

For more information on CWD programs or other lake and watershed related matters, please contact the CWD at 377-2234, or email at [cwd@fairpoint.net](mailto:cwd@fairpoint.net).

## Report of the Code Enforcement Officer 2015

In 2015 building permits were issued for the following purposes.

New Homes	0
Garages	2
Additions	1
Remodeling	4
Kennels	0
Mobile Homes	1
Sheds	3
Replace Camp	2
Deck/porch	3
Barn	1
Dock	0

Once again, it has been my pleasure to assist the Wayne Planning Board over the past year. The Planning board meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Town Office. If you would like to submit an application to the Board, Please contact me two weeks prior to a meeting. As always I am available to anyone that would like to have a septic system inspected to assure that it is functioning properly. The Board of Appeals meets only as needed and meetings are scheduled accordingly. To schedule an appointment with me, please feel free to call me any time at 576-1413. I am also available in the town office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Pratt  
Code Enforcement Officer/ Local Plumbing Inspector



## Comprehensive Planning Committee

In summer 2013, the Select Board established a Committee to review and revise the Town's 2001 Comprehensive Plan. An updated plan is required under state laws. New community issues have arisen over the past decade, so a good look at the Town's Comprehensive Plan makes sense. The Select Board's guidance was, "Do it well; how long it takes is not the concern". It has taken some time, we believe well spent. This has allowed extensive participation and interaction, especially with the Planning Board. The work was all accomplished on a volunteer basis with no hired consultants involved.

The Committee began its work with a briefing by a state official whose office administers the statewide program. The take-away message was that, while there are procedural steps that must be taken, we need not rush. Also, we should focus first and foremost on a Plan that meets Wayne's needs. During a series of monthly meetings, we talked with a variety of groups and individuals about issues and concerns. We heard presentations about the Village Area, the Fire Department, Cary Library, the Wayne Elementary School, Sustain Wayne, water quality in Wayne's lakes and streams, and a number of many other town related topics.

The Committee has maintained regular communications with Lake Associations, other town committees, and with the Select Board. The Conservation Commission has provided support on technical issues, assembling data on water quality trends and developing the materials on natural resources and environmental matters. Extensive information was assembled and reviewed at the meetings, dealing with economic and population changes, water quality trends, and financial and economic trends.

The Committee has presented draft goals and strategies to the Select Board, and distributed summaries of these goals at Town Meeting. Input from citizens and groups was received at many of the Commission's meetings, and the Select Board has been briefed on progress. A number of issues that came up during the process can be handled administratively and have already been accomplished or are under way.

The Select Board sent our draft Plan to the state for its approval in March 2016. This will largely be a formal check to ensure compliance with the statues and regulations concerning local comprehensive plans. An article calling for discussion and voter approval of the Plan will be included in the June 2016 Town Meeting Warrant.

Major documents are found on the Town Website under Boards and Committees.

### Members

Theresa Kerchner, Co-Chair

Lloyd Irland, Co-Chair

Teco Brown

Dave Petell

Anne Huntington

Steve Saunders

Steve McLaughlin

Bruce Mercier

**Staff:** Aaron Chrostowsky, Town Manager;

Ken Pratt, CEO



## **Conservation Commission**

The Conservation Commission focused its activities on the Comprehensive Plan in this fiscal year, following direction from the Select Board. This was necessary because of the importance of the project, and because two of the Commission's members were heavily engaged in Plan activities over this period. Several of our members were also active on work related to the proposed Town Forest.

During this past year, several "nuisance wildlife" issues have cropped up, notably the Canadian geese around the Mill Pond. These issues are never easy, and the Commission expects to be involved as the Town continues to grapple with these.

The Commission wishes to note with approval the project to establish a shrub buffer along the millpond. We hope this example will be more widely followed.

As this is written, the Comprehensive Plan (April 2016) has been submitted to the State for approval. The plan is to put the proposed new Plan to the voters for their approval at Town Meeting. The Commission expects to be involved in recommendations for implementation

Spring 2016 may have seen record early ice outs for Androscoggin and Pocasset, but we don't know. If anybody has been keeping a record of ice out dates, we'd appreciate it if you'd let us know.

Respectfully Submitted,

Conservation Commission

Lloyd C. Irland, Chair

Pam Green, Secretary

Leslie Latt

Ken Spalding

Anne Huntington

## Farmers' Market

The Wayne Farmers' Market (WFM) opened for its seventh season on May 23, 2015, with nine vendors selling vegetables, berries, baked goods, eggs, goats' milk soap, herbs, jellies and meat. Customer numbers continue to be at their highest in July and early August.

The WFM Committee continued to focus on new ways to publicize the Market and funds were again allocated to weekly ads in the Community Advertiser. Our goal is to increase the number of shoppers and to focus attention on the many benefits of sustainable farming. The Committee is pleased that the Market is a not only a place to purchase locally grown and produced food, but also a community gathering place for Wayne's summer and year round residents. In 2015 we received a request to consider hosting local artisans (potters, visual artists, etc.). Given the Market's physical limits and our food based mission, we agreed to make available one space for Wayne artisans and suggested that interested residents work together to develop criteria for possible participants.

**2015 Vendors:** A Small Town Bakery, Birtwell Farm, Emery Farm (part of the season) Gingerbread Farm, Grey Goose (Wayne); Farmer Kevin (part of season) and Wholesome Holmstead (Winthrop); Firelight Farm (East Livermore); French Hill Farm (Solon); and Snafu Acres (Monmouth).

The Wayne Board of Selectman drafted a Farmers' Market Directive during the summer of 2015. The Directive was approved on August 25, 2015, and outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Farmers' Market Committee for the management and oversight of the Market; the number, qualifications, appointment, and membership requirements for committee members; and includes requirements for committee organizational structure, quorums, and public postings of agendas, meeting dates, and locations.

**Hours of operation 2015:** Saturdays 9 a.m. - noon Memorial Day weekend-Labor Day weekend.

The Market has the following goals:

- \*To support and promote local growers and producers as well as offering healthy, local, and fresh products to the community.
- \*To cultivate a strong sense of community by providing an enjoyable setting for people to visit, interact, and learn, in addition to buying products.
- \*To create an opportunity for direct grower-consumer interactions and idea sharing.

**Budget summary: End of Season 2015**

<b>BALANCE FORWARD</b>	\$754.52
<b>INCOME</b>	
Vendor fees	\$390.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$390.00
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
<b>Total for Community Advertiser</b>	\$408.00
Pat Pepin musician	\$100.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$508.00
<b>BALANCE</b>	\$636.52

The Committee appreciates the support we have received from the Town of Wayne, vendors, shoppers, volunteers and musicians. A steering committee of community members and vendors meets in the winter to discuss ways to improve the market, and welcomes suggestions from the community! For more information, please visit <http://www.waynefarmersmarket.weebly.com>

\*The Wayne Farmer's Market is a town-sanctioned event, by vote of the Selectboard on March 17, 2009.

**Respectfully submitted:** Wayne Farmers Market Committee: Leslie Burhoe (Co-Chair and Vendor relations); Jane Davis (Treasurer); Tammy Birtwell (Vendor representative) and Sandra Dwight Barris (Secretary and Vendor representative); Theresa Kerchner (Chair), and Emily Perkins (Advisor).

## **Fire Department**

The fiscal year ending June 2015 had fewer changes than the previous year and was filled with anticipation of the arrival of the new pumper expected in the fall of 2015. The department truck committee, Jim Welch, Mark Bachelder, John Christopher, and Jareb Dyer did an outstanding job in truck design and planning which should result in an incredible piece of firefighting apparatus. It will be our first truck to have four wheel drive as well as an automatic transmission. Many design features are unique in their combination and the two major vendors involved have also turned to a large number of engineers and technicians to make this happen.

Our membership remained constant in number. The payroll approved last year is working, but there is room for improvements which will be examined for the future.

As to the future of the Wayne Fire Department, that depends greatly of the citizens of the town. There are large number of “jobs” in the fire service, many that do not require emergency response training of any kind. We appeal to those of you who are willing to accept the challenge and join us, step up your “care level” of not only your own family but that of your neighbors, and the entire community of Wayne, by giving of yourself, just an hour or two a month, which could make an extraordinary difference.

### **Summary of Calls**

#### **Calls in Wayne**

Structure Fire	0
Chimney Fire / Heating System	2
Vehicle Accident	8
Tree/Power Line Down	5
Smoke Investigation	0
Traffic Control	1
Medical Assist	1
Water/Ice Rescue	0
Vehicle Fire	1
Woods/Grass Fire	0
Propane Leak Investigation	1
Carbon Dioxide Investigation	1
Fire Alarm Investigation	3
Stand By Request/Miscellaneous	1
<b>Total in Town Calls</b>	<b>24</b>

#### **Calls to Assist Other Towns**

Responded	41
Stand By in Town	7
Cancelled Before Responding	32
<b>Total Out of Town Calls</b>	<b>80</b>



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**Office of the Sheriff  
Kennebec County, Maine**



**Ryan P. Reardon, Sheriff**

**William R. Johnson, Chief Deputy**

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January 8, 2015

The Kennebec County Sheriff's Office experienced many changes in 2015. Former Sheriff Liberty accepted a position at the Maine State Prison. We appreciate his 29 years of service and wish him the best. As an agency we will continue to offer the same quality service as has been provided in the past. Those services include the Law Enforcement Division, Corrections' Services, Civil Process, Court Security and Transport Division. We provide many regional assets to our communities including Drug Investigations, K-9, Dive Team, Sex Offender Registry, Veterans Advocacy, Accident Reconstruction and the Special Response Team.

In 2015 nineteen Deputy Sheriffs serving in the Law Enforcement Division both in full-time and part-time capacity responded to over 18,000 calls for service. There were 44,674 service entries into our data base. As a result deputies made 922 arrests, issued 722 traffic summonses, and responded to 580 motor vehicle accidents. Deputy Sheriffs also responded to 566 alarms, 128 domestic disturbances, and assisted other agencies 687 times. Deputies and Detectives made 934 drug seizures, of which 852 involved cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin, or other opiates.

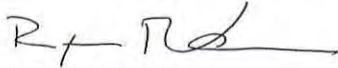
Our Civil Process deputies serve documents from a number of legal agencies, state agencies, lawyer's offices and other entities. In 2015, the four deputies served 7,826 documents or legal papers to the citizens of Kennebec County.

During the past year, our Correctional Facility managed 3,438 inmates, 110 more than last year. The offenses committed by defendants included everything from Burglaries to Homicides. Substance abuse and the proper treatment of citizens with mental illness continue to be two primary concerns at the Correctional Facility. With the help from many members of the Kennebec County delegation, we were able to secure funding for CARA (Criminogenic Addiction Recovery Academy) Program within the State biannual budget. CARA was delayed for several months because of the long delay in financing. We were still able to complete five CARA program courses reaching a total of 29 inmates with treatment.

Inmates at the Kennebec County Correctional Facility are asked to work and earn time off their sentences if applicable. Inmates who are considered to be a risk to the community work inside the facility cleaning and cooking, while others are supervised on outside projects. For every two days worked, one day is reduced from their sentence, resulting in a \$496,467 bed day savings to the citizens of Kennebec County. Throughout 2015, inmates worked 8,681 community service hours, valued at approximately \$65,102. Our inmates raised 55,225 pounds of produce for the inmate kitchen, area food pantries, churches, homeless shelters, schools and elder programs in 2015.

We are committed to providing innovative programs to reduce crimes, assist victims, and to provide enhanced public safety. We acknowledge the ever-growing opiate addiction problem and have committed to partnerships at the Federal, State and Local levels to combat this problem. Our approach is aggressive enforcement, education and treatment for those afflicted.

We will provide the 122,191 citizens of Kennebec County with progressive and professional services. I welcome any comments or suggestions which improve our service to the citizens of Kennebec County.



Ryan P. Reardon  
Interim Sheriff, Kennebec County



## **Ladd Recreation Center**

The Ladd Recreation Center was a gift from Helen and George Ladd, whose goal was to provide a safe and nurturing environment where Wayne residents could participate in and enjoy a variety of high-quality indoor and outside activities throughout the year.

Adults can participate in several weekly programs. At present, the following activities are being offered: an exercise group each Thursday, a quilting group each Wednesday, a yoga class each Tuesday, and Tot-time each Friday morning, when parents can come and play with their pre-school children and enjoy a story time and snack. During the summer months, tennis courts and a gazebo are available for individual and family use.

The Center also provides a number of activities for young people, including after-school programs, soccer and baseball, a summer program which begins on June 27th, and several holiday parties each year.

In addition, the Center serves the community in many other ways. Many organizations--such as the Girls Scouts, the Snowmobile Club and the Gardening Club and the Quilting Club--hold their regular meetings there. The Kennebec Land Trust holds 3 learning seminars a year and lecturers and entertainers appear there from time to time throughout the year sponsored by the Library. Wayne residents vote and attend the annual town meeting there.

The Ladd Recreation Center has a Board of Directors, which meets monthly to discuss any issues or ideas that we can work on to help out the community.

The Center is available on a rental basis at other times. Families, groups and organizations who would like to use the building and its facilities or who have questions about its use should call its Director, Donna Freeman, at 685-4616, Monday through Friday.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Freeman  
Ladd Recreation Center, Director

### **Ladd Recreation Committee**

Lincoln Ladd – Permanent  
Gloria Williams Ladd - Permanent  
Betsy Ladd - Permanent  
Sarah Albert  
Sharon Bonney  
George Dragonetti  
Gina Lamarche  
Chase Morrill  
Mackenzie Stevenson  
Nancy Teachout

### **Ladd Recreation Center Director**

Donna Freeman

## **Memorial Day Committee**

The Committee has continued to bring the community an appropriate Memorial Day reflection, including a parade, music and remarks focused on the meaning of Memorial Day. The 2015 parade was led by Col. Don Welsh, U.S. Marine Corps (ret.) with Sgt. Tom Barden, U.S. Army (ret.) as Sergeant of Detachment. The parade stopped along its route at the Memorial Stone on the Pocasset Lake shore of the Mill Stream for a wreath to be laid. The wreath was presented by Stephen Dodge, whose uncle, is one of Wayne's five 20<sup>th</sup> century war dead honored at the site. The wreath was laid by Wayne's Lt. Colonel Lorinda Fontaine Farris, U.S. Air Force. A second wreath was later laid in the Mill Stream by Peter Ault, accompanied by the Color Guard. The service included the Memorial Address, given by Wayne's Lt. Colonel Lorinda Fontaine Farris, U.S. Air Force Reserves, acknowledgement of the coming centennial events of World War I, including the many Wayne men who left to support that effort, and an appreciation of the many years of service as Parade Marshall by Capt. Robert Fuller, U.S. Navy (ret.). A special highlight was the presentation to the Town of a U. S. flag by Wayne's Colonel Christopher Ireland U.S. Air Force, which had accompanied six combat missions under Colonel Ireland's command. The flag was presented by Colonel Ireland's family and as its inaugural raising in this country, replaced the flag already at half-mast. The latter flag was solemnly folded and set at rest.

We are appreciative of all who participated in this reflection of remembrance with special thanks to the Maranacook Community School Show Choir and band for providing music in the parade and at the ceremony, to the Wayne Fire Department for their presence and traffic protection, and for the reprised "Salute to Veterans" exhibition at the Library's Williams House, organized by Jane Andrews.

Respectfully,

Memorial Day Committee

David Ault

Peter Ault

Ernest Farrar, Lt. Commander, U.S. Navy

Douglas Stevenson

Holly Stevenson

Donald Welsh, Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps (ret.)

**Maranacook Area School District**  
**Regional School Unit No. 38**

*A Caring School Community Dedicated to Excellence*

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April, 2016

Dear Community Members:

We continue to celebrate the amazing things that are happening in the RSU #38 schools. We have made great strides in our quest to be a caring community dedicated to excellence.

Recently the entire district participated in the School Spirit Challenge where the district collected the equivalent of over 91,000 pounds of food for the Good Shepherd Food Bank. This happened through the combined efforts of all of the schools in the district and the citizens in the community. Schools held dances, sporting events, and eating events, to name a few, to raise money towards this effort.

Through the efforts of the students and staff in the district the graduation rate is climbing. The rate for FY15 was 91.09% up from 82.11% in 2014 and 80.58% in 2013.

We have two state champion debaters, Jacob Ide and John Parent.

One of our skiers, Luca DeAngelis, was named state champion.

We have over 160 of our high school students participating in college classes; that is 40.7% of our entire student body. This year for the first time several of our students will be graduating from Maranacook with an Associates' degree from Thomas College.

Through the work of the Director of Curriculum, Assessment, and Instruction, Nancy Harriman, Math Coach Sarah Caban, Literacy Coach Barbara Bourgoine, and content and grade level teachers, we have a cohesive and consistent curriculum from Pre-K to the high school in the areas of literacy, mathematics, and science, and we are hard at work on the other content areas.

We have a functioning vehicle in our adult education program and our CDL class is full to capacity, training adults for a vocation in Commercial Driving, and providing them with the opportunity to meet Maine Department of Motor Vehicle requirements for licensure.

Our test scores are climbing! Because the state has been changing the state assessment every year and the scores are not comparable we are unable to track state assessment data. However, we administer the NWEA (NorthWest Evaluation Association) in grades K-10, excluding grades 2 and 5, and our scores are improving. For example, in 9<sup>th</sup> grade Reading the percent of students who scored average or above climbed from 70% in winter of 2015 to 77% in winter of 2016, and from 83% to 88% in Math over those same time periods.

This year we have continued to work towards the state required standards-based proficiency system. Grade levels and content areas have been identifying priority standards, creating

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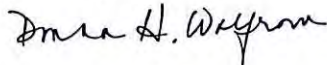
assessments to certify achievement of the standards, and fine-tuning instructional strategies in order to move students toward proficiency in those standards. This represents a change in educational philosophy, and teachers and administrators have been working hard to comply with state timelines, yet at the same time developing a comprehensive system that works for our students. Two information sessions were held earlier in the year regarding the proficiency-based diploma in order to inform parents and citizens of RSU #38 of our work.

We continue to work to meet the goals of our strategic plan: success for all, the development of a consistent, rigorous curriculum resulting in high levels of student performance, schools as welcoming community centers, and accountability for all. We have used the RSU #38 Strategic Plan to guide our work over the last several years and will continue to assess our progress towards meeting our goals.

Enrollment data for the District – October 1, 2015 (does not include non-resident tuition students)

Town	PreK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Manchester	27	26	33	22	27	29	22	34	20	21	29	28	38	30	386
Mt. Vernon	8	23	26	15	17	19	20	16	19	15	11	17	16	15	237
Readfield	18	32	22	30	26	20	28	30	31	30	25	33	38	34	397
Wayne	0	10	14	10	13	10	8	8	9	13	16	10	6	18	145
	<b>53</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>1165</b>

Sincerely,



Donna H. Wolf from  
Superintendent of Schools

## Delinquent Real Estate Property Tax Report

Wayne  
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**Lien Breakdown**  
Tax Year: 2014-1 To 2016-1  
As Of: 06/06/2016

06/06/2016  
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Account	Year	Name	Principal	Principal Due	Pre Lien Int	Costs	Interest	Total
325	2014-1	BATES GARY M.	616.47	616.47	0.00	18.60	29.85	664.92
1008	2014-1	BROWN LEWIS F	1,937.08	1,937.08	99.69	48.23	93.79	2,178.79
768	2014-1	BRYANT WAYNE EDWARD	4,826.88	4,826.88	248.42	74.69	233.70	5,383.69
396	2014-1	BURGESS DALE F	642.34	642.34	33.06	61.46	31.10	767.96
361	2014-1	DIAMOND ROBERT	2,674.26	2,674.26	137.63	74.69	129.48	3,016.06
333	2014-1	FARNHAM, DENNIS HERBERT	350.46	305.61	0.00	0.00	0.83	306.44
1004	2014-1	GORMAN MICHAEL J. & SHIRLEY	2,023.30	2,023.30	104.13	61.46	97.96	2,286.85
118	2014-1	GOUCHER LEROY G	630.84	630.84	32.47	61.46	30.54	755.31
559	2014-1	GOUCHER LEROY G	2,316.64	2,316.64	57.20	61.46	112.16	2,547.46
561	2014-1	GOUCHER TED & SON	919.68	919.68	47.33	48.23	44.53	1,059.77
112	2014-1	GOUCHER. LEROY	705.57	705.57	36.32	74.69	34.16	850.74
1041	2014-1	KIMBALL MARK B	352.07	352.07	18.12	48.23	17.05	435.47
1042	2014-1	KIMBALL MARK B	3,527.83	3,527.83	181.57	48.23	170.81	3,928.44
271	2014-1	MAXIM EDITH MAXIM ROSEMARY	551.81	551.81	28.40	48.23	26.49	654.93
312	2014-1	MCKENNEY ALTON	387.99	387.99	19.97	61.46	18.79	488.21
839	2014-1	MCRORBIE ANDREW	3,943.13	3,943.13	202.93	61.46	190.91	4,398.43
98	2014-1	MILLS, TIMOTHY S	2,389.73	2,389.73	122.99	61.46	115.70	2,689.88
89	2014-1	PETTENGILL ROBERT H	5,737.94	5,737.94	295.31	48.23	277.81	6,359.29
335	2014-1	POKORNY BRET	1,960.07	1,960.07	100.88	48.23	94.90	2,204.08
73	2014-1	URQUHART WILLIAM S JR	1,498.79	1,498.79	77.14	61.46	72.57	1,709.96
852	2014-1	WALDEMAR A.P. JOHN	5,174.64	5,174.64	266.32	61.46	250.54	5,752.96
<b>Total:</b>			43,167.52	43,122.67	2,109.88	1,133.42	2,073.67	48,439.64
<b>Lien Summary</b>								
2014-1			43,167.52	43,122.67	2,109.88	1,133.42	2,073.67	48,439.64
Total:			43,167.52	43,122.67	2,109.88	1,133.42	2,073.67	48,439.64

## Delinquent Personal Property Tax Report

Wayne  
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**Non Zero Balance on All Accounts By Year**  
Tax Year: 2013-1 To 2016-1  
As of: 06/06/2016

06/06/2016  
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Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
11 P	ALBERT, JEFFERY	2013	62.48	0.00	62.48
51 P	FARNHAM HERBERT JR	2013	174.66	0.00	174.66
8 P	GIACUMAZZO LORETTE M	2013	15.62	15.61	0.01
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2013	105.08	0.00	105.08
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2013	301.04	0.00	301.04
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2013	707.16	0.00	707.16
28 P	LAMONTAGNE, ROLAND M & BELINDA	2013	133.48	0.00	133.48
16 P	STEVENSON CH INC	2013	873.30	873.29	0.01
46 P	TUBBY'S ICE CREAM	2013	170.40	0.00	170.40
40 P	WAYNE GENERAL STORE	2013	499.84	0.00	499.84
11 P	ALBERT, JEFFERY	2014	63.23	0.00	63.23
51 P	FARNHAM HERBERT JR	2014	176.76	0.00	176.76
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2014	106.34	0.00	106.34
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2014	304.64	0.00	304.64
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2014	715.63	0.00	715.63
28 P	LAMONTAGNE, ROLAND M & BELINDA	2014	135.08	0.00	135.08
63 P	SMITH, DAVID C	2014	21.56	23.20	-1.64
6 P	TIME WARNER CABLE NORTHEAST LLC	2014	3,904.33	2,811.68	1,092.65
46 P	TUBBY'S ICE CREAM	2014	172.44	0.00	172.44
40 P	WAYNE GENERAL STORE	2014	505.82	0.00	505.82
11 P	ALBERT, JEFFERY	2015	64.11	0.00	64.11
7 P	BLACK, GREGORY	2015	34.97	34.98	-0.01
62 P	CHENEA, PAUL	2015	269.55	89.85	179.70
51 P	FARNHAM HERBERT JR	2015	179.21	0.00	179.21
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2015	107.82	0.00	107.82
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2015	308.88	0.00	308.88
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2015	725.59	0.00	725.59
20 P	JOHNNYS AUTO	2015	466.24	466.23	0.01
40 P	Jullians Wayne General Store	2015	512.86	0.00	512.86
18 P	SCIENTIFIC GAMES INTERNATIONAL	2015	18.94	18.93	0.01
63 P	SMITH, DAVID C	2015	21.86	20.22	1.64
16 P	STEVENSON CH INC	2015	896.06	896.05	0.01
6 P	TIME WARNER CABLE NORTHEAST LLC	2015	4,273.38	0.00	4,273.38
46 P	TUBBY'S ICE CREAM	2015	174.84	0.00	174.84
58 P	COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO. NNE,INC	2016	0.00	0.01	-0.01
71 P	TIME WARNER CABLE INTERNET LLC	2016	0.00	0.01	-0.01



**TOWN OF WAYNE – TOWN CLERK**

July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

**VITALS**

Births 8

Marriages 6

Deaths 12

**DEATHS**

John Vincent Mahoney	07/21/2014
Eric Morrill	07/27/2014
Bette M. Shaffer	09/08/2014
Nathaniel Howard Crosby	11/17/2014
Florence Marie Fredette	12/26/2014
Eloise Rand Ault	01/02/2015
Grace Beverly Arbour	01/27/2015
Richard P. Peters	02/26/2015
Kathleen Claire Record	02/13/2015
Gabriel Gordon Jackson	05/01/2015
Theresa Perreault Mathews	05/27/2015
Thomas G. Lane	06/23/2015

**SPORT LICENSES**

94

**RECREATIONAL VEHICLES**

Snowmobiles - 83

ATV's - 47

Boats – 307

**DOG LICENSES**

266

**KENNEL LICENSES**

0

Recorded by Cathy Cook, Town Clerk

Audited Financial Statements

Town of Wayne, Maine

June 30, 2015



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TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Wayne  
Wayne, Maine

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Wayne, Maine, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

### Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Wayne, Maine as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Other Matters

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 10 and 34 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Wayne, Maine's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards



generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

*RHR Smith & Company*

Buxton, Maine  
January 21, 2016

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

**(UNAUDITED)**

The following management's discussion and analysis of Town of Wayne, Maine's financial performance provides an overview of the Town's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Please read it in conjunction with the Town's financial statements.

**Financial Statement Overview**

The Town of Wayne's basic financial statements include the following components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also includes required supplementary information which consists of the general fund budgetary comparison schedule, and other supplementary information which includes combining and other schedules.

**Basic Financial Statements**

The basic financial statements include financial information in two differing views: the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. These basic financial statements also include the notes to financial statements that explain in more detail certain information in the financial statements and also provide the user with the accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements provide a broad view of the Town's operations in a manner that is similar to private businesses. These statements provide both short-term as well as long-term information in regards to the Town's financial position. These financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. This measurement focus takes into account all revenues and expenses associated with the fiscal year regardless of when cash is received or paid. The government-wide financial statements include the following two statements:

The Statement of Net Position – this statement presents *all* of the government's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources with the difference being reported as net position.

The Statement of Activities – this statement presents information that shows how the government's net position changed during the period. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Both of the above mentioned financial statements have one column for the town's activities. The type of activity presented for the Town of Wayne is:



- *Governmental activities* – The activities in this section are mostly supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (federal and state grants). All of the Town's basic services are reported in governmental activities, which include general government, public safety, highway and roads, education, sanitation, recreation and unclassified.

### Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town of Wayne, like other local governments uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with financial related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town of Wayne can be categorized as governmental funds.

*Governmental funds:* All of the basic services provided by the Town are financed through governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported in governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources. They also focus on the balance of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information will be useful in evaluating the government's near-term financing requirements. This approach is known as the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this approach revenues are recorded when cash is received or when susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when liabilities are incurred and due. These statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Town's finances to assist in determining whether there will be adequate financial resources available to meet the current needs of the Town.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities. These reconciliations are presented on the page immediately following each governmental fund financial statement.

The Town of Wayne presents two columns in the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances. The Town's major governmental fund is the general fund. All other funds are shown as nonmajor and are combined in the "All Nonmajor Funds" column on these statements.

The general fund is the only fund for which the Town legally adopted a budget. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual –



General Fund provides a comparison of the original and final budget and the actual expenditures for the current year.

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the Government-Wide and the Fund Financial Statements. The Notes to Financial Statements can be found following the Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

The basic financial statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information, which includes a Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual – General Fund.

#### **Other Supplementary Information**

Other supplementary information follows the required supplementary information. These combining and other schedules provide information in regards to nonmajor funds, capital asset activity and other detailed budgetary information for the general fund.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

Our analysis below focuses on the net position, and changes in net position of the Town's governmental activities. The Town's total net position for governmental funds is \$4,317,548 compared to \$4,221,268 in the prior year, an increase of \$96,280.

Unrestricted net position - the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements – decreased to \$1,444,469 at the end of this year for governmental activities.

**Table 1**  
**Town of Wayne, Maine**  
**Net Position**  
**June 30,**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	
	2015	2014
<b>Assets:</b>		
Current Assets	\$ 1,545,276	\$ 1,810,156
Capital Assets	3,239,110	2,601,616
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>4,784,386</b>	<b>4,411,772</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Current Liabilities	115,046	38,152
Long-term Debt Outstanding	345,800	149,809
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>460,846</b>	<b>187,961</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>		
Prepaid Taxes	5,992	2,543
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>5,992</b>	<b>2,543</b>
<b>Net Position:</b>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	2,797,542	2,424,281
Restricted	75,537	66,920
Unrestricted	1,444,469	1,730,067
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 4,317,548</b>	<b>\$ 4,221,268</b>

**Revenues and Expenses**

Revenues increased by 4.21% and expenses increased by 4.45% from the prior year. The increase in revenues was primarily due to an increase in taxes and miscellaneous revenues. The increase in expenditures was primarily due to increases in education and sanitation.

**Table 2**  
**Town of Wayne, Maine**  
**Change in Net Position**  
**For the Years Ended June 30,**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>Revenues</b>		
<i>Program Revenues:</i>		
Charges for services	\$ 9,129	\$ 8,139
Operating grants & contributions	30,532	33,292
<i>General Revenues:</i>		
Taxes	2,848,100	2,770,860
Grants & contributions not restricted to specific programs	78,218	69,432
Miscellaneous	174,481	131,873
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>3,140,460</u>	<u>3,013,596</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
General government	321,090	304,641
Public safety	87,079	91,556
Highways and roads	364,087	360,359
Sanitation	114,293	79,953
Cobbossee watershed	2,233	2,127
Recreation	24,184	19,356
Organizations and social services	21,611	28,152
Unclassified	143,210	132,424
Education	1,774,654	1,708,722
County tax	179,882	182,790
Overlay	7,913	4,393
Interest on long-term debt	3,944	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>3,044,180</u>	<u>2,914,473</u>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	96,280	99,123
<b>Net Position - July 1</b>	<u>4,221,268</u>	<u>4,122,145</u>
<b>Net Position - June 30</b>	<u>\$ 4,317,548</u>	<u>\$ 4,221,268</u>



### **TOWN OFFICE HOURS**

Monday	1:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Tuesday:	1:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday:	1:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Thursday:	7:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Friday:	1:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

### **Office closed in observance of all State/Federal Holidays**

*Additionally, the Town Office staff may be available at other times to provide general information.*

### **Assessor Agent**

*Fourth Monday of Every Month by appointment by calling 685-4983*

### **Code Enforcement Officer**

*Mon. & Wed. by appointment by calling 576-1413*

### **Selectboard Meetings**

*Every other Tuesday, 6:30 P.M., Wayne Elementary School - Gym*

### **Transfer Station Hours of Operation**

**North Road, Readfield (685-3144)**

*Tues., Wed., Fri. 11:00 AM – 5:45 PM; Sat. 8:00 AM – 3:45 PM*

### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

<b><i>POLICE/ FIRE/ MEDICAL Emergency</i></b>	<b><i>Dial 911</i></b>
Maine State Police (non-emergency)	624-7000
Kennebec County Sheriff (non-emergency)	623-3591
Cary Memorial Library	685-3612
Ladd Recreation Center:	685-4616
<b><i>Town Office Phone:</i></b>	<b><i>685-4983</i></b>
<b><i>Town Office Fax:</i></b>	<b><i>685-3836</i></b>
Wayne Elementary School:	685-3634
Wayne Post Office:	685-9229

### **Town Physical & Mailing Address:**

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Mailing Address: P.O. Box 400, Wayne, ME 04284

### **Town Email Addresses & Website:**

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Town Clerk: [townclerk@waynemaine.org](mailto:townclerk@waynemaine.org)

Tax Collector: [collector@waynemaine.org](mailto:collector@waynemaine.org)

Website: [www.waynemaine.org](http://www.waynemaine.org)