

Town of Farmington

The Teague WWI Memorial Arch



Photos courtesy of the Farmington Area Garden Club

Annual Town Report 2022

FARMINGTON, MAINE

ANNUAL REPORT



FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING

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MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

Municipal Building Address:

153 Farmington Falls Road, Farmington, Maine 04938

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

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

Website: www.farmington-maine.org

Recycling Facility/Transfer Station Hours:

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

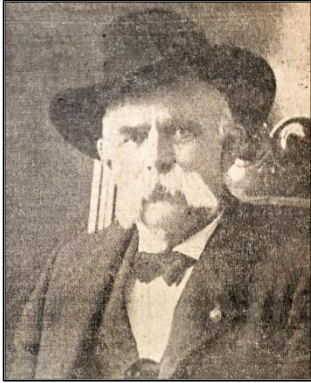
Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

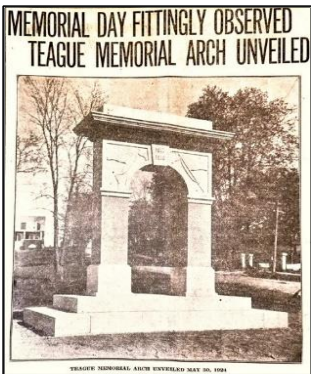
ALL EMERGENCY CALLS	9-1-1
POLICE (ALL OTHER BUSINESS)	778-6311
POLICE (IF NO ANSWER)	778-2680
FIRE (ALL OTHER BUSINESS)	778-3235
TTY-TDD (EMERGENCY CALLS)	9-1-1
FRANKLIN CTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR	778-5892
TOWN MANAGER	778-6538
TREASURER/TOWN CLERK	778-6539
ASSESSOR	778-6530
VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS	778-6539
TAX/SEWER INQUIRIES	778-6539
CODE ENFORCEMENT	778-5874
RECYCLING FACILITY / TRANSFER STATION	778-3525
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR	778-2191
TOWN GARAGE	778-5875
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY	778-4712
PARKS & RECREATION	778-3464
TDD/TTY TELEPHONE (NON-EMERGENCY)	778-5873
PUBLIC LIBRARY	778-4312
FRANKLIN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	778-6031
FRANKLIN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER	778-2638
FARMINGTON WATER COMPANY	778-4777
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	491-1412

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

History of the Teague WWI Memorial Arch



John M. Teague was born in 1846 in New Sharon and orphaned at the age of seven. In 1863, he abandoned his tannery apprenticeship to join the Civil War. Having no heirs, John and his wife Henrietta bequeathed their life savings to erect a monument to those from Franklin County who served in World War I, and the 19 soldiers who gave their lives.



The County Commissioners agreed to take on the monument and lot for the County in perpetuity. The bequest did not include land to place the monument, and from 1923 to 1924 the community made donations ranging from 50 cents to \$25 to acquire a portion of the original Belcher Homestead where the memorial stands today. The monument was erected by the Lewiston Monumental Works and the WWI Auxiliary. On Memorial Day in 1924, a formal unveiling was held to commemorate the monument, which included flags decorating

the town and monument, a processional down Main Street, a band, and several dignitaries spoke about John Teague and the lives lost in The Great War.

The Mt Blue Area Garden Club (MBAGC) members began maintaining the gardens in the park in 1969. Over the past two years, they have been raising awareness of the Arch and veterans, and requested funding from the Franklin County Commissioners for American Rescue Plan Act funds to renovate the Arch and park grounds. In April 2022, restoration was underway with removing the Norway Maple trees, cleaning the Arch, installing a flagpole, and creating a parking area, along with plans to install an interpretive sign that describes the monument's significance and history.

The MBAGC in conjunction with the Roderick-Crosby American Legion Post 28 are making plans for a rededication on the 100th anniversary of the Arch is being planned for Memorial Day 2024.

Courtesy of the MBAGC and Farmington Historical Society

DEDICATION

It is with great pleasure and gratitude that we dedicate the 2022 Annual Town Report to

Jane Elizabeth Woodman



A true Farmington daughter, Jane Woodman was born and raised here and grew up loving her community. She has been described as being the “image of community generosity.”

Jane graduated from Mt. Blue High School and received her degree in business administration from Thomas College. She took over as the business manager for the Farmington Water Department/Village Corporation beginning in 1982, and she continued to work there for 34 years until her retirement in 2016. Jane enjoyed giving talks and tours to children about the operation and the need to protect the town’s water quality and woodlands. She served on the Farmington Zoning Board and is a member of the Conservation Commission.

Jane is past treasurer of the Farmington Historical Society (FHS) and is currently president. She provides tours of the Titcomb House Museum and Octagon House, and she is active in fundraising with wreath and bake sales, the huge annual yard sale, and concerts at the North Church. Jane has been instrumental in writing grants that have resulted in funds being used to preserve and maintain the society's historic buildings – the Titcomb Museum, the North Church and Octagon House. On Fridays, she can be found at the Museum working with volunteers to catalog the Society's vast collection. Jane is also involved in honoring the legacy of Farmington's Suffragette activists which includes Isobell Greenwood and other reformers. They have marched in parades wearing period dress, and she gives talks to classes about the historic movement to get women the vote.

Jane is the longtime treasurer for the Bonney Woods Corporation (BWC), the State's oldest non-profit organization and oldest land trust in Maine. The BWC manages 188 acres of woodlands within walking distance of downtown, which includes Bonney Woods, Flint Woods, Horn Woods, and Village Woods. As one member said, “Her involvement has added value to whatever project the organization is working on.”

Her love of trees has extended to her own land, “Piney Acres”, a 65-acre tree farm she manages that is certified by the Maine Tree Farm Program. The certification requires a commitment to sustainable forestry, preserving watershed and healthy wildlife habitat, with the goal of leaving the land better for the next generation.

An avid skier, Jane learned to ski and later competed during her school years. She has taught countless children to ski at Titcomb Mountain and also at Sugarloaf Mountain.

One of her favorite activities is storytelling. Jane is involved with Western Maine Storytelling, a group of story lovers and story tellers who present oral history programs in Western Maine. Projects she has been involved with include storytelling programs at the West Farmington Grange, the Historical Society, and Mt. Blue TV. She helped organize a workshop for area historical societies on “Preserving Your Family History Through Storytelling.”. One fellow member praised her as “an asset to the community” and an “exemplary citizen of our town.”

Written by Betty Jespersen

Photos courtesy of the FHS, Conservation Commission, and Lewiston Sun Journal

IN MEMORIAM

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

Marion Stevens

07/07/1938 – 01/05/2022



Born in Phillips, Marion worked as a CNA and served on the Farmington Community Development Committee. She enjoyed many forms of crafts and handwork, and was known for her good wit and sense of humor.

Dorothy M. Jahoda

09/05/1946 – 02/19/2022



Dorothy “Dottie” was born in Dover, N.H. and attended Trinity College. She worked as a tissue/cell cultural technician in laboratories including the World Health Organization labs in Lausanne, Switzerland, and the Maine Public Health Laboratory. Dottie became an independent contractor doing indexing for medical book publishers, and she served on the Town’s Police Space Needs Committee. She adopted rescued Norwegian Elkhounds.

Marjorie A. Goodwin

06/13/1929 – 06/15/2022



Marjorie was born in Farmington and graduated from Farmington High School in 1947 and graduated from Westbrook Junior College in 1949. She worked in Portland until returning to Farmington in 1956 to work for the University of Maine Co-op Extension until her retirement in 1994. Marjorie served on the Farmington Appeals Board and Town Report Committee. She was a knowledgeable gardener, enjoyed her daily walk, and had a lifelong love for all animals.

Katherine Wyman**01/30/1942 – 08/23/2022**

Katherine “Katie” grew up near Porter Lake in New Vineyard. She worked the second shift at the local mill while attending Farmington High School full-time and graduated in 1961. Katie started as a teller for First National Bank and ending as a regional vice president for TD Bank, retiring after 40 years. She served on the MSAD 9 School Board, including several years as chairperson, and on the State of Maine Board of Education. Katie served on the Farmington Budget and Community Development Committees, Farmington Rotary Club, and many other organizations.

Brenda V. York**11/20/1939 – 12/15/2022**

Brenda was born in Farmington and graduated from Farmington High School in 1958. She was raised on the Voter Hill Farm, and when she married Bussie York in 1958, she moved to the Sandy River Farm and helped manage over 600 acres of farmland and raised dairy and beef cattle. Brenda was active in 4-H and served on the National Shorthorns Association Board for six years. She served on Farmington’s Zoning Board, Budget, and Comprehensive Plan Committees, and in 2008 the Annual Town Report was dedicated to both her and Bussie. Brenda loved traveling, and she had the opportunity to be a judge in several international shows including ones in Canada and Australia, a rarity for women at that time.

Norman Ferrari**07/07/1929 – 12/25/2022**

Norman was born in Farmington and graduated from Farmington High School in 1947. He then joined the U.S. Army, serving as Corporal and radio operator in Germany from 1951 to 1953. Norman worked with his family-owned Ferrari Brothers Clothing Store until 1980, and then the Farmington Water Department until 2016. He was a member of the American Legion and Knights of Columbus, and he served on the MSAD 9 Board. Norm wrote for major newspapers and magazines, he had a vast knowledge of Farmington’s rich history, and he attended and participated in any event important to his family.

Photos and sources courtesy of the Daily Bulldog and Trinity College

ELECTED OFFICIALS

SELECT BOARD

3 Year Term

Matthew Smith, Chairman	(March 2024)
Stephan Bunker, Vice Chairman	(March 2023)
Scott Landry	(March 2023)
Joshua Bell	(March 2025)
Byron Staples	(March 2025)
Michael Fogg (Term ended)	

RSU #9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS FARMINGTON MEMBERS

3 Year Term

Alexander Creznic	(July 2025)
Janice David	(July 2025)
Scott Erb	(July 2023)
Wayne Kinney	(July 2024)
Gloria McGraw	(July 2024)
Kirk Doyle (Term ended)	
Douglas Dunlap (Term ended)	

APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Board of Appeals

3 Year Term

Galen Dalrymple, Chairman	(June 2025)
Robert Yorks, Vice Chairman/Secretary	(June 2024)
John Clark	(June 2025)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2023)
Peter F. Tracy (Term ended)	
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate – 1 Year Term
(2) Seats Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

Board of Assessment Review

3 Year Term

Michael Moffett, Chairman	(June 2024)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2023)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2025)
Michael Otley	(June 2025)
Michael Deschenes (Term ended)	
Christian Waller, Secretary - Ex-Officio	
Regular – 3 Year Term (1) Seat Vacant	

Planning Board

3 Year Term

Lloyd W. Smith, Chairman	(June 2024)
Judith Murphy, Vice Chairman	(June 2024)
Craig Jordan	(June 2024)
Clayton King, Jr.	(June 2024)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2025)
Michael Otley	(June 2025)
Jeffrey Wright	(June 2023)
Alternate - 1 Year Term	
Michael MacNeil	(June 2023)
Troy Luther	(June 2023)

Zoning Board

3 Year Term

Paul Mills, Chairman	(June 2023)
Terry Bell, Vice Chairman/Secretary	(June 2025)
John Moore	(June 2024)
Kyle Terrio	(June 2024)
Kelly Kading (Term ended)	
Jane Woodman (Term ended)	
Alternate - 1 Year Term	
David Ballard	(June 2023)
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate - 1 Year Term
(1) Seat Vacant	(1) Seat Vacant

Revolving Loan Board

Joshua Bell (Appointed 01/26/22)	Byron Davis
Stephan Bunker	John Moore
Alvin Da Costa (Resigned 4/12/22)	
Ex-Officio	
Christian Waller	Steve Kaiser

2022 Budget Committee

3 Year Term

S. Clyde Ross, Chairman	(June 2025)
Lloyd W. Smith, Vice Chairman	(June 2023)
Ed David	(June 2025)
Michael Guerrette	(June 2024)
Betty Jespersen	(June 2025)
Wayne Kinney	(June 2025)
Michael MacNeil	(June 2023)
Judith Murphy	(June 2023)
Peter F. Tracy	(June 2024)
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate – 1 Year Term
(2) Seats Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

Conservation Commission

3 Year Term

William Haslam, Chairman	(June 2023)
Patty Cormier	(June 2025)
Byron Davis	(June 2023)
Sally Speich	(June 2024)
Peter F. Tracy	(June 2025)
Jane Woodman	(June 2025)
Robert Zundel	(June 2024)
Associate – 1 Year Term – Unlimited Vacancy	
Tom Bissell	Alexandra Makris
John Clark	James D. Shaffer
Troy Luther	Matthew Smith
Eric Whitney	

Downtown TIF Advisory Committee

Byron Davis, Chairman
Joshua Bell
Jennifer Bjorn
Laurie Gardner

Derek Hayes
Paul Mills
John Moore
Pete Roberts

Christian Waller

Odor Panel

Kate Foster
Adrian Harris
Betty Jespersen

Steve Kaiser
Scott Landry
Judith Murphy

Parking Ordinance Committee

Ken Charles
Byron Davis
Tim D. Hardy
Philip Hutchins

Paul Mills
John Moore
Pamela Poisson

Christian Waller, Ex-Officio

Recreation Committee

3 Year Term

Tom Bissell
Sheryl Farnum
Katie Fournier
Troy Luther
Kim Richards (Term ended)

(June 2025)
(June 2024)
(June 2023)
(June 2025)

(1) Seat Vacant

Recycling Committee

Stephan Bunker
Christian Waller
Cindy Gelinas

Andrew Hufnagel
Philip Hutchins
Dennis Pike

Safety Committee

Matthew Foster, Chairman
Tim D. Hardy, Vice Chairman
Cindy Gelinias, Secretary
Scott Baxter
Ken Charles
Shane Cote
Christian Waller

Leanne Dickey
Timothy A. Hardy
Philip Hutchins
James Kiernan
Steve Millett
S. Clyde Ross

Select Board

Town Report Committee

Cindy Gelinias
Betty Jespersen
Wayne Kinney

Janet Paul
Linda Smith
Christian Waller

Alvin Da Costa (Resigned 04/16/22)

Farmington Transportation Advisory Committee

Ken Charles
Dennis O'Neil
Michael Otley

Dennis Pike
Lloyd W. Smith
Matthew Smith

Ex-Officio: Christian Waller and Philip Hutchins

Administration



L to R: Mavis Gensel, Ed Provencher, and Nancy Martin

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Town Manager Tax Collector Road Commissioner Public Access Officer	Christian Waller	778-6538
Town Clerk Treasurer Welfare / H.R. Director Registrar of Voters Assessing Clerk	Leanne E. Dickey / Susan H. Murphy	778-6539
Executive Assistant	Nancy Martin	778-6538
Accounts Clerk Deputy Town Clerk Deputy Welfare Director Deputy Treasurer	Bonnie A. Baker / Edward J. Provencher, Jr.	778-6539
Motor Vehicle Agent Sewer Department Clerk Welfare Director	Mavis A. Gensel	778-6539
Assessor	John E. O'Donnell, III / Allison A. Brochu	778-6530
Fire Chief Emergency Management Director	Timothy D. Hardy	778-3235
E-911 Addressing Officer	Terry S. Bell, Sr.	778-3235
Police Chief	Kenneth Charles	778-6311
Public Works Director	Philip C. Hutchins	778-2191
Director of Parks & Recreation	Matthew L. Foster	778-3464
Code Enforcement Officer	J. Stevens Kaiser	778-5874
Wastewater Superintendent	Stephen M. Millett	778-4712
Local Plumbing Inspector	Andrew Marble	779-4858

SELECT BOARD

To My Fellow Citizens:



I would like to begin with giving all employees and board/committee members a big thank you for all your dedication to the town this past year. While 2022 was challenging to say the least, the Board is very proud of the way every challenge was met and overcome with pride and professionalism.

We would like to thank Michael Fogg for his dedicated service of eight years to the town as a member of the Board. The Board welcomes Byron Staples as a new member who brings his budgeting background and property management experience.

After an extensive search, we were pleased to promote Interim Fire Chief Timothy D. Hardy to Fire Chief. The Board wishes Leanne Dickey, Bonnie Baker, Amanda Wheeler, and John O'Donnell success in their new endeavors. We welcome new Town Clerk Susan Murphy, Accounts Payable Edward Provencher, and Assessor Allison Brochu.

In 2022, we moved forward with allocating the majority of our American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to renovating the Community Center roof. We also moved forward with Phase II of the High Street project, which included installing paving, sidewalks, granite curbing, and decorative lighting. We hired five new police officers, and a new waste water operator.

As the Board looks at the coming year, some of the things we will be working on are the following: finish bringing the wage scale for our employees up to par with towns of similar size, updating the Town's capital outlay program, and getting back on schedule for our local road rehabilitation and maintenance plan. We will also be looking to replace the Community Center roof and installing an HVAC system.

I will close by saying how proud I am of all the citizens of Farmington for how we have all faced a very difficult year with patience and kindness. I am honored to continue to serve the citizens of Farmington and look forward to the up-coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Smith
Chairman

Revenue	2020		2021		2022	
	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual
Vehicle Excise	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 1,096,206	\$ 1,110,000	\$ 1,157,712	\$ 1,110,000	\$ 1,155,537
Watercraft Excise	\$ 4,750	\$ 4,491	\$ 4,500	\$ 5,165	\$ 4,500	\$ 5,759
Victualers, Liquor Licenses	\$ 1,250	\$ 2,347	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,260	\$ 1,250	\$ 598
Code Fees	\$ 10,000	\$ 49,378	\$ 45,000	\$ 51,997	\$ 45,000	\$ 34,920
State Revenue Sharing	\$ 663,000	\$ 938,523	\$ 973,000	\$ 1,356,786	\$ 1,411,960	\$ 1,723,917
State Welfare Reimbursement	\$ 8,000	\$ 3,646	\$ 6,500	\$ 3,045	\$ 6,500	\$ 5,871
State Tree Growth	\$ 20,000	\$ 27,949	\$ 23,000	\$ 111,952	\$ 23,000	\$ 33,243
State Veterans Exemption	\$ 6,700	\$ 6,655	\$ 6,600	\$ 7,077	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,568
Motor Vehicle Fees (Town)	\$ 20,000	\$ 28,630	\$ 24,000	\$ 32,087	\$ 28,000	\$ 31,271
Vital Statistics (Town)	\$ 17,500	\$ 15,743	\$ 16,000	\$ 18,803	\$ 17,000	\$ 18,317
Hunting, Fishing, RV Dogs (Town)	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,487	\$ 2,383	\$ 2,261	\$ 2,300	\$ 1,554
Interest on Taxes	\$ 60,000	\$ 64,544	\$ 62,000	\$ 53,016	\$ 50,000	\$ 59,880
Tax Lien Fees	\$ 11,000	\$ 11,395	\$ 11,000	\$ 11,142	\$ 11,000	\$ 8,966
Recreation Fees	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,304	\$ 12,000	\$ 25,911	\$ 20,000	\$ 34,029
Rental of Town Property	\$ 1,000	\$ 650	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,670	\$ 2,000	\$ 5,950
Contributions in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 14,000	\$ 13,436	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,745	\$ 13,500	\$ -
Miscellaneous - Police Dept	\$ 10,000	\$ 13,632	\$ 12,000	\$ 14,325	\$ 13,000	\$ 14,568
Miscellaneous - Other	\$ 7,000	\$ 10,100	\$ 8,500	\$ 38,710	\$ 10,000	\$ 27,071
Recycling	\$ 31,500	\$ 52,829	\$ 40,000	\$ 75,310	\$ 60,000	\$ 69,499
Cemetery Fees	\$ 14,500	\$ 15,690	\$ 15,500	\$ 16,310	\$ 3,900	\$ 3,050
Cemetery Trust Fund Transfer	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -
Local Road Assistance Program	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 154,827	\$ 167,208	\$ 155,000	\$ 166,272
General Fund Non-Tax Revenues*	\$ 2,120,200	\$ 2,476,635	\$ 2,557,710	\$ 3,181,492	\$ 3,009,910	\$ 3,406,840

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

REAL ESTATE TAXES RECEIVABLE 2022

127 ORCHARD STREET, LLC	3,799.80	CASCADE MHP, LLC	525.60
136 BOX SHOP, LLC	3,159.00	CASCADE MHP, LLC	669.60
489 FARMINGTON FALLS, LLC	7,900.20	CASELLO, JACQUELINE	2,388.60
ABBOTT, PAMELA J. & BARRY, ERIC S.	339.30	CHANDLER, JOEL A. & REBECCA J.	3,777.30
ADAMS, ANTHONY & GRISWOLD, PAMELA	436.61	* CHAPMAN IRREVOCABLE TRUST	1,584.06
ADAMS, REBEKAH J., ET AL	800.00	CHAPMAN, BONNIE, LIFE ESTATE	1,623.20
AISHTON, RICHARD W. & PATRICIA K.	1,691.10	CHAPMAN, BONNIE J.	3,859.20
* AISHTON, RICHARD W. & PATRICIA K.	234.00	CHAPMAN, BONNIE J.	3,614.03
ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	216.00	CHASE, SCOTT	2,383.20
** ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	320.40	CHC TMC FARMINGTON, LLC	243.12
ALLEN, CHELSEA & MEGHAN E.	2,383.72	CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	1,031.40
ALLEN, MEGHAN & CHELSEA	3,715.20	CHRETIEN, MICHAEL S.	582.30
** AMES, EDWARD T.	283.03	CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	237.60
ANDERSON EQUIPMENT, CO.	995.40	CLARK, ROY H.	145.69
ANDERSON EQUIPMENT, CO.	2,172.60	CLARY, MATTHEW	1,181.70
ANGELAKIS, JACOB E.	255.60	COLLINS, JAMIE E. & THEODORE R.	1,536.30
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A., HEIRS OF	395.49	COOLIDGE, MARVIN K. & LUCILLE	4,230.00
ATWOOD, WENDY L.	794.70	COOLIDGE, MARVIN K. & LUCILLE	2,185.98
AYER, KAREN B.	622.50	COOLIDGE, MARVIN K. & LUCILLE	2,299.10
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	541.80	** CORDNER, PETER K.	1.78
BANKS, JAMES & BEAUMONT, SCOTT	3,375.00	COUSINEAU, INC.	725.40
BARD, CHRIS	120.60	COUSINEAU, INC.	359.56
BARD, CHRIS	59.40	COUSINEAU, INC.	269.42
BARD, CHRISTOPHER J.	1,516.50	COUSINEAU, INC.	312.70
BARTON, FREDERICK & HOLT, MATILDA	222.28	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	579.51
BARTON, FREDERICK	32.40	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	309.09
BARTON, FREDERICK	959.40	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	146.83
BARTON, FREDERICK	180.00	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	253.20
BASS-WILSON PROPERTIES	1,974.27	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	350.56
BATES, BRIAN T.	737.10	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	179.28
** BEEDY, JEFFREY PRATT	579.60	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	2,239.20
BEEDY, JEFFREY PRATT	3,747.42	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	5,013.00
BELL, JENNIFER, JORDAN, LUKE	407.30	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	5,812.62
** BENTLEY, KELLY M.	684.70	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	7,794.00
BERNIER, ROBERT	184.56	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	2,233.80
BERRY, MARK W.	343.80	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	1,791.00
BESSEY, JAMES D. & LAURA C.	237.60	CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,200.60
BESSEY, JAMES D	246.60	CURRIER, LAURA A.	1,698.30
BESSEY, JAMES D. & LAURA C.	390.60	** CURRIER, LAURA A. & CASSIE	297.00
BOLDUC, AMANDA J.	450.00	CURRIER, LAURA A.	916.20
BOURGAULT, SHIRLEY HILL	531.64	D & JM PROPERTIES, LLC	6,364.80
BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	35.63	DAKU, GINGER A., PERS. REP.	595.80
BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	1,251.90	DAKU, BENJAMIN R.	2,306.19
BRACKETT, PENNY A.	781.20	DAKU, GINGER	190.80
BRETON, BLAINE L. & NIKKI L.	9.90	DAKU, JACOB G. & GINGER A.	30.60
** BRINKMAN, CHRIS D. & DEBORAH A.	8.10	DAKU, JACOB G. & GINGER A.	131.40
BROWN, LISA M.	1,184.40	DALRYMPLE, DENIS E. & SARAH H.	1,908.90
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,553.40	DAVIS, JAMES R. & AMANDA	2,689.20
BRYANT, NANCY R.	90.00	DEAD RIVER COMPANY, LLC	3,900.60
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,146.60	DEXTER, CHARLIE G.	1,684.80
BRYANT, NANCY R.	171.00	DISTEFANO, MICHAEL P.	1,836.00
BUCKLAND, ANDREW R.	1,000.00	DOIRON, MICHAEL & ENGBERG, DEEDRA	1,091.70
* CALLAHAN, JOHN MICHAEL	788.42	DONOVAN, PHILIP & MICHALAKI, BARBARA	844.20
CAPE LAWSON TRUST	115.20	DORR, IRVING G. & JOY B.	1,253.70
CASCADE MHP, LLC	921.60	DOUGLAS, JOAN	435.60
CASCADE MHP, LLC	520.20	DOUGLAS, JOAN	1,296.00
CASCADE MHP, LLC	819.00	DRACH, MARY ANN GST EXEMPT FAM TRUST	2,788.20
CASCADE MHP, LLC	698.40	DUBAY, JR., DANIEL	1,548.00

** DUCHESNE, DUSTIN C. & FLORET C.	1,126.80	HOWARD, STUART	1,609.20
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	292.50	HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	1,991.70
DUNN, BRIAN D.	578.70	** HOYT, KAY	833.40
DUNN, LATARA L.	1,243.80	** HOYT, KAY A. & DAVID P.	480.60
DYAR, RODNEY	462.60	HUANG, XINXAI	438.96
DYER, ALLEN T. JUDITH C.	713.70	** HUBBARD, SETH M.	525.60
EGERS, KEVIN A.	680.40	** HUBBARD, SETH M.	482.40
EUBANK, POPPY JOY & JOHN R.	1,713.57	* HUISH, WENDY A.	749.70
EVANS, BARRETT & JOY	284.29	** HUISH, WENDY A.	325.80
EVERETT, CHRISTOPHER J. & ALISA A.	259.30	HUNTER, JAMES N.	863.10
** EW INVESTMENTS, LLC	3,013.20	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	1,182.60
FARRINGTON, JANE & PARLIN, DAVID	601.20	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	10.80
FILAROSKA, JOSEPH M.	154.80	HUTCHINSON, CARL S.	121.50
FLYNN, KELLY J. & TUCCI, MICHAEL A.	2,109.60	** HUTCHINSON, PRISCILLA J.	105.30
FOSS, JAYME E.	264.60	HYDE, MARY A.	871.87
** FOURNIER, MARC	257.40	INDIGO PROPERTY CO., LLC	2,228.40
FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	382.50	JALBERT, CHERI B. & RONALD D.	958.15
FROST, KAITLIN E.	1,723.50	JANNETTI, ALEX T.	241.20
FUERSTENBERGER, JAMES & JENNIFER	271.80	JEANNETTE, CHRISTOPHER & BECKY	1,308.60
GAGE, NILES	270.00	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	202.62
GAGE, III, NILES H.	401.40	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	5.40
GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	339.30	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	5.40
GALLANT, BARRY & CAHALIN, TARA	1,346.40	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	5.40
GAY, TED F.	295.20	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	5.40
* GAY, TED F.	1,069.20	JONES, TODD WILL	1,337.40
GEORGIA BANKS, LLC	2,725.20	KASHKE TERRACES, LLC	306.00
GIUSTRA, MATTHEW R.	1,038.60	KEMP, MARK S. & KATHERINE A.	5,437.80
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,081.70	KEMP, PRISCILLA A.	3,516.30
GODDARD, BREANNA & LAVERS, MASON	2,176.20	KEMPTON, SETH J.	2,655.00
GOMES, ROGER	1,177.20	KEMPTON, SETH J.	500.40
GREENLEAF, REIGH M., DEVISEES OF	2.79	KENDALL, ISAAC J.	677.70
GREENMAN, MARY	570.60	KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	644.40
** GRIFFIN, BRIAN N. & SANDRA L.	1,831.50	KENNEDY, JR., ALTON & REBECCA	1,312.20
** GRIFFIN, BRIAN N. & SANDRA L.	118.80	KERR, ROBERT & KATHLEEN	3,900.60
** GRIFFIN, SANDRA L.	603.00	KIDDER, JEFFREY A. & KAREN E.	1,442.70
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	1,852.20	KILGANNON, NOLAN K. & ASHLEY J.	331.20
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	2,995.20	KILLGREN, KEVIN, DEVISEES OF	383.40
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	1,036.80	KING PINES, LLC	275.40
GRIMANIS, ROSE V.	1,046.70	KING, CHARLES B.	55.80
GUND, JOHN P.	3,517.20	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	1,262.70
HAINES, LINDA L. & STEPHEN L.	321.62	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	28.80
HARDY, IV, WILLIAM	1,193.80	KING, CHARLES B.	229.50
HART, ALAN P. & DULONG, HEIDI P.	1,916.10	** KING, JR., CLAYTON P. & JOYCE	1,514.50
HATCH, JR., ALAN B. & BRENDA A.	502.20	KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,551.60
HAYDEN, JOHN	604.80	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	253.80
HAYES, STEPHEN	1,474.50	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	232.20
HAYWOOD, ERIC J. & ERICA C.	392.40	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	54.00
HEATH, CHRIS D.	3,060.00	KOEHLING, JR., EMIL F. & MERTA M.	244.48
HELM, ADAM F. & ANDREA L.	95.40	KOHLLENBERGER, ALAN LEN	342.56
HENDERSON, NAOMI, ET AL	1,910.75	KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	940.50
HENDERSON, NAOMI R.	793.45	LABREE, VICTORIA L.	1,280.70
HILTZ, RUPERT, ET AL	133.25	LABRIE, BETH M. & REBECCA F.	10.80
HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	270.90	LAKE, THOMAS, DEVISEES OF	1,094.40
** HOBBS, WILMA K., PERS. REP.	487.80	** LAMBERT, GLADYS B., DEVISEES OF	133.32
** HOBBS, WILMA K.	2,487.60	** LAVOIE-KERBO, KIMBERLY & KERBO, MARK	206.70
** HOBBS, WILMA K.	1,845.00	** LEBLANC, ERIC & KELLY	1,183.96
* HOGAN, DEBORAH S.	1,483.20	** LEBLANC, ERIC & KELLY	1,155.56
HOLMES, SHAWN P.	837.90	LEPPALA, COREY & ST PIERRE, REBECCA	1,196.79
** HOWARD, JULI	360.90	** LILLY, JOSHUA R.	831.60
HOWARD, PHEOBE	417.60	LOVEJOY, GERALDINE A.	760.50

* LOVEJOY, WILLIAM W. & MELISSA	2,305.20	** PLUMMER, PHILIP E.	316.80
LOVEJOY, WILLIAM W.	1,278.50	POND, SONYA L.	661.50
LOVELL-VOTER, KENDRA S.	95.40	POND, TERESA L.	1,064.70
LOWE, LINDA	967.50	POWERS, ANNA	311.40
LOWELL, JENNIFER C. & LEE E.	291.60	PRATT, CURTIS L.	207.00
LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	80.10	PRATT, MARION J. HEIRS OF	1,099.80
LUGER, CHARLES P.	180.00	PRESBY, SCOTT MERTON	300.60
* MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	781.41	PURINGTON, KATHY	450.90
** MADORE, CYNTHIA M. & KEVIN J.	2,516.40	** RAMU, PHILIP M. & CAROL M.	2,493.00
MADORE, CYNTHIA M.	2,698.20	RANCO, JACQUELINE	517.50
MADORE, CYNTHIA M.	4,055.40	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	610.20
MADORE, JODY	344.70	RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	303.30
** MADORE, KEVIN J. & CYNTHIA D.	1,275.30	RICHARDS, JESSE L. & ELLIOT, LAURA M.	562.50
MADORE, RYAN J. & CYNTHIA M.	448.20	RICHARDS, MICHAEL E. & SHEILA L.	2,310.30
MAGUIRE, BETTY A.	1,525.50	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	206.10
MALLET, SAMANTHA, ET AL	2,980.80	RIORDON, DENNIS J., REVOCABLE TRUST	2,755.80
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	2,292.30	ROBINSON, MICHELLE P.	316.80
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	212.40	ROWE, YVONNE R. & WILLIAM R.	5,035.50
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	934.20	* ROY, ISRAEL & ASHLEY	351.00
MAPLE HILL FARM TRUST	158.40	RUNDLETT, RICK ALLAN	694.80
MARQUIS, MAXINE	285.71	RUSSELL, LORI L. & ALLAN W.	1,298.70
MASON, JULI A. & MICHAEL F.	1,349.10	SANBORN REAL ESTATE HOLDING	865.80
** MASSELLI, ARLEEN M.	1,358.86	SANDY RIVER FARM, LLC	18.00
MCCLEARY, ANN J.	544.50	SANDY RIVER FARM, LLC	1,591.20
MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	214.20	SANDY RIVER FARMS, LLC	127.80
** MCKINLEY, WILLIAM J., DEVISEES OF	2,296.80	SANDY RIVER FARMS, LLC	3,346.20
MCPHERSON, PAULA C. & JOSEPH P.	1,854.90	SANDY RIVER FARMS, LLC	2,997.00
MELANSON, RUTH L.	1,390.19	SANDY RIVER FARMS, LLC	1,987.20
METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	591.30	SANDY RIVER FARMS, LLC	212.40
MILLER, GILBERT	2,143.80	SANDY RIVER PROPERTIES, LLC	18,234.00
MITCHELL, SHAWN ADAM	1,588.50	SAVAGE, VIVIAN A. & CHRISTINE M.	1,013.75
MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	738.00	SAVAGE, VIVIAN A. & JAMIE V.	732.60
MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	1,305.00	SAYWARD, GALEN R. & VIRGINIA E.	1,000.00
MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	2,800.80	SAYWARD, MICHAEL & DECKER, JAYNE	376.20
MORRIS, MICHAEL	349.21	SCHUMACHER, ERIKA C.	9,100.00
MOSHER, BASIL W. & LORI S.	108.00	SHEA, MARILYN A.	4,252.47
NICHOLS, II, ROBERT F. & RACHEL A.	1,513.80	SHIPLEY, LINDA J.	2,359.80
NICOLSON, BARBARA C.	2,090.70	SIMONEAU, BRENDA L.	2,826.00
NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	954.00	SIMONEAU, RONALD E. & DENISE R.	333.00
NILE, OWEN	601.20	SIROIS, LUCAS J.	3,096.00
NORMANDIN, ANDREW L.	3,295.80	SMITH REVOCABLE JOINT TRUST	27.00
NORTHERN NE TELE. OPERATIONS, LLC	561.60	SMITH REVOCABLE JOINT TRUST	27.00
NORTON, ANN T.	352.80	SNELL, JR., CHARLES H.	98.10
OLIVADOTI, TREVOR & ZENA S.	1,470.60	** SPAULDING, THOMAS E.	1,131.30
OLIVER, NAOMI, ET AL	448.20	** SPENCER, CINDY A. & MORGAN M.	2,172.60
OLIVER, NAOMI L. & CHARLES A.	607.50	STAPLES, JOSEPH E. & ELIZBETH	3,095.10
* OPPENHEIMER, VICTOR	2,349.45	STARBIRD, DAVID A. & DIANA B.	287.10
ORR, RAYMOND B., DEVISEES OF	3,320.10	STARBIRD, JOSEPH S.	73.80
ORR, JR., RAYMOND B. & DEBORAH	1,433.70	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM & MYERS, ANNE	270.00
OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	3,931.20	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM & MYERS, ANNE	5,909.40
OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	309.60	STEARNS, JR., DREW T.	54.00
OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	352.80	STEBBINS, JODI M.	477.00
PARLIN, HERBERT J. & MARY P.	7.20	STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., HEIRS OF	460.80
* PARLIN, JERRY R. & BONNIE J.	1,284.30	STITSEL, JOYCE & GREEN, KITTY	406.80
PARLIN, MICHAEL A. & DENISE C.	1,989.00	STUMP, KRISTIN & CHRISTOPHER	617.40
PERRY, ANTHONY G. & DILL, DONNA M.	1.33	** SWAN, LESLIE JEAN	1,253.70
PIAWLOCK, ASHLEY L. & ROY, ISRAEL	1,299.92	SWEATT, GARY	2,766.60
PIERSON, GLORIA J. & HAND, EDWARD R.	1,174.50	** SWEETSER, JEFF A. & KAREN D.	237.60
PILLSBURY, ANNIE M. & NICHOLE R.	638.10	SWEETSER, JERRY S.	405.50
** PLUMMER, PHILIP E.	1,107.00	SWETT, ELVA M.	1,604.70

SWOAM	307.80	WESTGATE, EDWARD T.	609.50
TATE, LINDA M. & MAHLON G.	82.28	WHIPPLE, CARA D. & GRANT, DAVID L.	3,108.16
THEBEAU, NANCY & BLANCHE, MICHAEL	130.50	* WHIPPLE, CARA D. & GRANT, DAVID L.	950.40
THOMAS, ANITA	1,038.60	WHITE, SALLY A. & CHRISTOPHER J.	463.50
* THOMPSON, MARIKA & GRAY, ASHLEY	598.71	WILBUR, MICHAEL T.	326.70
THORNDIKE, BRUCE & CHRISTOPHER	4,525.20	** WOLFSTONE-FRANCIS, PAMELA R.	505.41
THORNDIKE, LESLIE J.	252.90	WOOD, STEVE	2,019.60
TINSMAN, JR., LONNIE W.	8,749.80	WORTHLEY, MICHAEL	928.00
TOMLINSON, STEVEN & TERRA, THOMAS	367.20	WUORI, GUY P.	234.90
* TOMPKINS, DAVID A. & CHERYL J.	2,021.90	WUORI, GUY P.	255.60
TROLL VALLEY, INC.	5,313.60	YORK, BRENDA V.	124.20
TYLER, CYNTHIA J. & EDWARD A.	668.20	YORK, BRENDA V.	300.60
TYLER, JOSHUA A.	732.60	YORK, BRENDA V.	354.60
TYLER, TONY S.	2,394.00	YORK, L. HERBERT	2,219.40
UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,832.40	YORK, L. HERBERT	199.80
VELAZQUEZ, FELIX, HEIRS OF	57.60	YORK, L. HERBERT	882.00
VERBECK, ROBERT M. & PAMELA J.	54.00	YORK, LINWOOD H.	441.00
VINING, KENNETH H.	245.70	YORK, LINWOOD H.	154.80
VIOLETTE, MONA R. & NYBOE, MARK E.	1,629.94	YORK, LINWOOD H.	799.20
VIOLETTE, MONA R.	388.80	YORK, LINWOOD H.	759.60
WAGNER, WILLIAM & DENISE	1,692.90	YORK, LINWOOD H.	6,155.10
WALKER, NORMAN	334.80	YORK, LINWOOD H.	45.00
WALLACE, TJ	86.40	YORK, LINWOOD H.	342.00
WALSH, BARRY E. & SUSAN A.	104.40	YORK, LINWOOD H.	10.80
WARREN, JOY M., HEIRS OF	729.00	YORK, LINWOOD H.	45.00
** WATERS, CAROL CHANEY	475.20	YORK, LINWOOD H.	518.40
** WATERS, CAROL CHANEY	531.00	YORK, LINWOOD H.	347.40
WEBER, BRIAN M.	3,896.10	YORK, LINWOOD H.	167.40
WELCH, MARK C.	961.20	YORK, LINWOOD HERBERT	302.40
WELCH, MARK C.	4,680.00	YORKS, JEFFREY S.	340.20
WESTERN MOUNTAIN LAND TRUST	1,250.10	ZRUBEK, JACKSON Q.	361.68
		2022 REAL ESTATE TOTAL	516,219.76

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE 2022

AT&T MOBILITY, LLC	144.00	MADORES MARKET	698.40
CAR CLINIC	104.40	MAINECOM SERVICES	525.60
COMPLETE DENTURE CENTER	72.00	MAPLE HILL FARM	235.80
CONOPCO, INC.	77.40	MARVINS AUTO BODY	496.80
DEEP ROOT TREE SERVICE, LLC	133.20	NORTHERN LEASING SYSTEMS, INC.	34.20
DISTEFANO, MICHAEL P.	491.40	PINS & NEEDLES	262.80
THE DOWNTOWN PRESS	84.60	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION, INC.	70.20
FARMINGTON AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE	127.80	RAINS, MARK PHD	32.40
FARMINGTON COCA COLA BOTTLING CO., INC	846.00	RDM ELECTRIC, LLC	36.00
FARMINGTON MOTEL	1,236.60	RICHARDS FLORIST, INC.	86.40
FARMINGTON TOWING	118.80	ROOST PUB & WINGERY	916.20
FIRST AMERICAN COMMERCIAL, INC.	516.60	RS ELECTRIC	48.60
GETCHELL BROTHERS, INC.	61.20	SHIRETOWN TIRE	252.00
HAMMERICK DENTAL OFFICE	241.20	STATE FARM INSURANCE	235.80
HERITAGE INS. & INVESTMENT SERVICE	34.20	THAI SMILE & SUSHI RESTRAUNT	39.60
THE HOMEGROWN CONNECTION	14.40	TROLL VALLEY, INC.	160.20
HOUSE OF STILLWATER	21.60	TUMBLEDOWN BREWING, LLC	79.20
HP FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY	864.00	TYLER, EDWARD A.	307.80
JACKS TRADING POST	225.00	WAYPORT, INC.	18.00
JAMES AUTO	36.00	WEST MOUNT, INC.	208.80
KEMP ENTERPRISES, INC.	3.06	* WESTERN MAINE ELECTRIC & EXCAVATION	2,356.20
		2022 PERSONAL PROPERTY TOTAL	12,554.46

REAL ESTATE TAXES RECEIVABLE 2021

136 BOX SHOP HILL, LLC	2,942.43	JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	68.90
* AISHTON, RICHARD W. & PATRICIA K.	1,819.67	KEMPTON, SETH J.	3,069.35
** AISHTON, RICHARD W. & PATRICIA K.	129.41	KEMPTON, SETH J.	626.15
ANGELAKIS, JACOB E.	349.67	KENDALL, ISAAC J.	1,315.83
BANKS, JAMES & BEAUMONT, SCOTT	3,871.07	KILLGREN, KEVIN, DEVISEES OF	494.44
BARTON, FREDERICK	906.00	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	1,494.15
BARTON, FREDERICK	253.67	KING, CHARLES B.	817.34
** BEEDY, JEFFREY PRATT	715.31	KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,836.00
BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	1,962.24	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	273.22
BRACKETT, PENNY A.	936.18	LAKE, THOMAS, DEVISEES OF	1,306.41
BROWN, LISA M.	1,422.63	LOWELL, JENNIFER C. & LEE E.	399.91
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,829.21	LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	136.48
BRYANT, NANCY R.	190.60	MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	303.96
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,371.25	METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	703.15
BRYANT, NANCY R.	281.78	MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	920.09
CAPE LAWSON TRUST	192.51	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	1,549.57
CAPE LAWSON TRUST	101.32	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	3,224.66
** CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	2,745.72	NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	539.73
CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	1,241.57	OLIVADOTI, TREVOR & ZENA S.	1,725.51
CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	330.30	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	4,754.56
CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,414.40	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	411.35
DAKU, GINGER A., PERS. REP.	742.37	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	459.99
DAKU, GINGER	277.61	PARLIN, HERBERT J. & MARY P.	70.93
DAKU, JACOB G. & GINGER A.	97.27	PILLSBURY, ANNIE M. & NICHOLE R.	758.58
DAKU, JACOB G. & GINGER A.	210.74	POND, SONYA L.	53.79
DOIRON, MICHAEL & ENGBERG, DEEDRA	1,275.30	POWERS, ANNA	62.63
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	375.59	RANCO, JACQUELINE	521.72
** DYAR, RODNEY	644.39	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	749.76
EGERS, KEVIN A.	828.79	RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	381.00
FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	403.28	RICHARDS, MICHAEL E. & SHEILA L.	2,825.44
GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	322.74	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	269.51
GAY, TED F.	87.99	RIORDON, DENNIS J.	2,999.25
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,677.75	** ROY, ISRAEL & ASHLEY	151.31
GREENMAN, MARY	714.00	RUNDLETT, RICK ALLAN	853.82
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	2,165.59	* SANDY RIVER PROPERTIES, LLC	13,846.72
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	3,443.51	SIMONEAU, BRENDA L.	3,244.21
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	786.51	STAPLES, JOSEPH E. & ELIZABETH	3,579.56
GUND, JOHN P.	4,087.18	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM & MYERS, ANNE	366.77
HATCH, SR., ALAN B. & BRENDA A.	637.00	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM & MYERS, ANNE	6,712.40
HAYDEN, JOHN	534.27	STEARNS, JR., DREW T.	123.61
** HOWARD, JULI	166.20	THOMAS, ANITA	1,232.03
HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	2,299.68	TINSMAN, JR., LONNIE W.	9,921.79
** HOYT, KAY	332.56	TYLER, TONY S.	3,144.32
** HOYT, KAY A. & DAVID P.	603.86	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	2,125.66
HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	1,394.14	WALSH, BARRY E. & SUSAN A.	180.35
HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	74.98	WARE, ROGER W.	1,866.73
JEANNETTE, CHRISTOPHER & BECKY	1,553.63	WARREN, JOY M., HEIRS OF	909.96
JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	68.90	WELCH, MARK C.	1,204.72
JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	68.90	** WHIPPLE, CARA D. & GRANT, DAVID L.	1,132.74
JONES, RYAN & AUDREY	68.90	** WOOD, STEVE	2,193.66

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139,864.29

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE 2021

AT&T MOBILITY, LLC	1,409.28	MARVINS AUTO BODY	5.47
CAR CLINIC	115.20	NORTHERN LEASING SYSTEMS, INC.	38.40
CLEARWATER VETERINARY HOSPITAL	691.20	PINS & NEEDLES	435.84

COMPLETE DENTURE CENTER	76.80	RAINS, MARK PHD	34.56
CONOPCO, INC.	38.87	ROOST PUB & WINGERY	1,025.28
DEEP ROOT TREE SERVICE, LLC	149.76	RS ELECTRIC	53.76
THE DOWNTOWN PRESS	94.08	SHIRETOWN TIRE	5.53
FARMINGTON AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE	132.48	THAI SMILE & SUSHI RESTRAUNT	44.16
FARMINGTON TOWING	132.48	TIMEPAYMENT CORP.	91.32
FIRST AMERICAN COMMERCIAL, INC.	600.96	TUMBLEDOWN BREWING, LLC	109.44
HAMMERICK DENTAL OFFICE	270.72	TYLER, EDWARD A.	343.68
THE HOMEGROWN CONNECTION	1.83	WEST MOUNT, INC.	224.64
HOUSE OF STILLWATER	2.75		

2021 PERSONAL PROPERTY TOTAL 6,128.49

REAL ESTATE TAXES RECEIVABLE 2020

BAILEY, JR., ROGER A.	128.80	KEMPTON, SETH J.	3,164.20
BANKS, JAMES & BEAUMONT, SCOTT	3,988.09	KEMPTON, SETH J.	649.83
BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	1,471.36	KENDALL, ISAAC J.	703.56
BRACKETT, PENNY A.	324.46	KILLGREN, KEVIN, DEVEISEES OF	502.86
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,353.34	KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	1,576.34
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,421.58	KING, CHARLES B.	867.74
BRYANT, NANCY R.	295.79	* KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,867.56
CAPE LAWSON TRUST	188.80	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	334.90
CAPE LAWSON TRUST	111.91	* LAKE, THOMAS, DEVEISEES OF	1,360.26
** CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	249.36	LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	233.35
CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	1,266.65	MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	943.76
CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	334.90	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	1,581.58
CROCKETT, CHRIS	917.53	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS L.	3,324.20
DOIRON, MICHAEL & ENGBERG, DEEDRA	1,282.41	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	4,911.88
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	166.91	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	775.80
GREENMAN, MARY	712.82	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	279.67
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	551.87	RUNDLETT, RICK ALLAN	867.74
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	411.87	SIMONEAU, BRENDA L.	3,358.23
GUND, JOHN P.	3,667.92	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANNE	5.67
HATCH, SR., ALAN B. & BRENDA A.	226.55	STEARNS, JR., DREW T.	124.95
** HOYT, KAY A. & DAVID P.	197.09	THOMAS, ANITA	596.29
HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	883.49	TYLER, TONY S.	1,930.79
HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A. & JANIS M.	82.96	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	788.18
JEANNETTE, CHRISTOPHER & BECKY	1,601.98	WALSH, BARRY E. & SUSAN A.	178.68
JULON PROPERTIES	10,273.66	WARREN, JOY M., HEIRS OF	909.73

2020 REAL ESTATE TOTAL 63,949.85

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE 2020

CAR CLINIC	114.26	ROOST PUB & WINGERY	105.39
DEEP ROOT TREE SERVICE, LLC	153.66	RS ELECTRIC	51.22
FARMINGTON TOWING	131.99	TOMRA MAINE	1,542.51
FIRST AMERICAN COMMERCIAL, INC.	654.04	TRUE PARTNERS CONSULTING, LLC	88.65
PINS & NEEDLES	691.47	TYLER, EDWARD A.	342.78
RAINS, MARK PHD	31.52	WEST MOUNT, INC.	51.67

2020 PERSONAL PROPERTY TOTAL 3,959.16

Please note these amounts do not include interest

* Partial payment as of January 31, 2023

** Paid in full as of January 31, 2023

BUDGET COMMITTEE

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



The Budget Committee held its first meeting in early December 2021 and elected the necessary officers, had a brief discussion about its duties, and received the proposed budget for each town department and some outside agencies. Town Manager Christian Waller explained increases in department requests this year. There were numerous questions about the reasons for proposed increases, namely salaries and wages. The Committee welcomed new members this year giving it a more diversified membership.

During the following weeks, meetings were held, and the Committee heard from each department head who gave an adequate explanation of needed budget items. Questions were asked by committee members about some of the reasons for increases in particular budget areas. Cost of materials, insurance increases, availability of necessary materials/prices, and personnel expenses were the primary reasons given for the numerous budget line item changes.

After all the presentations were given, the Committee discussed each requested budget and made its final recommendations in late January 2022. These were forwarded to the Select Board and Town Manager for their review and consideration for the Town Warrant.

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

Because of numerous circumstances, the Town Meeting was held in May and the budget was reduced in several areas.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Clyde Ross
Chairman

TAX COLLECTOR

Bankruptcy Notice

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

2022 End of Year Taxes Receivable	
2022	\$ 516,219.76
2021	\$ 139,864.29
<u>2020</u>	<u>\$ 63,949.85</u>
TOTAL	\$ 720,033.90
Properties Liened	92
Properties Foreclosed	14

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

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

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT)	
University of Maine at Farmington PILOT Contribution*	\$ 15,510.34
<p>*Additionally, UMF provides many in-kind contributions. A few examples include, but are not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full property tax on the President's house at 104 Lake Avenue • One half property tax on 242 Main Street • One half property tax on 274 Front Street • Mount Blue TV (provide free facilities and utilities) • Snow removal and sanding of town sidewalks adjacent to campus • Providing lawn care, parking and plowing for Farmington Public Library • Sharing Prescott Fields at no charge with the community – includes bathroom facilities and maintaining playing surfaces • UMF/Town of Farmington/RSU #9 combine for a compost program where UMF transports all materials to the compost facility and absorbs all costs associated with the program 	

ASSESSING

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



My name is Allison Brochu and I have been hired as Farmington's new full-time assessor. I have been in the assessing field for the past eight years and received my Maine Tax Assessor certification over six years ago. I am available in the office Monday through Friday from 8 - 4:30, and currently doing my best to get up to speed with the happenings in the Town of Farmington.

Some points of interest:

- The property tax rate decreased from .01920 to .01800 between 2021 and 2022. This followed a 50-cent decrease in the tax rate between 2020 and 2021.
- The Town's assessment ratio is an expression of the average relationship between assessed values and current real estate sale prices. This ratio has dropped below 100%. This reflects that, on average, property sale prices are greater than assessed values. This means that we will be completing a statistical sales market study to review property values in town prior to the next billing cycle.
- LD 290: Property Tax Stabilization for Senior Citizens, was enacted this year. This law allows anyone over the age of 65, that has owned a homestead in Maine for at least 10 years, to have their 2023 tax bill frozen to be the same as the 2022 bill.

Please do not hesitate to reach out or come introduce yourself to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Brochu
Assessor

2022 PROPERTY TAX RATE COMPUTATIONS

ASSESSMENT

County tax	661,179.00
Municipal appropriation	7,605,812
TIF financing plan amount	406,113.00
School appropriation	4,775,904.00
Overlay	40,072.05
TOTAL ASSESSMENT	<u>\$ 13,489,080.05</u>

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

State Municipal Revenue Sharing	1,409,925
Other revenue	1,590,000
Homestead Reimbursement	418,362.50
BETE Reimbursement	<u>\$ 154,903.64</u>
TOTAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS	<u>\$ 3,573,191.14</u>

NET ASSESSMENT FOR COMMITMENT \$ 9,915,888.91

VALUATIONS

Taxable Personal Property Valuation	20,124,600
Taxable Real Estate Valuation	<u>530,758,117</u>
Total Taxable Valuation	<u>\$ 550,882,717.00</u>

RATE CALCULATIONS

Net Assessment for Commitment divided by Total Valuation = Tax Rate
 $\$9,915,888.91 / \$550,882,717 = .018$

GROSS ASSESSMENT CALCULATIONS

Total Taxable Valuation	\$ 550,882,717.00
X Tax Rate	<u>\$ 0.01800</u>
Equals Net Assessment for Commitment	<u>\$ 9,915,888.91</u>

PROGRAMS THAT COULD AFFECT YOUR TAXES



For the following programs the application must be submitted to the Assessor by April 1, 2023. Applications and brochures are available at the Municipal Office or they can be downloaded from our website at www.farmington-maine.org on the Assessors' page. For further information on these programs, please contact the Assessor's Office at 778-6530.

VETERAN'S EXEMPTION – If you are a veteran aged 62 or older, or an un-remarried spouse of a deceased veteran who would have been 62 by April 1, 2023, and served during a federally recognized war period; or if you are a veteran who receives federal funds for 90-100% disability.

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

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

The above-listed exemptions require that your primary residency be Farmington. If you are a new resident or currently a taxpayer that might qualify for one of the above exemptions, your application for the exemption must be submitted to the Assessor by April 1, 2023. These State programs exempt a fixed amount that is deducted from the taxpayer's residential assessed value before the tax rate is applied.

LANDOWNERS – There are three programs for which you might be eligible. The programs are: The Maine Tree Growth Tax Law, Farm Classification Law, and the Open Space Tax Law. As the laws for these programs are quite detailed, please contact the Assessor for more information.

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

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

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

PROPERTY TAX AND RENT REFUND PROGRAM – The Maine Residents Property Tax and Rent Refund “Circuitbreaker” Program has been repealed as part of the enacted state budget for claims beginning on or after August 1, 2021. The “Circuitbreaker” Program has been replaced by a refundable Property Tax Fairness Credit that can be claimed on the Maine Individual Income Tax Form.

The new credit will be available beginning in January 2023 on the 2022 Maine Individual Income Tax Form 1040ME. A worksheet will be included with Form 1040ME to calculate the amount of the credit.

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

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

TOWN CLERK – H.R. DIRECTOR

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



This was a busy year in the clerk's office. My appointment as the Town Clerk/Director of Human Resources was confirmed by the Select Board on December 28, 2022. I bring over twelve years of experience from several Massachusetts municipalities and the private sector. I hold a B.S. in Business Administration with a concentration in HR Management and the Professional in Human Resources (PHR) credential. I am grateful to be mentored by Twila Lycette, former Town Clerk of Lisbon for over 35 years. Twila will be acting as the Deputy Town Clerk for the election and Town Meeting in March. That being said, if anyone would be interested in working at future elections, feel free to contact me at the office. Please remember to update the office of any mailing address changes so the voter file can be current and accurate.

As always, I would like to remind all licensed dog owners that it is very important to get your dogs renewed by December 31st. Please bring in the current rabies certificate so that information can be updated in our system. For new dogs you need to provide a rabies certificate and a spay/neuter certificate if that is applicable. If you have any questions regarding this, feel free to call the office.

In October, Leanne Dickey resigned from her position as Town Clerk, Assessing Clerk and Welfare Director after being with the Town for over 25 years. We thank her for her service and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Murphy, PHR
Town Clerk/H.R. Director

ELECTION CLERKS

John Rosenwald, Clyde Ross, Ann Arbor, Charlotte Woodcock, AJ Salvinier, Kathy Moffet, Fenwick Fowler, Michael Moffet, Jonathan Cohen, Janet Paul, Mark Caldwell, Richard Jacques, Betty Jespersen, Judy Murphy, Lynn Caldwell, Shane Cote, Carol Minnehan, Diana Bell, Lloyd Smith, Aileen Kennedy, Debbie Hutchins, Joyce King, Frances Fowler, Clayton King, Bonnie Lander, Linda Haines, Dennis O'Neil

2022 ELECTIONS

May 9, 2022	Municipal Election
May 9, 2022	Annual Town Meeting
May 24, 2022	RSU#9 Budget
June 14, 2022	State Primary Election
November 8, 2022	General, State Election

Dog Licenses	454	Births	251
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	864	Marriages	52
		Deaths	220



POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



I begin by expressing my thanks to the residents of the Town of Farmington for their continued support. Change continues to be the only constant and we seem to be looking at the worst of the COVID Pandemic in the rear-view mirror. However, we can still feel its effects on the mental health and well-being of many in our community.

I am committed to ensuring that our officers have the training and skills to appropriately respond to any call for service. We will continue to work collaboratively with the many agencies and social service resources available to our community. In doing so, we reaffirm our mission: “To create a feeling of safety for people within the Town of Farmington.”

Since my hire as your Chief of Police, it has been a priority for me to evaluate our department policies and procedures to work toward a standard of best practice. In December of 2022, the Farmington Police Department underwent a detailed assessment by the Maine Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. I am happy to report that we received “Accredited” status. We are 1 of only 15 departments to achieve that distinction out of 146 departments statewide. A copy of the Assessment Team report is on our department website.

We have said goodbye to one of our staff this year. Office Manager Karen Kidd left to pursue other career opportunities. We are pleased to announce that Lynne Cary has been hired as our new Office Manager. We have been quite successful in our recruiting efforts, recovering from record low levels of staffing.

Officer Ethan Whitney was hired in July of 2021, and he graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy (MCJA) in May of 2022. Officers Jonathan Parker and Ethan Bronson were hired this summer, and they both graduated from the MCJA in December 2022. Officer Donald Gray was hired in November who is a graduate of MCJA.

Matthew Billian was hired in January as our Animal Control Officer (ACO). ACO Billian has strengthened our Animal Control program

and has participated in several community events promoting the welfare of our domesticated animals and pets.

I would also like to thank Katlynn Beaumont, our Overdose Prevention Through Outreach Naloxone and Safety (OPTIONS) liaison from Western Maine Behavioral Health Services (WMBH). Kat has worked tirelessly with dozens and dozens of those experiencing substance use disorder. WMBH continues to be a wonderful partner, co-responding to calls from persons in mental health crisis.

Please remember our unused/unwanted medications disposal box is always available in our lobby (no needles or liquids please!).

I would like to recognize Sergeant Jesse Clement, Sergeant Ethan Boyd and Officer Christoph Mutschin, each for their lifesaving efforts administering naloxone and supportive first aid measures on multiple occasions.

School Resource Officer (SRO) Matthew Brann has provided a variety of support to Mount Blue Regional School District throughout the year. His position requires him to act as a social work support, peacemaker, first responder and teacher. SRO Brann has earned the respect of staff, administration, and students alike. No day is like any other for SRO Brann!

As always, we need to recognize and thank our local partners, especially the members of Farmington Fire Rescue and Public Works, NorthStar Ambulance, area law enforcement agencies, and other unnamed organizations for their hard work and assistance.

I welcome your questions and concerns, compliments, and complaints. Feel free to stop in to say hello or meet the officer on duty. We are proud of the facility provided to us by you, our citizens, located at 116 Franklin Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth A. Charles
Chief of Police

OFFICER OF THE YEAR



**Officer Christoph Mutschin
Congratulations!**

Farmington Police Department 2022



Left to Right: ACO Billian, Office Assistant Kelly, Officer Gray, Officer Whitney, Officer Mutschin, Sergeant Boyd and K9 Hook, Sergeant Clement, Chief Charles, Officer Rosie, School Resource Officer Brann, Officer Parker, Officer Bronson, Deputy Chief Cote, Parking Enforcement Holston, Crossing Guard Hallman

**Summary of the Most Common Crimes or Police
Calls/Complaints**

Crime	2020	2021	2022
Rape	6	8	2
Assault	59	33	34
Burglary	8	5	7
Thefts (combined)	91	53	46
Criminal Mischief	35	58	33
Criminal Trespass	30	39	47
Drug Cases	31	6	25
Domestic Disturb.	52	70	37
Traffic Crashes	418	405	418
Arrests	324	221	502
OUI Arrests	46	42	39
Speeding Tickets	121	98	107
Traffic Warnings	3,747	2,766	4,591
Parking Tickets	371	593	768
Missing Persons	2	25	6
Harassment Calls	54	82	50
Security Checks	1,882	1,395	1,820
Total Traffic Stops	4,165	3,355	4,928

Police Revenues			
	2020	2021	2022
Parking Tickets	\$8,060	\$7,440	\$6,930
Police Reports	\$1,095	\$1,793	\$1,154
Gun Permits	\$510	\$625	\$760
Miscellaneous	\$1,475	\$921	\$1,070
TOTAL	\$11,140	\$10,779	\$9,914

FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



This is my first annual report for the Farmington Fire Rescue Department for 2022. The Department responded to calls for assistance 513 times this year, an increase of 37 calls over 2021. We gave mutual aid assistance for other towns 47 times and received mutual aid assistance 14 times. The Department had a total of 26 training classes.

2021	2022	Calls for Assistance
64	70	Alarm malfunction / false alarms
54	61	Fire related calls
47	61	Good intent, such as calls from concerned citizens
140	179	Hazardous conditions with no fire
112	69	Rescue, extrication, and emergency medical calls
57	70	Service calls
<u>01</u>	<u>03</u>	<u>Severe weather</u>
475	513	Total Calls

This past year we hired Stan Wilcox, Lance Comeau, and Matt Fleury as full-time firefighters, all of them previously served as on-call firefighters with our Department. I would also like to welcome three new on-call firefighters – Kyle Couture, Matt Winters, and Colby Ranger.

The Department has been active in presenting fire prevention programs to the area schools and groups. We have conducted 22 fire inspections this year. The Department has been continuously training to meet the demands of the fire service and improve service to the citizens.

Fire Rescue Department Roster and years of service to the town:		
Jon Alexander 24 yrs.	Patty Cormier 14 yrs.	S. Clyde Ross 51 yrs.
David Ballard 4 yrs.	Evan Dorr 5 yrs.	Tiger Sikes 3 yrs.
Scott Baxter 18 yrs.	Matthew Fleury 2 yrs.	Alan Stewart 4 yrs.
Teddy Baxter 17 yrs.	Tim A. Hardy 44 yrs.	Junior Turner 51 yrs.
Olivia Belbute 1 yr.	Tim D. Hardy 25 yrs.	Stanley Wheeler 28 yrs.
Terry Bell 45 yrs.	Joseph Hastings 9 yrs.	Stanley Wilcox 4 yrs.
James Brown 36 yrs.	Cody Jarels 2 yrs.	New Members 2022:
Stephan Bunker 44 yrs.	Jim Kiernan 18 yrs.	Kyle Couture
Joseph Clark 2 yrs.	Corey Mills 6 yrs.	Matt Winters
Lance Comeau 2 yrs.	Connor Perkins 2 yrs.	Colby Ranger

It is an honor to be chosen as the Fire Chief. I look forward to serving this great community. Thank you to Chief Bell for his leadership over the past 21 years.

I would like to thank all our local agencies who assist us throughout the year, especially the area fire departments, Farmington Police, Town departments, Franklin Dispatch, NorthStar EMS, and other agencies.

I would like to send a special Thank You to all the members of the Farmington Fire Rescue Department for their hard work and dedication to serving the citizens of this community.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy D. Hardy
Fire Chief



FIRE RESCUE TRAINING

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



The Farmington Fire Rescue Department has continued its regular training schedule as it has done for many years. All members are taking part in these trainings, some are learning new skills and others are just refreshing those from previous sessions.

New mandates, new products and improved methods require us to keep up-dated all the time. During the year a number of new training tools were purchased.

Training topics that are frequently used are similar to those from past years. Some of the common trainings are Ventilation, Ladders and Uses, Draft and Relay Pumping, the Rural Hitch set up, Forcible Entry, the annual Mandatory topics day, Vehicle Extrication and Stabilization, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, Rope Rescue Equipment review, Large Diameter Hose review, Truck Hose Lays and Deployment practices, review of building Pre-Plans, Cold Water Rescue Techniques, Standpipe and Sprinkler review, Scott Certified SCBA Technician Training and Inspection of Personal Protective Equipment. Vehicle operators did their required driving sessions and were cleared for proper vehicle operations. Day crews have done routine training as part of their daily operations.

The Fire Prevention Programs have been limited this year due to the Covid-19 situation in the area. The Department continues to tour new facilities and businesses as they start up in town. The per diem and the full-time crews have been conducting safety inspections as needed. The Department conducted dormitory evacuation drills with the University of Maine at Farmington this year.

The Western Maine Public Safety Training Facility is being used by State and local departments. Mutual Aid departments are still being invited to our training sessions. This fosters good working relationships and helps all neighboring communities.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Fire Chief S. Clyde Ross

Lieutenant Joseph Hastings

SAFETY COMMITTEE

To the Citizens, Select Board, and Town Manager:



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

Employees from each department will continue to attend numerous safety trainings throughout the year and will continue to strive for excellence in keeping our coworkers and friends safe. We are looking forward to what the new year brings!

The Town continues to participate in the Maine Municipal Association (MMA) Leader Program which rewards municipalities that implement plans and activities to create a safer workplace for employees by crediting the Workers Compensation contributions. These savings, along with utilizing the safety training courses and services in 2022, provided the Town with a \$60,365 savings because of the loss prevention programs we qualify for, and our workplace safety practices.

This year the Maine Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards presented the entire Town of Farmington with the Safety and Health Award for Public Employers (SHAPE). The SHAPE award is given in recognition of Public Sector employers and employees who are striving to provide a "safe and healthful" workplace. The award is given only to exemplary public sector employers after a thorough review and inspection of the employer's Safety and Health Policies and Procedures by a SafetyWorks! consultant.

Thank you to those who serve on the Safety Committee for the time and effort they put into creating a safer workplace. This Committee not only helps with monetary savings to the taxpayers, but more importantly, it helps to protect employees from harm while they provide the kind of high-quality service our taxpayers deserve.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew L. Foster
Safety Committee Chairman

CODE/PLANNING DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



With administration and coordination provided by the Code/Planning Office, during 2022 there were nine Planning Board meetings held, during which the Board reviewed 21 applications under the following ordinances: Site Review (9), Subdivision (3) Floodplain Management (1), Soil Erosion Control & Storm Water Management (7), and Adult Use & Medical Marijuana (1). The Board also approved one Subdivision Modification. Six applications were approved under in-house CEO review: Site Review (3), Soil Erosion Control & Stormwater Management (2), and Wireless Telecommunications (1). The Board meets on the second Monday of every month, except for October when it meets on the third Monday.

On July 11th, the Planning Board's annual election was held during which Lloyd Smith was elected as Chairman and Judith Murphy was elected as Vice-Chairman. On March 8th, Troy Luther joined the Board as an alternate member.

The Board of Appeals elected officers on July 27th, during which Galen Dalrymple was re-elected as Chairman and Bob Yorks was elected as Vice-Chairman/Secretary. During the summer, Jack Clark joined the Board. There are three three-year term vacancies presently available for regular members and two one-year term vacancies presently available for alternate members.

The Zoning Board held one Public Hearing in March. The members elected officers in July, at which time Paul Mills was re-elected as Chairman, and Terry Bell moved from alternate to full member and was elected as Vice-Chairman. Kelly Kading and Jane Woodman did not renew their membership, and currently there are openings for one full member and one alternate member.

There were 61 registrations filed for residential projects during 2022: a 25-unit apartment building; 8 stick-built houses; 12 mobile homes; 7 modulars; 13 garages; 7 additions; and 13 porches, decks, and sheds.

In 2022, registration forms were filed for 12 business projects, 3 home occupations, and 17 sign permits were issued. On April 4th, the Revolving Loan Fund Board met and approved a \$25,000 business loan. During the year, the Code/Planning Office continued monitoring licensed/permitted marijuana businesses under the Ordinance for same.

In February, the Code/Planning Office completed the annual activities for the Town's re-certification for Class 8 rating under FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). This program provides federally backed flood insurance within communities that participate in the NFIP-CRS and enact and enforce floodplain regulations to mitigate flood damage and losses.

A reminder to all those building new structures over 200 square feet in footprint and those installing slabs and/or foundations for new manufactured housing (single-wide, double-wide, and modular), that such work must be certified by a Third-Party Inspector (TPI) under the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC).

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

Many thanks to my co-workers, Planning Assistant Cindy Gelinis and Code Enforcement Assistant Kate Foster, for their hard work and dedication.

I also want to express my gratitude to: all members of the above-mentioned Boards for their participation and time generously given the Town and its citizens; the Select Board; Town Manager Christian Waller; and Town employees for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Stevens Kaiser
Code Enforcement Officer

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, Select Board, and Town Manager:



After what seemed like forever, our department had its most “normal” year in quite some time. With all of our facilities open and programs finally running again this year, things are starting to feel more like the good old days here at the Recreation Department!

With COVID-19 winding down we were able to run over 50 programs in 2022. Participants ranged anywhere from 6 months old in our parent/child learn to swim program to 88 years old in our Forever Fit Beginner Art Class. Our numbers started out a little low after our return to in person activities in 2021 but have climbed back to pre-COVID numbers and even surpassed those numbers in many of our programs.

The Recreation Department was featured in the October, November, and December issues of Maine Town and City along with a few other recreation departments in the state. The three-part series explored the important role recreational programs play in communities across Maine.

Several land and property improvements were completed in 2022. Most notably, the fieldhouse roof was finally replaced with a new 30-year warranty metal roof to preserve Hippach Fields’ last remaining original structure. The fence at VIS Park in West Farmington was replaced earlier this summer with help from a group of middle school children for their annual “Cougars in the Community” community service day event. Walton’s Mill Park has seen some significant renovations as well with the support of the Atlantic Salmon Federation. The dam at the park has been removed to allow Temple Stream to flow freely for the first time in over 200 years! The project also incorporated a freshly renovated park, which has seen some significant improvements so far in 2022 and will be completed in the spring/early summer of 2023. Final grading, landscaping, planting of over 2,000 perennial plants, shrubs, and bushes, as well as 40-60 trees will be completed in 2023. There will also be a new restroom, pavilion, and natural play area back near the pavilion, creating a new space for residents to enjoy.

The Town also entered into a contract with Platform Group in Florida for the design, cost estimate, and construction documents for a newly designed skateboard park. The new park will replace Maine's first public skateboard park, "The Dragon's Nest", which was unearthed in 2020. The funds for this portion of the project were generously donated by Seth Wescott and the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce. Once the designs and documents are received, grant writing and fundraising will be pursued in 2023, and a "Dragon's Nest 2.0" will be in the works for construction in the coming years.

The Recreation Department received a grant from Walmart in the amount of \$2,000 to assist in purchasing a new skating rink liner for the ice rink at Hippach Field. The previous liner lasted about six winters. We also recently received a \$50,000 grant (big thanks to Cindy Gelinis for her work on this grant) to go towards installing a new HVAC system at the Community Center. This will be done in conjunction with the roof replacement project scheduled for 2023, which will utilize the funds allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) the town received.

In 2022, the Recreation Department was able to provide a little over 40,000 hours of participation through programming alone to our residents and surrounding communities. This number only includes programming and does not include drop-in park/facility use for passive recreation or the use from outside organizations that utilize our facilities. Participation in recreational activities directly affects the mental, physical, emotional, and social health of people who participate in them. We are proud of the significant impact we have had this past year on the people in our communities!

The success of our Department comes from the employees who work here, so please, next time you see them coaching your children on the soccer field, teaching your children how to swim, or maintaining the parks around town, stop and take a moment to thank our amazing staff for the wonderful work they do. It is our privilege and honor to continue to serve the people of Farmington!

For more information, please feel free to call or check out our Facebook page www.facebook.com/farmingtonrec.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew L. Foster, CPRP
Director of Parks and Recreation

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



I am pleased to submit my seventh annual report as the Director of Public Works.

At the Public Works Department, we aim to plan, build, maintain all infrastructure, and help sustain public safety for all residents and visitors. The Department receives hundreds of calls each year from citizens. These calls help the Department respond to issues. Our full-time road maintenance crew consists of ten individuals managing 130 miles of travel way and more than 20 miles of pedestrian walkways.

Major infrastructure accomplishments during the 2022 construction season were the reconstruction of High Street, over 3,000 feet of improved travel way and upgraded sidewalks for pedestrian safety. E.L. Vining played the role of our primary contractor on this project and did a wonderful job with superb quality.

For next season we plan to rebuild Mosher Hill, Ramsdell Road, Savage Road and Christian Drive.

The winter of 2022, snowfall was average but due to the freeze and thaw cycles our sand and salt inventory was quickly depleted. We are prepared for what the 2023 season will bring. The crew's long hours, dedication and responsiveness make our roadway conditions clean and safe to travel on.

Lastly, I would like to thank the Citizens, Select Board, and Town Manager for all their support, and would like to thank the other departments for their operational support when emergency events arise.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Hutchins
Public Works Director

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WINTER ROADS OPERATING PROCEDURE

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

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

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

may sometimes happen the day after the storm, depending on how many hours the crew has worked.

ROAD CLEANUP - After the storm, cleanup continues with plowing snowdrifts and widening all roads as needed. It may take several days to completely push all snow off the road shoulders.

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

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

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

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

TAXPAYER RESPONSIBILITY

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

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

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

The High Street Project



WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and Town Manager:



In 2022, we had another busy year at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. After five and a half years we said good-bye to Ethan Tracy who accepted a new job closer to home for more money. We wish him well in his new endeavor. In late January, we began advertising for an entry level operator. At the end of August, we hired Ivan Moore who was a long-time employee at the Farmington Farmers Union.

There were two big paving projects this past year, on Route 2 from the Franklin Memorial Hospital to the end of Route 43 or Oakes Street and High Street from Perham Street to the intersection on Route 2 on the Farmington Falls Road. Both projects required several manholes to be either raised or rebuilt. The crew rebuilt several manholes on Route 2 and replaced or repaired several on High Street. In addition, the crew had to raise six more covers on the Titcomb Hill Road.

Over the past five years, we have been hiring contractors to sandblast, paint and seal all of the outside tanks, primary, secondary clarifiers, and the oxidation ditches. We had the number two secondary clarifier painted and sealed and that was the last tank that we needed to complete. These tanks should last for another 15 to 20 years now that the concrete has been sealed.

In April 2022, the State of Maine passed L. D. 1911 into law that prohibits any further land application of any sludges or biosolids and requires select facilities to test both their biosolids and their Effluent for PFAS. Farmington is required to test their biosolids once per quarter for PFAS which we began in October 2022. We have been selected for the pilot program for PFAS effluent testing and will be testing effluent once a month for ten months. Casella Waste Systems can no longer turn our biosolids into compost for land application as a result of this law being passed, and they send everything to Hawk Ridge's Juniper Land Fill. All biosolids must now go to a State approved secure land fill resulting in our disposal rates increasing to \$49.75 per ton, and our disposal fee will go from \$110.00 per ton to \$159.75 per wet ton beginning next year. Farmington's Facility generates an average of 65 tons per month,

which will put the facility at or over \$10,000 per month. The Maine Department of Environmental Protection is paying for everything associated with effluent PFAS testing. The Facility has received results from two effluent PFAS tests and both have been below acceptance limits for drinking water.

As we move forward into 2023, I would like to thank all the operators for the excellent work they continue to do. The Facility and its' operators will continue to run this Treatment Plant in the most cost-effective manner as we have done in the past and continue to protect the environment we live in.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen M. Millett
Superintendent



L to R: Superintendent Steve Millett, Ivan Moore, Joe Hartigan, and Paul Stanzel

SEWER DEPARTMENT
Liened Receivables as of December 31, 2022

- * Partial Payments Ending 01-31-2023
- ** Paid in Full

	ACCOUNT	BALANCE	EARLIEST YEAR DUE
	136 Box Shop, LLC	339.56	2021
	Banks, Georgia E.	294.75	2021
	Brackett, Penny	1,990.92	2019
	Chretien, Jeffrey & Terry	2,034.04	2016
	Gay, Ted, Heirs of	592.76	2019
	Grimanis, Verna	127.68	2019
	Gund, John	178.82	2018
	Kempton, Seth	1,473.14	2019
	Lewis, Mallory	415.40	2021
	Morgan, Ryan & Iris	3,469.24	2021
	Unruh, Rayna J.	355.67	2021
*	Wood, Steve	229.76	2021

*Please return this required form to the
Town of Farmington's Assessing Office*

Building Notification Form

MAP _____ LOT _____
TRIO # _____
DATE _____

PROPERTY OWNER _____ PHONE# _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

TOWN _____ ZIP CODE _____

PROJECT LOCATION _____

CONTRACTOR _____ PHONE# _____

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

Shoreland Zone _____ Floodway _____ Floodplain _____

PROJECT DESCRIPTION _____

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

Number of plumbing fixtures: Presently _____ Proposed _____

Number of bedrooms: Presently _____ Proposed _____

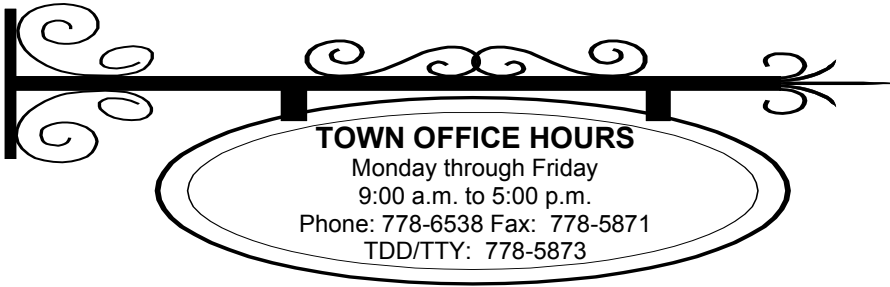
Estimated Start Date: _____ Estimated Completion Date: _____

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

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

The above information provides accurate information concerning the project described.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE OF NOTIFICATION _____



IMPORTANT NOTICES

PUBLIC WELCOME TO ATTEND MEETINGS

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

VEHICLE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

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

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

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

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

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

TRANSFER STATION PERMITS

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

BURN PERMITS

Burn Permits may be obtained at no cost online at <https://apps1.web.maine.gov/burnpermit/public/index.html>, or Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Fire Rescue Office, which is located on the main floor of the Municipal Office Building. Permits will be issued subject to safe weather conditions as set forth by the Maine Forest Service.

TOWN ORDINANCE AND STATE LAW COMPLIANCE

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

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

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

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Citizens, the Select Board, and the Town Manager:



In 2022, the Farmington Conservation Commission (FCC) held an annual Arbor Week celebration focused on invasive plants in the area. We had Hunter Manley, Bob Carlton and Jack Clark discuss identification and treatment of invasive plants with herbicides, mechanically and with goat browsing. Mike Parisio from the Maine Forest Service discussed invasive insects in the area. These invasives are increasing in the area and FCC finished an initial Invasive Species Plan focused on the imminent arrival of the emerald ash borer. The plan is the beginning of our intent to raise awareness of invasive insects and plants and to provide some guidance to Town Departments that may be impacted. The plan includes some analysis of the cost of treatment and replacement of trees.

We continued to offer support for the Walton's Mill Dam Park wildlife and plant habitat work being done by the Parks and Recreation Department, Maine Salmon Federation, University of Maine Farmington faculty and students, and Farmington Historical Society. We were able to tour the invasive plant treatment ongoing at the park site and to help replant the newly exposed stream bank to mitigate invasive plants colonizing the new ground.

Maintenance of the downtown lilac trees usually includes pruning and adding compost to the trees to promote healthy growth. We will continue that maintenance in 2023. Tree survival has not been strong over the last ten years, and we are working on plans to replant and protect the trees. The "Adopt a Tree" program encourages downtown businesses to water and watch over the trees. We wish to thank the following businesses for their "TLC" given to the downtown planted trees: Kyes Insurance, Pine Tree Cellular, WKTJ, Bangor Savings, Mills and Mills, Richards Florist, Franklin County, TD Bank, and Tuck's Ale House.

This year we also asked local businesses and organizations to plant flowers in the tree planters. This resulted in some fine flower displays established by Robin's Flower Pot, The Mercantile, The Roost, Farmington Farmhouse, Farmington Rotary Club, and Franklin County Sunrise Movement. We hope to continue that added feature to the planters.

Farmington has been designated as a Tree City USA town for 45 years. This designation recognizes the town's dedication to provide trees on town properties and roads throughout Farmington.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Haslam
Chairman

Sally Rees Speich
Secretary

Tree Planting in the Downtown





Proven Expertise & Integrity

February 13, 2023

Selectboard
Town of Farmington
153 Farmington Falls Road
Farmington, Maine 04938

We were engaged by the Town of Farmington and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Farmington as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022. A complete copy of the draft audited financial statements, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town Office.

Thank you very much for your understanding and cooperation throughout the entire audit process.

RHR Smith & Company

Certified Public Accountants

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October 28, 2022

Selectboard
Town of Farmington, Maine
Farmington, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Farmington, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Farmington, Maine as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2021 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town Office.

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,294,642	\$ 247,021	\$ 8,541,663
Investments	577,371	1,100,329	1,677,700
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	637,492	-	637,492
Liens	246,746	-	246,746
Notes	-	143,117	143,117
Other	15,000	4,685	19,685
Due from other funds	36,483	1,947,255	1,983,738
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 9,807,734	\$ 3,442,407	\$ 13,250,141
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 587,083	\$ -	\$ 587,083
Payroll related payables	110,786	-	110,786
Due to other governments	20,304	-	20,304
Due to other funds	4,266,008	36,483	4,302,491
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,984,181	36,483	5,020,664
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	20,013	-	20,013
Deferred tax revenues	735,335	-	735,335
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	755,348	-	755,348
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	-	-
Restricted	-	2,398,373	2,398,373
Committed	-	1,009,965	1,009,965
Assigned	-	394	394
Unassigned	4,068,205	(2,808)	4,065,397
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	4,068,205	3,405,924	7,474,129
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 9,807,734	\$ 3,442,407	\$ 13,250,141

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property taxes	\$ 9,562,640	\$ -	\$ 9,562,640
Excise taxes	1,162,964	-	1,162,964
Interest on taxes	83,193	-	83,193
Intergovernmental	2,167,533	653,972	2,821,505
Charges for services	238,998	-	238,998
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	-	47,420	47,420
Miscellaneous revenues	36,746	203,272	240,018
TOTAL REVENUES	13,252,074	904,664	14,156,738
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	876,400	-	876,400
Public safety	2,428,467	-	2,428,467
Health and welfare	7,030	-	7,030
Recreation and culture	365,473	-	365,473
Education	4,713,685	-	4,713,685
Public works	1,679,587	-	1,679,587
County tax	627,883	-	627,883
Community services	241,374	-	241,374
Unclassified	135,610	768,376	903,986
Debt service:			
Principal	182,667	-	182,667
Interest	29,862	-	29,862
Capital outlay	-	370,429	370,429
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	11,288,038	1,138,805	12,426,843
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1,964,036	(234,141)	1,729,895
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	15,000	868,842	883,842
Transfers (out)	(868,842)	(15,000)	(883,842)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(853,842)	853,842	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	1,110,194	619,701	1,729,895
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1, RESTATED	2,958,011	2,786,223	5,744,234
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 4,068,205	\$ 3,405,924	\$ 7,474,129

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Enterprise Funds		
	Sewer	Sewer Reserves	Total
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Investments	\$ -	\$ 1,575,926	\$ 1,575,926
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	278,693	-	278,693
Due from other funds	1,780,947	537,806	2,318,753
Total current assets	2,059,640	2,113,732	4,173,372
Noncurrent assets:			
Capital assets:			
Land and buildings	9,893,516	-	9,893,516
Vehicles and equipment	2,048,019	-	2,048,019
Plant/infrastructure	7,940,149	-	7,940,149
Less: accumulated depreciation	(18,053,076)	-	(18,053,076)
Net capital assets	1,828,608	-	1,828,608
Net pension asset	5,386	-	5,386
Total noncurrent assets	1,833,994	-	1,833,994
TOTAL ASSETS	3,893,634	2,113,732	6,007,366
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows related to pensions	26,296	-	26,296
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	26,296	-	26,296
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 3,919,930	\$ 2,113,732	\$ 6,033,662
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities:			
Accrued payroll	\$ 11,803	\$ -	\$ 11,803
Current portion of long-term obligations	33,784	-	33,784
Total current liabilities	45,587	-	45,587
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Noncurrent portion of long-term obligations:			
Bonds payable	483,835	-	483,835
Accrued compensated absences	22,227	-	22,227
Total noncurrent liabilities	506,062	-	506,062
TOTAL LIABILITIES	551,649	-	551,649
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows related to pensions	76,936	-	76,936
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	76,936	-	76,936
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	1,318,398	-	1,318,398
Unrestricted	1,972,947	2,113,732	4,086,679
TOTAL NET POSITION	3,291,345	2,113,732	5,405,077
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	\$ 3,919,930	\$ 2,113,732	\$ 6,033,662

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Enterprise Funds		
	Sewer	Sewer Reserves	Total
OPERATING REVENUES			
Charges for services	\$ 1,037,648	\$ -	\$ 1,037,648
Other	78,617	2,463	81,080
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,116,265	2,463	1,118,728
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Payroll and taxes	378,305	-	378,305
Treatment plant	140,904	-	140,904
Professional services	192,802	-	192,802
Depreciation	274,692	-	274,692
Other	95,390	77,155	172,545
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,082,093	77,155	1,159,248
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	34,172	(74,692)	(40,520)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)			
Interest income	257	-	257
Interest (expense)	(17,838)	-	(17,838)
Transfers in (out)	(130,000)	130,000	-
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	(147,581)	130,000	(17,581)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(113,409)	55,308	(58,101)
NET POSITION - JANUARY 1	3,404,754	2,058,424	5,463,178
NET POSITION - DECEMBER 31	\$ 3,291,345	\$ 2,113,732	\$ 5,405,077

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1	\$ 2,958,011	\$ 2,958,011	\$ 2,958,011	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	9,586,866	9,586,866	9,562,640	(24,226)
Excise taxes	1,114,500	1,114,500	1,162,964	48,464
Interest on taxes	62,000	62,000	83,193	21,193
Intergovernmental	1,738,873	1,738,873	2,167,533	428,660
Charges for services	178,283	178,283	238,998	60,715
Miscellaneous revenues	26,000	26,000	36,746	10,746
Transfers from other funds	-	-	15,000	15,000
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>15,664,533</u>	<u>15,664,533</u>	<u>16,225,085</u>	<u>560,552</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	932,656	908,064	876,400	31,664
Public safety	2,668,828	2,659,828	2,428,467	231,361
Health and welfare	25,000	25,000	7,030	17,970
Recreation and culture	445,987	419,487	365,473	54,014
Education	4,713,685	4,713,685	4,713,685	-
Public works	2,135,655	1,888,251	1,679,587	208,664
County tax	627,883	627,883	627,883	-
Community services	241,474	241,474	241,374	100
Unclassified	168,244	168,244	135,610	32,634
Debt service:				
Principal	182,667	182,667	182,667	-
Interest	29,901	29,901	29,862	39
Transfers to other funds	534,542	868,842	868,842	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>12,706,522</u>	<u>12,733,326</u>	<u>12,156,880</u>	<u>576,446</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 2,958,011</u>	<u>\$ 2,931,207</u>	<u>\$ 4,068,205</u>	<u>\$ 1,136,998</u>
Utilization of unassigned fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,804</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (26,804)</u>

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 9,573,866	\$ 9,573,866	\$ 9,548,895	\$ (24,971)
Payment in lieu	13,000	13,000	13,745	745
Excise taxes	1,114,500	1,114,500	1,162,964	48,464
Interest on taxes	62,000	62,000	83,193	21,193
Total Taxes	10,763,366	10,763,366	10,808,797	45,431
Intergovernmental Revenues:				
State revenue sharing	973,000	973,000	1,356,786	383,786
Homestead exemption	453,914	453,914	398,158	(55,756)
GA reimbursement	6,500	6,500	3,045	(3,455)
Local road assistance	154,827	154,827	169,375	14,548
BETE reimbursement	121,032	121,032	121,140	108
Veteran reimbursement	6,600	6,600	7,077	477
Tree growth reimbursement	23,000	23,000	111,952	88,952
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	1,738,873	1,738,873	2,167,533	428,660
Charges for Services:				
Code enforcement fees	45,000	45,000	51,997	6,997
Motor vehicle fees	24,000	24,000	32,087	8,087
Vital statistics fees	16,000	16,000	18,824	2,824
Inland fisheries fees	2,383	2,383	1,654	(729)
Parks and recreation fees	12,000	12,000	26,065	14,065
Assessor	-	-	1	1
Dog fees	-	-	967	967
Rental of town property	1,000	1,000	-	(1,000)
Police department	12,000	12,000	14,325	2,325
Recycling fees	40,000	40,000	75,310	35,310
Cemetery fees	15,500	15,500	16,310	810
Misc fees/licenses	10,400	10,400	1,458	(8,942)
Total Charges for Services	178,283	178,283	238,998	60,715
Miscellaneous Revenues:				
Tax lien fees	11,000	11,000	11,142	142
Misc revenues	15,000	15,000	25,604	10,604
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	26,000	26,000	36,746	10,746
Transfers from other funds	-	-	15,000	15,000
Amounts Available for Appropriation	\$ 12,706,522	\$ 12,706,522	\$ 13,267,074	\$ 560,552

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
General government:					
Administration	\$ 261,081	\$ 8,766	\$ 269,847	\$ 269,847	\$ -
Assessor	130,493	(26,000)	104,493	99,172	5,321
Clerk treasurer	284,811	(1,000)	283,811	264,806	19,005
Municipal building	84,878	(5,558)	79,320	79,320	-
CEO	163,593	-	163,593	161,327	2,266
Committees	7,800	(800)	7,000	1,928	5,072
	<u>932,656</u>	<u>(24,592)</u>	<u>908,064</u>	<u>876,400</u>	<u>31,664</u>
Public safety:					
Police department	1,506,788	(9,000)	1,497,788	1,294,692	203,096
Fire department	696,154	-	696,154	691,163	4,991
Hydrants	345,475	-	345,475	345,475	-
Street lights	63,550	-	63,550	59,863	3,687
Traffic lights	20,000	-	20,000	1,587	18,413
Ambulance	36,861	-	36,861	35,687	1,174
	<u>2,668,828</u>	<u>(9,000)</u>	<u>2,659,828</u>	<u>2,428,467</u>	<u>231,361</u>
Health and welfare:					
General assistance	25,000	-	25,000	7,030	17,970
	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>7,030</u>	<u>17,970</u>
Recreation and culture:					
Parks and recreation	203,342	(7,000)	196,342	177,350	18,992
Community center	146,160	(19,500)	126,660	97,827	28,833
Cemeteries	96,485	-	96,485	90,296	6,189
	<u>445,987</u>	<u>(26,500)</u>	<u>419,487</u>	<u>365,473</u>	<u>54,014</u>

SCHEDULE B (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Education	4,713,685	-	4,713,685	4,713,685	-
Public works:					
Highway department	1,506,216	(260,000)	1,246,216	1,062,009	184,207
Recycling department	174,612	(4,000)	170,612	148,203	22,409
Local roads	154,827	-	154,827	152,779	2,048
Capital improvement for roads	300,000	16,596	316,596	316,596	-
	2,135,655	(247,404)	1,888,251	1,679,587	208,664
County tax	627,883	-	627,883	627,883	-
Debt service:					
Principal	182,667	-	182,667	182,667	-
Interest	29,901	-	29,901	29,862	39
	212,568	-	212,568	212,529	39
Community services:					
Animal shelter	17,072	-	17,072	16,972	100
Public library	205,404	-	205,404	205,404	-
Social services / economic development	17,998	-	17,998	17,998	-
Gay cemetery	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
	241,474	-	241,474	241,374	100

SCHEDULE B (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Unclassified:					
Insurances	96,700	-	96,700	96,353	347
TAN interest	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Overlay	66,544	-	66,544	39,257	27,287
	<u>168,244</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>168,244</u>	<u>135,610</u>	<u>32,634</u>
Transfers to other funds:					
Revaluation	-	26,000	26,000	26,000	-
Legal reserve	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-
Community center	-	19,500	19,500	19,500	-
ADA	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Treasurer computer	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Police facilities	-	3,500	3,500	3,500	-
Police equipment	-	500	500	500	-
Police vehicle	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
Municipal landfill	-	4,000	4,000	4,000	-
Public works facilities	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Public works equipment	-	220,000	220,000	220,000	-
Sidewalks	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Municipal facilities	-	7,000	7,000	7,000	-
Fire equipment	75,000	-	75,000	75,000	-
Parks and recreation	-	7,000	7,000	7,000	-
Conservation committee	-	800	800	800	-
TIF	448,542	-	448,542	448,542	-
	<u>534,542</u>	<u>334,300</u>	<u>868,842</u>	<u>868,842</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Departmental Operations	\$ 12,706,522	\$ 26,804	\$ 12,733,326	\$ 12,156,880	\$ 576,446

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 232,342	\$ -	\$ 14,679	\$ 247,021
Investments	-	-	1,100,329	1,100,329
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	4,685	-	-	4,685
Notes receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	143,117	-	-	143,117
Due from other funds	1,163,349	755,018	28,888	1,947,255
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,543,493	\$ 755,018	\$ 1,143,896	\$ 3,442,407
LIABILITIES				
Due to other funds	\$ 4,686	\$ -	\$ 31,797	\$ 36,483
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,686	-	31,797	36,483
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-
Restricted	1,145,331	138,136	1,114,906	2,398,373
Committed	393,083	616,882	-	1,009,965
Assigned	394	-	-	394
Unassigned	(1)	-	(2,807)	(2,808)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,538,807	755,018	1,112,099	3,405,924
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,543,493	\$ 755,018	\$ 1,143,896	\$ 3,442,407

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,420	\$ 47,420
Intergovernmental	653,972	-	-	653,972
Other income	73,307	29,965	100,000	203,272
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>727,279</u>	<u>29,965</u>	<u>147,420</u>	<u>904,664</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	-	370,429	-	370,429
Other	765,807	-	2,569	768,376
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>765,807</u>	<u>370,429</u>	<u>2,569</u>	<u>1,138,805</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(38,528)</u>	<u>(340,464)</u>	<u>144,851</u>	<u>(234,141)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	504,842	364,000	-	868,842
Transfers (out)	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>504,842</u>	<u>364,000</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>853,842</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	466,314	23,536	129,851	619,701
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1, RESTATED	<u>1,072,493</u>	<u>731,482</u>	<u>982,248</u>	<u>2,786,223</u>
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 1,538,807</u>	<u>\$ 755,018</u>	<u>\$ 1,112,099</u>	<u>\$ 3,405,924</u>

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

**2023 WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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

GREETING: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Farmington, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Community Center at 127 Middle Street in said Town on Monday, the TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, 2023, at 8:45 o'clock in the morning to act upon Articles 1 and 2. The polls will open at 9:00 o'clock in the morning and close at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon Article Second.

And also, notify and warn the said Inhabitants to meet at the Mt. Blue High School Auditorium at 129 Seamon Road in said Town on Monday, the TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, 2023, at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to hear the results of the secret ballot on Articles 1 and 2 and to act on Articles 3 through 41, all the Articles being set out below, to wit:

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

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

THIRD - To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with 30-A M.R.S. section 5721-7, to increase the property tax levy limit of \$4,605,887 established for Farmington By State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the following Articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The budget recommended by the Selectmen meets the 2023 property tax levy limit. Because however, the Town Meeting process is active, interactive, and unpredictable; the Selectmen cannot know with certainty whether the municipal budget being proposed will be increased or decreased by the Town Meeting. Therefore, it is advisable to include this Article if there is any chance that the Town Meeting will raise and appropriate sums in excess of the property tax levy limit. It is also possible that unanticipated reductions in non-property tax revenues will result in a tax commitment that exceeds the limit. In such cases, State law requires voter action to authorize an increase in the limit. A vote on this Article requires a written ballot.

FOURTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$992,898	\$1,278,423
Selectmen Recommended	992,898	1,025,426
Budget Committee Recommended	992,898	1,025,426
Town Meeting Approved	860,275	

STATEMENT OF FACT:

	Appropriated <u>2022</u>	Requested <u>2023</u>	Selectmen and Budget Committee <u>Recommended</u>
1. Administration	\$266,479	\$291,953	\$290,544
2. Assessor	115,848	144,451	144,451
3. Treasurer / Clerk	331,957	493,119	457,919
4. Committees & Events	4,700	7,450	3,950
5. Municipal Building	82,591	102,066	103,562
6. Tax Anticipation Note			0
7. General Assistance	25,000	30,000	25,000
8. Revaluation	27,900	30,000	0
9. Conservation Comm.	800	30,000	0
7. MB Reserve	<u>5,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	\$860,275	\$1,308,423	\$1,025,426

The Administration Budget includes personnel costs for the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Executive Assistant, and one-half of the Planning Assistant, related office supply and equipment costs, and expenses for professional services such as the Town Report printing, annual audit, public notice advertising, routine legal services, and pay adjustments for 2023. The Town pays 80% of the employee premium and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for full-time employees in this Department.

The Assessor's Department includes personnel costs for a full-time Assessor, minor continued services from John E. O'Donnell & Associates, Inc., office supplies, software licenses, and association dues. Also included is a new lease agreement of \$189 per month for 63 months for a large new format plotter/printer, \$27,500 for tax mapping updates and conversion, and \$30,000 for the Revaluation Reserve Account, the balance of which is currently \$265,497.

The Town Clerk/HR & Treasurer Budget includes salaries for Town Clerk/HR Director & Treasurer, and wages for AP Counter Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk/Counter Clerk along with Treasurer pay adjustment at six months. This budget includes funds for election costs.

Committees and Events includes Memorial Day Flags (\$1,000), Planning Board (\$200), Contingency (\$200), and Special Projects (\$2,500) which is a discretionary account for the Selectmen through which they may authorize expenditures for special projects, promotions, or events deemed appropriate.

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

The Tax Anticipation Note is no longer used to provide funds for the Town to operate until taxes are due. The Town borrows funds from the Sewer Department and repays them.

The General Assistance program provides for the basic needs of persons who apply and meet the qualifying requirements for assistance. The 2022 appropriation was \$25,000. Expenditures totaled \$16,066 in 2022. The state reimburses seventy percent of this expenditure and accrues to the General Fund.

FIFTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **CODE ENFORCEMENT** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$236,000	\$194,472
Selectmen Recommended	236,000	\$194,472
Budget Committee Recommended	236,000	\$194,472
Approved	178,316	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget request covers the operational expenses for two and one-half employees who oversee Code Administration, Planning, and Community Development functions. Included are pay adjustments for 2023.

SIXTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **POLICE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,695,400	\$1,853,197
Selectmen Recommended	1,695,400	1,853,197
Budget Committee Recommended	1,695,400	1,853,197
Town Meeting Approved	1,695,400	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Police Department budget reflects increases for the anticipated return of a full complement of Police Officers. The budget includes negotiated contractual obligations for union members and 3% Cost of Living Increases for union and non-union members. The 2023 budget allows for public safety protection 24 hours per day and 7 days per week. This includes expanded Animal Control services. Also included are expenses related to building, operations, vehicles, supplies, and maintenance.

SEVENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$963,799	\$916,331
Selectmen Recommended	963,799	916,331
Budget Committee Recommended	963,799	916,331
Town Meeting Approved	884,247	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The increase in the Fire Department’s request includes benefits for the full year for the two full-time “Utility” firefighters that were hired in 2022 and the added cost to upgrade the retirement plan for the full-time firefighters. The budget includes a 3% pay increase for personnel in 2023. Also included are some adjustments related to operations to adjust for the rising costs of supplies and equipment.

EIGHTH - To see if Town will vote to create a Recreation Programs special revenue fund.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The revenue source of this fund shall be from jersey fees and Hippach Field signage fees. Expenditures from this fund will be to support recreation department programming. The unexpended balance of this fund shall not lapse into the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year but, instead, shall be carried forward each year to be used for its intended purpose.

Selectmen Recommend Approval.

NINTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PARKS AND RECREATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER DEPARTMENTS** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$564,695	\$447,607
Selectmen Recommended	\$564,695	\$453,553
Budget Committee Recommended	\$564,695	\$453,553
Approved	\$380,957	

	Appropriated <u>2022</u>	Requested <u>2023</u>	Recommended <u>2023</u>
Parks and Recreation	\$218,628	\$239,972	\$243,327
Community Center	<u>\$162,329</u>	<u>\$207,635</u>	<u>\$210,226</u>
TOTAL	\$380,957	\$447,607	\$453,553

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Parks and Recreation Budget includes operating expenses for all recreational activities, including personnel costs for the full-time Director, part-time seasonal positions, program directors, and coaches. The Community Center budget includes personnel costs for one full-time Assistant Director and one full-time Maintenance position, as well as several part-time seasonal positions. Both budgets include pay adjustments for personnel and reflect an increase in utilities, maintenance, and program supplies costs, and an increase in the minimum wage for 2023.

TENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **OTHER PROTECTIONS** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$584,900	\$617,641
Selectmen Recommended	584,900	617,641
Budget Committee Recommended	584,900	617,641
Town Meeting Approved	584,900	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
1. Streetlights	\$ 70,000	\$ 100,000
2. Fire Hydrants	350,000	345,475
3. Insurances	106,800	120,000
4. Ambulance	36,500	47,166
5. Traffic Light Maintenance	<u>21,500</u>	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$468,273	\$617,641

The Street Light budget has increased to allow for a rate increase at CMP. The cost of Fire Hydrants has not increased. The hydrant cost is governed by the Maine Public Utilities Commission and is based on a percentage of the Water Company's total operating expenses. The Insurance category is based on anticipated premium costs in 2023. Included are employee cash handling bonds, blanket property and automobile coverages, public officials' liability, and unemployment insurance. The Ambulance subsidy is established by a contractual agreement with NorthStar Ambulance. The Traffic Light Maintenance budget is based on 2022 actual expenditures and 2023 projected costs.

ELEVENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,841,582	\$1,498,168
Selectmen Recommended	1,841,582	1,498,168
Budget Committee Recommended	1,841,582	1,596,898
Town Meeting Approved	1,642,399	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Public Works Department budget covers the operational expenses required to maintain the Town's 120 miles of roads. The budget covers the personnel costs for eleven full-time and two part-time employees. One new foreman position is being added to oversee the volume of new roadway construction and to oversee snow removal, and other projects.

TWELFTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$450,000 from the General Fund's unassigned fund balance and transfer that money to the Public Works Equipment Reserve and Facilities Reserve.

STATEMENT OF FACT: \$100,000 to Facilities Reserve, this money will be used to pave the parking lot at the Highway Garage, and for facilities maintenance. \$350,000 to Equipment Reserves, will be used to purchase a plow truck and pickup trucks.

Selectmen Recommends Approval

THIRTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **RECYCLING DEPARTMENT** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$178,050	\$195,425
Selectmen Recommended	178,050	195,035
Budget Committee Recommended	178,050	195,035
Town Meeting Approved	178,050	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget covers all operating expenses for the transfer station and two current part-time employees for 2023. A 6% inflation cost for waste disposal costs at the waste management facility is included.

FOURTEENTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate State of Maine Local Road Assistance Program (LRAP) funds in the amount of \$160,000 for the year 2023, and to authorize the expenditure of said funds for road improvements.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$154,900	\$160,000
Selectmen Recommended	154,900	160,000
Budget Committee Recommended	154,900	160,000
Town Meeting Approved	154,900	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The figure shown in this Article is the amount the Town is projected to receive from the Maine Department of Transportation for 2023 funding. This allocation is used for capital improvements to Town roads.

FIFTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be transferred to the Reserve Funds.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
CEO Equipment Reserve	\$ 1,240	\$0
Revaluation Reserve	27,900	30,000
Conservation Commission Reserve	800	0
Municipal Buildings Reserve	5,000	10,000
Fire Department Equipment Reserve	48,000	150,000
Police Department K-9 Reserve	750	0
Police Department Building Reserve	3,500	0
Police Department Equipment Reserve	5,000	10,000
Police Department Vehicle Reserve	20,000	35,000
Public Works Equipment Reserve	137,500	105,000
Public Works Facilities Reserve	20,000	50,000
Public Works Sidewalks Reserve	0	25,000
Municipal Landfill Reserve	4,000	10,000
Public Works Roads Reserve	510,000	656,645
Hippach Field and Parks Reserve	0	5,000
Parks Vehicle and Equipment Reserve	0	2,500
Total	\$783,690	\$1,089,145

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$783,690	\$1,089,145
Selectmen Recommended	\$783,690	\$1,089,145
Budget Committee Recommended	\$783,690	\$1,089,145
Approved	\$783,690	

SIXTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **DEBT SERVICE** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$260,400	\$95,000
Selectmen Recommended	260,400	95,000
Budget Committee Recommended	260,400	95,000
Town Meeting Approved	370,900	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested	Recommended
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>
Engine 1	\$118,051	\$56,650	\$56,650
Police Building Debt	42,000	37,763	37,763
Engine 2	42,800		
Police Building Debt	57,500		
TOTAL	\$260,400	\$94,413	\$94,413

The amount indicated in this Article represents the debt service (principal and interest) for bonds for the police station renovations and Engine 1 debt. The police building debt will be paid off in 2026, and Engine 1 in 2029.

SEVENTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **LEGAL RESERVE ACCOUNT** for the purpose of funding costs associated with actual or potential litigation for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$5,000	\$5,000
Selectmen Recommended	5,000	5,000
Budget Committee Recommended	5,000	5,000
Town Meeting Approved	5,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The various administrative accounts contain funding to cover routine legal costs related to tax liens, personnel issues, contracts, general liability, zoning, etc. Those amounts are not adequate to cover ongoing litigation and unforeseen legal expenses. The Legal Reserve Account provides for such expenditures. The amount shown is requested to replenish the account and achieve a target balance of \$30,000 for legal expenses this year.

EIGHTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) RESERVE ACCOUNT** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$2,500	\$1,500
Selectmen Recommended	2,500	1,500
Budget Committee Recommended	2,500	1,500
Town Meeting Approved	2,500	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The ADA Reserve Account is used to improve accessibility to public facilities for people with disabilities. It currently has a balance of \$13,942.

NINETEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FARMINGTON LIBRARY** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$228,000	\$248,870
Selectmen Recommended	228,000	248,870
Budget Committee Recommended	228,000	248,870
Town Meeting Approved	228,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The amount requested represents approximately 75% of the Library's total projected budget for 2023 and is an 11.15% increase over the 2022 Town appropriation.

TWENTIETH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **GAY CEMETERY** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,000	\$1,000
Selectmen Recommended	1,000	1,000
Budget Committee Recommended	1,000	1,000
Town Meeting Approved	1,000	

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

TWENTY-FIRST - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FRANKLIN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER** for the year 2023.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$16,900	\$18,221
Selectmen Recommended	16,900	18,221
Budget Committee Recommended	16,900	18,221
Town Meeting Approved	16,900	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The State of Maine mandates that all municipalities designate a shelter that will accept stray animals. Farmington contracts with the Franklin County Animal Shelter for this service. The shelter currently assesses all participating communities at \$2.40 per capita based on the most recent US Census.

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

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

TWENTY-THIRD - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the nonprofit economic development and social services agencies that are impacted by the cuts the Franklin County Commissioner made beginning in 2017.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Town of Farmington, for 35 years, has funded social services and economic development through the Franklin County Government. Franklin County Commissioners in 2017 reduced funding to social services and economic development by 70% or \$143,000, and an additional \$31,000 in 2022. This reduction eliminated funding to 6 nonprofits and reduced support to 3 others. The Town of Farmington's taxation by the County was reduced by \$17,998 as a result of these cuts. This Article asks if the Town wishes to continue supporting these organizations for service rendered in Farmington in the same amount saved in 2017, \$17,998. The organizations agree to use this funding to support Farmington residents. The organizations recommend that this funding be distributed proportionally to the amount lost by each nonprofit.

Proposed Disbursement of Town Funding						
Breakdown	Total Avail FY17	Dept Req. FY18	Comm. Req. FY18	Amount Lost	% of Loss	Farmington Share
Franklin County Children's Task Force (FCCTF)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	5%	\$ 857.00
Franklin County Adult Basic Education	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Western Maine Transportation Services (WMTS)	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	3%	\$ 514.00
Western Maine Community Action Inc. (WMCA)	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Greater Franklin Development Council	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ 42,000.00	40%	\$ 7,200.00
Seniors Plus	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Services (SAPARS)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Androscoggin Home Healthcare & Hospice (AHHCH)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,130.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	10%	\$ 1,714.00
Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	5%	\$ 857.00
	\$ 171,200.00	\$ 209,330.00	\$ 66,200.00	\$ 105,000.00	100%	\$ 17,998.00

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$17,998	\$17,998
Selectmen Recommended	17,998	17,998
Budget Committee Recommended	17,998	17,998
Town Meeting Approved	17,998	

TWENTY- FOURTH - Shall the Town vote to adopt the following Resolution?

Statement from the voters of Farmington on April 25, 2022

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners have funded economic development and social services programs that have served the entire region for over 35 years, and

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners have cut all funding to social services agencies and economic development programs, and

Whereas these organizations and their important services benefit the entire region and improve the quality of life for our residents,

Now, therefore, the Town of Farmington requests that Franklin County reverse its policy of not funding these programs, restore funding to these organizations and continue the regional approach for these services.

TWENTY-FIFTH - see if the Town will vote to reduce the amounts authorized to be raised in taxes in Articles 2 through 20 by **\$3,822,000**, based on estimates for non-tax municipal revenues.

<u>Estimates</u>	<u>FY22 Estimates</u>	<u>FY23</u>
Excise Taxes	\$ 1,105,000	\$ 1,105,000
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	101,000	97,000
Intergovernmental	2,150,091	2,440,000
Charges for Services	110,000	110,000
Other Revenues	106,340	70,000
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	\$3,572,431	\$3,822,000
Selectmen Recommended	\$3,572,431	\$3,822,000
Budget Committee Recommended	\$3,572,431	\$3,822,000
Approved	\$3,572,431	

TWENTY-SIXTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to reallocate budgeted amounts from budget lines that have unexpended appropriations to other budget lines, as they deem necessary, to avoid individual budget lines being over-expended. Approval of this warrant article does not increase the overall appropriations approved for the Town.

TWENTY-SEVENTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Unassigned Fund Balance those funds deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen to reduce the amount of property taxes to be collected to fund the Year 2023 budget in an effort to stabilize the tax rate in a manner consistent with prudent fiscal management.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Unassigned Fund Balance (UFB), as reported by the auditors at the end of the 2022 budget year, is approximately \$4,000,000. The auditors recommend carrying a minimum UFB level that is adequate to cover three months' expenditures, which is approximately \$3,500,000. Approval of this Article would allow the Selectmen to utilize whatever amount of UFB, if any, that they deem to be advisable to reduce the property tax commitment while maintaining adequate reserves.

TWENTY-EIGHTH - To see what amount, if any, of the Year 2023 Bee Line Cable (Spectrum) Contract Franchise Fee and equipment and facilities fund the Town will vote to appropriate for the **CABLE FRANCHISE FEE RESERVE FUND** for the benefit of Bee Line Cable subscribers, to be expended or allocated at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amount Requested	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Selectmen Recommended	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Budget Committee Recommended	Full Franchise Fee	Full Franchise Fee
Town Meeting Approved	Full Franchise Fee	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Cable Television Franchise granted to Bee Line, Inc. by the Town of Farmington requires Bee Line to pay the Town 5% of its gross annual revenues as compensation for the rights and privileges granted by the Agreement. In 2022, that amount was \$45,585. This payment is used to support the operations of the Public, Educational, and Governmental channel, Mount Blue TV (Channel 11). The Franchise Agreement also allows for a \$7,500 annual payment for Mount Blue TV's equipment and facilities. The full franchise fee for 2023 is expected to be an amount similar to or slightly less than that received in 2022.

TWENTY-NINETH - To see if the Town will vote to make property taxes due and payable on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, or 45 days from the tax commitment, whichever is later and, in accordance with 36 M.R.S. Section 505(4), charge interest on overdue taxes at the rate of 8.00% per annum after November 1, 2023.

THIRTIETH - To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with 36 M.R.S. Section 506-A, to pay interest on refunds of overpaid or abated taxes at the rate of 4.00% per annum after Wednesday, November 1, 2023, or 45 days from the tax commitment, whichever is later.

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

THIRTY-SECOND - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish a Foreclosed Property Policy and further authorize the Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes and/or sewer charges thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable [except that the Selectmen shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. Section 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s)], and to execute the appropriate deed for such property, or to waive or delay disposition of foreclosed property as may be deemed appropriate on a case by case basis.

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

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

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

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

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

THIRTY-SIXTH - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budget amount in each category of the 2023 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2024, until the Town Meeting in March 2024.

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

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

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

FORTIETH – Shall Chapter 11 – Land Use, Article 8 – Town of Farmington Zoning Ordinance, the current version adopted on May 25, 2021, be amended as follows:

The addition of the definition, Table of Uses list, and performance standard for Homeless Shelter" as Section 11-8.11.M to the Town of Farmington Zoning Ordinance.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Zoning Board has recommended the proposed addition of the definition, Table of Uses list, and performance standard for "Homeless Shelter" be included in the Town of Farmington Zoning Ordinance to provide standards for review and to protect public health, safety, and welfare.

NOTE: Copies of the draft definition, Table of uses list, and performance standard for "Homeless Shelter" are available in advance at the Municipal Building and at the Community Center during the Town Meeting.

FORTY-FIRST - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$150,000 from the General Fund's unassigned fund balance and transfer that money into Hippach Field and Other Parks Reserve account (SX-7954).

STATEMENT OF FACT: This money will be used to repair/replace the white fence sections on Main Street at Hippach Field with brick and possibly move and rebuild 2-3 brick pillars farther from the road.

Selectmen Recommends Approval


The Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Community Center on March 27, 2023 at the time of the meeting to add new names to the voting list or make changes to the voting list.

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

Given under our hands at Farmington, Maine this twenty-seventh day of February, A.D. 2023.

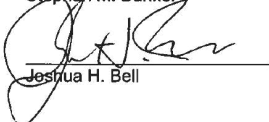
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OFFICER'S RETURN

I certify that I have notified the voters of the Town of Farmington of the time and place of the Town Meeting by posting an attested copy of the within warrant at the **FARMINGTON MUNICIPAL BUILDING** at _____; at the **WEST FARMINGTON POST OFFICE** at _____; at the **FARMINGTON POST OFFICE** at _____; at the **FARMINGTON FALLS POST OFFICE** at _____; and at the **FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER** at _____, all being conspicuous public places within the Town of Farmington on March ____, 2023, which is a least 7 days prior to the day of said meeting.

Dated at Farmington, Maine this ____ day of March 2023.

S. Clyde Ross
Resident of Farmington
True copy:


Twila Lyette
Deputy Town Clerk

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Dear Neighbors:

It is an honor to serve you in the Maine House of Representatives. I am proud to be your advocate in Augusta, and I look forward to working alongside my colleagues to find thoughtful solutions for the many challenges facing our community and our state.

As I write this, the first session of the 131st Legislature is underway. We have a lot of work to do in the coming months, from addressing the rising cost of living to improving access to affordable housing and health care. Our most significant priority will be the creation of a balanced two-year state budget, which will play a critical role in shaping the direction of our state in the near future. I am pushing to ensure the budget we enact is responsible and improves the lives of all Mainers.

This session, I am honored to have been reappointed to serve as House chair of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee. Our committee is charged with protecting Maine's outdoor heritage and ensuring good stewardship of our fish and game resources. I have also been appointed to serve on the Marine Resources Committee. Both of these committees work closely with our most important heritage industries, which are the backbone of the economy in rural communities like ours. I am proud to serve on them.

Please feel free to contact me if I can ever be of assistance to you or your family, or if you would like to discuss or testify on any upcoming legislation. My email is scott.landry@legislature.maine.gov, and my phone number is 491-9041. I also send out monthly email newsletters that provide insight into our work at the State House, offer helpful information and resources and aim to connect you with your state government. Please let me know if you would like to receive them.

Thank you for your trust in me. I look forward to connecting with you over the next two years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Landry".

Scott Landry
State Representative

District 75: Chesterville and Farmington



Senator Russell Black
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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is an honor to represent you, your family, and the communities of District 5 in the Maine Senate. I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me to work for the betterment of our region and I can assure you that I will work tirelessly on your behalf.

This will be my third term in the Maine State Senate, previously serving all of Franklin County and some towns in Kennebec County. While my district has changed, as a result of redistricting, I know many of the important issues to those in rural Maine remain the same.

With a struggling economy and the cost of groceries, gas, home heating oil and electricity increasing, Maine families, seniors, and small businesses need relief from the high costs breaking our budgets. Addressing the policies that have created some of these high costs is a priority of mine in the coming session. In addition to addressing these costs, the 131st Legislature is tasked with passing a balanced budget by June 30, 2023. This will require careful review of current state spending and prioritizing our needs versus wants, just like Mainers do with their own budgets. As your State Senator, I will be working to find ways to lower taxes and rein in state spending so that you can keep more of your hard-earned money.

I hope during these difficult times we all come together as a community, and reach out to our neighbors in need. Check in with each other and reach out if you or someone you know is struggling. As always, I am eager to help with state-related issues.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. The 131st Legislature certainly has a great deal of work to do; but I believe that if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or Russell.Black@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

Russell Black
State Senator

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Dear Maine Resident:

In January, I was privileged to take the Oath of Office to begin my second term as your Governor. I am deeply humbled by the trust the people of Maine have placed in me, and I look forward to continuing to work hard over the next four years to improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people.

Over the past four years, we have made real progress. We have expanded health care, leading to the largest decline in the uninsured rate of any state in the nation. We fully funded the State's share of public education. We delivered two-years of free community college. We fully restored municipal revenue sharing to five percent. We delivered substantial tax relief, nation-leading inflation relief, and emergency energy relief to help Maine people through difficult times.

Through the Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan, we are strengthening and diversifying our economy. In 2022, our state's gross domestic product – a key measure of economic growth – grew at the 9th fastest rate in the United States. People are moving to Maine at a rate higher than any other New England state, and at one of the highest rates in the nation. We have enacted balanced budgets, and we have built up Maine's "Rainy Day" fund to a record high, preparing our state to continue meeting its commitments in the event of an economic downturn.

While I am proud of the progress we have made, there is more to do, like addressing the housing crisis, the workforce shortage, and the opioid epidemic and strengthening health care, education, and the economy. I know that by working together to tackle these issues head-on, we can improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people and make Maine the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Thank you again for the honor to serve you as Governor.

Thank you,

A blue ink signature of Janet T. Mills, written in a cursive style.

Janet T. Mills
Governor

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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for the trust that Mainers have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments for our state.

Last year, I secured more than \$500 million for 285 projects from Aroostook County to York County that will promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; improve public safety, infrastructure, and community resources; and protect our environment. To address the crisis of soaring inflation and high energy prices, I led efforts to provide \$2 billion in supplemental funds to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In the new Congress that begins in 2023, I expect to be the Vice Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and will continue to champion investments to support Maine's communities and families.

Strengthening our economy and supporting good jobs remain a top priority. Along with the Governor and the rest of the Maine Delegation and the associations representing the lobster industry, I worked to protect our hardworking lobstermen and women by pausing for six years the onerous federal regulations that jeopardize our lobster fishery's very existence. Another ongoing threat to Maine's small businesses is the shortage of workers. That's why I led an effort to push the Administration to nearly double the number of H-2B visas that are critical to our hospitality industry. Additionally, when the Administration proposed to cut the construction of a destroyer to be built by Bath Iron Works, I restored this funding to protect Maine jobs and our national security.

When Maine Veterans' Homes announced last year that it planned to close its facilities in Caribou and Machias, I opposed that decision which would have had such a devastating effect on rural veterans and their families. I am glad that the decision was reversed, and I have secured \$3 million to help with upgrades to these facilities. My *AUTO for Vets Act* also became law, which will help disabled veterans maintain their independence by supporting the purchase of a new adaptive vehicle once a decade.

This past year, Congress demonstrated how effective it can be on behalf of the American people when both parties work together. A few of the bipartisan achievements that I was involved in include the *Respect for Marriage Act*, which will provide certainty to millions of loving couples in same-sex marriages while protecting religious liberties, and the *Electoral Count Reform Act*, which establishes clear guidelines for our system of certifying and counting electoral votes for President and Vice President.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and I have honored that work ethic by showing up for every vote. During my Senate service, I have cast more than 8,500 consecutive votes, never having missed one. I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2023. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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Dear Friends,

I've often thought that Maine is just one big small town connected by long roads. Well, in the past year or two, those roads have gotten steeper and bumpier as we dealt with an unprecedented pandemic and the resulting economic troubles.

As we faced the historic challenges, something impressive happened. We came together and lent a hand to our neighbors wherever we could to keep things running and spirits high.

Down in Washington, Congress tried to help Maine communities get through this struggle, so that our state would come out stronger. To do that, we put in the work and set some things into motion that are already helping Maine people. That's why you hired us, after all.

The pandemic made something we'd known for a while clear: those roads and networks that connect our big town needed repair, improvements, and expansion – from bridges to broadband. So, while Maine was uniting towards a common purpose, Congress came together to pass the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* – legislation that makes generational investments in physical infrastructure, broadband connections, harbors, and the energy grid. These efforts will lay the foundation for Maine's 21st century economy and make sure even the most rural areas aren't left behind.

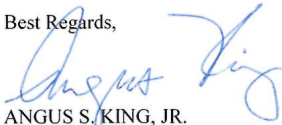
Over the last two years, as we drove up and down our state, you couldn't help but see storefronts in trouble and prices rising as the economy struggled through a global recession. And again, while you focused your efforts on getting through the difficult times, Congress took meaningful action. We passed the *American Rescue Plan* in 2021, which enabled Governor Mills and the state of Maine to better meet the health and economic difficulties of the pandemic. At a critical moment it expanded healthcare efforts to confront COVID and invested in the state to keep the economy in far better shape than most others nationwide.

Congress didn't stop there. This year, we took even more concrete steps to cut costs, create jobs, and provide more affordable, cleaner energy. The bipartisan *CHIPS Act* will bring home the manufacturing of the technical components known as "chips" that are used in everything these days – from smartphones to microwaves to cars – and in doing so reduce prices and create good American jobs. We also passed the *Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)* to lower healthcare costs, allow Medicare to negotiate drug prices, and cut energy bills with new rebates for things like heat pumps and solar panels.

Beyond these major investments, we also passed vital legislation to improve the day-to-day lives of Maine people and Americans nationwide. On a bipartisan basis, we expanded health care for veterans exposed to toxins, strengthened protections for marriage equality, supported Ukraine as it fought off a bloody Russian invasion, secured our elections and the peaceful transfer of power, and delivered millions in federal investments to projects up and down our state.

So, as Maine worked to get through hard times, Congress took steps to support our state – and we're already starting to see brighter days ahead. I'm proud to have played a small part down here; it's a true privilege to listen to you, work with you, and build a brighter future for all the incredible people up and down the roads that connect our big small town. Mary and I wish you a happy, and safe 2023.

Best Regards,



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Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I've been working on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District.

In August, I voted for the *Inflation Reduction Act* because it represented a dramatic turnaround from misguided efforts to pass sweeping, ill-designed legislation that tried to accomplish too many things through budget gimmicks, setting up problematic fiscal cliffs in numerous programs and refusing to make the difficult decisions to allow for a fiscally responsible bill.

The *Inflation Reduction Act*, which was signed into law by the president, was fiscally responsible and targeted four key priorities: reducing our national debt and putting our country back on a more sustainable path, lowering the cost of prescription drugs, and making health care more affordable, investing in an all-of-the-above energy strategy to significantly increase oil, gas, and renewable energy production to lower energy costs for Americans, and cracking down on the tax avoidance of billion-dollar multinational corporations. This bill was the first major legislation in the last decade to use the reconciliation process to create a fiscally responsible budget to reduce deficits. The Congressional Budget Office estimated it would reduce deficits by approximately \$300 billion.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I also helped pass the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act, which among other things, included key wins for Bath shipbuilders, UMaine, and servicemembers and their families. For shipbuilders, the bill secured authorization for a third DDG-51 destroyer; established a new contract for up to 15 DDG-51 destroyers over the next five years, many of which will be built at Bath Iron Works; and included funding for shipyard infrastructure. The bill also authorized over \$25 million for defense research programs, including UMaine's large-scale manufacturing program. Finally, the bill authorized a 4.6% pay increase to help servicemembers and their families deal with rising costs due to inflation.

Additionally, at the end of 2022, Congress passed a spending bill to fund the government through September of 2023. The bill funds nearly \$27 million in funding for community projects across the Second Congressional District, a lifeline for our lobster industry that freezes any regulatory action for at least six years, and secures millions in additional funding for the Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to help Mainers heat their homes.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help answer questions about and navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

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I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2023. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,

Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress



The Teague WWI Memorial Arch Renovation Project



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