

Town of Farmington

Through the Seasons

July 4th Parade



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Farmington Fair



Annual Town Report
2018

Summer Activities

Farmington Celebrates Summer



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Farmington Through the Seasons

No matter which season it is, Farmington has a reason to celebrate. Farmington offers four-season recreation, cultural and educational opportunities, and a vibrant downtown. Farmington celebrates the seasons all year with events offering fun, food, and activities for people of all ages.

Summer beckons everyone outdoors to take advantage of free musical performances at the Meetinghouse Park Gazebo. Hippach Field offers tennis and basketball courts, softball and baseball fields, summer camp, and wading pool swimming lessons. Celebrations and family fun are the theme for both the July 4th Parade, sponsored by the Rotary Club, and the Summer Fest, sponsored by the Farmington Downtown Association.

Farmington has over 10 miles of trails, along with the “Walk Around Farmington” kiosk signs that provide a self-guided history tour. For more vigorous activities there is kayaking and canoeing on the Sandy River, and mountain bike and hiking trails at Titcomb Mountain or the Whistle Stop Rail Trail.

The annual Farmington Fair arrives in mid-September with food, carnival rides, livestock, truck/tractor pulls, horse racing and the demolition derby. In October the Pumpkin Festival has various events along with horse-drawn wagon rides. Locally grown produce and locally made products are offered at the farmer’s markets located on Front and Main Streets.

Throughout the year, Farmington offers something for everyone to enjoy.



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FARMINGTON, MAINE

ANNUAL REPORT



FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 2018

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DEDICATION

**It is with sincere appreciation that we dedicate the
2018 Annual Town Report to**

S. Clyde Ross



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

This year, the Town Report is dedicated to S. Clyde Ross, who has volunteered immeasurable hours of service to the Farmington community. Clyde is a life-long resident of Farmington and a graduate of Farmington High School. He earned a B.S. in Education from the University of Maine at Orono (UMO) and a Master's Degree in Education at UMO in 1973. Clyde taught school at Leavitt Institute and then at the Mt. Blue Middle School and High School until his retirement in 1996.

Clyde joined the Farmington Fire Department in 1971 and became Deputy Chief in 1993. He has been responsible for helping to set up firefighter training programs throughout the town and county and teaches fire prevention to the local schools and organizations. Clyde is a member of many Fire Chief and Firefighter organizations, and he is a current member of the Board of Directors of the Franklin County Firefighters Association. He has participated in a number of emergency exercises and drills from the planning stage to the live drill itself.

Clyde currently serves as the Chair of the Farmington Budget Committee. He also notifies the Town of Farmington voters of the time and place of the Annual Town Meeting by posting the Town Meeting Warrant. He is actively involved in numerous county committees and is a member of the Fairbanks Union Church and the Maine Lodge #20 A.F. & A.M., to name a few.

His is the voice on the local radio station WKTJ offering safety tips to the public. You may also recognize Clyde portraying Chester Greenwood during the annual parade, which he has done since 1986. Thank you, Clyde, for your service to the community.

Photos and information courtesy of the Daily Bulldog and family.

IN MEMORIAM

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

Mary Alice Chakoumakos

09/16/1927 – 03/23/2018



Mary grew up in Litchfield and graduated in 1948 from Bates College in Lewiston. She and her family eventually settled in Farmington. Mary served on the Town of Farmington Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Budget Committee, and the Voter Registration. She was active in the Maine Chapter of American Association of University Women. Mary was an avid reader, bird-watcher, bridge player, and math whiz.

Thomas Eastler

10/10/1944 – 08/30/2018



Tom grew up in Waltham, MA. He graduated from Brown University and received a Ph.D. in Geology from Columbia University in 1971. He taught natural sciences at UMF, where he was affectionately known as “Dr. Rock”, from 1974 until his retirement in 2015. Tom served in the US Air Force during the Vietnam War, Desert Storm, and Desert Shield. He retired in 1996, having served 30 years and 30 days of service (most of that spent in the Active Reserve). Tom was influential in the development of youth racewalking and served as an official for USA Track & Field and coached many racewalkers from around Maine, including two of his children who went on to the Olympic trials and two Olympic games. He received numerous awards over the years including the Legion of Merit, Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and Fellow of the Geological Society of America. Tom served the Town of Farmington for over 40 years - 24 years as a Planning Board member, as well as serving on the following Town committees: the Conservation Commission, Comprehensive Plan, Landfill, Landuse Development, Shoreland Zoning, Tax Advisory, Sewer, and Civil Emergency Preparedness. Tom loved working on his farm and never lost his drive to learn.

Photos and sources courtesy of the Daily Bulldog

MUNICIPAL INFORMATION

Municipal Building Address:

153 Farmington Falls Road, Farmington, Maine 04938

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

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

Website: www.farmington-maine.org

Recycling Facility/Transfer Station Hours:

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

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

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

3 Year Term

Joshua Bell, Chairman	(March 2019)
Stephan Bunker, Vice Chairman	(March 2020)
Michael Fogg	(March 2019)
Scott Landry	(March 2020)
Matthew Smith	(March 2021)

RSU #9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS FARMINGTON MEMBERS

3 Year Term

Douglas Dunlap	(July 2019)
Scott Erb	(July 2019)
Tami Labul	(July 2020)
Iris Silverstein	(July 2021)
Ryan Morgan (Appointed Interim 11/13/18)	(July 2019)
Heather Huish (Resigned 10/12/18)	

APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Board of Appeals

3 Year Term

Galen Dalrymple, Chairman	(June 2019)
Peter Forrest Tracy, Vice Chairman/Secretary	(June 2019)
Michael Deschenes	(June 2020)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2020)
Robert Vallette (Appointed 08/14/18)	(June 2021)
Robert Yorks	(June 2021)
Andrew Marble (Term ended)	
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate – 1 Year Term
(1) Seat Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

Board of Assessment Review
3 Year Term

Michael Moffett, Chairman	(June 2021)
Michael Deschenes	(June 2020)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2020)
Dennis O'Neil	(June 2019)
Michael Otley	(June 2019)
Richard Davis, Secretary - Ex-Officio	

Planning Board
3 Year Term

Clayton King, Jr., Chairman	(June 2021)
Lloyd W. Smith, Vice Chairman	(June 2021)
Craig Jordan	(June 2021)
Gloria McGraw	(June 2019)
Michael Otley (Appointed 08/13/18)	(June 2021)
Donna Tracy	(June 2020)
Jeffrey Wright	(June 2020)
Thomas Eastler (Resigned 07/24/18)	
Alternate - 1 Year Term	
Judith Murphy	(June 2019)
David Robbins (Appointed 08/14/18)	(June 2019)

Zoning Board
3 Year Term

Joel Chandler, Chairman	(June 2019)
Adrian Harris	(June 2021)
Fred O. Smith	(June 2021)
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate - 1 Year Term
(2) Seats Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

2018 Budget Committee
3 Year Term

S. Clyde Ross, Chairman	(June 2019)
Lloyd W. Smith, Vice Chairman	(June 2020)
Fred O. Smith, Secretary	(June 2021)
Beth Edwards	(June 2021)
Judith Murphy	(June 2020)
Peter F. Tracy	(June 2020)
Kirk Doyle (Appointed for 2018 Budget)	(June 2019)
Wayne Kinney (Appointed for 2018 Budget)	(June 2019)
Catherine Rogers (Term ended)	
Michael Deschenes (Resigned 01/10/17)	
Regular – 3 Year Term	Alternate – 1 Year Term
(3) Seats Vacant	(2) Seats Vacant

Conservation Commission
3 Year Term

William Haslam, Chairman	(June 2020)
Peter F. Tracy	(June 2019)
Patty Cormier	(June 2019)
Byron Davis	(June 2020)
Sally Speich	(June 2021)
Jane Woodman	(June 2019)
Robert Zundel	(June 2021)
Associate – 1 Year Term – Unlimited Vacancy	
Hunter Manley	(June 2019)
James D. Shaffer	(June 2019)
Matthew Smith	(June 2019)
Eric Whitney	(June 2019)

Downtown TIF Advisory Committee

Byron Davis, Chairman	Ron Gelinias
Joshua Bell	Derek Hayes (Appointed 01/23/18)
Jennifer Bjorn (Appointed 07/24/18)	Paul Mills
Richard Davis	John Moore
Cindi Ferguson	Pete Roberts (Appointed 08/28/18)
Michael Mansir (Resigned 01/23/18)	Gary Edwards (Resigned 05/08/18)
Kevin Madore (Resigned 05/08/18)	

Parking Ordinance Committee

Michael Bell
Terry Bell
Byron Davis
Philip Hutchins

Paul Mills
John Moore
Jack Peck
Pamela Poisson

Richard Davis, Ex-Officio

Recreation Committee

3 Year Term

Tom Bissell
Sheryl Farnum
Katie Fournier
Kim Richards

(June 2019)
(June 2021)
(June 2020)
(June 2019)

Catherine Rogers (Term ended)
Frederick Conlogue, III (Term ended)

(1) Seat Vacant

Recycling Committee

Stephan Bunker
Richard Davis
Cindy Gelinis

Andrew Hufnagel
Philip Hutchins
Dennis Pike

Revolving Loan Fund

Stephan Bunker
Alvin Da Costa
Byron Davis

John Moore
Robert Vallette

Ex-Officio

Richard Davis

Steve Kaiser

Safety Committee

Matthew Foster, Chairman	Timothy A. Hardy
Shane Cote, Vice Chairman	Philip Hutchins
Cindy Gelinias, Secretary	James Kiernan (Appointed 04/11/18)
Scott Baxter	Steve Millett
Terry Bell	Jack Peck
Richard Davis	S. Clyde Ross
Leanne Dickey	Ed Vining
Board of Selectmen	
Jonathan Alexander (Resigned 03/30/18)	

Town Report Committee

Alvin Da Costa	Edmund Lewis
Richard Davis	Janet Paul (Appointed 12/04/18)
Cindy Gelinias	Linda Smith
Marjorie Goodwin (Resigned 11/27/18)	Nancy Twitchell

Farmington Transportation Advisory Committee

Dennis O'Neil	Dennis Pike
Michael Otley	Lloyd W. Smith
	Matthew Smith

Ex-Officio: Richard Davis, Philip Hutchins, and Jack Peck

Administration



Front L to R: Mavis Gensel and Annie Tibbetts
Back L To R: Linda Grant and Bonnie Baker

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Town Manager Tax Collector Road Commissioner Public Access Officer	Richard P. Davis	778-6538
Treasurer Finance Director Deputy Tax Collector	LucyAnn Cook	778-6539
Town Clerk Welfare Director Registrar of Voters Assessing Clerk	Leanne E. Dickey	778-6539
Town Secretary	Linda H. Grant	778-6538
Accounts Clerk Deputy Town Clerk Deputy Welfare Director Deputy Treasurer	Bonnie A. Baker	778-6539
Motor Vehicle Agent Sewer Department Clerk	Mavis A. Gensel	778-6539
Assessor John E. O'Donnell & Assoc., Inc.	John E. O'Donnell, III	778-6530 926-4044
Fire Chief Emergency Management Director E-911 Addressing Officer	Terry S. Bell, Sr.	778-3235
Police Chief	Jack D. Peck, Jr.	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	Richard A. Marble	778-6968

TOWN MANAGER

To the Citizens and Board of Selectmen of Farmington:



It gives me great pleasure to present my annual report for the year 2018. I will take this opportunity to highlight some of the significant events of the past year. More detail will be provided in the departmental reports contained within this booklet. I hope you will find these reports to be both interesting and informative.

The Town continues to make progress in upgrading its road system. To that end, the final 1.89 miles of Titcomb Hill Road was reclaimed and paved with a base layer of asphalt from where the project ended last year to Mosher Hill Road. As part of a two-year project on Front Street, a large culvert was replaced and new sidewalks were constructed along with the installation of subsurface drainage, a retaining wall, granite curbing, and bases for future decorative lighting. The contracted price for the Front Street project was \$421,402. The new culvert was partially funded by a \$75,000 grant from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The sidewalks, granite curbing and lighting bases were partially funded by a \$122,000 appropriation from the Downtown Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Reserve Account. The balance of the project was funded through road capital improvement funds received from the state and raised through local taxation. Unfortunately, winter arrived early, thus delaying the completion of the first phase of the project.

Looking ahead to the upcoming construction season, the Town plans to complete the Front Street project with new sidewalks and decorative lighting from Depot Street to Narrow Gauge Square, a distance of 1,900 feet. The construction cost of this phase is estimated to be around \$243,000. Also planned is grinding and paving Ski Slope Road for the distance of 1,855 feet at the estimated cost of \$36,000 and paving 3,000 feet of Webster Road from Knowlton Corner Road to the Wilson Stream bridge at the estimated cost of \$54,000. Pavement overlays totaling \$45,000 will be applied at Voter Hill Estates and on Prescott Street.

At the November 6, 2018 election, the voters approved, by a margin of 2031 to 1195, entering into an Agreement with the Atlantic Salmon Federation (ASF) to remove the Walton's Mill Pond Dam (estimated cost \$500,000) and to make improvements at Walton's Mill Pond

Park including the construction of more parking, a small flexible lawn space, wooden walkways, a public restroom, covered pavilion, trail improvements and historical preservation elements (estimated cost \$355,000) and to establish an ASF funded account to be managed by the Town for future maintenance of the park improvements (\$20,000). The ASF Agreement also supports the replacement of culverts on Clover Mill Road (estimated cost \$120,000) and Cummings Hill Road (estimated cost \$230,000). The work on each project will be fully funded by the ASF (total estimated cost \$1,225,000). There will be no cost to the Town for this work as stipulated in a contract between ASF and the Town, the terms and conditions of which will be negotiated between ASF and the Selectmen acting in the best interests of the Town.

On November 19th, after several public meetings, the Planning Board approved Farmington Solar LLC's application for an approximate 77-megawatt industrial solar energy system on private property in the vicinity of Route 2/27, the Hovey Road, and Horn Hill Road. This will be the largest solar installation in the State of Maine. The Planning Board should be commended for its careful study of the application for this significant project.

I am happy to report that the Town is in good financial condition. The General Fund debt is \$461,333, which is only 0.7% of the debt limit established by state statute. There are just two outstanding loans - the Town Garage construction note, which will be paid off in 2022, and the Police Department building renovations note, which will be paid off in 2026. The Unassigned Fund Balance (UFB) at the end of 2018 was \$2,135,062, which is approximately \$227,000 above the amount recommended under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Richard P. Davis
Town Manager

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To My Fellow Citizens:



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

It has been a great honor and privilege to have been able to have served and represented our town this past year, and for the last five years. It has been a good year and the town continues to be in good financial standing and we are truly respected by our fellow towns across the state. I am very proud of our great town.

Our town has had a few interesting events happen this year, with our Town Manager being awarded the Linc Stackpole Manager of the year award by the Maine Town, City, and County Management Association. This is a very prestigious award and the Town was also recognized as well. The other event was the election of our fellow citizen Janet Mills for Governor. Congratulations to her and it will be interesting to see how this will affect our town for the next four years.

The Board of Selectmen continue to work well together. We all continue to try to keep a flat budget while adequately providing the needed services for our town. With the Manager's help, we have tried to continue budgeting money for future purchases through reserve accounts. We are trying to do this to reduce having to borrow money and pay interest. All the departments have five-year plans and do a good job of trying to stick to them.

Public Works continues to try to keep up with the ever demanding challenges facing them from a busy year of road construction to plowing snow. They were able to purchase some much needed equipment these last few years through grants and budgeting and this will help make their jobs go smoother. The department continues to work on fixing our roads and they are doing a good job.

The police and fire departments continue to be steadfast and are truly professional. This is a sign of their departments' leadership. These departments are both respected and revered across our state. We as a town should remember to thank these brave men and women for their service. I am glad they are protecting our town.

The town continues to grow economically and to have a thriving downtown thanks to the many hard working business owners and individuals. I personally have always tried to help our businesses succeed and for the Town to be business friendly. So please, if there is something that is concerning you or that the Town could help with please reach out.

I hope this letter finds you all well, and to see an overwhelming number of you at the Annual Town Meeting. Yes, your voice and vote do matter. We are all in this together, so please participate in our town's democracy by coming and voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua H. Bell
Chairman

MTCMA Awarded to Town Manager and Town



Nat Tupper presents Richard Davis with the Linc Stackpole award at the annual MTCMA conference held at the Jordan Hotel in Newry. Joshua Bell is presented with the Town's award

FINANCE DIRECTOR

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



It is hard to believe that another year has passed. We said goodbye and good luck to Daryl Schramm this past year. After 23 years with the Town she is enjoying a well-earned retirement. Thank you, Daryl for a job well done! We also welcomed Bonnie Baker to the Town Office team in August. Bonnie has brought an impressive amount of experience with her and is doing a wonderful job. Please introduce yourself and say hello to her when you come into the Town Office.

Real Estate taxes and Business Personal Property taxes for 2018 are 92% collected, with the remaining 2017 taxes in lien status, and 2016 taxes and older in foreclosure. The Town held a public auction on foreclosed property resulting in nine properties being redeemed by owners and six sold at auction. Overall, the Town took a loss on these properties. Please be aware that the Town has foreclosed properties going back several years. I will be reviewing and reporting on these to the Board of Selectmen in the near future. Please make every effort to bring your Real Estate taxes current, as this revenue is important in providing the services that you all depend on.

There are unpaid Business Personal Property Taxes going back several years as well. In 2016, the Small Claims Court awarded for the Town, but some of these accounts remain unpaid. I will be reviewing these accounts as well in preparation for collection in 2019. Your account status will be mailed with the Business Personal Property list requests for 2019. Please contact the Tax Assessor's office to report any changes to your inventory or the moving or closing of your business.

Please remember that if you sell a mobile home this year, or have in the past, the bill of sale needs to be brought into the Tax Assessor's office. The ownership for the tax bill will not be changed until this happens, and it will continue to be taxed to the previous owner. Once filed, liens are reported to credit agencies and can affect you if we do not have accurate information. Please report address changes to the Town Office as soon as possible. Accurate addresses will decrease postage expenses significantly. I would also advise new owners to ensure that the Real Estate taxes are paid during the closing process.

Remember, the tax obligation goes with the property no matter who owned it at the time of commitment.

The Town exceeded its revenue projections by modest amounts in most areas. The department budgets stayed within approved amounts for the most part. There were some budget items that did exceed appropriated amounts due to staff turnover and unforeseen complications on the 2018 road projects and equipment breakdowns. I commend and applaud the Department Heads' diligence in managing their budgets. I work with them daily, and it is my pleasure to do so.

The Town's current Unassigned Fund Balance is \$2,135,062. It is important to maintain an adequate fund balance. When taxes are unpaid, the General Fund balance is used with the approval of the citizens, which in turn lowers the Town's "Emergency Funds". Therefore, it is very important that the Town maintain a few months of operating expenses and that taxpayers make every effort to pay their share. Please understand that the General Fund balance is comprised of receivables and accruals and not just cash.

The Town also accepts payment for Real Estate and Business Personal Property taxes throughout the year. Most banks now have a "bill pay" option for their clients to use. Much like any installment loan payment, you can use this option to help you meet your tax bills throughout the year with a recurring monthly payment.

Lastly, the Town does accept credit and debit cards. There is a 2.5% processing fee (minimum of \$1.00) charged by the vendor supplying this service.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you for being committed to your town's success. Please continue to take pride in your community. It is a wonderful place to work, play, and to get an education. I look forward to working with you all in 2019 and wish you all good health, peace and prosperity.

Respectfully submitted,

LucyAnn Cook
Finance Director

REVENUE HISTORY AND PROJECTION

	2017	2017	2018	2018	2019
Revenue Category	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual	Estimate
Vehicle Excise	\$930,000	\$1,010,070	\$965,000	\$1,053,934	\$1,050,000
Watercraft Excise	\$4,000	\$4,773	\$4,650	\$4,769	\$4,700
Victualers, Liquor Licenses	\$1,100	\$1,074	\$1,000	\$1,058	\$1,050
Code Fees	\$2,000	\$2,124	\$2,000	\$3,653	\$2,500
State Revenue Sharing	\$415,000	\$443,747	\$450,000	\$489,723	\$460,000
State Welfare Reimbursement	\$13,000	\$18,277	\$15,000	\$20,508	\$18,000
State Tree Growth	\$21,000	\$22,266	\$22,000	\$20,538	\$20,000
State Veterans Exemption	\$6,000	\$6,964	\$6,600	\$7,290	\$7,000
Motor Vehicle Fees (Town)	\$19,500	\$19,712	\$19,500	\$19,944	\$19,500
Vital Statistics (Town)	\$19,500	\$18,889	\$18,850	\$16,550	\$17,000
Hunting, Fishing, R.V., Dogs (Town)	\$2,500	\$2,229	\$2,200	\$1,747	\$1,700
Interest on Taxes	\$55,000	\$56,443	\$55,000	\$55,875	\$56,000
Tax Lien Fees	\$16,500	\$15,467	\$15,450	\$11,793	\$12,000
Recreation Fees	\$25,000	\$28,645	\$28,600	\$29,252	\$28,600
Rental of Town Property	\$3,500	\$5,606	\$5,000	\$5,639	\$5,500
Timber Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Investment Income	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contributions in Lieu of Taxes	\$15,800	\$15,922	\$15,800	\$14,658	\$14,500
Miscellaneous - Police Dept.	\$16,200	\$19,857	\$19,500	\$21,569	\$19,500
Miscellaneous - All Other Depts.	\$30,000	\$46,524	\$34,200	\$20,002	\$20,000
Unemployment Comp. Dividend	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Recycling	\$26,500	\$28,787	\$28,750	\$33,557	\$30,000
Cemetery Fees	\$17,000	\$16,810	\$16,500	\$11,140	\$12,000
Cemetery Trust Fund Earnings	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
SUBTOTAL	\$1,654,100	\$1,799,186	\$1,740,600	\$1,858,199	\$1,814,550
LORAP (Local Road Assistance Prog.)	\$158,780	\$163,820	\$158,780	\$158,780	\$158,780
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES*	\$1,812,880	\$1,963,006	\$1,899,380	\$2,016,979	\$1,973,330

*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.

TAX COLLECTOR

Bankruptcy Notice

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

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

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

2018 End of Year Taxes Receivable	
2018	\$ 649,661.57
2017	\$ 154,925.39
<u>2016</u>	<u>\$ 54,934.82</u>
TOTAL	\$ 859,521.78
Properties Liened	125
Properties Foreclosed	11

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

University of Maine at Farmington Ambulance Fee	\$ 4,658.68
University of Maine at Farmington Contribution*	\$ 10,000.00

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

- Paving projects on town streets and sidewalks adjacent to campus
- Mount Blue TV (provide free facilities and utilities)
- Snow removal and sanding of town sidewalks adjacent to campus
- Providing Lawn, parking and plowing service 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

TAXES RECEIVABLE 2018

ABBOTT, PAMELA J. & BARRY, ERIC	430.54	BUTLER, STANLEY & KEANE, THEODORE	2,426.68
ABKARI, NEDA	2,461.80	BUTLER, STANLEY & KEANE, THEODORE	3,170.34
ADAMS, BARBARA E.	1,369.90	* BUTTERFIELD, JR., ROBERT & MARY L.	994.82
ADAMS, GARY K., HEIRS OF	489.25	CALLAHAN, JOHN MICHAEL	1,937.43
* ADAMS, JESSICA & TROY T.	1,154.63	CAPE LAWSON TRUST	156.56
ADAMS, RANDY W. & BONITA F.	528.39	CAPE LAWSON TRUST	117.42
ADAMS, RODERICK, HEIRS OF	998.07	CAPE LAWSON TRUST	39.14
ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	958.93	CHANDLER, JOEL A. & REBECCA J.	2,261.56
ALBERT, DEBBIE HOGAN	352.26	CHAPMAN IRREVOCABLE TRUST	596.36
ALLEN, DIANNE D.	254.41	CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	4,207.55
ALLEN, PAULA J.	1,702.59	CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	737.60
AMES, EDWARD T.	684.95	* CHAPMAN LIVING TRUST	2,499.84
AMMENDOLIA, JR., ANTHONY	750.94	CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	2,583.24
ANSON STREET ASSOCIATES	181.70	CHICK, JENNIFER	234.84
ARCHIES, INC.	136.99	CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S. & TERRY L.	704.52
** ARSENAULT, JR., JOSEPH A.	2,113.56	CHRETIEN, MICHAEL S.	684.95
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A.	430.54	CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	254.41
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A., HEIRS OF	919.79	CLARK, JR., DUANE J. & DONNA M.	643.61
AYER, KAREN B.	743.66	* CLARK-UTANS, SALLY	2,991.88
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	97.85	CLARK, ROY H.	332.69
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	391.40	CLARY, MATTHEW	1,350.33
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B. & MICHELE	489.25	COASTAL ENTERPRISES, INC.	273.98
BACHELDER, JR., BOYD B.	582.89	COASTAL ENTERPRISES, INC.	2,465.82
BACKUS, ANNETTE L.	1,820.01	COASTAL ENTERPRISES, INC.	2,289.69
BANKS, JAMES & BEAUMONT, SCOTT	3,659.59	COCCHI, BERNARD & WAGNER, PATRICA	2,205.54
BARTON, FREDERICK	964.24	COLE, ROBERT H. & PAULINE L.	450.11
BARTON, FREDERICK	195.70	COOK, JR., LEE RICHARD	293.55
BARTON, FREDERICK & HOLT, MATILDA	352.26	COOLIDGE, MARVIN K. & LUCILLE	2,563.67
BATES, III, BERNARD D.	352.26	COUSINEAU LUMBER	469.68
BATES, BRIAN T.	900.22	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	332.69
BAY COMMUNICATIONS II, LLC	3,600.88	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	156.56
* BEAL, BRUCE	116.78	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	254.41
BECKLER, DOUGLAS E. & MARY LOU	7,238.86	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	273.98
BEISAW, DOROTHY & NOTTAGE, JUDITH	900.22	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	450.11
BELL, JENNIFER & JORDAN, LUKE	1,350.33	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	410.97
BERNARD BATES ENTERPRISES, LLC	4,148.84	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	273.98
BINNS, ROBIN A.	489.25	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	391.40
BLAIS, RENE E. & KEMPTON, SETH	176.13	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	626.24
BLODGETT, KENDALL R. & MISTY R.	3,033.35	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	430.54
BOURGAULT, SHIRLEY HILL	763.45	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	195.70
BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	58.71	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	2,426.68
BOYKER, COREY	78.28	COUSINEAU LUMBER, INC.	1,624.31
BOYKER-SMITH, PAMELA & CHRISTIAN	861.08	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	5,440.46
BRACKETT, MICHAEL R. & DONNA J.	3.11	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	8,473.81
BRACKETT, PENNY A.	424.67	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	2,426.68
BRADY, STEVEN & BETSY	7,867.14	COUSINEAU PROPERTIES, LLC	1,937.43
BRADY, STEVEN & BETSY	5,029.49	COUSINEAU, BRODY M. & KRISTEN B.	547.96
BRADY, STEVEN M. & BESTY H.	2,915.93	COUSINEAU, BRODY M. & KRISTEN B.	176.13
BRETON, BLAINE L. & NIKKI L.	58.71	COUSINEAU, INC.	782.80
BRETON, TIMOTHY S. & KATHERINE B.	4,050.99	COUSINEAU, INC.	391.40
BROWN, AVIS L.	16.86	COUSINEAU, INC.	293.55
BROWN, LISA M.	1,291.62	COUSINEAU, INC.	332.69
BRUHN, BRUCE G. & LORELLE M.	78.28	COUSINEAU, JOSEPH B.	2,798.51
BRYANT, NANCY	1,252.48	CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,311.19
BRYANT, NANCY R.	1,291.62	CURRIER, LAURA & CASSIE	1,937.43
BRYANT, NANCY R.	97.85	CURRIER, LAURA	332.69
BRYANT, NANCY R.	195.70	CURRIER, LAURA A.	998.07
BUBIER, JON L. & LOIS F.	371.83	CUSHING, DOUGLAS R.	2,407.37
BUCKLAND, ANDREW R. & ANN L.	2,519.25	D & JM PROPERTIES, LLC	6,927.78
BULLEN, TIMOTHY H.	1,683.02	DAKU, BENJAMIN R.	2,400.00
BUTLER, FULTON S.	3,072.49	DAKU, GINGER	215.27

DAKU, JACOB G. & GINGER A.	39.14	GRIFFIN, BRIAN N. & SANDRA L.	136.99
DALRYMPLE, DENIS E. & SARAH H.	2,935.50	GRIFFIN, SANDRA L.	645.81
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	3,033.35	GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	2,015.71
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	567.53	GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	2,896.36
DAVIS, JAMES R. & AMANDA	2,935.50	GRIMANIS, ANTHONY M.	1,115.49
* DAVIS, LAURIS S.	3,307.33	GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	1,604.74
DECKER, MARY R., HEIRS OF	1,643.88	GUND, JOHN P.	3,874.86
** DECKER, STEPHEN M. & CATHERINE A.	2,191.84	* GUPTILL, HANNAH	215.27
DEER CROSSING ASSOCIATES	122.93	HAINES, LINDA L. & STEPHEN L.	226.70
DENNISON, REBECCA G.	332.69	* HALL, WILLIAM L. & RUBY C.	1,774.42
DENNISON, REBECCA G.	3,307.33	HALLMAN, KATHLEEN S.	604.41
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	97.85	HAND, EDWARD & PIERSON, GLORIA	1,330.76
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	998.07	HANNAFORD, KIMBERLY ANNE	567.53
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	1,565.60	HAPEMAN, STANLEY C.	4,403.25
DENNISON, SUSAN, ET AL, PERS. REP.	567.53	HARGREAVES, HAROLD F. & PAMELA A.	2,187.29
** DEXTER, MATTHEW P.	4,775.08	HART, ALAN P. & DULONG, HEIDI P.	2,126.04
DOIRON, MICHAEL & ENGBERG, DEEDRA	1,232.91	HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	1,109.62
DORR, IRVING G. & JOY B.	1,409.04	HAYDEN, JOHN	254.41
** DOYLE, KIRK E. & JOANNE	1,957.00	HAYWARD, ERIC J. & ERICA C.	352.26
DRACH, MARY ANN, FAMILY TRUST	3,072.49	HEAP, JAMES R.	254.41
DUBAY, JR., DANIEL S.	1,800.36	* HEATH, DANIEL S.	230.54
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	410.97	HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	352.26
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	371.83	** HODGKINS, GREGORY H.	1,565.60
DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POS.	508.82	HOGAN, DEBORAH S.	1,604.74
DUNHAM, KEVIN E. & LINDA J.	528.39	HOISINGTON, BERNICE A.	1,115.49
* DUNN, BRIAN D.	536.15	** HOISINGTON, RICHARD & EVANS, VELMA	552.62
DUNN, DANIEL	19.57	HOLLOWAY, RANDALL A. & CAROL A.	3,816.15
DYAR, ALVERTA , ET AL	371.83	HOWARD, SR., CECIL & VICKI	254.41
DYAR, RODNEY P.	684.95	* HOWARD, JULI	450.11
EATON, ROBERT P. & BRINDA P.	408.96	HOWARD, PHEOBE	450.11
* EUBANK, POPPY JOY & JOHN R.	1,534.43	HOWARD, STUART	1,741.73
FALK, THOMAS G.	1,996.14	HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	2,250.55
FARMER, GLENDON S. & CATHERINE B.	1,898.29	HOWE, SANDRA J.	986.41
FARMER, GLENDON S. & CATHERINE B.	19.57	HOYT, KAY	899.69
FARMINGTON HILL ASSOCIATES	221.56	HOYT, KAY A. & DAVID P.	528.08
FARNUM, PAUL A. & MARTIN P.	919.79	* HUIH, DAVID A. & HEATHER A.	3,189.91
FARRINGTON, JANE A.	580.30	HUIH, WENDY A.	880.65
** FEATHERS, BRUCE F. & PAMELA S.	3,346.47	HUIH, WENDY A.	352.26
** FEATHERS, BRUCE F. & PAMELA S.	352.26	** HUNTER, JAMES N.	179.81
FERRIS, MARLA D.	2,504.96	HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	861.08
FILAROSKA, JOSEPH M.	136.99	HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	1,780.87
FOSS, JAYME E.	293.55	HYDE, MARY A.	998.07
** FOSS, NEIL C. & NORMAN S.	352.26	JACKSON, MARJORIE ANN	1,017.44
FOURNIER, MARC	259.99	JACOBS, ORIN M. & KIMBERLY R.	2,172.27
FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	469.68	JALBERT, CHERI B. & RONALD D.	1,058.17
FREESE, SHARI & FORTIER, DANIEL	352.26	JRL HOME IMPROVEMENTS	450.11
FRIBERG, LAUREL E.	1,604.74	JUDKINS, GENE & CAROL	326.82
FROST, JUDITH A	1,350.33	JULON PROPERTIES	9,511.02
FROST, KATHLEEN	1,937.43	KATAHDIN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	1,017.64
FROST, SAMANTHA J.	173.98	KEIRSTEAD, ANDREA	1,585.17
FUERSTENBERGER, JAMES & JENNIFER	129.10	KEMP, CLAYTON A. & PRISCILLA A.	3,659.59
* FULLER-WRIGHT, E. ALEXIS & ELIZABETH	3,378.32	KEMP, MARK S. & KATHERINE A.	5,910.14
GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	430.54	** KEMP, PRISCILLA A.	3,868.99
GALOUCHE, EARL N. & DONNA M.	1,135.06	KEMPTON, SETH	2,876.79
GAY, TED F.	684.95	KEMPTON, SETH J.	547.96
GAY, TED F.	1,154.63	KENDALL, DAVID D.	1,369.90
GIANQUINTO, NINA	2,465.82	KENDALL, ISAAC J.	1,193.77
GIUSTRA, MATTHEW R.	1,060.65	KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	684.95
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,309.26	KENNEY, PHYLLIS	1,448.18
GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,661.52	KIDD, III, DAVID W.	547.96
GREENLAW, BETTY J.	1,722.16	KIDDER, JEFFREY A. & KAREN E.	1,663.45
GREENMAN, MARY	606.67	KILGANNON, NOLAN K. & ASHLEY J.	352.26
GRIFFIN, BRIAN N. & SANDRA L.	2,035.28	KILLGREN, KEVIN, DEVISEES OF	410.97

KING, CHARLES B.	743.66	MCPHERSON, PAULA C. & JOSEPH P.	2,074.42
KING, CHARLES B.	78.28	** MELDRUM, DOROTHY E.	498.73
KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	1,546.03	METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	1,115.49
KING, CHARLES B. & KRISTINE F.	39.14	METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	645.81
KING, JR., CLAYTON P. & JOYCE	3,908.13	MILLER, GILBERT, ET AL	332.69
** KING, KRISTINE F.	1,389.47	MILLER, GILBERT, ET AL	352.26
KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,683.02	MILLER, GILBERT	2,328.83
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	254.41	MJC REALTY	802.37
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,722.16	** MOBILE HOME ASSOCIATES II, LLC	880.65
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	332.69	** MOBILE HOME ASSOCIATES II, LLC	11,820.28
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	58.71	** MOBILE HOME ASSOCIATES II, LLC	919.79
KOEHLING, JR., EMIL F. & MERITA M.	234.84	MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	821.94
KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,076.35	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	1,409.04
KUENNING, ALICIA & LAWRENCE	802.37	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	3,033.35
KUENNING, ALICIA	1,095.92	MORRILL, CHARLES H. & WENDY B.	3,052.92
LABAY, CHARLES R.	2,250.55	MORRIS, MICHAEL	689.78
LABONVILLE, INC.	6,399.39	MURPHY, JOSEPH S.	471.46
LARRABEE, LISA	352.26	NADEAU, MELANIE	1,467.75
* LAURITANO, DENISE, ET AL	2,254.09	NICHOLS, II, ROBERT F.	1,643.88
** LEEMAN, LAWRENCE N.	1,722.16	NICHOLS, II, ROBERT F. & RACHEL A.	2,485.39
LESPERANCE, BRUCE D. & PENNY L.	684.95	NICHOLS, II, ROBERT F. & RACHEL A.	273.98
LEVER, FRANK K. & TANYA E.	5,910.14	NICHOLS, II, ROBERT F. & RACHEL A.	2,270.12
LMP PROPERTIES, LLC	313.12	* NICOLSON, DONALD A. & BARBARA C.	1,934.38
LMP PROPERTIES, LLC	293.55	NILE, JUSTIN N. & ANGELA E.	449.93
LMP PROPERTIES, LLC	567.53	NILE, OWEN	665.38
LMP PROPERTIES, LLC	645.81	NORTHERN MEAL CORP.	391.40
LMP PROPERTIES, LLC	684.95	OLIVADOTI, TREVOR & ZENA S.	1,604.74
LOMBARD, RAYMOND	371.83	OLIVER, NAOMI, ET AL	78.28
LOVE, KEVIN D.	1,526.46	* OPPENHEIMER, VICTOR	2,071.46
LOVE, PAMELA J.	665.38	ORIGIN HOLDINGS, LLC	6,888.64
LOVEJOY, WILLIAM & MELISSA	2,970.34	ORR, JR., RAYMOND B. & DEBORAH	1,604.74
LOVEJOY, WILLIAM W.	2,074.42	ORR, RAYMOND B., DEVISEES OF	4,064.69
LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	156.56	OSGOOD, DAMIAN	4,520.67
LOWELL, LEE & HOBERT, TIFFANY	313.12	OSGOOD, DAMIAN	332.69
LUGER, CHARLES	195.69	OSGOOD, DAMIAN L.	391.40
LYDON, VICKY A.	489.25	OUELLETTE, CURTIS	861.08
* M S B ASSOCIATES, INC.	1,871.03	PARLIN, DAVID W.	1,741.73
MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	1,311.19	PARLIN, JERRY R. & BONNIE J.	948.18
MADORE, CYNTHIA M. & KEVIN J.	2,739.80	PARLIN, MICHAEL A. & DENISE C.	2,152.70
MADORE, CYNTHIA M.	3,307.33	PARLIN, RAYMOND E. & RAELENE J.	841.51
MADORE, CYNTHIA M.	4,403.25	** PAUL, BARBARA L. & LAWRENCE F.	717.60
MADORE, JODY	430.54	PERHAM, STEPHEN W. & ANNA M.	677.01
MADORE, KEVIN J. & CYNTHIA D.	1,428.61	PHILLIPS, KURT W.	430.54
MAGUIRE, BETTY A.	1,722.16	PIAWLOCK, ASHLEY L. & ROY, ISRAEL	1,428.61
MAINE URBAN PROPERTIES	156.56	PILLSBURY, DON LEON	2,798.51
** MALINE, SARAH R.	2,759.37	PLATT, NATHAN R.	1,722.16
MALLET, SAMANTHA	2,778.94	PODGURSKI, EDWARD F.	1,379.92
MANIATAKOS, VASILIOS	2,250.55	* POND, GAIL E.	924.61
MARKHAM, JOSHUA J. & LACY A.	1,683.02	POND, TERESA L.	1,213.34
MARQUIS, MAXINE	307.10	POWERS, ANNA	332.69
MARSHALL BEACH CORP.	312.75	PRATT, CURTIS L.	293.55
MARSHALL, DAVID F.	1,270.56	PRATT, MARION, HEIRS OF	1,193.77
MARTEL, MICHAEL P.	841.51	PRESTON, KATIE S.	547.96
MASON, ROBERT F. & SHIRLEY C.	238.48	PURINGTON, KATHY	547.96
MASSELLI, ARLEEN M.	5,205.62	RACKLIFF, JR., HERSCHEL J. & SHARON L.	1,585.17
MASSELLI, ARLENE M.	528.39	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	665.38
MAYO, TERRI L.	332.69	RICHARDS, KATHERINE	136.99
MCCABE, SALLY G. & BARRY P.	1,878.72	RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	371.83
MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,289.69	RICHARDS, JESSE L. & ELLIOTT, LAURA M.	665.38
MCFARLAND, MARY D.	303.98	RICHARDS, MICHAEL E. & SHEILA L.	2,739.80
MCKINLEY, WILLIAM J., DEVISEES OF	1,133.13	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	684.95
** MCPHERRAN, SUSAN L.	1,311.19	ROY, ISRAEL & ASHLEY	391.40
MCPHERSON, BRIAN K.	508.82	RUNDLETT, RICK ALLAN	743.66

COUSINEAU, JOSEPH B.	3,080.77	LOMBARD, RAYMOND	166.86
CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,472.61	LOWELL, LEE & JENNIFER	237.60
CURRIER, LAURA	567.86	LOWELL, LEE & HOBERT, TIFFANY	406.09
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	420.79	LYDON, VICKY A.	588.07
DAS-WATTLEY, SHARMILA	590.62	MACDONALD, WILLIAM H. & GLENICE B.	1,253.31
** DECKER, STEPHEN M. & CHATHERINE A.	2,420.33	MALONEY, THOMAS A.	982.28
DENNISON, REBECCA G.	422.64	MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,533.19
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	503.83	METCALF, JR., JOHN L.	1,076.97
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	159.16	MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	953.66
DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POS.	609.13	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	1,585.47
DUNN, DANIEL	90.18	MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	3,333.49
** DYAR, RODNEY P.	798.68	NADEAU, MELANIE	1,648.65
FARNUM, PAUL A. & MARTIN P.	1,058.96	ORR, JR., RAYMOND B. & DEBORAH	1,695.59
FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	574.57	PARLIN, MICHAEL A. & DENISE C.	2,385.77
GAJDUKOW, KATHERINE S.	524.89	PHILLIPS, KURT W.	524.89
GAY, TED F.	821.36	** PILLSBURY, DON LEON	2,616.32
GAY, TED F.	71.83	POWERS, ANNA	469.63
GIANQUINTO, NINA	2,715.18	PRATT, CURTIS L.	385.03
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,554.25	PRATT, MARION, HEIRS OF	1,346.25
GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,933.34	PRESTON, KATIE S.	651.25
GREENMAN, MARY	139.49	REOPELL, ALBERT P., PERS. IN POS.	777.62
GRIMANIS, ANTHONY	2,245.91	RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	461.71
GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	2,069.86	RICHARDS, SARAH B.	746.92
GRIMANIS, ROSE	3,178.51	RODERICK ADAMS ESTATE	1,150.76
GUND, JOHN P.	4,239.09	ROY, ISRAEL & ASHLEY	89.27
HAND, EDWARD & PIERSON, GLORIA	1,562.55	SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	1,177.76
HARTWELL, CHARLES R.	909.29	SCHANCK, VERNON J. & PATRICIA A.	208.98
HAYDEN, JOHN	342.91	SEAMON, TIMOTHY A.	1,732.90
HEAP, JAMES R.	358.03	SHEA, MARILYN A.	4,841.65
HISCOCK, BESSIE L.	440.65	SMITH, ROBERT L.	187.92
HOISINGTON, BERNICE A.	1,222.70	SNELL, JR., CHARLES H., PERS. IN POS.	472.21
HOWARD, PHEOBE	503.83	SNIDER, ROBERT N.	419.59
HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	2,491.07	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANNE	377.47
HUNTER, SR., ROBERT A.	506.51	STASIOWSKI, WILLIAM A. & MYERS, ANN	6,969.39
HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	1,985.62	STEARNS, JR., DREW T.	124.74
IMLAY, JR., KENNETH W.	208.98	STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., ESTATE OF	646.93
JACOBS, ORIN M. & KIMBERLY R.	2,411.67	STITSEL, JOYCE & GREEN, KITTY	316.97
JUDKINS, GENE & CAROL	88.88	THORNDIKE, LESLIE J.	419.59
KEMPTON, SETH	3,165.01	TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH L.	2,301.53
KEMPTON, SETH J.	658.81	TYLER, EDWARD	238.33
KENNEDY, MADELIN, HEIRS OF	798.68	TYLER, TONY S.	798.68
KILLGREN, KEVIN	425.48	TYLER, TONY S.	3,249.25
KING, CHARLES B.	1,704.28	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,767.46
KING, JR., CLAYTON P.	4,198.99	VILES, MICHAEL L.	1,009.28
KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,872.76	VINING, KENNETH H.	419.59
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	335.35	VIOLETTE, KURT R.	1,451.55
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,914.88	WARE, ROGER W.	1,015.99
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	419.59	WILDE, KATRINA & JOSEPH	407.41
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	124.74	WILLIAMSON, BURCHARD	314.29
KOMULAINEN, SANDRA A.	1,662.16	YORKS, JEFFREY STEWART	461.71

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TAXES RECEIVABLE 2016

** ARNOLD, KRISTOPHER M.	381.47	BRYANT, NANCY, PERS. IN POS.	1,000.96
ATWOOD, MICHAEL A	311.48	BUTLER, FULTON S.	1,399.09
** BOWMAN, TANYA LABELLE	46.77	** CHASE, SCOTT & ANDREA	149.47
BRACKETT, PENNY A., PERS IN POS	609.16	CHRETIEN, JEFFREY S.	922.40
BROWN, LISA M.	1,090.15	CHRISTIAN, ALEXANDRA J.	325.61
BRYANT, NANCY R.	359.70	CROCKETT, CHRIS	1,058.01

** DECKER, STEPHEN M. & CATHERINE A.	2,443.96	KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	122.52
DUNHAM, SR., JOSHUA M. & BETTY D.	488.26	MCDONALD, JEANNINE D.	2,446.44
DUNHAM, BETTY B., PERS. IN POS.	269.83	MOORE, BRADFORD L., HEIRS OF	914.96
DUNN, DANIEL	150.40	** MORGAN, RYAN D. & IRIS	531.25
FOURNIER, REBECCA ANN	516.18	** PARLIN, MICHAEL A. & DENISE C.	2,304.21
GIVEN, BARRY A.	2,581.00	** RICHARDS, DANIEL A.	554.30
GIVEN, BARRY A. & MELINDA M.	2,832.51	ROBBINS, SANDRA & JASON	142.84
GREENMAN, MARY	243.42	SEAMON, TIMOTHY A.	797.01
GRIMANIS, ROSE V. & MICHAEL	2,106.10	** SMITH, ROBERT L.	183.47
GUND, JOHN P.	3,999.16	SNIDER, ROBERT N.	406.98
HOWARD, PHEOBE	173.50	STEVENS, CHRISTINE V., ESTATE OF	124.94
** HOWARD, WILLIAM K.	67.74	THORNDIKE, LESLIE J.	178.14
** HUTCHINS, SHIRLEY	699.53	TYLER, DARRYL D. & JUDITH L.	2,329.61
KENNEDY, MADELINE, HEIRS OF	452.70	TYLER, TONY S.	772.73
** KNAPP, PAULINE, HEIRS OF	1,808.99	TYLER, TONY S.	3,137.29
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	325.71	UNDERWOOD, ROBERT & CHARLOTTE	1,814.07
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	1,524.53	VILES, MICHAEL L.	208.76
KNOWLTON ESTATES, LLC	406.98	VIOLETTE, KURT R.	981.34
		WILLIAMSON, BURCHARD	70.19
		2016 TOTALS	46,786.34



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ASSESSING

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



2018 included some “challenges” to the tax rate and tax burden.

Walmart filed for a property tax abatement requesting a 3 million dollar reduction in valuation. There is a growing trend nationwide for “big box” retailers to rely on the “dark store method” while seeking lower property taxes through abatement appeals. The premise of dark store is that these structures should be valued as if they are vacant. The abatement was denied and the decision was upheld by the Farmington Board of Assessment Review. It is worthwhile to note that the dark store method has prevailed in some states resulting in large property tax shifts to other properties in these jurisdictions.

The Maine Legislature expanded the Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE) to include retail services. The effect is that property that used to pay local taxes with reimbursement from the State (to the business) through the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement (BETR) now qualify for tax exemption from local property taxes. Some (basically 50 cents on the dollar) of the local property taxes “lost” to exemption are reimbursed by the State to the Town.

Bringing this information to the people of Farmington is meant to reveal that challenges to stable or reduced tax rates and property taxes come from all directions.

Some points of interest:

- Farmington’s online assessing information is available at www.jeodonnell.com. The site had 12,331 page views in 2018.
- Farmington’s assessment ratio is 105%. This means, on average, assessed values are slightly higher than fair market values.
- In 2018, a homestead exemption in Farmington provided a tax bill reduction of \$410.97.

Progress on goals for 2018 and beyond:

- Goal – Comprehensive review of structures on land owned by others.

Progress – Half of the mobile home parks have been reviewed. This work continues in 2019.

- Goal – Outreach to businesses to increase their awareness of tax reimbursement and tax exemption programs for taxable personal property coupled with an effort to improve business property reporting.

Progress – Not as much as hoped. This work continues in 2019.

- Goal – Assistance to owners of property in current use classifications to ensure compliance with the requirements of these programs.

Progress – The State of Maine continues to increase scrutiny of current use records. The challenge comes from allocating resources to assist property owners with meeting their reporting requirements before State auditing impacts continued participation in these programs.

In the Assessing Department we consider information services the most cost-effective economic development tool the Town has. We are processing this information as part of our function anyway. Sharing information about property creates efficiencies in the economic activity of our community. Everyone wants and needs the information to be as current as possible. We continue our efforts to update the information we maintain and provide this information for the benefit of everyone as quickly as possible.

We maintain regular office hours on Thursdays in the Town office. We are also available by phone and email the other days of the week.

Respectfully submitted,

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

2018 PROPERTY TAX RATE COMPUTATIONS

ASSESSMENT

County tax	\$	556,809.75	
Municipal appropriation	\$	5,791,076.00	
TIF financing plan amount	\$	273,673.29	
School appropriation	\$	4,643,630.33	
Overlay	\$	35,288.38	
TOTAL ASSESSMENT			\$ 11,300,477.75

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$	450,000.00	
Other revenue	\$	1,449,380.00	
Homestead Reimbursement	\$	350,668.72	
BETE Reimbursement	\$	94,025.77	
TOTAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS			\$ 2,344,074.49

NET ASSESSMENT FOR COMMITMENT **\$ 8,956,403.26**

VALUATIONS

Taxable Personal Property Valuation	\$	22,440,000.00	
Taxable Real Estate Valuation	\$	435,219,850.00	
Total Taxable Valuation			\$ 457,659,850.00

RATE CALCULATIONS

Net Assessment for Commitment divided by Total Valuation = Tax Rate
 $\$8,956,403.26 / \$457,659,850 = .01957$

GROSS ASSESSMENT CALCULATIONS

Total Taxable Valuation	\$	457,659,850.00	
X Tax Rate	\$	0.01957	
Equals Net Assessment for Commitment	\$	8,956,403.26	

BUDGET COMMITTEE

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



The Budget Committee held its first meeting in early December 2017 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 Richard Davis offered some explanations of the presented budgets and how the increases/decreases might affect the tax rate for the coming year. As usual there were numerous questions about the reasons for proposed increases.

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

After all the presentations were given the committee discussed each requested budget and made their final recommendations in late January, 2018. These were forwarded to the Selectmen and 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.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Clyde Ross
Chairman

PROGRAMS THAT COULD AFFECT YOUR TAXES



For the following programs the application must be submitted to the Assessor by April 1, 2019. 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, 2019 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, 2019. 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, 2018. 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, 2019 on the 2018 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 – WELFARE DIRECTOR

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



2018 brought a very busy election year with the Gubernatorial race and Maine's first use of Rank Choice Voting. The new ballots were definitely a learning experience for the voters but, on the whole, there were very few issues when casting their votes. In both the Primary and November election there was a great turnout with Absentee Voting and during Election Day. I have budgeted for an additional voting machine to help in future elections to keep the flow of voters moving quickly to avoid long lines and waits. I appreciate all the hard work from my ballot clerks and those in the office who help in the election process. They are all very knowledgeable in answering questions and addressing any concerns that come up when I am not available. As a reminder, Absentee Ballots are always available 30 days before any election. They can be requested at the town office in person, via a phone request by calling the office at 778-6539, or requested online at: <http://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl>. Also, please let me know of any address or name changes so that I can maintain accurate records for voter registration.

This summer my long-time deputy clerk and Town employee Daryl Schramm retired. She will be missed in the office for her strong work dedication and always witty humor. Bonnie Baker was brought on board in August to fill the position. She has brought much knowledge and experience, having been a town clerk in a previous municipality for 10 years.

Please remember to license your dog. Renewals are due each year by Dec. 21st. Puppies must be licensed after six months. Always be sure to bring in your current rabies certificate along with any new neutering or spaying certificate.

I processed 223 General Assistance applications in 2018 and approved 152, which assisted a total of 216 people.

I look forward to seeing you all in the office and at the polls.

Respectfully submitted,

Leanne E. Dickey
Town Clerk

2018 ELECTIONS

March 26, 2018

Annual Town Meeting

May 15, 2018

RSU #9 Budget Referendum

June 12, 2018

Primary/Referendum Election

November 6, 2018

Governor/ Referendum Election

BALLOT CLERKS

Ann Arbor, Bonnie Baker, Denise Bell, Diana Bell, Michael Bell, Terry Bell, Lynn Caldwell, Mark Caldwell, Stephanie Clark, Shane Cote, Kate Foster, Cindy Gelinis, Richard Jacques, Janet Paul, Judy Peary-Adams, Maverick Real, Ezekiel Robinson, John Rosenwald, S. Clyde Ross, Charlotte Woodcock, Diana Young, and Robin Zagorodny.

Dog Licenses 418

Births 237

Inland Fisheries
and Wildlife 997

Marriages 45

Deaths 202



POLICE DEPARTMENT

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



I want to personally thank the citizens of Farmington and the entire community on behalf of the Farmington Police Department for their continued support this past year.

Sergeant Edward Hastings, IV and Officer Jesse Clement were recognized by the Maine Association of Police for their efforts in saving the lives of two Farmington residents.

Sergeant Hastings and Officer Clement provided rescue breaths and administered Narcan to a young lady on two separate occasions, saving her life. Officer Clement also provided CPR and utilized an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) on an unresponsive female, who was then transported to Franklin Memorial Hospital. This citizen also survived her apparent heart attack.

In 2018, we welcomed new officer Jeffrey Brann to the Department. Officer Kevin Lemay left our agency to pursue a career with the Wilton Police Department. I wish to thank him for his work while employed by the citizens of Farmington.

In May of 2018, Officer Brandon Sholan graduated from the Basic Law Enforcement Program at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Congratulations to Officer Sholan.

Officer Darin Gilbert presented the “Avoid, Deny and Defend” curriculum to local schools, community groups and businesses. This is a proactive approach on how to respond to an active threat. Officer Gilbert has presented this program to well over 1,300 individuals. This training has been very well received by those attending the training.

Our officers continued to support several charity events. These included the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run, “Operation Santa Claus”, Safe Voices, the Western Maine Homeless Shelter, and the United Way.

Members of the Farmington Police Department also serve on various community-oriented boards and committees. These include the Franklin Community Health Network, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services, Western Maine Homeless Outreach, Safe

Voices, Evergreen Behavioral Services, and the Maine Chiefs of Police Association.

In 2018 the Department received several grants. "DriveSober Maine!" awarded the Department \$8,300 to conduct saturated patrols to apprehend and educate motorists of the consequences of operating under the influence of drugs or alcohol. We also received \$7,000 for directed enforcement to participate in the "Click it or Ticket" campaign, and \$13,000 for speed enforcement.

If you or a loved one has the potential to "wander" due to mental or physical disability and would like emergency personnel to have access to their information, please contact our department. The same with our elder check program. If you know of someone or you would like to participate please contact us by phone, email, or on our Facebook page.

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

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

The Farmington Police Department maintains a website at www.farmingtonpd.org and a Facebook page. These contain public service announcements and other helpful information. Please take a minute and check the sites from time to time, as the information changes frequently.

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

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us or to stop in at your police department. Members of the Police Department and myself are also available every third Thursday of each month at Dunkin Donuts on the Wilton Road for "Coffee with a Cop". Please stop in with your questions or concerns, or just to say hello.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack D. Peck, Jr.
Chief of Police

Summary of the Most Common Crimes or Police Calls/Complaints			
Crime	2016	2017	2018
Rape	5	11	3
Assault	39	66	55
Burglary	16	10	13
Thefts	68	131	53
Criminal Mischief	45	38	47
Criminal Trespass	45	7	33
Drug Cases	53	34	26
Domestic Disturbances	53	66	90
Traffic Crashes	435	459	602
Arrests	486	798	531
OUI Arrests	110	87	95
Summons			
Speeding Summons	271	346	458
Traffic Warning	4,617	7,394	4,643
Parking Tickets	925	962	971
Missing Persons	18	14	27
Harassment Calls	135	106	98
Security Checks	<u>1,788</u>	<u>2,644</u>	<u>2,017</u>
TOTAL	9,109	13,173	9,762
Total Traffic Stops	5,006	6,426	9,209
<p>These totals represent the number of calls for service made to the police department for investigation, not necessarily the number of crimes committed. For a more representative look at crime in Farmington or any community within the United States, refer to <i>Crime in the United States</i>, an annual publication put out by the FBI.</p>			
Police Revenues			
	2016	2017	2018
Parking Tickets	\$ 12,980	\$ 16,740	\$ 17,090
Police Reports	\$ 625	\$ 140	\$ 1,498
Misc.& Gun permit	<u>\$ 1,003</u>	<u>\$ 665</u>	-
Gun Permits			\$ 625
Miscellaneous			<u>\$ 7,033</u>
TOTAL	\$ 14,608	\$ 17,545	\$ 26,246

OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Detective Marc Bowering
Congratulations!

Farmington Police Department 2018



L to R – Officer Jeff Brann, Officer Darin Gilbert, Officer Jesse Clement, Officer Jacob Richards, Chief Peck, Deputy Chief Shane Cote, Sergeant Edward Hastings, IV, Office Manager Bonnie Pomeroy, Officer Ryan Rosie, Detective Marc Bowering, Officer Brandon Sholan, Officer Bridgette Gilbert, Officer Michael Lyman, and K-9 Axel
Absent from photo – Crossing Guard Robert Hallman, Parking Enforcement Drew Holston, and part-time Secretary Stephan Bunker.

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

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



This is my annual report for the Farmington Fire Rescue Department for 2018. The Department responded to calls for assistance 446 times this year. We gave mutual aid assistance for other towns 41 times and received mutual aid assistance 26 times. The Department had a total of 16,667 man-hours which include 22 training classes.

2017	2018	Calls for Assistance
72	70	Alarm malfunction / false alarms
36	34	Fire Inspection / fire prevention
44	53	Fire related calls
41	50	Good intent, such as calls from concerned citizens
162	164	Hazardous conditions with no fire
53	72	Rescue, extrication, and emergency medical calls
38	33	Service calls
<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Severe weather</u>
447	480	Total Calls

This year we had several members resign. Long-time member Doug Oliver with 55 years of service, JP Fortier 13 years, Michael Melville with 11 years, Mike Cote 8 years, Sean Zubrod 1 year, Chris Fowle 1 year, and Chris Nightingale 7 months. This brings the current roster to 27 members.

Aaron Gordon has been hired as a new fulltime firefighter to replace Corey Mills who took a full-time job at the Mexico Fire Department. We are still trying to find ways to recruit new members for our department, and applications are available at the Fire Station.

We have applied through the Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program for new portable radios.

During the past two years we have spent much time and money on the repairs of Engine #1. There have been ongoing problems with the computer components during that time. We did send the engine to the authorized repair shop in Massachusetts this past year. We thought the problem had been solved, but a few months later it came

back and still exists to this day. There is also a problem with the frame on Engine #1. There are places where the rust has eaten parts of the truck frame rails and cross members which hold the water tank in place. We have also noticed that the truck body has a one inch difference from being level from one side to the other side. We have put the truck up on the lift and could not find the cause of the problem, which is a very big concern to me.

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

Jon Alexander 18 yrs.	Paris Duhamel 1 yr.	Michael Melville 10 yrs.
Scott Baxter 13 yrs.	Kyle Ellis 5 yrs.	Corey Mills 2 yrs.
Teddy Baxter 12 yrs.	David Fronk 27 yrs.	Jennings Pinkham 12 yrs.
Michael Bell 29 yrs.	Aaron Gordon 2 mos.	Brandon Sholan 8 yrs.
Terry Bell 41 yrs.	Tim A. Hardy 40 yrs.	S. Clyde Ross 47 yrs.
James Brown 32 yrs.	Tim D. Hardy 21 yrs.	Junior Turner 47 yrs.
Stephan Bunker 40 yrs.	Joseph Hastings 5 yrs.	Peter Wade 16 yrs.
Patty Cormier 10 yrs.	Jim Kiernan 14 yrs.	Stanley Wheeler 24 yrs.
Evan Dorr 1 yr.	Shawn Latulippe 2 yrs.	Stanley Wilcox 2 yrs.

Thank you to all members for your years of service.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Terry S. Bell, Sr.
Fire Chief

FIRE RESCUE TRAINING

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



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

Training topics that are frequently used are similar to those from past years. Some of the common trainings are Ventilation, Ladders and Uses, Draft and Relay Pumping, the Rural Hitch set up, Forcible Entry, the annual Mandatory topic day (county departments), Vehicle Extrication and Stabilization, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, Opioid Heroin safety, Rope Rescue Equipment review, Large Diameter Hose review, Truck Hose Lays and Deployment practices, review of building Pre-Plans, Inspection of Personal Protective Equipment, Active Shooter Drills at the Middle School, UMF, and Franklin Memorial Hospital. This year we had a building for live fire training, did snow machine rescue techniques, had a class in "combat ready" fire fighting, a demonstration of Simulated Burns, Modern Fire Behavior, and a student attending an Inspector I class. These are only a few of the trainings that take place during the year. Mutual Aid departments have been invited to attend our sessions. The county Fire Fighter I and II classes were attended by some of our members.

The Fire Prevention Programs continue to be offered to the local schools, day care centers, tour groups, and organizations that may want a safety presentation. A number of Fire Extinguisher classes have been taught in local businesses and living facilities. These help familiarize employees with the types of extinguishers and their uses. The Department continues to tour new facilities and businesses as they start up in town.

The per diem and the full-time crews have been very busy conducting the above activities and offering to assist local businesses with needed safety inspections. The Department has continued its dormitory evacuation drills with the University of Maine at

Farmington. We have also had tours of the new heating systems currently in place at the University, chips and propane fueling systems.

A Western Maine Public Safety Training site is currently being worked on with all public safety groups (EMS, Fire, Police and the Fire Fighting High School Program) in an area near Mt. Blue High School. This will be an “all hazards” type of facility. We are applying for State Funds approved by the legislature this session to help construct the necessary facilities. Some ground work was done in the Fall and more will be done come Spring. Donations from any organizations or individuals are also accepted. This facility will be useful to a number of service groups.

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

Respectfully submitted,

S. Clyde Ross
Deputy Fire Chief

Timothy D. Hardy
Captain

Vehicle Rescue and Stabilization Training



Class A Burns Franklin County Fire Firefighter 1 & 2



CODE/PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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



With administration and coordination provided by the Code/Planning Office, during 2018 there were 11 Planning Board meetings held. The Board reviewed 33 applications under the following ordinances: Site Review, Subdivision, Shoreland Zoning, Floodplain Management, Soil Erosion Control & Storm Water Management, Wireless Telecommunication Facilities, and the Zoning (Solar Energy System Performance Standard). The Board meets on the second Monday of every month, except for October when it meets on the third Monday.

On July 9, 2018, the Planning Board's annual election was held during which Clayton King, Jr. was re-elected as Chairman and Lloyd W. Smith elected as Vice-Chairman. Judith Murphy joined the Board as an alternate. On July 24, 2018, long-standing member Tom Eastler's resignation was regretfully accepted after serving on the Board for twenty-four years. At their August 13, 2018 meeting, the Board presented Dr. Eastler a plaque in honor of his many years of dedicated membership. Michael Otley was moved from alternate to regular member, and David Robbins was seated on the Board as an alternate. There are presently no vacancies on the Board.

The Board of Appeals met on August 21, 2018 to elect officers, during which Galen Dalrymple was re-elected as Chairman and Pete Tracy elected as Vice-Chairman/Secretary. There is one three-year term vacancy presently available for a regular member and two one-year term vacancies presently available for alternate members. The Board of Appeals met twice in 2018 and approved one variance application.

The Zoning Board conducted its annual administrative meeting on July 18, 2018, during which Joel Chandler was re-elected as Chairman. The Zoning Board currently has two three-year term vacancies for regular members, and two one-year term vacancies for alternate members.

During 2018, there were thirty-four residential projects: four new stick-built houses; four new mobile, double-wide, and modular units; nine new garages, carports, and barns; fifteen new additions, decks, and sheds; renovation of nine apartments; and new construction of a sixty-three bed assisted and independent living facility addition at the Farmington Woodlands site.

Also during 2018, registration forms were filed for twenty business projects – fifteen new businesses in existing buildings, four expansions of existing businesses, and a newly constructed retail building. Five home-occupation registration forms were also filed and eighteen sign permits issued.

In October, the Code/Planning Office carried out the requisite activities for upcoming re-certification in early 2019 as Class 8 under FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). This program provides federally backed flood insurance within communities that participate in the NFIP-CRS and enact and enforce floodplain regulations in an effort to mitigate flood damage and losses.

In November, the Planning Board approved the Nextera/Farmington Solar LLC project, which is a 77-megawatt solar energy development on 450 acres. This will be Maine and New England's largest such facility, with a spring 2019 start and completion in 2020.

A reminder to all those installing concrete slabs and/or foundations for new manufactured housing (new mobile, double-wide, and modular units) that such work must be inspected 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, minutes, ordinances, and application forms. These are listed under Code/Planning on the homepage. All meetings are open to the public.

I thank my co-workers, Planning Assistant Cindy Gelinis, former Code Enforcement Assistant Robin Zagorodny, and new Code Enforcement Assistant Kate Foster - who joined the Code/Planning Department in September, for their hard work and dedication.

I also want to express my appreciation to all members of the above-mentioned Boards for the countless hours and guidance they have generously given the Town through their service, and to all citizens of Farmington, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager, and Town employees for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Stevens Kaiser
Code Enforcement Officer

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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



2018 began as usual with Ice Skating, Basketball, Adult Futsal, extreme cold, and lots of snow! There were many new additions in programming, many changes in current programs, and a few capital improvement projects that have either begun or have been completed this year.

The Recreation Department had over twelve hundred people participate in programs this year alone. That number is not including events, day users, and renters at the Community Center. Since I became Director of the Parks and Recreation Department one of our slogans has been, "Bringing Our Community Alive". We are truly blessed to live in a part of Maine where there are so many organizations and groups that are bound and determined to do the same thing for our community, and we are encouraged to see others committed to making life more enjoyable for the people in our area.

A few notable changes to current programming this year were to make our swimming lessons more accommodating to families with multiple children, which encouraged more participants than we have had in many years. In our Youth Soccer League we also limited the number of children on each team to allow for more playing time, better coach-to-player interaction and instruction, and ultimately promote better skill development in our young athletes. We continually evaluate each of our programs and implement changes that we feel will increase the quality for our participants.

This year the Recreation Department developed several new summer programs to offer local children: Green Thumbs, a program that allowed children to learn, design and care for a new flower garden in Bjorn Park, Mad Science, which was an extremely popular new program that offered children the opportunity to get messy with hands-on science experiments, Dynamic Knights, which taught children how to play chess, Trout Camp, which was a fly fishing program lead by Bob Dionne where teens were able to learn how to fly fish, and FEARLESS, a new program in partnership with Walmart, which gave a group of young teens the opportunity to go to Northern Maine and experience rock climbing, ropes courses, paddle boarding on the Kennebec River, hiking on the Appalachian Trail, swimming

under waterfalls, team building games, and whitewater rafting on the Kennebec River!

The Recreation Department is very proud to announce that our Department and staff were the recipients of two awards this year. First, the Safety and Health Award for Public Employers (SHAPE) from the Maine Department of Labor. This award is given 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. Receiving this award shows the Recreation Department's commitment to our employees' safety and well-being, as well as reducing the Town's exposure to workers' compensation claims. Second, Emily O'Donnell received the Service Above Self Award from the Farmington Rotary Club. This award was given to Mrs. O'Donnell in recognition of her tireless effort to improve the beauty of the Town of Farmington through planting and tending the flower gardens. Her work is appreciated by many taxpayers and people visiting our community. I greatly appreciate the work she does!

A few of the capital improvements this year include remodeling multiple rooms in the Community Center, replacing the floor and benches in the Gazebo at Meetinghouse Park, and replacing the batting tunnel at Hippach Field.

I would like to thank all of the employees here at the Recreation Department. Our Department depends on approximately 30 employees and over 50 volunteers, each serving an important role in our success. I would like to thank Jaycee Jenckes, our Assistant Director, who helps guide our department, Charity Sargood, our Custodian, and Emily O'Donnell and David Spraker, our Seasonal Landscaping/Maintenance employees. I would also like to give a special thanks to Susan Jones, who has volunteered and worked for the Recreation Department for five years now introducing children to the world of Dance and FUN! She has helped to include so many children, and that will be a gift that will endure a lifetime for some.

If anyone would like more information about the Recreation Department feel free to stop by 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 Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



I am pleased to submit my third annual report as the current 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 seven individuals managing 130 miles of travel way and over 10 miles of pedestrian walk-ways.

A major accomplishment for the Department was the full reconstruction of the Titcomb Hill Project Phase II which included 1.8 miles (9,980 LF) of fresh travel way with new drainage and structural base material. This project is on schedule with our five-year road plan and on budget.

Another major capital improvement project is the on-going reconstruction of the Front Street Project Phase I. This project will greatly enhance and improve our downtown region. The first phase includes a new pre-cast box culvert, 995 feet of new sidewalk with granite curbing, new drainage, and 14 new light bases. The second phase is still under design and will be wrapped up in 2019.

As the crew transitions from the 2018 construction season to the 2019 winter plow operations, all storm equipment has been prepared and 6,000 cubic yards of road sand is ready for the elements. 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, Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, municipal staff and committees for their continued support.

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.



L – R: Nathan Purrington, Fred Barton, Foreman Jim Kiernan, Brandon Bard, Director Philip Hutchins, Patrick McHugh, Mike Grigsby, Ron Jalbert, Kenneth Schmidt, Bob Daggett. **Absent:** Ted Collins

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

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



2018 was a productive year at the Wastewater Treatment Facility where the operators and I completed many beneficial projects. Senior Operator Joe Hartigan and Ethan Tracy stepped up to become our road crew this year. They took over responsibilities of doing the repairs in the road we would otherwise have had to contract out, thus saving the Department time and money.

We entered into the second year of a five-year project with the assistance of the Ted Berry Company with the crew assisting them in cleaning, videoing, and Geographic Information System (GIS) locating twenty percent of the facility's collection system. During this year's project we discovered fewer areas in the collection system in need of repair to stop infiltration of ground water and line seepage. These repairs were an additional project which Ted Berry assisted us with completing. As last year, I will be budgeting more money for this project moving forward to assure the emergency line repair reserve account remains funded throughout the duration of this project and beyond.

The year 2018 marks the second year of our current five-year Discharge Permit. As I stated last year, total phosphorus restrictions were added into this permit which the Facility needs to comply with by June of 2021. I will be working with Harcros Chemical Company during the winter months to determine a feed rate for the chemical precipitant we plan to use to meet those requirements. Once a feed rate is determined I plan on running a trial of the chemical and monitoring the results.

We have continued lighting project upgrades this year. We have been upgrading the old incandescent lights on all of the catwalks over the clarifiers and on the headworks with low energy, brighter LED lights. This project will save the facility energy and give five times the light as the old fixtures.

I would like to thank my entire crew this year for stepping up and taking on more responsibility on how we repair and maintain the collection system and the equipment at the treatment facility. Their

efforts this past year have saved this facility time and money. I could not have found more dedicated and hardworking employees.

In 2019, we plan to continue with plant and collection system improvements. Our goal is to continue cleaning and videoing the collection system and make repairs determined by the video. We will continue making improvements to the system and, as always, strive to protect the environment.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen M. Millett
Superintendent



L to R: Superintendent Steve Millett, Paul Stanzel, Ethan Tracy, and Joe Hartigan.

SEWER DEPARTMENT
Liened Receivables as of December 31, 2018

- * Partial Payments Ending 01-31-2019
- ** Paid in Full

	ACCOUNT	BALANCE	EARLIEST YEAR DUE
**	Alexander, Steven J.	152.15	2018
	Barker, Matthew	805.09	2017
	Bell, Danielle A.	219.01	2018
*	Brackett, Penny A.	1,986.67	2015
	Chretien, Jeffrey S.	908.81	2016
	Cousineau, Joseph B.	469.74	2017
*	Das-Wattley, Sharmila	1,858.63	2018
	Farmer, Glendon S.	1,004.97	2017
*	Fraser, Bruce M.	1,874.65	2017
	Gay, Ted, Heirs of	118.44	2018
	Gund, John P.	1,435.99	2016
	Hoisington, Bernice A.	135.30	2018
	Kempton, Seth	331.38	2018
	Lapala, Corey	739.41	2017
	Lesperance, Bruce & Penny	641.29	2017
	Lord, Kevin	659.50	2017
	Morgan, Iris & Ryan	5,020.34	2017
	MTGLO Investors, LP	239.41	2018
	Rogers, Catherine	321.80	2017
	Savage, Vivian	580.49	2017
	Spinney, David	727.59	2017
	Tinker, Lee Ann, Heirs of	152.15	2018
	Tompkins, Cheryl J.	580.99	2018
	Viles, Michael	246.71	2018
**	Willett, Eric P.	260.24	2018
	Ziehm, Debbie, Pers. Rep.	606.33	2017

SAFETY COMMITTEE

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



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

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

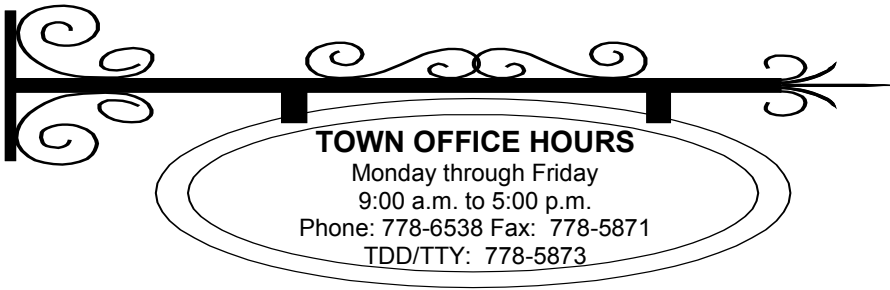
The Town continues to participate in the Maine Municipal Association (MMA) Leader Program, which rewards municipalities that implement plans and activities to create a safer workplace for employees by reducing the Workers Compensation premiums. These savings, along with utilizing the safety training courses and services in 2018, provided the Town with a total value of \$15,969 in workers compensation fund benefits.

The Maine Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards, presented the Police Department and the Parks and Recreation Department with the Safety and Health Award for Public Employers (SHAPE). The SHAPE award is 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.

The Town and I wish to express our gratitude to the Committee for the time and work involved. This Committee not only helps with monetary savings to the taxpayers but also in having a safe environment to work and conduct business with the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew L. Foster, CPRP
Chairman



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 www.maineburnpermit.com, or Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Fire Rescue Office, which is located on the main floor of the Municipal Office Building. Permits will be issued subject to safe weather conditions as set forth by the Maine Forest Service.

TOWN ORDINANCE AND STATE LAW COMPLIANCE

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

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

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

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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



During 2018 the Farmington Conservation Commission (FCC) had two main projects. In May and June we replanted seven of the Japanese Lilac trees downtown that had died. An auger was used to ensure that the ground was sufficiently excavated so the tree roots had plenty of room to grow. Fencing around the trees to protect them has also been planned. Volunteers from the Foster Tech Forestry program helped with the project.

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. They are: Kyes Insurance, Pine Tree Cellular, WKTJ, Bangor Savings, Mills and Mills, Richards Florist, Franklin County, TD Bank, and Tuck’s Ale House.

The second Commission project was to sponsor a series of events around the Walton’s Mill Dam issue. A table with information was part of the Downtown Business Association’s Summerfest activities and three public forums were held to provide information to the public leading up to the 2018 November local ballot question.

Farmington is again a Tree City, USA, for the 41st consecutive year. Rural Farmington is tied with suburban Westbrook and urban Kennebunkport for the longest running Maine Tree City. Sally Speich, Patty Cormier, and Bill Haslam were able to attend the ceremony in Bath this year to receive our recognition.

The Commission also sponsored a Christmas tree for the Rotary Club auction for the second year. Its theme was Happy Brew Year and had beer cans amongst other handmade cork decorations. The tree went for over \$300 at auction.

All together over 258 volunteer hours were put in and close to \$4,000 was spent on the tree plantings and other events.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Rees Speich
Secretary

*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** _____



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February 26, 2019

Board of Selectmen
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, 2018. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2018 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, is available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

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

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STATEMENT C

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2018

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,785,775	\$ 180,908	\$ 4,966,683
Investments	572,475	876,199	1,448,674
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	704,358	-	704,358
Liens	185,010	-	185,010
Notes	-	210,470	210,470
Other	37,154	-	37,154
Prepaid items	19,619	-	19,619
Due from other funds	-	1,257,580	1,257,580
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 6,304,391	\$ 2,525,157	\$ 8,829,548
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 265,881	\$ -	\$ 265,881
Payroll related payables	32,962	-	32,962
Due to other governments	19,183	-	19,183
Accrued expenses	8,894	-	8,894
Accrued payroll	15,155	-	15,155
Due to other funds	2,983,871	225,461	3,209,332
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,325,946	225,461	3,551,407
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	15,866	-	15,866
Deferred police revenue	7,242	-	7,242
Advance payment of LRAP funding	80,850	-	80,850
Deferred revenue	1,034	-	1,034
Deferred tax revenues	704,295	-	704,295
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	809,287	-	809,287
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable - prepaid items	19,619	-	19,619
Restricted	-	1,470,058	1,470,058
Committed	-	980,178	980,178
Assigned	14,477	-	14,477
Unassigned	2,135,062	(150,540)	1,984,522
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	2,169,158	2,299,696	4,468,854
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 6,304,391	\$ 2,525,157	\$ 8,829,548

See accompanying independent auditors' 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, 2018

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property taxes	\$ 8,948,978	\$ -	\$ 8,948,978
Excise taxes	1,058,704	-	1,058,704
Interest on taxes	55,876	-	55,876
Intergovernmental	1,141,506	75,133	1,216,639
Charges for services	145,925	-	145,925
Investment income	-	(32,777)	(32,777)
Miscellaneous revenues	50,388	68,089	118,477
TOTAL REVENUES	11,401,377	110,445	11,511,822
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	836,413	-	836,413
Public safety	2,090,596	-	2,090,596
Health and welfare	20,208	-	20,208
Recreation and culture	346,004	-	346,004
Education	4,643,630	-	4,643,630
Public works	1,848,658	-	1,848,658
County tax	556,810	-	556,810
Community services	225,014	-	225,014
Unclassified	59,035	413,546	472,581
Debt service:			
Principal	96,485	-	96,485
Interest	5,730	-	5,730
Capital outlay	-	186,953	186,953
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,728,583	600,499	11,329,082
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	672,794	(490,054)	182,740
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	15,000	486,473	501,473
Transfers (out)	(486,473)	(15,000)	(501,473)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(471,473)	471,473	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	201,321	(18,581)	182,740
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	1,967,837	2,318,277	4,286,114
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 2,169,158	\$ 2,299,696	\$ 4,468,854

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

SCHEDULE 1

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1	\$ 1,967,837	\$ 1,967,837	\$ 1,967,837	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	8,972,204	8,972,204	8,948,978	(23,226)
Excise taxes	969,650	969,650	1,058,704	89,054
Interest on taxes	55,000	55,000	55,876	876
Intergovernmental	1,097,074	1,097,074	1,141,506	44,432
Charges for services	141,900	141,900	145,925	4,025
Miscellaneous revenues	49,650	49,650	50,388	738
Transfers from other funds	15,000	15,000	15,000	-
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>13,268,315</u>	<u>13,268,315</u>	<u>13,384,214</u>	<u>115,899</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	893,116	848,316	836,413	11,903
Public safety	2,243,733	2,160,233	2,090,596	69,637
Health and welfare	25,000	25,000	20,208	4,792
Recreation and culture	389,232	360,232	346,004	14,228
Education	4,643,630	4,643,630	4,643,630	-
Public works	1,831,737	1,787,737	1,848,658	(60,921)
County tax	556,810	556,810	556,810	-
Community services	233,929	233,929	225,014	8,915
Unclassified	368,961	95,288	59,035	36,253
Debt service:				
Principal	96,485	96,485	96,485	-
Interest	6,345	6,345	5,730	615
Transfers to other funds	11,500	486,473	486,473	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>11,300,478</u>	<u>11,300,478</u>	<u>11,215,056</u>	<u>85,422</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 1,967,837</u>	<u>\$ 1,967,837</u>	<u>\$ 2,169,158</u>	<u>\$ 201,321</u>

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

SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND REVENUES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property Taxes	\$ 8,956,404	\$ 8,956,404	\$ 8,918,397	\$ (38,007)
Payment in lieu	15,800	15,800	30,581	14,781
Excise taxes	969,650	969,650	1,058,704	89,054
Interest on taxes	55,000	55,000	55,876	876
Total Taxes	<u>9,996,854</u>	<u>9,996,854</u>	<u>10,063,558</u>	<u>66,704</u>
Intergovernmental Revenues:				
State Revenue Sharing	450,000	450,000	489,724	39,724
Homestead Exemption	350,669	350,669	350,669	-
GA Reimbursement	15,000	15,000	20,508	5,508
Local Road Assistance	158,780	158,780	158,780	-
BETE reimbursement	94,025	94,025	93,996	(29)
Veteran Reimbursement	6,600	6,600	7,290	690
Tree growth reimbursement	22,000	22,000	20,539	(1,461)
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>1,097,074</u>	<u>1,097,074</u>	<u>1,141,506</u>	<u>44,432</u>
Charges for Services:				
Code enforcement fees	2,000	2,000	3,654	1,654
Motor vehicle fees	19,500	19,500	19,944	444
Inland fisheries fees	2,200	2,200	1,747	(453)
Parks and recreation fees	-	-	29,437	29,437
Assessor	19,500	19,500	32	(19,468)
Dog fees	-	-	1,111	1,111
Rental of town property	5,000	5,000	5,640	640
Police department	-	-	21,570	21,570
Recycling fees	28,750	28,750	34,037	5,287
Cemetery fees	16,500	16,500	11,140	(5,360)
Misc fees/licenses	48,450	48,450	17,613	(30,837)
Total Charges for Services	<u>141,900</u>	<u>141,900</u>	<u>145,925</u>	<u>4,025</u>
Miscellaneous Revenues:				
Misc sales	-	-	10,225	10,225
Tax lien fees	15,450	15,450	11,793	(3,657)
Misc Revenues	34,200	34,200	28,370	(5,830)
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>49,650</u>	<u>49,650</u>	<u>50,388</u>	<u>738</u>
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>\$ 11,285,478</u>	<u>\$ 11,285,478</u>	<u>\$ 11,401,377</u>	<u>\$ 115,899</u>

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SCHEDULE B

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
General government:					
Administration	\$ 240,299	\$ -	\$ 240,299	\$ 231,556	\$ 8,743
Assessor	137,101	(42,000)	95,101	96,761	(1,660)
Clerk treasurer	253,713	-	253,713	261,386	(7,673)
Municipal building	101,527	(2,000)	99,527	93,246	6,281
CEO	153,676	-	153,676	149,030	4,646
Committees	6,800	(800)	6,000	4,434	1,566
	<u>893,116</u>	<u>(44,800)</u>	<u>848,316</u>	<u>836,413</u>	<u>11,903</u>
Public safety:					
Police department	1,306,052	(8,500)	1,297,552	1,240,534	57,018
Fire department	524,407	(75,000)	449,407	432,361	17,046
Hydrants	276,380	-	276,380	293,654	(17,274)
Street lights	85,000	-	85,000	88,704	(3,704)
Traffic lights	11,000	-	11,000	867	10,133
Ambulance	40,894	-	40,894	34,476	6,418
	<u>2,243,733</u>	<u>(83,500)</u>	<u>2,160,233</u>	<u>2,090,596</u>	<u>69,637</u>
Health and welfare:					
General assistance	25,000	-	25,000	20,208	4,792
	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>20,208</u>	<u>4,792</u>
Recreation and culture:					
Parks and recreation	175,560	(5,000)	170,560	163,225	7,335
Community center	120,680	(18,000)	102,680	100,335	2,345
Cemeteries	92,992	(6,000)	86,992	82,444	4,548
	<u>389,232</u>	<u>(29,000)</u>	<u>360,232</u>	<u>346,004</u>	<u>14,228</u>

SCHEDULE B (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Education	4,643,630	-	4,643,630	4,643,630	-
Public works:					
Highway department	1,305,672	(40,000)	1,265,672	1,273,968	(8,296)
Recycling department	96,549	(4,000)	92,549	103,002	(10,453)
Local roads	158,780	-	158,780	144,680	14,100
Capital improvement for roads	270,736	-	270,736	327,008	(56,272)
	<u>1,831,737</u>	<u>(44,000)</u>	<u>1,787,737</u>	<u>1,848,658</u>	<u>(60,921)</u>
County tax	556,810	-	556,810	556,810	-
Debt service:					
Principal	96,485	-	96,485	96,485	-
Interest	6,345	-	6,345	5,730	615
	<u>102,830</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>102,830</u>	<u>102,215</u>	<u>615</u>
Community services:					
Animal shelter	15,520	-	15,520	15,520	-
Public library	199,409	-	199,409	199,409	-
Social services/economic development	18,000	-	18,000	9,085	8,915
Gay cemetery	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
	<u>233,929</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>233,929</u>	<u>225,014</u>	<u>8,915</u>

SCHEDULE B (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Unclassified:					
Insurances	55,000	-	55,000	59,035	(4,035)
TAN interest	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
TIF	273,673	(273,673)	-	-	-
Overlay	35,288	-	35,288	-	35,288
	<u>368,961</u>	<u>(273,673)</u>	<u>95,288</u>	<u>59,035</u>	<u>36,253</u>
Transfers to other funds:					
Revaluation	-	42,000	42,000	42,000	-
Legal reserve	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-
Community center	-	18,000	18,000	18,000	-
ADA	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Police department	-	8,500	8,500	8,500	-
Municipal landfill	-	4,000	4,000	4,000	-
Public works	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Sidewalks	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Municipal building	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	-
Fire department	-	75,000	75,000	75,000	-
Cemeteries	-	6,000	6,000	6,000	-
Parks and recreation	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
Conservation committee	-	800	800	800	-
TIF	-	273,673	273,673	273,673	-
	<u>11,500</u>	<u>474,973</u>	<u>486,473</u>	<u>486,473</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Departmental Operations	<u>\$ 11,300,478</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,300,478</u>	<u>\$ 11,215,056</u>	<u>\$ 85,422</u>

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TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 180,908	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 180,908
Investments	-	-	876,199	876,199
Notes receivable	210,470	-	-	210,470
Due from other funds	464,344	763,937	29,299	1,257,580
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 855,722	\$ 763,937	\$ 905,498	\$ 2,525,157
LIABILITIES				
Due to other funds	\$ 43,806	\$ 146,198	\$ 35,457	\$ 225,461
TOTAL LIABILITIES	43,806	146,198	35,457	225,461
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-
Restricted	593,197	2,532	874,329	1,470,058
Committed	218,773	761,405	-	980,178
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	(54)	(146,198)	(4,288)	(150,540)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	811,916	617,739	870,041	2,299,696
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 855,722	\$ 763,937	\$ 905,498	\$ 2,525,157

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SCHEDULE D

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (32,777)	\$ (32,777)
Intergovernmental	57,653	17,480	-	75,133
Other income	65,689	200	2,200	68,089
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>123,342</u>	<u>17,680</u>	<u>(30,577)</u>	<u>110,445</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	-	186,953	-	186,953
Other	409,104	-	4,442	413,546
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>409,104</u>	<u>186,953</u>	<u>4,442</u>	<u>600,499</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(285,762)</u>	<u>(169,273)</u>	<u>(35,019)</u>	<u>(490,054)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	344,473	142,000	-	486,473
Transfers (out)	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>344,473</u>	<u>142,000</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>471,473</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	58,711	(27,273)	(50,019)	(18,581)
FUND BALANCES, JANUARY 1	<u>753,205</u>	<u>645,012</u>	<u>920,060</u>	<u>2,318,277</u>
FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 811,916</u>	<u>\$ 617,739</u>	<u>\$ 870,041</u>	<u>\$ 2,299,696</u>

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

**2019 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-FIFTH DAY OF MARCH, 2019, at 8:45 o'clock in the morning to act upon Articles 1 and 2. The polls will open at 9:00 o'clock in the morning and close at 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon Article Second.

And also notify and warn the said Inhabitants to meet at the Community Center at 127 Middle Street in said Town on Monday, the TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF MARCH, 2019 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 45, 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 and one School Director for a term of two years.

THIRD - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate such anticipated revenues as vehicle excise taxes, state revenue sharing, supplemental taxes, license fees, and such other miscellaneous revenues to be received in the calendar year 2019, to reduce the taxes committed, in the amount of \$1,973,330.

FOURTH - To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with 30-A M.R.S. section 5721-A.7, to increase the property tax levy limit of \$3,678,642 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 2019 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.

FIFTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$769,440	\$801,941
Selectmen Recommended	769,440	801,941
Budget Committee Recommended	769,440	801,941
Town Meeting Approved	769,440	

STATEMENT OF FACT:

	<u>Appropriated 2018</u>	<u>Requested 2019</u>	<u>Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommended</u>
1. Administration	\$240,229	\$268,286	\$268,286
2. Assessor	137,101	149,104	149,104
3. Treasurer / Clerk	253,713	262,416	262,416
4. Committees & Events	6,800	7,300	7,300
5. Municipal Building	101,527	84,835	84,835
6. Tax Anticipation Note	5,000	5,000	5,000
7. General Assistance	25,000	25,000	<u>25,000</u>
TOTAL	\$769,440	\$801,941	\$801,941

The Administration Budget includes personnel costs for the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Town Secretary and one half of the Planning Assistant, related office supply and equipment costs, and expenses for professional services such as the Town Report printing, annual audit, public notice advertising, and routine legal services. Included are 2.54% pay increases for 2019. The Town pays 80% of the employee premium and 55% of the dependent portion of the health insurance premium for full time employees in this Department.

The Assessor's Department consists of a part-time contracted Assessor provided by John E. O'Donnell & Associates and a 20-hour per week in-house assistant position. Also included is \$50,000 for the Revaluation Reserve Account, the balance of which is currently \$135,596.74.

The Treasurer/Clerk Budget includes pay increases of 2.54%.

Committees and Events includes Memorial Day Flags (\$3,000), Planning Board (\$500), Conservation Commission (\$800), and Special Projects (\$3,000) which is a discretionary

account for the Selectmen through which they may authorize expenditures for special projects, promotions, or events deemed appropriate.

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

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

The General Assistance program provides for the basic needs of persons who apply and qualify financially. The 2018 appropriation was \$25,000. Expenditures totaled \$20,208.12 for the year, and are likely to be similar in 2019. Seventy percent of this expenditure is now reimbursed by the state and accrues to the General Fund.

SIXTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **CODE ENFORCEMENT** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$153,676	\$161,137
Selectmen Recommended	153,676	161,137
Budget Committee Recommended	153,676	161,137
Town Meeting Approved	153,676	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget request covers the operational expenses for two and one-half employees who oversee the Code Administration, Community Development (grant writing and implementation), and Planning functions. Included are 2.54% pay increases for 2019.

SEVENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **POLICE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,306,052	\$1,393,975
Selectmen Recommended	1,306,052	1,393,975
Budget Committee Recommended	1,306,053	1,393,975
Town Meeting Approved	1,306,052	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Police Department budget includes 1% pay increases and negotiated contract obligations for union members. Management employees receive 2.54% pay increases for 2019. Also included are expenses related to building operation and maintenance.

EIGHTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate

for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$524,407	\$535,223
Selectmen Recommended	524,407	535,223
Budget Committee Recommended	524,407	535,223
Town Meeting Approved	524,407	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Fire Department's request includes 2.54% pay increases for 2019. Also included is a \$75,000 appropriation to the Fire Equipment Reserve Account, the balance of which is currently \$279,551.89.

NINTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **OTHER PROTECTIONS** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$468,273	\$539,655
Selectmen Recommended	468,273	539,655
Budget Committee Recommended	468,273	539,655
Town Meeting Approved	468,273	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
1. Street Lights	\$ 85,000	\$ 86,000
2. Fire Hydrants	276,378	345,475
3. Insurances	55,000	65,000
4. Ambulance	40,893	38,180
5. Traffic Light Maintenance	<u>11,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL	\$468,273	\$539,655

The Street Light budget has increased slightly based on anticipated expenses. The cost of Fire Hydrants has increased as a result of a 25% rate increase instituted by the Water Company in order to pay debt service on its new reservoir. 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 2019. Included are employee cash handling bonds, blanket property and automobile coverages, public officials' liability, and unemployment insurance. The Ambulance subsidy is established by contractual agreement with NorthStar Ambulance. The Traffic Light Maintenance budget is based on 2018 actual expenditures and 2019 projected costs.

TENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **PARKS AND RECREATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER DEPARTMENTS** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$296,240	\$313,627
Selectmen Recommended	296,240	313,627
Budget Committee Recommended	296,240	313,627
Town Meeting Approved	296,240	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested	Recommended
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2019</u>
Parks and Recreation	\$175,560	\$182,846	\$182,846
Community Center	<u>120,680</u>	<u>130,781</u>	<u>130,781</u>
TOTAL	\$296,240	\$313,627	\$313,627

The Parks and Recreation Budget includes operating expenses for all recreational activities, including personnel costs for part-time seasonal positions, program directors and coaches. The Community Center budget includes personnel costs for one full-time Assistant Director and one part-time custodian.

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 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,305,672	\$1,375,157
Selectmen Recommended	1,305,672	1,375,157
Budget Committee Recommended	1,305,672	1,375,157
Town Meeting Approved	1,305,672	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Public Works Department budget covers the operational expenses required to maintain the Town's 120 miles of roads. This budget covers the personnel costs for ten full-time employees.

TWELFTH - To see if the Town will vote to acquire at no cost a certain lot or parcel of land located on the westerly side of Front Street, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at or near the northeast corner of the building located at 247 Front Street at a point six feet from the westerly sideline of Front Street, thence northerly in a line running parallel with the westerly sideline of Front Street to the southerly line of land conveyed to Farmington Farmer's Union by deed from Maine Central Railroad Company dated January 14, 1992 recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 1259 Page 53, thence along said line easterly a distance of 6 feet more or less to the westerly sideline of Front Street, thence southerly along the westerly sideline of Front Street to a point 6 feet from and at right angle to the point of beginning, thence 6 feet westerly to the point of beginning. Courses and distances were provided by Dirigo Engineering in January of 2019.

The above described premises is a portion of land conveyed to Front Street Investments by deed from Hannaford Plumbing and Heating dated December 30, 1997 recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 1725 Page 302.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The purpose of the acquisition is to allow for the construction of a sidewalk at grade and the designation of parallel parking in front of and just north of the building at 247 Front Street in order to improve pedestrian and vehicular traffic safety along that portion of Front Street.

THIRTEENTH - Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to negotiate with the Franklin County Commissioners regarding the terms of a parking lot lease on Anson Street, and further authorize the Selectmen to enter into a lease agreement with Franklin County for said parking lot on terms and conditions that the Selectmen determine to be in the best interests of the Town.

NOTE: A copy of the proposed Lease Agreement is available in advance at the Municipal Building and will be available during the Town Meeting.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Town wishes to lease the Anson Street parking lot from the County and allow overnight and long-term parking in said lot. This will, in turn, enable the Town to prohibit overnight and long-term parking in the Church Street parking lot at the corner of Church and Cony Streets in order to facilitate day use of that lot by shoppers and employees of downtown businesses. The proposed lease requires the Town to plow and remove snow and perform minor maintenance functions at the Anson Street lot.

FOURTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **RECYCLING DEPARTMENT** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$96,549	\$100,656
Selectmen Recommended	96,549	100,656
Budget Committee Recommended	96,549	100,656
Town Meeting Approved	96,549	

STATEMENT OF FACT: This budget covers all operating expenses for the transfer station, including personnel costs for two part-time employees. This budget is offset by approximately \$33,557 of revenue that accrues to the General Fund.

FIFTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **CEMETERIES** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$92,992	\$91,982
Selectmen Recommended	92,992	91,982
Budget Committee Recommended	92,992	91,982
Town Meeting Approved	92,992	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The 2019 request represents the amount needed to maintain the Fairview and Riverside Cemeteries in the current year. The amount requested is offset by cemetery fees estimated at \$12,000 and trust fund earnings estimated at \$15,000.

SIXTEENTH - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate State of Maine Local Road Assistance Program (LORAP) funds in the amount of \$158,780 for the year 2019, and to authorize the expenditure of said funds for road improvements.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$158,780	\$158,780
Selectmen Recommended	158,780	158,780
Budget Committee Recommended	158,780	158,780
Town Meeting Approved	158,780	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The figure shown in this Article is the amount the Town is projected to receive from the Maine Department of Transportation for 2019 funding. This allocation is used for capital improvements to Town roads.

SEVENTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR ROADS** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$270,736	\$270,000
Selectmen Recommended	270,736	270,000
Budget Committee Recommended	270,736	270,000
Town Meeting Approved	270,736	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The request represents the amount that is needed, over and above the \$158,780 appropriation in the preceding Article, to fully fund the first year of a five-year Capital Improvement Program for road rehabilitation. Planned for 2019 is the completion of a two-year improvement project on Front Street. Also included are paving projects on Ski Slope Road, Webster Road, Prescott Street, and roads in the Voter Hill Estates subdivision. Additional projects will be included for 2020 and beyond, subject to annual funding approval.

EIGHTEENTH - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **DEBT SERVICE** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$102,830	\$99,755
Selectmen Recommended	102,830	99,755
Budget Committee Recommended	102,830	99,755
Town Meeting Approved	102,830	

STATEMENT OF FACT:	Appropriated	Requested	Recommended
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2019</u>
Municipal Garage Debt	\$55,730	\$54,805	\$54,805
Police Building Debt	47,100	44,950	44,950
TOTAL	\$102,830	\$99,755	\$99,755

The amount indicated in this Article represents the debt service (principal and interest) for bonds for the municipal garage and the new police station renovations. The garage debt will be retired in 2022 and the police building debt in 2026.

NINETEENTH - 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 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$10,000	\$30,000
Selectmen Recommended	10,000	30,000
Budget Committee Recommended	10,000	30,000
Town Meeting Approved	10,000	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The various administrative accounts contain funding to cover routine legal costs related to tax liens, personnel issues, contracts, general liability, zoning, etc. Those amounts are not adequate to cover ongoing litigation and unforeseen legal expenses. The Legal Reserve Account provides for such expenditures. The account was depleted as of December 31, 2018. Therefore, the amount shown is requested in order to replenish the account and achieve a target balance of \$30,000 for legal expenses this year.

TWENTIETH - 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 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,500	\$1,500
Selectmen Recommended	1,500	1,500
Budget Committee Recommended	1,500	1,500
Town Meeting Approved	1,500	

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 \$14,349.58.

TWENTY-FIRST - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **FARMINGTON LIBRARY** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$199,409	\$201,704
Selectmen Recommended	199,409	201,704
Budget Committee Recommended	199,409	201,704
Town Meeting Approved	199,409	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The amount requested represents approximately 75% of the Library's total projected budget for 2019 and is a 1.2% increase over the 2018 Town appropriation.

TWENTY-SECOND - To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **GAY CEMETERY** for the year 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$1,000	\$1,000
Selectmen Recommended	1,000	1,000
Budget Committee Recommended	1,000	1,000
Town Meeting Approved	1,000	

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

TWENTY-THIRD - 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 2019.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$15,520	\$16,296
Selectmen Recommended	15,520	16,296
Budget Committee Recommended	15,520	16,296
Town Meeting Approved	15,520	

STATEMENT OF FACT: The State of Maine mandates that all municipalities designate a shelter that will accept stray animals. Farmington contracts with the Franklin County Animal Shelter for this service. The shelter currently assesses all participating communities at \$2.00 per capita. The assessment will increase to \$2.20 per capita on July 1, 2019.

TWENTY-FOURTH - 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-FIFTH - Shall the Town vote to adopt the following Resolution.

Statement from the voters of Farmington on March 25, 2019

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

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners have vowed to cut all funding to social services agencies and economic development programs over the next three years, and

Whereas Franklin County Commissioners have cut \$143,000 from the budget request of \$209,000 in 2017, \$31,000 from the budget request of \$94,200 in 2018 and totally defunded 6 nonprofits, and

Whereas the Franklin County Commissioners plan to defund the remaining 4 nonprofits in the future, 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-SIXTH - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,998 for 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 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 2018. 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 support to 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 this funding

be distributed proportional 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>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Amount Requested	\$18,000	\$17,998
Selectmen Recommended	-	17,998
Budget Committee Recommended	-	17,998
Town Meeting Approved	18,000	

TWENTY-SEVENTH – Shall the Board of Selectmen be directed to issue a statement to the Maine Public Utilities Commission on behalf of the citizens of Farmington that takes one of the following actions regarding Central Maine Power Company's New England Clean Energy Connect Project:

1. Affirms the Board's letter of July 25, 2017, which expressed support for the Project, thereby confirming the Town's ongoing support for the Project.
2. Rescinds the Board's letter of July 25, 2017, and confirm that the Town wishes to remain neutral and therefore takes no position on the Project.
3. Rescinds the Board's letter of July 25, 2017, and confirms the Town's new position formally opposing the Project.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) project is a proposed 145-mile 1,200-megawatt direct current (DC) transmission line extending from the Quebec border at Beattie Township to a converter station in Lewiston to deliver energy to the New England power grid. Approximately 73% of the transmission line is planned

to be built within CMP's existing transmission corridor, including through Farmington. The remainder of the line is proposed to be built in an undeveloped corridor owned by CMP through forest land in western Somerset and Franklin Counties.

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

TWENTY-NINTH - 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 2019 budget in an effort to stabilize the tax rate in a manner consistent with prudent fiscal management.

STATEMENT OF FACT: The Unassigned Fund Balance (UFB) as reported by the auditors as of the end of the 2018 budget year is approximately \$2,135,062. The auditors recommend carrying a minimum UFB level that is adequate to cover two months' expenditures, which is approximately \$1,907,833. Approval of this Article would allow the Selectmen to utilize whatever amount of UFB, if any, that they deem to be advisable in order to reduce the property tax commitment while maintaining adequate reserves.

THIRTIETH - To see what amount, if any, of the Year 2019 Bee Line Cable Contract Franchise Fee and equipment and facilities fund the Town will vote to appropriate for the **CABLE FRANCHISE FEE RESERVE FUND** for the benefit of Bee Line Cable subscribers, to be expended or allocated at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</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 2018, that amount was \$44,491.33. 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 2019 is expected to be an amount similar to or slightly less than that received in 2018.

THIRTY-FIRST - To see if the Town will vote to make property taxes due and payable on Friday, November 1, 2019 and, in accordance with 36 M.R.S. Section 505(4), charge interest on overdue taxes at the rate of 9.00% per annum after November 1, 2019.

THIRTY-SECOND - 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 5.00% per annum after Friday, November 1, 2019.

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

State funds include the following categories: Maine Emergency Management Agency funds, General Assistance Reimbursements, Municipal Revenue Sharing, Urban/Rural

Initiative Program funds for road improvements, State Aid to Education, Snowmobile Registration Reimbursements, Tree Growth Program Reimbursements, Education Tax Relief Block Grant, Veterans' Exemption Reimbursement, Maine State Housing Authority, Public Library State Aid per Capita and Library Stipend, Property Tax Relief Funds, Homestead Act Funds, State grants and other State funds.

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

THIRTY-EIGHTH - 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 2019 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2020 until the Town Meeting in March, 2020.

THIRTY-NINTH - 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.

FORTIETH - 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.

FORTY-FIRST - 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.

FORTY-SECOND - Shall Section 4.12 of the Town of Farmington Sewer Use Ordinance (Chapter 9 of the Town of Farmington Code of Ordinances) be amended by adding the following language: "In accordance with section 710.1 of the Maine State Plumbing Code: Backflow Protection. 'Fixtures installed on a floor level that is lower than the next upstream manhole cover of the public or private sewer shall be protected from backflow of sewage by installing an approved type of backflow valve. Fixtures on floor levels above such elevation shall not discharge through the back-water valve. Cleanouts for drains that pass through a back-water valve shall be clearly identified with a permanent label stating "back-

water valve downstream.”

STATEMENT OF FACT: A backflow preventer is a one-way valve installed in a building sewer subject to potential backflow that will prevent the drainage of waste from backing into a building or into a fixture and causing an unsanitary flooding condition. This type of check valve shall be installed in all buildings connected to the Town sewerage system. Damages arising from the failure to install such valves are the liability of the owner. Valves shall be installed so that their working parts are readily accessible for service and repair. The use of backflow preventers is required by this Ordinance and is encouraged. The Town will not be responsible at any time for the backup of wastewater into homes or businesses without backflow preventers (or homes or businesses with faulty backflow preventers), or for any damages that may be caused as a result.

FORTY-THIRD - Shall the Ordinance entitled Adult Use and Medical Marijuana Stores, Cultivation Facilities, Manufacturing Facilities, and Testing Facilities be adopted.

(NOTE: Copies of the Ordinance are available in advance at the Municipal Building and will be available at the Community Center during the Town Meeting.)

STATEMENT OF FACT:

In 1976 Maine decriminalized small amounts of Marijuana for personal use. In 1999, Maine legalized medical marijuana. In 2009, Maine decriminalized amounts of Marijuana up to 2.5 oz. for personal use. In 2009, Maine passed the new Medical Marijuana Act, and amended same in 2011. A State-wide referendum in 2016 approved Adult Use Marijuana by a majority, and a majority of Farmington’s voters was also in favor of this referendum on Adult Use legalization.

On 3-26-18, the Town enacted a 180-day Moratorium in order to draft a new ordinance and existing ordinance modifications for both Adult Use and Medical Marijuana, and this was extended on 9-25-18 for another 180 days to complete this work for a 3-25-19 Town Meeting vote. In 2018, the State enacted new laws for both Adult Use and Medical Marijuana and these are currently in the process of implementation.

EXCERPTED FROM THE ORDINANCE:

11 - 14.7 Definitions:

For the purpose of this Ordinance, Adult Use Marijuana businesses, including Adult Use Marijuana Stores, Adult Use Marijuana Cultivation Facilities (including Adult Use Marijuana Nursery Cultivation Facilities), Adult Use Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities, and Adult Use Marijuana Testing Facilities, are defined as set forth in 28-B M.R.S. §102.

For the purpose of this Ordinance, Medical Marijuana businesses, including Medical Marijuana Stores, Medical Marijuana Cultivation Facilities, Medical Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities, and Medical Marijuana Testing Facilities are either defined in

Maine’s Medical Marijuana Law or are the medical equivalent of those Adult Use Marijuana businesses listed in the previous paragraph.

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the term, “Marijuana Business” means any Adult Use or Medical Marijuana business listed in the two preceding paragraphs.

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the term “Medical Marijuana Stores” includes storefronts operated by caregivers.

FORTY-FOURTH - Shall “Marijuana Stores, Marijuana Cultivation Facilities, Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities, and Marijuana Testing Facilities” be added to the Table of Uses and Definitions in the Zoning Ordinance (§§11-8.9.D.3 & 11-8-8), and shall “Medical Marijuana Clinics and Dispensaries” be deleted from the Table of Uses and Definitions in the Zoning Ordinance (§§11-8.9.D.3 & 11-8-8).

Table of Uses (additions in italics - deletions in strikeout)

Key: Y * = Permitted subject to land use standards and Planning Board approval.
N = Not permitted.

NOTE: Village Business Historic District (VBH) is a sub-district within the Village Business District (VB).

	General	Residential	Village	Village	Village	Residential	Farm &
	Purpose	Light	Comm.	Business	Residential	District	Forest
	District	Comm.		District	District		District
				including			
				Village			
				Business			
				Hist. Dist.			
Use/Structure							
COMMERCIAL (Continued)							
<i>Marijuana Stores</i>	Y*	Y*	N	Y* (VB) N (VBH)	N	N	N
<i>Marijuana Cultivation Facilities</i>	Y*	N	N	N	N	N	Y*
<i>Marijuana Manu. Facilities</i>	Y*	Y*	N	Y* (VB) N (VBH)	N	N	Y*
<i>Marijuana Testing Facilities</i>	Y*	Y*	N	Y* (VB) N (VBH)	N	N	Y*
Medical Marijuana Dispensary	*	*	*	*	N	N	N

(A) The Village Business Historic District is a sub-classification within the Village Business District. Dimensional requirements in this category apply to properties with frontage in these areas: Main Street from Anson Street to Academy Street; Broadway from High Street to the 100-year floodplain boundary of the Sandy River; and Front Street from Park Street to Depot Street.

Definitions (additions in italics - deletions in strikeout)

Marijuana Stores, Marijuana Cultivation Facilities, Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities, and Marijuana Testing Facilities: *Adult Use and Medical Marijuana Stores, Adult Use and Medical Marijuana Cultivation Facilities, Adult Use and Medical Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities, and Adult Use and Medical Marijuana Testing Facilities as defined in Maine’s Adult Use Marijuana Law (28-B M.R.S. §102) and in Maine’s Medical Marijuana Law.*

Marijuana Business: *An Adult Use or Medical Marijuana business, whether a Store, Cultivation Facility, Manufacturing Facility, or Testing Facility.*

~~***Medical Marijuana Clinic and Dispensary:*** *A state-licensed facility for the dispensing of medically prescribed marijuana in accordance to the State of Maine Medical Marijuana Laws.*~~

Offices: Business, professional, medical, government: The place, such as a building, room or suite, in which services, clerical work, professional duties of a business, medical practice, government body or professional service are carried out, including but not limited to finance, real estate, accounting, data processing, legal, insurance, counseling, design, engineering and architecture, but expressly excluding any repair services, retail sales, or chemical dependency treatment facility. ~~or medical marijuana clinics and dispensaries.~~

FORTY-FIFTH - Shall the Town of Farmington Wireless Telecommunications Facility Siting Ordinance be modified to add specific requirements following the Application Procedure section, which states “Provide documentation of FCC approval and licensure” (§11-11.10.A.6), by adding the wording “This shall include copies of the carrier’s FCC/ULS license, copies of NEPA (National Environmental Protection Act)/NHPA (National Historic Preservation Act) compliance statements under Section 106 (16 U.S.C. 470f) of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and copies of MHPC (Maine Historic Preservation Commission) compliance review under Section 106.”

Below in bold italic is the added language as it will appear in the modification:

6. Provide documentation of FCC approval and licensure: ***This shall include copies of the carrier’s FCC/ULS license, copies of NEPA (National Environmental Protection Act)/NHPA (National Historic Preservation Act) compliance statements under Section 106 (16 U.S.C. 470f) of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and copies of MHPC (Maine Historic Preservation Commission) compliance review under Section 106.***

The Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Community Center on March 25, 2019 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-sixth day of February, A.D. 2019.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN


Joshua H. Bell, Chairman

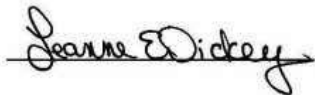

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Stephan M. Bunker


Matthew W. Smith


H. Scott Landry

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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 ____, 2019, which is a least 7 days prior to the day of said meeting.

Dated at Farmington, Maine this ____ day of March 2019.

S. Clyde Ross
Resident of Farmington
True copy:

Leanne E. Dickey
Town Clerk

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Dear Farmington Residents:

It is an honor to serve as your State Representative. Over the next two years, I will be working hard on your behalf to provide responsive constituent services, be your advocate in the State House and advance legislation that improves life in our district and in our state.

Over the coming months, we expect to take up over 2,000 separate pieces of legislation covering a wide variety of topics. Top priorities include expanding health care coverage, bringing relief from the opioid crisis, combating the challenge of climate change, expanding access to renewable energy, reducing student debt, repairing our roads and bridges, increasing protections for workers and consumers, reigning in prescription drug costs, protecting the independence of seniors and making sure we are caring for our neighbors with disabilities.

We will also be balancing the state budget for the next two years and will work to do so in a way that restores revenue sharing funds for all Maine towns and respects the mandate of the voters to properly fund public education.

This year I am serving on the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, where we will tackle policy relating to hunting, fishing, trapping, fisheries and wildlife research, the Maine Warden Service, ATV, snowmobiles, boat registration and whitewater rafting. The committee also oversees the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

As a lifetime member of the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, I will work to ensure the rights of sportsmen and landowners. Here in Maine, we have a unique tradition of allowing sportsmen and hunters access to unposted property and I believe we must ensure that tradition is maintained.

Whether we are dealing with the above issues or any other topic, I will continue to work with all of my colleagues, regardless of party affiliation, to make sure we're doing the best work we can for the people of our district and all the people of Maine.

Please contact me if I can be of any help or if you want to discuss or testify on any legislation. My email is scott.landry@legislature.maine.gov. My phone number is 207-491-9041. I also send out e-newsletters from time to time. Let me know if you would like to receive them.

Respectfully,

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

Scott Landry
State Representative

District 113 Farmington and New Sharon

Printed on recycled paper



Senator Russell Black
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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

First, let me thank you for electing me to represent you in Augusta. I am honored to get to serve you in the Maine Senate. It has been a privilege serving as a State Representative over the last eight years. I will continue to work tirelessly on your behalf, making sure your interests are heard and well represented in the Maine Legislature.

This past legislative session proved to be the longest in recent memory. After dealing with a number of major policy matters, we finally adjourned September 13.

Perhaps the most significant action the Legislature took last year was the passage of tax conformity. Failing to conform would have been a nightmare for small businesses as well as for low-income and elderly Mainers. Maine would have also lost \$37 million in one-time repatriated revenue. Due to the Legislature's actions and willingness to work together on the passage of tax conformity, Maine tax filers were unharmed by this policy change.

The 129th Legislature has many challenges of its own. The top priorities this session include finding a way to provide affordable and accessible healthcare to all Mainers, tackling the opioid crisis, education reform and funding, and lowering property taxes.

Thank you again for trusting me to represent you in Augusta. I hope the Legislature can come together to tackle the hard issues facing our state, and I am ready to help. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Russell Black".

Russell Black
State Senator

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1902

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well. As I am settling into my new role as your representative, I wanted to give you an update on what we are doing in D.C. and in Maine this year.

My first priority is to be accessible to you and to our communities, which is why I have opened offices throughout the Second District at the following locations:

- **Caribou Office:** 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009
- **Lewiston Office:** 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767
- **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Bangor ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

My team and I are here to serve you, so please come meet my staff, voice an opinion, inform us of local events, or seek assistance with federal benefits. I come home to Maine every weekend to hear from you and see what's happening in our communities. I appreciate you keeping us informed.

This year, I was proud to be appointed to the House Armed Services and Small Business Committees. On Armed Services, I'm using my experience serving in Iraq and Afghanistan to make sure our servicemembers have the resources and training they need to succeed and keep us safe. Within Armed Services, I was assigned to the Seapower Subcommittee, where I am fighting for our shipyard jobs and making sure our military can count on Bath-built ships for generations to come. Beyond Bath, I will advocate for the entire network of good Maine jobs that support our troops, equipping them to carry out their duties reliably and safely.

Maine would just not be the same without our small, family-owned businesses. On the Small Business Committee, I am working to ensure our small businesses have the tools to grow, look out for their workers, and provide more good jobs to people all over Maine. Within the Small Business Committee, I was honored to be appointed Chairman of the Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure. With this position, I am highlighting the need for infrastructure investment and fighting to level the playing field when small businesses compete for federal contracts.

One thing I love about Maine is that we help each other out. Whether it's ensuring a job well done or lending a hand to a neighbor, I know you are strengthening our communities every day. I am proud to serve alongside you and look forward to all that we will accomplish together.

My wife Isobel and I wish you and your family happiness, health, and success in the year to come.

Sincerely,



Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress

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Dear Friends,

As I travel Maine, I hear from people who live in every corner of our state. I hear about their achievements, their successes, their work to improve their communities – I hear about the hope they have for our state. I also hear about our challenges, and all the work we have left to do. As I see it, that's my job: to listen to you, act where I can to build on what's good, and work on the tough parts. As 2018 comes to a close, I wanted to take a moment to share an update on some of the work we're doing in Washington to lift up the accomplishments of Maine people and make progress on the challenges they face.

From Portland to Presque Isle, from Milo to Camden, I hear about the pain that the opioid epidemic is inflicting on Maine communities. I've met with Maine people in recovery, family members of those struggling with substance use disorders, treatment providers, and law enforcement officials to learn about their experiences with this terrible disease, and everyone agrees that in order to fully respond to these problems, we need a stronger federal effort to end the opioid epidemic. Fortunately, some help is on the way – in October, we overwhelmingly passed a sweeping, bipartisan opioids bill. I've pushed hard for this type of legislation and was proud to have provisions I've advocated for included in the bill. These priorities have been guided by the voices of Maine people, and we'll keep working to confront this tragic problem.

I've also worked to strengthen the future of our forest economy. Maine's forests have powered our state's economy for generations, especially in our rural communities. So, when rapid shifts in the market led to the closure of many pulp and paper mills and biomass power plants, it required a collaborative approach to support future growth in this important industry. That's why, together with the other members of the state's Congressional delegation, I pushed to establish the Economic Development Assessment Team (EDAT). This integrated, multiagency effort aims to foster innovation and commercialization in Maine's forest economy, and we're already seeing the benefits: in recent months, several forest industry businesses have announced significant investments into Maine operations, and in September 2018, the Forest Opportunity Roadmap (FOR)/Maine released an action plan to make sure this industry, and the rural communities it supports, can continue to thrive for generations to come.

As I close this letter, please allow me to express my gratitude to each of you – for your dedication to our state, and to one another. It's often said that Maine is like a big small town (with very long streets)— that's because at our heart, we're one big community. It's not only a pleasure to serve you— it's a pleasure to know you. Thank you for being the reason Maine is so special. Mary and I hope that 2019 will be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our great State.

Best,



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