

Annual Report Town of Bowdoinham Audited Year Ending June 2017



THE STAR GAZER
IN HONOR OF
MATTHEW TOWNSEND
PARKER
JULY 13, 1988 - FEBRUARY 23, 2004
SCULPTOR & ARTIST: SHARLEY L. PARKER

**Budget and Warrant Articles For
Fiscal Year 2018-2019**

**Please Bring This Report to Town
Meeting**

June 13, 2018 at 7:00pm



MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIRECTORY

Police, Fire, Ambulance (Emergency Only)	911
County Sheriff's Dept. (Non Emergency)	443-8201
State Police	1-800-452-4664
Bowdoinham Town Office	666-5531
Bowdoinham Recycling Barn	666-3228
Bowdoinham Fire Station	666-3505
Bowdoinham Community School	666-5546
Mount Ararat High School	729-2950
Mount Ararat Middle School	729-2951
MSAD/RSU 75	729-9961
Bowdoinham Post Office	666-3465
Bowdoinham Public Library	666-8405
Cliff Daigle, Animal Control	522-8816

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Thursday	8:30am - 4:00pm
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Tuesdays	10am - 2pm
Wednesdays	2pm - 6pm
Thursdays	10am - 2pm
Fridays	2pm - 6pm
Saturdays	10am - 2pm

MUNICIPAL HOLIDAYS 2017-2018

Independence Day	Wednesday	07/04/2018	Christmas	Tuesday	12/25/2018
Labor Day	Monday	09/03/2018	New Year's Day	Tuesday	01/01/2019
Columbus Day	Monday	10/08/2018	MLK, Jr. Day	Monday	01/21/2019
Veterans Day	Monday	11/12/2018	Presidents' Day	Monday	02/18/2019
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	11/22/2018	Patriots Day	Monday	04/15/2019
Thanksgiving	Friday	11/23/2018	Memorial Day	Monday	05/27/2019
Christmas Eve	Monday	12/24/2018	Independence Day	Thursday	07/04/2019

- Incorporated September 18, 1762
- 17th Town in the State of Maine
- Settled In 1725
- Total Area of 22,176 Acres
- Estimated Population– 2,889
(Maine Municipal Association)
- Town Meeting - Select Board - Town Manager -
Form of Government

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The 2017-2018 Annual Report

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Dedication

Despite the near-loss of his right hand at age 15 in a duck hunting accident, David Berry is one of Bowdoinham's most hands-on contributors. As town historian Betsy Steen writes, he is "an old-time innovator whose new ideas have made Bowdoinham a better place."

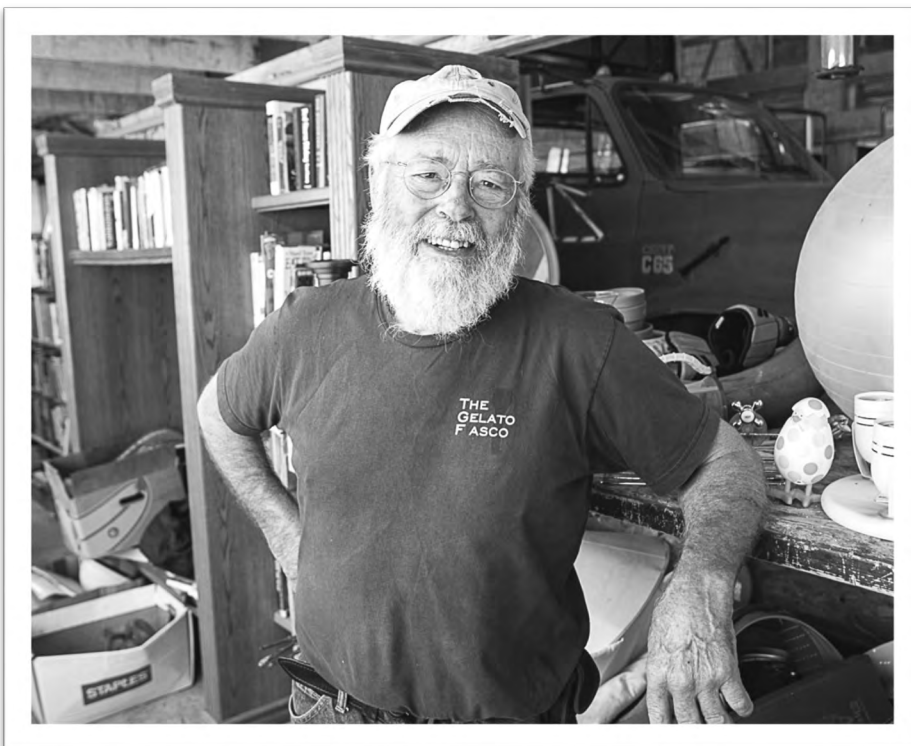
Dozens of young people from town, across at least two generations, have learned to build, to farm and to hold a job from David. They have helped with his maple syrup operation, worked on his crew to build energy-efficient homes, or helped him raise pigs, chickens, oysters, carrots, tomatoes, or sell these from his floating farmer's market, the Beth Alison. If you didn't once work for and learn from David Berry yourself, you know someone who did.

David was a key engine of the Bowdoinham Barbeque's renewal in the 1970s. Together, the efforts of townspeople at that time not only created "wholesome smalltown fun" and a generation of fond memories, but also raised enough money to purchase the recreation fields we all now enjoy behind the school. The fresh momentum continued through the '90s and money was also raised for the Coombs School, the Fire Department, and the Town Hall.

During those decades David also led several annual Bowdoinham Fiddle Contests in the natural amphitheatre behind the rec fields, attracting talent from around the northeast; convened the monthly contra dances,

where the Town Hall was always full and the dancing energetic; and hosted the local yurt community, where Bonnie Raitt once played for free and where the painter Carlo Pittore ran his famous academy. In these and other ways David has helped to build our town's reputation as a magnet for the arts.

Elected to the town selectboard in the 1980s, Berry helped solve a big problem: the dump on Carding Machine Rd was full, and disposal elsewhere would not be cheap. With help from local students, he polled the community, led a pilot curbside pickup program, and started the town's recycling program in 1987. Adding an elevator, sorting line, hopper, baling machine, and compost turner, he adapted his old chicken barn to receive, bale and stockpile material. By selling in bulk, our town receives a better price.



David in the gift shop.

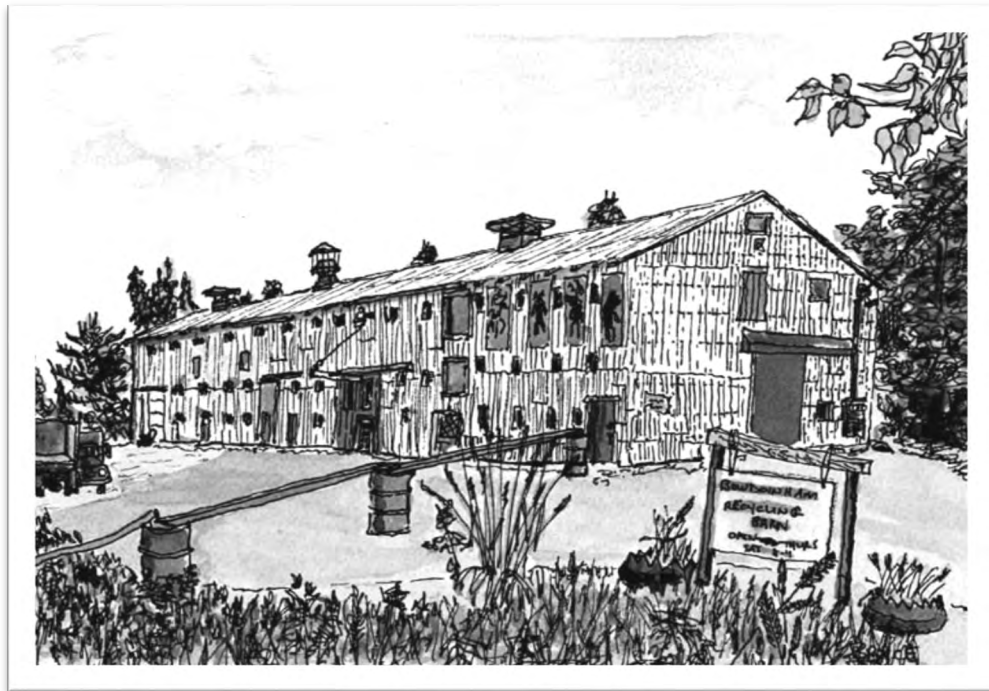
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Bowdoinham had Maine's first pay-as-you-throw program, and from the start it accepted more types of waste than any other program in Maine. Of thirty "model" programs studied in a 1994 report by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Bowdoinham had the highest recycling rate. According to the state DEP, the town has also been a leader in the recovery of household hazardous waste, such as used paints and other toxic materials, compost, and electronic waste.

Our Recycling Barn also became a community hub. Residents especially enjoy the "gift shop," where items are exchanged. As our town's solid waste manager, David has hosted many tours of the Barn, from U.S. Congresswomen to local schoolchildren. He has also accepted Manager of the Year and Program of the Year awards from the Maine Resource Recovery Association, on behalf of town residents.

Our town librarian, Kate Cutko, puts it this way: "The Recycling Barn tops so many people's lists of 'what's great about Bowdoinham.' Like layers of compost, David's many projects have enriched the soil of our community."

David retired in late 2017 from three decades of service as our Solid Waste Manager. At 78, David still farms carrots and tomatoes, plays his mandolin, and makes us smile. In recognition of his tremendous service and leadership, we dedicate this year's annual report to David Berry.



"Recyclorama," by Bryce Muir

Bowdoinham Select Board**Peter Lewis, Chair**

Bowdoinham remains, in our community's hearts and minds, one of the truly great places to live in Maine. With our small-town atmosphere, unique costal geography and rich historical background, Bowdoinham is a place I am proud to call home.

In 2017 we saw the completion of the new Skateboard Park, a long-awaited project that was completed due to the dedication and persistence of our community. 2017 also brought historic changes with the creation of Village District 1 and Village District 2, the first zoning ordinances in our Town. In addition, by the time this Annual Report will be printed work will have started on the Town's new Public Works facility.

The Public Works building is a much-needed facility in our town. The completion of this project will free up the current location of the Public Works building and enable the Town to move forward with the greatly anticipated Waterfront Redevelopment Plan. I am honored to serve the town in my capacity on the Select Board and help to move these projects forward, improving our Town's recreational opportunities and infrastructure capabilities.

I look forward to seeing these projects completed and continue to be proud to call Bowdoinham home.

Respectfully,

Peter (Tony) Lewis

Bowdoinham Select Board, Chair



Bowdoinham Select Board (L to R)

Judy Gray, Jeremy Cluchey, Peter (Tony) Lewis, Thomas Walling, David Engler

In Memory of
Ann Tourtelotte Davis

The 2014 Annual Report was dedicated to Ann Davis after she served the residents of all ages in Bowdoinham for many years. This year, we are remembering her as she passed away on July 1, 2017.

Ann worked several years at the Country Store and then operated a daycare in her home since she loved children. Ann joined the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Fire Department and spent many years as an active member. She helped start the famous pie sale that is still going strong each year. At one point, Annie decided she wanted to get a First Responder's program started in town to help people with medical emergencies. As we all know and appreciate, Annie was successful at starting this wonderful community program. The creation and development of the First Responder's program, and later, "Bowdoinham EMS" was her passion. With her blessing, Bowdoinham EMS merged with the Fire Department and has become a vital part to the Fire and Rescue Department. She dedicated countless hours as the EMS Director, and then Deputy Chief in charge of EMS. Ann continued leading the program and answering calls even with her own health issues making it more and more difficult.



Ann & Seth

Polar Bear Dip 2014

After she moved to Bowdoinham Estates, she enjoyed putting on dinners for the residents and created a community within a community. Another of her ideas that became a reality due to her hard work and dedication is the Thanksgiving dinners held each year at the Fire Station. These dinners provide a place for members of the community who need a place to go on Thanksgiving to enjoy the company of other residents of Bowdoinham.

We thank you for your service Ann; you are fondly remembered for the work and dedication to the Town of Bowdoinham, its residents and visitors.

Town Manager**William Post, Town Manager**

To the Select Board and Citizens of Bowdoinham:

Introduction

It has been another busy year for your town employees and officials and I am proud to say that we continue moving forward with projects that will make Bowdoinham a better place to live, work and play. This past year the Public Works Department continued with the road improvement plan and rebuilt the Wildes Road. The Town purchased a 2018 Quick-attack Fire truck to replace two vehicles including a 1987 Ford F350 (Service 1) and 1995 Freightliner (Rescue 4). This summer, if approved at the Town Meeting in June, the Public Works Department will continue the Town's road reconstruction program and work to prepare Section 3 of the Carding Machine Road for paving. Section 3 starts at the Richmond town line and extends 1 mile towards Route 24. This work includes tree removal and trimming, drainage improvements, removing ledge, creating a uniform road width and shoulder work.

After several years of planning and fundraising, construction of the Matthew Townsend Parker Memorial Skate Park was completed in 2017. The official opening of the Park was held on September 8, 2017 with over 100 residents and visitors in attendance.

The Town's staff, Select Board and its volunteers on the Planning Board have been grappling with the issue of recreational retail marijuana and what that the town's residents would like to see for regulations, if any. At the town meeting on June 13th, land use ordinance amendments will be discussed and voted on that regulate retail marijuana establishments.

The Town finished the design of a new Public Works Facility to include a garage and a sand/salt storage building in January 2018, received bids and awarded a contract for construction to Lupo Construction of Etna, Maine. Funding for the \$2.6 million project was approved at a special town meeting held on March 28, 2018. It is expected that the sand/salt storage building will be substantially complete by November 1st and the garage will be substantially complete by December 1st. I appreciate the community's support for this project over the past several years.

There have been several changes to the Town's staff since last year. Solid Waste and Recycling Director David Berry retired at the end of 2017 after approximately 30 years. Bryan Benson was promoted to take over from David. Recreation Director Lisa West resigned after serving the community for over three years and was replaced by Allen Acker. Chadd Mayo resigned as Public Works Foreman recently after working for the Town for 15 years. Public Works employee George Halsey has been named interim Foreman. Patricia Frederick joined the Town staff as administrative assistant. Assessors' Agent Ron Beal retired from Bowdoinham at the end of 2017 and his duties were assumed by Deputy Code Officer, Darren Carey. I thank all of the former employees for their dedication and work and appreciate those that have stepped into new roles for us.

Town Meetings & Election

The Town Meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at the Bowdoinham Community School at 7:00 p.m.

Town Manager**William Post, Town Manager****Municipal Budget Highlights**

The FY19 municipal budget as proposed includes some changes from the previous year. In Debt Service, there are two new payments on loans approved at last year's town meeting for the reconstruction of Wildes Road and the new Quick Attack Fire Truck. The proposed expenditures for the municipal budget are 5.89% more than FY18, or \$98,320. Non-property tax revenues are expected to increase by \$59,378, or 7.61% due mostly to continued strong vehicle excise tax collections. This results in a net increase of \$38,942 resulting in no impact on the tax rate from the municipal budget.

Wages & Benefits

This budget provides a cost of living adjustment (COLA) of 1.5% for employees, based on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) in the Northeast Region which shows a 1.7% inflationary index for 2017. Last year there was no COLA for employees for the second year in a row. The budget also includes a 2.0% allowance for wage increases based on performance evaluations for all employees. This is the third consecutive year that the Town has included funds for "merit" wage increases. Also included is funding for increases in wages for employees that are on the low end of the wage scale. This will allow the wages to stay ahead of minimum wage and for the Town to be more competitive in a tight labor market. Health insurance costs have increased significantly at 22% more than FY18.

Undesignated Fund Balance

The Undesignated Fund Balance as of June 30, 2017 is \$1,052,815. The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend \$40,000 be used to reduce the amount needed from taxes, the same as the current year.

Administration

The Administration budget shows a small increase of \$16,190, or 3.93%, and includes additional funding for elections, with the assumption that the ranked-choice voting will be approved (again) and lead to increased costs. There are also increases in wages and benefit, legal fees and software licenses.

General Services

The general Services Budget shows an increase of \$22,000, or 74.58%, due to a major increase in the ambulance contract from \$2,500 to \$25,000. The state of ambulance service contracts has changed significantly over the past few years.

Fire & Rescue Departments

The Fire and Rescue Department budget shows an overall increase of \$932, or 0.96%. This is due to the consolidation of the Fire and EMS Department budgets and a realization in cost savings from combining the two departments. This year, the Fire Chief has combined some of the previous EMS and Fire individual expense categories. A stipend for the Emergency Management Director has been added.

Town Manager**William Post, Town Manager**Public Works

The Public Works budget shows an overall increase of \$23,961 or 6.26%. This is caused by the need to purchase more sand and salt for next winter because of the use this winter, additional operating expenses for the new facility and wage and benefit costs.

Town Facilities Maintenance

The Town Facilities Maintenance budget shows a decrease of \$2,800 or -3.22%. This decrease is due to the reduction in the Town Hall and Town Office Capital Improvement and Maintenance and Repair lines by \$5,000, which is offset somewhat increases in Waterfront Maintenance and Street and Facility Lighting due to increased electrical rates.

Planning, Community Development & Code Enforcement

The Planning, Community Development and Code Enforcement budget shows an increase of \$6,511, or 8.29%. This increase is due to the increase in wages and benefit costs.

Solid Waste & Recycling

The Solid Waste and Recycling budget shows a proposed decrease of \$6,629, or -3.45% due to changes in personnel.

Capital Reserves

After Town Meeting approved creating two new Capital Reserve accounts for Cemetery Maintenance and Town Hall & Town Office Improvements last year, funding for these two is included in the budget at the same level as the current year.

If you have any questions, or ideas that you would like to discuss, please feel free to contact me at the Town Office or by email at wpost@bowdoinham.com. In closing, I would like to thank the municipal employees who work very hard to satisfy your need for municipal services. I would also like to thank the Select Board and the various other volunteer boards and committees for your unselfish dedication to make your community a better place to live, work and play.

Respectfully submitted,



William S. Post

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Recycling Barn

Treasurer, Tax Collector,

Solid Waste Manager

Public Information Officer,

Bryan Benson

Road Commissioner,

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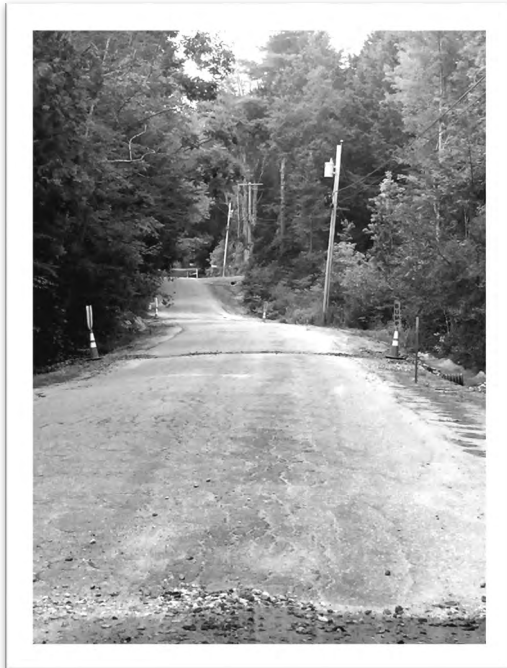
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Douglas Tourtelotte - Citizen of the Year

Public Works Department

Chadd Mayo, Foreman



Last summer the Public Works Department rebuilt the entire length of Wildes Road, about nine tenths (0.90) of a mile. We hauled off about 600 yards of ditching fill. Replaced about 1,000 feet of culverts. Removed 10 large trees that were too close to the road. We removed 50 yards of ledge that we hammered out with a large excavator.

When all that was done Crooker Construction came in and ground the existing payment. We then added gravel to the road base to reshape and widen the road. Then crooker came back in and did the final grade and paved the road. Before the road was anywhere from 17 feet wide to 14 feet in places. We made it wider and all the same width at 18 feet.

We also rebuilt Carlson Cross Road. We ditched the entire length of the road. Replaced a few culverts and added gravel. We also added gravel to Centers Point Road and Blanchard Road.

Wildes Road Reconstruction

For the winter of 2017-2018 we lost track of the amount of snow that we received but I can tell you it was a lot. We added a 9 foot Boss plow and a 2 yard sander to the 2000 one ton Dodge Ram the town bought from MSAD 75 a few years ago to act as a backup truck to the Towns 2008 GMC 5500. As always I would like to say

thank you the crew at the Public Works and the subcontractor that plows for the Town. This was a long hard winter and they did an outstanding job.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chadd Mayo
Public Works Foreman



Shoulder Work on Wildes Road



Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue

57 Post Road Bowdoinham, Maine

Telephone (207) 666-3505 / Fax (207) 666-5961

First, as is customary, a big thank you to the dedicated men and women of Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue and thank you to the citizens of Bowdoinham for your continued support.

Ann Davis, in addition to being a cornerstone of the Bowdoinham community was also a dedicated public servant. She was a past president of the fire department ladies auxiliary where she had been a member since the early 1980's and until her passing she was the Director for Bowdoinham EMS. She helped revive the fledging organization and move it forward. Ann had a huge heart and truly cared about all those whose lives she touched. We surely do miss you Ann.



Chief Frizzle

At last year's town meeting a new squad truck was approved. This truck will replace our 1987 brush truck and our 1995 service truck. We received bids from several companies but ultimately decided on a proposal from New England Fire Equipment out of New Haven Connecticut. They partnered with Danko Emergency Equipment out of Snyder Nebraska to provide a unit that will meet our needs for many years to come at a price that was well within our budget. We are very excited for the expected delivery date in June of 2018.

Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue crews responded to 440 calls for service in 2017. (191 – EMS / 249 – fire) Our busiest stretch by far was the October windstorm. Fire & Rescue crews were out early for power lines and trees down. They continued checking the town throughout the day and regularly throughout the week to ensure roads were clear or passable where they could be and warnings were posted where appropriate. In addition, crews tried to make sure that private driveways were accessible by vehicle or safely by foot. This was not possible with all of them simply due to the magnitude of the damage but we

Structure Fire (building, chimney, fire inside etc.)	17
Vehicle Fire	12
Outside Fire (woods, grass, rubbish etc.)	10
EMS Assistance (cardiac arrest, lifting etc.)	20
Vehicle Crash	52
Fuel Leak – Carbon monoxide incident	16
Electrical Problem (wiring, lines down, arcing equipment)	14
Tree Down/Wind Storm	24
Public Service/Citizen Assist/Unfounded	62
Alarm System Activation	22

felt confident knowing that in an emergency, crews and equipment (fire/law/EMS) would be able to access most every area of town. Due to the extended power outage the fire station was opened up to the public for showers, water, warming and as a charging station if needed. This is the first time this has happened on such a large scale and I was pleased to see that our facility proved to be such a valuable resource in a time of need.

Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue

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Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue

Engine 1

The Town kicked off the “sand bucket for seniors” program in the fall of 2017. Its intent is to provide sand to help prevent falls during the winter months when snow and ice cause many injuries. Melissa at the Town office handled all of the organization, Bowdoinham Hardware provided the buckets and Bowdoinham Fire Rescue crews delivered the buckets and kept them re-filled as needed throughout the winter. At least 30 residents took part in the program making it a great success.

We have a very committed group of men and women, however we are always in need of help. If you or anybody you know is interested in working with the fire department or becoming an EMT (or both) please

stop by the station. We meet every Monday evening starting at 6:30 P.M.

A few final thoughts: Smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors save lives. Make sure you have at least one of each and make sure they work. If we can't find you, we can't help you – PLEASE make sure your house number is plainly visible so you can get the help you need. Burn permits are required for most all outside fires.

Permits can be obtained through the Maine Forestry website for a fee or for free at www.wardensreport.com.

We are also at the fire station on Saturday and Sunday between 07:30 and 08:30 to issue in person if needed.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Fire Chief Arthur Frizzle



Junior Firefighters

Austin Stark, Rachel Eramo, Carson Estela

Advisory Committee on Aging (ACOA)

Kathy Pszczolkowski, Chair

The year of 2017 proved to be a very busy one for the Advisory Committee on Aging.

In March, the committee hosted one of the three AARP state Age Friendly regional meetings. There were 40 attendees from across the state.

A Facebook page for promoting programs for all age groups was developed and instituted.

June brought the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. A community free breakfast was served to 53 participants. There were three speakers and a skit presented. The skit was video taped and is being viewed by institutions, and organizations during trainings concerning Elder Abuse.

ACOA Members, 2017:

Kathy Pszczolkowski, Chairwoman
George Oliver, Vice Chairman
Joanne Savoie, Secretary
Rachel Evans
Patty Melander
Diana Mosher
Alice Pollis
Joan Smith
Rachelle Tome

Summer brought the first Meeting By The Bay a collaborative free picnic lunch for residents of Bowdoinham and Richmond. Helping to cook and serve the lunch were the Town Managers from Richmond (Janet Smith) and Bowdoinham (Bill Post). The hopes were that this may start to bridge the two senior groups into working together. There were approximately 40 attendees.

The fourth Bowdoinham Wellness Fair was held in September with free flu shots being given, 28 providers were invited. There were 61 attendees and 51 providers and volunteers. This year AARP provided a shred truck so that residents could bring in documents to be shredded to help prevent identity theft. There were several tons of paper shredded.

ACOA applied for, and was granted, one of the 80 grants given to Age-Friendly Communities by AARP across the USA. It was for elevated garden beds. The grant allowed the Town to purchase 6 elevated garden beds (two for Bowdoinham, two for Bowdoin, and two for Richmond) and to fill them with garden soil. These elevated garden beds are to help those seniors who want to garden, but can no longer kneel to work on his/her garden. The kits were put together by the Village Masons, and soil donated by Country Fair Landscape. Also as a result of this a garden club, "Not Your Mother's Garden Club", was started. The members of the garden club are from the three communities, and meetings are rotated monthly in each community.

Another collaboration was with the Bowdoinham Public Library and the Loose Ladies Book Club. The three organizations got together to host a reading program called "Poland Springs: The Gilded Age". The speaker/author was Dr. David Richards. A tea was held in conjunction with the program.

Last but not least: a Sand Bucket Brigade was introduced in the fall.

The program is to provide sand to those who cannot get out to the Town courtesy sand pile to sand his/her walkways to help prevent falls. The Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue Department delivers the sand. The buckets were provided by Cote's Bowdoinham Hardware.

Respectfully submitted by:
Kathy Pszczolkowski
Chairwoman

***Recognized by the World Health Organization as a member
of the Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities
Member AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities***

Harbor Master

John McMullen

As in past years I continue to offer the free US Coast Guard Safety Inspections at the town boat ramp. This is a courtesy examination of boats to verify the presence and condition of certain safety equipment required by State and Federal regulations. Please contact me if you would like to schedule one for your boat.

Aids to Navigation buoys marking the channel across Merrymeeting Bay are normally in position from the end of May through mid to late September. The buoys positioned on the Cathance River are regulatory buoys which advise "**SLOW NO WAKE**". Maine State Law states that a boat shall operate only at headway speed in the **WATER SAFETY ZONE**. The Water Safety Zone is the area within 200 feet of any shoreline. The Cathance River is approximately 400-450 feet wide and therefore boaters are urged to please travel at headway speed especially at low tide, not only due to state law and environmental impact, but for awareness of the many kayakers and other paddle craft using our river.



Harbor Master's Boat

Make safety your foremost concern whenever you are on the water. Sign up for a boater's safety course with the US Power Squadron or CG Auxiliary.

Reminders:

- Always check the weather before going boating
- Always notify a friend or family member who could report your delay/non-return

Always wear your life jacket (mandatory age 10 and under in Maine)

For anyone interested in a mooring in the town mooring field please be advised there is space available. Contact me for details.

Have a safe and fun boating season.

John McMullen

Harbor Master



Meeting By The Bay Picnic

Recreation Department

Lisa West, Recreation Director

The Recreation Department's Mission Statement: *To reach all residents from pre-school to teens to adults of all ages to connect you with Wellness and Community based opportunities.*

Many of our programs and collaborations extend beyond Bowdoinham. The Recreation Dept serves residents by developing programs, continuing annual expectations and informing you of surrounding community programs and events.

Some of our collaborations include the Bicycle Coalition, Bowdoin College, Cathance Fitness Center, DICK'S, L.L.Bean, Long Branch School of Maine class announcements, Lost Valley, Silver Sneakers & Topsham Recreation for their soccer and Little Dribblers program to name a few.

Community Connections:

See www.bowdoinham.com/recreation for a listing of several website links.

Continuous Recreation Communication Available on:

www.bowdoinham.com/recreation

Facebook page "Bowdoinham Recreation Dept."

"The Bowdoinham News" newsletters

On-Going Perks:

Family Swim Sundays at Bowdoin College Free for all SAD 75. Fall and Winter

Children's Museum Free pass available throughout the year

Discounted Tickets for: Funtown/Splashtown, Aquaboggin

Free Lending: Cross Country Skis/Boots, Snow Shoes and Skates & Portable Pickle Ball available at town office.

Repairs Summer of 2016

Bleachers: 3 sets of portable aluminum to share between the three fields replaced by Bowdoinham Recreation.

Pertel Softball Field: Renovation of the infield with support and collaboration with SAD 75 facilities dept.

Batting Cage: Restoration completed spring 2016 by Bowdoinham Public Works

Tennis Court: A large portion of the fence was replaced by Bowdoinham Rec and Alder Stream Fencing.

Outside basketball court units and rims replaced by SAD 75

Update of the Full Restoration of the North Field:

Volunteer power alone is to thank for bringing middle and high school players the opportunity to play teams from all over New England. The restored baseball diamond has hosted nearly 20 games already. This may bring town fundraising potential in the future.

Summary of Programs/Activities of 2017-18

Pre-Kindergarten Meet & Greet

Pre-K-1st grade Soccer Mentor Program with our 7th grade soccer players



Ice Rink at the Rec Fields

Recreation Department

Lisa West, Recreation Director

Basketball: K-6th grade

75 children/20+ volunteers to coach, keep the book and run the clock. K & 1st is an after school program run by parent coaches. 2nd gr this year was with our P.E. teacher to prepare the kids & parents for next year's game play. Many 3-6th graders go on the play an extended season with the Cape Elizabeth Travel league. Teams include a combination of players from every town in our district.

Baseball/Softball/T-ball: K-7th grade

9 teams/120 children/18+ volunteer coaches, volunteer ump's, field support, snack shack coordinator and countless parent involvement. We hung 9 Home Run Fence Banners and sported 8 Team Sponsors on t-shirts and jerseys. Many players go on to play an extended season in the all-stars in our Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth League. Teams include a combination of players from every town in our district.

Celebrate Bowdoinham Recreation Field and New Trail/Picnic Area Activities

Earth Day Bowdoinham Boy Scouts and Recreation Dept supporters.

Kickball: 4th-5thgrade

L.L.Bean Outdoor Discovery Canoe Courses at Mailyly Park

Lost Valley 3rd grade-16yrs olds from Bowdoin/Bowdoinham

Soccer, Winter 5-8th grade

Ice Skating Rink/X-County Ski Trails were groomed/Sledding hill at the rec fields.

Adult Pickleball: Specific scheduled times in the school gymnasium then moves to the basketball court.

Adult Walking: The school opened up their doors again this winter for the ACOA as part of the Age-Friendly Community support.

Advisory Committee On Aging/See ACOA Calendar in Town Office.

Committees: District Health and Wellness Team, Ferrier Scholarship, Safety Committee for the Town of Bowdoinham.

Board Support: Ararat Youth Basketball League: Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Softball

Fundraising Efforts are continuous within every season including the Snack Shack use, increased "out of town" sponsorships, homerun fence banners to reduce program registration fees. Basketball concession, discounted ticket sales.

Looking for Volunteers to Support Additional Programs:

Walking/Running Group for 2nd-5th grade/Coach K-2ndgr basketball/Youth Tennis/Kayaking/Archery

The more volunteer expertise, the more opportunities for everyone ages 1-101.

Countless people helped make these programs possible in 2017.

Parents and community members, Thank you.



Sheriff Skolfield

Celebrate Bowdoinham

Dunk Tank

Town Clerk

Pamela Ross, Town Clerk

Town Meetings

June 14, 2017

There were 88 Registered Voters in attendance (Town Meeting)

November 7, 2017

There were 927 Registered Voters (Annual Town Meeting)

Elections:

June 13, 2017 State of Maine Special Referendum Election

232 votes cast Voter turnout was 10.35%

June 13, 2017 Maine School Administrative District No. 75 District Budget Referendum Election.

233 votes cast Voter turnout was 10.35%

November 7, 2017

State of Maine Referendum Election/
Municipal Election

927 votes cast. Voter turnout was 39.06%

As of December 31, 2017 Bowdoinham had 2378 registered voters: Unenrolled 952, Democrat 735, Republican 605, Green Independent 77, and Libertarian 9.

I would like to thank Peter Sullivan for the past five years being The Town of Bowdoinham’s Warden/Moderator for our elections. A job very well done and appreciated. Nora Bishop worked very closely with Peter during his last election, so Nora has accepted the role of Warden/Moderator for Bowdoinham’s elections. Nora is very excited about her new role and a great asset to the Elections. Thank you Nora.

Of course the elections would not run smoothly if it was not for our dedicated election workers: Leslie Barker, Elaine Diaz, Marlene Hensley, Donald Lamoreau, Emily Newell, and Linda Williams. You all show your civic pride and very much appreciated.

Our Town Meetings would not go as smoothly without the dedication of our Moderator Robert Lenna.



There were 29 births in The Town of Bowdoinham from January 2017 - December 2017

Married:	Names:
January 25	John Mott Engler & Tempy Wayanie Keller
March 1	Scott Thomas Allen & Constance Lorraine Hall
March 1	Sherri Lynn Young & Brian Keith McInnis
April 3	Amanda Lynn Krause & Kenneth Monroe Chase
June 10	AmyLouise Cooper Case & Andrew Frederick Kelner
June 16	Charlene Ann St Laurent & Daniel Mark Jackson
July 1	Natausha Lynn Holman & Erik McDonald Naylor
July 1	Melody Sue Martin & Christina Marie Chavez
July 9	Michael Timothy Zekovitch Jr & Rosemary Belle Pigue
July 19	Katrina Raye Champagne & Calef William Creighton
July 22	Allison Paige Raymond & Ian James Messier
July 23	Amy Louise Ruksznis & Denise Marie Bluhm
August 27	Robert Allan Frizzle & Katharine Lorraine Wiswell
August 29	Heather Carmena Nickels & William Russell Waldron
September 24	Kimberly Jo Gagnon & Darrin Oneal Grate
October 14	Breann Lynn Brawn & Nathan Hale
October 21	Matthew Edward Westrum & Aaryn Taylor Puterbaugh



Town Clerk
Pamela Ross, Town Clerk

Decedent Name	Age	Date of Death			
			Randall,Carol Lee	73	04/15/2017
Beaudoin,Rachel Jeanne	96	12/01/2017	Richards,Lola H.	74	03/07/2017
Cote,Rodney J	58	08/02/2017	Robinson,Mark Jr.	84	03/29/2017
Davis,Ann Gail	57	07/01/2017	Ross,Pauline V.	76	04/08/2017
Davis,Steven Arthur	61	12/16/2017	Searles,Ruth	71	01/27/2017
DeLair,Andrea Margrette	48	01/12/2017	Seigars,Kayla N	30	11/16/2017
Ervine,Irene M.	89	03/17/2017	Stevens,Ruth Kaknes	87	10/09/2017
Gonyea,Jennifer A.	44	03/07/2017	Swinson,Earl Durant	66	05/09/2017
MacDonald,Carol A	77	07/28/2017	Wyman,Martin J. Jr	61	03/12/2017
Merrifield,Peary Lindley Jr.	69	08/07/2017	Total 21		
Mortimer,Clifford Edward	71	10/02/2017			
Pickett,Eva Vera	58	02/11/2017			
Pratt,Bryan Charles Sr.	74	11/03/2017			



Skatepark Opening Ceremony & Dedication

Planning Board
Nathan Drummond, Chair

The Bowdoinham Planning Board meets on the 4th Thursday of the month to review and approve Site Plan Review, Subdivision, Shoreland Zoning and Floodplain applications according to the provisions of the Town’s Land Use Ordinance. The public is welcome at all meetings.

The following applications were submitted and approved by the Planning Board in 2017:

- ◆ Site Plan Review Tier II amendment application from Kyle Cobb to allow sales at 6 Wallentine Road approved in 2017.

The Planning Board also completed its annual review of the Land Use Ordinance, and has proposed updates to the Land Use Ordinance. In 2017 the Town voted to establish two new village districts which are in keeping with the Comprehensive Plan. As a board we continue to discuss regulations with regard to Retail Marijuana.

Respectfully,

Nathan Drummond, Chairman

- Planning Board Members**
 Nathan Drummond
 Paul Beltramini
 Tracy Krueger
 William Shippen
 Annie Murphy
 Justin Schlwin

Department of Community and Economic Development

Nicole Briand

The Department of Community and Economic Development is funded through two TIF (Tax Increment Financing) Districts. The first was approved at Town Meeting in June 2000; the funds for this district come from property taxes on Northeast Pipeline properties located in Bowdoinham. The second was approved at Town Meeting in June 2014; the funds for this district come from the property taxes from of a portion of Central Maine Power Company's properties located in Bowdoinham.

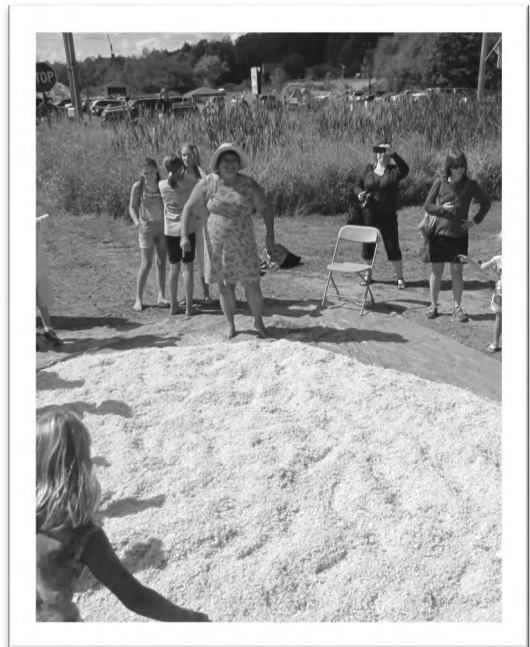


Open Farm Day BBQ

The goal of the department is to support the existing businesses of Bowdoinham through promotion of their services, educational opportunities, community awareness and networking. The Department strives to develop and attract sustainable businesses to Bowdoinham that will reflect the high quality of life and strong sense of community that Bowdoinham is known for. Finally, the department develops, organizes, and coordinates community-enhancing events to bring together the citizens of Bowdoinham.

The **Summer Concert Series** continues to bring great music to Maily Waterfront Park. In 2015, we added two concerts to the schedule and moved the concerts back to Sundays. In 2016 the Town partnered with Watersong Music to re-energize the Concert Series. Earl Bigelow, Watersong Music did a wonderful job on coordinating the series and ensuring dinner was available. We look forward to partnering with Earl Bigelow of Watersong Music again this year and seeing what new and exciting things he has planned this year.

In 2017, Bowdoinham hosted its sixth annual **Open Farm Day** on Sunday, July 23rd, with an Art Trail featuring Open Studios. We had twelve farms and twelve studios open for tours then enjoyed a BBQ featuring food from our Bowdoinham farms and live music by Intergalactic Yurt Band. I would like to extend a special Thank You to our participating farms and artists: Apple Creek Farm, Campo di Fiori, Stonecipher Farm, Blue Bell Farm, Fairwinds Farm, Gruff Acres Farm, Havenridge, Harvest Tide Organics, East of Eden Flower Farm, Eagle Hill Farm, Left Field Farm, Six River Farm, Bill Stanton, Catmint Garden & Gallery, Debbie Spaulding, Diana Mosher, Jane Page-Conway Fine Art Photography, Kate Cutko, Lobster Buoy Birdhouses, Melissa M. Fiori, Morphee Creations, Mortimer LaPointe Woodworking & Swan Island Restoration, Starrocks, Watersong Music, Merrymeeting Arts Center, and Bowdoinham Historical Society for opening their farms and studios to us and making this event possible.



Coin Scramble with
Josephine Mussomelli

Department of Community and Economic Development

Nicole Briand



The KenDucky Derby

the kids activities, and all of the businesses who helped make Celebrate Bowdoinham a success!

Once again, **Celebrate Bowdoinham** was a wonderful community day filled with fun activities for the whole family to enjoy. As always, Celebrated included our Bowdoinham's favorites: the Silent Auction, the KenDucky Derby, the lobster crate races, the coin scramble and the Library Book Sale. The music played while the vendors, local businesses and organizations shared their crafts with us, until the fireworks lit of the night's sky, thanks to our fireworks sponsors: AV Systems of Maine, Sitelines, Five County Credit Union, Main Street Fuel, Doug Tourtelotte Excavation, Picture Perfect Landscapes, FHC and Six River Farm. Celebrate Bowdoinham would not be possible without all of our volunteers! Thank you to: Missy Halsey and Diana Mosher for organizing the parade, Susan Browne for organizing the Pie Contest, Merrymeeting Arts Center for running the "Kids Art Tent," Bowdoinham Fire Department for running the lobster crate races and rounding up the ducks, the Mount Ararat Cheering squad for supervising all the kids activities, and all of the businesses who donated to the Silent Auction. Thank you to everyone who

The 5th Annual **Holiday Festival** took place on December 1st, 2nd and 3rd. It was a busy weekend with Santa coming to town, the Bowdoinham Guild of Artisans Annual Show & Sale, the Community School's Holiday Craft Fair, Merrymeeting Arts Center's Open House, and a Dance Party.

The Bowdoinham News comes out six times per year, the 1st of January, March, May, July, September and November. For more information on how to submit an article or advertise in The Bowdoinham News, please contact Nicole Briand.

I continue to work with the Community Development Advisory Committee on programs and projects to strengthen local businesses. The Committee continues to focus its efforts through developing the **Buy Local Buy Bowdoinham Campaign** and providing resources for businesses through the **Business Meetings** and **Business Workshops**.

For more information about any of these events or projects, please contact me, Nicole Briand, Director of Planning & Development at 666-5531 or nbriand@bowdoinham.com or you can visit the Town's website (www.bowdoinham.com) or Facebook page.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Briand

Director of Planning & Development



Matthew Townsend Parker

Memorial Skatepark

Solid Waste Recycling Department

Bryan Benson, Solid Waste Director

Bowdoinham Solid Waste and Recycling over the past year has seen business as usual. The Recycling Industry has experienced revenue declines due to China's Green Fence and other world markets. The industry is expected however to grow over the next few years which should bring higher revenues for our commodities (Cardboard, Mixed paper, Magazines and Newsprint. Scrap metal prices have been on the rise and are expected to continue this trend.

During the 2017 year the Solid Waste Department processed and shipped:

18,000 lbs of Construction Debris

36,000 lbs of Mixed Paper

8,000 lbs of Newsprint

40,000 lbs of Corrugated Cardboard

50,000 lbs of scrap metal

and nearly **94,000** lbs of Mixed Recyclables

And as David Berry would say "We still had time to sweep the floors"

I would like to thank the residents of Bowdoinham, the Barn staff and David Berry who all have contributed to the success of this program.

Respectfully

Bryan Benson

Solid Waste Director



Department Staff

L to R: Emily Curran, Cassandra Hensley, Andrea Hoskins



David Berry & Darren Carey

Celebrate Bowdoinham 2017

Cemetery Advisory Committee
Peter (Tony) Lewis, Chair

The Cemetery Advisory Committee has been busy assessing, and prioritizing work needed for maintenance and repairs to cemeteries within the community. Cemeteries with toppled or broken stones continue to be at the top of the Committee’s priority list. The Committee has now compiled a list of just over 70 cemeteries in Bowdoinham. During the summer of 2017 the Committee completely removed debris and overgrowth from three cemeteries in Bowdoinham on Carding Machine Road, Dingley Road, and River Road. There is still a great deal of work to be done with the large list of cemeteries we have compiled. With the help of volunteers, it is the plan of the Cemetery Advisory Committee to continue work, prioritizing those cemeteries with the greatest need for repairs over the course of the summer of 2018.



Pratt Cemetery

We will be cleaning stones, setting stones and repairing broken stones. We encourage any member of the community to come along and assist! We are always looking for volunteers

to assist with our efforts and all hands-on training will be provided. Opportunities to assist with Cemetery Committee efforts will be posted in the town Newsletter. The Committee meets the first Monday of every month at 4:00 PM at the Coombs Municipal Building. All meetings are open to the public.



Bowdoinham Farmers’ Market

On behalf of the other members of the Cemetery Advisory Committee, I look forward to working together with the community to maintain and preserve the many cemeteries within our town borders. I hope to see you too!

Respectfully,
 Peter (Tony) Lewis, Chair
 Cemetery Advisory Committee



County Of Sagadahoc

COMMISSIONER CAROL A. GROSE - District 2 - Bath and Bowdoinham

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is my honor to continue to serve the citizens of Bowdoinham as a Sagadahoc County Commissioner. As I continue my third term, I remain totally committed to insuring that the services provided by the County are delivered in the most cost effective and professional way possible.

As we move forward in an economic climate which for us is accentuated by the uncertainty of issues such as the funding of county jails, the Commissioners remain acutely aware of the impact the County tax assessment has on Sagadahoc municipalities. In FY 2017-18 the overall budget increased by 1%, and we remain committed to minimizing increases as we enter into the FY 2018-19 budget process.

During 2017 the County's many activities and accomplishments included the following:

- **Administration** continued to oversee the self-funded health insurance program, which will have NO rate increase in the coming year. Over the past three years, our premiums have gone up 10% less than those of our previous insurer. In addition, the County had another successful year financially, with no material or significant weaknesses identified by the auditors.
- **Probate Court** was busy processing petitions for guardianship, conservatorship, change of name, adoption, and estates. They also processed passport applications and continued to back-scan records into an electronic database.
- **Deeds** continued its efforts to make all documents available for viewing at sagadahocdeedsme.com. They also stayed busy handling increased recordings due to the improved housing market.
- The **Emergency Management Agency** Staff continued to work on the planning and implementation of regional training; assist local EMA Directors and community officials to meet federal emergency preparedness requirements; and collaborate with area emergency responders and public health agencies.
- The **Communications Center** continued to make significant equipment upgrades. In addition, the joint Task Force with the County's Fire Chiefs continued to explore long term improvements to the E-911 system.
- The **District Attorney's Office** handled a high volume of court cases and added a part-time employee to assist with the implementation of a new court process.
- The **Sheriff's Office** saw a slight increase of approximately .74% in the number of calls when compared with 2016, from 5,133 to 5,171. The **Transport Division** handled 742 transports last year and continued to monitor inmates on home release. The community public works program resulted in the performance of approximately 2,160 hours of labor in Sagadahoc County, saving over \$43,795 in labor costs. The **Civil Division** continues to serve orders and writs in a consistently professional manner.

In order that I may represent you effectively, it is important that I am aware of your questions and concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 319-5290. And I encourage interested persons to attend Board of Commissioners' meetings, which are held at 3:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the County Courthouse, 752 High Street, Bath, Me.

(For details, call 443-8202 or check our web site: www.sagcounty.com.)

Sincerely,

Carol A. Grose



Sarah J. Bennett
Director

Sagadahoc County Emergency Management Agency Board of Health



Matthew Fournier
Deputy Director

752 High Street | Bath, ME 04530 | Office: (207) 443-8210 | Fax: (207) 443-8212

The Sagadahoc County Emergency Management Agency (SCEMA) is responsible for policy development, planning, agency coordination, education and training surrounding the health and safety of those who live, work and play within the ten municipalities of Sagadahoc County. SCEMA is charged with creating the framework within which communities reduce vulnerability to hazards and cope with disasters. SCEMA protects communities by coordinating and integrating all activities necessary to build, sustain, and improve the capability to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural disasters, acts of terrorism or other man-made disasters. Existing partnerships were enhanced and new partnerships with government, non-profit and industry were established over the course of 2017.

On March 1, 2017, Sarah Bennett officially stepped into the role of EMA Director, while Matthew Fournier came onboard to fill the Deputy Director Position on July 31, 2017. SCEMA is now at full capacity with a staff of two.

SCEMA brought in close to \$65,000 in Federal Homeland Security Program Grant funds for fiscal year 2017. These funds translated into a number of projects across the County. Some of the projects include upgrading the Sheriff's Office with ruggedized laptops, mobile repeaters for fire departments to enhance on-scene incident communications, incident response equipment (to include crows safety at mass gatherings), ballistic protective equipment, pet rescue kits for fire department response, as well as continuation of the County-Wide communications tower upgrade project, to name a few. SCEMA continues to work on previous projects outlined within the FY15 and FY16 grants.

During the 2017 calendar year, SCEMA worked with our partners, the Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI), to expand our Points of Dispensing (POD) planning to include an additional site in Bath. With two designated sites, this will ensure a state of readiness for the County should Sagadahoc experience a public health crisis such as an outbreak of Ebola, Pandemic Flu or even Anthrax exposure.

Most notably, the County sustained major damages as a result of the October 2017 Wind Storm, which subsequently resulted in a Presidential Disaster Declaration effective January, 2018. The Declaration has allowed each town (and applicants within) to apply for 90% reimbursement towards eligible costs. All ten towns actively participated in the declaration process, to include working closely with SCEMA staff during and after the incident, gathering damage assessments, sheltering and assisting residents, to name a few tasks. The Declaration process will carry well into the next year or more as we continue to seek reimbursements for damages incurred.

SCEMA has worked very closely with the Sagadahoc County Board of Health, where County partners and stakeholders, neighboring jurisdictions and subject matter experts target and address three areas of focus for 2017 and the coming year: 1.) Mental illness 2.) Access to services, and 3.) Bridging the gap between the two.

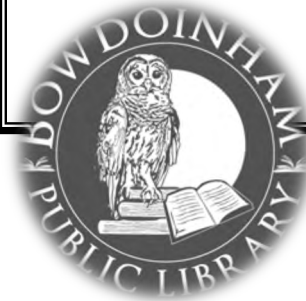
I am very pleased and honored to work with the professionals from each Town within Sagadahoc County. 2017 has certainly proven to be a very eventful year, and together, we have demonstrated true resilience in the face of disaster. I look forward to another successful year of service to the residents of Sagadahoc County. For more information, visit us at www.sagcounty/ema. Sign-up for CodeRED and like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SagadahocCountyEMA.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah J. Bennett, Director

Bowdoinham Public Library Report

Kate Cutko, Librarian



Greetings from your library!

As constant as the tides, the Bowdoinham Public Library continues to bring the people of this town high quality resources.

The library continues to offer the latest fiction and non-fiction, as well as magazines, movies, large print and audio books. Thanks to our participation in state wide consortiums, our patrons also have free access to thousands of databases, and hundreds of audio and ebooks that they can download from home. Patrons weathered the recent switch to a new platform for downloadable materials by the state, and 497 have taken advantage of that program.

What you will see on any given day on the second floor of the old Coombs School building is a vibrant community space where people gather or simply pass through, sharing ideas and sharing connections. They come in for so many reasons- to use the library's super-fast wireless connectivity, to use the public computer and printer, to order materials from another library through inter-library loan, to pick up the latest bestselling novel or to enjoy preschool story time. Books groups and programming for kids and adults happens constantly, and many have taken advantage of our weekly "Tech Time" with Garry Hensley to get help with cell phones, laptops and other devices.

A library board member recently commented that our library sure must be the "most entrepreneurial library in the state." She may be right. Our annual fundraisers (plant sale, book sale, "Treasures from the Library Attic" craft sale...) raise half of the library's operating expenses each and every year.

The remainder comes from town support. So, you help us through both your tax dollars and your support of our many fundraisers, and for that we are eternally grateful.

In the year ahead there will be conversation and planning for a new and improved entry into the library, as many of you have struggled with access to our library via steps and ramp. We invite anyone to add their voice and get involved as we solicit ideas for improving the library and other public meeting spaces. Contact us via email kcutko@bowdoinham.lib.me.us, call 666-8405, or visit our website www.bowdoinhamlibrary.org.



Plant Sale 2017

Diana Moshier

Joan Knight
President,
Library Board

Kate Cutko
Library Director

Code Enforcement Officer & Local Plumbing Inspector
Darren Carey, Deputy LPI & Deputy CEO

The Code Enforcement Officers and Local Plumbing Inspectors are responsible for the permitting of land use projects, internal plumbing, subsurface wastewater disposal systems and construction projects. Along with the permitting of projects, it is the responsibility of the CEO/LPI to perform inspections. These inspections are to ensure compliance with Federal, State and Local rules, laws and ordinances. Another duty of the CEO is to investigate complaints and report violations. The main goal of the department is to seek voluntary compliance with the Land Use Ordinance.

The number of permits stayed pretty consisted with past years but the increase in relation to **Total Fees Collect** is attributed to the number of new single family dwellings.

Between July 1st, 2016 and June 30, 2017 there were 17 Single Family Dwellings Permitted.

If you are planning a new project on your property and are not sure if you need a permit, please call me at the Town Office, 666-5531; and I will help you figure out what permits are required.

Respectfully Submitted by

Darren Carey

Deputy Code Enforcement Officer/LPI

Year	Plumbing	Building Land Use	Total Fees Collected	Plumbing Permits	Building Permits	Land Use Permits
2016-2017	\$8,045.00	\$6,245.99	\$14,591.16	52	55	6
2015-2016	\$5,130.00	\$3,910.05	\$9,578.69	46	59	9
2014-2015	\$5,430.00	\$5,536.90	\$10,966.90	34	44	7
2013-2014	\$5,305.00	\$5,155.65	\$10,460.65	39	50	12
2012-2013	\$3,877.50	\$6,071.70	\$9,949.20	37	53	5



Ramp Construction

The Community Development Advisory Committee

Wendy Rose, Chair

January

BCDI update
Internet survey results
Discussion of Connect ME grants
Website discussion
Skateboard elective in March
Talking with skatepark contractors

March

Discussed ConnectME grant. Talked over the various providers we have met with. Decided to wait for a construction grant opportunity rather than a planning grant. We need a service provider partner.
Website discussion.
Working out skatepark contract
Skatepark electives in May

April.

Skatepark construction should start this spring.
Broadband access mapping is taking place. This will document the number of households that are not served.
Discussions have been held with Comcast and Lincolnvile.



May

Discussion of website.
Skatepark update

June

GWI presentation.
Skatepark construction has begun

July

Discussed the findings of the internet work. We asked Nicole to write to Lincolnvile and GWI to see if they would be willing to partner with us on a ConnectME grant.
Plan for Business meeting in Oct.
Plan for Skatepark dedication the day before Celebrate Bowdoinham in Sept. Kids are already using the park
Open Farm Day Success

August

Business meeting planning
Skatepark dedication planning
Recruiting new committee members

September

Skatepark dedication
Business meeting planning
Broadband discussion

October

Business meeting at the Maine Historical Society
Came after the 2 BCDI meetings
Priorities that were identified were welcome packets and research on sewage treatment

November

Report to the Selectboard on our recommendations for Broadband access to the unserved areas of town.
Business features for new website
Discussed welcome packets and business visitation
John Scribner is new member of committee

December

Welcome packet
Internet project—passing it on to the Selectboard

Community Development Advisory Committee Members

Brian Smith
Laleah Parker
Steven Bunn
Wendy Rose - Chair
Will Zell
William Stanton

Planning Department

Nicole Briand, Town Planner

It has been another busy year with a lot of exciting things happening in Bowdoinham.

After over fifteen long years the skate park project was finally completed. We had our opening ceremony on Friday, September 8th to dedicate the park, **Matthew Townsend Parker Memorial Skate Park**. I would like to say THANK YOU to: Acorn Engineering, Independent Shotcrete, Ammon Smith, Lisa West, Recreation Director, Bamford Foundations, Long's Board Shop, Bowdoinham Public Works Department, Luana Smith, Charles Lopez, Picture Perfect Landscapes, Chris Lajoie, Principal, Ray Labbe & Sons, Collette Monuments, Sargent Materials, Country Fare Construction, Seth Berry, Doug Tourtelotte, Doug Tourtelotte Excavation, Steve Balboni, Dwight Sholes, Tobias Parkhurst, FHC, Inc., Crooker Construction, Tom & Diane Sturgeon and the Community Development Advisory Community for all their help!



Skate Park Sign

The **Merrymeeting Trail** is a 25-mile planned rail-with-trail connecting Topsham, Bowdoinham, Richmond, and Gardiner; from the Kennebec River Rail Trail in Augusta to the Androscoggin River Bicycle and Pedestrian Path in Brunswick. It will be part of the greater Capital to Coast trail system stretching from Augusta to Bath, which recently received designation from the state as a Trail of Statewide Significance in 2014, we are one of only four trails in the state with that designation. The Board of Supervisors was created in 2015 and is now holding regular meetings.

Kennebec Estuary Land Trust has received three rounds of funding support from the Elmina B. Sewall Foundation totaling \$132,830 for outreach, matching funds for trail construction, trail engineering, and necessary pre-engineering groundwork. The Town of Bowdoinham received \$20,000 to do so design work on the Bowdoinham to Richmond connection, then used funding from the CMP TIF to construct 3 foot shoulders on Pork Point Road to serve as the on-road route for the trail. Kennebec Estuary Land Trust is also the home of the Merrymeeting Trail's "friends of" group, now named the Merrymeeting Trail Blazers. For more information, please visit merrymeetingtrail.org or Like us on Facebook. We look forward to many more successes to report in 2018.

The **Comprehensive Planning Committee** was re-established in 2016 to: keep the Comprehensive Plan updated and assist with the implementation of the plan's recommendations. The Committee's first projects will be the implementation of the Waterfront Plan and creating an inventory of Bowdoinham's awesome places.

I continue to work with the **Planning Board**. I assist the Board in reviewing applications and applicants with putting together their application packages. This year was a relatively quiet year for the Planning Board, which allowed the Board time for their annual review of the Land Use Ordinance.

For more information, please contact me, Nicole Briand, Director of Planning & Development at 666-5531 or nbriand@bowdoinham.com or you can visit the Town's website (www.bowdoinham.com) or Facebook page.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Briand

Director of Planning & Development

Animal Control Officer

Cliff Daigle, Animal Control Officer

All dogs 6 months and older must have a license. In order to obtain a license for your dog, the owner must provide a **current** State of Maine Rabies Certificate.

Fees

\$6.00 per year for spayed/neutered dogs

\$11.00 per year for dogs not spayed/neutered

\$25.00 late fee after January 31st of each year

Programs in Operation

The following programs are still in operation:

- ◆ Rabies prevention program
- ◆ Interactive program with the Community Policing in area
- ◆ Emergency program for animals of Bowdoinham - Animal Response Team
- ◆ EMA program for animals in danger of storm and disaster
- ◆ Animal food program with area food bank and shelter for town people in need
- ◆ Training with the Sheriff's Department and Local Fire Department on what to do with an animal they may encounter arriving first on scene

• Cats Info /phone calls	78
• Cat complaints handled pickup services	142
• Wildlife info /phone calls	172
• Wildlife complaint handle pickup services	62
• Warnings/Summons	181
• Dogs info / phone calls	196
• Dogs complaints pickup/service calls	291
• Farm Animal Complaints	47

I believe that with education, together we can make a difference with the public in the Town of Bowdoinham.

Clifford Daigle, *Animal Control Officer*

Assessors Agent

Darren Carey, CMA

On January 1st, 2018 I took over from Ron Beal as the Assessors' Agent.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ron for his guidance and support over the last year. One of the roles of an Assessors' Agent is to ascertain and list all taxable property within the Town of Bowdoinham, to value taxable property according to its "just value," and to assess each taxpayer his or her fair proportion of State, county, and municipal taxes. The only way in which this tax burden can be fairly distributed is for the assessors to attempt to discover all taxable property within their municipality and to value all property fairly.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darren Carey, CMA

Assessed Values & Commitment Totals

	Total Real	Total Personal	Total	Total
Tax Commitment	Estate Assessment	Property Assessment	Exemptions	Tax Commitment
FY 2018(Mill-Rate 16.85)	278,175,800	5,282,300	15,978,700	4,507,031.89
FY 2017(Mill-Rate 16.55)	272,642,600	2,695,100	12,400,500	4,351,515.46
FY 2016(Mill-Rate 16.45)	271,466,400	2,169,400	8,829,100	4,356,072.50

Bowdoinham Community School**Principal, Chris Lajoie**

Dear Bowdoinham Community Members,

It is a pleasure to provide this update from the Community School as part of the annual Town Report. In the past year we have continued to improve and expand the learning opportunities for our students. Ongoing teacher professional development is a high priority in our school district, and in Bowdoinham we have worked hard to build teacher teams that collaborate and learn together. The result is strong student achievement, particularly in English Language Arts (ELA). Of K-5 schools about our size, our ELA scores ranked fourth in the state.

But those who have visited our school this year know that academic achievement is only part of what makes Bowdoinham Community School special. Under the leadership of Kindergarten teacher, Lucy Atkins, we have continued to grow our place-based learning opportunities at our forest classroom. Our Arts Alive Electives program continues strong, providing students four-week courses in non-traditional skills and subjects such as sewing, folk music, and robotics. Volunteer Fred Cheney coordinates our Lunch Bunch program, bringing community members into our school each day to read high-quality picture books to students. Our school applied for and received several grants this year, allowing us to expand physical fitness opportunities around our playground, and purchase a 3-D printer. Mt. Ararat Seniors Kate Graeff and Nick Merrill brought their Capstone projects to our school by creating a special Choir and a Math Club, respectively, for fourth and fifth graders. Our students have had the opportunity to work with mentors and tutors from Bowdoin College. At this writing our third-annual school play is beginning rehearsals, under the direction of parent Dana Legawiec. And on and on.



At our core, we are a school community of strong beliefs. We believe all of our students can learn at a high level. We believe by caring for each other, taking responsibility for our choices, and focusing on learning, we can create the best possible school. We believe in seeking meaningful learning that lasts.

Our school's single greatest resource is its community support. In that regard, we are rich. Investment in our children – our future citizens, policy makers, moms and dads – is an important responsibility we have. I hope you have had the opportunity to visit our school this year and see how we are putting that investment to work for our kids. They are growing into amazing, resilient, kind, and intelligent young people.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. Lajoie ☺

Chris Lajoie

Principal

Maine School Administrative District No. 75

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March 1, 2018

It continues to be a privilege and honor to serve as a school board representative for this town along with Julie Booty. We are both engaged in work underway across the District. I serve on the Finance Committee, the Pre-K task force, the Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment committee and have served on the Proficiency Based Learning steering committees. Julie serves on the Facilities Committee and the Building Committee (for the new high school).

This year's report will highlight a few items of particular interest, the new high school, Proficiency Based Diplomas and the possibility of beginning a Pre-K program.

One measure of school performance is the State-wide test results. No single measure, including these standardized tests, should be used to make judgments about a school. However, as this is the second year of the current assessment system, a few data points are available.

In the District, students in grades 3-8 were above the state average in both reading and math.

In the high school, students are tested in their third year (Junior) and were significantly above the state average in reading, writing and math.

You can find more information on the district website, under the Teaching and Learning Icon, and selecting School Report Cards. (www.link75.org).

We have 170 students in Bowdoinham who attend kindergarten through 5th grade. 158 of those children go to the Community School, while some go to Woodside Elementary or Williams Cone school in Topsham, or Bowdoin Central School. There are 94 students from Bowdoinham attending Mt. Ararat Middle School, and 133 attend Mt. Ararat High School. 42% of the students in K-5 are on free or reduced lunch. This last figure has an affect on what we qualify for in terms of extra support from the state through funding for educational technicians to support the teaching staff.

Last March the voters overwhelmingly supported the construction of a new school. Since then, an early contract allowed the creation of a new baseball and practice field on former Navy property adjacent to the current middle school field. Seeding of that field will take place early spring. You can see progress on that field by accessing the MTA Construction icon at the bottom of the district webpage, or directly at <https://sites.google.com/a/link75.org/construction/home>. The architect, PDT, is finishing up construction documents. These documents are the drawings and specifications for the building. They are used by the contractor for actual construction of the facility and grounds. Those documents were scheduled to be finished by the end of February.

The project was slated for the third of four approvals by the State Board of Education, set for March 14, 2018 at the time of this writing. Upon approval by the State Board of Education, on March 21st the specifications will go out to bid for approximately six weeks, with work to begin immediately after school ends this June. The building is slated to open in the fall of 2020.

Public education in Maine continues to respond to the federally mandated reforms including requirements for Proficiency-Based Diplomas (tied in with Proficiency-based Learning) and Teacher and Principal Evaluation (PEPG) to name a few. Navigating these changes is proving to be a challenge, with the transition from “theory” to “practice.” The former has been, and continues to be a controversial topic, with a groundswell of parents and teachers around the state becoming involved with a push- back of implementation of the Proficiency-Based Diploma at the State level. In our district, several of our principals are involved with parent groups to work towards a better understanding of this new grading system. Those impacted the most at this time are the students in grades 6 – 12, but if you have questions, I urge you to contact your child’s principal. Federal and State governments have mandated that Proficiency-Based Diplomas be issued beginning in 2021.

A Pre-Kindergarten task force was assembled in the fall of 2017 to begin work on what a successful pre-k program would look like for our district. Surveys were sent out to parents to determine what the interest level and need would be. While many parents were interested, a driving force for most was the need for before and after care. The task force, led by Assistant Superintendent Dan Chuhta, is composed of several kindergarten teachers, a few parents, a representative from CDS, Headstart and several school board members (of which I am one). Programs in other districts have been looked at, and many meetings have taken place. At the time of this writing, the proposal is pending board approval. Whatever the program may look like, it will start out small, as funding coming from the State is not plentiful, and there are many details to be worked out.

Lastly, I would like to inform you all that my 2nd term as representative for Bowdoinham on the MSAD 75 School Board will end in November, and I will not be seeking re-election. If anyone is interested in running for this 3 year term, papers must be taken out at the Town Office in August. If you are interested in running, please give them a call by the end of July, 666-5531.

Thank you,

Susan Brown

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United States Senate

Dear Friends,

Representing Maine in the United States Senate is an honor.

I continue my work on the Senate Armed Services Committee, each year authorizing the funding required to build our military capabilities and ensuring that our service members are trained and equipped to defend our nation. I was pleased to be part of a bipartisan effort to enact a new law to simplify the appeals review process to reduce the backlog our veterans are facing, as well as a new law that provides critical funding to the VA Choice Program, allowing veterans in rural Maine to access services closer to home.

While my committee work is important, working to combat the opioid epidemic is one of my top priorities. Although Congress has made some important strides, much remains to be done to provide additional funding for prevention, treatment and enforcement. I am working with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to pressure the Drug Enforcement Administration to reduce the amount of opioids produced and to thwart the flow of fentanyl and other deadly drugs into our country.

I am very optimistic about the integrated, multiagency effort I led with Senator Collins to foster innovation and commercialization in Maine's forest economy. Through the Economic Development Assessment Team (EDAT) we are already experiencing increased federal investments that will strengthen our existing forest products industry and help support job creation in rural communities. Initiatives like Cross Laminated Timber, Combined Heat and Power, nanocellulose, 3D printing with biobased materials and other biobased products will mean that Maine's wood-basket will continue to be a major jobs and economic contributor for our future.

Finally, the coming year will continue the work of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in the ongoing investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election. Our Committee has held seven public hearings and numerous classified sessions, reviewed tens of thousands of pages of documents and conducted hundreds of interviews. I remain focused on the security of our elections and committed to developing strategies to prevent interference by foreign governments in our democracy.

May 2018 be a good year for you, your family, your community and our great State.

Best,



Angus S. King
United States Senator



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Thank you for the honor of serving as your State Representative. I continue to work hard on your behalf and hope to retain your trust throughout 2018.

This year, the Legislature will be taking up several hundred bills covering a wide range of topics, but our chief focus will be on making sure Maine properly implements the MaineCare expansion overwhelmingly passed by voters last November. We will also continue to wrestle with education costs and property taxes, our energy and technology infrastructure, implementing the recommendations of a task force that studied Maine's opioid crisis, **finding consensus on the voter-approved citizen initiative legalizing the limited recreational use and sale of marijuana and many more.**



In my continuing role as House chair of the Energy, Utilities, and Technology Committee, I hope to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to take on several issues vital to our economic future: expanding rural broadband, improving the response of electric utilities to the next big storm, strengthening and modernizing our power grid, improving access for homes and businesses to rooftop solar and doing what we can at the state level to restore net neutrality protections. I'm also looking forward to working on my own bill seeking ways to bring down the cost of delivering power. If we take a smart approach to all of the above issues, Maine people will be better off and more good jobs will become available.

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.

As always, please contact me anytime at seth@sethberry.org, 207-522-1609 or at [facebook.com/berryformaine](https://www.facebook.com/berryformaine). I

also send out e-newsletters from time to time. Let me know if you would like to receive them.

Respectfully,

Seth Berry
State Representative

District 55

Bowdoin, Bowdoinham and Richmond (part), plus the unorganized territory of Perkins Island Township

CONGRESSWOMAN
CHELLIE PINGREE

1ST DISTRICT
MAINE



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AND FORESTRY

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SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL
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EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Dear Friend,

I hope this letter finds you well. It's a privilege to share an update on my work to represent you and your family in Washington and in Maine.

Even though Washington is so bitterly divided these days, I've continued to look for bipartisan opportunities to address issues important to our state. Nearly all the bills I've introduced this Congress have Republican cosponsors.

One piece of legislation would help protect our state's economy by investing in working waterfronts. Another would allow Mainers to import less expensive prescriptions from Canada. And several bills would help our farmers capitalize on the fastest growing areas of agriculture—local and organic sales—by investing in research, increasing consumer access to healthy food, and improving farmer programs.


I'm happy to report bipartisan victories for our veterans as well. After working for years with Maine's Congressional Delegation, we were finally able to push a much-needed expansion of the Portland VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic through Congress. Legislation I introduced to help veterans who find themselves in debt to the Department of Veterans Affairs unanimously passed the House of Representatives. And full GI Bill benefits were extended to a group of veterans who had been denied them previously—an issue I've introduced legislation to address.

While I strive to find common ground with my colleagues on everything from rural broadband access to economic development, there are many areas where I will not compromise. I have serious concerns about direction the Trump Administration and its allies in Congress are taking our country. In so many ways, they have abandoned America's leadership in the world, made our country less safe, and are jeopardizing our future. They've weakened our health care system, rigged the tax code against working families, and endangered the environment. With one hand, they are taking away resources our families and communities need. With the other, they are offering generous giveaways to giant corporations and the wealthiest Americans.

Over the last year, I've received an unprecedented amount of feedback on these issues from my constituents. With their concerns and interests in mind, I have fought hard against these policies. I will continue using my role in Congress and the Appropriations Committee to hold the Administration and the President accountable.

Please keep in touch with your views or if there is anything I might be able to help you with. My office assists hundreds of constituents every year who have issues with federal programs or agencies. It's an honor to serve you.

Take care,
Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress

	<p>Senator Eloise Vitelli 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003 (207) 287-1515</p>
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Dear Residents of Bowdoinham,

It is an honor and privilege to serve as your Senator in the Maine State Legislature. I hope 2018 finds you and your family doing well.

This past year, the Legislature made progress in providing direct property tax relief to Maine homeowners. I was outspoken in the effort to increase the Homestead Property Exemption from \$15,000 to \$20,000. In addition to direct property tax relief, we also protected state funding for local services such as fire departments and road maintenance, and increased public K-12 education funding by \$162 million over the biennium. These efforts will decrease the pressure on municipalities to increase mil rates. I know this is a top priority for many in our district and I will continue to work towards greater property tax relief.



I also sponsored a bill to lower prescription drug prices, which I will continue to work on now that the Legislature is back in session. The bill would require drug manufacturers to report on their research and development costs, including how much was paid with taxpayer money or from marketing expenses and discount programs. The high cost of medicine burdens Mainers all over our state, while the pharmaceutical industry reaps a huge fortune. I don't think that's right, and I will continue to fight for lower drug costs for all the people in our state.

All in all, we considered over 1,600 pieces of legislation over the course of the last legislative session — including other bills I sponsored and issues that I worked on as a member of the Marine Resources committee.

As part of my effort to bring matters happening in Augusta back home to Sagadahoc County and Dresden, I am pleased to email a legislative newsletter to share information about ongoing legislative issues and useful resources. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to receive the e-newsletter, if you have a question or comment, or wish to share any concerns you may have. My office number is (207) 287-1515 and my email address is Eloise.Vitelli@legislature.maine.gov.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you in the Maine Legislature. I look forward to seeing you around.

Kind regards,



Senator Eloise Vitelli
District 23 — Sagadahoc County and Dresden

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Dear Friends:

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

Maine has the oldest average age in the nation. As Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, my top three priorities for the Committee are fighting fraud and financial abuse directed at our nation's seniors, increasing investments in biomedical research, and improving retirement security. Following the Committee's investigation into skyrocketing prescription drug costs, I authored bipartisan legislation to foster generic competition, which was signed into law. The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for seniors to report suspected fraud and receive assistance. To support the 40 million family caregivers in the United States, I am proud to have authored the RAISE Family Caregivers Act to create a coordinated strategy to support family members who make countless personal and financial sacrifices to care for their loved ones.

The opioid crisis touches families and communities across our state. As a member of the Appropriations Committee, I fought for significant increases in funding to support community, law-enforcement, and public health efforts. In April, the State of Maine was awarded over \$2 million to fight this devastating public health crisis. Additionally, I have authored legislation to support grandparents and other extended family members who are raising grandchildren as a result of the nation's opioid epidemic.

Biomedical research has the potential to improve and save lives, and also supports good jobs at research facilities here in Maine. Last year, the Appropriations Committee approved a \$2 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health for the third consecutive year. This includes an increase of nearly 30 percent for research on Alzheimer's, our nation's most costly disease. As founder and co-chair of the Senate Diabetes Caucus, I work to raise awareness of the threats posed by diabetes, invest in research, and improve access to treatment options. My bill to establish a national commission of health care experts on diabetes care and prevention was signed into law in 2017.

We owe our veterans so much. Last year, I worked to secure the authorization of a Community-Based Outpatient Clinic in Portland to support the health care of Maine's veterans in the southern part of our state. I also worked to secure funding extensions to help veterans throughout rural Maine receive health care within their communities. I also worked to secure funding for housing vouchers for veterans to reduce veterans' homelessness.

Maine's contributions to our national security stretch from Kittery to Limestone. I successfully advocated for critical funding for projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for construction of an additional ship that will likely be built at Bath Iron Works. This funding will strengthen our national security and preserve great jobs in our state.

As chairman of the Transportation and Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I worked to increase funding for the TIGER program that has provided Maine with more than \$122 million for vital transportation projects. For housing, I worked to provide \$160 million to help communities protect children from the harmful effects of lead poisoning.

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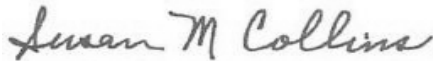
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Growing our economy remains a top priority. I supported the comprehensive tax reform bill because it will help lower- and middle-income families keep more of their hard-earned money; boost the economy; and encourage businesses, both small and large, to grow and create jobs here in Maine and around the country. This legislation contains key provisions I authored that are important to Mainers, including preserving the deduction for state and local taxes, expanding the deduction for medical expenses, and enabling public employees such as firefighters, teachers, and police officers, as well as clergy and employees of nonprofits, to make “catch-up” contributions to their retirement accounts. I led the effort to ensure that the tax cut will not trigger automatic budget cuts to Medicare or any other programs.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. As of December 2017, I have cast more than 6,500 consecutive votes, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Bowdoinham and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Portland State office at 207-780-3575 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2018 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

Outstanding 2017 Real Estate Taxes

As of 06/30/2017

NAME	BALANCE DUE	NAME	BALANCE DUE
ALLYN,JENNIFER L. & CHRISTOPHER	\$ 2,515.60	GILBERT,RAYNOLD M	\$ 1,279.99
ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	\$ 6.62	GORDON,ROBERT W	\$ 1,908.22
ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	\$ 1,671.55	GRAY, STEVEN J.	\$ 1,161.81
ASHOUWAK,LARA PERTEL	\$ 1,047.47	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E	\$ 1,117.13
ATWATER, ELIZABETH (DEVISES)	\$ 1,108.75	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E & KIM P	\$ 1,870.15
ATWOOD,LARRY E	\$ 1,825.47	HALSEY,SEAN	\$ 476.64
BAMFORD,JAMES J	\$ 506.43	HAMRICK,GARRET L	\$ 1,745.88
BISHOP, JOHN W. IV	\$ 140.68	HARRIS,DAVID	\$ 1,456.40
BISHOP,JOHN W IV	\$ 3,450.68	HEATH,GEORGE MRS	\$ 2,250.80
BLASINGAME,DONALD & CLARA	\$ 823.36	HERARD,CARL R & THERESA R	\$ 1,655.00
BOOTY, ALFRED W. JR., JULIE & JANICE.	\$ 1,358.76	HUNT,MARIE E	\$ 87.89
BOWLEY,THARON B & BARBARA A	\$ 2,449.40	HUNTER PROPERTIES LLC	\$ 2,344.06
BRAWN,CHRISTOPHER	\$ 730.68	HUNTINGTON,PATRICIA & ALLEN	\$ 177.09
BRYAN,WILLIAM J	\$ 780.66	JEROSCH,SEBASTIAN & ANIT	\$ 738.13
BRYER,SUSAN	\$ 106.75	KELLETT,RAYMOND M & ANNE R	\$ 2,264.04
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 236.67	KORINECK,STEPHEN F & LORI R	\$ 6.62
CANTRELL,CHRISTIAN A	\$ 1,830.43	LIBBY,STANLEY L & DINA J	\$ 1,327.31
CARLSON,DENISE M ET AL (PERS REP)	\$ 1,216.43	LLOYD,JOANE K	\$ 567.67
CASSIDY,SCOTT J & MICHELLE J	\$ 1,567.29	LORD,ALBERT (PERS REP)	\$ 665.31
CHACE,MICHAEL A	\$ 315.15	LOTHRIDGE,LAURA E	\$ 2,302.11
CHASE, KENNETH M. SR.	\$ 867.22	MACLEOD,JAMES C.	\$ 618.55
CLANCEY, JOSEPH P.	\$ 2,181.29	MAILLY, MARY L .	\$ 1,641.76
CROOKER,RANDY N	\$ 839.09	MALOY,SHAWN	\$ 910.17
CURRAN,CYNTHIA MARIE	\$ 2,319.31	MARTONFFY,DENES	\$ 593.80
CUSO HOME LENDING	\$ 567.67	MCAVOY,JASON P	\$ 46.34
CUTLER,ALAN F	\$ 1,151.88	MCGOWAN,BRIAN B	\$ 554.32
DAVIS,ROBERT C & KELLY L	\$ 85.23	MCKENNA,DANIEL R & CATHY L	\$ 263.97
DELAIR,ANDREA M & TODD M	\$ 548.20	MCKENNA,DANIEL R & CATHY L	\$ 268.11
DELYRA,MICHEL CARLOS (HEIRS)	\$ 1,555.70	MCKENNA,DANIEL R & CATHY L	\$ 276.38
DESPRES,MARK SR.	\$ 1,193.26	MCKENNA,DANIEL R. & CATHY L.	\$ 108.39
DEVISES OF CURRAN,ROBERT J.	\$ 349.21	MCKINNON, SARAH RICHARDSON	\$ 1,446.47
DICKEY,DARRYL	\$ 2,631.45	MENTION,DAVID	\$ 1,406.75
DOLAN,NANCY	\$ 2,836.67	MERRYMAN,RICHARD K. (HEIRS)	\$ 577.60
DONOVAN,MARK C	\$ 1,616.11	MERRYMAN,RICHARD K. (HEIRS)	\$ 433.61
DOUGLASS,RODNEY & DEBRA	\$ 420.37	MESSER,DANA	\$ 671.81
DRISCOLL,ROBERT	\$ 2,070.41	MINET,HARRY J	\$ 443.54
DUNN,DONALD C	\$ 1,237.94	MORGAN,MAURICE E & LINDA M	\$ 529.60
DUNN,JOHN B	\$ 781.99	MULLDUNE,DWAYNE & SHANE	\$ 898.67
ELLIS, ROBERT A.	\$ 1,072.44	NEIMAN, RUSSELL C.	\$ 547.80
ENGLAND, LINDA L.	\$ 1,529.22	NORTON, RONALD A.	\$ 1,987.66
EVANS, CYNTHIA J.	\$ 704.20	PERTEL,MARCIA J	\$ 1,339.89
FAVREAU,MARK J	\$ 322.72	PICKETT,EVA V GRIATZKY	\$ 708.34
FITZGERALD,JOHN &	\$ 764.61	PORTER,JAMES A JR	\$ 1,165.95
FLYNN,RONALD F	\$ 2,651.31	PORTER,JAMES A. JR.	\$ 217.63
FRIZZLE,OLA ELIZABETH	\$ 1,006.24	PORTER,JAMES A. JR.	\$ 463.40
GAUTHIER,SUZANNE	\$ 835.78	RICHARDS,LOLA HAYES	\$ 1,509.36

Outstanding 2017 Real Estate Taxes

As of 06/30/2017

NAME	BALANCE DUE	NAME	BALANCE DUE
RIDEOUT,MARK A	\$ 1,246.22	ST JEAN,RAYMOND D	\$ 625.85
RIDEOUT,MARK A	\$ 4,461.88	SUGDEN,GEORGE S. JR.	\$ 3,659.20
SAFFORD,CASSIE L & GERALD	\$ 1,507.70	SWITZER, RHONDA J.	\$ 971.83
SHAW,MATTHEW J. & MELISSA P.	\$ 1,295.73	TALBOT,KATHLEEN BIANCA	\$ 1,400.13
SHORETTE,FRED S	\$ 1,888.36	TEMPLE, MILTON R. SR.	\$ 509.74
SIEGLER,RAYMOND J JR	\$ 923.49	TEMPLE,MILTON R .	\$ 838.85
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 8.28	THOMPSON, GEORGE F.	\$ 1,626.04
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 549.46	TOME,JOHN W & SAMUEL B	\$ 11.59
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 585.87	TOME,SAMUEL B	\$ 23.17
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 590.84	TOME,SAMUEL B	\$ 1,186.64
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 599.11	TYLUS,SUSAN (TRUSTEE)	\$ 299.55
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 599.11	TYLUS,SUSAN (TRUSTEE)	\$ 542.01
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 612.35	TYLUS,SUSAN (TRUSTEE)	\$ 3,426.68
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 648.76	VENO,DANIEL A (TRUSTEE)	\$ 793.57
SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 723.24	VENO,STEVEN J	\$ 958.25
SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	\$ 8.28	VENO,TAMMY	\$ 1,312.42
SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	\$ 18.21	WARREN,DANIEL H JR	\$ 361.62
SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	\$ 160.54	WEEMS,STEVEN L & SUSAN S.	\$ 1,061.46
SKELTON,DAVID C	\$ 939.42	WEST,ELIZABETH A	\$ 2,844.95
SKIPPER,RODNEY S	\$ 1,518.66	WHEELER,PAUL F	\$ 143.99
SPRAGUE,FREDERICK B. JR.	\$ 274.73	WILDES,GUY V	\$ 1,213.12
			<u>\$ 167,642.03</u>

Delinquent Personal Property Taxes

As of 06/30/2017

NAME	YEAR	BALANCE DUE	NAME	YEAR	BALANCE DUE
AT&T MOBILITY LLC	2017	\$ 196.95	HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	2017	\$ 6.62
BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS	2017	\$ 115.85	HITZ,PAUL M A	2017	\$ 82.75
BERTULLI,ROBERT	2017	\$ 69.26	LEIGHTON,RICHARD	2017	\$ 24.83
CAVANDISH, CHRIS	2017	\$ 13.74	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	2017	\$ 205.22
CHAD WEAVER	2017	\$ 48.82	OAKES, FULTON	2017	\$ 29.79
DIRECTV, LLC.	2017	\$ 579.25	O'HARE, JAMES P & BARBARA J	2017	\$ 32.27
EARL BIGELOW	2017	\$ 36.41	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	2017	\$ 87.72
FAVREAU,MARK	2017	\$ 16.55	SKELTON,DAVID C	2017	\$ 84.40
FHC INC	2017	\$ 23.17	SKOLFIELD,ANDREW	2017	\$ 365.76
GALLAGHER, RICHARD	2017	\$ 54.62	SPIRO,LYNN	2017	\$ 177.09
GLIBA,GEORGE & IRENE	2017	\$ 599.11	ZACHAU,MAX	2017	\$ 18.20
GOUGER, DAVID	2017	\$ 79.26	ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	2017	\$ 226.74
HARRIMAN,JESSE W JR	2017	\$ 86.06			
					<u>\$3,260.44</u>

Delinquent Personal Property Taxes**As of 06/30/2017**

BALANCE			BALANCE		
NAME	YEAR	DUE	NAME	YEAR	DUE
BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS	2016	\$ 115.15	BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS	2015	\$ 113.75
DIRECTV, LLC.	2016	\$ 178.99	HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	2015	\$ 16.25
GALLAGHER, RICHARD	2016	\$ 32.08	HITZ,PAUL M A	2015	\$ 81.25
GLIBA,GEORGE & IRENE	2016	\$ 295.93	LEIGHTON,RICHARD	2015	\$ 24.38
HARRIMAN,JESSE W JR	2016	\$ 85.54	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	2015	\$ 201.50
HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	2016	\$ 11.51	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	2015	\$ 86.13
HITZ,PAUL M A	2016	\$ 82.25	SKOLFIELD,ANDREW	2015	\$ 437.13
LEIGHTON,RICHARD	2016	\$ 24.68	ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	2015	\$ 289.25
MCPHERSON,JAMES A	2016	\$ 203.98			
RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	2016	\$ 87.19			<u>\$1,249.64</u>
SKOLFIELD,ANDREW	2016	\$ 403.03			
SPIRO,LYNN	2016	\$ 109.34			
ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	2016	\$ 259.91			
		<u>\$1,889.58</u>			

Lien Breakdown**Tax Year 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 & 2016 as of 06/30/2017**

YEAR	NAME	PRINCIPAL DUE	YEAR	NAME	PRINCIPAL DUE
2010	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 211.64	2014	CARLSON,DENISE M ET AL (PR)	\$ 1,131.90
2011	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 211.64	2014	CUTLER,ALAN F	\$ 1,150.38
2011	CUTLER,ALAN F	\$ 627.52	2014	DELYRA,MICHEL CARLOS	\$ 1,955.80
2011	MAILLY,MARY	\$ 1,480.00	2014	GRIATZKY,STEVEN M	\$ 90.86
2011	MULLDUNE,DWAYNE & SHANE	\$ 803.64	2014	MAILLY,MARY	\$ 1,532.30
2012	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 74.00	2014	MULLDUNE,DWAYNE & SHANE	\$ 836.22
2012	CUTLER,ALAN F	\$ 1,253.56	2015	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 69.88
2012	DELYRA,MICHEL CARLOS	\$ 1,889.96	2015	CARLSON,DENISE M ET AL (PR)	\$ 1,194.38
2012	GRIATZKY,STEVEN M	\$ 87.32	2015	CARON,SARAH.E	\$ 720.28
2012	MAILLY,MARY	\$ 1,475.56	2015	CUTLER,ALAN F	\$ 1,212.25
2012	MULLDUNE,DWAYNE & SHANE	\$ 803.64	2015	DELYRA,MICHEL CARLOS	\$ 2,063.75
2013	ALEXANDER, PATRICK	\$ 172.49	2015	DESPRES,MARK SR.	\$ 1,171.63
2013	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 69.87	2015	MAILLY,MARY	\$ 1,612.00
2013	CARLSON,DENISE M ET AL (P R)	\$ 1,110.12	2015	MULLDUNE,DWAYNE & SHANE	\$ 882.38
2013	CUTLER,ALAN F	\$ 1,132.65	2016	ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	\$ 1,398.25
2013	DELYRA,MICHEL CARLOS	\$ 1,920.83	2016	ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	\$ 6.58
2013	GRIATZKY,STEVEN M	\$ 88.55	2016	ATWOOD,LARRY E	\$ 1,814.44
2013	MAILLY,MARY	\$ 1,502.01	2016	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 70.74
2013	MULLDUNE,DWAYNE & SHANE	\$ 820.05	2016	CANTRELL,CHRISTIAN A	\$ 1,819.37
2014	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$ 66.22	2016	CARLSON,DENISE M ET AL (PR)	\$ 1,209.08

Lien Breakdown

Tax Year 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 & 2016 as of 06/30/2017

YEAR	NAME	PRINCIPAL DUE	YEAR	NAME	PRINCIPAL DUE
2016	CASTIALLO, VALENTINA (PR)	\$ 1.65	2016	MORGAN, MAURICE E & LINDA	\$ 526.40
2016	CLANCEY, JOSEPH P.	\$ 935.18	2016	MULLDUNE, DWAYNE & SHANE	\$ 893.24
2016	CROOKER, RANDY N	\$ 916.27	2016	NORTON, RONALD A.	\$ 2,166.46
2016	CUTLER, ALAN F	\$ 1,227.17	2016	RICHARDS, LOLA HAYES	\$ 1,582.49
2016	DELYRA, MICHEL CARLOS	\$ 2,089.15	2016	RIDEOUT, MARK A	\$ 1,238.69
2016	DESPRES, MARK SR.	\$ 1,186.04	2016	RIDEOUT, MARK A	\$ 4,504.01
2016	DICKEY, DARRYL	\$ 2,615.55	2016	SHORETTE, FRED S	\$ 1,876.95
2016	DUNN, DONALD C	\$ 1,144.70	2016	SIEGLER, RAYMOND J JR	\$ 917.91
2016	ENGLAND, LINDA L.	\$ 1,377.43	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 8.23
2016	FITZGERALD, JOHN &	\$ 759.99	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 608.65
2016	GRAY, STEVEN J.	\$ 1,154.79	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 644.84
2016	GUSTAFSON, PAUL E	\$ 1,110.38	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 718.87
2016	GUSTAFSON, PAUL E & KIM P	\$ 1,941.10	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 595.49
2016	HALSEY, SEAN	\$ 473.76	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 546.14
2016	HARRIMAN, HOPE L	\$ 861.98	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 595.49
2016	HARRIS, DAVID	\$ 1,158.02	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 587.27
2016	HEATH, GEORGE MRS	\$ 2,237.20	2016	SK ENTERPRISES LLP	\$ 582.33
2016	HERARD, CARL R & THERESA R	\$ 1,727.25	2016	SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	\$ 116.80
2016	HUNTINGTON, PATRICIA ALLEN	\$ 176.02	2016	SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	\$ 13.16
2016	KELLETT, RAYMOND & ANNE	\$ 2,085.86	2016	SK ENTERPRISES, LLP	\$ 8.23
2016	LORD, ALBERT (PERS REP)	\$ 661.29	2016	TALBOT, KATHLEEN BIANCA	\$ 1,473.92
2016	MAILLY, MARY L .	\$ 1,631.84			
					<u>\$ 85,421.93</u>



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REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Selectmen and Manager
TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
Bowdoinham, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

EXHIBIT I

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2017**

	Primary <u>Government</u> Governmental <u>Activities</u>
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,711,527
Investments	666,598
Accounts Receivable	10,343
Taxes Receivable	153,914
Tax Liens Receivable	75,964
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>2,194,228</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 4,812,574</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 0</u>
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 4,812,574</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 3,134
Accrued Expenses	56,810
Escrow Deposits	292
Non Current Liabilities	
Due Within One Year	262,550
Due in More Than One Year	<u>1,450,432</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,773,218</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 3,609</u>
Net Position (Deficit)	
<i>Net Investment in Capital Assets</i>	\$ 383,205
<i>Restricted for</i>	
Tax Increment Financing District	537,047
<i>Unrestricted</i>	<u>2,115,495</u>
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$ 3,035,747</u></u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of This Statement.

EXHIBIT II

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Primary Government</u>
<u>Primary Government</u>		<u>Charges for Services</u>			<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Governmental Activities					
General Government	\$ 634,727	\$ 55,557	\$ 0	\$ (579,170)	
Public Works and Maintenance	476,127	824	35,068	(440,235)	
Solid Waste	177,125	90,999	0	(86,126)	
Public Safety	98,820	4,127	0	(94,693)	
Culture and Recreation	41,773	58,377	4,239	20,843	
Public Health and Welfare	33,923	7,565	3,515	(22,843)	
Education	2,795,055	0	0	(2,795,055)	
Contingency	2,289	0	0	(2,289)	
County Tax and Overlay	465,193	0	0	(465,193)	
Interest on Long-Term Debt	45,242	0	0	(45,242)	
Depreciation - Unallocated	<u>145,085</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(145,085)</u>	
Total Primary Government	\$ 4,915,359	\$ 217,449	\$ 42,822	\$ (4,655,088)	
General Revenues					
Property and Other Taxes				\$ 4,993,546	
Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Special Programs				233,132	
Unrestricted Investment Earnings				17,144	
Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments				46,510	
Realized Gains (Losses) on Investments				13,654	
Miscellaneous				<u>5,772</u>	
Total General Revenues				\$ 5,309,758	
Changes in Net Position				\$ 654,670	
Net Position – July 1, 2016				<u>2,381,077</u>	
Net Position – June 30, 2017				\$ 3,035,747	

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EXHIBIT III

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Permanent Funds	CMP TIF	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,701,649	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 9,878	\$ 1,711,527
Investments	0	666,598	0	0	666,598
Taxes Receivable	153,914	0	0	0	153,914
Tax Liens Receivable	75,964	0	0	0	75,964
Accounts Receivable	10,343	0	0	0	10,343
Due From Other Funds	<u>10,894</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>500,127</u>	<u>216,058</u>	<u>727,079</u>
Total Assets	\$ 1,952,764	\$ 666,598	\$ 500,127	\$ 225,936	\$ 3,345,425
Deferred Outflows of Resources					
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 1,952,764</u>	<u>\$ 666,598</u>	<u>\$ 500,127</u>	<u>\$ 225,936</u>	<u>\$ 3,345,425</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance					
Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$ 3,134	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,134
Accrued Expenses	29,729	0	0	0	29,729
Escrow Deposits	292	0	0	0	292
Due to Other Funds	<u>716,185</u>	<u>10,894</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>727,079</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 749,340</u>	<u>\$ 10,894</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 760,234</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Unavailable Revenue – Property Taxes	<u>\$ 150,609</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 150,609</u>
Fund Balance					
<i>Nonspendable</i>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<i>Restricted</i>					
Tax Increment Financing	0	0	500,127	\$ 36,920	\$ 537,047
<i>Committed</i>					
Capital Project Funds	0	0	0	113,340	113,340
Appropriated for FY2018	40,000	0	0	0	40,000
<i>Assigned</i>					
Special Revenue Funds	0	0	0	75,676	75,676
Permanent Funds	0	655,704	0	0	655,704
<i>Unassigned</i>					
General Fund	<u>1,012,815</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,012,815</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,052,815</u>	<u>\$ 655,704</u>	<u>\$ 500,127</u>	<u>\$ 225,936</u>	<u>\$ 2,434,582</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance					
Balance	<u>\$ 1,952,764</u>	<u>\$ 666,598</u>	<u>\$ 500,127</u>	<u>\$ 225,936</u>	<u>\$ 3,345,425</u>

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EXHIBIT IV

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2017**

Total Fund Balances – Total Governmental Funds \$2,434,582

**Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of
Net Position is Different Because**

Capital Assets Used in Governmental Activities are Not
Current Financial Resources and Therefore are Not
Reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. 2,194,228

Interest Payable on Long-Term Debt Does Not Require Current
Financial Resources and Therefore Interest Payable is Not Reported
as a Liability in Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. (27,081)

Unavailable Property Tax Revenues are Not Available to Pay for
Current Period Expenditures and Therefore, are Deferred Inflows of
Resources. 147,000

Long Term Liabilities are Not Due and Payable in the Current Period
and Therefore, They are Not Reported in the Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet

Due in One Year	\$ 262,550	
Due in More Than One Year	1,426,395	
Accrued Compensated Absence Pay	<u>24,037</u>	<u>(1,712,982)</u>

Net Position of Governmental Activities \$3,035,747

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EXHIBIT V

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Permanent Funds	CMP TIF	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Property and Other Taxes	\$ 4,540,460	\$ 0	\$ 393,990	\$ 74,596	\$ 5,009,046
Intergovernmental	275,953	0	0	0	275,953
Licenses, Permits and Fees	48,972	0	0	0	48,972
Charges for Services	115,669	0	0	0	115,669
Investment Income	5,081	13,820	0	16	18,917
Realized Gains	0	46,510	0	0	46,510
Unrealized Gains	0	13,654	0	0	13,654
Miscellaneous	14,873	8,308	0	32,935	56,116
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 5,001,008</u>	<u>\$ 82,292</u>	<u>\$ 393,990</u>	<u>\$ 107,547</u>	<u>\$ 5,584,837</u>
Expenditures					
<i>Current</i>					
General Government	\$ 442,504	\$ 0	\$ 20,968	\$ 170,125	\$ 633,597
Public Works and Maintenance	458,655	17,115	0	66,558	542,328
Solid Waste	177,125	0	0	0	177,125
Public Safety	98,743	77	0	0	98,820
Culture and Recreation	38,080	2,675	0	1,018	41,773
Public Health and Welfare	31,906	561	0	1,456	33,923
Education	2,792,939	2,116	0	0	2,795,055
Contingency	2,289	0	0	0	2,289
Debt Service	377,355	0	0	0	377,355
County Tax and Overlay	465,193	0	0	0	465,193
<i>Capital Outlay</i>	110,694	0	84,506	387,543	582,743
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 4,995,483</u>	<u>\$ 22,544</u>	<u>\$ 105,474</u>	<u>\$ 626,700</u>	<u>\$ 5,750,201</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 5,525	\$ 59,748	\$ 288,516	\$ (519,153)	\$ (165,364)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Transfers In (Out)	(75,277)	(7,000)	0	82,277	0
Proceeds from Borrowing	0	0	0	460,000	460,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(75,277)</u>	<u>(7,000)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>542,277</u>	<u>460,000</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ (69,752)</u>	<u>\$ 52,748</u>	<u>\$ 288,516</u>	<u>\$ 23,124</u>	<u>\$ 294,636</u>
Fund Balance, Initially Stated— July 1, 2016	\$ 1,536,990	\$ 602,956	\$ 0	0	\$ 2,139,946
Prior Period Reclassifications	<u>(414,423)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>211,611</u>	<u>202,812</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance as Restated – July 1, 2016	<u>\$ 1,122,567</u>	<u>\$ 602,956</u>	<u>\$ 211,611</u>	<u>\$ 202,812</u>	<u>\$ 2,139,946</u>
Fund Balance – June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 1,052,815</u>	<u>\$ 655,704</u>	<u>\$ 500,127</u>	<u>\$ 225,936</u>	<u>\$ 2,434,582</u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of This Statement

EXHIBIT VI

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

Net Change in Fund Balance – Total Governmental Funds	\$294,636
Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are Different Because	
Governmental Funds Report Capital Outlays as Expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the Cost of Those Assets is Allocated Over Their Estimated Useful Lives and Reported as Depreciation Expense. This is the Amount of Capital Assets Recorded in the Current Period.	648,944
Depreciation Expense on Capital Assets is Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, But They Do Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources and Therefore, Depreciation Expense is Not Reported as Expenditure in Governmental Funds.	(145,085)
The Issuance of Long-Term Debt (e.g. Bonds and Accrued Compensated Absence Pay) Provides Current Financial Resources to Governmental Funds, While the Repayment of the Principal of Long-Term Debt Consumes the Current Financial Resources of Governmental Funds. Neither Transaction, However, has Any Effect on Net Position. Also, Governmental Funds Report the Effect of Issuance Cost, Premiums, Discounts, and Similar Items When Debt is First Issued, Whereas the Amounts are Deferred and Amortized in the Statement of Activities. This Amount is the Net Effect of These Differences in the Treatment of Long-Term Debt and Related Items.	(121,166)
Some Property Tax Will Not be Collected for Several Months After the Town's Fiscal Year End; They are Not Considered Current Financial Resources in the Governmental Funds. This Amount is the Net Effect of the Differences.	(15,500)
Changes in Accrued Interest Expense on Long-Term Debt and Accrued Compensated Absences are Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, But Do Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources; Therefore, These Items Are Not Reported as Expenditures in Governmental Funds.	<u>(7,159)</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 654,670</u>

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EXHIBIT VII

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Amounts</u>	
Revenues				
Property and Other Taxes	\$ 4,393,669	\$ 4,393,669	\$ 4,540,460	\$ 146,791
Intergovernmental	279,504	279,504	275,953	(3,551)
Licenses, Permits and Fees	45,100	45,100	48,972	3,872
Charges for Services	122,350	122,350	115,669	(6,681)
Investment Income	3,300	3,300	5,081	1,781
Miscellaneous	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>14,873</u>	<u>12,873</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 4,845,923</u>	<u>\$ 4,845,923</u>	<u>\$ 5,001,008</u>	<u>\$ 155,085</u>
Expenditures				
<i>Current</i>				
General Government	\$ 461,016	\$ 461,016	\$ 442,504	\$ 18,512
Public Works and Maintenance	462,332	462,332	458,655	3,677
Solid Waste	189,436	189,436	177,125	12,311
Public Safety	114,511	114,511	98,743	15,768
Culture and Recreation	45,762	45,762	38,080	7,682
Public Health and Welfare	34,000	34,000	31,906	2,094
Education	2,792,939	2,792,939	2,792,939	0
Contingency	8,000	8,000	2,289	5,711
Debt Service	286,991	386,991	377,355	9,636
County Tax and Overlay	483,709	483,709	465,193	18,516
<i>Capital Outlay</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>111,950</u>	<u>110,694</u>	<u>1,256</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 4,878,696</u>	<u>\$ 5,090,646</u>	<u>\$ 4,995,483</u>	<u>\$ 95,163</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (32,773)	\$ (244,723)	\$ 5,525	\$ 250,248
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers In (Out)	<u>\$ (17,227)</u>	<u>\$ (75,277)</u>	<u>\$ (75,277)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ (50,000)</u>	<u>\$ (320,000)</u>	<u>\$ (69,752)</u>	<u>\$ 250,248</u>
Fund Balance – July 1, 2016	\$ 1,536,990	\$ 1,536,990	\$ 1,536,990	\$ 0
Prior Period Reclassification	<u>(414,423)</u>	<u>(414,423)</u>	<u>(414,423)</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance – July 1, 2016 Restated	<u>\$ 1,122,567</u>	<u>\$ 1,122,567</u>	<u>\$ 1,122,567</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Fund Balance – June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 1,072,567</u>	<u>\$ 802,567</u>	<u>\$ 1,052,815</u>	<u>\$ 250,248</u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of This Statement.

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NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Town carries commercial insurance.

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverages during the fiscal year and no significant settlements that exceeded insurance coverage.

NOTE 9 – OVERLAPPING DEBT

The Town's proportionate share of Sagadahoc County's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham. At June 30, 2017, the Town's share was 5.6% (or \$322,851) of the County's outstanding debt of \$5,765,194.

The Town's proportionate share of Maine School Administrative District No. 75's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham. At June 30, 2017, the Town's share was 11.97% (or \$1,357,469) of the District's outstanding debt of \$11,340,597.

NOTE 10 – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING/DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

During 2002, the Town of Bowdoinham was given approval for the creation of the Natural Gas Pipeline Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District ("the District").

The designation of the District and pursuit of the Development Program will generate substantial economic benefits for the Town and its residents, including employment opportunities, broadened and improved tax base and economic stimulus and therefore, constitutes a good and valid public purpose.

The expenditures from this development project will be recouped in future years via an increment tax levied upon the District's captured assessed value over a twenty-year period.

Article #4 of the Annual Town Meeting on June 10, 2016, approved a new district to be known as the Town of Bowdoinham CMP/Riverfront Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District. This district would consist of 110.07 acres located in two distinct tracts, one near Main Street and the other near Brown Point Road. The development program for the District proposes to provide financial support to a number of Town economic development projects and programs. The percentage of new taxes to be captured by the Town of the 20-year program is 100% for years 1-20.

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NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES

Previously, the Town implemented the following accounting standard issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB):

- GASB Statement 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions.

GASB Statement 54 clarifies the existing governmental fund type definitions and provides clearer fund balance categories and classifications. The hierarchical fund balance classification is based primarily upon the extent to which a government is bound to follow constraints on resources in governmental funds and includes the terms: nonspendable, committed, restricted, assigned, and unassigned.

The Town's fund balances represent: **(1) Nonspendable Fund Balance**, resources that cannot be spent because of legal or contractual provisions that require they be maintained intact. (e.g. the principal of an endowment). **(2) Restricted Purposes**, which include balances that are legally restricted for specific purposes due to constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; **(3) Committed Purposes**, which include balances that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Selectmen; **(4) Assigned Purposes**, which includes balances that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. **(5) Unassigned Fund Balance**, net resources in excess of what is properly categorized in one of the four categories already described. A positive amount of unassigned fund balance will never be reported in a governmental fund other than the general fund because GASB Statement 54 prohibits reporting resources in another fund unless they are at least assigned to the purpose of that fund.

However, funds other than the general fund could report a negative amount of unassigned fund balance should the total of nonspendable, restricted and committed fund balance exceed the total net resources of the fund.

The Town of Bowdoinham has the responsibility for committing fund balance amounts and likewise would be required to modify or rescind those commitments.

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JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. When committed, assigned, and unassigned resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use committed or assigned resources first, then unassigned resources as they are needed.

The General Fund unassigned fund balance total of \$1,012,815 represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. This balance is consistent with the Town's fund balance policy calling for unassigned fund balance of at least two months' expenditures.

As per Exhibit III, a summary of the nature and purpose of these reserves by fund type at June 30, 2017 follows.

Restricted

Special Revenues

CMP Tax Increment Financing District	\$ 500,127
Non-Major Tax Increment Financing District	<u>36,920</u>
Total Tax Increment Financing Districts	<u>\$ 537,047</u>

Committed

Capital Projects Funds

Public Works Facility Engineering & Design	\$ 58,050
Skateboard Park	15,850
2016 Road Bond	10,417
2016 Truck Bond	5,719
Electronic Equipment Reserve	3,595
Fire Department	5,970
Waterfront Reserve	7,549
Coombs Septic	3,182
Town Hall Office Reserve	2,500
Solid Waste Hazardous	505
Recreational	<u>3</u>

Total \$ 113,340

Committed

General Fund

Appropriated from Surplus to Reduce Taxes in FY 2017/18	<u>\$ 40,000</u>
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Assigned

Special Revenues

Merrymeeting Trail	\$ 4,521
Celebrate Bowdoinham	24,129
Health Reimbursement Arrangement	9,878
Home Heating for Needy Families	12,183

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NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)

Assigned

Special Revenues (Continued)

EMS Donations	\$ 3,884
Bottle Funds Community Projects	5,251
Comprehensive Plan Reserve	4,511
25 th Anniversary	6,939
Youth Alternatives Donations	480
Committee on Aging	2,400
Ace Team	<u>1,500</u>
Total	<u>\$ 75,676</u>

Assigned

Permanent Funds

Cemetery Funds	
Noble Maxwell	\$ 386,098
Village Cemetery	51,001
Ridge	32,174
Charles B. Randall	25,002
Sara Miles	10,724
Eliza Mustard	2,427
Browns Point	<u>29</u>
Cemetery Funds Total	<u>\$ 507,455</u>

Trust Funds

Worthy Poor	\$ 45,348
Commemorative Trust	46,600
Anniversary Trusts	8,830
Trust Fund Total	<u>\$ 100,778</u>

Other Funds

Bowdoinham Community School Scholarship	\$ 11,985
Viola Coombs	10,125
Volunteer Fire Dept	8,102
Lewis Fulton-Prize Trust	6,158
Lancaster Bishop School	3,889
Franklin K. Jack	2,917
Dussault	2,674
Carrie Rideout	<u>1,621</u>
Other Funds Total	<u>\$ 47,471</u>

Total Permanent Funds **\$ 655,704**

Unassigned

General Fund **\$ 1,012,815**



**PROPOSED BUDGETS
FOR FISCAL YEAR
2018-2019**

Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2019

Summary

ARTICLE DEPARTMENT EXPENSES				INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
		FY 18 BUDGET	FY 19 REQUEST		
6	Administration	411,831	428,011	16,180	3.93%
7	General Services	29,500	51,500	22,000	74.58%
8	Debt Services	306,830	349,589	42,759	13.94%
9	Fire & Rescue Department	97,523	98,454	932	0.96%
10	Town Facilities Maintenance	87,035	84,235	(2,800)	-3.22%
11	Animal Control/Harbor Master	17,567	18,885	1,319	7.51%
12	Public Works	382,996	406,957	23,961	6.26%
13	Solid Waste & Recycling	191,906	185,277	(6,629)	-3.45%
14	Recreation	46,531	43,614	(2,917)	-6.27%
15	Planning, Community Devel. & Codes	78,533	85,044	6,511	8.29%
16	Contingency	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
	Organization Requests	2,995	0	(2,995)	-100.00%
4-5	Capital Reserves	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENSES		1,668,246	1,766,566	98,320	5.89%

Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2019

Administration Budget

ARTICLE # 6 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Personnel				
Town Manager Salary	88,475	89,802	1,327	1.50%
Administrative Personnel	99,006	103,599	4,593	4.64%
Assessing Personnel	17,181	15,912	(1,269)	-7.39%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increases(2%)		3,869	3,869	2.00%
Subtotal:	204,662	213,182	8,520	4.16%
Support & Benefits				
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	15,657	16,308	652	4.16%
Health, & Retirement benefits	41,158	43,972	2,814	6.84%
Subtotal:	56,815	60,280	3,466	6.10%
Subtotal Personnel Svcs Budget:	261,477	273,462	11,986	4.58%
Professional Services				
Legal Expense	4,500	5,500	1,000	22.22%
Maine Municipal Assoc. Dues	3,500	3,643	143	4.09%
Municipal Audit Services	4,900	6,850	1,950	39.80%
Mapping Services	2,800	2,800	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	15,700	18,793	3,093	19.70%
Boards & Stipends				
Selectmen's Stipend	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%
Election Stipends	2,100	2,300	200	9.52%
Health Officer	750	750	0	0.00%
Cemetery Sexton	550	550	0	0.00%
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	757	773	15	2.02%
Subtotal:	10,657	10,873	215	2.02%
Operating Expenses				
Printing & Publications	2,700	3,000	300	11.11%
Training (7 staff)	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Election Expenses	3,500	5,500	2,000	57.14%
Miscellaneous Expense	300	300	0	0.00%
Payroll Service Expense	4,500	5,200	700	15.56%
Mileage Reimbursement	2,300	2,300	0	0.00%
Office Supplies	3,200	3,600	400	12.50%
Postage & Bulk Mail	5,000	5,800	800	16.00%
Website Maintenance/Updates	1,000	0	(1,000)	-100.00%
Registry of Deeds	4,800	4,800	0	0.00%
Meeting Broadcast/Recording	2,400	2,400	0	0.00%
Ordinance Enforcement	500	500	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	37,200	40,400	3,200	8.60%

Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2019

Administration Budget

ARTICLE # 6 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Equip.Replace/Repair/Computer Maint	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Software Licenses	9,600	11,820	2,220	23.13%
Postage Meter-Lease/Purchase	1,250	1,250	0	0.00%
Copier Lease/Maint. Agreement	6,395	6,650	255	3.99%
Subtotal:	24,245	26,720	2,475	10.21%
Risk Management				
Public Officials Liability	4,466	4,171	(295)	-6.61%
Employee Bonding	427	427	0	0.00%
Worker's Comp	19,982	15,969	(4,013)	-20.08%
Unemployment	1,000	750	(250)	-25.00%
General Liability	7,500	7,003	(497)	-6.63%
Vehicle Insurance	11,500	11,051	(449)	-3.90%
Fire Dept Ins.	9,977	9,692	(285)	-2.86%
Subtotal:	54,852	49,063	(5,789)	-10.55%
Utilities Expense				
Electricity	2,300	3,300	1,000	43.48%
Heating Expense	1,600	1,600	0	0.00%
Water Service	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Telephone Expense	2,700	2,700	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	7,700	8,700	1,000	12.99%
Total Administrative Budget:	411,831	428,011	16,180	3.93%

Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2019

Town Facilities Maintenance Budget

ARTICLE # 10 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
TOWN FACILITIES MAINTENANCE				
Custodial & Supplies	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Town Hall / Office Maint & Repair	8,000	6,000	(2,000)	-25.00%
Town Hall/Office Capital Improvements	3,000	0	(3,000)	N/A
Waterfront Maintenance/Parks	5,500	6,500	1,000	18.18%
Hydrant Rental	55,235	55,235	0	0.00%
Street & Facility Lighting	9,800	11,000	1,200	12.24%
Memorial Day	500	500	0	0.00%
Town Facilities Maintenance Budget:	87,035	84,235	(2,800)	-3.22%

Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2019**General Services & Debt Service Budget**

ARTICLE # 7 & 8 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
GENERAL SERVICES BUDGET				
General Assistance	5,000	4,000	(1,000)	-20.00%
Library Appropriation	20,000	20,500	500	2.50%
Snowbirds Appropriation	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Bowdoinham Historical Society	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Ambulance Contract	2,500	25,000	22,500	900.00%
General Services Budget:	29,500	51,500	22,000	74.58%
DEBT SERVICE BUDGET				
2008 Pleasant & Ridge Rd Bond (10 yr - 3.7%)	43,336	43,336	0	0.00%
2009 Road Bond (10 yr - 3.9%) (Paid off early)	0	0	0	
2011 Road, PW Truck Bond (10yr - 2.13%)	64,400	64,400	0	0.00%
2011 Fire Truck Bond (15 yr - 2.13%)	17,067	17,067	0	0.00%
2012 Millay Road, PW Trackless Bond (10yr - 3.09%)	35,203	36,290	1,087	3.09%
2013 Lease/Purchase Backhoe (10yr - 3.2%)	10,524	10,524	0	0.00%
2015 Lease/Purchase Loader (10 yr - 2.5%)	15,489	15,489	0	0.00%
2015 Abbagadasset Road Bond (10 yr - 3.52%)	11,291	11,521	230	2.04%
2015 PW Truck Bond (7 yr - 3.28%)	22,053	22,776	723	3.28%
2016 PW Truck Bond (7 yr - 2.89%)	19,642	20,809	1,167	5.94%
2016 Pork Point Road Bond (10 yr - 3.06%)	26,970	27,998	1,028	3.81%
2017 Wildes Road Bond (7 yr - 2.76%)	0	23,572	23,572	100.00%
2018 Fire Truck Bond ()	0	14,287	14,287	100.00%
Interest Expense	40,855	41,520	665	1.63%
Debt Service Budget:	306,830	349,589	42,759	13.94%
Total General & Debt Services Budget	336,330	401,089	64,759	19.25%

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Fire & Rescue Budget

ARTICLE # 9 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Administration				
Fire Chief Salary	15,997	16,477	480	3.00%
Fire & Rescue Volunteers	22,900	23,000	100	0.44%
Emergency Management Director	0	750	750	100.00%
Subtotal:	38,897	40,227	1,330	3.42%
FICA				
FICA	2,976	3,077	102	3.42%
Health, & Retirement benefits	0	0	0	N/A
Subtotal:	2,976	3,077	102	3.42%
Operating Expense				
Training	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
Mileage Reimburse	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Office Supplies	600	600	0	0.00%
Physicals/Innoculations	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
Fire Suppression Equipment	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Equipment Testing	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Radio Purchase & Repair	2,500	2,000	(500)	-20.00%
Turnout Gear/Protective Clothing	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Building Maintenance	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%
Print/Publications/Train (Rescue)	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Equipment (Rescue)	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
License/Memberships (Rescue)	750	750	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	42,350	41,850	(500)	-1.18%
Utilities Expense				
Electricity	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Heating Expense	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
Water Service	300	300	0	0.00%
Telephone	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	6,300	6,300	0	0.00%
Vehicle Maintenance				
Diesel	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
Vehicle Maintenance/Parts & Repair	4,500	4,500	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Fire & Rescue Department Budget:	97,523	98,454	932	0.96%

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ACO/Harbor Master Budget

ARTICLE # 11 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
PERSONNEL				
ACO Salary	8,277	8,443	166	2.01%
Harbor Master salary	1,836	1,873	37	2.02%
FICA	774	789	16	2.01%
Sub-total	10,887	11,105	219	2.01%
ACO				
Pager/Phone	840	840	0	0.00%
Mileage Reimbursement	500	1,000	500	100.00%
Animal Shelter Contract	3,800	3,800	0	0.00%
Feral Cat/Disposal	150	150	0	0.00%
Supplies & Equip./Training	450	450	0	0.00%
Sub-total	5,740	6,240	500	8.71%
HARBOR MASTER				
Training & Membership	375	375	0	0.00%
Supplies & Equip	400	1,000	600	150.00%
Telephone	165	165	0	0.00%
Sub-total	940	1,540	600	63.83%
Animal Control/Harbor Budget:	17,567	18,885	1,319	7.51%

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Contingency Budget

ARTICLE # 16 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Contingency				
Contingency	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Contingency Budget:	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Organization Requests				
BCDI	1,500	0	(1,500)	-100.00%
Spectrum Generations	1,495	0	(1,495)	-100.00%
Merrymeeting Arts Center	0	0	0	
Organization Requests Budget:	2,995	1,500	-2,995	-100.00%

Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2019

Public Works Budget

ARTICLE # 12 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Public Works Foreman	43,888	44,547	659	1.50%
PW Personnel	62,355	63,273	918	1.47%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase (2%)		2,156	2,156	2.00%
Subtotal:	106,243	109,976	3,733	3.51%
FICA	9,792	10,136	344	3.51%
Health, & Retirement benefits	45,353	52,471	7,118	15.69%
Subtotal:	55,145	62,607	7,462	13.53%
Operating Expense				
Printing/Pubs/Training	600	500	(100)	-16.67%
Miscellaneous Supplies	1,000	900	(100)	-10.00%
Vehicle Maintenance	12,000	12,000	0	0.00%
Vehicle Replacement Fund	0	0	0	N/A
Tools/Equip/Radios/Uniforms	3,500	4,000	500	14.29%
Engineering/Site Survey	0	0	0	N/A
Office Furniture, etc - New Building		6,000	6,000	100.00%
Building Maintenance	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	18,100	24,400	6,300	34.81%
Utilities				
Electricity-old Buildings	1,000	750	(250)	-25.00%
Electricity-New Buildings		1,000	1,000	100.00%
Heating-Old Buildings	3,000	1,000	(2,000)	-66.67%
Heating-New Buildings		5,000	5,000	100.00%
Telephone/Internet/trash	2,250	2,700	450	20.00%
Subtotal:	6,250	10,450	4,200	67.20%
Highway Maintenance				
Mow/Grade/Culvert	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Gravel	20,000	20,000	0	0.00%
Signage	700	700	0	0.00%
Paving/Surf mant	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Gas/Diesel	8,000	7,000	(1,000)	-12.50%
Subtotal:	36,700	35,700	(1,000)	-2.72%
Snow & Ice Removal				
Plowing & Sanding Contract(s)	16,800	17,300	500	2.98%
PW Overtime	21,758	22,523	765	3.52%
Road Salt and Sand	80,000	90,000	10,000	12.50%
Diesel (winter)	15,000	14,000	(1,000)	-6.67%
Winter Vehicle& Equip. Main.	27,000	20,000	(7,000)	-25.93%
Subtotal:	160,558	163,823	3,265	2.03%
Total Public Works Budget:	382,996	406,957	23,961	6.26%

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Solid Waste & Recycling Budget

ARTICLE # 13 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Personnel				
Recycling Personnel	41,221	36,218	(5,003)	-12.14%
Recycling Director	20,316	19,162	(1,154)	-5.68%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increases (2%)	1,847	1,108	(739)	2.00%
Subtotal:	63,384	56,488	-6,896	-10.88%
Support & Benefits				
FICA	4,849	4,321	(528)	-10.88%
Health & Retirement benefits	5,200	2,336	(2,864)	-55.08%
Subtotal:	10,049	6,657	(3,392)	-33.75%
Operating Expenses				
Misc. Expense	3,275	3,275	0	0.00%
Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Recycling Barn Lease	15,298	15,757	459	3.00%
Gas/Oil/Propane	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Building Upgrades/Engineering	1,500	2,200	700	46.67%
Snow Removal Contract	0	1,500	1,500	100.00%
Building Maintenance - General	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
Sub-total	25,373	28,032	2,659	10.48%
Utilities Expense				
Electricity & Telephone	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Sub-total	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Recycling & Disposal Expenses				
Single Stream Contract	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
General Disposal	5,500	5,500	0	0.00%
Curbside Pickup Contract	65,000	65,000	0	0.00%
Trash Disposal	17,000	17,000	0	0.00%
Hazardous Waste	2,000	3,000	1,000	50.00%
Sub-total	92,000	93,000	1,000	1.09%
Solid Waste & Recycling Budget:	191,906	185,277	(6,629)	-3.45%

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Recreation Budget

ARTICLE # 14 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Personnel				
Wages & Salaries	18,050	18,050	0	0.00%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase		542	542	3.00%
Subtotal:	18,050	18,592	542	3.00%
Support & Benefits				
FICA	1,381	1,422	41	3.00%
Health/Retirement	0	0	0	N/A
Subtotal:	1,381	1,422	41	3.00%
Operating Expenses				
Misc. Expense	1,800	1,800	0	0.00%
Postage	300	300	0	N/A
Food Service Expense	3,000	2,000	(1,000)	-33.33%
Recreation Advertising	500	500	0	0.00%
Recreation Facilities	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Operating Expenses	13,600	12,600	(1,000)	-7.35%
Athletic Program				
Program Expenses	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Athletic Program Expense	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Activities Program				
Activities	7,500	5,000	(2,500)	-33.33%
Activities Expense	7,500	5,000	(2,500)	-33.33%
Recreation Budget:	46,531	43,614	(2,917)	-6.27%

Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2019

Planning, Community Development & Codes Budget

ARTICLE # 15 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2018 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 19 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Personnel				
Planner (35%)	19,606	19,900	294	1.50%
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer	25,859	26,390	531	2.05%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase (2%)		926	926	3.00%
Subtotal:	45,465	47,216	1,751	3.85%
Support & Benefits				
FICA	3,478	3,612	134	3.85%
Health, & Retirement benefits	19,500	24,426	4,926	25.26%
Subtotal:	22,978	28,038	5,060	22.02%
Operating Expenses				
Telephone	540	540	0	0.00%
Print/Publications/Training	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Enforcement	250	250	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous	500	500	0	0.00%
Mileage	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Postage	500	500	0	0.00%
Subtotal:	4,790	4,790	0	0.00%
Planning Expenses				
Comprehensive Plan	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Planning/Appeals	2,000	1,500	(500)	-25.00%
Subtotal:	3,000	2,500	(500)	-16.67%
Community Development (Age-Friendly Initiative)				
Programs & Events	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Postage, Printing, advertising	500	500	0	0.00%
Supplies	300	500	200	66.67%
Subtotal:	2,300	2,500	200	8.70%
Total Planning Budget	78,533	85,044	6,511	8.29%

Bowdoinham FY 2019**Revenue Budget**

	FY 2018 BUDGET	FY 2019 PROPOSED	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Tax Collector's Revenue				
Excise - Boat	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Excise - Airplane	50	0	(50)	-100.00%
Excise - Automobile	520,000	575,000	55,000	10.58%
Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	10,200	10,400	200	1.96%
Veterans Reimbursement	3,600	3,600	0	0.00%
Interest on Taxes	16,000	15,000	(1,000)	-6.25%
Total Tax Collectors Revenue	555,850	610,000	54,150	9.74%
Treasurer's Revenue				
Local Road Assistance	35,000	35,628	628	1.79%
Snowmobile Reg. Fees	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
General Assistance Reimb.	3,500	3,000	(500)	-14.29%
State Park Fees	4,200	4,200	0	0.00%
Tree Growth Reimbursement	10,000	9,000	(1,000)	-10.00%
Total Treasurer's Revenue	53,700	52,828	(872)	-1.62%
Local Revenue				
Plumbing Permit Fees	5,000	7,000	2,000	40.00%
Building Permit Fees	6,000	7,500	1,500	25.00%
Ordinance Violations/Fines	1,500	1,000	(500)	-33.33%
Recreation Advertising/Banners	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Recreation Fundraising	500	700	200	40.00%
Recreation Food Sales	5,000	2,500	(2,500)	-50.00%
Recreation Registration	10,500	7,700	(2,800)	-26.67%
Recreation Sponsors	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
Total Local Revenue	32,000	29,900	(2,100)	-6.56%

Bowdoinham FY 2019

Revenue Budget (Continued)

	FY 2018 BUDGET	FY 2019 PROPOSED	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Other Revenue				
General Disposal Fees	6,500	7,500	1,000	15.38%
Solid Waste Tag Fees	70,000	75,000	5,000	7.14%
Hazardous Waste Disp Fees		500	500	100.00%
Recyclable Materials Sales	12,500	12,500	0	0.00%
Public Works Recycling	750	800	50	6.67%
Mooring Fees/kayak rental space	650	1,000	350	53.85%
Rentals of Town Property	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Trust Transfers	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Fire Station Rental	500	500	0	0.00%
Cable Franchise Fees	15,500	16,500	1,000	6.45%
Property Tax Lien Fees	5,000	4,500	(500)	-10.00%
Investment Income	4,300	5,000	700	16.28%
EMS Donations	1,000	500	(500)	-50.00%
Fire Donations	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Total Other Revenue	131,700	139,300	7,600	5.77%
Town Clerk Revenue				
IF & W Agent Fees	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Dog Agent Fees	1,100	1,200	100	9.09%
Late Dog Fees	1,000	700	(300)	-30.00%
Vital Statistics Fees	2,200	2,000	(200)	-9.09%
Misc. Revenue	2,000	3,000	1,000	50.00%
Total Town Clerk Revenue	7,400	8,000	600	8.11%
Subtotal Non Property Tax Revenue	780,650	840,028	59,378	7.61%
Undesignated Fund Balance Transfers				
Undesignated FB Transfers	40,000	40,000	0	0.00%
Total Undesignated FB Revenue	40,000	40,000	0	0.00%
Total Non-Property Tax Rev	820,650	880,028	59,378	7.24%
Property Tax Related Revenues				
Homestead Reimbursement	96,173	159,346	63,173	65.69%
Municipal Revenue Sharing	135,175	135,559	384	0.28%
BETE Reimbursement	134	545	411	306.72%
Total Property Tax Related Revenue	231,482	295,450	63,968	27.63%
Total Non-Property Tax Rev	820,650	880,028	59,378	7.24%
Total All Revenues	1,052,132	1,175,478	123,346	11.72%

Notes: Homestead and BETE Reimbursement are determined when tax rate is set.

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM
TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

Sagadahoc, ss

State of Maine

To: Melissa Halsey, a resident of the Town of Bowdoinham, in said County of Sagadahoc, State of Maine

GREETINGS: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Bowdoinham, in said County, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the **Bowdoinham Community School on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.**, then and there to act on Articles 1 through 37 as set out below.

ARTICLE 1: To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ORDINANCES

ARTICLE 2: Shall and ordinance entitled “An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to permit Retail Marijuana Establishments within the Town of Bowdoinham and establish performance standards for Retail Marijuana Establishments” be enacted?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Planning Board recommend this article to pass.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ARTICLES

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote: (1) to approve a capital improvement Project that includes the reconstruction, paving and maintenance of town roads, the purchase of a light-duty plow truck for the Public Works Department and all other reasonably necessary components with a total anticipated cost of up to \$250,000; and (2) to appropriate \$250,000 for such capital improvement; and (3) to authorize the Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board to issue general obligation bonds of the Town of Bowdoinham (including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$250,000; and (4) to delegate to the Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity (ies), interest rate(s), denomination(s), place(s) of payment, form and other detail of said general obligation bonds, including execution and delivery of said general obligation bonds and to provide for the sale thereof as well as the negotiation and execution of any loan agreement necessary with any party.

TREASURER’S STATEMENT

The undersigned Treasurer of the Town of Bowdoinham hereby certifies that:

1. The total amount of the general obligation bonded indebtedness of the Town of Bowdoinham currently outstanding as of May 8, 2018 is \$1,445,758.
2. The total amount of general obligation bonds of the Town of Bowdoinham authorized, but un-issued, is \$2,770,000.
3. The total amount of general obligation bonds of the Town of Bowdoinham contemplated to be issued if the Article is ratified is not in excess of \$250,000.
4. Total of Paragraphs 1-3: \$4,465,758

- 5. The anticipated interest rate on the bond is 3.95%. Assuming the issuance of \$250,000 of bond with level principal payments over a 10 year term and an estimated interest rate of 3.95%, the interest cost associated with the borrowing would be \$57,461, which would result in a total cost of principal and interest to be paid of \$307,461.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.



William S. Post, Treasurer

Town of Bowdoinham, Maine

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

ARTICLE 4: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Hall and Town Office Capital Reserve Fund?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend \$4,000.

ARTICLE 5: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Cemetery Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend \$3,000.

EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES

(All recommendations for the Expense Budget Articles are unanimous recommendations of the Select Board (Vote: 4-1) and the Finance Advisory Committee (Vote: 5-0).)

ARTICLE 6: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Administrative Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$428,011.00

ARTICLE 7: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for General Services Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$51,500.00

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Debt Services Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$349,589.00

ARTICLE 9: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Fire and Rescue Department Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$98,454.00

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Town Facilities Maintenance Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$84,235.00

ARTICLE 11: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Animal Control and Harbor Master Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$18,885.00

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Public Works Department Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$406,957.00

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Solid Waste & Recycling Department Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$185,277.00

ARTICLE 14: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Recreation Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$43,614.00

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Planning, Community Development and Code Enforcement Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$85,044.00

ARTICLE 16: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Contingency Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$8,000.00

PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$784,289 established for Bowdoinham by State law in the event the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

REVENUE BUDGET ARTICLE

ARTICLE 18: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$840,028.00 from the Estimated Revenues Account (Non-Property Tax Revenues) to be applied to reduce the 2019 tax rate?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

FUND BALANCE ARTICLES

ARTICLE 19: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to be applied to reduce the 2019 tax rate?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

ARTICLE 20: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$80,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to pay the interest only payment of the Public Works Facility Bond?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend the article to pass.

BUSINESS ARTICLES

ARTICLE 21: Shall the Town vote to fix the fifteenth day of October 2018 and the sixteenth day of April 2019 when all 2019 real estate and personal property taxes shall be due and payable in semi-annual installments and to instruct the Tax Collector to charge interest at 7.00% per annum on all taxes unpaid after said date(s)?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to establish the interest rate of 3% per year on the amount of overpayment to be paid to a taxpayer who is determined to have paid an amount of real estate or personal property taxes in excess of amount finally assessed pursuant to 36 M.R.S. §506-A.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax payments prior to the commitment of taxes.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 24: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a 2019 Tax Club Plan to taxpayers who enroll no later than July 31, 2018, who pay the total amount of 2019 taxes by monthly payments from July 2018 to June 30, 2019; who abide by the requirements of said plan; who shall receive from the Town, in return for such payments, full credit for such taxes paid without incurring any charge of interest?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 25: Shall the Town authorize the payment of any overdrafts that may occur in the Town's 2018 budget to be paid out of the fund balance?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to spend funds from various reserve funds, as they deem necessary, in a manner that is consistent with the purposes for which said funds were established?

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to accept on behalf of the Town, monetary gifts, and donated equipment and vehicles, and to appropriate said gifts to supplement the accounts and departments as specified by the benefactor.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will authorize the following actions on behalf of the town: (1) to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to rent, lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Municipal Quit Claim deeds for same; (2) to authorize the Select Board to keep any real estate acquired for non-payment of taxes or portion thereof for the use of the town when they deem it to be in the town's best interests; and (3) to authorize the Select Board to rent or lease town-owned real estate that was not acquired for non-payment of taxes when they deem it to be in the town's best interest and on such terms as they deem advisable.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of a tax lien mortgage by recording a Waiver of Foreclosure at the Registry of Deeds in which the Tax Lien Certificate is recorded, prior to the right of redemption expiring, pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 944.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town to sell or dispose of obsolete Town equipment, material and commodities on such terms as they deem proper.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to accept any donations, gifts or grants of money for the Heating Assistance Program reserve account and to expend available funds from the account for the designated purpose.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to enter into multi-year contracts necessary to provide services to the Town.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass. Services for the town include but are not limited to ambulance service, banking, road maintenance, snow removal, curbside recycling and garbage disposal.

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to accept and expend Community Development Block Grant Funds and other federal, state or private grants on behalf of the Town.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to annually set fees for returned checks, copies of Town ordinances and other documents, and notary services.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to collect Solid Waste Management User Fees for Fiscal Year 2019 at the rate of \$2.50 per bag.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to approve the recommendations of the Select Board to set the annual permit fee, pursuant to the provisions of 7.1.1 of the Solid Waste Management Ordinance, for commercial haulers operating within the Town of Bowdoinham.

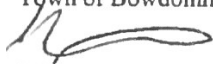
RECOMMENDATION: The Select Board’s recommendation is for a \$175.00 fee per year, per truck for trucks with up to and including six (6) wheels; a fee of \$275.00 per year, per truck for trucks with more than six (6) wheels. Select Board recommends the article to pass.

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to close any road or roads or portions thereof for winter maintenance and to annul, alter, or modify such decisions, pursuant to 23 M.R.S. §2953, and that such orders made by the Select Board shall be a final determination.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Board recommends the article to pass.

Given unto our hands the 8th day of May, 2018.

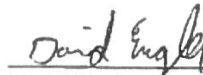
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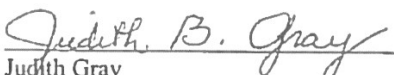
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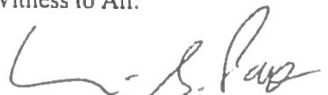
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