

# THE 258<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM

AUDITED YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020  
BUDGET AND WARRANT ARTICLES FOR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

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Town Office	666-5531
Post Office	666-3465
Public Library	666-8405
Solid Waste & Recycling	666-3228
Public Works	666-3503
Community School	666-5546
Mount Ararat Middle School	729-2951
Mount Ararat High School	729-2950
School District 75	729-9961
Fire Station	666-3505
Animal Control	522-8816
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## TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Independence Day	Monday	07/05/2021
Labor Day	Monday	09/06/2021
Indigenous Peoples' Day	Monday	10/11/2021
Veterans Day	Thursday	11/11/2021
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	11/25/2021
Thanksgiving	Friday	11/26/2021
Christmas Eve	Friday	12/24/2021
Christmas	Monday	12/27/2021
New Year's Day	Friday	12/31/2021
MLK, Jr. Day	Monday	01/17/2022
Presidents' Day	Monday	02/21/2022
Patriots Day	Monday	04/18/2022
Memorial Day	Monday	05/30/2022
Independence Day	Monday	07/04/2022

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**Town Meeting**  
June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:00pm  
Bowdoinham Recreation Fields  
50 Ridge Road, Bowdoinham, ME

The Town of Bowdoinham was incorporated on September 18, 1762.  
Its estimated population in the year 2020 was 3,031.

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*This annual report is dedicated to Marian Bagley, in loving memory.*



Every year, Marian Bagley could be seen sitting in her chair along Main Street watching the Celebrate Bowdoinham parade. After retiring from the Bowdoinham Country Store, Ms. Bagley carried on her tradition of hospitality by hosting children in her home on Halloween with tables of treats and a tour of her decorated house.

In 2019, Boston Post Cane Company gave the Town of Bowdoinham a gold-headed cane to be presented to the oldest citizen of the Town. The honor went to Marian B. Bagley who was born January 21, 1928. It is with great sadness that we said goodbye this past winter to such a generous, kind and caring member of our town. She will be truly missed.

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## Select Board

*David Engler, Chair*

### **David Engler, Chair**

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Term Expires: Nov, 2022

### **Jeremy Cluchey, Vice Chair**

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Term Expires: Nov 2022

### **Tom Walling**

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### **Mark Favreau**

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Term Expires: Nov 2023

### **Peter ‘Tony’ Lewis**

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Term Expires: Nov 2023

### **Meetings**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the  
Month

At 5:30pm

More info at:

[Bowdoinham.com/select-board](http://Bowdoinham.com/select-board)

As many people have commented in different venues, this has not been the year that any of us had anticipated or planned for. As the year began, a primary focus of the Select Board was on needed fire safety improvements in the Town Office. We hired an architect to draw up preliminary plans for repairs to the building that would rectify the safety concerns and improve the space for employees and the public. The onset of the Covid-19 virus radically changed our priorities.

The Select Board worked with the Town Manager to understand and implement the Governor’s Executive orders while maintaining some level of services for our residents. Initially, this meant providing services online while our employees worked from home. Then in time, we were able to develop procedures and install plexiglass shields that allowed our residents to enter the Town Office and safely conduct their business with our staff.

The Town’s recycling operations was another major area of focus this year. The receipt of a report from a licensed professional engineer stating that the Recycling Barn, the longstanding home of our recycling program, was unsafe led to a number of changes. These included temporary suspension of curbside recycling pickup and the relocation of the Town’s recycling operations to Public Works so that residents could continue to recycle their paper, cardboard, plastic containers, and metal cans.

Our Solid Waste and Recycling Advisory Committee is working hard to define what kind of recycling program the town wants in the future. When that effort is complete, we can begin addressing what kind of facility will be required and where it should be located. Recycling is important to Bowdoinham and has a rich history here. The Board is committed to rebuilding our recycling operations in a way that respects that legacy, contributes to environmental sustainability, and guarantees employee and public health and safety into the future.

In addition to these challenges, this year Bowdoinham also experienced a transition in the Town Manager position. The Select Board retained the Maine Municipal Association to assist us in our search, and after a professional and comprehensive process, including input from a panel of residents who interviewed the finalists, the Select Board unanimously hired Nicole Briand as our new Town Manager. Nicole has served the town ably for 12 years in various roles, and we are confident she will do an excellent job for the Town in this important position.

This past year has presented its share of challenges, but several exciting things also happened that make Bowdoinham an even better place to live. In June, Lincolnville Communications (LCI), with whom the Town partnered to bring fiber optic internet to unserved areas of town, completed their build out, connecting many residents to high-speed internet for the first time. This is the fruition of a multi-year effort on the part of many residents and the Town. Significant progress has also been made on our new waterfront park this year, as the Town has received several grants that have enabled the work to be done at no cost to the taxpayers.

As we enter the next fiscal year, the Select Board remains focused on doing all we can to help Bowdoinham remain a wonderful place to live and work. I would like to extend my thanks to the other members of the Board, and especially to Peter Lewis, who served ably as Chair of the Select Board for much of the year. If you have questions, please don’t hesitate to reach out, or attend a Select Board meeting

It is an honor to serve on behalf of this great community.

To the Select Board and Citizens of Bowdoinham:

Working for the Town of Bowdoinham for more than a decade as Planning Director has been a great experience. It has given me a real understanding of and appreciation for Bowdoinham. This is a wonderful community, and I'm proud of all the projects we've accomplished together over the years. Now, as I officially step into the role of Town Manager, I am looking forward to all the important work still to come. I am also looking forward to hearing from the community about your priorities, questions, and hopes for Bowdoinham. You can always contact me through the Town Office or by email.

I want to thank the Town staff, whose assistance and support has been invaluable to me as I get up to speed. I also appreciate all the kind words I've received from the community, thank you! I'm excited for the road ahead.

2020 was another busy year for your town employees and officials and I am proud to say that we continue moving forward with projects. The Carding Machine Road Culvert project was completed, as was our ConnectME high-speed internet project with Lincolnville Communications, Inc. We are planning several road projects with the proposed \$900,000 bond (Article 6) on the Town Meeting Warrant for June 9th. The proposed bond will allow us to:

- pave section 2 of Carding Machine Road (base coat),
- pave section 3 of Carding Machine Road (surface coat),
- rebuild a section of Dingley Road,
- pave the first 1.2 miles of Dingley Road (base coat), and
- pave the Fire Station and add a concrete apron at garage doors.

Additionally, we are requesting approval for a \$250,000 bond (Article 7) for the replacement of the Mallon Brook stream crossing on Dingley Road. The Town has been selected to receive a \$125,000 stream crossing grant from Maine Department of Environmental Protection for the replacement of this stream crossing. A weight limit has been placed on the existing stream crossing due its failing bridge report from Maine Department of Transportation.

### **Municipal Budget Highlights**

The proposed expenditures for the municipal budget increased 6.80% over FY19, or \$125,530. The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee are recommending using \$140,000 from the unassigned fund balance. This would make the net municipal budget increase (amount needed from property taxes) \$83,991. This could result in a very small tax increase or none at all after the town's valuation is figured.

The proposed FY22 municipal budget includes some changes from the previous year. In Debt Service, there is one new bond payment for a debt consolidation loan. November 2021 will be our last bond payment for the 2011 road and truck bond, which will help offset the increase from the two new bonds being proposed this year.

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### Wages & Benefits

This budget reflects wage adjustments in areas that have been identified as lower than surrounding communities and similar municipalities. In the tight labor market, it has become difficult to attract and retain employees. The budget provides a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) of 1.5% for employees. I have also budgeted a 2.0% allowance for wage increases based on performance evaluations for all employees in those departments that do not have wage adjustments. Health insurance costs increased by 12.5% with a change to a higher deductible and out-of-pocket plan. The Select Board increased to the contribution to employees' health reimbursement arrangement to help offset some of the cost of the new health plan to employees.

### Undesignated Fund Balance

The Undesignated Fund Balance as of June 30, 2020 is estimated to be approximately \$1,112,000, a decrease from \$1,133,614 in FY19. The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee are recommending that \$140,000 of undesignated fund balance be used to reduce the amount needed from taxes.

### Administration

The Administration budget shows an increase of \$49,462, or 9.7%, and includes wage adjustments for some office staff, an increase for legal expenses and software and computer expense increases.

### General Services

The Debt Services Budget shows an increase of \$30,000, or 53.1%. We are expecting an increase in our ambulance contract with Northeast Mobile Health Services due to an increase in the mutual aid fee from Topsham from \$250 to \$500. Additionally, Bowdoinham Historical Society request for funding for Merrymeeting Hall's utilities has moved to this "department" as they (and Bowdoinham Public Library) are exempt from the Outside Organizational Requests Policy.

### Debt Services

The Debt Services Budget shows an increase of \$80,717, or 23.2%, due to budgeting for the full payments for both the debt consolidation bond and the public works facility bond.

### Fire & Rescue Departments

The Fire and Rescue Department budget shows an overall increase of \$7,857, or 7.9%; \$4,500 of the increase is for new tires for Engine 1.

### Public Works

The Public Works budget shows an overall increase of \$33,295 or 6.7%. This is caused mostly by the increased costs in health benefits.

### Recreation

The Recreation budget shows a proposed increase of \$13,381 or 28.73% due to adding the Older Adult Services Coordinator to this budget with the Age-Friendly expenses. The department is also proposing additional programming and revenue from that programming. The net cost of the department to taxpayers would be \$37,653, which is an increase of \$4,577 from last year.



**Solid Waste & Recycling**

The Solid Waste and Recycling budget shows a proposed decrease of \$47,274, or -20.1% due to decreased operating and disposal expenses.

**Non-Municipal Organization Requests**

One budget request from non-municipal organizations was received and accepted as meeting the Town’s policy this year for a total of \$1,500 from Spectrum Generations.

**Capital Reserves**

The Capital Reserve budget shows a decrease of \$15,839. The capital projects planned for next year include: replacing the roof and installing two emergency doors on the John C. Coombs building (town office/public library building); and designing the Town’s recycling program, both at the recycling barn and at the public works property and obtaining cost estimates for each option.

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 [townmanager@bowdoinham.com](mailto:townmanager@bowdoinham.com).

In closing, I would like to thank the municipal employees who work very hard to satisfy the need for municipal services. I would also like to thank the Select Board and the all other volunteer boards and committees for your dedication to make your community a better place.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nicole Briand  
Town Manager

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### Town Meetings:

*July 14, 2020 - Secret Ballot Town Meeting*  
**846** registered voters participated

*November 3, 2020 - Annual Town Meeting*  
**2,064** registered voters participated

### Elections:

March 3, 2020 - Presidential and State of Maine Special Referendum  
**1,117** votes cast, **45%** Voter turnout

*July 14, 2020 - State of Maine Primary and Special Referendum,  
Town Meeting, and Maine School Administration District 75  
Budget Referendum*

**846** votes cast, **33%** voter turnout  
(495 Absentee Ballots requested)

*November 3, 2020 - State of Maine General Election and  
Annual Town Meeting*

**2,084** votes cast, **83%** voter turnout  
(1,286 Absentee Ballots requested)

I would like to thank our very dedicated and knowledgeable Election/Ballot Clerks: Leslie Barker, Desiree Lynn Broome, Barbara Bishop, Kirsten Coker, Spencer Coker, Haven Cutko, Katherine Cutko, Elaine Diaz, Shelby Doughty, Cassandra Hensley, Marlene Hensley, Jennifer Foley, Kathy Gordon, Caroline Hawks, Dale Rappaneau, Wendy Rose, Lynne Smith, Stephen Smith, David Steen, Kathy Tome, Shirley Tracy, and Linda Williams. A special thank you goes out to our wonderful Town Office staff for their help and support, Darren Carey, Kelly Hodson, and Eli Rubin. A sincere thank you to our Public Works for set up and break down.

Registered Voters as of December 31, 2020	
Party Affiliation	Voters
Democratic	930
Green Independent	64
Republican	695
Unenrolled	943
<b>Total Registered Voters</b>	<b>2,632</b>

Our first election of the 2020 year was the Presidential Primary and Special Referendum. After that election was over COVID restrictions were placed on elections and we had to follow certain guidelines for the safety of our election workers and our voters. With the new restrictions in place, we had to find a larger polling place to have our elections. The Bowdoinham Community School was very accommodating, and is where we held our last two elections of 2020. For the November election our turnout was the Town's largest turnout of 83% and the largest absentee voting.

Thank you, Nora Bishop our Moderator/Warden, for helping the elections run so smoothly, especially in this very difficult year. With the social-distancing and COVID restrictions you made sure everyone was in compliance. All of your dedication and support is very much appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pamela Ross  
Town Clerk

## Births, Deaths and Marriages in 2020

**There were 25 Births in 2020.**

<i>In Loving Memory</i>		
Decedent Name	Age	Date of Death
Munsey, Jason Ray	38	January 8, 2020
Huntington, Louise Slater	86	March 6, 2020
Frizzle, Akemi	83	May 17, 2020
Halsey, Beverly J.	82	June 19, 2020
Ham, Nelson Davis	94	June 25, 2020
McCarthy, Ronald Gary	77	July 21, 2020
Stevens, Juliette	61	July 22, 2020
Beckim, Carlene Melanie	62	August 15, 2020
Tome, John W	69	August 19, 2020
Kane, Robert E.	72	August 28, 2020
Fenimore, Amelia G.	88	September 2, 2020
Booth, Charles Jenkins	97	September 17, 2020
Burrell, Ronald D	91	September 29, 2020
Nadeau, Roland J Sr	83	October 27, 2020
Pulsifer, Rita Theresa	94	December 13, 2020
<b>Total Deaths</b>		<b>15</b>

<i>Congratulations to our Bowdoinham Newlyweds</i>		
Party A Current Name	Party B Current Name	Date of Marriage
Jin, Renshun	Byras, Dennis Anthony Sr	February 15, 2020
Belanger, Samantha Ann	Walker, Steven Charles Jr	May 23, 2020
Swilley, Leanne Teresa	Webber, Lawrence Gustin	June 20, 2020
Wines DeWan, Janna Eliz	Fields, Zachary Benjamin	July 12, 2020
Maley, Ralph William Jr	Alley, Amanda Marie	July 18, 2020
Sahin, Metehan	Baker, Anadia Marie	August 11, 2020
Cushing, McKayla Jade	Morrissey, Antonio M.	September 6, 2020
Lyons, Halie Kathleen	Goodspeed, Thomas David	September 26, 2020
Oliver, George Joseph	Solomon, Howard Mitchell	October 2, 2020
Dyer, Melinda Renae	Norko, Tyler Michael	October 10, 2020
Lucas, Shawn Michael	Vaillancourt, Katherine Mich	October 17, 2020
Murray, Daniel Scott	Marra, Jodybeth	December 12, 2020
Nielsen, Alyssa Lynn	Riley, Chasen Adams	December 12, 2020
Miller, Lynn Mary	Smith, William Morris Jr.	December 28, 2020
Robert, Sonja Elizabeth	Tome, Aldin Michael	December 31, 2020
<b>Total Marriages</b>		<b>15</b>

## Animal Control

*Cliff Daigle*

### Phone

(207) 522-8816

### 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

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.

### On Going Programs:

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 Bowdoinham Food Pantry

Training with the Local Fire Department on what to do with animal they may encounter arriving first on scene

### Calls for Service in 2020

Type	Number of Calls
Cats Info	170
Wildlife info	248
Warnings/Summons	201
Dog Complaints	273
Farm Animals	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>924</b>

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cliff Daigle  
Animal Control Officer

The Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector is 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.

Year	Total Fees Collected	Number of Permit Types Issued		
		Plumbing Permits	Building Permits	Land Use Permits
2019-2020	\$15,689	55	68	9
2018-2019	\$19,747.51	64	68	5
2017-2018	\$20,063.39	56	71	8

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 and I will help you figure out what permits are required.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Darren Carey  
 Code Enforcement Officer/LPI

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## Fire & Rescue

*Arthur Frizzle, Fire Chief*

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Bowdoinham Fire and Rescue responded to a combined 349 calls for service in 2020. Fire covered 233 of those with tress/limbs/wires down making a hefty contribution due to a late season snowstorm and fall windstorm. Rescue calls seemed to be down a bit, especially between March and August. This coincides with national trends that saw far fewer ambulance requests and even fewer transports due to CoViD concerns.

We started the year out business as usual with regular meetings and trainings. We sent four members to Cape Elizabeth to become certified in Cold Water Rescue. They were able to acquire skills that will help further develop and grow our own team here in Bowdoinham. Unfortunately, March hit and we were forced to scale back operations significantly. We continued to meet on Monday nights to carry out maintenance and other essential tasks but that was about it. We ultimately decided to split the department in half and each group meet on opposite weeks to enhance our social distancing and keep our responders healthy for emergencies. We continued this through the end of the year and our responders remained healthy and available for emergency response. Unfortunately, we missed a lot of training opportunities due to this, so we are very eager to get back on track.

This past year has been difficult to say the least and unfortunately volunteerism was certainly not high on the priority list. Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue is fully dependent on volunteers to carry out our mission. If you are interested in helping out as a firefighter or EMT please stop by the station. If you already have the training, we could use your expertise. If not, and you have the drive and desire, we can provide the training. We meet every Monday night starting at 6 P.M., stop by and join a great group of men and women.

### Calls for Service in 2020

Incident	Number of Calls
Structure/Chimney Fire	7
Vehicle Fire	4
Woods/Grass/Brush Fire	8
Motor Vehicle Crash	43
Tree/Limbs/Wire Down	56
Smoke Investigation	5
Fire Alarm	21
Public Assist	6
Cancelled Enroute	40
Other Call Types	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>233</b>

Respectfully Submitted,  
Arthur Frizzle  
Fire Chief

As the Cathance River and Merrymeeting Bay waterways become more crowded, boaters need to learn to watch their wakes. With excessive speed in such close quarters our wakes threaten the safety of the many paddlers using the river and potential damage to shoreline docks and plant life. The Cathance River is approximately 400-450 feet wide at its widest point during high tide, and less at low. Maine State Boating Law requires a boat to operate at headway speed within 200 feet of any shoreline. Although a good percentage of powerboats do abide (and thank-you to those of you who do) by this requirement a need for improvement remains. So please, when boating on the Cathance - "SLOW NO WAKE". It's for a reason.

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 town harbor has space for anyone interested in installing a mooring. Contact me for details.

There is a charge for spaces on the kayak racks which are reserved for the season. Do not put your kayak in an empty space on the rack unless you have rented the space through the town office.

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 Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Reminders:

- Always check the weather and water temperature before going boating
- Always notify someone who can report your delay/non-return
- Always wear your life jacket (mandatory age 10 and under in Maine)
- Tie up time on the dock is limited to 2 hours. If your vessel is disabled or there is a critical need beyond 2 hours, contact the harbor master.
- In case of emergency, please put owner information on dinghies tied up at the dinghy dock.

If you have any questions, or ideas that you would like to discuss, please feel free to contact me.

Have a safe and fun boating season.

John McMullen  
Harbor Master

## Harbor Master

*John McMullen*

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## Health Officer

*Susan Hobart*

Certainly the Covid Crisis was at the top of the town's health concerns this year. There was much collaboration between myself and town leaders on many facets of our day to day lives. These included our Town Meeting, voting, library and town office accessibility, sports venues, and entertainment. We regrettably had to cancel the outdoor concerts as well as Bowdoinham Days. Farm tours were virtual. Zoom meetings became the new normal. New policy and liability forms were introduced to reflect CDC guidelines. The cooperation and creativity of our townspeople has been appreciated.

Other than the above, I accompanied Darren Carey, CEO, to address health and safety concerns at a residence. The home was determined to be unsafe and unhealthy and the resident was rehoused with family. On our subsequent visit, all issues had been successfully resolved and the residence was deemed habitable.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan Hobart, R.N.  
Health Officer



First, I'd like to welcome to Bowdoinham our new Planning and Development Director, Jennifer Curtis. I expect 2021 to be a great year with Jenn leading the Planning & Development Department.

Despite COVID we were able to continue work on several of our projects.

The Merrymeeting Trail has had encouraging developments this year. Jeremy Cluchey and I represent Bowdoinham on the Merrymeeting Trail Board of Supervisors. This past year after a meeting with the Commissioner of Transportation, Maine DOT included \$25,000 in its annual Work Plan to support a "public advisory process" for the trail.

In 2019, the Town of Bowdoinham applied for and received ConnectME Infrastructure Grant in partnership with Lincolnville Communications, Inc. (LCI). The ConnectME grant allows LCI & the Town of Bowdoinham to work together to build an advanced fiber optic network that will serve over 200 addresses that currently have very limited, or no, Internet service. In 2020, we were able to complete the project.

In 2019, the Waterfront Master Plan, was approved at Town Meeting. After the Plan's approval, the Town began the design of the Shoreline Stabilization and Hand-Carry Boat Launch designs. The design of these two elements of the Waterfront Master Plan was funded with a Coastal Communities Grant. In 2020, we finalized the design of these elements for permitting and applied for construction grants. In the fall of 2020, we also received a Shore & Harbor Planning Grant for the design and permitting of the overall park. Design workshops were held remotely via zoom in 2021 and we are now working permitting.

The Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) continued work on programs and projects to strengthen local businesses. In 2020, the CDAC researched solar energy sources which could be used to meet the town's electric needs. We issued a Request for Proposals for a solar energy provider, which lead to the Town's current Solar Project with Revision Energy. In addition, the CDAC continues to focus its efforts towards developing the Buy Local Buy Bowdoinham Campaign.

I worked with the Comprehensive Planning Committee (CPC) as they continued to focus on a review of the 2014 Comprehensive Plan with particular attention to land use including recognition of historic buildings, value of farmlands, and current land use and the role of the character and scenic nature of Bowdoinham. The committee is looking forward to beginning its 2024 Comprehensive Plan update in 2021 as gathering guidelines allow.

I continued to assist the Planning Board in reviewing applications, as well as guiding applicants through the permitting process. The Planning Board kept busy with several permit applications received in 2020.

Unfortunately, we were not able to hold all of our usual events in 2020. The Summer Concert Series and Celebrate Bowdoinham were both canceled. However, we were able to have a scaled back Holiday Festival that included: Santa's annual fire truck ride, an online shop for the Guild of Artisans, Merrymeeting Arts Center's Pop-up Sale, the Church of Nazarene's Victorian Christmas and a Holiday Lights contest. Congratulations again to our Holiday Lights contest winners: Best Lights - 39 Abbagadassett Road, Best Traditional & Facebook Favorite - 1404 River Road, Best Decorations - 66 Carding Machine Road and Most Creative - 39 Abbagadassett Road. Thank you to everyone who participated in the contest!

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Open Farm Day & Art Trail went virtual thanks to Rebecca Conley of Boco Video Production, who worked overtime to interview and produce farm/studio video tours of twenty-one of our farmers and artists. A special thank you to the Fire Department for capturing the drone footage of Bowdoinham for the videos! This event would not have been possible without the farmers and artists who opened their farms and studios to create the virtual tours: AP Curiosities, Atomic Classroom, Catmint Gallery & Garden, East of Eden Flower Farm, Inside Firewood, Lapointe Antiques & Restoration, Maggies Farm at Mulberry Creek, Merrymeeting Stained Glass, Peary's Community Garden, Starrock Designs, Stonecipher Farm, Apple Creek Farm, Blue Bell Farm, Dandelion Spring Farm, Healing Hooves, Jane Page Conway, Left Field Farm, Merrymeeting Arts Center, Morphee Creations, Six River Farm, Steven Thomas Bunn and William Stanton. If you haven't seen the virtual tours yet, be sure to visit our website at [bowdoinham.com/2020-virtual-open-farm-studio-tours](http://bowdoinham.com/2020-virtual-open-farm-studio-tours).

As always, 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 Jennifer Curtis.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nicole Briand  
Town Manager  
*Planning and Development Director 2010 - 2020*

As some may know, my name is Mason Griffin and I have recently been hired as the Recreation Director and Older Adult Services Coordinator. I am very excited to be involved with the Town of Bowdoinham and the great residents that reside here.

For the past year, recreation has looked a little different. We have not been able to offer the programs that we have in the past due to Covid-19. We have missed out on Baseball/Softball/T-Ball seasons, Basketball seasons, after-school programs, and so much more.

Luckily, we have been able to utilize our skating rink, beautiful trail systems, and recreation fields as a way for residents to get outside in a safe manner. We have had many residents come into the Town Office and rent out ice skates and cross-country skis allowing them to enjoy the winter weather. We have also partnered with Lost Valley where residents were able to sign-up for ski lessons and get lift tickets for the six-week ski program on Friday nights.

We were involved with the Ice & Smelt festival where we were able to offer ice skating, scavenger hunts, and rental equipment for the residents to enjoy during the weeklong festival.

We are very appreciative of all the volunteers that help us with our programs, without the volunteers we would not be able to be as successful as we are.

We are very excited to be able to offer programs for all ages soon and be able to get everyone involved again. Be sure to look out for new programs coming out soon!

Be sure to follow us at Bowdoinham Recreation Dept. on Facebook!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mason Griffin  
Recreation Director and Older Adult Services Coordinator

## Recreation

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## Solid Waste and Recycling

Bryan Benson, Director

### Recycling Location

121 Pond Road  
at the Public Works Garage

### Recycling Hours

Tuesday: 12:00pm - 6:00pm  
Thursday: 8:00am - 4:00 pm  
Saturday: 8:00am - 4:00 pm

### Curb-side Trash Pick Up

Thursday Morning

*If Thursday is a US Holiday  
trash will be collected the  
following Saturday*

### Phone

(207) 666-3228

### Email

recycling@bowdoinham.com

Hello Bowdoinham,

I typically write about the past and what our plans are for the future. This year is different as I want to talk about two areas that have affected our lives and our Solid Waste operations.

First I would like to talk about the Pandemic. In late March we were directed to shutdown operations to comply with Covid guidelines. In April & May we offered free trash disposal so that residents could remain at home and still dispose of trash. Recycling continued with curbside pick up and in June we re-opened the facility with modified procedures to remain Covid compliant.

Second I would like to talk about the Recycling center on Post rd. Between June and September multiple Engineering firms inspected our facility and it was determined that we should relocate our operations to a temporary location. After looking at several locations it was decided that we move recycling operations to the Public Works facility located at 121 Pond Road, where we could operate a modified program. At this time we are working with the Solid Waste Committee to come up with a program that is not only fiscally responsible but, a program that you can once again be proud of. Please see the Annual report submitted by the Solid Waste Committee for more on this subject.

Through all the hurdles of 2020 we were still able to collect and process the following:

Items Collected in 2020	
Item	Quantity
Lead acid batteries	2,751 lbs
Electronic waste	11,160 lbs
Magazines	25,280 lbs
Scrap Metal	87,900 lbs
Municipal Solid Waste (Trash)	512,340 lbs
Newspapers	26,850 lbs
Old Corrugated Cardboard	86,300 lbs
Oversized Bulky Waste	22,940 lbs
Tires	4,344 lbs/187 ct.
Food Waste	2,755 lbs
Used Motor oil	3,330 lbs or 450 gal
Used Anti-freeze	488 lbs or 58 gal
Household Paints and Stains	487 gallons
<b>Total Pounds Collected</b>	<b>786,438 lbs</b>

Please be vigilant about the quality of material you put into the recycling containers located at Public Works. Contamination could result in the rejection of the entire load of recyclables. If you have any questions, concerns or comments please feel free to contact us at 666-3228.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bryan Benson  
Solid Waste and Recycling Director

Dear Bowdoinham Community Members,

What a different perspective I have writing this update than I did a year ago! For a full year we have been running "pandemic school," seeking to do everything we can to keep meaningful learning going for our students in Bowdoinham. We completed last school year remotely. Throughout the summer multiple committees and the district's administrative team met continually to design a reopening plan that aimed to keep our students and staff safe, while pushing forward with instruction. In September we reopened our building to students in smaller cohorts, while simultaneously running an online school for students whose families were not ready to send them back to school in person. And in December we began "feathering in" a few grade levels at a time, increasing in-person instruction to four days per week, with fourth and fifth grades completing this transition after February vacation.

We have seen the true spirit of our school community shine through during these tough times. Students have been exemplary in following safety requirements, wearing masks and maintaining physical distance without complaint. Teachers have put in an unprecedented number of extra hours preparing lessons for different groups of students, including those in quarantine or isolating due to illness. Our parents, grandparents, and other care providers have supported our work by helping their children with remote learning activities, and communicating really well with the school. We have had the opportunity to live our school's motto in a poignant new way - we are in it together.

While we work hard in the present, our sights are trained to the future. Our school has a reputation across the state for academic achievement above the state average, and incredible enrichment opportunities for our students. While some of our students have continued to thrive academically and socially, we know that others have unprecedented gaps in their learning. The pandemic has taken an unequal toll on some students and families, emotionally and otherwise. We know as we look ahead to next school year we need to redouble our efforts to support students' academic, social and emotional needs. We are developing a multi-year plan for how to use additional federal pandemic relief funds to address these needs more intensively and effectively. As the vaccine rollout continues, and the threat of community spread of COVID-19 lessens, we are eager to dig in to the work of rebuilding our school.

We remain, at our core, a school that believes all of our students can learn at a high level. We take seriously our responsibility to grow caring, responsible, and informed citizens. And we cannot do it without the support of our Bowdoinham community. Thank you for your participation in the work of our local government. I am happy to answer questions from community members anytime.

With Great Hope for the Future,  
Chris Lajoie  
Principal

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## **Bowdoinham Public Library**

*Kate Cutko, Director*

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Wednesday: 2:00pm - 6:00pm  
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Saturday: 10:00am - 2:00pm

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Library Director, Kate Cutko  
Volunteer Coordinator,  
Jennifer Stonebraker  
Treasurer, Ann Carmichael

### **Library Board**

President, Ann Hartzler  
Vice President, Joan Knight  
Secretary, Marla Blake  
Treasurer, Ann Carmichael  
Marlene Hensley, Trustee  
Wendy Rose, Trustee  
Becca Norklund, Trustee

As the Director of the Bowdoinham Public Library, the historical significance of each annual town report is something I witness on a regular basis. People often peruse the shelves in the library that hold the bound volumes of town reports dating back to 1882. In these reports we glimpse the events and issues that our town's people, town committees and town leadership have faced over hundreds of years of Bowdoinham history. We read about Brown-tail Moth infestations dating back to the 1800's. We read about decisions to build rural school houses, close rural school houses, build bridges, repair bridges, pave roads, support sports teams, immunize citizens and organize elections. The reports are instructive, interesting and very often entertaining.

This report which reflects on the fiscal year 2019-2020 will join past reports on that hallowed shelf in the library. It will record the many ways the COVID-19 virus and its ensuing pandemic has effected the activities, budgets and livelihoods of the people of Bowdoinham and its municipal government. We are proud that the Bowdoinham Public Library remains a steward of these documents alongside other library materials. It is our hope that our library's stewardship continues as a service to this town for another hundred and \_\_\_ years.

When the pandemic caused the shut down of municipal offices and the library in March of 2020, we began planning how the library could continue to offer reading material to Bowdoinham people. Of special concern was providing books to children during the summer break. With the support of BCDI (Bowdoinham Community Development Initiative) and their COVID Relief Grants, we designed and built a small book trailer which we filled with donated books. We distributed free books at the Saturday farmer's market all summer long. Thank you to Brian Staid for the wonderful carpentry of our "Story Dory".

We worked with the leaders at the Maine State Library who drafted guidance for municipal buildings which subsequently allowed us to reopen the library on a reduced schedule in June, following safety guidelines and practices. Masks, plexiglass barriers, number limits, time limits and quarantining returned books are our "new normal". Library patrons are so pleased at the chance to come into the library that they are tolerant and 100% compliant with our safety protocols. We created a process for curbside borrowing for patrons who are unable to come inside.

We had an end-of-the year appeal- a town-wide mailing asking for financial support in light of our reduced Plant Sale income and other cancelled fundraising events from 2020. Bowdoinham people responded with generosity and gratitude. Even residents who may not use the library's services expressed their strong support for our library's continued financial health.

Many people quarantined at home or minimizing their social contacts have made good use of the downloadable audio and e-books we offer through "CloudLibrary". That service was expanded using the state library's COVID funding. The state library also provided each library with platforms for programming and professional "Zoom" accounts. The Zoom accounts have supported the strong continued success of three monthly book groups in Bowdoinham. At this writing, the library is now open three days a week (Tuesdays 10-2, Fridays 2-6 and Saturdays 10-2). Curbside borrowing is available by using the website or calling the library.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kate Cutko  
Library Director

Dear Bowdoinham Community Members,

The year 2020 has represented great challenges due to the global pandemic and the delivery of public education has certainly been impacted. On March 16, all schools in the district closed the school buildings and teachers started presenting lessons remotely via computers and paper work packets. This approach was a huge adjustment for the students and staff but both groups persevered and worked through until the end of the school year in June. During the summer, the District convened a Working Group of close to 100 people who planned the aspects of instruction for the return of school in September. Working Group members included administrators, teachers, school staff, students, parents, school board members and other stakeholders. This group developed a Return to School Reopening Plan which offered choices for school families: Option 1 allowed students to return to in school learning two days a week and at home remote learning three days a week; Option 2 allowed students to conduct remote learning from home five days a week. Moving instruction to a remote learning platform has been hard work and at times painful work as we know the extra burden placed on our school families who have to be more involved in their students' daily education as well as learning to adapt during this national COVID-19 crisis. We thank the school staff, parents and students for their dedication during this time.

The fall also brought an exciting new addition to the District – the opening of the new Mt. Ararat High School. This building has been years in the planning and construction and was finally able to welcome students in September.

Rachelle Tome and Kathleen Montejo are Bowdoinham's elected representatives to the School Board. Rachelle is serving as the Board Chair from July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021. In 2020, she also served on the Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee, Transportation Committee and other ad hoc committees. Kathleen served on the new High School Building Committee, Finance Committee and Adult Education Committee. We thank you for the opportunity to serve the community. Residents with questions about the school district are welcome to reach out at any time: Rachelle Tome at 666-5929 or [tomere@link75.org](mailto:tomere@link75.org) and Kathleen Montejo at 666-3093 or [montejok@link75.org](mailto:montejok@link75.org)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rachelle Tome and Kathleen Montejo

## Maine School Administrative District 75

*Rachelle Tome, Chair*

### District information Pertaining to Bowdoinham

FY2021 (current) Operating  
Budget including Adult  
Education: \$46,200,425

Bowdoinham's FY2021 Local  
Share of the overall district  
budget: \$3,375,271

Percentage of total local share:  
7.3%

Bowdoinham's Student  
Enrollment as of  
October 1, 2020: 415

Kindergarten – 5th grade at  
Bowdoinham Community  
School: 182

Grades 6-8 at Mt. Ararat Middle  
School: 94

Grades 9-12 at Mt. Ararat High  
School: 139

Percentage of total District  
Enrollment: 17.2%

## Merrymeeting Trail Board of Supervisors

To learn more about the  
Merrymeeting Trail project  
and possibly get involved,  
please visit

[www.merrymeetingtrail.org](http://www.merrymeetingtrail.org)

Or find us on Facebook at:  
[facebook.com/  
merrymeetingtrail](https://www.facebook.com/merrymeetingtrail)

The last few years have seen some important progress in pursuit of the Merrymeeting Trail -- a 26-mile trail that would connect the towns of Topsham, Bowdoinham, Richmond, and Gardner via the unused Lower Road rail corridor. This project has been of great interest to the towns along this route for over a decade, and the citizens and municipal leaders of each town have repeatedly demonstrated their commitment to the vision of the Merrymeeting Trail.

### BACKGROUND

In 2008, Gardiner, Richmond, Bowdoinham, and Topsham created the Merrymeeting Trail Committee (now the Merrymeeting Trailblazers) to explore the trail's creation. That group met regularly and partnered with the Midcoast Council of Governments to commission a feasibility study for the project.

In 2011, consulting firm VHB delivered the study, with additional engineering work provided by Wright Pierce. Among other things, the study recommended Maine DOT consider designating the Merrymeeting Trail a "Trail of Statewide Significance" based on its length, its connection of population centers, and the fact that it serves multiple communities.

In 2014, Maine DOT awarded the Merrymeeting Trail this designation. An interim route -- primarily for bicyclists, running along Route 24 and several side roads -- was also approved by Maine DOT in 2014. Signage was erected over the following years.

In 2015, the Merrymeeting Trail Board of Supervisors was created by the four towns. This governmental entity is charged with helping facilitate the planning and creation of the Merrymeeting Trail. Two people represent each town on the Board of Supervisors, reporting back regularly to the municipal governments; the Bowdoinham representatives are Jeremy Cluchey and Nicole Briand.

### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Ongoing conversations with lawmakers and Maine DOT have led to promising efforts in recent years intended to move the Merrymeeting Trail project forward. Most recently, following a meeting between the Board of Supervisors and the Commissioner of Transportation, Maine DOT included \$25,000 in its Work Plan to support a "public advisory process" for the trail. The Merrymeeting Trail Board of Supervisors is in regular contact with Maine DOT, encouraging them to initiate that process and offering our support to help facilitate it however we can.

### WHAT'S NEXT?

A number of bills in the Maine Legislature could play a critical role in advancing the Merrymeeting Trail project, including measures that would grant permission to use certain long-unused rail corridors (like the Lower Road) as trails, and another that calls on Maine DOT to utilize existing federal funds for trail projects that are currently being differently allocated.

In Maine, the pandemic has reaffirmed the importance of trails in our lives. Trail networks bring economic benefits to communities, health benefits to trail users, public safety benefits in the form of lower crime and fewer traffic accidents, and environmental and climate benefits that we all reap. A recent poll found that Mainers of all ages, regions, and political affiliations overwhelmingly value trails, and support using unused rail corridors as trails until train service becomes viable.

With any luck, one day we will see you on the Merrymeeting Trail!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jeremy Cluchey, Chair of the Merrymeeting Trail Board of Supervisors



## Planning Board Chairman's Report

As for everyone else, 2020 posed a range of challenges for the Planning Board as members, applicants and the public all had to shift quickly into a (new) world of online meetings and socially distanced site walks. I would like to express my gratitude to everyone who has been involved with the Planning Board this year for their patience and grace as we have all adjusted to these new realities in stressful times.

In 2020 the Planning Board reviewed and approved the following applications:

- Site Plan Review Tier 2 Application by Soul Haven, LLC to create a wedding and event venue at 22 Batchelder Rd.
- Site Plan Review Tier 2 Application by Robert and Kate Guadette to build and operate a farm store permitted to sell medical marijuana, hemp and herbal products at 50 Birchwood Lane.
- Site Plan Review Tier 2 Application by the Town of Bowdoinham to an initial phase in redeveloping the old public works facility to a public park at 8 River Rd.
- Setback Determination by Pamela Hanson for a proposed expansion of a non-conforming structure at 5 Spring St.

In addition, in 2020 the Planning Board reviewed several additional applications which remained in the review process at the end of the year.

Also, in 2020 the Planning Board drafted, heard comment on, and approved several proposed changes to the Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance including:

New definitions of marijuana based businesses, in order to better align the land use ordinance with language in new state rules governing marijuana. Of note, it was proposed that all distinct mention of medical marijuana should be removed from the ordinance so that all marijuana based businesses, whether oriented towards medical, adult-use or a combination of the two, would be treated the same.

A new submission requirements and procedures for a municipal license for marijuana based businesses based on new state rules.

All of these proposed changes were approved by voters at the town election in July.

Sincerely,

Nathan Drummond

Chairman of the Bowdoinham Planning Board

## Planning Board

*Nathan Drummond, Chair*

### Members

Nathan Drummond, Chair  
Allen Acker  
Justin Schlawin  
R.Reeve Wood III  
Tracy Krueger  
Richard Joyce, Associate  
William Shippen, Associate

### Meeting Schedule

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the Month  
At 7:00pm

### Website

[bowdoinham.com/planning-board](http://bowdoinham.com/planning-board)

## Advisory Committee on Age-Friendly Bowdoinham

*Gracia Woodward, Chair*

### Members

Gracia Woodward, Chair  
Maureen Booth, Secretary  
Peggy Muir  
Patricia Oh  
Pam Fortin  
Barbara Cree  
Andrews Campbell

### Meeting Schedule

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month  
At 2:30pm

### Website

[bowdoinham.com/ACOA](http://bowdoinham.com/ACOA)

The Town established ACOA in 2013 to design policies, structures and programs promoting the independence and wellbeing of older adults in Bowdoinham. Before limitations placed on us by Covid, ACOA provided a wide variety of activities, some initiated by the Committee while others conducted in coordination with community organizations and individuals: luncheons were held twice a month and cribbage and bridge games, gentle yoga, and line dancing were held weekly. Field trips were also made to Region 10 Technical School in Brunswick for monthly lunches catered by their culinary students. Once the Covid regulations took effect, all these activities stopped except for line dancing, which moved to the outdoors.

Throughout the pandemic, ACOA has continued to meet on a monthly basis via Zoom. During this time, the Committee has maintained its focus on how best to serve older adults during this challenging time.

At the request of ACOA, our post office modified the external mailbox to make it accessible to people in cars, so it is no longer necessary to brave the icy parking lot while mailing letters. We learned that it is sometimes not easy to make simple changes and very much appreciate the efforts of the Post Office to pursue this alteration.

ACOA researched available resources and compiled a checklist of home safety tips to assist older adults in planning small and larger changes to make their homes adaptable and safe as we age. Copies of the full check list are available at the Town Office. In addition, several tips will be featured in the Bowdoinham Newsletter each month.

ACOA worked with the Town and Public Library to successfully obtain a grant from the Maine Humanities Council to improve digital literacy among older residents and to enhance online access to the humanities. Later this year when in-person functions can resume, the Library will be seeking volunteers to participate in a training program on teaching adult learners on the use of tablets, computers or notebooks they may have at home. Trained volunteers in turn will work on a one-on-one basis with seniors to improve their understanding and use of digital technologies.

In response to concerns brought to its attention regarding maintenance and management issues at a local residence for older adults and persons with disabilities, ACOA is in the process of bringing these issues to the attention of those accountable for overseeing the residence.

With the prolonged pandemic, ACOA has growing concerns about older residents who may become increasingly isolated. In an effort to reach such individuals, the committee worked with Seth Berry to create a phone bank of Bowdoinham residents 75 or older. Committee members currently are calling these residents to make certain they are aware of local services designed to help get through these challenging times, such as: rides to medical appointments or to shop for groceries; delivery of sand buckets by the Fire Department; the food pantry for weekly pick up or at-home delivery; and periodic telephone check-ins. Upon request, volunteers help direct residents to the service or advise residents to call the Town Office to get assistance.

At our January meeting, ACOA was delighted to welcome Mason Griffin, who was recently hired by the Town to serve as Recreation Director and Older Adult Service Coordinator. In his short time on the job, Mason already has prepared a grant application to the Maine Community Foundation for funds to make arts and crafts supplies available to older adults for use in their homes, and to initiate a program making ready to eat meals available for pick up or delivery to participants.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Gracia Woodward, Chair

The Comprehensive Planning Committee (CPC) continued to focus on a review of the 2014 Comprehensive Plan with particular attention to land use including recognition of historic buildings, value of farmlands, and current land use and the role in the character and scenic nature of Bowdoinham. The CPC will be considering options for retaining open space and the rural nature of Bowdoinham. A subcommittee has spent many hours in their vehicles and on the roadways identifying scenic views both across waterways and across our landscapes of farms and fields that speak to the character of Bowdoinham. All of these activities are designed to assist in the update of the Comprehensive Plan to be presented at Town Meeting in 2024.

The CPC has had presentations from BCDI regarding their efforts to identify and support farmland uses and from the Historical Society about the locations and types of buildings of historic interest and ways they recommend to preserve the character of those buildings. Additionally, the members have reviewed a number of other land uses that are currently allowed throughout Bowdoinham.

During the upcoming months, the CPC will begin asking for more input from community members starting with their ideas of scenic roadways.

For the past year, the Comprehensive Planning Committee, has primarily met using zoom technology as have other town committees in 2020. While this technology has been valuable to the continuation of meetings, it has been difficult for all members to be as active due to issues of individual types of computers, phones, and other personal technology, internet connectivity, etc.

Remember, all CPC meetings are open to the public. If you are interested in joining the committee or providing input, please contact the Town Office.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joanne Joy, Chair

## Comprehensive Planning Committee

*Joanne Joy, Chair*

### Members

Joanne Joy, Chair  
David Asmussen, Vice Chair  
Peggy Christian  
Tom Deforeest  
Richard Morin  
William Stanton  
Patrick Thompson  
Kevin Twine  
Reeve Wood

### Monthly Meeting Schedule

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month  
At 6:30pm

### Website

[bowdoinham.com/CPC](http://bowdoinham.com/CPC)

## Cemetery Advisory Committee

*Tony Lewis, Chair*

### Members

Tony Lewis, Chair  
Elaine Diaz, Vice Chair  
Karen Tilbor, Secretary  
Cassandra Hensley  
Samuel Tome

### Meeting Schedule

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month  
At 4:00pm

### Website

[bowdoinham.com/CAC](http://bowdoinham.com/CAC)

During the past season, the committee spent the 2019-2020 winter months reviewing the 1999 policy for Superintendence and Control of Bowdoinham Cemeteries and drafting a new policy to recommend to the select board. We started by looking at the current policies in towns about the same size as Bowdoinham.

It should be noted that these towns had far fewer burial grounds than does Bowdoinham. With some historic as well as exploratory research we have identified at least 71 known or once known burial grounds within this town or on the border with Bowdoin or Richmond.

These are the three large cemeteries: Bayview (which is owned and maintained by its own Board of Trustees), the Village Burying Ground and the Ridge Cemetery. The latter two are owned and maintained by the town. In addition, the town owns/ maintains the following smaller grounds. (some of them 30-100 stones, others only 1-6 stones)

Maxwell Cemetery on River road  
Harward Cemetery on Pork Point Road  
Davies Plot on Abbagadasset Road  
Dunmore Plot on White Road  
Beach Hill Plot on Centers Point Road

Maintenance of these and the two large cemeteries include all season mowing, maintenance brush and branch removal (though this has not always been done!) In addition, the Town owns/maintains the following grounds with a yearly mowing

Browns Cemetery on Browns Point Road  
Mustard Cemetery on Post Road  
Jack Plot on Jenkins Road off Post Road  
Small Plot on White Road

The maintenance is done by the Town Public Works Department or contracted (currently the village and the Ridge cemeteries to Cote's Lawn Services)

After the Covid-19 Pandemic struck we cancelled our monthly meetings from March 3, until September 21, 2020 and then resumed online. We are not quite finished with the policy draft, but we'll resume in early 2021. We struggled as a committee with whether to follow the concepts of the other towns reviewed which emphasized tidiness, uniformity and control over display, since only the Bayview is a "modern" cemetery and the Town does not control that one, we focused on the character of our own Bay View Grounds which were started in the 1700s or 1800s and are already mostly full. Therefore, we are leaning more toward care and restoration, than continue.

We curtailed weekend "stone-cleaning" sessions at the Village Burial Ground due to Covid but continued working on smaller plots with fewer people and safe distancing. The Verrill-Small Plot on Ridge Road was taken on by Carson Taylor with his family and Scout Troop 669. They cleared brush, cleaned stones, rebuilt a fence and they even sent photos to a descendant of the Smalls!

This is the kind of work continuing in the many small plots, all over town. That the BCAC supports, we continue to assess cemetery condition and needs and support to the town for larger or more costly needs. Current concerns include dead and dying trees that threaten stones (Planting maples was popular in the 1800s—The trees are now 150 plus years old!)We are also asking the town to pursue some Right of Way concerns via legal channels. And we would like the town to upgrade “maintenance” from mowing to more complete care of the cemeteries that it owns. Such as removal of the branches and overgrowth and fence and Right of Way maintenance and repair stone cleaning is a great job for volunteers, but we are not trained to repair and reset stones.

There may be two stone restoration workshops in summer 2021 put on by the Maine Old Cemetery Association (MOCA) and we are asking for the Town to support sending as many people as possible including Town Employees to these weekend workshops as there is currently no one available to do this work. The town would also need to purchase certain equipment.

The villages burial ground is looking especially shabby as noted in several citizen’s complaints recently and though Public Works and/or volunteers can clean and paint the fence, only trained and skilled workers can straighten, mend & reset those stones. This and professional tree removal are the big asks this coming year!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elaine Diaz, Vice Chair

## **Cemetery Advisory Committee**

*Tony Lewis, Chair*

### **Members**

Tony Lewis, Chair  
Elaine Diaz, Vice Chair  
Karen Tilbor, Secretary  
Cassandra Hensley  
Samuel Tome

### **Meeting Schedule**

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month  
At 4:00pm

### **Website**

[bowdoinham.com/CAC](http://bowdoinham.com/CAC)

## Community Development Advisory Committee

*Wendy Rose, Chair*

### Members

Wendy Rose  
Brian Smith  
Lee Parker  
John Scribner  
Jean de Bellefeuille

### Meeting Schedule

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month  
6:30pm - 8:00pm

### Website

[bowdoinham.com/CDAC](http://bowdoinham.com/CDAC)

The role of the CDAC is to advise the Selectboard about community development strategies and activities. We use the town's comprehensive plan as our guide for the projects we address. On occasion, we host gatherings of the town's businesses to get their input into which of our potential projects we should put at the top of the list.

We are pleased to report that the high speed internet project was completed this year. Lincolnville Communications (LCI) installed the infrastructure, worked with prospective customers, and finished all the hook-ups by August. Many of the new customers have reported to us that their service has been very satisfactory. Whenever difficulties have arisen, they have found LCI to be responsive and things have been resolved quickly.

Much of our year was taken up with an assignment from the Selectboard to research solar energy sources which would be used to meet the town's electric needs. Currently, the town pays for electricity for our street lights and 5 town buildings to the tune of approximately \$15,000 per year.

Over several months, CDAC looked into options for Bowdoinham, and analyzed possible savings by using solar. In August, the town issued a Request for Proposals. Revision Energy, a leader in the field, submitted a comprehensive proposal which CDAC reviewed. We submitted our recommendation that the Selectboard enter into a contract with Revision which was accepted with some conditions. The final step is for the town to vote on the proposal at Town Meeting this June (or before if there is a special town meeting).

The proposal is to install a solar array on the town's Public Works Building which would generate enough power for the town's five buildings and street lights. A third party investor will pay for this installation, and there will be no outlay of town money. Through the agreement, Revision will maintain the solar array over a 20 year period. Savings on the town's electric bill will start right away. The current estimate is that the total savings will be approximately \$39,000 over the 20 year period. At the end of 20 years, Bowdoinham can choose to dismantle the array or take ownership. Well cared for panels can last as long as 40 years. If the town chooses to keep the array, all the savings would come to the town and would cover maintenance while saving the town more on its electric bills.

After 5 years of having the solar panels, the town could look at purchasing the array in order to realize greater savings. While this is not a necessary step, circumstances may come up that would make this a good idea.

In this very challenging year of Covid-19 restrictions, CDAC contributed to some important "buy local" initiatives. As our farms pivoted to marketing their produce directly to local customers, CDAC sought to put a spotlight on these purchasing opportunities. An article in the Bowdoinham Newsletter and a special poster highlighting farm stands, the Farmer's Market, and Community Supported Agriculture ventures helped to let citizens know about opportunities to buy from local farms. Nicole Briand, our town planner, also spotlighted local farms and artisans through an online series of video profiles which was produced by a local videographer, Rebecca Conley.

The town also supported artisans in their efforts to adjust to Covid restrictions. The Bowdoinham Guild of Artisans held an outdoor market in Maily Park in October that substituted for their usual Holiday Show and Sale. The Guild also focused on creating a new website for their members which can be found at [www.bowdoinhamartisans.com](http://www.bowdoinhamartisans.com). Thanks go to Rebecca Conley for her wonderful photographs of the artisans and their work which appears on the new website. The Merrymeeting Arts Center once again offered a pop-up holiday store, but this year they were able to safely set up a space for over 40 artisans in the Town Hall. Close to \$9,000 was earned by those participating. Intense marketing was needed for these events, and our neighbors responded by supporting our talented artisans.

Other projects that CDAC has monitored include the development of the waterfront park, progress on the Merrymeeting Trail, a proposal for a paddle put-in with direct access to Merrymeeting Bay, ideas for new businesses, and a variety of town events. We are so grateful for the diligent work and coordination that Nicole Briand provides to these efforts. Many thanks to all the town volunteers that make it all happen.

In March, 2019, CDAC hosted a meeting of those interested in exploring a town bakery. Thanks go to the Historical Society for the use of their space at Merrymeeting Hall. There were many useful ideas that came up in the meeting, but the initiatives stopped with the pandemic's initial shutdown. Fortunately, Counterpoint Bread has found venues for selling their delicious bread, and Jessica Lesure has started to sell baked goods from her licensed kitchen at home. Stay tuned for further developments.

We welcome input and participation. Join us at our meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30. You can find details about our location (zoom? In person?) at the town website.

Respectfully Submitted  
Wendy Rose, Chair

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## Solid Waste Committee

*Cathy Curtis, Chair*

### Members

Bryan Benson, Director of Solid Waste and Recycling  
Cathy Curtis, Chair  
Lisa Wesel, Vice-chair  
Susan Drucker, Secretary  
Susan Brown  
Michael Smith  
Pat McDonough  
Tessa Kingsley

### Meeting Schedule

Every other Wednesday at  
5:30pm

*The Committee welcomes public attendance at our zoom meeting. Links can be found on the Town Calendar along with agendas.*

### Website

[bowdoinham.com/SWC](http://bowdoinham.com/SWC)

The Committee's original task was to:

Oversee protocols for keeping the Recycling Barn open during the pandemic

Contain expenses for the recycling program and problem-solving curbside pick-up/contamination

Address the condition of the barn after the Selectboard has reviewed inspections and reports and discussed their findings with David Berry, Leaser

Over the summer, the committee created a vision statement:

"The goal of the Solid Waste Committee is to provide a resource for residents to reduce household solid waste, reuse and repurpose unwanted materials, and facilitate recycling as current markets allow. The Committee strives to seek revenue sources and cost savings for the town by staying current with market trends, and to encourage environmental stewardship through innovative and proactive practices."

Members toured the recycling barn and brainstormed possible ways to reopen for services while still adhering to Covid-19 safety precautions. The Recycling Barn did reopen for limited hours in August.

This task of the committee shifted in September when the Town closed the Recycling Barn based on an Engineer's Report from Calderwood Engineering due to safety concerns. This decision did not include the Solid Waste Committee. There are ongoing talks between the Town (Lessee) and David Berry (Lessor) addressing concerns.

As an interim solution, the town worked with Casella to have Recycling Receptacles (Silver Bullets) placed at the Recycling Barn allowing a Zero-Sort drop-off recycling option.

The Committee was then re-tasked with: "Determining a Vision for the Future of Solid Waste & Recycling to include; what services the town wants; what is needed to offer these services; how can the services be offered; and the cost of the services."

To gain resident feedback the committee created a survey which could be filled out online or via a paper copy. The survey was open throughout the month of January. Results were tabulated in early February and the committee used the results to guide their work on the type of program residents would like to see implemented in Bowdoinham.

The committee is currently in the process of gathering information on the different materials that can be recycled, the possible methods for recycling, the cost of recycling those items and the space that might be needed to store those items until it is financially viable to have them hauled.

A presentation by Ecomaine was made at the 1/6/2021 meeting providing information about their recycling services for towns. Casella will also be presenting to the committee.

At the time of this report (February) the committee planned to provide this information to the Town. The Town will then use that information to determine what properties and facilities could be considered for the Town's Solid Waste and Recycling services, and residents will then be asked to vote on those considerations.



## **Timeline of Solid Waste and Recycling services for 2020-2021**

### March

Recycling Barn closes to public based on Governor's Pandemic Order- curbside pick-up of trash and recycling continues to be offered

### June

Recycling Barn reopens on Thursdays, able to resume all services except "Store" and Bulky Waste

### August

Limited public hours offered on two Saturdays for Bulky Waste Collection

### September

Recycling Barn is closed based on safety concerns. Recycling "Silver Bullets" from Casella are added to parking lot at Recycling Barn for Zero-sort Recycling, Curbside pick-up of recycling is still offered

### October

Select Board votes to move Silver Bullet Operations to Public Works

### November

Curbside recycling services suspended due to lack of storage and sorting space. Silver Bullet drop-off suspended until receptacles can be relocated at Public Works Site

### December

Zero-sort recycling resumes at Public Works

### January 2021

Tuesday hours added, 12:00pm - 6:00pm for recycling drop-off

Thank you to the committee members and residents who have attended meetings over this past year and provided input. We also thank the residents who took the time to fill out the survey.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cathy Curtis, Chair

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## U.S. Senator

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### Committees

Special Committee on Aging  
(Chairman)

Appropriations

Health, Education, Labor and  
Pensions

Select Committee on  
Intelligence

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 reflect on 2020, an incredibly challenging year for Maine families, small businesses, and communities.

When the pandemic struck, our country faced the specter of an overwhelmed health care system and devastation to our small businesses and the millions of people they employ. I immediately worked with Republicans and Democrats to pass multiple laws allocating approximately \$3 trillion to respond to this public health and economic crisis, including more than \$8 billion directed to Maine to support testing, schools, the economy, and other purposes — that is nearly double Maine's annual state budget.

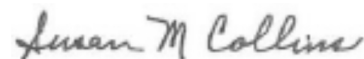
I am especially proud of the bipartisan Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) I co-authored. This program has provided three out of four Maine small businesses with nearly \$2.3 billion in forgivable loans, which has helped sustain more than 250,000 Maine jobs. I have met thousands of Maine small employers and employees in all 16 counties who are surviving because of the PPP. As one small business owner told me, the PPP provided “exactly what we needed at exactly the right time.” The PPP also allowed employers to maintain benefits, such as health care, during this challenging time. Another round of PPP is needed to sustain small businesses and their employees.

While the pandemic continues across Maine, our nation, and the world, I thank the first responders, health care professionals, teachers, grocery store employees, factory workers, farmers, truck drivers, postal employees, and so many others who continue to stay on the job during this difficult time. With the deployment of the first vaccines, better tests, and the incredible speed with which these life-saving responses were developed, I am hopeful we can emerge from this crisis in the next few months.

While providing relief to American families was my focus throughout 2020, other accomplishments include the passage of the Great American Outdoors Act, which provides full funding of the Land and Water Conservation Fund and addresses the maintenance backlog at our national parks, forests, and wildlife refuges. As Chairman of the Transportation Appropriations Subcommittee, in 2020 alone, I secured \$132 million to improve Maine's roads, bridges, airports, buses, rail, ferries, and seaports. Finally, as Chairman of the Aging Committee, I led the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, which funds programs that improve the well-being, independence, and health of our nation's seniors and their caregivers, and I authored laws to reduce the cost of prescription drugs and protect individuals with Alzheimer's disease.

As the end of 2020 is approaching, I have cast more than 7,535 votes, never having missed one. In the New Year, my focus remains to work with colleagues to find common ground on policies to help support the health and safety of Mainers and the safe, responsible opening of our communities. If ever I or my staff can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact one of my state offices. May the coming year be a successful one for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,  
Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator



Dear Friends,

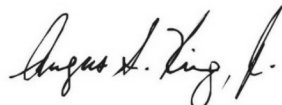
2020 was a year unlike any in our lifetimes. Our state and nation dealt with unprecedented challenges- the coronavirus pandemic, ensuing economic fallout, and prolonged, heavily divisive campaign season each took a significant toll on all of us. The worst part? In order to protect each other, we had to face these challenges in isolation. But a new year represents new possibilities; a chance to take stock of what we're grateful for and focus on the opportunities in front of us. As we reflect back on 2020, we will remember heartbreak and loss - but we cannot forget the shining rays of hope that broke through the darkness, reminding us all that better days are ahead.

Throughout the pandemic, my top focus has been on bridging the partisan divide in Washington in order to deliver desperately-needed relief for Maine people. Joined by colleagues this March, we pushed for bipartisan negotiations to produce a strong bill that helped fellow Mainers, businesses, and institutions weather this storm. In the weeks and months after the CARES Act passed, our team stayed in close contact with people throughout the state to determine how we should adjust our response to best support our citizens. Unfortunately, the aid provided by the CARES Act lapsed without Congressional action, leaving too many families and businesses in limbo. I never stopped pushing for a bipartisan relief bill and, after extensive negotiations, we ended the year on a good note by breaking the gridlock and passing new relief legislation. This new bill isn't perfect; in fact, it should just be the start our renewed response. As we enter 2021 with a new administration and new Congress, we must fight for additional legislation to help restore stability to our working families and rebuild our economy and public health infrastructure.

In the midst of this crisis, Congress did manage to accomplish a few successes that will outlast this awful pandemic. Among these was the Great American Outdoors Act, a bipartisan bill which was enacted into law in August 2020 and will help address a \$12 billion backlog at our national parks so future generations of Americans can enjoy these beautiful lands and create lifelong memories. Also, as we learn more about the recent hacks of our nation's networks, there is help on the way: 27 of the cybersecurity recommendations made by the Cyberspace Solarium Commission - which I co-chair with Republican Congressman Mike Gallagher- made it into this year's defense bill. While there is no guarantee that these provisions would have prevented the massive hack, they will certainly improve our cyber defenses.

As we end this challenging year, I'm hopeful for the future. Vaccines are being distributed across our state - starting with our healthcare heroes, who have sacrificed so much throughout this unprecedented catastrophe and deserve our eternal gratitude. If there can be a silver lining from this challenges of 2020, maybe it will be this: I hope that, in the not-so distant future, we will be able to come together physically and we will be reminded of our love for each other. We have differences, without a doubt. But as Maine people stepped up to support each other, we saw again and again that our differences pale in comparison to the values we share. We are one state, and one community - and there is nothing we cannot or will not do for each other. Mary and I wish you a happy and healthy 2021. We can't wait to see you soon.

Best Regards,  
Angus S. King, Jr.  
United States Senator



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House Agriculture Committee

Dear Friends,

2020 has been a year of unconscionable loss and hardship. The COVID-19 pandemic has ravaged our nation, magnifying long-unaddressed inequities. I hear daily from constituents whose lives have been upended by the pandemic. As we navigate these ongoing challenges, my top priority in Congress has been to advocate for the resources Maine residents, businesses, and institutions need to weather this crisis.

In March, the CARES Act was signed into law, providing much-needed relief to Mainers, including expanded unemployment benefits, stimulus checks, grants and loans for small businesses and nonprofits, and funding for health care providers on the front lines of this crisis. As this crisis wore on, I saw increased need; that's why I voted for the Heroes Act in May and again in October to provide further support. I'm relieved we passed another relief package at the end of December, but I know another round of support is still much needed in the coming year.

The pandemic isn't the only crisis we face. Climate change threatens Maine's environment and industries. This summer, the Gulf of Maine recorded its hottest day, and we experienced the longest, most severe drought in 20 years. Maine farms continue to be stymied by climate change, but they can also play a crucial role in combatting it. In February, I introduced the Agriculture Resilience Act to ensure American agriculture is net-zero by 2045. The release of Maine's Climate Action Plan is a major step in the fight against climate change. I will continue to work with state leaders to ensure they have federal support to achieve this agenda.

2021 will offer different challenges. We must distribute a vaccine to millions, restore jobs, uplift the economy, and repair the divisions that undermine our ability to make meaningful change. I look forward to working with the incoming presidential administration to meet these challenges and emerge as a stronger, more resilient nation.

As always, the needs of Mainers guide my work as we recover from this crisis. If there is anything my office can do to help, please reach out.

Sincerely,  
Chellie Pingree  
Member of Congress



Dear friends and residents of Bowdoinham,

Thank you for the opportunity to continue serving as your State Senator. Acting as your voice in Augusta is a tremendous honor, and I'm humbled by the opportunity to help Maine through this difficult time.

When the pandemic arrived in Maine in March 2020, few of us understood what challenges it would bring with it. From mass unemployment, to the closing of schools and the need to stay physically distant from one another, this public health crisis has truly upended life for all of us. I'm hopeful that the distribution of vaccines will bring us closer to life as we knew it soon, but we all know our challenges are far from over. The next couple of years will be critical as we try and help our people and our state recover.

I am honored by the fact that my colleagues in the Senate have chosen me as Senate Majority Leader. The Legislature will adjust to the realities of the pandemic by moving much of our business online in 2021.

Making this change is going to require flexibility and patience. However, I believe that this change also gives the public the opportunity to participate more actively in the legislative process. In addition to watching livestreams or recordings of committee work, the public will also be able to testify in front of committees for the first time live on camera or by phone from their homes.

I have also been appointed to serve on the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee and the Government Oversight Committee. These committees work on important issues that affect all Mainers, from making sure our tax dollars are used efficiently, to supporting innovative energy solutions, building out internet infrastructure, ensuring Mainers are connected to the utilities they need, and more. This pandemic has also reminded us that there is work ahead of us in ensuring that all Mainers have access to quality health care in their communities. Making sure Mainers are healthy and safe as we support our workers and small businesses in building back our economy will be my priorities over the next two years.

I know many in our community are still struggling, and I want to remind you that I'm here as a resource for you and your family. If you need help securing unemployment benefits, putting food on the table, connecting with a state agency, or just want to talk something through, I'm here to help. You can email me at [Eloise.Vitelli@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Eloise.Vitelli@legislature.maine.gov) or call my office at (207) 287-1515.

Finally, I want to thank all of our dedicated local officials, and all of you, who have shown incredible flexibility and courage throughout these past months in adapting to changes needed to keep us all safe. While our State still faces challenges, I am convinced that when we work together to overcome them we can come out stronger on the other side. I look forward to working with and for you these next two years.

Sincerely,  
Eloise Vitelli  
State Senator



## State Senator

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Dear Bowdoinham Residents,

The past year has been challenging for many of us. My greatest inspiration has been seeing the service and sacrifice of so many of you who have worked to help others in our community. Both as your state representative and in my day job at a local business, I know I've never worked harder than over the last year – or found my legislative work more rewarding. It feels good to help my neighbors find resources, answer a question, or solve a problem.

In December 2020, all newly elected or reelected legislators were sworn in at the Augusta Civic Center. Due to the pandemic, most early work of this new legislature has taken place remotely, with both legislators and the public participating via the internet. In most ways, this has made public input easier. All our work is accessible online, either live or after the fact, and you can visit [legislature.maine.gov](http://legislature.maine.gov) to learn more. Please contact me with any questions about how to stay informed and/or participate in our proceedings.

A major part of our work this session is balancing the state budget for the next two years, and public hearings on this legislation are underway as of this writing. To earn my support, the two-year budget must be both balanced and fiscally responsible, and must also make sure our recovery from the economic fallout of the pandemic leaves nobody behind. I will also be pushing to make sure the budget adequately funds our schools, strengthens our health care, provides help to local governments and property taxpayers, and continues our efforts to address the climate crisis.

Another critical area of work will be our economy, particularly considering how difficult the pandemic has been for our working families and entrepreneurs, especially in rural communities. We will need to augment workforce training and invest in Maine's large infrastructure network. And, given the experience of so many constituents last year, we will need to address the serious shortcomings in our unemployment insurance system that were brought to light by the current situation.

Once again I am co-chairing the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee, where I advocate for ratepayers in the face of unfair business practices, support clean energy, help more people heat their homes and strengthen privacy and consumer protections. I also continue to lead a multi-party broadband caucus that works to bring high-speed internet to every corner of Maine. And finally, I am still fighting to return control of our electrical grid to Maine consumers, ending CMP's for-profit monopoly, reducing electric bills and improving service and reliability.

Through both my committee work and other legislative business, I am committed to working with all my colleagues, regardless of party, to advocate for our community and move our state forward. As always, please contact me anytime at [seth.berry@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:seth.berry@legislature.maine.gov), 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



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

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

As we move forward in a climate which continues to be accentuated by the uncertainty of COVID-19, the Commissioners remain acutely aware of the impact the County tax assessment has on Sagadahoc municipalities. In FY 2020-21 the overall budget increased by 2.9%, due in large part to a reduction in the amount of available surplus funds. While it is unknown if we will show a reduction in FY 2021-22, we remain firmly committed to minimizing increases and controlling non-essential expenditures.

During FY 2019-20 the County's many activities and accomplishments included the following:

Administration continued to oversee the self-funded health insurance program. Over the past five years, our premiums have gone up ~7% less than those of our previous insurer. Planning continued on a number of significant capital projects that are scheduled for in the current fiscal year, including extensive repairs to the Courthouse roof.

Probate Court was busy processing petitions for guardianship, conservatorship, change of name, adoption, and estates. They also continued to back-scan records into an electronic database. New legislation required a revision of almost all probate forms, which added greatly to their workload.

Deeds completed its efforts to make all documents available for viewing at [sagadahocdeedsme.com](http://sagadahocdeedsme.com). In spite of COVID 19, they stayed busy handling the many recordings generated by a more robust housing market.

The Emergency Management Agency staff continued to plan and implement regional training; assist local EMA Directors and community officials to meet federal emergency preparedness requirements; facilitate the disbursement of PPE to localities and agencies; coordinate numerous other COVID-19 related programs and services; and collaborate with area emergency responders and public health agencies.

The Communications Center continued making equipment upgrades as well as undertaking long term planning for improvements to the E-911 system and coverage.

The District Attorney's Office handled a high volume of court cases until the onset of COVID. Although Superior Court has not as yet resumed sessions, the District Court has been fully operational and keeping staff quite busy.

For the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, the Sheriff's Office responded to 5,346 calls, compared to 5,217 calls the previous year, which is an increase of 2.5%. The Transport Division handled 409 transports last year and continued to monitor inmates on home release. 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 666-3075. And I encourage interested persons to attend Board of Commissioners' meetings.

Respectfully,  
Brian Hobart

## County Commissioner

*Brian Hobart*

### Board of Commissioners Meetings

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at 3:00pm  
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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. Property Tax Exemptions that may reduce your property taxes are the Homestead Exemption, Veteran Exemption, Paralegic Veteran. All applications for property tax exemptions must be submitted to the Town no later than April 1st.

### Assessed Values and Tax Commitment Totals

Year	Mil Rate	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total Exemptions	Total Tax Commitment
2021	16.87	\$319,880,100	\$2,393,100	\$21,283,100	\$5,077,702.99
2020	16.47	\$314,440,000	\$2,515,500	\$16,683,600	\$4,945,478.19
2019	17.15	\$282,457,800	\$2,522,800	\$16,575,700	\$4,603,144.04

Respectfully Submitted,  
Darren Carey, CMA  
Assessor's Agent



# Delinquent 2020 Property Taxes

*As of June 30, 2020*

Name	Amount Due	Name	Amount Due
Acker, Barbara	\$1,763.94	Gray, Steven J	\$602.80
April, Karen (Cooper)	\$251.99	Gustafson, Paul E	\$1,023.61
Ashouwak, Lara M	\$1,133.96	Hall, Tracey M	\$4,662.66
Atwater, Elizabeth (Devises)	\$682.68	Halsey, Ian	\$1,016.20
Atwood, Larry E	\$930.56	Halsey, Sean	\$119.41
Babb, Ronald J	\$361.52	Hamrick, Garret L	\$1,083.73
Babb, Ronald J	\$838.33	Harris, David	\$782.33
Babb, Ronald J	\$1,896.52	Kane, Robert E li	\$729.09
Bamford, James J	\$249.75	Lambert, Steven R	\$358.23
Bishop, John W Iv	\$71.65	Lamoreau, Shawn S	\$2,726.61
Bishop, John W Iv	\$1,904.76	Lewis, Edan F	\$18.85
Boivin, Kelly L	\$274.23	Lloyd, Joane K	\$305.52
Bouchard, Byron J (Jt)	\$303.05	Love, Robert R	\$378.81
Boucher, Donald	\$489.37	Mailly, Mary L . (Jt)	\$886.91
Brillant, Kathryn J	\$391.17	Maloy, Shawn	\$452.93
Bryer, Susan	\$110.87	Maltais, Richard	\$380.46
Burton, Vyrell	\$229.76	Mckinney, Earl N (Jt)	\$659.63
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$649.74	McMullen (Estate Of), Margaret	\$683.42
Carter, Gary	\$13.35	McMullen (Estate Of), Margaret	\$708.21
Chase, Kenneth M Sr	\$457.04	Neiman, Russell C	\$114.89
Chatfield, Timothy J	\$723.86	Noble, Daniel P	\$751.86
Christian, Irene F (Lt) (Estate Of)	\$246.23	Petroff, Mark	\$198.47
Crooker, Randy N	\$420.81	Picurro, Matthew H	\$911.62
Curtis(Heirs Of), Susan E	\$816.91	Pomelow, Donald E	\$141.64
Cutler, Alan F	\$565.75	Scribner, Kenneth Jr	\$105.41
Delair, Todd M	\$839.97	Shaw, Matthew J	\$679.39
Despres, Mark Sr	\$443.05	Sheen, Cory	\$438.93
Devises Of Curran, Robert J.	\$81.10	Shorette, Fred S	\$1,034.32
Dickey, Darryl	\$1,461.72	Skipper, Rodney S	\$783.97
Dolan, Nancy	\$1,580.30	St Jean, Raymond D	\$410.93
Dunbar, Candida A	\$635.74	Stehle, Albert E	\$88.82
Dunn, David D	\$655.51	Sugden, George S Jr	\$2,521.68
Dunn, John B	\$778.21	Surette, Martin	\$23.22
Ellis, Robert A	\$568.22	Switzer, Rhonda J	\$583.86
England, Linda L	\$77.76	Talbot, Kathleen Bianca	\$712.33
Ernst, Jeff M	\$1,086.20	Temple(Heirs Of), Milton R Sr	\$838.33
Evans, Cynthia J	\$591.99	Thompson, George F	\$1,670.06
Flanagan Real Estate Trust	\$740.33	Tome, Samuel B	\$11.53
Flanagan, Bartlett J	\$1,685.71	Tome, Samuel B	\$597.86
Frank, Shawn	\$85.72	Tourtlotte, Douglas R	\$80.61
Frizzle, Ola Elizabeth	\$545.16	Troup, Corey N	\$775.74
Garland, Lori A (Hill)	\$52.35	West, Elizabeth A	\$1,581.12
Gauthier, Suzanne	\$397.75	Williams, Robert	\$218.23
Gilbert, Raynold M	\$661.27	Wironen, John F	\$22.31
		<b>Total Outstanding 2020 Taxes as of 6/30/2020</b>	<b>\$61,622.40</b>

## Real Estate Property Liens

*As of June 30, 2020*

Tax Year - 2010	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$362.89
<b>Total Liens for 2010</b>	<b>\$362.89</b>

Tax Year - 2011	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$403.16
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,087.33
<b>Total Liens for 2011</b>	<b>\$1,490.49</b>

Tax Year - 2012	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$168.29
Cutler, Alan F	\$2,056.00
Griatzky, Steven M	\$189.60
Maily, Mary	\$774.69
<b>Total Liens for 2012</b>	<b>\$3,188.58</b>

Tax Year - 2013	
Name	Amount Due
Alexander, Patrick	\$314.42
Butterfuss, Frank	\$157.46
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$1,761.18
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,783.06
Griatzky, Steven M	\$186.04
Maily, Mary	\$2,348.02
<b>Total Liens for 2013</b>	<b>\$6,550.18</b>

Tax Year - 2014	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$153.81
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$1,721.54
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,735.27
Griatzky, Steven M	\$189.75
Maily, Mary	\$2,292.38
<b>Total Liens for 2014</b>	<b>\$6,092.75</b>

Tax Year - 2015	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$154.46
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$1,728.43
Caron, Sarah E	\$907.91
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,739.75
Maily, Mary	\$2,294.48
<b>Total Liens for 2015</b>	<b>\$6,825.03</b>

Tax Year - 2016	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$140.88
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$1,646.42
Castiallo, Valentina (Pers Rep)	\$49.91
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,663.50
Maily, Mary L. (Jt)	\$2,196.30
<b>Total Liens for 2016</b>	<b>\$5,697.01</b>

Tax Year - 2017	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$352.27
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$1,586.13
Castiallo, Valentina (Pers Rep)	\$59.54
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,492.25
Maily, Mary L. (Jt)	\$2,102.43
<b>Total Liens for 2017</b>	<b>\$5,592.62</b>

Tax Year - 2018	
Name	Amount Due
Butterfuss, Frank	\$353.43
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$1,538.31
Castillo, Valentina (Pers Rep)	\$72.46
Chase, Kenneth M. Sr.	\$1,077.29
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,348.72
Hamrick, Garret L	\$1,038.92
Maily, Mary L. (Jt)	\$2,033.38
<b>Total Liens for 2018</b>	<b>\$7,462.51</b>

## Real Estate Property Liens

As of June 30, 2020

Tax Year - 2019	
Name	Amount Due
Ashouwak, Lara Pertel	\$1,158.18
Atwater, Elizabeth (Devises)	\$737.12
Atwood, Larry E	\$2,032.07
Boivin, Kelly L	\$353.28
Carlson, Denise M Et Al (Pers Rep)	\$1,381.19
Chase, Kenneth M Sr	\$997.29
Christian, Irene F (Lt)	\$563.01
Crooker, Randy N	\$677.47
Crowley, Kristin	\$86.56
Curtis(Heirs Of), Susan E	\$1,271.60
Cutler, Alan F	\$1,215.33
Delair, Todd M	\$963.14
Despres, Mark Sr	\$1,349.37
Dickey, Darryl	\$2,902.44
Dunn, David D	\$1,212.75
Ellis, Robert A	\$86.66
Fitzgerald, John &	\$736.25
Gilbert, Raynold M	\$361.36
Gray, Steven J	\$598.16
Gustafson, Paul E	\$1,933.83
Halsey, Ian	\$2,136.13
Hamrick, Garret L	\$2,178.64
Harris, David	\$1,633.53
Heirs Of Richard D Shaffer	\$406.82
Herard, Carl R	\$1,331.66
Lambert, Steven R	\$68.64
Lamoreau, Shawn S	\$5,373.84
Mailly, Mary L . (Jt)	\$1,833.70
Maloy, Shawn	\$59.86
Mckinney, Earl N (Jt)	\$1,442.31
Pomelow, Donald E	\$316.36
Shaw, Matthew J	\$764.86
Shorette, Fred S	\$1,921.54
Skipper, Rodney S	\$1,712.69
Switzer, Rhonda J	\$1,295.75
Talbot, Kathleen Bianca	\$1,490.21
Temple(Heirs Of), Milton R Sr	\$1,774.73
West, Elizabeth A	\$3,132.99
Williams, Robert	\$277.96
<b>Total Liens for 2019</b>	<b>\$49,769.28</b>

# Outstanding Personal Property Taxes

*As of June 30, 2020*

<b>Tax Years Prior to 2010</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2005	\$80.20
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2006	\$54.56
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2007	\$71.76
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2008	\$73.95
Hitz, Paul M A	2009	\$65.97
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2009	\$69.56
Zoulamis, Dean	2009	\$48.49
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$464.49</b>

<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Hilltop Log Homes Inc	2010	\$666.00
Hitz, Paul M A	2010	\$66.60
McPherson, James A	2010	\$219.04
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2010	\$71.04
Zoulamis, Dean	2010	\$93.24
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,115.92</b>

<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Beaulieu, Jason	2011	\$26.64
Hitz, Paul M A	2011	\$68.08
McPherson, James A	2011	\$224.96
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2011	\$71.04
Zoulamis, Dean	2011	\$81.40

<b>Tax Year - 2012</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Beaulieu, Jason	2012	\$28.12
Downeast Federal Credit Union	2012	\$59.94
Eagle ATM(C/O Dell Holman )	2012	\$88.80
Hitz, Paul M A	2012	\$69.56
McPherson, James A	2012	\$170.20
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2012	\$72.52
Steen, David S	2012	\$19.24
Stillwell's Auto Repair Inc	2012	\$88.21

<b>Tax Year - 2013</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Bamford Foundations Inc	2013	\$102.68
Beaulieu, Jason	2013	\$28.69
Eagle ATM(C/O Dell Holman )	2013	\$24.16
Hitz, Paul M A	2013	\$73.99
McPherson, James A	2013	\$181.20
Norton Insurance AgencyInc	2013	\$12.08
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2013	\$77.01
Stillwell's Auto Repair Inc	2013	\$169.12
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$668.93</b>

<b>Tax Year - 2014</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Bamford Foundations Inc	2014	\$107.80
Beaulieu, Jason	2014	\$30.80
HHP Enterprises, Llc.	2014	\$20.02
Hitz, Paul M A	2014	\$77.00
Leighton,Richard	2014	\$7.41
McPherson, James A	2014	\$190.96
Norton Insurance AgencyInc	2014	\$24.64
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$458.63</b>

<b>Tax Year - 2015</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Bamford Foundations Inc	2015	\$113.75
HHP Enterprises, Llc.	2015	\$16.25
Hitz, Paul M A	2015	\$81.25
Leighton,Richard	2015	\$24.38
McPherson, James A	2015	\$201.50
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2015	\$86.13
Zoulamis, Gregory	2015	\$289.25
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$812.51</b>

<b>Tax Year - 2015</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Bamford Foundations Inc	2016	\$115.15
HHP Enterprises, Llc.	2016	\$11.51
Hitz, Paul M A	2016	\$82.25
Leighton,Richard	2016	\$24.68
McPherson, James A	2016	\$203.98
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2016	\$87.19
Zoulamis, Gregory	2016	\$259.91
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$784.67</b>

<b>Tax Year - 2017</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>
Bamford Foundations Inc	2017	\$115.85
Cavandish, Chris	2017	\$13.74
Earl Bigelow	2017	\$36.41
FHC Inc	2017	\$23.17
HHP Enterprises, Llc.	2017	\$6.62
Hitz, Paul M A	2017	\$82.75
Leighton,Richard	2017	\$24.83
McPherson, James A	2017	\$205.22
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2017	\$87.72
Zoulamis, Gregory	2017	\$226.74
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$823.05</b>

## Outstanding Personal Property Taxes

*As of June 30, 2020*

Tax Year - 2018		
Name	Year	Amount Due
Bamford Foundations Inc	2018	\$117.95
Cavandish, Chris	2018	\$168.50
Earl Bigelow	2018	\$33.70
HHP Enterprises, Llc.	2018	\$6.74
Hitchcock, Judith L	2018	\$30.33
Hitz, Paul M A	2018	\$84.25
Lamoreau, Shawn S	2018	\$70.77
Leighton, Richard	2018	\$25.28
McPherson, James A	2018	\$208.94
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2018	\$90.99
Taurus Systems	2018	\$38.76
Zoulamis, Gregory	2018	\$208.94
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,085.15</b>
Tax Year - 2019		
Name	Year	Amount Due
Bamford Foundations Inc	2019	\$120.05
Bartholomew, Regina	2019	\$186.93
Bertulli, Robert	2019	\$76.61
Bowdoinham Hardware Store	2019	\$54.88
Cavandish, Chris	2019	\$171.50
Cumberland County Glass	2019	\$822.76
Earl Bigelow	2019	\$30.87
HHP Enterprises, Llc.	2019	\$6.86
Hitchcock, Judith L	2019	\$30.87
Hitz, Paul M A	2019	\$85.75
Lamoreau, Shawn S	2019	\$72.03
Leighton, Richard	2019	\$25.73
Leighton, Stephen	2019	\$27.44
McPherson, James A	2019	\$212.66
Morrell, Stephen L	2019	\$15.43
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2019	\$92.61
Walsh, Steven M	2019	\$23.65
Zoulamis, Gregory	2019	\$185.22
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,241.85</b>

Tax Year - 2020		
Name	Year	Amount Due
At&T Mobility Llc	2020	\$229.65
Bamford Foundations Inc	2020	\$115.29
Bertulli, Robert	2020	\$80.70
Bowdoinham Associates	2020	\$204.23
Bowdoinham Hardware Store	2020	\$44.47
Cavandish, Chris	2020	\$164.70
Chad Weaver	2020	\$58.25
Cobb, Kyle	2020	\$151.52
Comcast Of Me/Nh Inc	2020	\$22.34
Cumberland County Glass	2020	\$1,017.85
Earl Bigelow	2020	\$26.35
Estate Of Luke S. Macfadyen	2020	\$99.40
Gill, Charles F Iii & Linda W Jt	2020	\$56.00
Harriman, Jesse W Jr	2020	\$42.82
HHP Enterprises, Llc.	2020	\$6.59
Hitchcock, Judith L	2020	\$29.65
Hitz, Paul M A	2020	\$82.35
Lamoreau, Shawn S	2020	\$69.17
Leighton, Stephen	2020	\$26.35
Mckenna, Eugene R Jr	2020	\$8.24
McPherson, James A	2020	\$184.46
Mowers, Casey W	2020	\$9.88
Oakes, Fulton	2020	\$30.47
Riendeau-Card, Robin	2020	\$88.94
Sandelin, Hugo	2020	\$13.17
Scott Libby Woodworking Llc	2020	\$37.05
Skelton, David C & Kellogg, Lia T	2020	\$83.99
Walsh, Steven M	2020	\$29.65
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,013.53</b>

# Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

## Budget and Revenues Summary

Budget Summary				
Department Expenses	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
Administration	\$ 507,929.69	\$ 557,391.67	\$ 49,461.97	9.7%
General Services	\$ 56,500.00	\$ 86,500.00	\$ 30,000.00	53.1%
Debt Services	\$ 348,530.00	\$ 429,246.81	\$ 80,716.81	23.2%
Fire & Rescue Department	\$ 98,943.44	\$ 106,800.75	\$ 7,857.31	7.9%
Town Facilities Maintenance	\$ 90,385.00	\$ 91,885.00	\$ 1,500.00	1.7%
Animal Control/Harbor Master	\$ 20,389.00	\$ 21,256.18	\$ 867.18	4.3%
Public Works	\$ 499,249.00	\$ 532,543.62	\$ 33,294.62	6.7%
Solid Waste & Recycling	\$ 235,586.59	\$ 188,312.58	\$ (47,274.00)	-20.1%
Recreation	\$ 46,576.24	\$ 59,957.68	\$ 13,381.43	28.7%
Planning, Community Devel. & Codes	\$ 90,375.00	\$ 95,426.70	\$ 5,051.70	5.6%
Contingency	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 0	0.0%
Organization Requests	\$ 4,221.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (2,721.00)	-64.5%
Capital Reserves	\$ 164,839.00	\$ 149,000.00	\$ (15,839.00)	-9.6%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,178,523.96</b>	<b>\$ 2,334,820.98</b>	<b>\$ 156,297.02</b>	<b>7.2%</b>

Revenues Summary				
	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
Non-Property Tax Revenues	\$ 877,765.00	\$ 960,071.00	\$ 82,306.00	9.4%
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 140,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Homestead Reimbursement	\$ 231,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ (31,000.00)	-13.4%
Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 241,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	9.5%
BETE Reimbursement	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Total Revenues (Non-Property Tax)</b>	<b>\$ 1,469,765.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,542,071.00</b>	<b>\$ 72,306.00</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>NET MUNICIPAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 708,758.96</b>	<b>\$ 792,749.98</b>	<b>\$ 83,991.02</b>	<b>11.9%</b>

# Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

## Administration

Administration	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Personnel</b>				
Town Manager Salary	\$ 91,980.00	\$ 82,000.00	\$ (9,980.00)	-10.9%
Administrative Personnel	\$ 150,224.00	\$ 148,087.00	\$ (2,137.00)	-1.4%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increases(2%)	\$ 3,004.00	\$ 3,341.75	\$ 337.75	11.2%
Assessing Personnel	\$ 18,720.00	\$ 19,781.00	\$ 1,061.00	5.7%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 263,928.00</b>	<b>\$ 253,209.75</b>	<b>\$ (10,718.25)</b>	<b>-4.1%</b>
<b>Support &amp; Benefits</b>				
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	\$ 20,190.49	\$ 19,370.55	\$ (819.95)	-4.1%
Health, & Retirement benefits	\$ 49,555.00	\$ 78,827.13	\$ 29,272.13	59.1%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 69,745.49</b>	<b>\$ 98,197.68</b>	<b>\$ 28,452.18</b>	<b>40.8%</b>
<b>Subtotal Personnel Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 333,673.49</b>	<b>\$ 351,407.43</b>	<b>\$ 17,733.93</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
<b>Professional Services</b>				
Legal Expense	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	100.0%
Maine Municipal Assoc. Dues	\$ 3,818.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 182.00	4.8%
Municipal Audit Services	\$ 7,150.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 850.00	11.9%
Mapping Services				
Assessing Services	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 33,468.00</b>	<b>\$ 44,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,032.00</b>	<b>33.0%</b>
<b>Boards &amp; Stipends</b>				
Selectmen's Stipend	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Election Stipends	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)	-40.0%
Health Officer	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ -	0.0%
Cemetery Sexton	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00	\$ -	0.0%
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	\$ 979.20	\$ 826.20	\$ (153.00)	-15.6%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 13,779.20</b>	<b>\$ 11,626.20</b>	<b>\$ (2,153.00)</b>	<b>-15.6%</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Printing & Publications	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Election Expenses	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ (700.00)	-10.4%
Training, Certs & Dues	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	133.3%
Website Maintenance/Updates	\$ 1,120.00	\$ 1,640.00	\$ 520.00	46.4%
Ordinance Enforcement	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	0.0%
Meeting Broadcast/Recording	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -	0.0%
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -	0.0%

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# Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

## *Administration*

Administration Continued	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Operating Expenses Continued</b>				
Payroll Service Expense	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Office Supplies	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Postage & Bulk Mail	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 6,350.00	\$ 50.00	0.8%
Registry of Deeds	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 40,120.00</b>	<b>\$ 43,990.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,870.00</b>	<b>9.6%</b>
<b>Planning Expenses</b>				
Mapping Expense	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	100.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Equipment Maint./Repair</b>				
Equip.Replace/Repair/Computer Maint	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	400.0%
Software Licenses	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 23,820.00	\$ 7,820.00	48.9%
Postage Meter-Lease/Purchase	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 600.00	\$ (650.00)	-52.0%
Copier Lease/Maint. Agreement	\$ 6,850.00	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 350.00	5.1%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 25,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 36,620.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,520.00</b>	<b>45.9%</b>
<b>Utilities Expense</b>				
Electricity	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ (200.00)	-4.3%
Heating Expense	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 500.00	16.7%
Water Service	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Telephone (& Internet) Expense	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 12,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>	<b>2.4%</b>
<b>Risk Management</b>				
Public Officials Liability	\$ 3,520.00	\$ 3,473.16	\$ (46.84)	-1.3%
Employee Bonding	\$ 440.00	\$ 440.00	\$ -	0.0%
Worker's Comp	\$ 12,571.00	\$ 18,600.00	\$ 6,029.00	48.0%
Unemployment	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,300.00	433.3%
General Liability & Property	\$ 9,624.00	\$ 9,368.88	\$ (255.12)	-2.7%
Vehicle and Mobile Equip Insurance	\$ 11,434.00	\$ 10,066.00	\$ (1,368.00)	-12.0%
Fire Dept. Ins.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 47,889.00</b>	<b>\$ 53,548.04</b>	<b>\$ 5,659.04</b>	<b>11.8%</b>
<b>Subtotal Administrative Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 174,256.20</b>	<b>\$ 205,984.24</b>	<b>\$ 31,728.04</b>	<b>18.2%</b>
<b>Total Personnel &amp; Administrative</b>	<b>\$ 507,929.69</b>	<b>\$ 557,391.67</b>	<b>\$ 49,461.97</b>	<b>9.7%</b>



## Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

### *General and Debt Services*

General Services Budget				
	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/ Dec
<b>General Services</b>				
General Assistance	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Library Appropriation	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Snowbirds Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Bowdoinham Historical Society (Document Preservation)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Bowdoinham Historical Society (Merrymeeting Hall Utilities)	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	100.0%
Ambulance Contract	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	100.0%
<b>Total General Services Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 56,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 86,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 30,000.00</b>	<b>53.1%</b>

Debt Services Budget				
	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Debt Service</b>				
Debt Consolidation Loan	\$ 163,838.00	\$ 166,184.01	\$ 2,346.01	1.4%
PW Facility Bond- MMBB	\$ 76,048.00	\$ 154,661.65	\$ 78,613.65	103.4%
2011 Road, PW Truck (10yr - 2.13%) = MMB	\$ 64,722.00	\$ 64,560.98	\$ (161.02)	-0.2%
2011 Fire Truck Bond (15 yr - 2.13%) - MMB	\$ 17,909.00	\$ 17,827.23	\$ (81.77)	-0.5%
2013 Lease/Purchase Backhoe (10yr - 3.2%)	\$ 10,524.00	\$ 10,524.00	\$ -	0.0%
2015 Lease/Purchase Loader (10 yr - 2.5%)	\$ 15,489.00	\$ 15,488.94	\$ (0.06)	0.0%
<b>Total Debt Service Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 348,530.00</b>	<b>\$ 429,246.81</b>	<b>\$ 80,716.81</b>	<b>23.2%</b>

## Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

### *Fire and Rescue*

Fire and Rescue	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Administration</b>				
Fire Chief Salary	\$ 17,210.00	\$ 17,817.43	\$ 607.43	3.5%
Fire & Rescue Volunteers	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	4.3%
Emergency Management Dir.	\$ 750.00	\$ 775.00	\$ 25.00	3.3%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 40,960.00</b>	<b>\$ 42,592.43</b>	<b>\$ 1,632.43</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Support &amp; Benefits</b>				
FICA	\$ 3,133.44	\$ 3,258.32	\$ 124.88	4.0%
Earned Paid Leave	\$ -	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	100.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 3,133.44</b>	<b>\$ 3,908.32</b>	<b>\$ 774.88</b>	<b>24.7%</b>
<b>Operating Expense</b>				
Training	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	-20.0%
Mileage				
Equipment	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	8.3%
Dues/Memberships	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 250.00	33.3%
Office Supplies	\$ 700.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (200.00)	-28.6%
Physicals/Inoculations	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 500.00	20.0%
Radio Purchase & Repair	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Personal Protective Clothing	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 500.00	7.1%
Equipment Testing	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Building Maintenance	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Fire Suppression Equipment				
Print/Publications/Train				
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 40,450.00</b>	<b>\$ 41,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,050.00</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
<b>Utilities Expense</b>				
Electricity	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ -	0.0%
Heating Expense	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Water Service	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -	0.0%
Telephone	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 300.00	20.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 6,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>	<b>4.6%</b>
<b>Vehicle Maintenance</b>				
Diesel	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (400.00)	-11.8%
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	100.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 7,900.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,100.00</b>	<b>51.9%</b>
<b>Fire &amp; Rescue Department Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 98,943.44</b>	<b>\$ 106,800.75</b>	<b>\$ 7,857.31</b>	<b>7.9%</b>

## Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

*Town Facilities, Animal Control Officer, and Harbor Master*

<b>Town Facilities</b>						
	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec		
<b>Town Facilities Maintenance</b>						
Custodial & Supplies	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	0.0%		
Town Hall / Office Maint & Repair	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	25.0%		
Waterfront Maintenance/Parks	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	0.0%		
Hydrant Rental	\$ 55,235.00	\$ 55,235.00	\$ -	0.0%		
Street & Facility Lighting	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ -	0.0%		
Memorial Day	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	\$ -	0.0%		
<b>Town Facilities Maintenance:</b>	<b>\$ 90,385.00</b>	<b>\$ 91,885.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>	<b>1.7%</b>		
<b>Animal Control and Harbor Master</b>						
	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec		
<b>Personnel</b>						
ACO Salary	\$ 9,841.00	\$ 10,037.82	\$ 196.82	2.0%		
Harbor Master salary	\$ 1,956.00	\$ 1,985.34	\$ 29.34	1.5%		
Earned Paid Leave	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	100.0%		
FICA	\$ 902.00	\$ 958.02	\$ 56.02	6.2%		
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 12,699.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,481.18</b>	<b>\$ 782.18</b>	<b>6.2%</b>		
<b>Animal Control Officer</b>						
Pager/Phone	\$ 600.00	\$ 400.00	\$ (200.00)	-33.3%		
Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.0%		
Animal Shelter Contract	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ -	0.0%		
Feral Cat/Disposal	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -	0.0%		
Supplies & Equip./Training	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -	0.0%		
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 6,550.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,350.00</b>	<b>\$ (200.00)</b>	<b>-3.1%</b>		
<b>Harbor Master</b>						
Training & Membership	\$ 50.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 475.00	950.0%		
Supplies & Equip	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 800.00	\$ (200.00)	-20.0%		
Telephone	\$ 90.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 10.00	11.1%		
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 1,140.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,425.00</b>	<b>\$ 285.00</b>	<b>25.0%</b>		
<b>Animal Control/Harbor Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 20,389.00</b>	<b>\$ 21,256.18</b>	<b>\$ 867.18</b>	<b>4.3%</b>		

# Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

## Public Works

Public Works	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Personnel</b>				
Public Works Foreman	\$ -	\$ 47,840.00	\$ 47,840.00	100.0%
Public Works Personnel	\$ 175,109.00	\$ 119,325.02	\$ (55,783.98)	-31.9%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase	\$ 3,502.00	\$ 3,343.00	\$ (159.00)	-4.5%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 178,611.00</b>	<b>\$ 170,508.02</b>	<b>\$ (8,102.98)</b>	<b>-4.5%</b>
<b>Support &amp; Benefits</b>				
FICA	\$ 15,485.00	\$ 15,518.85	\$ 33.85	0.2%
Health, & Retirement benefits	\$ 51,142.00	\$ 76,164.04	\$ 25,022.04	48.9%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 66,627.00</b>	<b>\$ 91,682.89</b>	<b>\$ 25,055.89</b>	<b>37.6%</b>
<b>Operating Expense</b>				
Printing/Pubs/Training	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ -	0.0%
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)	-11.8%
Tools/Equip/Radios	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Safety, Protective Clothing & PPE	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	100.0%
Building Maintenance	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 30,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 30,400.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Utilities</b>				
Telephone/Internet	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 400.00	14.8%
Trash Removal	\$ -	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700	100.0%
Electricity	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 200.00	4.2%
Heating	\$ 11,600.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (1,600.00)	-13.8%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 19,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 18,100.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,000.00)</b>	<b>-5.2%</b>
<b>Highway Maintenance</b>				
Mow/Grade/Culvert	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 300.00	5.30%
Ditching/Gravel	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	100.00%
Signage	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (500.00)	-25.00%
Paving/Surf Maintenance	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (12,500.00)	-71.40%
Gas/Diesel	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 43,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,500.00</b>	<b>\$ (2,700.00)</b>	<b>-6.25%</b>
<b>Snow &amp; Ice Removal</b>				
Plowing & Sanding Contract(s)	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	100.0%
PW Overtime	\$ 27,311.00	\$ 32,353.00	\$ 5,042.00	18.50%
Road Salt and Sand	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ (10,000.00)	-10.00%
Diesel (winter)	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
Winter Vehicle& Equip. Main.	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 161,311.00</b>	<b>\$ 181,353.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,042.00</b>	<b>12.42%</b>
<b>Total Public Works Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 499,249.00</b>	<b>\$ 532,544.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,295.00</b>	<b>6.67%</b>

## Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

### Solid Waste and Recycling

Solid Waste and Recycling	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Personnel</b>				
Recycling Personnel	\$ 43,100.00	\$ 31,296.00	\$ (11,804.00)	-27.4%
Recycling Director	\$ 21,875.00	\$ 25,229.00	\$ 3,354.00	15.3%
Allowance Merit Wage Increases (2%)		\$ 1,131.00	\$ 1,131.00	
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 64,975.00</b>	<b>\$ 57,656.00</b>	<b>\$ (7,319.00)</b>	<b>-11.3%</b>
<b>Support &amp; Benefits</b>				
FICA	\$ 4,970.59	\$ 4,456.58	\$ (514.00)	-10.3%
Earned Paid Leave		\$ 600.00		
Health & Retirement benefits	\$ 2,954.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 646.00	21.9%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 7,924.59</b>	<b>\$ 8,656.58</b>	<b>\$ 732.00</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Misc. Expense	\$ 3,375.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,375.00)	-40.7%
Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (2,500.00)	-83.3%
Recycling Barn Lease	\$ 16,392.00	\$ -	\$ (16,392.00)	-100.0%
Gas/Oil/Propane	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ (1,200.00)	-100.0%
Building Upgrades/Engineering	\$ 2,000.00			
Snow Removal Contract				
Building Maintenance - General	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -	\$ (2,400.00)	-100.0%
Safety and PPE		\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 28,367.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,250.00</b>	<b>\$ (25,117.00)</b>	<b>-88.5%</b>
<b>Utilities Expense</b>				
Electricity & Telephone	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 750.00	\$ (550.00)	-42.3%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 1,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 750.00</b>	<b>\$ (550.00)</b>	<b>-42.3%</b>
<b>Recycling &amp; Disposal Expenses</b>				
Single Stream Contract	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ (11,000.00)	-31.4%
General Disposal	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (4,500.00)	-75.0%
Curbside Pickup Contract	\$ 66,500.00	\$ 67,000.00	\$ 500.00	0.8%
Trash Disposal	\$ 22,020.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 980.00	4.5%
Hazardous Waste	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (1,000.00)	-28.6%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 133,020.00</b>	<b>\$ 118,000.00</b>	<b>\$ (15,020.00)</b>	<b>-11.3%</b>
<b>Total Solid Waste &amp; Recycling Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 235,586.59</b>	<b>\$ 188,312.58</b>	<b>\$ (47,274.00)</b>	<b>-20.1%</b>

*Note: The Department is estimated to receive revenue in the amount of: \$92,600. The net cost to taxpayers for this department is: \$95,713.*

## Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

### Recreation

Recreation & Older Adult Services	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Personnel</b>				
Recreation & Older Adult Services	\$ 20,879.00	\$ 29,047.20	\$ 8,168.20	39.1%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase		\$ 593.00	\$ 593.00	100.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 20,879.00</b>	<b>\$ 29,640.20</b>	<b>\$ 8,761.20</b>	<b>42.0%</b>
<b>Support &amp; Benefits</b>				
FICA	\$ 1,597.24	\$ 2,267.48	\$ 670.23	42.0%
Health/Retirement				
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 1,597.24</b>	<b>\$ 2,267.48</b>	<b>\$ 670.23</b>	<b>42.0%</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Misc. Expense	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 150.00	150.0%
Food Service Expense	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,300.00	\$ -	0.0%
Recreation Advertising				
Recreation Facilities	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 500.00	6.3%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 12,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,050.00</b>	<b>\$ 650.00</b>	<b>5.2%</b>
<b>Athletic Program</b>				
Program Expenses	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 500.00	5.9%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 8,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>5.9%</b>
<b>Activities Program</b>				
Activities	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	33.3%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>33.3%</b>
<b>Age-Friendly Initiative</b>				
Programs & Events	\$ 100.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,900.00	1900.0%
Postage,Printing, advertising				
Supplies	\$ 100.00			
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,800.00</b>	<b>900.0%</b>
<b>Total Recreation Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 46,576.24</b>	<b>\$ 59,957.68</b>	<b>\$ 13,381.43</b>	<b>28.7%</b>

*Note: The Recreation Department is budgeted to receive \$22,305 in revenue. The net cost of the department to taxpayers is \$37,652*

## Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

### *Planning, Community Development, and Code Enforcement*

Planning, Community Development and Code Enforcement	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Personnel</b>				
Planner (35%)	\$ 21,595.00	\$ 21,700.00	\$ 105.00	0.5%
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer	\$ 31,200.00	\$ 32,968.00	\$ 1,768.00	5.7%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase (2%)	\$ 2,132.00	\$ 659.00	\$ (1,473.00)	-69.1%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 54,927.00</b>	<b>\$ 55,327.00</b>	<b>\$ 400.00</b>	<b>0.7%</b>
<b>Support &amp; Benefits</b>				
FICA	\$ 4,202.00	\$ 4,232.52	\$ 30.52	0.7%
Health, & Retirement benefits	\$ 26,466.00	\$ 30,627.18	\$ 4,161.18	15.7%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 30,668.00</b>	<b>\$ 34,859.70</b>	<b>\$ 4,191.70</b>	<b>13.7%</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Telephone	\$ 540.00	\$ 540.00	\$ -	0.0%
Print/Publications/Training	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Enforcement	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -	0.0%
Miscellaneous	\$ 150.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 100.00	66.7%
Mileage	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 700.00	233.3%
Postage	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 2,240.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,040.00</b>	<b>\$ 800.00</b>	<b>35.7%</b>
<b>Planning Expenses</b>				
Comprehensive Plan	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Planning/Appeals	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 200.00	20.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>	<b>10.0%</b>
<b>Utilities</b>				
Telephone	\$ 540.00	\$ -	\$ (540.00)	-100.0%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 540.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (540.00)</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
<b>Total Planning Budget</b>	<b>\$ 90,375.00</b>	<b>\$ 95,426.70</b>	<b>\$ 5,051.70</b>	<b>5.6%</b>

## Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

### *Contingency and Organizations*

Contingency Budgets					
	FY20/21 Budget		FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Contingency Budget</b>					
Contingency	\$ 15,000.00		\$ 15,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
<b>Contingency Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>		<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

Organization Budgets					
	FY20/21 Budget		FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Organization Requests</b>					
BCDI					
Spectrum Generations	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	0.0%
Waldo Community Partners	\$ 539.00				
Merrymeeting Arts Center					
Historical Society - Merrymeeting Hall	\$ 2,182.00				
<b>Organization Requests Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 4,221.00</b>		<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>	<b>\$ (2,721.00)</b>	<b>-64.5%</b>

Capital Reserve Budget					
	FY20/21 Budget		FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Capital Reserve Accounts</b>					
Town Hall & Town Office	\$ 40,500.00		\$ 35,000.00	\$ (5,500.00)	-13.6%
Cemetery Maintenance	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	0.0%
Solid Waste & Recycling	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 26,500.00	\$ 21,500.00	430.0%
Public Works Reserve			\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
Capital Improvements	\$ 111,339.00		\$ 76,500.00	\$ (34,839.00)	-31.3%
Riverfront Building	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)	-40.0%
<b>Town Facilities Maintenance Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 164,839.00</b>		<b>\$ 149,000.00</b>	<b>\$ (15,839.00)</b>	<b>-9.6%</b>



## Proposed Revenues for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

### *Non- Property Tax Revenue*

	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
<b>Tax Collector's Revenue</b>				
Excise - Boat	6,000	6,000	-	0.0%
Excise - Airplane	-	-	-	-
Excise - Automobile	606,250	680,000	73,750	12.2%
Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	11,000	11,000	-	0.0%
Veterans Reimbursement	4,500	4,000	-500	-11.1%
Interest on Taxes	16,000	10,000	-6,000	-37.5%
<b>Total Tax Collectors Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 643,750</b>	<b>\$ 711,000</b>	<b>\$ 67,250</b>	<b>10.45%</b>
<b>Treasurer's Revenue</b>				
Local Road Assistance	35,265	33,896	-1,369	-3.9%
Snowmobile Reg. Fees	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
General Assistance Reimbursement	2,250	2,500	250	11.1%
State Park Fees	-	-	-	-
Tree Growth Reimbursement	9,000	9,000	-	0.0%
<b>Total Treasurer's Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 47,515</b>	<b>\$ 46,396</b>	<b>\$ (1,119)</b>	<b>-2.36%</b>
<b>Solid Waste Revenue</b>				
General Disposal Fees	7,500	2,000	-5,500	-73.3%
Solid Waste Tag Fees	75,000	85,000	10,000	13.3%
Hazardous Waste Disposal Fees	500	600	100	20.0%
Recyclable Materials Sales	13,000	5,000	-8,000	-61.5%
<b>Total Solid Waste Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 96,000</b>	<b>\$ 92,600</b>	<b>\$ (3,400)</b>	<b>-3.54%</b>
<b>Recreation Revenue</b>				
Recreation Advertising/Banners	800	3,000	2,200	275.0%
Recreation Fundraising	700	2,450	1,750	250.0%
Recreation Food Sales	3,000	3,500	500	16.7%
Recreation Registration	7,000	11,555	4,555	65.1%
Recreation Sponsors	2,000	1,800	-200	-10.0%
Age-Friendly Activities & Events	-	1,000	1,000	100.0%
<b>Total Recreation Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 13,500</b>	<b>\$ 23,305</b>	<b>\$ 9,805</b>	<b>172.63%</b>
<b>Local Revenue</b>				
Plumbing Permit Fees	7,000	7,000	-	0.0%
Building Permit Fees	9,500	9,000	-500	-5.3%
Ordinance Violations/Fines/Fees	1,000	500	-500	-50.0%
Planning & Appeals Board Fees	-	4,000	4,000	100.0%
Select Board Licensing	-	4,000	4,000	100.0%

## Proposed Revenues for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

*Continued*

	FY20/21 Budget	FY21/22 Request	\$ Inc/Dec	% Inc/Dec
Public Works Recycling	100	100	-	0.0%
Canoe/Kayak rental space	0	720	720	100.0%
Mooring Fees	600	500	-100	-16.7%
Rentals of Town Property	7,000	7,200	200	2.9%
Fire Station Rental	500	250	-250	-50.0%
Cemetery Trust Transfers	7,000	10,000	3,000	42.9%
Cable Franchise Fees	15,800	16,500	700	4.4%
Property Tax Lien Fees	5,000	2,500	-2,500	-50.0%
Investment Income	14,000	15,000	1,000	7.1%
EMS Donations	-	-	-	-
Fire Donations	400	0	-400	-100.0%
<b>Total Local Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 67,900</b>	<b>\$ 77,270</b>	<b>\$ 9,370</b>	<b>13.80%</b>
<b>Town Clerk Revenue</b>				
IF & W Agent Fees	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
Dog Agent Fees	1,100	1,000	-100	-9.1%
Late Dog Fees	900	700	-200	-22.2%
Vital Statistics Fees	2,100	1,800	-300	-14.3%
Misc. Revenue	4,000	5,000	1,000	25.0%
<b>Total Town Clerk Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 9,100</b>	<b>\$ 9,500</b>	<b>\$ 400</b>	<b>4.40%</b>
<b>Undesignated Fund Balance Transfers</b>				
Undesignated Fund Balance Transfers	140,000	140,000	-	0.0%
<b>Total Non-Property Tax Rev</b>	<b>\$ 1,017,765</b>	<b>\$ 1,100,071</b>	<b>\$ 82,306</b>	<b>8.09%</b>
<b>Property Tax Related Revenues</b>				
Homestead Reimbursement	231,000	200,000	-31,000	-13.4%
Municipal Revenue Sharing	220,000	241,000	21,000	9.5%
BETE Reimbursement	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
<b>Total Property Tax Related Revenue</b>	<b>\$452,000</b>	<b>\$442,000</b>	<b>-\$10,000</b>	<b>-2.2%</b>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,469,765</b>	<b>\$ 1,542,071</b>	<b>\$ 72,306</b>	<b>4.92%</b>

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

**TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM  
TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

*Sagadahoc, State of Maine*

**TO:** Madeline Winston, 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 and State, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at **Bowdoinham Recreation Fields, 50 Ridge Road, Bowdoinham on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 6:00pm**, then and there to act on Articles 1 through 45 as set out below.

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

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**ORDINANCES**

**ARTICLE 2:** Shall an ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to Add and Amend Provisions Regarding Non-Roadside or Cross-Country Distribution Lines (greater than 34.5kv)” be enacted?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall an ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to Add and Amend Provisions Regarding Non-Conforming Buildings” be enacted?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall an ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to Add and Amend Provisions Regarding General Performance Standards and Use-Specific Performance Standards” be enacted?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall an ordinance entitled, “An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to Update the Select Board License and Application Fees Regarding Marijuana Licenses” be enacted?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

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**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote: (1) to approve capital improvement projects that include the reconstruction, paving and maintenance of town roads and paving and maintenance of the Fire Station Parking Lot, including all other reasonably necessary components related thereto (the “Projects”); and (2) to appropriate \$900,000 for the Project; 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 \$900,000; 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, premium(s), call(s) for redemption, current or advance refunding(s) of the securities, form(s) 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 with any party or certifications related thereto.

**TREASURER’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid:	\$5,498,255.76
B. Bonds authorized and unissued:	\$0.00
C. Bonds to be issued if this Article is approved:	\$900,000.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$6,398,255.76</b>

Costs—at an estimated interest rate of 2.8% for an assumed 10-year maturity, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be:

Principal:	\$900,000.00
Interest:	\$144,333.84

**Total Debt Service:** **\$1,044,333.84**

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.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ARTICLES (CONTINUED)**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote: (1) to approve a capital improvement project that includes the reconstruction, paving and maintenance of the Dingley Road Mallon Brook stream crossing, including all other reasonably necessary components related thereto (the “Project”); and (2) to appropriate \$250,000 for the Project; 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, premium(s), call(s) for redemption, current or advance refunding(s) of the securities, form(s) 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 with any party or certifications related thereto.

**TREASURER’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

D. Bonds outstanding and unpaid:	\$5,498,255.76
E. Bonds authorized and unissued:	\$0.00
F. Bonds to be issued if this Article is approved:	\$250,000.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,748,255.76</b>

Costs—at an estimated interest rate of 3.2% for an assumed 15-year maturity, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be:

Principal:	\$250,000.00
Interest:	\$68,686.32

**Total Debt Service:** **\$318,686.32**

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.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ARTICLES (CONTINUED)**

**ARTICLE 8:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$149,000, as itemized below, for the CAPITAL RESERVE Budget?

Capital Improvements:	\$76,500
Town Hall & Town Office:	\$35,000
Cemetery Maintenance:	\$3,000
Solid Waste & Recycling:	\$26,500
Public Works Reserve:	\$5,000
Riverfront Building:	\$3,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$149,000</b>

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall the Town establish the Rideout Memorial Reserve Fund and appropriate the sum of \$375,987.04 that was received from the Miriam B. and Linwood B. Rideout Memorial Trust to this Reserve Fund to be used for the purposes consistent with those specified in the Sagadahoc Probate Court’s Order for Termination of Charitable Trust dated July 22, 2020?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**EXPLANATION:** The Town has received \$375,987.04 from the termination of the Miriam B. and Linwood B. Rideout Trust by the Trustee through Probate Court, Sagadahoc County. Per the Order for Termination of Charitable Trust (Docket #2020-010), the funds are to be held in a fund to be known as the Miriam B. and Linwood B. Rideout (“Rideout Fund”) which shall be used only for worthy projects and undertakings, as determined by its governing board, and not for normal operating expenses. In addition, the Town of Bowdoinham shall use its Rideout Fund to the extent feasible, for the development, administration, and implementation of a management plan for Merrymeeting Bay, the elements of which may include (i) shoreline stabilization, (ii) a canoe and kayak boat launch, (iii) pedestrian trails and a parking area at the trail head, (iv) boardwalks and observation platforms, and (v) generally improved access to Merrymeeting Bay with a view to fostering awareness and appreciation of the Bay as a natural resource. A copy of the Order for Termination of Charitable Trust is on file with the Town Clerk’s Office.

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**CONVEYANCE OF LICENSE AND EASEMENT FOR SOLAR FACILITY ON TOWN'S PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING**

**ARTICLE 10:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer (1) to grant a license, easement, lease, or other encumbrances over the Town's public works facility located at 121 Pond Road in Bowdoinham, Maine (as shown on Tax Map R02, Lot 62) to ReVision Energy, Inc., its designee or third party investor ("ReVision") in order to allow ReVision to design, install, own and operate a solar energy generation system thereon so that the Town may purchase the electric energy and net energy billing credits produced by said system and thereby reduce the Town's electricity costs, all for an initial term of twenty years with such extensions and on such terms and conditions as the Select Board in its discretion deems advisable, and (2) to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town such other contracts, documents and certificates and take all other actions that may in the Select Board's judgment be necessary or convenient to effect the transactions authorized herein and qualify the Town to participate in net energy billing?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 4-1.

**EXPLANATION:** The Town issued a request for proposals (RFP) on July 27, 2020 soliciting proposals from solar developers to install a solar energy generation system on the Town's public works facility in order for the Town to reduce its electricity costs by taking advantage of Maine's net energy billing program. Under this program, a utility customer with a financial interest in a solar energy generation facility receives, for the electricity delivered on the customer's behalf to the electric grid from a solar facility, monetary credits that reduce the customer's monthly utility bill. If this Article is approved, the Select Board will negotiate an agreement that will (1) allow Revision to install, own, and operate arrays of solar panels on the roof of the public works building at 121 Pond Road, along with related equipment and infrastructure, for the purpose of generating clean electricity to be delivered to the utility grid, and (2) allow the Town to purchase the electricity and the associated net energy billing credits generated by the solar panels in order to participate in the net energy billing program and achieve anticipated long-term electric energy cost savings.

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**ROAD DISCONTINUANCES**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the Municipal Officers' April 13, 2021 Order of Discontinuance of its public easement over the Jenkins Road, for a distance of approximately 1,200 feet beginning at the eastern border of lot R03-63's property line and running westward to the eastern border of lot R02-70's property line, which Order is filed with the Town Clerk, and to appropriate \$0.00 to pay damages as stated in the Order.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 3-2.

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**Citizens Petition for Purchase of Recycling Barn**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to acquire property owned by David Berry located at 243 Post Road, Bowdoinham, Maine (described more particularly in a deed recorded at the Sagadahoc County Registry of Deeds at Book 445, Page 227) for the purchase price of \$175,000 and to authorize and direct that the Selectmen shall take all actions necessary to close on the purchase of said property prior to September 1, 2021, for the purposes of refurbishing and utilizing the Recycling Barn?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board unanimously recommends this article **not pass**.

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**EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$557,392 for the ADMINISTRATION Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 14:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$95,427 for the PLANNING, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE ENFORCEMENT Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 15:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000 for the CONTINGENCY Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$86,500 for the GENERAL SERVICES Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$429,247 for the DEBT SERVICES Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$106,801 for the FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$91,885 for the TOWN FACILITIES MAINTENANCE Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$21,256 for the ANIMAL CONTROL AND HARBOR MASTER Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 21:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$532,544 for the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 22:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$188,313 for the SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING DEPARTMENT Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

**ARTICLE 23:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$59,958 for the RECREATION Budget?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

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**OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION REQUESTS**

**ARTICLE 24:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for SPECTRUM GENERATIONS?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

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**PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT**

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to exceed the property tax levy limit of \$910,300.48 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

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**REVENUE BUDGET ARTICLE**

**ARTICLE 26:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$960,071 from the ESTIMATED REVENUES ACCOUNTS (Non-Property Tax Revenues) to be applied to reduce the 2022 tax commitment?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

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**FUND BALANCE ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 27:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$140,000 from the UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE to be applied to reduce the 2022 tax commitment?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend this article to pass, unanimously.

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## BUSINESS ARTICLES

**ARTICLE 28:** Shall the Town vote to fix the first day of November 2021 and the second day of May 2022 when all 2022 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 6.00% per annum on all taxes unpaid after said date(s)?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 29:** Shall the Town vote to establish the interest rate of 2.00% 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 30:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax payments prior to the commitment of taxes?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 31:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a 2022 Tax Club Plan to taxpayers who enroll no later than July 31, 2021, who pay the total amount of 2022 taxes by monthly payments from July 2021 to June 30, 2022, 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 32:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the payment of any overdrafts that may occur in the Town's 2021/2022 budget to be paid out of the fund balance?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 33:** Shall the Town vote to 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 34:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to transfer unexpended funds remaining in department expense accounts, which are appropriated by the town meeting in FY21-22 but which are not expended in FY21-22, in to related reserve accounts?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 35:** Shall the Town vote to 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 36:** Shall the Town vote to 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**BUSINESS ARTICLES (CONTINUED)**

**ARTICLE 37:** Shall the Town 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 38:** Shall the Town 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 39:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Treasurer 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 40:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to enter into multi-year contracts necessary to provide services to the Town?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 41:** Shall the Town 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 42:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to annually set fees for returned checks, copies of Town ordinances and other documents, and notary services?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 43:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to collect Solid Waste Management User Fees for Fiscal Year 2022 at the rate of \$2.50 per bag?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 44:** Shall the Town vote to set the annual permit fee for commercial haulers operating within the Town of Bowdoinham, pursuant to the provisions of 7.1.1 of the Solid Waste Management Ordinance, as follows: (1) \$175.00 fee per year, per truck for trucks with up to and including six (6) wheels; and (2) \$275.00 per year, per truck for trucks with more than six (6) wheels?

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.

**ARTICLE 45:** Shall the Town vote to 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:** The Select Board recommends this article to pass, 5-0.


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VALEDICTION

Given unto our hands the 11th day of May 2021.

Select Board  
Town of Bowdoinham

  
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David Engler, Chair

  
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Jeremy Cluchey, Vice-Chair

  
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Pamela C Ross, Town Clerk

  
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Peter Lewis

  
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Mark Favreau

Witness to All:

  
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Nicole Briand, Town Manager

## NOTES

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