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## ANNUAL TOWN REPORT Town of Van Buren

#### **INCORPORATED IN 1881**



#### FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017

(Annual Audit for year ending June 30, 2016)

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Paul R. LePage GOVERNOR

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

#### Dear Citizens of Van Buren:

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

My vision for Maine is prosperity, not poverty. For this reason, one of my top priorities continues to be the reduction and eventual elimination of the income tax. Raising the minimum wage is not the path out of poverty; I want Mainers to earn a career wage. Reducing the income tax is the biggest and most immediate pay raise for all hard-working Mainers.

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

Unfortunately, voters approved a referendum question to raise the income tax to 10.15% on successful Maine households and small businesses. Enacting the second highest income tax rate in the country shows the nation we are eager to punish people for being successful. It will drive them out of our state and make it even more difficult to attract much-needed doctors, dentists, scientists, engineers and other professionals to Maine. They can live in neighboring New Hampshire, which takes no income tax from their paychecks. Even worse, there is no guarantee the extra revenue from this tax will go to fund education, as proponents promised.

As successful people leave Maine, state and municipal government will lose the significant amount they pay in property, sales and incomes taxes. This will put even more upward pressure on local property taxes. Municipalities will have to get more creative to provide local services without increasing property taxes. Reforming the tree growth program, collecting property taxes on land in conservation or preservation programs, charging a payment in lieu of taxes on state land that is taken off the property tax rolls and having non-profit organizations pay a two-percent tax on their net revenues are all ways for municipalities to increase revenues.

Such bold measures would take strong leadership and commitment from local officials and residents. If ever I can be of assistance to you or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor.

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Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage Governor





PO Box 97
Sinclair Township, ME 04779
Phone: (207) 543-6165
Danny.Martin@legislature.maine.gov

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002 (207) 287-1400 TTY: (207) 287-4469

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is an honor to once again represent the residents of Van Buren in the Maine House of Representatives during the 128<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

It is clear that we have our work cut out for us this session, and I am ready to start the important tasks ahead of us in the Legislature. Over the coming months we will consider hundreds of bills presented by lawmakers on both sides of the aisle. As we work to tackle our state's most pressing issues, such as rising property taxes, strengthening the rural economy, supporting our local veterans and ending the opioid epidemic, I am committed to promoting efficiency and accountability in our work.

As the House Chair of the State and Local Government Committee and a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, I am excited to continue fighting to protect Maine's natural resources for our employment and enjoyment.

Please feel welcome to contact me with any questions or concerns. My phone number is (207) 543-6165 and my email is <a href="mailto:Danny.Martin@legislature.maine.gov">Danny.Martin@legislature.maine.gov</a>. Your feedback and insight is invaluable as we work to address these challenges in a way that works for all Mainers.

Best regards,

Danny

Roland Danny Martin

State Representative

District 150: Frenchville, Grand Isle, Madawaska, St. Agatha and Van Buren, plus the unorganized territory of Square Lake (including Cross Lake, Madawaska Lake and Sinclair Townships)

#### **TOWN OF VAN BUREN**

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF MUNICIPAL ACTIVITIES

July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

#### **Town Meeting Schedule**

Polls for elections:

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

8:00AM - 8:00 PM

The polls for balloting on Elective Town Offices will be held at the Community Center on Champlain Street.

#### **Meeting on Warrant Articles**

Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 7:00 PM

Action on the Warrant Articles will be conducted at the M.S.A.D. #24 Auditorium.

#### **COMMITTEE LISTING**

As of May 15, 2017

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TOWN COUNCIL			CEMETERY COMMITTEE		
Jimmy Don Madore	Chair	2019	Vernon Ouellette		
Paul Nadeau	Secretary	2018	Roger Searles		
Percy "Butch" Berube		2018	Eric Krajewski		
Greg Carbonneau		2019	Jim Ouellette		
Donald Dumond		2017	Michael Ouellette		
TOWN MANAGER			RECREATION DEPARTM	· ·	
Gary R. Levesque, (Interim)			John Hebert	Chair	
•			Theodore Smith		
TOWN CLERK			Ed Saucier		
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			Jaci Lapointe		
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS					D D A D D
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			Paul Nadeau	Chair	
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Anthony Martin			Gary Levesque		
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER			COMMISSIONERS OF V		
Anthony Martin			HOUSING AUTHOR	<u>III Y</u>	
			Steve Lapierre, Director		0040
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER			Daniel Lapointe	Chair	2018
Chief Michael Bresett II			David J Madore		
Van Buren Police Dept.			Charles Plourde		0040
			Donald Gagnon		2018
DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS			Peter Ashley		2019
Ricky R. Sirois, Public Works Director			Joyce Martin		2017
Michael Bresett II, Police Chief			Ronald J. Dumond		2020
Brian Caron, Fire Chief			en m. Eliepoellov pps	DADEDNEGO I	NIDECTOR
Peter Laplante, Ambulance Director			CIVIL EMERGENCY PRE	PAREDNESS I	JIRECTUR
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#### Town of Van Buren

#### **Assessor's Office**

51 Main Street, Suite 101 Van Buren, ME 04785 Phone: (207) 868-2886 Fax: (207) 868-2222 vbtownassessor@gmail.com - vanburenmaine.com

Inhabitants of Van Buren,

During the 2017 tax year the Town of Van Buren observed a minimal decrease in personal property, but more substantially a decrease in real estate valuation. The biggest driving factor of the real estate valuation decrease *again* this year is the State's adjustment to the Homestead Exemption. For the 2017-2018 tax year the Homestead Exemption will be \$20,000. The increased exemption will help to reduce the tax bills of qualifying homeowners even if there is a slight increase in the Mill Rate, however in-turn the Homestead Exemption increase *decreased* our overall taxable valuation by approximately \$2,700,000, further driving up our Mill Rate by about 1.5 Mills.

As always, if you have any questions regarding your valuation, please contact the Town Office.

The following statements and documents are the responsibility of the Board of Assessors. It is the Board of Assessors responsibility to ensure that all documents are both complete and accurate, to the best of their knowledge.

In our opinion, the subsequent documents presented below, fairly represent, in all material respects, the total assessment for the Town of Van Buren, and the results are in conformity with the assessment principles accepted by the State of Maine.

Sincerely,

Anthony Martin, CMA Assessors' Agent

#### **ASSESSORS' NOTICE**

To resident owners, all Inhabitants of the Town of Van Buren, Maine, and all Administrators, Executors, Trustees, etc. of all estates taxable in said Town, such persons are hereby notified to: MAKE AND BRING IN TO THE ASSESSORS [A] TRUE AND PERFECT LISTS OF THEIR ESTATE, REAL AND PERSONAL, not by law exempt from taxation of which they are possessed on the FIRST DAY OF APRIL, 2017, and be prepared to make oath to the truth of the same and to answer all property inquiries in writing as to the nature, situation, and value of ALL property liable to be taxed.

#### **FAILURE TO NOTIFY**

And any resident owner who neglects to comply with this notice is hereby barred of the right to make application to the Assessors of the County Commissioners for any abatement of taxes, unless a list is provided, accompanied with satisfaction, as to why the list was unable to be offered at the time appointed.

#### HOMESTEAD EXMEPTION

Do you have a homestead exemption?

Homestead Exemption. This program provides a measure of property tax relief for certain individuals that have owned homestead property in Maine for at least twelve months and make the property they occupy on April first their permanent residence. Property owners would receive an exemption of \$20,000. In order to be eligible for a tax exemption, please notify, IN WRITING THROUGH APPLICATION, the Assessors of the Municipality of Van Buren, together with proof of residency. Once made, it need not be repeated in succeeding years. If an application is not completed by April 1, 2018, the applicant will not be considered for a 2018 homestead exemption.

#### **VETERAN'S EXEMPTION**

Are you a veteran?

Veteran Exemption. A veteran who served during a recognized war period and is 62 years or older; or, is receiving 100% disability as a Veteran; or, became 100% disabled while serving, is eligible for \$6,000. In order to be eligible for a tax exemption, please notify, IN WRITING THROUGH APPLICATION, the Assessors of the Municipality of Van Buren, together with proof of residency. Once made, it need not be repeated in succeeding years. If an application is not completed by April 1, 2018, the applicant will not be considered for a 2018 veteran's exemption.

#### **BLIND EXEMPTION**

Are you legally blind?

Blind Exemption. An individual who is determined to be legally blind receives \$4,000. In order to be eligible for a tax exemption, please notify, IN WRITING THROUGH APPLICATION, the Assessors of the Municipality of Van Buren, together with proof of residency. Once made, it need not be repeated in succeeding years. If an application is not completed by April 1, 2018, the applicant will not be considered for a 2018 blind exemption.

#### **BETE EXEMPTION**

#### ATTENTION ALL BUSINESSES!!!

Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE). Partial exemptions must be adjusted by the municipality's certified assessment ratio. All of the above exemptions require completion of an application to the local town office where the property is located. Exemption claims may require additional information to support the claim for exemption, and must be delivered to the Assessor's office no later than April 1. In order to be eligible for a tax exemption, please notify, IN WRITING THROUGH APPLICATION, the Assessors of the Municipality of Van Buren, together with a true and perfect list of personal property. The application MUST be submitted every year by April 1 in order to qualify for any given year. If an application is not completed by April 1, 2018, the applicant will not be considered for a 2018 BETE exemption\*. RETAIL, SERIVCES, & SALES DO NOT QUALIFY FOR BETE<sup>1\*</sup>. For more information, please contact the Town Office.

#### PERSONS DOOMED

Any persons or entity neglecting to comply with this notice is hereby barred of the right to make application to the Assessors of the County Commissioners for any abatement of taxes, unless a list is provided, accompanied with satisfaction, as to why the list was unable to be offered at the time appointed.

<sup>\*</sup> Deadline is automatically extended to May 1<sup>st</sup> of the same year; further time may be granted upon written request to the Assessor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Retail operations may qualify for BETR. Please contact Maine Revenue Services for more information.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The following is a statement of the *inventory and valuation* of the taxable property, *both real and personal estates*, found in the Town of Van Buren on April, 2017.

ASSESSED REAL ESTATE (TAXABLE <sup>2</sup> ) VALUATION						
Land	\$	13,599,704.00				
Buildings	\$	46,848,602.00				
Total Assessed Real Estate						
Valuation		60,448,306.00				
Less Exemptions: Blind	\$	4,000.00				
Homestead Veteran:	\$	10,669,300.00				
Maine Enlisted	\$	444,000.00				
Non-Maine Enlisted	\$	60,000.00				
Widow	\$	18,000.00				
Total Exempt Real Estate	\$	11,195,300.00				
Total Taxable Real Estate Valuation	_\$	49,253,006.00				

ASSESSED PERSONAL PROPERTY (TAXABLE <sup>3</sup> ) VALUATION							
Total Assessed Personal Property Valuation	<u></u> \$	4,065,872.00					
Less BETE:  Machinery & Equipment  Computer Equipment	\$ \$	1,354,868.00 3,533.00					
Total BETE Exempt Personal Property Total Taxable Personal Property Valuation	<u>\$</u> _\$	1,358,401.00 2,707,471.00					

TOTAL VALUATION BASE: \$58,026,1204 PROJECTED MILL RATE: 29.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Excludes real estate owned by tax exempt entities and organizations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Excludes personal property owned by tax exempt entities and organizations.
<sup>4</sup> Information presented is accurate as of June 1, 2017, and *may* change by the commitment of taxes.

### Municipal Assessment\* 2017-2018

#### **Assessments:**

County Tax	\$ 77,321.00	
Municipal Appropriation	\$ 1,906,467.00	
TIF Financing Plan Amount	\$ 0.00	
Local Education Appropriation	\$ 572,793.00	
Overlay	\$ 27,349.00	
Total Assessments		\$ 2,583,930.00
<b>Deductions:</b>		
State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 165,000.00	
Homestead Reimbursements	\$ 154,705.00	
BETE Reimbursements	\$ 21,199.00	
Other Revenues	\$ 736,173.00	
Total Deductions		\$ 1,077,077.00
Net Assessment for Commitment		\$ <u>1,506,853.00</u>

<sup>\*</sup>This is an estimate of the Net Assessment using the State of Maine's 2017 Enhanced BETE Municipal Tax Rate Calculation Form. The actual Net Assessment can only be determined after the Town Budget has been passed by the voters and a mill rate set by the Town Council.



#### Town of Van Buren 51 Main Street, Suite 101 Van Buren, Maine 04785

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#### Report of the Town Manager

To the Town Council and Citizens of Van Buren:

I would first like to say that I am honored to be your Interim Town Manager. I'd like to thank the staff, the Town Council, and all of the volunteers who give of their time and effort to benefit the town. We are truly fortunate to have such a great workforce that is dedicated to serving the citizens of Van Buren and they make my job easier each and every day.

I am pleased that we will be completing a sewer and road upgrade this summer on High Street, Pierce Street, and Ferry Street. We are in the process of planning the next significant project to continue the enhancements to our sewer systems.

With the departure of our Town Manager, Dan McClung, and the need for a new Town Manager, the Council has hired Nancy Troeger as the Town Manager effective July 1, 2017. I also have hired, effective July 1, 2017, a replacement for Library Director, Justin Martin and the new Economic Develoment Assistant, Tony Martin. I want to invite you to welcome Nancy, Justin, and Tony in their new positions and I look forward to a great year.

Respectfully submitted,

Van Buren Interim Town Manager

#### **Town Council Report**

May 23, 2017

To the Citizens of Van Buren,

First, the Town Council wishes to thank you for your support and input in helping make your community a better place to live, raise a family and grow.

Again, this year we have faced many different challenges that have tested all of us to do our best to provide our citizens with the best services possible while using your tax dollars effectively and wisely. Our very dedicated town employees continue to work hard at providing the best services possible to our citizens.

Your community's service clubs continue to work hard with very limited resources and countless volunteer hours to make Van Buren a better place to live. Thank you!

Our agricultural community continually explores new markets to show case their products and put our town's name out there. There have been some changes in ownership of businesses, new businesses opening, and continued growth, all positive signs for the future.

The reorganization of different departments, making them more efficient and less costly has progressed well. The council, town manager, and department heads are always looking for more opportunities to make our town better. There are still many goals to be achieved and a concerted effort with all parties will insure our success.

There are many different committees that have vacant positions. Most require a very minimum amount of time to serve. Please consider volunteering for these open positions.

Our best wishes to former town manager Daniel McClung who has pursued other opportunities. Thank you Dan and best of luck!

The council wishes to thank Gary Levesque who has served as interim manager. His guidance, patience, and very real concern for your community has made this transition period a huge success. On the final note, your council is extremely pleased to have hired Nancy Troeger as your new town manager, effective July 1, 2017. Nancy brings a wealth of knowledge, leadership skills and a vision for an exciting future for our community. Let's give her a very big welcome and good luck!

Sincerely,

Jimmy Don Madore - Chair Paul Nadeau-Council - Secretary Percy "Butch" Berube Greg Carbonneau Donald Dumond

#### **Town Clerk Annual Report**

Reporting statistics for 2016 births, marriages, and deaths:

Births 28 Marriages 21 Deaths 59

Vital record books on file at the Town Office:

Birth 1838 to Present Marriages 1899 to Present Deaths 1899 to Present

The following fees are set by the State of Maine:

Marriage License \$40

Certified copies of birth, \$15

marriage & death

certificates

Addition Certified copies \$6

(if purchased at same time)

Non-certified copies\* \$10

Annual dog registration begins in October and the fees are:

Neuter/Spay \$6 Unaltered \$11

To avoid the late fee of \$25, you must register your dog(s) before January 31st.

The Municipal Election will be held Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at the Van Buren Community Center. Polls are open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

The Annual Town Meeting will be held Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Van Buren High School Auditorium.

<sup>\*</sup>State recommendation

#### General Government's Annual Report

As another year is about to come to an end, we are pleased to say it went very smooth. Our audit was completed soon after the close of the fiscal year, which is a great accomplishment. The office morale continues to improve and we are all working together for a common goal.

The Town's website <u>www.vanburenmaine.com</u> and Facebook accounts have been great at keeping the public informed with events, job openings, deadlines and closures. On the website you can view town ordinances, tax cards, property maps and upcoming events/projects. To save yourself time, you can also print a variety of applications, from building permits to tax exemption applications and even some state applications.

The pay online services have been successfully running for a year now. You can access the links through our website. Residents can re-register their vehicles and trailers online using either an e-check or credit/debit card; if using an e-check there are no additional fees, however if using a credit/debit card there is an additional 2% charge. You can also re-register your boat, atv and snowmobile online, as well as purchase a hunting and/or fishing license. In order to utilize the real estate online payment service, you will need to know your account number and be current, non-lien status. To make a waste water payment you will need your account number; any payments that are submitted will be applied to the older balances.

We will continue to do our best at providing the level of service that you, the Citizens of Van Buren have come to know, expect and most importantly deserve. We are here for you at the Town Office and look forward to serving you. Town office and staff hours are Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with the exception of the last business day of the month closing at 4 p.m. for reconciling.

In closing, we would first like to thank you, the Citizens of Van Buren for all your patience, support, and encouraging words. Thank you to the Town Manager, the Town Council, Department Heads and the rest of the staff.

Respectfully Yours,

Jessica L. Cvr

Wastewater Collector/Deputy Clerk/Motor

Vehicle Agent/ IFW Agent

Heather L. Parent

Deputy Tax Collector/Deputy Clerk

Anthony Martin
Tax Assessor/Code

**Enforcement Officer** 

Michael Oneller

Michael Ouellette

Bookkeeper

#### 2017 Annual Report for the Van Buren Police Department

On behalf of the Van Buren police Department, I am pleased to submit this year's annual report to the citizens of Van Buren. I would like to start this year's report by thanking our Town Council, Town Manager, and the community members for their continued support of the Police department.

The police department is made up of three full-time officers. The full-time officers are a police chief, patrol sergeant, and a patrol officer. The department also relies on reserve officers to assist with shift coverage. The police department continually trains it's officers so that the department maintains the highest level of proficiency.

The crime rate has remained consistent over the past five years; however the crime trend has shifted. The Van Buren Police Department has seen a substantial increase in drug related crimes. Van Buren has also seen an increase in new drugs to our area to include Heroin, bath salts, methamphetamine, ecstasy, and psilocybin mushrooms. We also continue to struggle with pharmaceuticals. These drugs and their addictive qualities can rapidly have a negative impact upon a community. It is for this reason the police department has stepped up it's efforts to confront this problem. Our collaborative relationship with various state and federal agencies, combined with our proactive enforcement, has yielded positive results. The Van Buren Police Department continues to collect unused medications and sharps from residents. This collection limits the often highly sought after prescriptions within our community while simultaneously disposing of them properly. For the convenience of our residence we anticipate installing a drug collection container inside the town office in the near future.

We have noticed a significant increase in ATV related accidents over the past two years. The concern to the police department was the young age of the operators and the severity of the injuries. It is for this reason we have partnered with the Main Warden Service to enforce the ATV trails within our community. As a result of our efforts we have not addressed an ATV related crash since the inception of our patrols.

The Police department continues to call on the community to assist in apprehending offenders who attempt to poison our youth with drugs, engage in other criminal activities and who would otherwise compromise the safety of our community. There is a direct correlation between a community's support for public safety officers and the effectiveness of those departments. The Van Buren Police Department's successes are a reflection of the positive relationships between community members and the officers. We thank you for your assistance and greatly appreciate your continued support.

Michael Bresett, M.S. Police Chief Van Buren Police Department

#### Brian R Caron, Fire Chief Van Buren Fire Department 51 Main Street, Suite 101 Van Buren Maine 04785



To: The Residents of Van Buren, Cyr Plantation, Hamlin and VB Cove T17-R3 (long lake)

2016-2017 year was a year of creation. With having 2 major fire at VB Cove the Club 17 and VB Fire have joined forces to create the first ever Club 17 Fire Brigade. This consist of 15 people that live at the lake that have committed to joining the fire department and attend certain trainings to get qualified as defensive firefighters ONLY. A storage building, Trailer & Portable Pump was purchased by Club 17. The Van Buren Fire department was able to get help from North Lakes Fire & Fort Kent Fire to help with supplies, gear and hoses. VB supplied additional hoses, nozzles fittings etc...

Our goal was to try and get a small brigade together to help protect exposers and slow down any fire until we VB fire arrive on scene with additional FF's and equipment. It's a Win Win! for both the town and the Lake, by gaining other firefighters and extra protection at the lake. (this was at NO COST to the towns tax payers)

We continue to do our annual fire prevention program at the school and our Smoke Alarm project to help the public maintain, also install smoke alarms throughout our coverage area towns as people request our assistance. Along with our annual Chicken BBQ that continues to do well in July, a portion of the money raised goes into the Peter Carbonneau Scholarship Fund.

This year we have sent 3 firefighters to southern Maine for advanced training in fire ground safety and Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Also 3 Officers have received advanced training in Hazmat area (Hazmat IQ Class) This training is all above and beyond the regular training that we do every month.

Most recently we have created a Junior Firefighter program, to help gain the interest of the local kids between the ages of 14 to 17 that would like to help their community and volunteer as a Firefighter but most importantly it is the future of the fire department. Knowing that we do not have 5000 people in our community the struggle of getting people to join the fire department is a reality. There is not a lot of people who are willing to dedicate a lot of time to trainings & meetings. But having a few local students expressing interest on being on the fire department and not having a parent on the fire department so they could follow suite there was really no way they could join. So, by having the JR program we can mold these students at a young age and when they turn 18 they can then become a regular member and already have all the training done by that time. Again, Win Win!!! This has gotten off to a great start.

Thank You to all the firefighters for all their hard work, talent and devotion to this Fire Dept.

In closing I would like to thank the most important people, the wives, kids, girlfriends and significant others of the firefighters for standing by us.

Thank you!!!!

Sincerely Brian Caron,

Van Buren Fire Chief

### Town of Van Buren Highway Department 375 Main Street Van Buren, Maine 04785

The Van Buren Highway consists of one director and four employees who maintain the town's infrastructure and roadways.

Our fleet of equipment and tools require regular maintenance. The fleet consists of three plow trucks, one motor grader, one pay loader, one backhoe loader, one street sweeper, one sidewalk snowplowing tractor and four snow hauling trucks. The town purchased a used asphalt box last fall. This trailer mounted hot box, will keep hot asphalt for repairs of potholes and small patching projects.

The following is a partial list of services and tasks provided to the residents of Van Buren:

- Respond to a wide variety of questions, complaints, and suggestions (street damage, drain problems, downed trees)
- Maintain roadways, curbs, and sidewalks
- Maintain and/or replace culverts and catch basins
- Install and maintain roadway signage and road markings
- Sweep/clean town streets and sidewalks
- Patch potholes
- Mow lawns
- Brush removal
- Snow plowing and snow removal from roads, sidewalks and town parking lots

The goal of this department is to provide the citizens and visitors of our community a safe and healthy environment in which to live, work and play.

In part, these goals are to:

- Provide the community with a safe and efficient roadway and walkway system.
- Sustain a properly operating storm water drainage system.
- Minimize disruption during maintenance of the town's infrastructure.
- Maintain a safe and efficient town fleet.
- Ensure a safe and healthy work place for town employees

Respectfully,

Rick Sirois Public Works Director

#### Town of Van Buren Recycling Center & Transfer Station

Van Buren, Maine 04785 (207) 868-5875 Fax (207) 868-2222 vbwastewater@live.com

The Van Buren Recycling and Transfer Station continue to see more and more residents recycle.

We hope more residents would consider using our Compost pile. Compostable material comprises nearly 30% of the municipal solid waste stream. Remember, more materials saved for recycling or composting means less material taken to the landfill.

Some of the items that can be recycled:

Newspapers
Cardboard
No. 2 plastics
Milk containers
Detergent bottles
Television sets
Computers
Other electronic devices

Please speak to the recycling attendant if you have any questions on what can or cannot be recycled.

#### Reasons to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle

- Energy and resources are wasted whenever an item goes to landfill
- Raw materials are a limited resource we might not always be able to replace what we throw away
- Less landfill means less pollution and a cleaner, greener Maine

Respectfully,

Rick Sirois Public Works Director



#### Van Buren Recreation Report

On January 1<sup>st</sup>, the skating rink was ready for use. We did have quite a few days that we were unable to open the rink due to weather and we did have to finally close the week of February 20<sup>th</sup>, due to warm weather. The rink was open Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Towards the end of the season we began to open late on the weekend due to lack of skaters. On most days, there were 20-30 skaters, usually more towards the evening hours. We offered pizza, nachos, popcorn, candy, drinks, and slush puppies in our concession stand. These items were a big hit with the skaters.

The Recreation Basketball program began January 4<sup>th</sup> and finished March 16<sup>th</sup>. We were able to offer 3 different programs for grades K-6. The K-2 group was our "Little Dribblers" group, there were 35 participants. We worked on basic dribbling and passing skills with this age group. They also had the privilege of performing a short dribbling demonstration at the NorState FCU vs Van Buren Fire Department fundraiser basketball game. The 3-4 grade group was a smaller group, we started with 23 participants, but only half would attend on a regular basis. In this group, we worked on dribbling, passing and shooting. They also played in more game like situations. The 5-6 grade team had 19 participants register, they made up our travel team. They participated in NMCRA Basketball tournament in Caribou and lost in the Semi-Final round. Due to scheduling issues and weather they were unable to have many regular season games, which is something we will work hard on for next season.

Most recently we held the MLB Pitch, Hit and Run Competition. This competition was held at school during gym class. This was a voluntary event for children in grades 3 through 7. 47 children participated in the 3 events, 12 of the children qualified to move on to the Sectional Competition in Mars Hill.

We will also be hosting a Kids Safety Day, in cooperation with the local police, ambulance and fire departments. We will be offering finger printing for the children as well as bike safety checks. Children will be able to tour an ambulance, meet Sparky, the fire dog and ride in the bicycle parade. Our hope is to give the children information to help keep them safe while outside this summer.

We are currently prepping for the Summer Rec Program. This will be a 6 week program that will run from June 26<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>. There are 22 programs that will be offered this summer. The programs will include sports camps, arts and crafts, science lab, field day and a summer BBQ. Our baseball programs will also run through this time. We will try to offer T-ball, Minor League, Major League, and Pony League, this will depend on enrollment numbers.

Looking forward to a great year and thank you to everyone for their continued support of this growing

Tosha Martin

program.

Van Buren Recreation Director



## Abel J. Morneault Memorial Library 153 Main Street Van Buren, Maine 04785 (207) 868-5076 www.morneault.lib.me.us Visit us on Facebook



#### HOURS OF OPERATION

Sunday and Monday CLOSED
Tuesday thru Thursday 10 AM to 6 PM
Friday 10 AM to 5 PM
Saturday 11 AM to 2 PM

#### 10 Reasons to Visit YOUR Library this summer.

- 1. Almost everything is FREE! (Small charge for printing)
- 2. We have over 25,000 books you can check out and read!
- 3. You can also borrow DVDs, audiobooks, magazines and e-books.
- 4. We have free high speed (100-150 Mbps) Internet.
- 5. You can always use the library PC computers for free. (1-hour limit)
- 6. Wi-Fi is free 24/7. We comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). Ask to read our Internet safety policy if you have any questions about safe surfing.
- 7. We specialize in local history! The Martine A. Pelletier Special Collection Room is filled with genealogy books, historic photos, documents and other materials to help you research your family. *Ancestry.com* can be accessed for free when you are connected to the library internet.
- 8. Need government paperwork? Need tax forms or job applications? Need to check your bank statement? Need help with a new smartphone or tablet? Just need help? We answer thousands of questions every year.
- 9. Bring your young children to our Early Childhood Learning Center or schedule a play date with another family. A puppet theatre, a kitchen, a store, dress-up costumes, a talking cash register, games, and so much more. Our room is designed to let your child learn through play and exploration. You provide the supervision.
- 10. We'd love to see you!

**Thanks** to everyone who supports our library with gifts of books, money, or volunteer time. Your generosity helps to make our library a beautiful and vibrant place.

Nancy Troeger, Library Director

## Town of Van Buren WasteWater Department 133 Jackson Street Van Buren, Maine 04785 (207) 868-3975 Fax (207) 868-2222 vbwastewater@live.com

In 2016, the Van Buren Wastewater Treatment Plant treated over 290,000 gallons of sewage sludge. Infiltration continues to be a problem throughout our collection system. Homeowners can do their part by removing sump pumps and roof drains from the sewer system.

Successful grants and low interest loans from Rural Development and CGBG will help fund the Pierce Street and High Street Sewer Replacement Project. This project started last fall and will continue until late July.

We've recently been experiencing an alarming number of clogged sewer lines and clogged sewer pumps because of foreign material being flushed down the toilets or poured down drains. The sewer lines and sewer pumps stations are designed to handle water, human waste and tissue paper only.

Examples of what **should not** be flushed down toilets or poured down drains are as follows:

- Baby wipes, toilet wipes, towelettes, disinfecting wipes, or cloth wipes of any kind (even if the container indicates that they are "flushable")
- Paper (other than toilet paper/tissue)
- Medications
- Feminine hygiene products of any kind
- Beauty products, Q-tips, dental floss
- Grease of any kind especially cooking grease
- Pesticides, fertilizers, paint, varnish and paint removers
- Motor oil, anti –freeze, gasoline or any explosive material

All of the above items mentioned should be thrown out with your household trash or disposed of properly. Remember... only water, human waste and tissue paper should be flushed down toilets. Clogged sewer lines and pumps lead to sewer backups into homes, which are expensive to clean and repair. This cost is incurred by you the sewer rate payer.

Respectfully,

Rick Sirois
Public Works Director

### TOWN OF VAN BUREN Annual Wastewater Rate Schedule

Residential:			
	R1:	\$287.15	Residential/Apartment (each unit)
	R2:	\$543.84	with Business
	R3:	\$717.88	with High Usage Business
Commercial:			
	C1:	\$543.84	Commercial No Public Facility
	C2:	\$717 <i>.</i> 88	Commercial Public Facility/High Usage
	C3:	\$1,005.02	Restaurants/Bars
	C4:	\$3,589.36	Hospital/Boarding/Nursing < or=50 + *
	C5:	\$4,785.82	Hospital/Boarding/Nursing > 50 + *
Industrial:			*= \$88.00 per bed
-	11:	\$1,152.95	
	12:	\$2,392.91	Any < or = 50 employees
	13:	\$4,785.82	Any > 50 employees
Government:			
	G1:	\$1,392.24	Govt < or = 10 employees/customers + **
	G2:	\$3,589.36	Govt < or = 25 employees/customers + **
	G3;	\$4,785.82	Govt < or = 50 employees/customers + **
	G4:	\$7,178.73	Govt < or = 100 employees/customers + **
	G5:	\$10,180.75	Govt > 100 employees/customers + **
Civic:			**= \$88.00 per jail/holding cell
	V1:	\$287.15	Religious
	V2:	\$717.88	Organizations

Town Council has the final decision on setting, amending, adjusting and abating any and all fees listed or not listed, as needed. The following definitions should be used to determine which classification all customers would fall within. If the Council feels a customer does not fall within any listed classification, they may determine a rate for that particular customer. This rate schedule supersedes all previous schedules and should be reviewed and if applicable adjusted annually.

#### **Rate Classification Definitions**

- R1 Single family home, each duplex or apartment unit attached or non-attached at the same location are a combined total.
- R2 Same as R1 with a business operated out of the same location attached or non-attached.
- R3 Residential unit with a business such as a child daycare facility, beauty salon, green house or any other business considered high water usage.
- C1 A commercial entity without any public facilities available and is used by employees only; facilities such as a service office or retail.

- C2 A commercial entity with public facilities available for use on a minimal basis or a commercial entity with no public facilities available but has high usage; facilities such as service stations, car washes, funereal homes, and any other facilities meeting the above criteria.
- C3 Same as C2 but have been identified as unique commercial entities with public facilities available with major high usage; facilities such as restaurants and bars)
- C4 Hospitals, boarding homes, nursing homes have been designated as a unique commercial entity with less than or equal to 50 employees/customers or combination thereof.
- C5 Same as C4 with more than 50 employees/customers or combination thereof.
- I1 An industrial entity with less than or equal to 25 employees.
- 12 Same as I1 but with less than or equal to 50 employees.
- 13 Same as I1 but with more than 50 employees.
- **G1** A federal, state or local government entity with less than or equal to 10 employees or customers housed on a regular basis within that facility.
- **G2-** A federal, state or local government entity with less than or equal to 25 employees or customers housed on a regular basis within that facility.
- G2 Same as G1 but with less than or equal to 50 employees/customers.
- G3 Same as G1 but with less than or equal to 100 employees/customers.
- G4 Same as G1 but with more than 100 employees/customers.
- V1 Religious organizations such as churches or rectories.
- V2 Organizations include profit or non-profit clubs or civic organizations.

Percy "Butch" Berube

Donald Dumond

#### **Delinquent Wastewater Listing as of 05/15/207**

\*\*\* amounts include principal, interest & costs\*\*\*

	r			Interest & co		00404	00444	00454
l		2nd Qtr	2010 to	2011 to	2012 to	2013 to	2014 to	2015 to
Acct #	20.000.000	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
	Adams, Stacy							\$ 359.01
	Beaudoin, Andrea H							\$ 150.53
316	Bellamy, Mitchell G							\$ 199.73
195	Caron, Lance							\$ 345.08
	Chasse, Gerald J							\$ 359.01
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	Clavette, Renald			i				\$ 663.71
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124	Clingan, Daniel							\$ 358.80
187	Coelho, Suresh							\$ 359.01
799	Cormier,Harold Jr					·		\$ 378.42
	De Wachter, Lisa M			ĺ				\$ 360.03
	Defosse, Michelle	1			-			\$ 359.01
	Forrest, Christine	<del>                                     </del>		·				\$ 169.39
	Fowler, Kimberly S	<del>  "</del>						\$ 359.01
	Gagnon, Armance B	<u> </u>		<del> </del>				\$ 365.48
	Gagnon, Eric	<u> </u>		1				\$ 262.83
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	Gagnon, Michael L	<del> </del>						
	Gagnon's Hardware & Furniture, INC	<del> </del>		ļ				\$ 625.86
	Garcia, Michael							\$ 652.63
	Ginvburg, Sergei							\$ 66.57
634	Kennedy, Heidi						\$ 358.36	\$ 359.01
403	Lapointe, Kevin							\$ 365.48
432	Levesque, Alyre Jr.							\$ 359.01
	Levesque, Marlene							\$ 365.48
	Michaud, Wade							\$ 924.40
	Montgomery, Robert A							\$ 359.01
	Nationstar Mortgage	<del>                                     </del>			<del>                                     </del>			\$ 370.83
	Northern Girl, LLC	<del>                                     </del>			<del>                                     </del>			\$ 370.44
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	Pelletier, Roland Jr (B)	\$ 144.43	\$ 419.70	\$ 402.81	\$ 337.13	\$ 319.63	\$ 405.59	\$ 371.95
	Rockhold, Kimberly O	<b>}</b>			ļ			\$ 1,131.19
	Rockhold, Kimberly O	ļ						\$ 371.95
	Rockhold, Kimberly O							\$ 378.42
	Roy, Gilman Sr							\$ 336.33
729	Ruest, Marcel J							\$ 384.89
	Schultz. Jacqueline							\$ 657.53
	Searles, Rose Marie							\$ 104.02
	St Pierre, Kevin	1						\$ 352.08
	Statewide Housing Solutions, LLC	<del> </del>						\$ 365.48
	Valley Carpentry, LLC	<del>  -</del>					-	\$ 358.85
	Van Buren Hydroponics, LLC	<del>                                     </del>						
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	Totals	<b>\$ 144.43</b>	\$ 419.70	\$ 402.81	\$ 337.13	\$ 319.63	\$ 763.95	\$ 26,128.48

#### Van Buren Ambulance Department 51 Main Street, Suite 101 Van Buren, Maine 04785



207-868-2251 / FAX: 207-868-2222



To the Citizens of Van Buren:

Van Buren Ambulance Service had 871 calls for service for the calendar year ending 12/31/2016. This is nearly 100 calls more than we saw for the 2015 calendar year. Through the third week of May 2017, we have already responded to 332 calls for service — a bit below where we were at this time last year. This data for can be found at <a href="https://www.memsrr.org">www.memsrr.org</a> by clicking on the map on the right hand side and searching for Van Buren. The 2016 transport totals are broken down as follows:

Location	Number of runs
Cyr Plantation	8
Grand Isle	40
Hamlin	20
Long Distance Transfers (Bangor, etc.,)	13
Long Lake	6
Van Buren	681
Other (Transfers to Borderview, etc)	103

On April 25, we took delivery of our new ambulance. It is a new 2015 Chevrolet chassis that was remounted on the box from our 2009 Wheeled Coach ambulance. The work for this ambulance was completed locally by Autotronics in Frenchville. Pictures of this project may be seen on both the Autotronics and Van Buren Ambulance Service facebook pages. This is the second ambulance that we have remounted, which resulted in a cost savings to the department of about \$100,000.00 instead of purchasing an entirely new ambulance.

Currently we have 6 full-time EMT's on staff which consists of 2 Paramedics, 2 AEMT's, and 2 EMT's. Within the next few months, we have two employees who have completed the course requirements to advance their license level which will mean we will have 3 Paramedics on staff full time. Congratulations to Crystal Michaud for graduating from the Paramedic program at Northern Maine Community College. Crystal originally took the EMT course that was offered in 2015 in Van Buren and has been a full-time employee since January 2016.

Van Buren Ambulance Service has been working with MSAD #24 to offer an EMT program through the Vocational Center to our students here locally. This will be a unique opportunity that will allow students the opportunity to complete both the EMT and AEMT course within the school year. Whether they would plan on continuing on through EMS as a career or as a stepping stone to continue in other areas of the medical field, it will give students a chance to obtain skills that they will be able to utilize beyond their high school years. This program is anticipated to start with the 2017 – 2018 school year. For more information please contact the MSAD #24 guidance office. We are also looking at the feasibility of offering another EMT course in the Van Buren area. If you are interested, please contact me for more information.

I want to take this time to thank the citizens of Van Buren, Grand Isle, Hamlin and Cyr Plantation for their continued support as well as the Town Manager and other officials from all of these communities. Without your support, we would not be able to provide the services we have been. I am looking forward to working with everyone in the upcoming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter LaPlante, EMT-P Ambulance Director



#### **Proven Expertise and Integrity**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Town Council Town of Van Buren Van Buren, Maine

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Van Buren, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Van Buren, Maine'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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Van Buren, Maine as of June 30, 2016, 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, budgetary comparison information and pension information on pages 4 through 11 and 49 through 52 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 Van Buren, Maine's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Departmental Operations — General Fund, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and capital asset schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Departmental Operations – General Fund, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and capital asset schedules 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 Schedule of Departmental Operations – General Fund, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and capital asset schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 5, 2016, on our consideration of the Town of Van Buren, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Town of Van Buren, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Buxton, Maine

December 5, 2016

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#### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Budgeted Amounts					Actual		Variance Positive
		Original	_	Final	Amounts		(Negative)	
Budgetary Fund Balance, July 1 Resources (Inflows): Taxes:	\$	575,695	\$	575,695	\$	575,695	\$	-
Property Taxes		1,499,574		1,499,574		1,538,627		39,053
Excise Taxes		346,500		346,500		362,314		15,814
Intergovernmental Revenues:						•		•
State Revenue Sharing		158,628		158,628		169,543		10,915
Homestead Reimbursement		73,935		73,935		60,063		(13,872)
Local Road Assistance		32,000		32,000		31,156		(844)
Other		18,864		18,864		21,209		2,345
Interest Income		4,409		4,409		6,205		1,796
Interest on Taxes/Lien Costs		21,500		21,500		29,041		7,541
Charges for Services		294,444		294,936		263,094		(31,842)
Miscellaneous Revenues.		31,322		31,322		42,464		11,142
Transfers from Other Funds		3,600		3,600		63,776		60,176
Amounts Available for Appropriation		3,060 <u>,</u> 471		3,060,963		3,163,187		102,224
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):								
General Government		609,038	1	609,038		584,531		24,507
Public Safety		484,534		487,610		484,183		3,427
Public Works		475,901		475,901		457,299		18,602
Education		525,076		525,076		525,076		-
County Tax		70,637		70,637		70,637		-
Recreation and Culture		40,486		40,486		24,507		15,979
Health and Welfare		16,220		16,220		14,867		1,353
Economic and Community Development		6,000		6,000		5,665		335
Library		49,913		49,913		49,216		697
Streets		47,467		173,320		167,836		5,484
Unclassified		43,219		43,219		26,737		16,482
Transfers to Other Funds		116,285		116,285		174,120		(57,835)
Total Charges to Appropriations		2,484,776		2,613,705		<u>2,584,674</u>		29,031
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	\$	575,695	\$	447,258	_\$_	578,513	\$	131,255
Utilization of Assigned Fund Balance	\$	-	\$	125,853	\$	-	\$	(125,853)
Utilization of Restricted Fund Balance				2,584		_		(2,584)
	\$	<del></del>	\$	128,437	_\$_		\$	(128,437)

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

#### BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2016

	General Revolving G Fund Loan Fund		Go	Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable (net of	\$	1,319,035 357,758	\$ 243,342 -	\$	109,240 79,561	\$	1,671,617 437,319
allowance for uncollectibles): Taxes Liens Other		163,954 50,079 8,667	- - -		- - -		163,954 50,079 8,667
Tax acquired property Loans receivable Due from other funds TOTAL ASSETS	-\$	23,585 - 40,794 1,963,872	 280,474 - 523,816		556,072 744,873		23,585 280,474 596,866 3,232,561
LIABILITIES Accounts payable Other liabilities	\$	228,135 10,002	\$ -	\$	-	\$	228,135
Due to other funds TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	953,901 1,192,038	 40,483 40,483		311 311		10,002 994,695 1,232,832
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Prepaid taxes Deferred tax revenue TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF		11,352 181,969	 - -		<u>-</u>		11,352 181,969
RESOURCES FUND BALANCES		193,321	 		<del></del> .	<del></del> -	193,321
Nonspendable Restricted Committed Assigned		23,585 2,830 - -	483,333 - -		- 224,500 507,333 13,040		23,585 710,663 507,333 13,040
Unassigned TOTAL FUND BALANCES		552,098 578,513	 483,333		(311) 744,562		551,787 1,806,408
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	1,963,872	\$ 523,816	\$	744,873	\$	3,232,561

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### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

		General Fund	Revolvir Loan Fui	_	Go	Other vernmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
REVENUES								
Taxes: Property taxes Excise taxes	\$	1,538,627 362,314	\$	- -	\$	-	\$	1,538,627 362,314
Intergovernmental revenues	•	281,971		-		-		281,971
Charges for services		263,094		-		<b>-</b>		263,094
Miscellaneous revenues TOTAL REVENUES	_	77,710	9,95			105,887		<u>193,548</u>
TOTAL REVENUES		2,523,716	9,95	1 .		105,887		2,639,554
EXPENDITURES Current:								
General government		584,531		-		_		584,531
Public safety		484,183		-		_		484,183
Public works		457,299		-		-		457,299
Education		525,076		-		-		525,076
County tax		70,637		-		-		70,637
Recreation and culture Health and welfare		24,507		-		-		24,507
Economic and community		14,867		-		-		14,867
development		5,665		-		-		5,665
Library		49,216		-		-		49,216
Unclassified		26,737	92,78	3		83,461		202,981
Capital outlay		<del>-</del>				216,339		216,339
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		2,410,554	92,78	<u>3                                    </u>		299,800		2,803,137
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER								
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		113,162	(82,83	<u>2)</u> _		(193,913)		(163,583)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		63,776		-		174,120		237,896
Transfers (out)		(174,120)				(63,776)		(237,896)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		(110,344)			_	110,344		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		2,818	(82,832	2)		(83,569)		(163,583)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1		575,695	566,165	•		828,131		1,969,991
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$	578,513	\$ 483,333	3_ 3	\$	744,562	\$	1,806,408

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# SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

General Government		Original Budget		Budget Adjustments		Final Budget		Actual		Variance Positive (Negative)
General Government - General government	€	609,038	<del>co</del>	ı	<del>6</del>	609,038	↔	584,531	<del>6</del>	
		609,038				609,038		584,531	-	
Public Safety -										
Animal control		•		3,076		3,076		246		
Folice department		204,388				204.388		199 406		
		81,963		,		81,963		78.998		
The exhibusiner		700		•		700		417		
Hydrant rentals		154,785		ı		154,785		163.224		
Sueeriignts		42,698		r		42,698		41.892		
		484,534		3,076		487,610		484,183		
Public Works -						ĺ				İ
Highway department		273,527		1		273,527		259,371		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		202,3/4				202,374		197,928		
		4/5,901		1		475,901		457,299		П
Education		525,076		1		525,076		525,076		
County Tax		70,637		1		70,637		70,637		

# SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

# SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

Library		Economic development	Economic and Community Development -		AXX on Aging	3027 3027		Catholic Observes	General assistance	Health and Welfare -		Recreation and Culture - Recreation department	
49,913	6,000	6,000		16,220	3,915	435	3,500	2,370	6,000		40,486	40,486	Original Budget
  -				 		ı	•	1	•		-		Budget Adjustments
49,913	6,000	6,000		16,220	3,915	435	3,500	2,370	6,000		40,486	40,486	Final Budget
49,216	5,665	5,665		14,867	3,915	435	3,500	2,370	4,647		24,507	24,507	Actual
697	335	335		1,353		•		•	1,353		15,979	15,979	Variance Positive (Negative)

# SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

Total Departmental Operations	Transfers to Other Funds - Capital projects funds	Unclassified - Recognition night Van Buren Cove lease Memorial Day NMDC Boat landing St. John Valley Soil & Water Maine Acadian Heritage Council VB Chamber of Commerce Northern Maine Veterans Cemetery Miscellaneous Special funds Overlay	Streets - Resurfacing
\$ 2,484,776 \$	116,285 116,285	1,500 375 500 3,169 1,000 651 200 12,500 1,500 1,500 800 20,924 43,219	Original Budget 47,467 47,467
128,929 \$			Budget Adjustments 125,853 125,853
2,613,705 \$	116,285 116,285	1,500 375 500 3,169 1,000 651 200 12,500 100 1,500 800 20,924 43,219	Final Budget 173,320 173,320
2,584,674 \$	174,120 174,120	1,517 395 500 3,169 500 651 200 12,500 100 1,480 800 4,925 26,737	Actual 167,836 167,836
29,031	(57,835) (57,835)	(17) (20) 500 - - - 20 - 15,999 16,482	Variance Positive (Negative) 5,484 5,484

### TOWN OF VAN BUREN, MAINE

### COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2016

		Special Revenue Funds		Capital Projects Funds	P	ermanent Funds		tal Nonmajor overnmental Funds
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	52,172	\$	-	\$	57,068	\$	109,240
Due from other funds		40.000				79,561		79,561
TOTAL ASSETS	_	42,989	_	507,333		5,750		556,072
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	95,161	_\$	507,333	<u>\$</u>	142,379	\$	<u>744,873</u>
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	_	\$		\$		æ	•
Due to other funds	Ψ	311	Ψ	-	Φ	-	\$	244
TOTAL LIABILITIES		311				<del></del>		311
		- 311		<del></del> _				311
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable		-		_		_		_
Restricted		82,121		_		142,379		224,500
Committed		_		507,333		-,-,-		507,333
Assigned		13,040		· <u>-</u>		_		13,040
Unassigned		(311)		_		_		(311)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		94,850		507,333		142,379		744,562
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EURO								
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BALANCES	<u>\$</u>	95,161	<u>\$</u>	507,333	<u>\$</u>	142,379	<u>\$</u>	744,873

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

# TOWN OF VAN BUREN, MAINE

# COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permane Funds	Total Nonmajor nt Governmental Funds
REVENUES Investment income, net of unrealized				
gains/(losses)	\$ 54	\$ -	\$ 1,44	7 \$ 1.501
Other	98,916	Ψ	φ 1,44 5,47	,
TOTAL REVENUES	98,970		6,91	
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	_	216,339		- 216,339
Other	81,831		1,630	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	81,831	216,339	1,630	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	17,139	(216,339)	5,287	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers (out) TOTAL OTHER FINANCING	- (63,776)	174,120		174,120 (63,776)
SOURCES (USES)	(63,776)	174,120		110,344
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(46,637)	(42,219)	5,287	(83,569)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	141,487	549,552	137,092	828,131
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 94,850	\$ 507,333	\$ 142,379	\$ 744,562

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

# Delinquent Real Estate Tax Listing as of May 15, 2017 \*\*\* Amounts Include Principal, Interest & Costs \*\*\*

Acct #	Customer	2013	2014	2015	2016
4	Adams, Stacy				\$1,107.68
545	Bellamy, Judy, John & Mitchell				\$454.04
349	Caron, Lance				\$500.00
166	Caron, Louis Jr & Shirley				\$1,502.09
167	Caron, Louis Jr & Shirley				\$260.85
168	Caron, Louis Jr & Shirley				\$475.46
175	Caron, Rudolph & Claire				\$1,407.06
202	Chasse, Gerald & Mary Ann				\$1,621.00
1297	Chasse, Gerald & Mary Ann				\$1,473.09
207	Chasse, Gerald & Mary Ann			-	\$1,133.79
211	Chasse, Gerald & Mary Ann		<del></del>		\$1,191.79
225	Clavette, Renald				\$1,789.88
913	Clavette, Rita				\$1,186.65
914	Clavette, Rita				\$902.44
915	Clavette, Rita				\$203.51
916	Clavette, Rita & Renald			-	\$1,523.06
917	Clavette, Rita & Renald				\$893.75
919	Clavette, Rita	-			\$1,076.45
931	Clavette, Rita				\$1,217.89
933	Clavette, Rita	-			\$397.83
934	Clavette, Rita		-		\$119.41
935	Clavette, Rita				\$960.44
936	Clavette, Rita				\$899.54
1296	Clavette, Rita & Renald				\$1,084.48
330	Coelho, Suresh				\$803.16
1136	Cormier, Harold Jr.				\$115.85
1137	Cormier, Harold Jr.				\$1,060.39
283	Cyr, Gary K				\$1,093.18
305	Cyr, Gary K				\$394.26
379	Doucette, Kenneth R JR				\$1,010.42
519	Gagnon Armance B				\$898.06
521	Gagnon, Eric				\$167.20
516	Gagnon's Hardware & Furniture				\$4,347.12
522	Garcia, Michael & Desplaines, Michael				\$444.23
525	Gauvin, Cyr C/O Andrea Beaudoin				\$73.02
1062	Kennedy, Heidi M.				\$144.35
1070	Kennedy, Heidi M.				\$1,713.07
1132	Lapointe, Kelly				\$237.65
630	Lapointe, Kevin & Tina				\$168.09
696	Lapointe, Kevin & Tina				\$3,956.36
387	Lapointe, Kevin & Tina				\$321.95
717	Learnard, Robert C & Della M				\$101.34
758	Levesque, Marlene				\$226.05
759	Levesque, Marlene				\$1,377.39
764	Levesque, Ned & Patricia				\$355.07
767	Levesque Reno, R & Mona				\$2,221.33
586	Linet, Scott				\$990.67

# Delinquent Real Estate Tax Listing as of May 15, 2017 \*\*\* Amounts Include Principal, Interest & Costs \*\*\*

Acct#	Customer	2013	2014	2015	2016
884	Michaud, Armand J				\$139.71
901	Michaud, Lyn R & Karla C				\$2,508.44
949	Montgomery, Gail				\$980.07
958	Moore, Alexander C/O Lucy Edwards				\$585.65
961	Morin, Gerard J				\$634.96
968	Morin, John P				\$748.07
490	Northern Girl, LLC				\$740.04
1457	Northern Maine Paving, Inc.			.,-	\$765.46
1547	Northern Maine Paving, Inc.				\$1,415.09
1039	Ouellette, Charles G & Velma A				\$1,002.30
546	Ouellette, Jerry L				\$1,046.79
1139	Pelletier, Roland JR. & Helen	\$502.40	\$445.84	\$505.76	\$479.03
1167	Pitre, Sandra	-	·		\$749.80
120	Rioux, Guildo & Johnna				\$263.75
1431	Rioux, Guildo & Johnna				\$2,493.94
1189	Rioux, Guildo S				\$600.15
1195	Rockhold, Kim; Desjardins, Daniel				\$2,550.37
261	Rockhold, Kimberly; Desjardins, Daniel J				\$817.67
1223	Roy, Medley C/O Tina Roy-Ayotte	_	\$1,325.35	\$1,667.56	\$1,716.70
1237	Ruest, Marcel & Nancy		_		\$1,243.77
1262	Sirois, Gregory				\$1,343.26
228	SRD Rentals (Aroostook Hospitality)				\$6,103.87
1369	St. Pierre, Kevin M; Levasseur, Wanda L				\$1,718.72
1317	Stamant, Clarence				\$814.76
1339	Soon Partners, LLC				\$544.03
760	Valley Carpentry LLC				\$1,826.92
1201	Vaughan, Wayne F. & Jeanita D.				\$690.27
1394	Violette, Brian & Gretchen				\$499.73
744	WJV Holdings, LLC				\$933.67
	TOTALS:	\$2,515.40	\$3,785.19	\$4,188.32	\$81,559.38

# Delinquent Personal Property Tax Listing as of May 15, 2017 \*\*\* Amounts Include Principal, Interest & Costs \*\*\*

Acet#	Customer	2007   2			2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
233	A E Cyr Inc.				No. Le TIMENT CALLET NO COLLEGE COLLEG	Tribulation of the control of the co	No. of General Particles and Control of Cont	A COLON MAN IN THE PROPERTY OF	\$700.57	\$6.609\$	Control and Contro
109	Bechard's Diner										\$380.26
275	Bresett Berries									\$183.63	
18	Catalina Marketing Corporation										\$10.70
204	Chasse, Gerald & Mary Anne									\$76.44	\$84.10
194	Clavette, Renald (Rental)					\$663.40			:		
184	Cormier's Autobody		-		\$22.41	\$22.43	\$31.78	\$30.61	\$32.70	\$28.14	\$32.11
216	Damberger, Ronald & Cheryl										\$11.61
224	Fern's Tool Rental						\$1,075.99			-	\$70.71
206	Terry Helms (Rental)										\$6.33
75	Klassy Kuts										\$15.52
214	Lajoie, Kenneth R (Rentals)										\$11.61
218	Lajoie Property Maintenance							\$345.08	\$340.84	\$271.39	\$290.42
87	Learnard, Annette				\$3.58						
92	Levesque Auto Body								\$79.09	\$72.35	\$83.56
110	Michaud, Rita (Rentals)										\$138.77
236	Northern Girl, LLC										\$1,010.69
234	Northern Maine Paving										\$19.10
246	Ouellet, Joseph Don								\$6.14		
150	Rioux C & D Management, Inc.	\$6,790.91	\$6,936.54	\$6,356.83	\$5,633.87	\$5,639.34	\$3,897.03	\$1,285.42			\$72.64
152	R M Lawn Care							\$459.81	\$581.98	\$503.28	\$566.39
153	Robin's Restaurant										\$372.81
203	RPJ Valley Apartments (Rental)							\$6.19	\$6.45	\$5.44	\$6.33
208	Searles, Rose Marie (Rental)										\$12.12
189	Signs & Graphics								\$547.60		
222	SRD Rentals									\$141.37	\$164.24
166	Sure Winner Foods										\$21.41
186	Talk of the Town								\$109.95	\$94.86	
226	T-Quip Sales & Rentals (Deleted)							\$4,615.69	\$4,412.45		
177	Vaillancourt Chiropractic										\$105.56
201	Valley Carpentry LLC							\$435.06	\$423.14	\$333.24	\$350.56

Delinquent Personal Property Tax Listing as of May 15, 2017
\*\*\* Amounts Include Principal, Interest & Costs \*\*\*

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# Proposed CIP Expenditures for 2017-2018 Budget Year

General Government Funds Available		\$281,353.00
Equipment	Department	Est. Cost
Matching money for Federal Grant	Fire Dept	\$9,000.00
Two snow truck bodies, won't pass inspection	Highway	\$50,000.00
Door Access Security	Gen Gov	\$5,000.00
Total Spending Requested		\$64,000.00
Ambulance Funds Available		\$77,453.00
Equipment		Est. Cost
2 Laptops for Ambulances		\$7,200.00
Total Spending Requested		\$7,200.00
Wastewater Funds Available		\$716,917.00
Equipment		Est. Cost
Backhoe		\$105,800.00
Total Spending Requested		\$105,800.00

Note: Funds Available <u>does not</u> include 2017-18 budget request.

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Town Government Revenues' Summary

•	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	-
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
Gen Gov Revenues	2,148,668	2,302,838	2,144,865	2,273,744	1,957,049	316,695
Police Dept Revenues	470	320	875	625	625	0
Fire Dept Revenues	39,858	43,202	42,275	43,501	43,501	0
Highway Dept Revenues	46,700	47,109	48,100	47,100	47,100	Q
Recycling Revenues	184,598	177,108	197,200	197,200	197,200	0
Rec Dept Revenues	5,097	4,710	4,700	4,900	4,900	0
Library Dept Revenues	550	450	600	450	450	0
Misc & Unclass Revenues	5,706	3,510	3,450	3,500	3,500	0
Total Appro	2,431,647	2,579,247	2,442,065	2,571,020	2,254,325	316,695

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Town Government Expenses' Summary

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
Gen Gov Expenses	616,517	634,717	674,971	716,611	575,000	141,611
Police Dept Expenses	212,179	199,405	204,101	209,743	150,000	59,743
Fire Dept Expenses	83,127	78,999	81,651	82,641	75,000	7,641
Highway Dept Expenses	289,491	259,371	280,777	282,650	250,000	32,650
Recycling Expenses	178,492	197,928	188,554	188,550	150,000	38,550
Rec Dept Expenses	42,203	24,507	40,475	48,371	30,000	18,371
Library Dept Expenses	47,216	49,215	49,898	50,557	35,000	15,557
Eco Development Expense	23,666	5,665	6,000	11,500	11,500	0
Misc & Unclass Expenses	242,414	394,709	259,041	315,844	315,844	0
Subtotal	1,735,305	1,844,516	1,785,468	1,906,467	1,592,344	314,123
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MSAD#24	473,928	505,044	568,712	572,793	572,793	<u> </u>
County Tax	70,550	69,781	75,090	77,321	77,321	0
Total Appro	2,279,783	2,419,341	2,429,270	2,556,581	2,242,458	314,123

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - General Government Revenues

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0001 Taxes	1,412,715	1,538,120	1,449,313	1,490,018	1,207,429	282,589
0002 Supplemental		507				0
0050 Plumbing Permits	1,193	0	500	500	500	0
0055 Planning Board Ad	250	64	200	200	200	0
0075 BETE Reimb	8,797	10,965	19,512	21,231	17,204	4,027
0100 Town Clerk Research		0	200	200	200	0
0104 Fines/Bldg Permits	11	0	100	100	100	0
0105 CEO Permits	525	1,204	750	600	600	0
0106 CEO Misc Rev	124	0	50	50	50	0
0110 Town Clerk Fee	5,708	6,151	5,700	5,700	5,700	0
0115 Tree Growth	1,586	1,760	1,775	1,775	1,775	0
0120 Permit - Garage Sales	282	300	300	300	300	0
0125 Vets Exempt	2,827	2,455	3,000	3,000	3,000	0
0135 State Rev Sharing	153,224	169,543	145,350	165,000	165,000	0
0140 MV Reg Fees	7,197	7,084	7,000	7,100	7,100	0
0150 Lien Costs	10,285	10,982	6,500	7,500	7,500	0
0175 Fax Services	192	244	250	250	250	0
0180 Photocopy Service	185	78	250	150	150	0
0185 Assessor Copies	5	7	0	0	0	0
0190 Deling Tax Interest	15,828	18,059	13,000	15,000	15,000	0
0210 Rental Income	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	0
0220 Land Sale	1,488	4,177	4,000	4,000	4,000	0
0310 Vehicle Excise	343,091	360,353	335,000	350,000	350,000	0
0315 Boat Excise	1,857	1,971	1,500	2,000	2,000	0
0400 Unemp Comp		0	2,000	0	0	0
0425 Surplus Sale	•••••	0	2,500	0	0	0
0550 NSF Fees	70	95	100	100	100	0
0610 Snowmobile	867	2,519	900	800	800	0
1000 GG Misc Rev	3,951	68,985	2,500	2,500	2,500	0
1100 Payroll Reimb	16,572	22,572	22,572	22,572	22,572	0
	5,849	5,825	1,100	5,800	5,800	0
1110 Interest Check	268	355	1,200	300	300	0
1111 Interest CIP	204	0	500	0	*************	0
1120 Homestead Exempt	72,743	60,063	108,843	158,598	128,519	30,079
1200 Over/Short	(26)		0	0	0	0
1300 Surplus Undesignated	57,400		•••••			0
1400 Carry Forward	15,000		0	0	0	0
Gen Gov Rev	2,148,668	2,302,838	2,144,865	2,273,744	1,957,049	316,695

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - General Government Expenses

2017 2010 11	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0001 Twn Council	1,900	1,720	4,000	4,000	-	
0002 Twn Manager	60,562	62,575	64,000	60,000	-	
0005 Director Pay	33,188	34,737	36,500	39,000	-	
0007 FT Staff Pay	21,856	32,590	29,335	34,320	-	
0008 PT Staff Pay	17,805	16,234	10,308	26,707	-	
0011 Town Clerk	3,931	3,967	4,000	4,000	-	
0013 Assessor	33,735	38,041	40,714	41,324	-	
0023 Janitor/Maint	7,504	6,928	6,000	6,000	-	
0025 Safety Risk	740	500	750	750	-	
0051 Town Council Exp	260	190	200	200	-	
0052 Town Mgr Exp	6,029	5,312	4,500	4,500	-	
0054 Staff Exp	2,019	1,128	1,500	1,500	-	
0055 Clerk Exp	703	724	750	750	-	***************************************
0057 Election Exp	2,025	1,144	2,000	2,000	-	***************************************
0058 Voter Reg Exp	0	82	100	100	-	
0084 Janitor Supplies	1,165	1,339	1,000	1,000	-	***************************************
0085 Misc Exp	108	249	200	200	-	***************************************
0101 Bldg Exp	2,492	2,471	2,500	2,500	_	••••••
0121 Dues/Fees/Licenses	7,704	4,831	5,400	5,400	-	***************************************
0122 HW/SW Maint	10,081	9,793	10,000	10,800	-	
0124 Security Contract	678	263	750	750	_	***************************************
0240 CEO/LPI Pay	13,112	7,168	7,404	7,404	_	***************************************
0251 Office Supplies	6,395	5,966	6,000	6,000	-	
0252 Print & Publ	1,377	1,176	3,500	3,500	-	***************************************
0254 Postage	5,295	5,451	5,500	5,500	-	***************************************
0258 Office Equip	530	0	500	500	-	***************************************
1023 Lien Costs	6,048	4,891	2,500	2,500	_	***************************************
1201 Legal Services	5,352	0	3,500	2,500	-	***************************************
1204 Audit	6,900	7,775	7,500	7,500	-	***************************************
1205 Dispatch	5,986	9,538	7,620	9,995	-	***************************************
1277 GG MMBB Pmt	51,718	51,706	49,689	51,700	-	•••••
1302 Telephone	8,044	7,106	7,200	7,200	-	•
1304 Cell Phone	1,756	2,796	2,792	2,792	-	••••
1306 Electricity	11,004	11,362	13,000	13,000	-	
1308 Heat	50,494	24,871	43,000	43,000	-	•••••
1310 Heat Sys Maint	2,060	2,014	2,000	2,000	-	•••••••••••
1320 Water	2,757	2,971	3,340	3,340	_ `	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
1330 Property/Pub Ins	46,294	48,750	51,454	52,226	_	***************************************
1340 Medical Ins	61,844	73,131	75,571	89,300	_	***************************************
1350 Unemp Comp	8,572	11,109	11,517	11,690	-	***************************************
1360 Workers Comp	27,517	28,791	35,957	37,395	-	***************************************
1370 Medicare / SS	9,792	8,217	8,440	8,512	-	•••••
1380 M.S.R.S.	18,738	44,439	51,700	52,476	-	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
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# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - General Government Expenses

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
1381 MPERS Ret Ins	447	671	780	780	-	
1395 Cap Equip Reserve	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	-	
Gen Gov Exp	616,517	634,717	674,971	716,611	575,000	141,611

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Police Dept Revenues

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0840 Police Rpts	120	70	225	225	225	0
0845 Police Witness	350	250	650	400	400	0
Police Dept Rev	470	320	875	625	625	0

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Police Dept Expenses

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0004 Chief Pay	50,053	56,233	54,810	55,632	-	
0007 FT Staff Pay	86,585	85,219	92,840	96,396	-	
0008 PT Staff Pay	25,411	16,961	20,841	20,841	-	
0026 Overtime	4,539	11,015	9,000	9,000	-	
0028 Standby Pay	3,486	5,114	4,800	6,000	-	
0054 Staff Exp	5,171	3,771	2,500	2,500	-	
0061 Equip/Pur/Maint	1,047	607	600	600	-	
0062 Veh Pur/Maint	20,961	11,240	10,000	10,000	_	
0063 Duty Gear	8,281	2,838	2,500	2,500	-	
0069 Prisoner Exp	1,604	1,564	1,200	1,200	-	***************************************
0079 Books/Periodicals	245	315	300	300	-	
0102 Physicals	0	345	225	225	-	
0103 Phys Incent	250	0	500	500	_	
0121 Dues/Fees/Licenses	270	135	250	250	-	•••••
1370 Medicare / SS	4,276	4,048	3,735	3,799	-	
Police Dept Exp	212,179	199,405	204,101	209,743	150,000	59,743

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Fire Dept Revenues

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0155 Fire Protection - Cyr	13,123	13,517	13,922	14,340	14,340	0
0400 Fire Protection - Cty	8,300	8,508	8,828	9,049	9,049	0
1000 FD-Misc Rev	30	2,220	0	0	0	0
1010 Fire Protection - Han	18,405	18,957	19,525	20,112	20,112	0
Fire Dept Rev	39,858	43,202	42,275	43,501	43,501	0

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Fire Dept Expenses

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0004 Chief Pay	14,840	14,780	15,137	15,137	-	
0016 Off Incent Pay	14,493	11,711	12,230	12,230	-	***************************************
0022 Volunteer Pay	30,767	28,315	28,500	28,500	-	
0054 Staff Train	800	950	1,000	1,000	-	
0061 Equip/Pur	5,893	6,756	6,500	7,500	-	
0062 Veh Pur/Maint	6,605	5,671	6,000	6,000	-	••••
0063 Duty Gear	3,031	2,767	3,500	3,500	-	••••
0064 Rescue	838	1,320	1,200	1,200	-	
0101 Bldg Exp	1,385	1,513	1,500	1,500	-	
0102 Physicals	230	521	1,000	1,000	-	
0121 Dues/Fees/Licenses	109	824	810	800	-	
1370 Medicare / SS	4,136	3,871	4,274	4,274	-	
Fire Dept Exp	83,127	78,999	81,651	82,641	75,000	7,641

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Highway Dept Revenues

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0165 Plowing	15,860	15,860	16,100	16,100	16,100	0
0325 Local Road URIP	30,840	31,156	32,000	31,000	31,000	0
0330 Misc		93				0
Highway Dent Rev	46,700	47,109	48,100	47,100	47,100	0

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Highway Dept Expenses

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0005 Director Pay	33,416	25,597	24,665	25,035		
0007 FT Staff Pay	122,328	111,463	130,334	132,289	-	
0010 Seasonal Staff	178	5,319	5,000	5,000	-	
0026 Overtime	9,687	3,151	11,500	10,000	-	
0028 Standby Pay	3,800	3,700	4,000	5,000	-	
0054 Staff Exp	221	1,014	1,000	1,000	-	
0061 Equip/Pur/Maint	5,996	2,590	2,500	2,500	-	
0062 Veh Pur/Maint	76,773	66,671	60,000	60,000	-	
0063 Duty Gear	2,510	2,191	1,600	1,600	-	
0066 Tools	2,086	1,063	1,000	1,000	-	
0067 Cold/Hot	6,561	2,095	5,000	4,000	-	
0070 Signs/Paint	2,828	1,176	1,500	1,500	-	
0072 Salt/Chloride	19,084	28,964	27,500	30,000	_	
0073 Culverts			0	0	-	
0101 Bldg Exp	1,463	523	1,500	1,000	-	

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Highway Dept Expenses

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0102 Physicals	0	25	300	300	-	/
0134 Manhole Cleaning	640	1,480	1,000	0	_	
1309 Propane	49	0			-	
1370 Medicare / SS	1,871	2,349	2,378	2,426	-	
Highway Dept Exp	289,491	259,371	280,777	282,650	250,000	32,650

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Recycling Dept Revenues

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0290 SW Private Haul	98,650	87,472	110,000	95,000	95,000	0
0305 Recycling Sales	10,695	9,744	13,000	13,000	13,000	0
0320 Landfill Fee	73,437	77,970	72,000	87,000	87,000	0
0410 Recycle Cty	1,816	1,922	2,200	2,200	2,200	0
1200 Recycle Over/Short			0	0	0	0
Recycling Rev	184,598	177,108	197,200	197,200	197,200	0

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Recycling Dept Expenses

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals v	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0005 Director Pay	30,203	30,379	31,195	31,663	-	
0006 Recycling Manager	0	5,355	5,481	5,563	-	
0008 PT Staff Pay	14,224	13,687	14,895	14,895	-	
0054 Staff Exp	0	500	500	500	-	
0061 Equip/Pur/Maint	2,532	2,269	2,500	2,200	-	
0062 Veh Pur/Maint	1,006	7,343	500	250	-	***************************************
0063 Duty Gear	244	200	400	400	-	***************************************
0120 SW Hauler	40,536	44,127	42,000	42,000	-	***************************************
0121 Dues/Fees/Licenses	63,700	67,801	65,000	65,000	_	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
1275 Univ Waste	375	560	500	500	-	***************************************
1276 Recycl MMBB	24,157	24,154	23,912	23,900	-	,
1370 Medicare / SS	1,515	1,553	1,671	1,679	-	
Recycling Exp	178,492	197,928	188,554	188,550	150,000	38,550

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Recreation Dept Revenues

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0615 Concessions	3,746	3,107	3,500	3,600	3,600	0
0620 Skating Fee	1,166	1,171	1,200	1,200	1,200	0
1000 Rec Misc Revenue	185	432	0_	100	100	0
Rec Dent Rev	5,097	4,710	4,700	4,900	4,900	0

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Recreation Dept Expenses

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0005 Director Pay	24,081	8,557	28,000	31,465	-	
0010 Seasonal Staff	8,178	7,529	4,500	8,500	-	
0062 Veh Pur/Maint	1,417	0	0	0	-	
0075 Rec/Sports	3,434	4,195	4,000	4,000	-	
0076 Concession	3,295	2,405	2,500	2,500	-	
0085 Misc Exp	244	137	225	300	-	
0101 Bldg Exp	500	501	500	500	_	
0104 Rink Repair			0	0	-	
1370 Medicare / SS	1,054	1,183	750	1,106	=	
Rec Dept Exp	42,203	24,507	40,475	48,371	30,000	18,371

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Library Revenues

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0710 Library Hamlin	350	450	350	350	350	0
0711 Library Cyr	200		250	100	100	0
Library Dept Rev	550	450	600	450	450	0

2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Library Expenses

2017	2010 110pt	JUCA I O WI	Daagee	Brora, Br	Person	
	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0005 Director Pay	30,884	32,085	32,341	32,826	-	***************************************
0008 PT Staff Pay	8,790	10,281	10,300	10,455	-	
0054 Staff Exp	466	35	500	500	-	
0079 Books/Periodicals	4,091	4,576	4,000	4,000	-	
0084 Janitor Supplies	51		0	0	-	
0101 Bldg Exp	1,845	996	1,500	1,500	-	
1370 Medicare / SS	1,089	1,242	1,257	1,276		
Library Dept Exp	47,216	49,215	49,898	50,557	35,000	15,557

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Economic Development Expenses

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0005 Director Pay	18,707	0	0	10,000	10,000	0
0054 Staff Exp	2,219	5,256	4,500	0	0	0
0136 Grant Assist	600	0	0	0	0	0
0140 Internet	139	0	0	0	0	0
0142 Downtown	742	409	500	500	500	0
1204 Audit	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
1370 Medicare	259	0	0	0	0	0
Eco Development Exp	23,666	5,665	6,000	11,500	11,500	0

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Miscellaneous Revenues

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0010 GA Reimb	5,706	3,510	3,450	3,500	3,500	0
MISC & Unclass Rev	5,706	3,510	3,450	3,500	3,500	0

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Miscellaneous Expenses

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	T) i ee
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0065 Town Cemetery	5,300	0	0	0	0	0
0143 Emp Recog	1,757	1,517	1,500	1,500	1,500	0
01/18 Special Fund	800	ያሰበ	800	800	800	0
1207 Hydrant Pmts	153,493	163,224		175,399	175,399	0
1208 Street Light	37,918	41,892	43,979	44,859	44,859	0
1226 Resurf/Repair	0	150,333	0	55,000	55,000	0
1228 Gen Assist	8,835	4,647	6,000	6,000	6,000	0
1234 Shelter - Homeless		2,370	3,257	3,257	3,257	0
1236 Fire Exting	543	417	700	700	700	0
1238 VB Cove Lease	0	395	375	375	375	0
	500	500	500	500	500	0
1254 NMDC	3,177	3,169	3,156	3,140	3,140-	0
1257 St John S&W	0	651	0	0	0	0
1258 Boat Landing	263	500	1,000	500	500	0
1260 MF Heritage	200	200	200	200	200	0
1261 VB Chamber	12,500	12,500	12,500	6,000	6,000	0
TV Station & IT		***************************************		6,500	6,500	0
1263 Red Cross	***************************************		0	0	0	0
1264 ME Vet Cemetery	100	100	100	100	100	0
1266 A.C.A.P	435	435	435	435	435	0
1267 Catholic Charities	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0
1270 Agency Aging	3,915	3,915	3,915	3,915	3,915	0
1280 Misc Exp	640	1,480	3,000	1,000	1,000	0

# 2017-2018 Proposed Town Budget - Miscellaneous Expenses

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
1396 Lv Accrual Reserve	2,712	2,164	2,164	2,164	2,164	0
1510 World Acad Congres	3,333	0	0	0	0	0
1370 Medicare	123	0	0	0	0_	0
MISC & UNCLA Exp	242,414	394,709	259,041	315,844	315,844	0

# 2017-2018 Town Budget - MSAD#24 & County Tax Expenses

ACCOUNT 1230 MSAD #24 Educ	2014-2015 Actuals 473,928	2015-2016 Actuals 505,044	2016-2017 Budget 568,712	2017-2018 Council 566,518	2017-2018 Committee 566,518	Difference ()
Funds Owed -2018-2022	0	0	0	6,275	6,275	0
MSAD#24	473,928	505,044	568,712	572,793	572,793	0
1232 County Taxes	70,550	69,781	75,090	77,321	77,321	0
County Taxes	70,550	69,781	75,090	77,321	77,321	0
Town Gov Tot Revenues	2,431,647	2,579,247	2,442,065	2,571,020	2,254,325	316,695
<b>Town Gov Tot Expenses</b>	2,279,783	2,419,341	2,442,020	2,556,581	2,242,458	314,123

2017-2018 Proposed Wastewater Dept Budget - Revenues

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	75.100
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0100 Ant. WW Rev	382,398	384,205	382,398	388,002	388,002	0
0220 Land Sale	1,609	0	0	0	0	0
0600 Certified Mail	0	2,309	0	0	0	0
1000 WW Int	1,500	6,654	1,500	1,500	1,500	0
1100 WW Lien Cost	3,000		3,000	5,000	5,000	0
1105 Interest Surplus	0		250	250	250	0
1110 Checking Interest	50		600	600	600	0
1111 Interest CIP	3,179	1,932	600	600	600	0
1400 Sewer Line Misc	109		600	600	600	0
Wastewater Rev	391,845	395,100	388,948	396,552	396,552	0

2017-2018 Proposed Wastewater Dept Budget - Expenses 2017-2018 2017-2018 2014-2015 2015-2016 2016-2017 Budget Council Committee Difference Actuals Actuals **ACCOUNT** 25,034 0 0005 Director Pay 47,561 24,879 24,665 25,034 ..<u>.</u>. 0007 FT Staff Pay 27,370 28,367 28,000 30,420 30,420 0 14,600 14,600 0009 Reimb To GG 11,600 14,600 14,600 0 2,000 0026 Overtime 3,453 1,206 1,200 2,000 0 0054 Staff Exp 620 550 700 700 700 5,000 5,000 5,000 5,043 0061 Equip/Pur/Maint 3,017 2,000 0 4,928 2,307 2,000 2,000 0062 Veh Pur/Maint 0 800 514 800 800 0063 Duty Gear 325 150 10 150 150 0102 Physicals 0 0 5,500 5,500 5,500 0105 Lab Supplies 3,277 3,452 8,716 10,600 10,600 10,600 0106 Poly/Lime/Hypo 13,055 0 2,024 1,989 2,250 2,250 2,250 0121 Dues/Fees/Licenses 0 300 300 0122 HW/SW Maint 13 17 300 0 200 92 200 200 0251 Office Supplies 301 0 349 400 400 400 0 0252 Print & Publ 0 2,423 2,521 2,500 2,500 2,500 0254 Postage .<u>..</u>. 10,000 10,000 7,443 9,086 10,000 1010 Sewer Line 0 2,500 2,500 2,500 1020 Sludge Maint 1,549 743 3,000 3,000 3,000 3,116 1023 Lien Costs 3,439 0 1,000 1,000 1,000 1201 Legal Services 0 1,013 0 0 1,200 1,200 1204 Audit 1,200 1,200 0 1278 WW MMBB Pmt 50,491 50,480 49,974 50,469 50,469 0 16,045 16,045 16,045 1279 USDA Loan Repaym 0 0 0 900 900 900 780 563 1302 Telephone 852 900 900 0 1304 Cell Phone 830 830 50,000 50,000 50,000 0 46,611 59,618 1306 Electricity 5,102 0 16,500 16,500 16,500 1308 Heat 15,044 2,000 2,000 2,000 1310 Heat Sys Maint 107 2,222

2017-2018 Proposed Wastewater Dept Budget - Expenses

ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
1312 Diesel/Propane	505	274	1,500	1,500	1,500	0
1320 Water	722	1,211	1,132	1,100	1,100	0
1330 Property/Pub Ins	4,247	4,217	4,593	4,662	4,662	0
1340 Medical Ins	7,000	7,543	7,708	7,708	7,708	0
1350 Unemp Comp	1,043	1,351	1,401	1,400	1,400	0
1360 Workers Comp	3,430	4,369	4,373	4,548	4,548	0
1370 Medicare / SS	1,078	803	781	833	833	0
1380 M.S.R.S.	3,098	4,467	4,963	4,963	4,963	0
1390 Ins Deduct	0	0	1,000	0	0	0
1395 Cap Equip Reserve	104,200	127,285	103,061	100,000	100,000	0
4105 Abatements	6,318	4,965	5,000	5,000	5,000	0
Wastewater Exp	378,251	384,721	388,348	388,682	388,682	0
WW TOTAL REV	391,845	395,100	388,948	396,552	396,552	0
WW TOTAL EXP	378,251	384,721	388,348	388,682	388,682	0

2017-2018 Proposed	Ambulance l	Dept B	udget - I	Revenues
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ACCOUNT	2014-2015 Actuals	2015-2016 Actuals	2016-2017 Budget	2017-2018 Council	2017-2018 Committee	Difference
0150 Grand Isle Contract	14,522	14,812	14,812	15,035	15,035	0
0151 Cyr Plan Contract	3,281	0	2,360	2,360	2,360	0
0152 Hamlin Contract	7,203	7,348	7,348	7,348	7,348	0
0200 Run Billings	519,697	541,606	512,001	580,000	580,000	. 0
0225 Amb Edu Rev	••••••		0	0	0	0
0401 County Contract	3,215	3,279	3,345	3,345	3,345	0
1105 Interest Surplus		0	0	0	0	0
1109 Misc Rev	33	209	0	0	0	0
1110 Checking Interest	41	1	350	500	500	0
1111 Int CIP	1,716	1,661	250	300	300	0
1112 Contractual Adj	(53,409)	(61,501)	(50,000)	(65,000)	(65,000)	0
1113 Write Offs	(26,149)	(31,777)				0
Ambulance Rev	470,150	475,638	490,466	543,888	543,888	

# 2017-2018 Proposed Ambulance Dept Budget - Expenses

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	Difference
0005 Director Pay	58,310	60,905	59,846	60,743	60,743	0
0007 FT Staff Pay	70,838	77,481	115,183	120,000	120,000	0
0008 PT Staff Pay	56,294	54,399	31,475	36,000	36,000	0
0009 Reimb To GG	4,972	7,972	7,972	7,972	7,972	0
0012 Billing Clerk	13,243	15,711	16,800	16,800	16,800	0
0026 Overtime	20,273	38,960	43,000	60,100	60,100	0
0028 Standby Pay	9,258	13,646	30,000	34,225	34,225	0
0029 Meal Reimb	211	201	200	200	200	0
0054 Staff Exp	3,219	5,370	6,000	3,500	3,500	0
0061 Equip/Pur/Maint	3,841	2,527	3,500	3,500	3,500	0
0062 Veh Pur/Maint	20,687	25,790	25,000	20,000	20,000	0
0063 Duty Gear	17,284	20,127	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
0077 Patient Transfer	4,920	4,428	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
0078 Rent Expence	8,400	7,800	7,800	7,800	7,800	0
0082 Laundry	417	574	500	750	750	0
0085 Misc Exp	80	224	1,000	750	750	0
0101 Bldg Exp	2,051	1,840	1,500	1,500	1,500	0
0102 Physicals	55	40	200	200	200	0
0121 Dues/Fees/Licenses	937	1,087	1,000	1,250	1,250	0
0122 HW/SW Maint	750	195	200	200	200	0
0131 Medicare Overpay	392	696	0	0	0	0
0146 Union Neg			0	0	0	0
0252 Print & Publ	60	200	200	200	200	0
0254 Postage		6	0	0	0	0
1201 Legal Services			0	0	0	0

2017-2018 Proposed Ambulance Dept Budget - Expenses

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	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2017-2018	
ACCOUNT	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Council	Committee	
1204 Audit	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	0
1205 Dispatch	5,086	8,639	7,620	9,995	9,995	0
1302 Telephone	917	1,765	2,000	1,800	1,800	0
1304 Cell Phone	846	786	852	852	852	0
1306 Electricity	1,255	1,182	1,200	1,200	1,200	0
1308 Heat	4,207	1,738	3,260	6,000	6,000	0
1310 Heat Sys Maint	61	403	200	200	200	0
1320 Water	339	341	392	350	350	0
1330 Property/Pub Ins	7,885	7,832	7,832	7,949	7,949	0
1340 Medical Ins	17,364	16,384	38,542	41,626	41,626	0
1350 Unemp Comp	1,969	2,552	2,646	2,752	2,752	0
1360 Workers Comp	6,478	8,041	8,260	8,591	8,591	0
1370 Medicare / SS	6,598	8,163	6,004	7,464	7,464	0
1380 M.S.R.S.	5,663	18,000	18,481	18,758	18,758	0
1390 Ins Deduct			0	0	0	0
1395 Cap Equip Reserve	1,642	18,000	18,800	18,000	18,000	0
AMB Exp	358,002	435,205	490,665	524,427	524,427	0
AMB TOTAL REV	470,150	475,638	490,466	543,888	543,888	
AMB TOTAL EXP	358,002	435,205	490,665	524,427	524,427	0

# ANNUAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF VAN BUREN, MAINE

June 13-14, 2017

### COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK, SS. VAN BUREN, MAINE

TO: Michael Bresett II, a constable of the Town of Van Buren, in the County of Aroostook, State of Maine.

### **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Voters of the Town of Van Buren in said County, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the Community Center at 130 Champlain Street in said Town on Tuesday, the 13th day of June, A.D., 2017 at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on Articles 1-2.

And to notify and warn said Voters to assemble at the M.S.A.D. #24 High School Auditorium in said Town on Wednesday, the 14th day of June, A.D. 2015 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the Articles 3-31, to-wit:

### TOWN MEETING SCHEDULE

### ~~~TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017, 8:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. ~~~

The polls for balloting on Elective Town Offices will be open at the Community Center at 130 Champlain Street at 8:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M.

### ~~~WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017, 7:00 P.M.~~~

All other business under this Warrant will be conducted upon the opening of the Business Meeting, to be held at the M.S.A.D. #24 High School Auditorium, beginning at 7:00 P.M.

# ANNUAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 13, 2017 - 8:00 AM

### ARTICLE 1

To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

### ARTICLE 2

To elect by secret ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year:

- One position for Town Clerk for a term of one year
- One position for Town Council for a term of three years
- One position for Van Buren Water District Trustee for a term of three years
- One position for Van Buren Light & Power District Trustee for a term of three years
- Two directors of M.S.A.D. #24 for a term of three years
- Two positions for Budget Committee for a term of one year

### <u>ANNUAL TOWN MEETING</u> <u>JUNE 14, 2017 - 7:00 PM</u>

### <u>ARTICLE 3</u>

Elect a moderator if one has not already been elected.

### ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to appoint all other necessary officers not elected by ballot for the ensuing year.

Council Recommends: YES

**Budget Recommends: YES** 

### ARTICLE 5

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for General Government.

**2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 674,971** 

Council Recommends \$ 716,611 **Budget Recommends** \$ 575,000

2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 204,101	Council Recommends \$ 209,743	Budget Recommends \$ 150,000
	<u>ARTICLE 7</u>	
To see what sum of money the Town w.  2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 81,651	ill vote to raise and/or appropria <u>Council Recommends</u> \$ 82,641	te for Fire Department.  Budget Recommends \$ 75,000
To see what sum of money the Town w  2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 280,777	ARTICLE 8 ill vote to raise and/or appropria Council Recommends \$ 282,650	te for <b>Highway Department</b> .  Budget Recommends \$ 250,000
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To see what sum of money the Town w  2016/2017 Appropriations \$188,554	ARTICLE 9  ill vote to raise and/or appropria  Council Recommends \$ 188,550	ate for Recycling Center.  Budget Recommends \$ 150,000

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for **Abel J. Morneault Memorial Library**.

**2016/2017 Appropriations** \$ 49,898

Council Recommends \$ 50,557 **Budget Recommends** \$ 35,000

### ARTICLE 12

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Economic Development.

**2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 6,000** 

Council Recommends \$ 11,500 Budget Recommends \$ 11.500

### **ARTICLE 13**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Miscellaneous & Unclassified Accounts.

**2016/2017 Appropriations** \$ 259,041

Council Recommends \$ 315,844 Budget Recommends \$ 315,844

### ARTICLE 14

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for MSAD #24.

**2016/2017 Appropriations** \$ 568,712

Council Recommends \$ 572,793

Budget Recommends \$ 572,793

### **ARTICLE 15**

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for County Taxes.

2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 75,090 Council Recommends \$ 77,321

Budget Recommends \$ 77,321

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Wastewater Department. **Budget Recommends** Council Recommends 2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 388,682 \$ 388,682 \$ 388,348

### ARTICLE 17

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Ambulance Department.

2016/2017 Appropriations \$ 490,666

Council Recommends \$ 524,427

**Budget Recommends** \$ 524,427

### ARTICLE 18

To see if the Voters of the Town of Van Buren will authorize the Council to use Overlay for Abatements.

Council Recommends: Yes Budget Recommends: Yes

### ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town vote to accept any and all funds as provided by the Maine State Legislature and to use the revenues to reduce the 2017/2018 Tax Commitment:

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

### ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will accept prepayment of taxes prior to the date of commitment to Tax Collector.

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

### ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Town to pay three (3%) percent on any overpayment of taxes. Payable from the date of such overpayment through the date on which a refund shall be issued. (Three percent is the minimum amount of interest permitted by Statute.)

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to bring writs of entry of recovery of such parcels of land as have been acquired by the Town by reason of non-payment of taxes/liens for which the time of redemption has expired.

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

### ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will fix a date when taxes for the year 2017/2018 shall be due and payable and to see what action the Town will vote to take with respect to interest on unpaid taxes.

RECOMMENDATION is that taxes shall be due and payable upon presentation of tax bills. Interest at the rate of 7% per annum shall accrue on all taxes not paid within 60 days after the date of the first billing and also with respect to all taxes not paid within 60 days after January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

### ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council, on behalf of the Town, to sell or lease or otherwise dispose of real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes/liens thereon, such sale or lease to be on such terms as they may deem advisable. This includes the authorization to the Town Council to issue Quit-Claim Deeds in connection with the sale of any such property.

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

### ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to dispose of Town-owned personal property under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable and to apply the proceeds from any such sales towards the Anticipated Revenues.

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

Shall the Town vote to accept grant funds from such Community Development Block Grant Applications, Rural Development Applications, Federal Emergency Management Agency Applications, and Department of Environmental Protection Applications as may be submitted and approved by the different departments, and to accept grant funds from such other and further agencies or entities for which the submittal of grant applications has been approved by the municipal officers of this Town. If so approved, the municipal officers shall be authorized to make such assurances, assume such responsibilities and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such program(s). Type of grants, but not limited to, are: Public Infrastructure, Housing Assistance, Planning, Emergency Needs, Business Assistance, Development, Economic Development, Rural Development, FEMA and DEP.

Council Recommends: Yes Budget Recommends: Yes

### ARTICLE 27

To see if the Voters of the Town of Van Buren will authorize the Town Council to use Surplus Funds to match Federal Emergency Management Funds (FEMA) and State of Maine Funds for damages caused by future natural disasters if needed.

Council Recommends: Yes Budget Recommends: Yes

### ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will authorize the General Government Department up to \$5,000 to replace the security access system in the Town Office building from the General Government Capital Improvement Fund.

Council Recommends: Yes Budget Recommends: Yes

### ARTICLE 29

To see if the Town will authorize the Fire Department up to \$9,000 as a match to a Federal Grant from the General Government Capital Improvement Fund.

Council Recommends: Yes Budget Recommends: Yes

To see if the Town will authorize the Highway Department up to \$50,000 to purchase two snow true	٤k
chassis from the General Government Capital Improvement Fund.	

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

### ARTICLE 31

To see if the Town will authorize the Wastewater Department up to \$105,800 to purchase a new backhoe from the Wastewater Capital Improvement  $\bar{\mathrm{F}}\mathrm{und}.$ 

Council Recommends: Yes Budget Recommends: Yes

### ARTICLE 32

To see if the Town will authorize the Ambulance Department up to \$7,200 to purchase two laptops, one for each ambulance, from the Ambulance Capital Improvement Fund.

Council Recommends: Yes

**Budget Recommends: Yes** 

### ARTICLE 33

To see if the Town will vote to exceed the Property Tax Levy Limit. (Written ballot required.)

Council Recommends: No

**Budget Recommends: No** 

### ARTICLE 34

Adjournment

Approved and signed on this the 23th day of May, 2017.

Jimmy Don Madore, Chair

Percy Berube

Don Dumond

Paul Nadeau, Secretary

Greg Carbonneau