

### MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIRECTORY

### **TOWN OFFICE HOURS**

Police, Fire, Ambulance (Emergency Only	www.bowdoinham.com			
County Sheriff's Dept. (Non Emergency)	443-8201	(207) 666-5531		
State Police	1-800-452-4664	Monday	8:30am - 4:00pm	
Bowdoinham Town Office	666-5531	Tuesday	8:30am - 4:00pm	
Bowdoinham Recycling Barn	666-3228	Wednesday	9:00am - 6:00pm	
Bowdoinham Fire Station	666-3505	Thursday	8:30am - 4:00pm	
Bowdoinham Community School	666-5546	Friday	8:30am - 4:00pm	
Mount Ararat High School	729-2950			
Mount Ararat Middle School	729-2951	<b>BOWDOINHAM PUBLIC</b>		
MSAD/RSU 75	729-9961	LIBRARY HOURS		
Bowdoinham Post Office	666-3465	www.bowdoinhamlibrary.org		
Bowdoinham Public Library	666-8405	(2	07) 666-8405	
Cliff Daigle, Animal Control	522-8816	Tuesdays	10am - 2pm	
Year-Round Toll Free House of Represei	ntatives	Wednesdays	2pm - 6pm	
Message Center	1-800-423-2900	Thursdays	10am - 2pm	
Maine Legislative Internet Web Site - http:/	//janus.state.me.us/legis	Fridays	2pm - 6pm	
		Saturdays	10am - 2pm	

### **MUNICIPAL HOLIDAYS 2019-2020**

Independence Day	Thursday	07/04/2019	Christmas	Wednesday	12/25/2019
Labor Day	Monday	09/02/2019	New Year's Day	Wednesday	01/01/2020
Indigenous Peoples' Da	ay Monday	10/14/2019	MLK, Jr. Day	Monday	01/20/2020
Veterans Day	Monday	11/11/2019	Presidents' Day	Monday	02/17/2020
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	11/28/2019	Patriots Day	Monday	04/20/2020
Thanksgiving	Friday	11/29/2019	Memorial Day	Monday	05/25/2020
Christmas Eve	Tuesday	12/24/2019	Independence Day	Friday	07/03/2020

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

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# The 2018-2019 Annual Report

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### **County, State and Federal Government**

# **Dedication**

Albert D. Acker graduated from Sanford High School and retired from the U.S Navy VP 21 after 22 years with the rank of Senior Chief Aviation Machinists Mate. He was a Veteran of both the Korean Conflict and Vietnam war. Following retirement, he served as Treasurer/Manager of the Bowdoinham Federal Credit Union for 25 years and as Selectman of Bowdoinham. He also graduated from New Hampshire College in 1979 with a degree in Business.

Al Acker was a proud member at the Springvale Masonic Lodge #190 for 67 years, an Honorary member of



Village Masonic Lodge #26 of Bowdoinham, a member of Post 132 American Legion of Richmond, Fleet Reserve Association and one of the founding members of the Snowbirds Snowmobile Club. He loved hunting and fishing and doting on his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Al was never shy, always funny and a very caring man ready to lend a hand to anyone in need. His famous pointer finger wave could confuse a newcomer to town if you didn't know him as if you were being scolded.

He loved the Coffee Crew and his time spent at the Town Landing in retirement.

He was known in some circles as The Town Crier and as The Rev. in others. His "Al'isms" from "not for publication" to "that move was dumber than a wheelbarrow full of hammers" were used a

lot. There are many more with language not suitable for this publication.

He was a human calculator and demanded his kids and grandkids be so as well. He would grill one of his grandson's on multiplication, division, and percentages; at 11 this grandson knew about compound interest.

Al could build anything needed functionally with wood. Never claiming to be a finish carpenter he was amazing to work with.

Al could fix anything with a motor; 23 years a Naval Aviation Mechanic will do that for you.

While Chairman of the Board of Selectman the Town hired Calvin Temple, lifelong resident, to Calvin's first Law Enforcement position as Constable for the Town of Bowdoinham. He did love his adopted home town as do all generations of the Acker family.

He was absolutely one-of-a-kind; the community and his family will never be the same. In recognition of his service to the country and the town, the Bowdoinham Select Board dedicate this year's annual report to Albert D. Acker.

### **Bowdoinham Select Board**

#### Peter Lewis, Chair

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

In 2019 we saw the completion of the Town's new Public Works building. The new Public Works building has been a much-needed upgrade for our town. The completion of this project is freeing up the current location of the Public Works building, enabling the Town to move forward with the greatly anticipated Waterfront Redevelopment Plan. Progress is already being made with initial planning and investigations into the best use of the property where the Public Works building was previously located.

In the past year we have made great strides with another project that has been a priority for me since being elected to the Select Board, expansion of broadband access to uncovered areas. The Town partnered with Lincolnville Communications (LCI) on a Planning Grant from ConnectME to determine the feasibility and cost of construction to provide broadband to the current uncovered areas in the Town. This spring we are partnering again with LCI to apply for an Infrastructure Grant to assist with the cost of implementation of the plan developed in the fall. We have a high level of confidence with this grant application which, if approved, will finally bring broadband to the uncovered areas of Bowdoinham.

I am honored to serve the town in my capacity on the Select Board and help to move these projects forward, improving our Town's recreational opportunities and infrastructure capabilities.

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

Respectfully,
Peter (Tony) Lewis
Bowdoinham Select Board,
Chair



L to R: Jeremy Cluchey (Select Board), William Post (Town Manager), Elizabeth "Betsy" Steen (Citizen of the Year 2018) & Tom Walling (Select Board)

Website: www.bowdoinham.com

#### Town of Bowdoinham

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# **Municipal Directory**

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Town Manager, Recycling Barn

Treasurer, Tax Collector, Solid Waste Manager

Public Information Officer, Bryan Benson

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William Post

Pamela Ross

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**Recreation Director** 

Allen Acker

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#### Town of Bowdoinham

#### 13 School Street

#### Bowdoinham, Maine 04008

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# **Municipal Directory**

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<u>Plumbing Inspector</u> <u>Deputy Tax Collector</u>

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### **Fire Chief**



Trailhead leading to Cathance Meadows

# New Public Works Construction Project









### **Town Manager**

### William Post, Town Manager

To the Select Board and Citizens of Bowdoinham:

#### **Introduction**

It has been another busy year for your town employees and officials and I am proud to say that we continue moving forward with projects that will make Bowdoinham a better place to live, work and play. This past year the Public Works Department continued with the road improvement plan and rebuilt section three of the Carding Machine Road. This summer, if funding is approved at the Town Meeting in June, the Public Works Department will continue the Town's road reconstruction program and work to prepare Section 2 of the Carding Machine Road for paving. This is the gravel section of the road that causes serious problems in the spring for users of this road. This work includes tree removal and trimming, drainage improvements, removing ledge, creating a uniform road width and shoulder work.

The Town began construction of the new Public Works Facility on Pond Road including a garage and a sand/salt storage building with contractor Lupo Construction of Etna, Maine. The sand/salt storage building was completed in time for the Public Works Department to store winter sand and salt this past winter season. There were some delays to the completion of the garage mostly caused by weather and the state-wide labor shortage, but it was completed in May of this year. Over the past several weeks, the Public Works Department employees have been moving into the new facility. I appreciate the community's support for this project over the past several years as this facility will serve the Town for decades.

The Comprehensive Planning Committee has worked over the last several months with landscape architects and engineers in developing a master site plan for the redevelopment of the now former Public Works site along the Cathance River. Article 5 of the June 12<sup>th</sup> town meeting warrant asks the town voters to approve this concept plan. Please keep in mind that the Town is not asking for funding for this plan, simply approval of the concept plan that will guide the Town's staff and committees in possible future work.

#### **Town Website**

Over the previous year, Nicole Briand and I have been working with Todd Woofenden of Signal Light to redesign the Town's website (<a href="www.bowdoinham.com">www.bowdoinham.com</a>) to make it more user-friendly and mobile friendly. One of the new features of the website is the "Weekly Digest". If you sign up for the Weekly Digest, you will receive an email once per week that will let you know what meetings and events are coming up and what new information has been added to the website. This is an easy way to stay informed.

### **Town Meeting**

The Town Meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at the Bowdoinham Community School at 7:00 p.m.

### Town Manager

### William Post, Town Manager

The FY20 municipal budget as proposed includes some changes from the previous year. In Debt Service, there are two new payments on loans approved at last year's annual town meeting for the reconstruction of Section 3 of the Carding Machine Road and the new Light-Duty Plow Truck. In addition, the budget includes the first payment of the permanent financing for the Public Facility Works. In October 2018, the 2008 bond for Pleasant Street and Ridge Road was retired, saving \$43,336, plus interest which has helped offset the increase for the two new bond payments.

The proposed budget includes adding a full-time employee for the Public Works Department. The total cost for this position is \$64,132, including benefits. 10 hours per week have been added to the Administration budget in personnel to increase the hours of the Administrative Assistant position from 20 hours per week to 30 hours per week.

#### 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 2.2% for employees, based on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) in the Northeast Region which shows a 2.2% inflationary index for 2018. 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 are essentially flat with FY19 after the Town changed providers and plans and reduced the contribution to the health reimbursement arrangement. It should be noted that the Select Board changed the employees' contributions to their health insurance plans to 15% of any plan above the employee-only plan, effective March 1, 2019 for new employees.

#### Undesignated Fund Balance

The Undesignated Fund Balance as of June 30, 2018 is \$1,168,923, an increase from \$1,052,816 in FY17. 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, \$20,000 more than the current year.

#### **Administration**

The Administration budget shows an increase of \$27,812, or 6.5%, and includes additional funding for the administrative assistant's position, a wage adjustment for some office staff, operating and software expense increases while insurance expenses continue to decrease.

#### **Debt Services**

The Debt Services Budget shows a decrease of \$17,560, or 4.09%, due to one bond being paid off and a reduction in the expected interest rate for the bond for the Public Works Facility.

#### Fire & Rescue Departments

The Fire and Rescue Department budget shows an overall increase of \$1,391, or 1.41%.

### **Town Manager**

### William Post, Town Manager

### Public Works

The Public Works budget shows an overall increase of \$60,794 or 14.94%. This is caused by the need to purchase more sand and salt for next winter because of the use this winter; the additional full-time employee, additional operating expenses for the new facility and wage adjustments.

### Solid Waste & Recycling

The Solid Waste and Recycling budget shows a proposed increase of \$5,601, or 3.02% due to increased operating and disposal expenses.

### Non-Municipal Organization Requests

Two budget requests from non-municipal organizations were received and accepted as meeting the Town's policy this year for a total of \$1,495 from Spectrum Generations and the \$6,500 from the Bowdoinham Historical Society for Merrymeeting Hall. According to the Select Board's "Non-Municipal Organization Funding Request Policy", which governs these requests, the Select Board recommends \$2,012 for the Historical Society and \$1,495 for Spectrum generations. However, the town meeting voters have the final decision on these two requests.

#### Capital Reserves

The Capital Reserve budget shows an increase of \$35,000. Funding to begin renovation work for the Town Office to include fire code upgrades and efficiency and security renovations is included in the capital budget. These renovations would occur in conjunction with an expansion project by the Bowdoinham Public Library. Funding is proposed for the Solid Waste & Recycling capital reserve and for the building at 8 River Road owned by the Town.

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 <a href="wpost@bowdoinham.com">wpost@bowdoinham.com</a>. In closing, I would like to thank the municipal employees who work very hard to satisfy your need for municipal services. I would also like to thank the Select Board and the various other volunteer boards and committees for your unselfish dedication to make your community a better place to live, work and play.

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Post

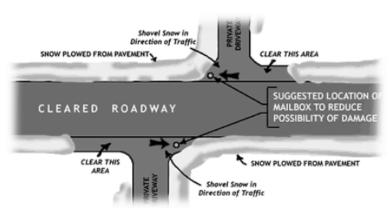
William S. Post, MPA, CMM Town Manager



New Salt/Sand Shed at the New Public Works

# **Public Works Department**

The Public Works Department consist of three full-time employees, one part-time on-call snow plow driver and one contractor for winter snowplowing. The Department is responsible for the maintenance of 29.81 lane miles of town roads including 4.74 lane miles that are gravel surface and 25.07 lane miles that are paved. During the winter, the Department also plows and treats an additional 15.80 lane miles of "state-aid" roads for a total of 45.61 miles of road that are plowed and treated. A lane mile is measured by the center line and therefore, when calculating total mileage that is plowed and treated, the total is 91.22 miles. Each plow route takes approximately 2 to 2.5 hours to plow both lanes one time.



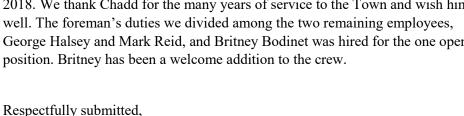
The winter of 2018-19 was difficult for including Public everyone, the Department. The winter season started way to soon and the make-up of storms tended more to ice and rain than normal snow. This continued into the early spring with substantial rain that made the gravel roads very difficult to deal with as the frost was leaving the ground creating potholes, ruts and mud. The crew tried to keep up, but it proved difficult as it seemed that the rain would never end.

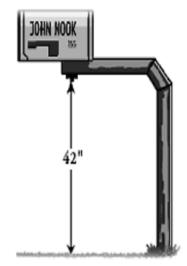
During the construction season of 2018, the Public Works Department rebuilt section 3 of the Carding Machine Road, beginning at the Richmond town line and extending one mile onto the gravel portion of the road. Crooker Construction then paved the road with 2" of base pavement. The winter started early, and the shoulder work was not finished, but will be during this construction season. If funding is approved at the town meeting in June, Section 2 of the Carding Machine Road will be rebuilt in 2019 and paved. Section 2 is the section of the road that is currently gravel. By rebuilding this section and paving it, we will avoid the major problems on the road we had this past spring with the wet winter and spring.

This past fall, the new sand and salt storage building was completed and was stocked with winter sand and salt.

It was very nice that the crew didn't have to deal with wet, frozen, clumpy sand as in years past. The Department watched closely for the completion of the Public Works garage and the staff thanks the residents for supporting this big investment in the town's infrastructure.

Former Public Works Foreman Chadd Mayo resigned from the Town in May 2018. We thank Chadd for the many years of service to the Town and wish him well. The foreman's duties we divided among the two remaining employees, George Halsey and Mark Reid, and Britney Bodinet was hired for the one open position. Britney has been a welcome addition to the crew.





William S. Post

Road Commissioner



### **Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue**

57 Post Road Bowdoinham, Maine

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

Thank you to the men and women of Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue. The many hours of training and responding to calls at all hours of the day and night takes a tremendous amount of commitment and dedication.



Chief Frizzle

2018 was a great year for us but as with past years, it was tempered by another loss. Fire Chief Jack Tourtelotte was committed to serving the citizens of Bowdoinham for nearly 62 years. He began as a junior firefighter at age 13 and progressed on to serve as Chief for 14 years before retiring in 2013. His smile and "humor" are sadly missed.

Deputy Chief Dave Lewis and Deputy Chief Bob Frizzle have decided to step back and enjoy the fruits of their labor. They have been a presence at the fire department for the past 40+ years helping to train firefighters and shape the department. Deputy Chief Lewis moved over to handle the role of EMA Director for Bowdoinham and Deputy Chief Frizzle is going to relax in the sun. Once a firefighter, always a firefighter so we know they are never far away but we wish them the best. Captain Aaron Temple and Captain Jeremy Moeller have been promoted to Deputy Chiefs while Firefighter Darin Sylvester and Firefighter Steve Balboni were promoted to Captains. They all

bring with them a wealth of knowledge and experience that will serve them well in their new roles. Congratulations to firefighter Rachael Eramo on completing her Firefighter I/II certification and EMT Jason Townsend for completing his EMT certification.

We took delivery of our new truck on July 4. The truck (Squad 4) is a 2018 Ford F550 Super Duty and it replaces our two oldest pieces of equipment (Rescue 4 and Service 1). Squad 4's primary role is wildland (brush) fires but it is also configured for traffic control, EMS response and as a secondary extrication unit. Our old Rescue 4 was a used ambulance that was repurposed for our needs but never really fit the role. Service 1 was a 1988 Ford F350 that served us well but due to age and increased workload it was clearly time to upgrade. It has subsequently



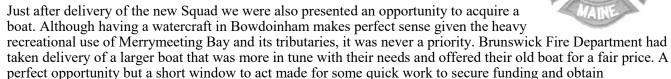
Dry Hydrant Inspection Spring 2019

been sold to Monhegan Island Fire Department where it was a perfect fit for their needs and geography.

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authorization. Bowdoinham Fire Rescue Association stepped up, agreed to cover the full purchase price and donated the boat to the Town. The Town Manager and select board agreed that this was a definite need for Bowdoinham and accepted the donation. The boat is a 1983 13' Boston Whaler with a 30 HP Evinrude E-Tec motor. The boat was dubbed "The Lancaster" in honor of the Lancaster family and the timing of its arrival was fortuitous since we responded to 3 water rescues in the days immediately following its acquisition. The new squad and rescue boat pair perfectly giving us increased capabilities to help keep Bowdoinham citizens and visitors safe.

Bowdoinham Fire Rescue responded to 335 calls for service in 2018.

Structure – 1

Chimney – 8

Alarms - 24

Motor Vehicle crash – 32

Water Rescue – 3

Vehicle fire – 6

Miscellaneous (public assist/inspections/unfounded etc.) - 30

Mutual aid (Brunswick/Bowdoin/Richmond/Topsham/Sabattus/Woolwich/Mechanic Falls)- 74

EMS - 157

Remember, a permit is required for any

open burning with the exception of a grill or fireplace. Permits can be obtained at the fire station Saturday and Sundays between 07:30a.m. and 08:30a.m. or online at any time using <a href="www.wardensreport.com">www.wardensreport.com</a>.

If you obtain the permit through your smartphone you do not need a printed copy; the digital copy on your smartphone is sufficient.

Please make sure your house number is clearly visible from the road either on your house or on your mailbox. Darkness or inclement weather can make it very tough in an emergency.

On behalf of the members of Bowdoinham Fire & Rescue, thank you for your continued support.

Bowdoinham Fire Rescue responded to 335 calls for service in 2018.

Due to uncertainty of firefighter availability during the day, Bowdoinham, Bowdoin and Richmond still operate with an automatic mutual aid agreement between the hours of 6 A.M. and 6 P.M. A request for any of the fire departments during that time will generate a response from all three departments.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Arthur Frizzle

### **Advisory Committee on Aging (ACOA)**

Kathy Pszczolkowski, Chair

#### 2018 brought several changes for the Advisory Committee on Aging.

First, the Committee's name was changed to the Advisory Committee on Age-Friendly Bowdoinham. The intent was for the name to reflect a refocus of the mission from providing programs and information exclusively for seniors to incorporating all age groups from birth to infinity. The expansion of the committee's focus to include



June 15th, 2019

all ages saw the addition of an evening cribbage game night. The line dance program (Merrymeeting Dance Alignment) added a beginner class to both the morning and evening dance sessions.

A Resource Manual was developed and compiled by the committee with major help from Bowdoin College summer intern, Rodger Heidgerken. This was the first time that the Town of Bowdoinham had a college intern and his support proved invaluable. Copies of the Resource Manual were disseminated during Bowdoinham Days and are currently available in the Town Office.

Committee members revisited the book *Alone and Invisible No More* by Dr. Allan S. Teel. Dr. Teel was invited to an ACOA meeting to present his knowledge and expertise for helping older adults remain in their homes and communities. He also shared ideas for using technology to keep people connected to each other and their

families, and to stay safe. Representative Seth Berry and Town Committee representatives attended as well. The Committee is hoping to schedule Dr. Teel for a public presentation of his ideas.

Committee members participated in 3 regional Senior Summits sponsored by local Senior groups from Richmond, Litchfield, Gardiner and Wiscasset. Many ideas were shared for supporting our communities. ACOA will host the next summit which will be held in July. Members also attended regional AARP meetings and the Wisdom Summit in order to stay informed about issues and challenges impacting our communities, resources available for supporting our older citizens, and state or federal policies that may impact older adults. Looking ahead, a key goal for 2019 is to continue our coordination and collaboration with Senior groups in nearby communities, as well as our town committees.

The ACOA sponsored a number of activities including:

- Sponsoring the second annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day held in June with a continental breakfast and speaker Mary Hanley from New Hope for Women.
- Sponsoring a flu shot clinic in the fall.
- Donating a microwave to the Bowdoinham Fire Station.
- Collaborating with Richmond's Golden Oldies to sponsor a summer picnic on the Waterfront.
- Forming the Not Your Mother's Garden Club as an extension of the grant for raised garden beds.
- The club members are from the towns of Bowdoinham, Bowdoin, and Richmond. The group meets monthly and new members are welcome.
- Scheduling field trips, including trips to Wilbur's Candy Company, Cold River Distillery, Tea with Harriet (Beecher Stowe) sponsored by Bowdoin College.
- Developing and disseminating a monthly activities calendar via email, with updates on our Age-Friendly Bowdoinham Facebook page.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Melander Chairwoman

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

### **Harbor Master**

### John McMullen

As 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. 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.



If you would like a free Coast Guard Safety Inspection, call to schedule an appointment. Your boat does not have to be in the water for this review of required safety equipment.

#### **Reminders:**

- Always check the weather 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)

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.

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

postms@comcast.net.

Have a safe and fun boating season.

John McMullen



# **Rrecreation Department**

Allen Acker, Recreation Director

#### The Recreation Department's Mission

**Statement**: To reach all residents from pre-school to teens to adults of all ages while either offering or announcing community and wellness based connections. This includes connecting you to surrounding community programs and facilities whether it be inside or outside our district.



Some of our programs and collaborations extend to



Ice Rink at the Recreation Fields

surrounding towns. The Recreation Department serves residents by either developing programs, continuing annual expectations or simply connecting adults to pick-up games in gymnasiums, on fields and courts. It means spreading the word about events and programs in our surrounding communities using Wellness and Community Connections as in the Cathance Fitness Center, Bicycle Coalition, L.L.Bean, Long Branch School to name a few.

- -Pre-school to high school age to adult to the Committee on Age Friendly Bowdoinham.
- -Boards: Ferrier Scholarship, Ararat Youth Basketball League, Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Softball, Safety Committee for the Town of Bowdoinham.

Sincerely, Allen Acker Recreation Director

Winter Equipment Rental

Summer Programs:		Pickleball/Basketball	35
Kindergarten Meet & Greet	10	Lost Valley	48
Kickball	16	Winter Snow Equipment	20
Baseball/Softball/TBall	125	Discounted Summer Tickets	70
		Children's Museum &	
Winter Soccer	22	Theatre Free Admission	50 per year
Family Pool at Bowdoin	30	Recreation Basketball	130
Pre-School Folk Fun	25		
Adult winter programs:			
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### **Bowdoinham Public Library Report**

### Kate Cutko, Librarian

The story of Goldilocks is a familiar one. She takes a tour of the home of the three bears, and sips some porridge from three bowls, sits in three chairs and tries out three beds. Goldilocks samples and finds whatever item is "just right".

Here in Bowdoinham, it seems to us that we have a library that is "just right". Our library has a book collection (16 thousand volumes) which is not too big, and not too small. Our book budget allows for us to buy best sellers and award-winning books for children and adults when they are in demand, and



we actively "weed" the titles which are no longer relevant or popular. We have audio books, magazines, large print books, and a loan program which allows us to procure any materials via the State Interlibrary Loan system. Library hours can be managed with one full time librarian and a group of regular volunteers.

From story time, to books groups to author talks and festivals, our "just right" library hosted 84 events which drew over 1,000 people this past year. The "Loose Ladies Book Group" is celebrating its 17<sup>th</sup> year and we held our 46<sup>th</sup> plant sale. New traditions have emerged like the "Edible Book Festival" (fourth year) and our "Food Not Fines" month where we collect canned goods for the food pantry. Over 1,000 townspeople have library cards.

The library is lucky to have the support of the town government, in offering us space in the town-owned building, and a financial appropriation that supplements our own active fundraising.

We have begun discussing a second floor entrance for our library, because while it may be a "just right" library, some people have difficulty with the entrance and the stairs to reach our space. We encourage people to read the article in the May 2019 newsletter about the proposed entrance and the current issues with the Coombs building.

In the course of its 109 years, the library has occupied 4 spaces in this village, and with some improvements to

accessibility and continued support from the town, we truly believe these former Coombs School classrooms will continue to be "just right".

Sincerely,

Kate Cutko, Library Director Ann Hartzler and Joan Knight Co-Chairs, Library Board



### **Town Clerk**

### Pamela Ross, Town Clerk

#### Town Meetings

March 28, 2018

There were 65 Registered Voters in attendance (Special Town Meeting)

June 13, 2018

There were 63 Registered Voters in attendance (Town Meeting)

November 6, 2018

There were 1678 Registered Voters (Annual Town Meeting)

#### **Elections:**

June 12, 2018 State of Maine Primary and Referendum Election

779 votes cast Voter turnout was 33%

June 12, 2018 Maine School Administrative District No. 75 District Budget Referendum Election.

781 votes cast Voter turnout was 33%

November 6, 2018 State of Maine General and Referendum Election and Municipal Election

1678 votes cast. Voter turnout was 70%

As of December 31, 2018 Bowdoinham had 2452 registered voters: Unenrolled 941, Democrat 801, Republican 635, and Green Independent 75.

I would like to thank our very dedicated Election/Ballot Clerks: Leslie Barker, Barbara Bishop, Elaine Diaz, Marlene Hensley, Donald Lamoreau, Emily Newell, and Linda Williams. With the high turnout in November and the longer wait period we all appreciated everyone's patience and understanding.

Thank you Nora Bishop our Moderator/Warden for having the elections run so smoothly. All of your dedication and support is very much appreciated.

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

Pamela Ross

Town Clerk

Decedent Name	Age	<b>Date of Death</b>	<b>Decedent Name</b>	Age	<b>Date of Death</b>
Acker,David A	65	08/01/2018	Meagher, Charleen L.	51	06/21/2018
Atwater,Gordon W Jr	56	07/07/2018	Morreale, James Anthony	62	01/09/2018
Avery,John W.	81	12/06/2018	Perkins,Barbara L	85	04/09/2018
Burrell,Patricia A.	82	11/18/2018	Pertel, Marcia	85	12/10/2018
Curtis,Susan Elizabeth	70	01/06/2018	Rideout, Mark Andrew	66	06/09/2018
Despres,Robert D	26	07/02/2018	Rollins, Lawrence G.	86	01/28/2018
Dunbar,Richard F. Jr.	54	09/01/2018	Rollins, Shirley Taylor	82	07/03/2018
Dunn,Marshall A. Jr	70	03/06/2018	Rose, Richard John	74	05/26/2018
Freeman,George Harvey	81	12/26/2018	Shaffer, Richard Dean	61	01/04/2018
Garland,Arthur N.	78	04/23/2018	Sylvester, Beulah Marie	55	02/26/2018
Hastings,Gary C	75	05/12/2018	Temple, Milton Ray Sr.	91	06/11/2018
Lothridge,Gary William	69	05/07/2018	Tourtelotte,John	75	08/17/2018
McMullen,Margaret E	79	08/10/2018			
			Total: 25		



# **Town Clerk**

# Pamela Ross, Town Clerk

23 Marriages in 2018

Names:		Married
Arnold, David Eliot	Sanders, Anne Stanton	July 29, 2018
Ashley, Kiersten Michelle	Carlson, Jason Craig	June 23, 2018
Brown VIII, Hugh Belmont	Gould, Tammy Jean	June 9, 2018
Bullock, Brendan Schantz	Montgomery, Lily Powel	July 14, 2018
Chiang, Valerie Mun-Wai	Gouger, David Michael	April 27, 2018
Close, Kimberly Ann	Coffin, Joshua Alan	August 11, 2018
Fellman, Christina Marie	Small, Derek Robert	October 6, 2018
Foster, Julie Marie	Porter Jr, James Abner	September 15, 2018
Hayes, Mary Margaret	Ellis, Thomas Jacob	June 30, 2018
Knippa, Lucas Aaron	Hoerner, Brooke Alexis	September 29, 2018
Lachapelle, Tracy Ann	Thibeault, James Joseph	February 20, 2018
Matusiak, Agnieszka Sylwia	Smith, Clayton Arthur	June 1, 2018
Morin, Michael Stewart	Sleeper, Kristine Jeanette	April 20, 2018
O'Hare, Erin Patrice	Wilcox, Andrew David	August 25, 2018
Prop, James Alfred	Smithson, Meredith Ann	January 30, 2018
Raubeson, Riley Sunshine	Desjardins, Brandon Joseph	September 22, 2018
Rich, Shannon Denise	Moore, David Hawley	August 11, 2018
Richards, Shannon Brittany	Yarmala, Tevis Andrew	August 11, 2018
Roux, Lisa Ann	Gauthier, Jamey D	May 26, 2018
Safford, Taylor Seth	Santaella, Maria	March 26, 2018
Tocci, Alecia Rose	Hurley, Gregory Blaine	September 29, 2018
Ward, Hannah Victoria	Elliot, Samuel Ira	June 2, 2018
Wilkerson, Samantha Lee	DeHahn, Phillip Scott	September 8, 2018



Cathance Meadows Picnic Area

# **Department of Community and Economic Development**

#### **Nicole Briand**

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

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

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

In 2018, Bowdoinham hosted its eighth annual **Open Farm Day** on Sunday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, with an Art Trail featuring Open Studios. We had nine farms and eleven studios open for tours then enjoyed a BBQ featuring food from our Bowdoinham farms and live music by Intergalactic Yurt Band. I would like to extend a special Thank You to our participating farms and artists: Apple Creek Farm, Campo di Fiori, Blue Bell Farm, Fairwinds Farm, Havenridge, Harvest Tide Organics, East of Eden Flower Farm, Six River Farm, Peary's Garden, Catmint Garden & Gallery, Debbie Spaulding, Kate Cutko, Melissa M. Fiori, Mortimer LaPointe Woodworking & Swan Island Restoration, Starrocks, Watersong Music, Merrymeeting Arts Center, and Bowdoinham Historical Society for opening their farms and studios to us and making this event possible.

Once again, Celebrate Bowdoinham was a wonderful community day filled with fun activities for the whole family to enjoy. As always, Celebrated included our Bowdoinham's favorites: the Silent Auction, the

KenDucky Derby, the lobster crate races, the coin scramble and the Library Book Sale. The music played while the vendors, local businesses and organizations shared their crafts with us, until the fireworks lit of the night's sky, thanks to our fireworks sponsors: AV Systems of Maine, Sitelines, Five County Credit Union, Doug Tourtelotte Excavation, Temple Well Service, Six River Farm, Ray's Electrical, Cobb's Repair Service, Bamford Foundations, Main Street Fuel, Village Lodge #26, Bowdoinham Gas & Diesel and Pine Tree Engineering. Celebrate Bowdoinham would not be possible without all of our volunteers, thank you to everyone who helped make Celebrate Bowdoinham a success!



Celebrate Bowdoinham 2019

# **Department of Community and Economic Development**

#### **Nicole Briand**

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual **Holiday Festival** took place on November 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a busy weekend with Santa coming to town, the Bowdoinham Guild of Artisans Annual Show & Sale, the Community

School's Holiday Craft Fair, Merrymeeting Arts Center's Open House, Victorian Christmas Open House, Holiday Wreath Workshop, a Dance Party and House Wagon Rides.

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

I continue to work with the Community Development Advisory Committee on programs and projects to strengthen local businesses. The Committee continues to focus its efforts through developing the

**Buy Local Buy Bowdoinham** 

Campaign and providing resources for businesses through the Business Meetings and Business Workshops.

In 2018, the Town of Bowdoinham applied for and received a \$40,000 **Planning Grant from ConnectME**. The grant will provide for planning a fiber optic network in the Town served by the latest IP fiber-to-the-home technology. The grant will enable Lincolnville Communications, Inc. (LCI) to design a network, including middle mile network mapping, street level mapping, and construction cost estimates. This analysis will also include a payback and an internal rate of return analysis to make sure the projects make sense financially. Lincolnville Communications has successfully completed many high speed internet projects, including 12 projects that were made possible by ConnectME infrastructure grant funding. The Company and its affiliates provide a wide array of high speed internet, high speed data, voice, cable television and IPTV to approximately 15,000 customers in Mid-coast Maine. In January 2019, LCI completed their planning work for the ConnectME Planning Grant and presented their findings to the Select Board at their January 29th MeetingIn all, it was determined that it will cost \$580,630 to get our unserved residents connected to the internet. Our next step will be to partner with LCI to apply for a ConnectME Infrastructure grant in the spring of 2019.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Briand

Director of Planning & Development

# **Solid Waste Recycling Department**

### Bryan Benson, Solid Waste Director



Solid Waste Department

L to R: Bryan Benson(Director), Cassandra Hensley, Jacinta Wilkins-Blodgett & Noah Sposato

118,300 lbs. of Corrugated Cardboard

123,020 lbs. of Scrap metals

25,120 lbs. of Newspapers

15,254 lbs. of Tv's

7,177 lbs. of Food waste for composting

As many know after printing last years Annual report the Solid Waste and Recycling Industry took a turn for the worse. We have went from accepting glass and certain mixed plastics one week to not accepting them the next. Too keep up with industry demands, the mills and sorting facilities are changing the requirements for what we can and can't accept on a monthly basis.

We recently received some good news. The mill in Rumford is adding a machine to process recycled paper. The addition of this machine means we no longer need to wait for an overseas customer to purchase the product. This machine is due to come on line in the next 12 to 14 months. When this happens we will be able to ship mixed paper locally adding to our revenue stream.

Old corrugated cardboard (OCC) prices have held steady and are expected to remain the same for the 2019 year.

During 2018 we processed and shipped the following:

136,095 lbs. of Mixed Recyclables

154,980 lbs. of OBW/Const. Debris

14,800 lbs. of Magazines

6,683 lbs. of Tires

4,608 lbs. of Architectural paints

This is in excess of a half million pounds of product processed and shipped from your Solid Waste and recycling facility.

Our used oil furnace that heats a portion of the building has 13,683 hours of operation, it burns at a rate of 1.6 gallons an hour. This means we have burned over the life of the unit 21,893 gallons of used motor oil. At today's cost, that would be a savings of over \$60,643.00 to heat the facility.

Speaking of oil, last year we added a 275 gallon tank for your cooking oil disposal.

I would like to thank the residents of Bowdoinham and the Barn Staff for making this Recycling program the best in the State of Maine.

Respectfully submitted

Bryan Benson

Solid Waste Director

### **Cemetery Advisory Committee**

### Peter (Tony) Lewis, Chair

During the 2018 season the committee focused primarily on the Village Cemetery with several community volunteers including Linda and Kaylie Temple, Jacinta, Bryan, Mason, Fern Blodgett, Bobbie Lamoreau, Linda Hornbeck, Bret Thompson, Jacob Ross, and other members of Scout Troop 699. With some volunteer help the committee restored 60 stones in the section nearest Center Street. Linda Temple, Elaine Diaz and Albert Stahle cleaned debris and the 4 stones in the tiny Campbell Plot on the River Road, and then inventoried the Durgan-Ayer Plot, down in back of the Campbell Plot finding two of those 3 stones fallen since last summer, apparently due to the severe storm of October 2017. Through September and October, we continued with small family plots.

We finally made it to the Temple-Randall Cemetery, thanks to the support of abutter Jim Dixon, who allowed us access and gave us information and stories about this beautiful and large ground (34 stones, only 3 fallen). The Temple family, which includes 3 generations of volunteers/keepers were glad to finally get in there with a crew, and with help of Albert Stehle and Bret Thompson and their equipment, we cleared the entire 75' by 75' plot of all debris and tree shoots, and continue to inventory and clean stones.

We also cleaned the large Starbird monument in the Adams Cemetery on the Millay Road and were able to see the name of Franklin Starbird, the small child whose stone we received from the Pejepscot Historical Society and will be able to return it to its rightful place. Linda and Elaine also inventoried the small Sturtevant Plot on Route 201 which is cared for by the Hornbeck family. We took a break from planned excursions during deer hunting season and continued research and documentation of findings through the winter.

There is still a great deal of work to be done with the large list of cemeteries we have compiled. With the help of volunteers, it is the plan of the Cemetery Advisory Committee to continue work, prioritizing those cemeteries with the greatest need for repairs over the course of the summer of 2019.

We will be cleaning stones, setting stones and repairing broken stones. We encourage any member of the community to come along and assist! We are always looking for volunteers to assist with our efforts and all hands-on training will be provided. Opportunities to assist with Cemetery Committee efforts will be posted in the town Newsletter. The Committee meets the first Monday of every month at 4:00 PM. All meetings are open to the public.



Harwood Cemetery

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

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

### **Comprehensive Planning Committee**

Joanne Joy, Chair

The work of the Comprehensive Planning Committee (CPC) over the past year has focused largely on the Waterfront Redevelopment of the site long occupied by the Bowdoinham Public Works Facility along the banks of the Cathance River. This is a truly exciting time for Bowdoinham, I have heard the creation of our waterfront park called a 'generational opportunity'.

Bowdoinham community members have provided input and approval for this transition over the past 15 years, first developing and approving the 2005 Waterfront Plan, then the 2014 Comprehensive Plan, and over the past year though surveys and community forums.

Richardson and Associates, Landscape Architects and Baker Design Consultants, Design Engineers, brought their first three drawings to the Town Hall on September 20 for community member input. They described options for safety, for prevention of erosion of the site, and of course ways to use the area for recreation from children's play areas, a non-motorized boat launch, to an open-air pavilion for picnics and family gatherings, bird watching, and of course hiking/walking and enjoying the wonderful views of the Cathance River – and more.

An additional community input session was held November 7, 2018 and discussions with the consultants at the CPC meetings were held October 9, and December 11, 2018 with the final drawing presented on February 12, 2019.

The Comprehensive Planning Committee (CPC) shared the consultants' final drawing of the Waterfront Redevelopment in the March 2019 Bowdoinham Newsletter which can be found on the town's newly redesigned website at <a href="https://www.bowdoinham.com/index.php/waterfront-redevelopment-master-site-plan">https://www.bowdoinham.com/index.php/waterfront-redevelopment-master-site-plan</a>. The drawing is called the Master Site Plan and is a guide for the future coordinated and phased efforts to implement the plan. This is a very important step in our planning process.

There will be a number of options for including your thoughts and ideas for implementation in the future. There will be committees needed to make final decisions on a number of elements of the plan. There will also be ongoing choices for ways to get things done - such as hire the work on a trail to be completed, or identify community members with the skills, equipment, and desire to do it by Bowdoinham community members. Others might organize volunteers and other resources to help build those trails. The Site Plan shows where the trails will be situated to connect to other trails and not have to be moved later, it does not recommend how they need to be completed. A request for town level funding would have to be approved at a future date at a town meeting as no funds are being requested at this time. And don't forget, some costs can be covered by grants, bonds, and other resources over time in addition to allocations from Bowdoinham. For instance, Bowdoinham has already been awarded a \$45,000 grant to design the kayak/non-motorized boat launch and other shoreline stabilization needs for the project. The grant funding can be used in 2019.

As always, the CPC meetings are open to the public and are held on the second Tuesday of each month in the Coombs Building, at 6:30. Please feel free to join us.

Respectfully,

Joanne Joy

### **Planning Board**

### Nathan Drummond, Chair

In 2018 the Planning Board reviewed and approved an site plan review application for the Town of Bowdoinham's new public works facility located on Pond Road. In addition, the board reviewed a number of smaller applications, listed below.

- February-April: Consideration and Approval of site plan review application for the Town of Bowdoinham Work's Department facility on Pond Road
- March-April: Consideration and Approval of a setback determination on Main Street.
- April: Consideration and Approval of a subdivision amendment on Muddy River Lane.
- May: Consideration and Approval of a setback determination on Bay Road
- May: Considered but applicant did not proceed with Site Plan Review on River Road
- July: Consideration and Approval of a subdivision amendment on River Road
- August: Consideration and Approval of a setback determination on Merrymeeting Way.

In 2018 the Planning Board also considered and advanced to the Select Board proposed changes to the town's land use ordinance governing the permitting of recreational marijuana establishments. In the fall of 2018, the board took up the consideration of proposed changes to the town's land use ordinance governing that would align the permitting of medicinal marijuana establishments with the permitting of recreational marijuana establishments.

The Planning Board is currently looking for one additional alternate member. Please contact Nicole Briand if you are interested. The Planning Board meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at the town office building.



Center's Point and Brick Island

# The Community Development Advisory Committee

Wendy Rose, Chair

### 2017

The role of the CDAC is to advise the Select Board about community development strategies and activities. Working closely with the Town Director of Economic Development, Nicole Briand, the Committee gives consideration to such things as business and economic development projects, town-wide festivals, and ideas that will promote Bowdoinham as a wonderful place to live and work.

This was a banner year for the CDAC. Having taken on the task of closing a funding gap so that the long-planned for Skatepark could be built, we all celebrated the progress made through the year. By July, 2017 the new facility was completed. A very moving dedication ceremony was held during Celebrate Bowdoinham in September. Young people had already been enjoying the new facility, and it has become one of the most popular spots in the village.

The committee also took great strides on another major project we had focused on. In April, 2016, a public gathering of businesses asked that we prioritize the need to make broadband internet access available to all of the households in town. Since then, the Committee has interviewed 5 different service providers, sent out a survey on internet services to all households, identified and mapped the households that currently do not have access, and discussed the options for bringing this service to those areas. Our research has been passed on to the Selectboard for their action. After a 10 plus year effort to finally bring broadband access to the over 200 households that don't have it, it looks like some steps will finally be taken in 2018.

A frequent topic of discussion for the CDAC has been ways in which the town website can better serve local businesses. The town is currently putting out a request for proposals for an upgrade of the website.

In October, 2017 we hosted a gathering of Bowdoinham businesses to help us prioritize our next projects. After looking at the range of activities that the Comprehensive Plan outlines for the CDAC, the group asked that we focus on creating welcome packets for new businesses and residents. They also want us to look at the feasibility of sewage treatment options for the village and its environs. We have begun that work.

The CDAC coordinates with the Bowdoinham Community Development Initiative on issues we have in common. After the two public BCDI community meetings held in the fall, several topics arose that the CDAC will be looking at in the coming months.

Bowdoinham is very fortunate to have so many wonderful festivals and events that bring all of us together: the Ice and Smelt Festival, the Summer Concert Series, Open Farm Days and Art Trail, Celebrate Bowdoinham, and the Holiday Festival. None of these would happen without the dedicated coordination of Nicole Briand and the generous volunteers who make it all happen.

### The Community Development Advisory Committee

Wendy Rose, Chair

### 2018

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 in order to get their input into which of our potential projects we should put at the top of the list.

During the year 2018, we made good progress on our top priorities: research into a wastewater treatment system for the village, creation of welcome packets for new residents and businesses, and monitoring the implementation of broadband internet service to the parts of town that are currently unserved.

Early in the year, we developed a welcome packet for new businesses and residents. As a part of that effort, a magnet was designed and produced which lists important town entities and phone numbers. These are now available to any resident at the town office. Many of the welcome materials have been incorporated into our town's new website which makes for easy access and cuts down on the cost of producing and mailing materials. New residents and businesses will find abundant information on our region and descriptions of helpful services on the new website.

In the fall of 2017, community meetings were held to give residents an opportunity to identify priority projects for the community. One of the topics that emerged was wastewater treatment for our village area. While a study of this had been done many years ago, several folks expressed concern that our lack of a wastewater system was constraining business activity and would limit future growth. In order to tackle this issue, the CDAC agreed to take on a study of the pros and cons of installing a wastewater treatment system.

Starting in April, the CDAC has been exploring various options. We have talked with experts from two engineering firms, visited the wastewater facility in Richmond, explored the extent of a wastewater zone, sent out a survey through the town newsletter, received valuable input from community members, read the study Wright Pierce did 40 years ago, looked at funding options, and studied various treatment models. We ended the year by recommending that an initial study be done by Wright Pierce which will provide us with needed information. The Selectboard approved this study which our TIF funds will cover.

Creating access to high speed internet service took a huge step forward this last year. The Selectboard followed our recommendation to partner with Lincolnville Communications Inc. to submit a ConnectMe grant proposal for some preliminary work that needs to be done in order to bring this service to the northern tier of Bowdoinham where our residents don't have access. Happily, the grant was awarded and Lincolnville reported on their work in Jan., 2019. The next step is to submit another ConnectMe grant proposal so the final steps can be taken to make the service available. If we receive this grant, we anticipate that the project will take a huge step forward in 2019 with possible completion in 2020.

Other projects that CDAC has monitored and has provided input on include the new town website, the town newsletter, and the town-wide festivals and 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.

We were happy to welcome a new member to our committee, Jean De Bellefeuille. He joins the other committee members, Lee Parker, Brian Smith, Wendy Rose, Will Zell, and John Scribner. We would love to have you visit our meetings or join our committee. Feel free to drop in on our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted Wendy Rose Chair

### **Planning Department**

Nicole Briand, Town Planner

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



The Merrymeeting Trail is a 25-mile planned rail-with-trail connecting Topsham, Bowdoinham, Richmond, and Gardiner; from the Kennebec River Rail Trail in Augusta to the Androscoggin River Bicycle and Pedestrian Path in Brunswick. It will be part of the greater Capital to Coast trail system stretching from Augusta to Bath, which recently received designation from the state as a Trail of Statewide Significance in 2014, we are one of only four trails in the state with that designation. The Board of Supervisors was created in 2015 and is now holding regular meetings. Kennebec Estuary Land Trust has received three rounds of funding support from the Elmina B. Sewall Foundation totaling \$132,830 for outreach, matching funds for trail construction, trail engineering, and necessary pre-engineering groundwork. The Town of Bowdoinham received \$20,000 to do so design work on the Bowdoinham to Richmond connection, then used funding from the CMP TIF to construct 3 foot shoulders on Pork Point Road to serve as the on-road route for the trail. Kennebec Estuary Land Trust is also the home of the Merrymeeting Trail's "friends of"

group, now named the Merrymeeting Trail Blazers. For more information, please visit merrymeetingtrail.org or Like us on Facebook. We look forward to many more successes to report in 2019.

The Comprehensive Planning Committee was re-established in 2016 to: keep the Comprehensive Plan updated and assist with the implementation of the plan's recommendations. In 2018, the Committee has been busy working on the Waterfront Master Plan. With final approval of the move of Public Works in March on 2018, the Comprehensive Planning Committee issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for landscape architects to provide more details to the great ideas from the community. The Town hired Richardson & Associates in partnership with Baker Design Consultants to develop a Master Site Plan for the redevelopment of the public works waterfront property. We began the process, with a short survey to gather input to help guide the consultant's designs. It is interesting that the input has been quite consistent from 2005 for the original Waterfront Plan. The first Public Meeting on Thursday, September 20th at 6pm at Town Hall. Based on the feedback we received at the meeting and through an online survey, Richardson & Associates prepared an updated Conceptual Design along with a phased development approach that they presented at our second Public Meeting on Wednesday, November 7th at 6pm at Bowdoinham Community School. The majority of the people present registered their approval of the overall plan and that the work would be phased. With the guidance from the public meetings and CPC, the consultants completed the Master Site Plan. The final plan was presented to the Committee at their February 12th meeting.

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Briand, Director of Planning & Development

### **Code Enforcement Officer & Local Plumbing Inspector**

Darren Carey, Deputy LPI & Deputy CEO

The Code Enforcement Officers and Local Plumbing Inspectors are responsible for the permitting of land use projects, internal plumbing, subsurface wastewater disposal systems and construction projects. Along with the permitting of projects, it is the responsibility of the CEO/LPI to perform inspections. These inspections are to ensure compliance with federal, state and local rules, laws and

Year		Building Land Use		Plumbing Permits	Building Permits	
2017-2018	\$9,010.00	\$11,053.39	20,063.39	56	71	8
2016-2017	\$8,045.00	\$6,245.99	\$14,591.16	52	55	6
2015-2016	\$5,130.00	\$3,910.05	\$9,578.69	46	59	9
2014-2015	\$5,430.00	\$5,536.90	\$10,966.90	34	44	7

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.

There was a 19% increase in the number of permits obtained compared to the year before. This is also reflected in the **Total Fees Collected.** Between July 1st, 2017 and June 30, 2018 there were 19 Single Family Dwellings Permitted.

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

Respectfully Submitted by

Darren Carey

Deputy Code Enforcement Officer/LPI

# **Health Officer**

Susan Hobart

It has been a very calm, healthy year for Bowdoinham residents. There was one inspection scheduled with the Town Assessor, Fire Chief, Town Planner, Town Manager and myself for an unhealthy/dangerous

Future Merrymeeting Trail toward Topsham

building on Main Street. On the date of inspection, November 15th, we were informed by the Town lawyer that she had been notified the building was scheduled to be demolished and so the inspection was cancelled. Since that time no further issues have arisen.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hobart, R.N.

Town Health Officer

### **Assessors Agent**

### Darren Carey, CMA

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

Respectfully Submitted, Darren Carey, CMA

#### Assessed Values & Commitment Totals

	Total Real	Total Personal	Total	Total
Tax Commitment	Estate Assessment	Property Assessment	Exemptions	Tax Commitment
FY 2019(Mill-Rate 17.15)	282,457,800	2,535,800	16,575,700	\$4,560,658.70
FY 2018(Mill-Rate 16.85)	278,175,800	5,282,300	15,978,700	\$4,507,031.89
FY 2017(Mill-Rate 16.55)	272,642,600	2,695,100	12,400,500	\$4,351,515.46

### **Animal Control Officer**

### Cliff Daigle, Animal Control Officer

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

#### **Fees**

\$6.00 per year for spayed/neutered dogs \$11.00 per year for dogs not spayed/neutered \$25.00 late fee after January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year

#### **Programs in Operation**

The following programs are still in operation:

- Rabies prevention program
- Interactive program with the Community Policing in area
- Cats Info /phone calls
  Wildlife info /phone calls
  Warnings/Summons
  Dog/Cat Bites
  Unlicensed Dog
  Total Calls Received
- Emergency program for animals of Bowdoinham Animal Response Team
- EMA program for animals in danger of storm and disaster
- Animal food program with area food bank and shelter for town people in need
- Training with the Sheriff's Department and Local Fire Department on what to do with an animal they may encounter arriving first on scene

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

Clifford Daigle,

Animal Control Officer



### Sagadahoc County Emergency Management Agency Board of Health



Sarah J. Bennett Director

Matthew Fournier Deputy Director

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#### Sagadahoc County Emergency Management Agency 2018 Annual Report

The Sagadahoc County Emergency Management Agency (SCEMA) is responsible for policy development, planning, agency coordination, education and training surrounding the health and safety of those who live, work and play within the ten municipalities of Sagadahoc County. SCEMA is charged with creating the framework for which communities reduce vulnerability to hazards and cope with disasters. SCEMA protects communities by coordinating and integrating all activities necessary to build, sustain, and improve the capability to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural disasters, acts of terrorism or other man-made disasters. Existing partnerships were enhanced and new partnerships with government, non-profit and industry were established over the course of 2018.

SCEMA brought in just over \$69,000 in Federal Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds with the FY2018 grant. These funds have or will translate into a number of projects across the county. Some of the projects include upgrading the county law and fire radio tower systems, upgrading portable radios, funding community education and outreach materials for citizen preparedness initiatives county-wide, purchasing municipal and county ballistic protective equipment and many other projects. SCEMA continues to work on previous projects outlined within the FY2016 and FY2017 grants, and has begun planning for the upcoming FY2019 Homeland Security Grant Program.

The County and all municipalities within are in the final stages of completing the DR-4354-ME federal disaster declaration process. All towns within the county have submitted the required documentation to request reimbursement (where eligible) from the damages occurring as a result of the October 2017 Wind Storm. As a result, 75% of storm damages will be reimbursed by FEMA and 15% will be reimbursed by the State. The municipalities, including the Town of Bowdoinham, will be responsible for only 10% of total damages.

During the 2018 calendar year, SCEMA and the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) re-energized their partnerships, increased memberships and engaged with Tier II reporting facilities. The LEPC funded Hazardous Materials Operations Refresher courses for the municipal fire department staff, which is a state requirement allowing for the department to maintain their HazMat level qualifications. The LEPC plans to tour facilities which house extremely hazardous substances (EHS Facilities) and continue to boost its community outreach program.

SCEMA and the American Red Cross (ARC) collaborated to establish a certified ARC Regional Shelter site located at the West Bath Fire Department. Because this shelter site is fully certified by the ARC, when warranted (based on availability), the shelter will be eligible to receive staff and supplies, at no cost, to support the Town of West Bath. All surrounding communities, including residents and guests of the Town of Bowdoinham, are welcome to seek assistance during regional shelter openings.

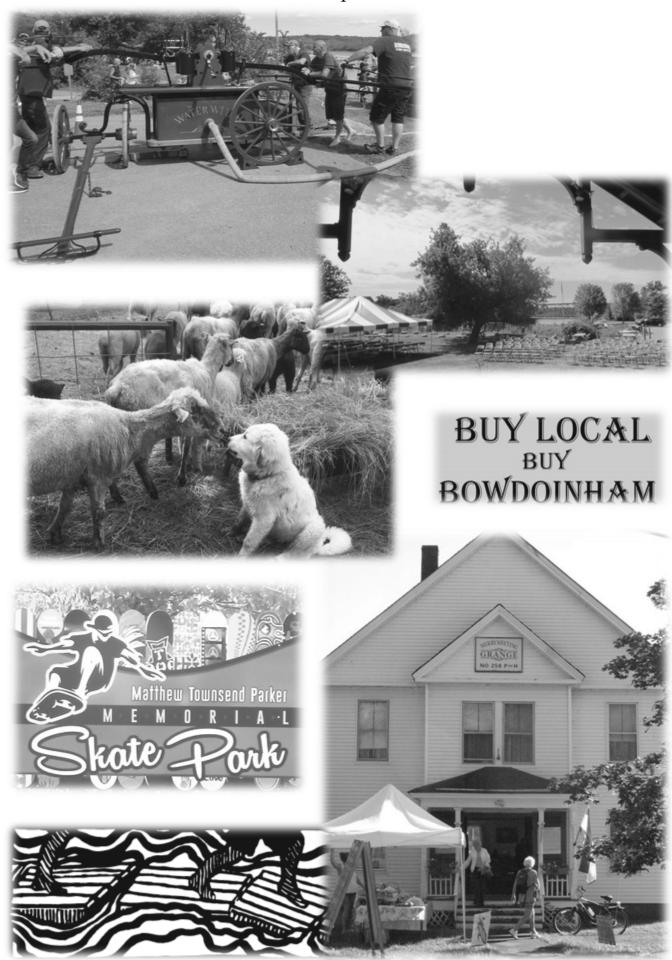
SCEMA has worked very closely with the Sagadahoc County Board of Health, where county partners and stakeholders, neighboring jurisdictions and subject matter experts target and address public health topics impacting the communities within the county. This year we are centering our focus around local age-friendly community efforts.

We are very pleased and honored to continue to work with all of the professionals from the Town of Bowdoinham. 2018 has proven to be a successful year, and together, we will continue to look toward the future, committing to the protection of life and property safety for all who live, work or play in Bowdoinham, Maine. We look forward to another successful year of service. For more information, visit us at <a href="https://www.sagcounty/ema">www.sagcounty/ema</a>. Sign-up to receive critical CodeRED public emergency alerts and like us on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SagadahocCountyEMA">www.facebook.com/SagadahocCountyEMA</a>.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah J. Bennett, Director

Matthew Fournier, Deputy Director



### **Bowodinham Community School**

Principal, Chris Lajoie



Dear Bowdoinham Community Members,

It is always a pleasure to provide this update from the Community School for inclusion in the annual Town Report. Our school – its students, staff, and volunteers – is a source of pride for our community. In the past year we have continued to improve and expand the learning opportunities for our 173 students. Ongoing teacher professional development continues to be a

high priority in our school district, and in Bowdoinham we have worked hard to build teacher teams that collaborate and learn together. While many of our students and their families face significant challenges, we welcome everyone at our school and work hard to help every child feel successful.

Our academic achievement is above the state averages, but it is our enrichment opportunities that set the Bowdoinham Community School apart. This year we participated in the WinterKids Winter Games, winning \$250 and receiving the award for Best Outdoor Classroom. Our Arts Alive Electives program continues strong, providing students four-week courses in non-traditional school subjects such as knitting, nutrition, and skateboarding. Volunteer Fred Cheney coordinates our Lunch Bunch program, bringing community members into our school each day to read high-quality picture books to students. Many parents came together recently to support director, Dana Legawiec, in putting on a student-adapted version of *Charlotte's Web* for our fourth annual theatre production. Our Music teacher, Ms. Adrian Morneau, started a Special Chorus before school for students wanting to put a little extra music into their week. Our students have again had opportunities to work with mentors and tutors from Bowdoin College. And our Coding Club gathered Friday mornings before school, exploring computer science concepts, creating with a 3D printer, and even experimenting with virtual reality.

At our core, we are a school community with strong beliefs. We believe all of our students can learn at a high level. We believe by caring for each other, taking responsibility for our choices, and focusing on learning, we can create the best possible school. We believe in seeking meaningful learning that lasts. And our strong Parent Partnership group shows their belief that by supporting the work of our teachers, we will have incredible outcomes for our students.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Mr. Lyne U

Chris Lajoie

Principal

#### Maine School Administrative District No. 75

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Dear Bowdoinham Community Members,

Julie Booty and I thank you for the opportunity to serve as school board representatives for our town. It is truly an honor and privilege. We both serve on a number of Board committees and are involved in the work taking place across the District. I currently serve on the Finance Committee, the Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee, and the Transportation Committee. I have also attended meetings for the Proficiency Based Learning steering committees. Julie serves on the Facilities Committee and the Building Committee (for the new high school), as well as the Adult Education Advisory.

There are currently 463 students from Bowdoinham attending district schools. There are 182 PreK-grade 5 students, with most attending kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade at the Bowdoinham Community School. A small number are attending the Pre-K programs at Williams-Cone and Brunswick. There are 131 students from Bowdoinham attending Mt. Ararat Middle School, and 150 attending Mt. Ararat High School. The district percentage of students eligible for free and reduced lunch is 34%. This percentage informs the overall amount of federal funding our district receives. The percentage of Bowdoinham's K-5 students on free or reduced lunch is 46%. This last figure informs the distribution of federal funding, such as Title IA, to district schools. School level funds may be used to provide additional educational and instructional support.

State assessment results help to provide one measure of school and district performance. This information helps districts identify areas of strength and areas needing additional attention. No single measure, including these standardized tests, should be used to make judgments about a school. The current state assessment system has been in place for three years and provides the following data:

- In the District, students in grades 3-8 were above the state average in English/Language Arts, science and math.
- In the high school, students are tested in their third year (Junior) and were just above the state average for English/Language Arts. High school student performed at the state average for science and math.

You can find more information on the district website, under the Teaching and Learning Icon, and selecting School Report Cards (www.link75.org) and at the Maine Department of Education's website.

(www.maine.gov/doe/Testing Accountability).

Progress is well under way on the construction of the new High School and the project is currently on budget. You can view updates and see the new high school take shape by accessing the MTA Construction icon at the bottom of the district webpage, or directly at <a href="https://sites.google.com/a/link75.org/construction/home">https://sites.google.com/a/link75.org/construction/home</a>. There are currently several opportunities to be involved in the high school project through sponsorships and other activities intended to enhance the student/community experience. Some examples include commemorative bricks that will surround the flagpole on the baseball field and plaques that will be affixed to the seats in the Forum performance venue. For more information, click the "Fundraising" tab on the construction homepage link provided above.

Throughout 2018, the Pre-Kindergarten task force and Proficiency Based Learning Steering committees continued efforts to address key topics related to teaching and learning. Additionally, the Mental Health Task Force was formed to explore data and identify recommendations for supporting students and improving mental wellbeing. The work of the Pre-Kindergarten task force resulted in the implementation of a Pre-K program for 2018. The program is currently provided for 32 students at 2 sites: Williams-Cone School and the Midcoast Maine Community Action's Head Start location at Cook's Corner in Brunswick.

The Proficiency Based Learning (PBL) Steering committee continued to meet, gathering questions and concerns related to proficiency-based learning, grading and reporting and proficiency-based diplomas. In July 2018, <u>PL 2017, Chapter 466</u> was signed into law, allowing districts to award either proficiency-based or credit-based diplomas. Feedback was gathered from school administrators, staff, students and the community, and on December 13, 2018, the Board voted to maintain a credit-based system for diplomas. The work of the PBL Steering committee will continue as part of the Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee, where a primary focus will be on grading and reporting.

The Mental Health Task Force (MHTF) has been gathering information and data related to disruptive behaviors and student needs associated with mental health. The work of the MHTF has led to more questions and areas needing further exploration. The committee's work to date has resulted in several recommendations, including staff positions intended to support the mental health needs of our students and the need for further study. We'll provide further updates in the future.

If you have any comments or questions, please be sure to contact us:

Rachelle Tome - tomer@link75.org or 666-5929,

Julie Booty - **bootyj@link75.org** or 751-4781.

Respectfully submitted, Rachelle Tome Julie MacMaster-Booty





#### **County Of Sagadahoc**

COMMISSIONER BRIAN D. HOBART

District 2 - Bath and Bowdoinham

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

After many years as a member of the Board of Selectmen, and then a term as your representative to the Maine Legislature, it is now my honor to serve the citizens of Bowdoinham as a Sagadahoc County Commissioner. As a new Commissioner, I have been impressed by both the quantity and quality of services offered; however, please be assured I am totally committed to insuring that these services are delivered in the most cost effective and professional way possible. As we move forward in an economic climate which for us is accentuated by the uncertainty of issues such as the funding of county jails, the Commissioners are acutely aware of the impact the County tax assessment has on Sagadahoc municipalities. In FY 2018-19 the municipal tax levy decreased by 0.75% and, while it is unlikely that we will show a reduction in FY 2019-20, we remain firmly committed to minimizing increases as we enter into the budget process.

During 2018 the County's many activities and accomplishments included the following:

- Administration continued to oversee the self-funded health insurance program. Over the past four years, our premiums have gone up 10% less than those of our previous insurer. In addition, the County had another successful year financially, with no material or significant weaknesses identified by the auditors.
- Probate Court was busy processing petitions for guardianship, conservatorship, change of name, adoption, and estates. They also processed passport applications and continued to back-scan records into an electronic database.
- **Deeds** continued its efforts to make all documents available for viewing at sagadahocdeedsme.com. They also stayed busy handling increased recordings due to the improved housing market.
- The **Emergency Management Agency** Staff continued to work on the planning and implementation of regional training; assist local EMA Directors and community officials to meet federal emergency preparedness requirements; and collaborate with area emergency responders and public health agencies.
- The Communications Center continued to make significant equipment upgrades. In addition, the joint Task Force with the County's Fire Chiefs continued to explore long term improvements to the E-911 system and coverage, including the placement of a new antenna at the Bowdoin Town Office.
- The **District Attorney's Office** handled a high volume of court cases and added a part-time employee to assist with the implementation of a new court process. Our new District Attorney Natasha Irving assumed office on January 1, 2019.
- The **Sheriff's Office** saw an increase of approximately 2.4% in the number of calls when compared with 2017, from 5,171 to 5,298. The **Transport Division** handled 742 transports last year and continued to monitor inmates on home release. The community public works program resulted in the performance of approximately 2,059 hours of labor in Sagadahoc County, saving over \$41,180 in labor costs. The **Civil Division** continues to serve orders and writs in a consistently professional manner.

In order that I may represent you effectively, it is important that I am aware of your questions and concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 666-3075. And I encourage interested persons to attend Board of Commissioners' meetings, which are held at 3:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the County Courthouse, 752 High Street, Bath, Me. (For details, call 443-8202 or check our web site: <a href="www.sagcounty.com">www.sagcounty.com</a>.)

Respectfully,

Brian D. Hobart

SUSAN M. COLLINS

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Dear Friends,

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

As Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, I worked to help ensure the well-being of our seniors. The *Senior\$afe Act* I authored became law last year and is empowering banks, credit unions, and other financial institutions to better protect seniors from financial fraud.

Following extensive committee investigations of prescription drug pricing, additional legislation I crafted became law, ending the egregious practice of pharmacy "gag clauses" that prevented pharmacists from informing patients on how to pay the lowest possible price.

This year, I was also successful in securing an extra \$425 million for Alzheimer's research—the largest funding increase ever—bringing the total to \$2.34 billion. Additionally, the bipartisan *BOLD Act* I authored will create public health infrastructure to combat Alzheimer's by promoting education, early diagnosis, and improved care management.

More than 40 million Americans—including 178,000 Mainers—are caregivers for parents, spouses, children, and other loved ones with disabilities or illnesses, such as Alzheimer's. The *RAISE Family Caregivers Act* I authored was signed into law last year, giving caregivers more resources and training to better balance the full-time job of caregiving. Another law I wrote will help grandparents who are raising grandchildren, largely due to the opioid addiction crisis.

In addition to helping seniors, a major accomplishment over the past year is the increased federal investment in biomedical research that is leading to progress in the fight against numerous devastating diseases. Congress has boosted funding for the National Institutes of Health by \$7 billion in just the last three years, bringing total funding to more than \$39 billion.

One of my highest priorities as Chairman of the Transportation Appropriations Subcommittee is to improve our nation's crumbling infrastructure and ensure that Maine's needs are addressed. Since the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Transportation Grants program, formerly known as TIGER, was established in 2009, I have secured \$160 million for vital transportation projects throughout Maine.

Congress also delivered a Farm Bill last year, which includes many important provisions that will help the agriculture industry in Maine and across the country. Specifically, I secured provisions that will strengthen support for young farmers, improve local farm-to-market efforts, and increase funding for organic research.

Congress took decisive action to address the opioid addiction epidemic. In addition to appropriating \$8.5 billion in federal funding last year, Congress enacted the *SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act*, a comprehensive package that embraces the multipronged approach I have long advocated for this epidemic: prevention, treatment, recovery, and enforcement to stop drug trafficking.

Maine plays a key role in ensuring a strong national defense. In 2018, Congress provided funding for five ships to be built at Bath Iron Works, which will help to keep our nation safe and provide our skilled shipbuilders a steady job. I also secured more than \$162 million for infrastructure projects at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard to support their important work to overhaul Navy submarines.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. In December 2018, I cast my 6,834<sup>th</sup> consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact one of my state offices or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2019 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

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Susan M. Collin

**United States Senator** 

ANGUS S. KING, JR.

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## United States Senate

Dear Friends.

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

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

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

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

Best,

United States Senator



#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Dear Bowdoinham Residents,

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

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



In my continuing role as House chair of the Energy, Utilities, and

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

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

As always, please contact me anytime at <u>seth@sethberry.org</u>, 207-522-1609 or at <u>facebook.com/berryformaine</u>.

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

Respectfully,

Seth Berry

State Representative

District 55

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

CONGRESSWOMAN CHELLIE PINGREE

IST DISTRICT



COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

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COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Subcommittee on Personnel Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces

## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

#### Dear Friends

I hope this message finds you well. I am honored to represent you and your family and am grateful for the chance to offer both an update from Congress and my thoughts on the year ahead.

In Maine, we care less about political parties than about getting the job done. That's why I'm happy to report several recent victories I had reaching across the aisle to address issues important to our state.

Signed into law after months of deadlock, the 2018 Farm Bill contained several provisions I introduced. We were able to boost local food investment and organic research programs that are important to the Maine farmers driving a resurgence in our agricultural economy. The bill also created a pilot program to help doctors write prescriptions and offer vouchers to patients who need to change their diet but can't afford fresh food. Finally, the legislation included several steps I introduced to reduce food waste, a national problem that is not only costly to the environment and economy, but a missed opportunity to help millions of Americans who don't have enough to eat.

At the end of 2018, the President signed into law legislative language I introduced to assist veterans who had been blindsided by debt with the Department of Veterans Affairs. After hearing from several veterans who did not receive mailings about their debt until it was too late to take action, I introduced a bill to require the VA to improve its notification system. The final legislation requires that veterans have the option of getting electronic notifications and that the VA report on the underlying issues.

And on the House Appropriations Committee, I worked to protect programs that our state relies on, such as small business grants, rural broadband investment, effective responses to the opioid epidemic, shipbuilding at Bath Iron Works, and more.

As a new Congress gets underway, I will keep working with Republicans to make progress on key issues like these. But with Democrats now in the majority, I look forward to having an open debate on problems that have been ignored for too long. This includes the gun violence plaguing our nation, the dangers climate change presents to our country, crushing student loan debt, the influence of big money in politics, and the need for all Americans to access affordable health care and prescriptions.

In Washington and Maine, my offices stand ready to answer your questions, listen to feedback, and assist with federal issues and agencies. My hard-working staff helps many hundreds of constituents every year and I welcome you the chance to serve you

**Best Wishes** 

Chellie Pingree

Member of Congress



Senator Eloise Vitelli 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003 (207) 287-1515

Dear Residents of Bowdoinham,

It is an honor and privilege to have been reelected to serve as your voice in the Maine Senate. The work of the 129th Legislature is getting underway and it is clear there is quite a bit of positive energy and excitement in the State House about doing good work for Maine people over the next two years!

My legislative colleagues and I are working on hundreds of pieces of legislation. For these next two years I will be focusing on making sure Maine people have access to affordable health care, economic security, and access to a great education. Specifically, I have submitted student loan bill of rights legislation, in order to protect Mainers who take out loans while trying to continue their education and training from unscrupulous and predatory financial institutions and student loan servicers.



I have been selected by my Senate Democratic colleagues to serve this session as the Assistant Senate Majority Leader. I will also be serving again on the Marine Resources Committee. In both of these roles, and as your voice in the Legislature, I will work to advocate for policies that serve all Maine people well and meet the needs of our region. All of us in Maine, though particularly here in the midcoast, live in a place with bountiful and beautiful natural resources and amongst hardworking people with a strong sense of community. Though we certainly face many challenges, I am confident that if we all work together we can ensure a bright future for our children and grandchildren.

If I can ever be of assistance to you, your family, or your community, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns. You can reach me through email at **Eloise.Vitelli@legislature.maine.gov** or at my office at (207) 287-1515.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards,

Senator Eloise Vitelli

### **Outstanding 2018 Real Estate Taxes**

### As of 06/30/2018

AMOUNT		AMOUNT		AMOUNT
NAME		DUE	NAME	DUE
ALLYN, JENNIFER L. & CHRISTOPHER	\$	2,570.87	GRAY, STEVEN J.	\$ 1,192.54
ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	\$	6.74	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E	\$ 1,147.05
ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	\$	1,893.50	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E & KIM P	\$ 1,829.47
ASHOUWAK,LARA PERTEL	\$	1,956.05	HALSEY,IAN	\$ 1,895.19
AT&T MOBILITY	\$	493.27	HAMRICK,GARRET L	\$ 2,006.40
AT&T MOBILITY (IN POSSESSION)	\$	3,932.35	HARRIS,DAVID	\$ 1,492.47
ATWOOD,LARRY E	\$	1,868.23	HEATH,GEORGE MRS	\$ 2,301.27
BILLINGTON, SHAWN E. SR.	\$	1,548.08	HERARD,CARL R & THERESA R	\$ 1,610.42
BISHOP, JOHN W. IV	\$	154.58	HUNTINGTON,PATRICIA & ALLEN	\$ 189.97
BISHOP,JOHN W IV	\$	3,468.98	LAMOREAU, SHAWN S & CHRISTINE	\$ 2,043.47
BLEASE,HEATHER D.	\$	939.71	LLOYD,JOANE K	\$ 587.63
BOIVIN, KELLY L.	\$	570.78	LORD, ALBERT (PERS REP)	\$ 687.04
BOWLEY,THARON B & BARBARA A	\$	1,944.19	MAILLY, MARY L .	\$ 1,681.19
BURKARD, JEREMY K.	\$	756.13	MARTONFFY, DENES	\$ 730.08
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	\$	250.63	MASTERS, BRUCE N.	\$ 1,301.39
CALL,PAULA	\$	200.08	MCGOWAN,BRIAN B	\$ 566.56
CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL (PERS REP)	\$	1,248.15	MCKINNEY, EARL N.	\$ 1,312.18
CARRAS FIELD SUBDIVISION ASSN.	\$	11.80	MCPHERSON, JAMES A	\$ 3,094.96
CASTILLO, VALENTINA (PERS REP)	\$	11.36	MINET,HARRY J	\$ 912.40
CHACE,MICHAEL A	\$	1,437.71	MORGAN,MAURICE E & LINDA M	\$ 548.87
CHASE, KENNETH M. SR.	\$	892.61	MORGAN,RICHARD	\$ 114.14
CLANCEY, JOSEPH P.	\$	2,230.50	MORGAN,RICHARD D & SUSAN M	\$ 34.95
CROOKER,RANDY N	\$	779.72	NEIMAN, RUSSELL C.	\$ 1,125.14
CROWLEY, KRISTIN	\$	2.53	PERTEL,MARCIA J	\$ 1,515.93
CURRAN,CYNTHIA MARIE	\$	1,518.19	PICKETT, EVA V . ( DEVISEES)	\$ 1,704.78
CURTIS,SUSAN E	\$	672.72	PRATT, BRYAN C SR.	\$ 444.40
CUTLER,ALAN F	\$	1,098.18	RICHARDS, JOSEPH C.	\$ 1,799.14
DELAIR, TODD M .	\$	1,507.64	RIDEOUT,MARK A	\$ 1,278.48
DESPRES,MARK SR.	\$	1,224.56	RIDEOUT,MARK A	\$ 4,473.24
DEVISEES OF CURRAN,ROBERT J.	\$	365.21	SEARLES, MICKEY	\$ 619.64
DICKEY,DARRYL	\$	2,688.82	SHAW,MATTHEW J. & MELISSA P.	\$ 1,201.23
DOLAN,NANCY	\$	2,813.51	SHORETTE,FRED S	\$ 1,932.26
DOWN EAST CREDIT UNION	\$	2,314.75	SIEGLER,RAYMOND J JR	\$ 949.90
DRISCOLL,ROBERT	\$	2,117.61	SKELTON,DAVID C	\$ 287.08
DUNBAR,CANDIDA A	\$	631.43	SKIPPER,RODNEY S	\$ 1,571.67
DUNN, DAVID D.	\$	1,270.05	ST JEAN,RAYMOND D	\$ 850.49
ENGLAND, LINDA L.	\$	1,157.25	STOEBE,WILLIAM F JR	\$ 836.16
FITZGERALD,JOHN &	\$	630.97	SUGDEN,GEORGE S. JR.	\$ 4,517.27
FRIZZLE,OLA ELIZABETH	\$	235.46	SUGDEN,MARIA VIOLETA VARGAS	\$ 71.87
GAUTHIER, SUZANNE	\$	776.35	SWITZER, RHONDA J.	\$ 1,081.33

## **Outstanding 2018 Real Estate Taxes**

#### As of 06/30/2018

	AMOUNT		AMOUNT
NAME	DUE	NAME	DUE
TALBOT,KATHLEEN BIANCA	\$ 1,350.93	VALLEY, JAMES D & JOLEEN M	\$ 515.00
TEMPLE, MILTON R. SR.	\$ 528.65	VENO,DANIEL A (TRUSTEE)	\$ 434.76
TEMPLE, MILTON R .	\$ 1,625.59	VENO,STEVEN J	\$ 985.29
TOME,JOHN W & SAMUEL B	\$ 21.47	WALSH, STEVEN M.	\$ 998.77
TOME,SAMUEL B	\$ 33.26	WEST,ELIZABETH A	\$ 3,088.17
TOME,SAMUEL B	\$ 1,133.57	WHEELER,PAUL F	\$ 71.19
TOMKO,KATHERINE	\$ 908.62	ZELL,WILBUR B & SARAH S	\$ 1,368.56
U.S BANK TRUST, N.A. TRUSTEE FOR	\$ 154.32		

\$116,949.05

### **Delinquent Personal Property Taxes** As of 06/30/2018

NAME	Year	<b>Balance Due</b>	NAME	Year	<b>Balance Due</b>
BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS	2014	107.80	BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS	2015	113.75
BEAULIEU,JASON	2014	30.80	HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	2015	16.25
HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	2014	20.02	HITZ,PAUL M A	2015	81.25
HITZ,PAUL M A	2014	77.00	LEIGHTON,RICHARD	2015	24.38
LEIGHTON,RICHARD	2014	7.41	MCPHERSON, JAMES A	2015	201.50
MCPHERSON, JAMES A	2014	190.96	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	2015	86.13
NORTON INSURANCE	2014	24.64	ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	2015	289.25
ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	2014	4.80		•	
	-				812.51
		463 43		•	

NAME	Year	Balance Due	NAME	Year	Balance Due
BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS	201		AT&T MOBILITY LLC	201	
GLIBA,GEORGE & IRENE	201		BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS	201	
HARRIMAN, JESSE W JR	201		BERTULLI,ROBERT	201	
HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	201		CAVANDISH, CHRIS	201	
HITZ,PAUL M A	201		EARL BIGELOW	201	
LEIGHTON,RICHARD	201	6 24.68	FHC INC	201	7 23.17
MCPHERSON, JAMES A	201	6 203.98	GLIBA,GEORGE & IRENE	201	7 599.11
RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	201	6 87.19	HARRIMAN,JESSE W JR	201	7 86.06
SPRINT SPECTRUM, LP	201	6 1.59	HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	201	7 6.62
ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	201	6 259.91	HITZ,PAUL M A	201	7 82.75
			LEIGHTON,RICHARD	201	7 24.83
		1167.73	MCPHERSON,JAMES A	201	7 205.22
			RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	201	7 87.72
			ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	201	7 226.74

1589.50

## **Delinquent Personal Property Taxes**As of 06/30/2018

NAME	Year	Balance Due	NAME	Year	Balance Due
AT&T MOBILITY LLC	2018	195.46	LAMOREAU,SHAWN S	2018	70.77
BAMFORD FOUNDATIONS INC	2018	117.95	LAMOTHE, ARTHUR J. ESQUIRE	2018	0.81
BERTULLI,ROBERT	2018	67.40	MCPHERSON, JAMES A	2018	208.94
CAVANDISH, CHRIS	2018	168.50	OAKES, FULTON	2018	61.89
TOP TECH AUTO	2018	52.35	O'HARE, JAMES P & BARBARA J	2018	33.93
CUMBERLAND COUNTY GLASS	2018	564.47	RIENDEAU-CARD, ROBIN	2018	90.99
DIRECTV, LLC.	2018	804.67	SKELTON,DAVID C	2018	91.52
EARL BIGELOW	2018	33.70	TAURUS SYSTEMS	2018	38.76
GALLE,ALFRED W	2018	117.11	ZOULAMIS,GREGORY	2018	208.94
GLIBA,GEORGE & IRENE	2018	628.51			
HARRIMAN,JESSE W JR	2018	87.62			3765.61
HHP ENTERPRISES, LLC.	2018	6.74			
HITCHCOCK,JUDITH L	2018	30.33			7,798.78
HITZ,PAUL M A	2018	84.25			

### Lien Breakdown

Tax Year 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018 as of 06/30/2018

NAME	Year	Balance Due	NAME	Year	Balance Due
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2011	373.08	CASTIALLO, VALENTINA (PR)	2016	49.67
CUTLER,ALAN F	2011	998.14	CUTLER,ALAN F	2016	1,489.07
MAILLY,MARY	2011	188.31	DESPRES,MARK SR.	2016	1,279.96
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2012	157.77	HUNTINGTON, PATRICIA & ALLEN	2016	231.69
CUTLER,ALAN F	2012	1,877.82	MAILLY, MARY L . (JT)	2016	1,964.35
GRIATZKY,STEVEN M	2012	177.19	ALLYN, JENNIFER L. & CHRIS	2017	2,742.86
MAILLY,MARY	2012	1,717.22	ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	2017	1,838.57
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2013	147.53	ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	2017	54.83
CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL(PR)	2013	1,603.39	ATWOOD,LARRY E	2017	2,003.48
CUTLER,ALAN F	2013	1,622.07	BISHOP, JOHN W. IV	2017	198.46
GRIATZKY,STEVEN M	2013	173.45	BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2017	301.30
MAILLY,MARY	2013	2,134.52	CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL (PR)	2017	1,357.72
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2014	144.40	CASTIALLO, VALENTINA (PR)	2017	49.52
CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL(PR)	2014	1,560.65	CUSO HOME LENDING	2017	674.13
CUTLER,ALAN F	2014	1,571.76	CUTLER,ALAN F	2017	1,281.82
GRIATZKY,STEVEN M	2014	176.84	DESPRES,MARK SR.	2017	1,326.15
MAILLY,MARY	2014	2,074.58	DEVISES OF CURRAN, ROBERT J.	2017	421.88
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2015	144.52	DICKEY,DARRYL	2017	2,856.80
CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL (PR)	2015	1,558.66	DRISCOLL,ROBERT	2017	2,279.38
CARON,SARAH.E	2015	805.53	DUNN,DONALD C	2017	586.93
CUTLER,ALAN F	2015	1,567.44	FRIZZLE,OLA ELIZABETH	2017	1,125.79
MAILLY,MARY	2015	2,065.36	GAUTHIER, SUZANNE	2017	943.16
ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	2016	1,508.93	GRAY, STEVEN J.	2017	748.53
ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	2016	54.62	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E	2017	1,244.59
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2016	130.82	GUSTAFSON,PAUL E & KIM P	2017	2,051.34
CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL (PR)	2016	1,474.57	HARRIS,DAVID	2017	1,608.06

### Lien Breakdown

Tax Year 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018 as of 06/30/2018

NAME	Year	Balance	ce NAME		Balance
1 1/2 21/2 2/	ı cai	Due	· <del></del>	Year	Due
HEATH,GEORGE MRS	2017	38.91	HARRIS,DAVID	2018	1,606.18
HERARD,CARL R & THERESA R	2017	833.25	HEATH,GEORGE MRS	2018	2,449.18
HUNTINGTON, PATRICIA & ALLEN	2017	237.47	HERARD,CARL R & THERESA R	2018	1,191.36
KELLETT, RAYMOND M & ANNE R	2017	2,482.56	HUNTINGTON, PATRICIA & ALLEN	2018	148.64
LLOYD,JOANE K	2017	403.64	LAMOREAU, SHAWN S & CHRISTINE	2018	2,187.15
LORD, ALBERT (PERS REP)	2017	198.83	LLOYD,JOANE K	2018	663.07
MAILLY, MARY L	2017	1,806.66	LORD, ALBERT (PERS REP)	2018	669.40
MORGAN, MAURICE E & LINDA M	2017	604.98	MAILLY, MARY L	2018	1,802.89
RICHARDS,LOLA HAYES(LT)	2017	48.07	MARTONFFY, DENES	2018	799.06
RIDEOUT,MARK A	2017	1,382.61	MCGOWAN,BRIAN B	2018	631.20
RIDEOUT,MARK A	2017	4,852.10	MCKINNEY, EARL N.	2018	1,418.27
SHORETTE,FRED S	2017	2,014.35	MCPHERSON, JAMES A	2018	3,183.16
SIEGLER,RAYMOND J JR	2017	1,022.51	MORGAN,MAURICE E & LINDA M	2018	622.68
SKIPPER,RODNEY S	2017	1,674.49	MORGAN,RICHARD	2018	169.56
SWITZER, RHONDA J.	2017	1,048.70	MORGAN,RICHARD D & SUSAN M	2018	93.69
TALBOT,KATHLEEN BIANCA	2017	1,550.29	NEIMAN, RUSSELL C.	2018	652.10
TEMPLE, MILTON R. SR.	2017	593.85	PERTEL,MARCIA J	2018	1,093.78
ALLYN, JENNIFER L. & CHRIS	2018	2,730.18	PICKETT, EVA V ( DEVISEES)	2018	1,834.14
ALMY,P ARTHUR & DAVIS S SR	2018	2,024.17	RICHARDS, JOSEPH C.	2018	1,925.82
ASHOUWAK,LARA PERTEL	2018	1,566.28	RIDEOUT,MARK A	2018	1,383.14
ATWOOD,LARRY E	2018	1,997.83	RIDEOUT,MARK A	2018	4,713.01
BILLINGTON, SHAWN E. SR.	2018	1,670.82	SEARLES, MICKEY	2018	696.43
BISHOP, JOHN W. IV	2018	211.71	SHAW,MATTHEW J. & MELISSA P.	2018	1,299.99
BISHOP,JOHN W IV	2018	3,666.28	SHORETTE,FRED S	2018	2,071.24
BLEASE,HEATHER D.	2018	1,013.50	SIEGLER,RAYMOND J JR	2018	1,040.67
BURKARD, JEREMY K.	2018	838.69	SKIPPER,RODNEY S	2018	1,688.73
BUTTERFUSS,FRANK	2018	311.82	ST JEAN,RAYMOND D	2018	943.72
CARLSON, DENISE M ET AL (PR)	2018	1,358.20	SUGDEN,GEORGE S. JR.	2018	4,613.16
CASTILLO, VALENTINA (PR)	2018	62.43	SUGDEN,MARIA VIOLETA VARGAS	2018	124.39
CHACE,MICHAEL A	2018	1,528.32	SWITZER, RHONDA J.	2018	1,177.65
CHASE, KENNETH M. SR.	2018	980.96	TALBOT,KATHLEEN BIANCA	2018	1,458.65
CLANCEY, JOSEPH P.	2018	2,375.43	TEMPLE, MILTON R. SR.	2018	601.60
CURRAN,CYNTHIA MARIE	2018	1,585.91	TEMPLE, MILTON R.	2018	1,744.93
CURTIS,SUSAN E	2018	730.39	VALLEY, JAMES D & JOLEEN M	2018	587.37
CUTLER,ALAN F	2018	1,195.21	VENO,DANIEL A (TRUSTEE)	2018	502.84
DELAIR, TODD M .	2018	1,621.99	VENO,STEVEN J	2018	1,077.55
DESPRES,MARK SR.	2018				
DEVISEES OF CURRAN,ROBERT J.	2018	431.25		17	6,313.66
DICKEY,DARRYL	2018	-	-		
DOWN EAST CREDIT UNION		2,463.24			
DRISCOLL,ROBERT		2,264.65			
DUNN, DAVID D.	2018	-			
ENGLAND, LINDA L.	2018	1,237.80			
FITZGERALD, JOHN	2018	703.77			
FRIZZLE,OLA ELIZABETH	2018	287.65			
GAUTHIER, SUZANNE	2018	859.77			
GRAY, STEVEN J.	2018	1,270.74			
GUSTAFSON,PAUL E	2018	1,246.15			
GUSTAFSON,PAUL E & KIM P	2018	1,957.43			
HALSEY,IAN	2018	2,045.94			
HAMRICK,GARRET L	2018	2,141.85			

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#### REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

#### Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Selectmen and Manager TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM Bowdoinham, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

## Basis for Qualified Opinion on the Governmental Activities and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

We were unable to obtain sufficient evidential source documentation to support the classification of the Town's permanent funds between expendable and non-expendable portions thereof because the relevant legal indentures could not be located and the prior audited financial statements did not make such distinction.

## Qualified Opinion on the Governmental Activities and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, except for the matter described in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Bowdoinham as of June 30, 2018 and the changes in financial position of those activities and funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Unmodified Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund of the Town of Bowdoinham as of June 30, 2018 and the changes in financial position of those funds and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's response to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

SMITH & ASSOCIATES, CPAs A Professional Association

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Yarmouth, Maine January 31, 2019

#### EXHIBIT I

## TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2018

Assets Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments Accounts Receivable Taxes Receivable Tax Liens Receivable Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$	Primary <u>Government</u> Governmental <u>Activities</u> 2,033,923 682,931 9,094 183,285 71,784 2,626,115
Total Assets	\$	5,607,132
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$</u>	0
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	5,607,132
Liabilities Accounts Payable Accrued Expenses Escrow Deposits Non Current Liabilities Due Within One Year	\$	88,315 64,288 292 306,172
Due in More Than One Year	_	1,467,570
Total Liabilities	\$_	1,926,637
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	9,177
Net Position (Deficit) Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted for Tax Increment Financing District Unrestricted	\$	877,411 880,476 1,913,431
Total Net Position	\$_	3,671,318

#### EXHIBIT II

#### TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Program Revenues Primary Government Operating Charges for Grants and Governmental Functions/Programs Expenses Services Contributions Activities **Primary Government Governmental Activities** General Government \$ 628,795 47,102 0 (581,693)Public Works and Maintenance 527,138 1,666 35,628 (489,844)Solid Waste 174,135 97,041 0 (77,094)Public Safety 100,219 7,004 0 (93,215)Culture and Recreation 37,531 44,924 0 7,393 Public Health and Welfare 1,952 29,514 6,517 (21,045)Education 2,918,228 0 0 (2,918,228)Contingency 2,085 0 0 (2,085)County Tax and Overlay 485,269 0 0 (485, 269)Interest on Long-Term Debt 0 35,082 0 (35,082)Depreciation - Unallocated 157,491 0 0 (157,491)**Total Primary Government** 5,095,487 204,254 37,580 (4,853,653)General Revenues Property and Other Taxes \$ 5,148,025 Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Special 268,601 Unrestricted Investment Earnings 25,150 Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments 965 Realized Gains (Losses) on Investments 35,588 Miscellaneous 10,895 **Total General Revenues** 5,489,224 Changes in Net Position \$ 635,571 Net Position - July 1, 2017 3,035,747 Net Position - June 30, 2018 3,671,318

#### EXHIBIT III

#### TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2018

	General Fund	Public Works Facility	CMP TIF	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments Taxes Receivable Tax Liens Receivable Accounts Receivable Due From Other Funds	\$ 2,024,055 0 183,285 71,784 9,094 192,370	\$ 0 0 0 0 0	\$ 0 0 0 0 0 0 845,167	\$ 9,868 682,931 0 0 0 170.874	\$ 2,033,923 682,931 183,285 71,784 9,094 1,208,411
Total Assets	\$ 2,480,588	\$ 0	\$ 845,167	\$ 863,673	\$ 4,189,428
Deferred Outflows of Resources	0	0	0	0	0
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 2,480,588	<u>\$</u> 0	\$ 845,167	<u>\$ 863,673</u>	\$ 4,189,428
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balance Liabilities Accounts Payable Accrued Expenses Escrow Deposits Due to Other Funds	\$ 88,315 31,841 292 1,016,040	\$ 0 8,884 0 191,796	\$ 0 0 0 0	\$ 0 0 0 575	\$ 88,315 40,725 292 
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,136,488	\$ 200,680	\$ 0	\$ 575	\$ 1,337,743
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b> Unavailable Revenue – Property Taxes	<u>\$ 175,177</u>	<u>\$</u> 0	<u>\$</u> 0	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 175,177</u>
Fund Balance Nonspendable Restricted	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Tax Increment Financing	0	0	845,167	35,309	880,476
Committed Capital Project Funds Special Revenue Funds Appropriated for FY2019 Assigned	0 0 120,000	0	0 0 0	51,088 94,345 0	51,088 94,345 120,000
Permanent Funds Unassigned	0	0	0	682,356	682,356
Capital Projects Fund Deficit General Fund	1,048,923	(200,680)	0 0	0 0	(200,680) 
Total Fund Balance	\$ 1,168,923	\$ (200,680)	\$ 845,167	\$ 863,098	\$ 2,676,508
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance The Notes to the Financial State	\$ 2,480,588		\$ 845,167 his Statement.	<u>\$ 863,673</u>	<u>\$ 4,189,428</u>

#### EXHIBIT IV

## TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2018

Total Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds

\$2,676,508

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

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

2,626,115

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

(23,563)

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

166,000

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

Due in One Year \$ 306,172 Due in More Than One Year 1,442,532 Accrued Compensated Absence Pay 25,038

(1,773,742)

Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$3,671,318

EXHIBIT VI

# TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds

\$241,926

#### Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are Different Because

Governmental Funds Report Capital Outlays as Expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the Cost of Those Assets is Allocated Over Their Estimated Useful Lives and Reported as Depreciation Expense. This is the Amount of Capital Assets Recorded in the Current Period.

589,378

Depreciation Expense on Capital Assets is Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, But They Do Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources and Therefore, Depreciation Expense is Not Reported as Expenditure in Governmental Funds.

(157,491)

The Issuance of Long-Term Debt (e.g. Bonds and Accrued Compensated Absence Pay) Provides Current Financial Resources to Governmental Funds, While the Repayment of the Principal of Long-Term Debt Consumes the Current Financial Resources of Governmental Funds. Neither Transaction, However, has Any Effect on Net Position. Also, Governmental Funds Report the Effect of Issuance Cost, Premiums, Discounts, and Similar Items When Debt is First Issued, Whereas the Amounts are Deferred and Amortized in the Statement of Activities. This Amount is the Net Effect of These Differences in the Treatment of Long-Term Debt and Related Items.

(59,759)

Some Property Tax Will Not be Collected for Several Months After the Town's Fiscal Year End; They are Not Considered Current Financial Resources in the Governmental Funds. This Amount is the Net Effect of the Differences.

19,000

Changes in Accrued Interest Expense on Long-Term Debt and Accrued Compensated Absences are Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, But Do Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources; Therefore, These Items Are Not Reported as Expenditures in Governmental Funds.

2,517

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ 635,571

#### EXHIBIT VII

# TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Revenues		Budgeted Original	<u>l A</u>	mounts Final	Actual Amounts	F	ariance with inal Budget Positive (Negative)
Property and Other Taxes Intergovernmental Licenses, Permits and Fees Charges for Services Investment Income Miscellaneous	\$	4,572,501 320,507 48,600 119,400 4,300 2,000	\$	4,572,501 320,507 48,600 119,400 4,300 2,000	\$ 4,652,448 306,181 54,967 121,139 11,175 2,379	\$	79,947 (14,326) 6,367 1,739 6,875 379
Total Revenues	\$	5,067,308	\$	5,067,308	\$ 5,148,289	\$	80,981
Expenditures Current							
General Government Public Works and Maintenance Solid Waste Public Safety Culture and Recreation Public Health and Welfare Education Contingency Debt Service County Tax and Overlay  Total Expenditures  Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue	\$	472,757 462,934 186,828 115,090 46,531 32,495 2,917,228 8,000 306,830 528,833 5,077,526	\$ 	470,257 459,650 186,828 115,090 46,531 32,495 2,917,228 8,000 306,830 528,833 5,071,742	\$  456,408 495,965 174,135 100,219 32,344 26,300 2,917,228 2,085 306,663 485,269 4,996,616	\$	13,849 (36,315) 12,693 14,871 14,187 6,195 0 5,915 167 43,564
Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	(10,218)	\$	(4,434)	\$ 151,673	\$	156,107
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers In (Out)	\$	(29,782)	<u>\$</u>	(35,566)	\$ (35,566)	\$	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	(40,000)	\$	(40,000)	\$ 116,107	\$	156,107
Fund Balance – July 1, 2017	<u>\$</u>	1,052,816	\$	1,052,816	\$ 1,052,816	\$	0
Fund Balance – June 30, 2018	\$	1,012,816	\$	1,012,816	\$ 1,168,923	\$	156,107

#### TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2018

#### NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT

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

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

#### NOTE 9 – OVERLAPPING DEBT

The Town's proportionate share of Sagadahoc County's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham. At June 30, 2018, the Town's share was 5.78% (or \$294,171) of the County's outstanding debt of \$5,089,469.

The Town's proportionate share of Maine School Administrative District No. 75's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Bowdoinham. At June 30, 2018, the Town's share was 11.99% (or \$1,145,881) of the District's outstanding debt of \$9,549,013.

#### NOTE 10 – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING/DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

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

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

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

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

#### NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES

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

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

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

## TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2018

#### NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

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

The General Fund unassigned fund balance total of \$1,048,923 represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. This balance is consistent with the Town's fund balance policy calling for unassigned fund balance of at least two months' expenditures.

As per Exhibit III, a summary of the nature and purpose of these reserves by fund type at June 30, 2018 follows.

#### Restricted Special Revenues

CMP Tax Increment Financing District \$ 845,167

Non-Major Tax Increment Financing District 35,309

Total Tax Increment Financing Districts \$ 880,476

#### TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2018

#### NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)

Committed		
Capital Projects Funds		
2016 Road Bond	\$	10,418
Town Hall Office Reserve		9,000
Waterfront Reserve		8,333
Fire Department		5,970
2016 Truck Bond		5,719
Electronic Equipment Reserve		3,595
Coombs Septic		3,182
Cemetery Maintenance Reserve		3,000
2018 Fire Truck Bond Fund		1,250
Solid Waste Hazardous		505
AARP Raised Bed Fund		113
Recreational		3
Total	\$	51,088
Committed		
General Fund		
Appropriated from Surplus to Reduce		
Taxes in FY 2018/19	\$	120,000
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Assigned		
Special Revenues		
Celebrate Bowdoinham	\$	34,340
Home Heating for Needy Families		12,116
Health Reimbursement Arrangement		9,868
Bottle Funds Community Projects		7,774
250 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary		6,999
Comprehensive Plan Reserve		6,511
Merrymeeting Trail		4,521
EMS Donations		3,884
Committee on Aging		2,953
Employee Safety Reserve Fund		2,108
Ace Team		1,500
TIF Newsletter Revenues		945
Animal Control Assigned Fund		550
Youth Alternatives Donations		480
Cemetery Services	_	(204)
Total	\$	94,345

## TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2018

#### NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)

\$	405,760
	49,165
	28,157
	26,165
	11,276
	2,518
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	48,335
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# PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Summary

ARTICLI	E DEPARTMENT EXPENSES			INCREASE/	PERCENT
		FY 19 BUDGET	FY 20 REQUEST	DECREASE	CHANGE
8	Administration	428,011	455,823	27,812	6.50%
9	General Services	51,500	51,000	(500)	-0.97%
10	Debt Services	429,589	412,029	(17,560)	-4.09%
11	Fire & Rescue Department	98,454	99,845	1,391	1.41%
12	Town Facilities Maintenance	84,235	86,925	2,690	3.19%
13	Animal Control/Harbor Master	18,885	20,356	1,471	7.79%
14	Public Works	406,956	467,750	60,794	14.94%
15	Solid Waste & Recycling	185,277	190,878	5,601	3.02%
16	Recreation	46,114	45,960	(155)	-0.34%
17	Planning, Community Devel. & Codes	82,544	83,535	991	1.20%
18	Contingency	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
19-20	Organization Requests	0	7,995	7,995	100.00%
6-7	Capital Reserves	7,000	42,000	35,000	500.00%
	TOTAL EXPENSES	1,846,567	1,972,097	125,530	6.80%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Administration Budget

ARTICLE # 8		REQUESTED	INCREASE/	PERCENT
DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	FY 20 BUDGET	DECREASE	CHANGE
Damasmal				
Personnel Town Manager Salary	02.014	04.020	2.025	2.200/
Town Manager Salary	92,014	94,039	2,025	2.20%
Administrative Personnel	105,989	116,778	10,789	10.18%
Assessing Personnel	15,912	16,502	590	3.71%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increases(2%)	040.045	<u>3,881</u>	3,881	1.70%
Subtotal:	213,915	231,200	17,285	8.08%
Support & Benefits				
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	16,364	17,687	1,322	8.08%
Health, & Retirement benefits	<u>43,972</u>	<u>44,137</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>0.38%</u>
Subtotal:	60,336	61,824	1,487	2.47%
Subtotal Personnel Svcs Budget:	274,251	293,024	18,772	6.84%
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Professional Services				
Legal Expense	5,500	5,500	0	0.00%
Maine Municipal Assoc. Dues	3,643	3,810	167	4.58%
Municipal Audit Services	6,850	6,950	100	1.46%
Mapping Services	<u>2,800</u>	3,000	<u>200</u>	<u>7.14%</u>
Subtotal:	18,793	19,260	467	2.48%
<b>Boards &amp; Stipends</b>				
Selectmen's Stipend	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%
Election Stipends	2,300	2,300	0	0.00%
Health Officer	750	750	0	0.00%
Cemetery Sexton	550	550	0	0.00%
FICA/Medicare (7.65%)	<u>773</u>	<u>773</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Subtotal:	10,873	10,873	0	0.00%
Operating Expenses	0.000	0.000	000	0.070/
Printing & Publications	3,000	3,200	200	6.67%
Training (7 staff)	7,000	8,000	1,000	14.29%
Election Expenses	5,500	5,500	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous Expense	300	300	0	0.00%
Payroll Service Expense	5,200	5,400	200	3.85%
Mileage Reimbursement	2,300	3,000	700	30.43%
Office Supplies	3,600	3,600	0	0.00%
Postage & Bulk Mail	5,800	6,380	580	10.00%
Website Maintenance/Updates	0	1,120	1,120	100.00%
Registry of Deeds	4,800	5,200	400	8.33%
Meeting Broadcast/Recording	2,400	2,400	0	0.00%
Ordinance Enforcement	500 40 400	<u>500</u>	<u>0</u> 4 200	0.00%
Subtotal:	40,400	44,600	4,200	10.40%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Administration Budget

ARTICLE # 8 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Equipment Maint./Repair				
Equip.Replace/Repair/Computer Maint	7,000	8,000	1,000	14.29%
Software Licenses	11,820	15,989	4,169	35.27%
Postage Meter-Lease/Purchase	1,250	1,250	0	0.00%
Copier Lease/Maint. Agreement	<u>6,650</u>	<u>6,850</u>	<u>200</u>	3.01%
Subtotal:	26,720	32,089	5,369	20.09%
Risk Management				
Public Officials Liability	4,171	3,902	(269)	-6.45%
Employee Bonding	427	427	Ó	0.00%
Worker's Comp	15,180	12,908	(2,272)	-14.97%
Unemployment	750	300	(450)	-60.00%
General Liability	7,003	6,895	(108)	-1.54%
Vehicle Insurance	11,051	10,975	(76)	-0.69%
Fire Dept Ins.	<u>9,692</u>	<u>9,894</u>	<u>202</u>	2.08%
Subtotal:	48,274	45,301	(2,973)	-6.16%
Utilities Expense				
Electricity	3,300	4,077	777	23.55%
Heating Expense	1,600	2,000	400	25.00%
Water Service	1,100	1,400	300	27.27%
Telephone Expense	<u>2,700</u>	<u>3,200</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>18.52%</u>
Subtotal:	8,700	10,677	1,977	22.72%
Total Administrative Budget:	428,011	455,823	27,812	6.50%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Town Facilities Maintenance Budget

ARTICLE # 12 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Town Facilities Maintenance Budget:				
Custodial & Supplies	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Town Hall / Office Maint & Repair	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Town Hall/Office Capital Improvements	0	0	0	0.00%
Waterfront Maintenance/Parks	6,500	7,500	1,000	15.38%
Hydrant Rental	55,235	55,235	0	0.00%
Street & Facility Lighting	11,000	12,540	1,540	14.00%
Memorial Day (Flgas for cemeteries)	<u>500</u>	<u>650</u>	150	30.00%
Town Facilities Maintenance Budget:	84,235	86,925	2,690	3.19%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 General Services & Debt Service Budget

ARTICLE # 9&10 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
GENERAL SERVICES BUDGET				
General Assistance	4,000	3,000	(1,000)	-25.00%
Library Appropriation	20,500	21,000	500	2.44%
Snowbirds Appropriation	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Bowdoinham Historical Society	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Ambulance Contract	25,000	25,000	<u>0</u>	0.00%
General Services Budget:	51,500	51,000	(500 <u>)</u>	-0.97%
DEBT SERVICE BUDGET				
2008 Pleasant & Ridge Rd Bond (10 yr - 3.7%)	43,336	0	(43,336)	-100.00%
2009 Road Bond (10 yr - 3.9%) (Paid off early)	0	0	0	0.00%
2011 Road, PW Truck Bond (10yr - 2.13%)	64,400	64,400	0	0.00%
2011 Fire Truck Bond (15 yr - 2.13%)	17,067	17,067	0	0.00%
2012 Millay Road, PW Trackless Bond (10yr - 3.09%)	36,290	37,412	1,122	3.09%
2013 Lease/Purchase Backhoe (10yr - 3.2%)	10,524	10,524	0	0.00%
2015 Lease/Purchase Loader (10 yr - 2.5%)	15,489	15,489	0	0.00%
2015 Abbagadassett Road Bond (10 yr - 3.52%)	11,521	11,930	409	3.55%
2015 PW Truck Bond (7 yr - 3.28%)	22,776	23,523	747	3.28%
2016 PW Truck Bond (7 yr - 2.89%)	20,809	20,793	(16)	-0.08%
2016 Pork Point Road Bond (10 yr - 3.06%)	27,998	28,855	857	3.06%
2017 Wildes Road Bond (7 yr - 2.76%)	23,572	23,572	0	0.00%
2018 Quick-Attack Fire Truck Bond (10 yr - 3.42%)	14,287	17,000	2,713	100.00%
2018 Carding Mach. Rd (3)/LD Plow Truck Bond (10 yr - 3.75%)	0	25,000	25,000	100.00%
2019 Public Works Facility Bond	80,000	71,500	(8,500)	-10.63%
Interest Expense	41,520	44,964	3,444	<u>8.29%</u>
Debt Service Budget:	429,589	412,029	(17,560)	-4.09%
Total General & Debt Services Budget	481,089	463,029	(18,060)	-3.75%

### **Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020**

### Fire & Rescue Budget

ARTICLE # 11 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
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<u>Administration</u>				
Fire Chief Salary	16,477	16,840	363	2.20%
Fire & Rescue Volunteers	23,000	23,000		
Emergency Management Director	750	750		
Subtotal:	40,227	40,590	363	0.90%
FICA	3,077	3,105	28	0.90%
Health, & Retirement benefits	<u>0</u>	, <u>0</u>		
Subtotal:	3,077	3,105	28	
Operating Expense				
Training Training	3,500	4,000	500	14.29%
Mileage Reimburse	1,000	1,000		
Office Supplies	600	600		
Physicals/Innoculations	2,500	2,500		
Fire Suppression Equipment	8,000	8,000		0.00%
Equipment Testing	4,000	4,000	C	0.00%
Radio Purchase & Repair	2,000	2,000	C	0.00%
Turnout Gear/Protective Clothing	7,000	7,000		
Building Maintenance	6,500	6,500		
Print/Publications/Train (Rescue)	2,000	2,000		
Equipment (Rescue)	4,000	4,000		
License/Memberships (Rescue)	750	750		
Subtotal:	41,850	42,350	500	1.19%
<u>Utilities Expense</u>				
Electricity	2,000	2,000	C	0.00%
Heating Expense	2,500	2,500	C	0.00%
Water Service	300	300		
Telephone	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>C</u> <b>0</b>	0.00%
Subtotal:	6,300	6,300	0	0.00%
Vehicle Maintenance				
Diesel	2,500	3,000	500	20.00%
Vehicle Maintenance/Parts & Repair	4,500	4,500	C	0.00%
Subtotal:	7,000	7,500	500	7.14%
Fire & Rescue Department Budget:	98,454	99,845	1,391	1.41%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 ACO/Harbor Master Budget

ARTICLE # 13 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
<u>PERSONNEL</u>				
ACO Salary	8,443	9,629	1,186	14.05%
Harbor Master salary	1,873	1,914	41	2.19%
FICA	<u>789</u>	<u>883</u>	<u>94</u>	11.89%
Sub-total	11,105	12,426	1,321	11.89%
<u>ACO</u>				
Pager/Phone	840	840	0	0.00%
Mileage Reimbursement	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Animal Shelter Contract	3,800	3,800	0	0.00%
Feral Cat Disposal/Vet services	150	300	150	100.00%
Supplies & Equip./Training	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Sub-total	6,240	6,390	150	2.40%
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HARBOR MASTER  Training & Membership	375	375	0	0.00%
Training & Membership Supplies & Equip	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
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Telephone Sub-total	<u>165</u> <b>1,540</b>	<u>165</u> <b>1,540</b>	<u>0</u> <b>0</b>	0.00%
Sub-total	1,540	1,540	U	0.00%
Animal Control/Harbor Budget:	18,885	20,356	1,471	7.79%

## **Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Contingency Budget**

ARTICLE # 18, 19 & 20 DEPARTMENT ITEM Contingency	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Contingency	8,000	8,000	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Contingency Budget:	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
Organization Requests				
BCDI Spectrum Generations Merrymeeting Hall (Historical Society)	0 0 <u>0</u>	0 1,495 <u>6,500</u>	0 1,495 <u>6,500</u>	0.00% 100.00% <b>100.00%</b>
Organization Requests Budget:	0	7,995	7,995	100.00%

## **Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020**

## **Public Works Budget**

ARTICLE # 12 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Personnel Wages NEW Full-time Employee	109,976	115,332 33,280	5,356 33,280	4.87% 100.00%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase  Subtotal:	109,976	148,612	0 <b>38,636</b>	0.00% <b>35.13%</b>
FICA FICA - NEW FT Employee	10,136	10,483 2,546	347 2,546	3.42% 100.00%
Health, & Retirement benefits Benefits - NEW FT Employee	52,471	41,800 <u>22,906</u>	(10,671) 22,906	-20.34% 100.00%
Subtotal:	62,607	77,735	15,128	24.16%
Operating Expense Printing/Pubs/Training	500	500	0	0.00%
Fluids & Miscellaneous Supplies	900	1,000	100	11.11%
Vehicle Maintenance	12,000	9,000	(3,000)	-25.00%
Vehicle Replacement Fund Tools/Equip/Radios/Uniforms	0 4,000	0 5,000	0 1,000	0.00% 25.00%
Office Furniture, etc - New Building	6,000	0,000	(6,000)	-100.00%
Building Maintenance/Custodian	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Subtotal:	24,400	16,500	(7,900)	-32.38%
<u>Utilities</u>				
Electricity-old Buildings	750	0	(750)	-100.00%
Electricty-New Buildings	1,000	2,000	1,000	100.00%
Heating-Old Buildings	1,000	0	(1,000)	-100.00%
Heating-New Buildings Telephone/Internet/trash	5,000 <u>2,700</u>	10,000 <u>3,500</u>	5,000 <u>800</u>	100.00% <u>29.63%</u>
Subtotal:	10,450	15,500	5, <b>050</b>	48.33%
<u> Highway Maintenance</u>				
Roadside Mowing & Culverts	4,000	5,000	1,000	25.00%
Gravel & Reclaim	20,000	20,000	0	0.00%
Road Signs, barriers, cones, etc. Paving/Surf mant	700 4,000	1,000 5,000	300 1,000	42.86% 25.00%
Gas/Diesel	7,000 7,000	8,000 8,000	1,000 1,000	14.29%
Subtotal:	35,700	39,000	3,300	9.24%
Snow & Ice Removal				
Plowing & Sanding Contract(s)	17,300	17,800	500	2.89%
PW Overtime	22,523	21,703	(820)	-3.64%
PW Overtime (NEW Employee)	0	5,400	5,400	100.00%
Road Salt and Sand	90,000	99,500	9,500	10.56%
Diesel (winter) Winter Vehicle & Equip. Main.	14,000 <u>20,000</u>	14,000 <u>12,000</u>	0 (8,000)	0.00% <u>-40.00%</u>
Subtotal:	163,823	170,403	6,580	4.02%
Total Public Works Budget:	406,956	467,750	60,794	14.94%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Solid Waste & Recycling Budget

ARTICLE # 13 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
<u>Personnel</u>				
Recycling Personnel	36,443	36,686	243	0.67%
Recycling Director	20,045	21,405	1,360	6.78%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increases			0	0.00%
Subtotal:	56,488	58,091	1,603	2.84%
Support & Benefits				
FICA	4,321	4,444	123	2.84%
Health & Retirement benefits	<u>2,336</u>	2,000	(336)	-14.38%
Subtotal:	6,657	6,444	(213)	-3.21%
Operating Expenses				
Misc. Expense	3,275	3,375	100	3.05%
Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Recycling Barn Lease	15,757	16,068	311	1.97%
Gas/Oil/Propane	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Building Upgrades & Engineering	2,200	4,000	1,800	81.82%
Snow Removal Contract	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Building Maintenance - General	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Sub-total	28,032	30,243	2,211	7.89%
<u>Utilities Expense</u>				
Electricity & Telephone	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Sub-total	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Recycling & Disposal Expenses				
Single Stream Contract	2,500	3,000	500	20.00%
General Disposal	5,500	6,000	500	9.09%
Curbside Pickup Contract	65,000	66,500	1,500	2.31%
Trash Disposal	17,000	17,500	500	2.94%
Hazardous Waste	<u>3,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>-33.33%</u>
Sub-total	93,000	95,000	2,000	2.15%
Solid Waste & Recycling Budget:	185,277	190,878	5,601	3.02%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Recreation Budget

ARTICLE # 14 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
<u>Personnel</u>				
Wages & Salaries	18,592	18,727	135	0.73%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase  Subtotal:	<u>0</u> 18,592	<u>0</u> 18,727	<u>0</u> <b>135</b>	0.00% <b>0.73%</b>
Subtotal.	10,332	10,727	133	0.7370
Support & Benefits				
FICA	1,422	1,433	10	0.73%
Health/Retirement	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Subtotal:	1,422	1,433	10	0.73%
Operating Expenses				
Misc. Expense	1,800	1,000	(800)	-44.44%
Postage	300	300	0	0.00%
Food Service Expense	2,000	3,000	1,000	50.00%
Recreation Advertising	500	0	(500)	-100.00%
Recreation Facilities	8,000	<u>8,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Operating Expenses	12,600	12,300	(300)	-2.38%
Athletic Program				
Program Expenses	6,000	<u>6,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Athletic Program Expense	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Activities Program				
Activities	5,000	5,000	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Activities Expense	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
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Age-Friendly Initiative Programs & Events	1,500	1,700	200	13.33%
Postage, Printing, advertising	500	300	(200)	-40.00%
Supplies	500 500	500 500	(200) <u>0</u>	0.00%
Subtotal:	2, <del>500</del>	2,500	0	0.00%
Recreation Budget:	46,114	45,960	(155)	-0.34%

## Bowdoinham Municipal Budget FY 2020 Planning, Community Development & Codes Budget

ARTICLE # 15 DEPARTMENT ITEM	FY 2019 BUDGET	REQUESTED FY 20 BUDGET	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PERCENT CHANGE
Personnel				
Planner (35%)	20,306	20,752	446	2.20%
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer	26,910	27,503	593	2.20%
Allowance for Merit Wage Increase		<u>964</u>	<u>964</u>	<u>2.00%</u>
Subtotal:	47,216	49,219	2,003	4.24%
Support & Benefits				
FICA	3,612	3,765	153	4.24%
Health, & Retirement benefits	24,426	<u>23,761</u>	<u>(665)</u>	<u>-2.72%</u>
Subtotal:	28,038	27,526	(512)	-1.83%
Operating Expenses				
Telephone	540	540	0	0.00%
Print/Publications/Training	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Enforcement	250	250	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous	500	500	0	0.00%
Mileage	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
Postage	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Subtotal:	4,790	4,790	0	0.00%
Planning Expenses				
Comprehensive Plan	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Planning Board & Board of Appeals	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>(500)</u>	<u>-33.33%</u>
Subtotal:	2,500	2,000	(500)	-20.00%
Total Planning Budget	82,544	83,535	991	1.20%

## **Bowdoinham FY 2020**

## **Revenue Budget**

	FY 2019	FY 2020	INCREASE/	PERCENT
	BUDGET	PROPOSED	DECREASE	CHANGE
Tax Collector's Revenue				
Excise - Boat	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Excise - Airplane	0	0	0	0.00%
Excise - Automobile	575,000	625,000	50,000	8.70%
Motor Vehicle Agent Fees	10,400	10,000	(400)	-3.85%
Veterans Reimbursement	3,600	4,500	900	25.00%
Interest on Taxes	<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Total Tax Collectors Revenue	610,000	660,500	50,500	8.28%
Treasurer's Revenue				
Local Road Assistance	35,628	35,264	(364)	-1.02%
Snowmobile Reg. Fees	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
General Assistance Reimb.	3,000	2,100	(900)	-30.00%
State Park Fees	4,200	0	(4,200)	-100.00%
Tree Growth Reimbursement	<u>9,000</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0.00%
Total Treasurer's Revenue	52,828	47,364	(5,464)	-10.34%
Local Revenue				
Plumbing Permit Fees	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Building Permit Fees	7,500	8,000	500	6.67%
Ordinance Violations/Fines	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Recreation Advertising/Banners	1,500	800	(700)	-46.67%
Recreation Fundraising	700	700	0	0.00%
Recreation Food Sales	2,500	3,000	500	20.00%
Recreaction Registration	7,700	7,700	0	0.00%
Recreation Sponsors	<u>2,000</u>	<u>1,700</u>	(300)	<u>-15.00%</u>
Total Local Revenue	29,900	29,900	0	0.00%

## **Bowdoinham FY 2020**

### **Revenue Budget (Continued)**

	FY 2019	FY 2020	INCREASE/	
	BUDGET	PROPOSED	DECREASE	CHANGE
Other Revenue				
General Disposal Fees	7,500	6,800	(700)	-9.33%
Solid Waste Tag Fees	75,000	75,000	Ò	0.00%
Hazardous Waste Disp Fees	500	500	0	0.00%
Recyclable Materials Sales	12,500	13,000	500	4.00%
Public Works Recycling	800	1,000	200	25.00%
Mooring Fees/kayak rental space	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Rentals of Town Property	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Trust Transfers	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
Fire Station Rental	7,000 500	500	0	0.00%
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Cable Franchise Fees	16,500	15,800	(700)	-4.24%
Property Tax Lien Fees	4,500	4,500	0	0.00%
Investment Income	5,000	13,500	8,500	170.00%
EMS Donations	500	0	(500)	-100.00%
Fire Donations	<u>1,000</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>(500)</u>	<u>-50.00%</u>
Total Other Revenue	139,300	146,100	6,800	4.88%
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Town Clerk Revenue				
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IF & W Agent Fees	1,100	1,100	(400)	
Dog Agent Fees	1,200	1,100	(100)	-8.33%
Late Dog Fees	700	1,000	300	42.86%
Vital Statistics Fees	2,000	2,100	100	5.00%
Misc. Revenue	<u>3,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>33.33%</u>
Total Town Clerk Revenue	8,000	9,300	1,300	16.25%
Subtotal Non Property Tax Revenue	840,028	893,164	53,136	6.33%
Undesignated Fund Palance				
Undesignated Fund Balance				
Transfers				
Undesignated FB Transfers	120,000	140,000	20,000	16.67%
Total Undesignated FB Revenue	120,000	140,000	20,000	16.67%
Total Non-Property Tax Rev	960,028	1,033,164	73,136	7.62%
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Property Tax Related Revenues				
Homestead Reimbursement	168,906	168,906	0	0.00%
Municipal Revenue Sharing	135,559	174,015	38,456	28.37%
BETE Reimbursement	1,065	1,065	0	0.00%
Total Property Tax Related Revenue	305,530	343,986	38,456	12.59%
Total Non-Property Tax Rev	960,028	1,033,164	73,136	7.62%
Total All Revenues	1,265,558	1,377,150	111,592	8.82%
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Notes: Homesetad and BETE Reimbursement are determined when tax rate is set.

#### **TOWN OF BOWDOINHAM**

#### TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Sagadahoc, ss State of Maine

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

**GREETINGS:** In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Bowdoinham, in said County, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the **Bowdoinham Community School on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.,** then and there to act on Articles 1 through 37 as set out below.

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

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#### ORDINANCES

**ARTICLE 2:** Shall an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to update its Floodplain Management provisions" be enacted?

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

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend the Town of Bowdoinham Land Use Ordinance to Allow and Regulate Medical Marijuana Establishments" be enacted?

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

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the Town vote to amend the Natural Gas Pipeline Municipal Tax Increment Financing District and Development Program originally dated June 21, 2000, pursuant to Title 30-A Chapter 206 of the Maine Revised Statutes, in accordance with the Resolution approved by the Select Board on May 7, 2019, a copy of which is attached and incorporated herein by reference?

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the concept for the redevelopment of the waterfront public works property (identified on the Town's Tax Maps as Map U01 and Lot 001) as depicted in the "Site Master Plan, Town of Bowdoinham, ME" dated February 12, 2019, prepared by Richardson & Associates (Landscape Architects) and Baker Design Consultants (Civil, Marine, and Structural Engineers), a copy of which is attached and incorporated herein by reference?

Explanation: This article seeks the Town's approval <u>only</u> for the redevelopment plan concept (not funding). There is no request at this time for appropriation of funds. Any funding for the future implementation of this concept plan would need to be approved by the Town meeting, or, by the Select Board after a public hearing if any TIF, grant, or other funds become available for said implementation.

#### **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ARTICLES**

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote: (1) to approve a capital improvement Project that includes the reconstruction, paving and maintenance of town roads, the purchase of a plow truck with associated equipment for the Public Works Department, and paving and maintenance of the Fire Station Parking Lot and all other reasonably necessary components with a total anticipated cost of up to \$300,000; and (2) to appropriate \$300,000 for such capital improvement; and (3) to authorize the Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board to issue general obligation bonds of the Town of Bowdoinham (including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$300,000; and (4) to delegate to the Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), interest rate (s), denomination(s), place(s) of payment, form and other detail of said general obligation bonds, including execution and delivery of said general obligation bonds and to provide for the sale thereof as well as the negotiation and execution of any loan agreement necessary with any party.

#### TREASURER'S STATEMENT

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

- 1. The total amount of the general obligation bonded indebtedness of the Town of Bowdoinham currently outstanding as of May 7, 2019 is \$1,706,312.
- 2. The total amount of general obligation bonds of the Town of Bowdoinham authorized, but un-issued, is \$2,425,000.
- 3. The total amount of general obligation bonds of the Town of Bowdoinham contemplated to be issued if the Article is ratified is not in excess of \$300,000.
- 4. Total of Paragraphs 1-3: \$4,431,312
- 5. The anticipated interest rate on the bond is 4.05%. Assuming the issuance of \$300,000 of bond with level principal payments over a 10-year term and an estimated interest rate of 4.05%, the interest cost associated with the borrowing would be \$70,794, which would result in a total cost of principal and interest to be paid of \$370,794.

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

William S. Post, Treasurer

Town of Bowdoinham, Maine

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

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Reserve Accounts.

Town Hall & Town Office:	\$29,000.00
Cemetery Maintenance:	\$3,000.00
Solid Waste & Recycling:	\$5,000.00
Riverfront Building:	\$5,000.00
Total	\$42,000.00

**RECOMMENDATION**: Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend \$42,000.00

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#### **EXPENSE BUDGET ARTICLES**

All recommendations for the Expense Budget Articles were approved by the Select Board (Vote: 4-0) and the Finance Advisory Committee (Vote: 5-0).

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

RECOMMENDATION: \$455,823.00

**ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for General Services Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$51,000.00

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

RECOMMENDATION: \$412,029.00

**ARTICLE 11:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Fire and Rescue Department Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$99,845.00

**ARTICLE 12:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Town Facilities Maintenance Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$86,925.00

**ARTICLE 13:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Animal Control and Harbor Master Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$20,356.00

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

RECOMMENDATION: \$467,750.00

**ARTICLE 15:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Solid Waste & Recycling Department Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$190,878.00

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

RECOMMENDATION: \$45,960.00

**ARTICLE 17:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Planning, Community Development and Code Enforcement Budget.

RECOMMENDATION: \$83,535.00

**ARTICLE 18:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Contingency Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION: \$8,000.00** 

#### **OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION REQUESTS**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Spectrum Generations.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board and Finance Advisory Committee recommend \$1,495

**ARTICLE 20:** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the Bowdoinham Historical Society in support of Merrymeeting Hall.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Select Board recommends \$2,012 and Finance Advisory Committee recommend s \$6,500

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#### **PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT**

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$774,531 established for Bowdoinham by State law in the event the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

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

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#### **REVENUE BUDGET ARTICLE**

**ARTICLE 22:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$893,164.00 from the Estimated Revenues Account (Non-Property Tax Revenues) to be applied to reduce the 2020 tax rate?

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

#### **FUND BALANCE ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 23:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$140,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to be applied to reduce the 2020 tax rate?

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

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#### **BUSINESS ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 24:** Shall the Town vote to fix the first day of November 2019 and the first day of May 2020 when all 2020 real estate and personal property taxes shall be due and payable in semi-annual installments and to instruct the Tax Collector to charge interest at 7.00% per annum on all taxes unpaid after said date(s)?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to establish the interest rate of 3.00% 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:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax payments prior to the commitment of taxes.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 27:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a 2020 Tax Club Plan to taxpayers who enroll no later than July 31, 2018, who pay the total amount of 2020 taxes by monthly payments from July 2019 to June 30, 2020; who abide by the requirements of said plan; who shall receive from the Town, in return for such payments, full credit for such taxes paid without incurring any charge of interest?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 28:** Shall the Town authorize the payment of any overdrafts that may occur in the Town's 2019 budget to be paid out of the fund balance?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to spend funds from various reserve funds, as they deem necessary, in a manner that is consistent with the purposes for which said funds were established?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to accept on behalf of the Town, monetary gifts, and donated equipment and vehicles, and to appropriate said gifts to supplement the accounts and departments as specified by the benefactor.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will authorize the following actions on behalf of the town: (1) to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to rent, lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Municipal Quit Claim deeds for same; (2) to authorize the Select Board to keep any real estate acquired for non-payment of taxes or portion thereof for the use of the town when they deem it to be in the town's best interests; and (3) to authorize the Select Board to rent or lease town-owned real estate that was not acquired for non-payment of taxes when they deem it to be in the town's best interest and on such terms as they deem advisable.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of a tax lien mortgage by recording a Waiver of Foreclosure at the Registry of Deeds in which the Tax Lien Certificate is recorded, prior to the right of redemption expiring, pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 944.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town to sell or dispose of obsolete Town equipment, material and commodities on such terms as they deem proper.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to accept any donations, gifts or grants of money for the Heating Assistance Program reserve account and to expend available funds from the account for the designated purpose.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to enter into multi-year contracts necessary to provide services to the Town.

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

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to accept and expend Community Development Block Grant Funds and other federal, state or private grants on behalf of the Town.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to annually set fees for returned checks, copies of Town ordinances and other documents, and notary services.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to collect Solid Waste Management User Fees for Fiscal Year 2020 at the rate of \$2.50 per bag.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

(This is the same rate as the current year)

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the recommendations of the Select Board to set the annual permit fee, pursuant to the provisions of 7.1.1 of the Solid Waste Management Ordinance, for commercial haulers operating within the Town of Bowdoinham.

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

**ARTICLE 40:** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to close any road or roads or portions thereof for winter maintenance and to annul, alter, or modify such decisions, pursuant to 23 M.R.S. §2953, and that such orders made by the Select Board shall be a final determination.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Select Board recommends the article to pass.

Given unto our hands the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

Select Board

Town of Bowdoinham

Peter Lewis, Chair

David Engler

Thomas Walling

Jeremy Cluchey, Vice-Chair

Judith Gray

Witness to All:

William S. Post, Town Manager



