



Herbert Ludo Ridlon & Ella Rosena Davis Ridlon looking at Spec Pond from Abra Fox Mountain Pasture

# **TOWN OF PORTER 2022 ANNUAL REPORT**



This year's Town Report is dedicated to our out-going Select Person, Ron Silvia. We tried to talk him into staying on for another term but for some reason he thought twelve years was enough. In the twelve years that Ron has served on the board for the Town of Porter there have been a lot of good changes and Ron had a lot to do with them. A new town hall, updated ordinances, updated policies, a new franchise agreement with Spectrum resulting in a grant that went to TV-2 to do a much needed upgrade to their system, vast improvements at the transfer station, working with the Rescue Board to improve communications between the member towns and the Rescue, and the list goes on. No matter what was needed we could ask Ron and he was right there to get it done, from fixing a loose screw to setting up for elections and everything in between. We will sorely miss you Ron but hope you can finally get to that to-do list that has been growing over the years.

Thank you Ron!

**2022  
Annual Report  
of the  
Municipal Officers  
of the**

**Town of Porter  
Maine**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending  
January 31, 2023**

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## **NOTICES**

### **Dog Licenses**

All dog licenses expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year and are to be renewed annually. In accordance with M.R.S.A. Title 7, Chapter 721 § 3923-A a \$25 late fee will be charged if the dog is not relicensed by January 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year.

### **Exemptions**

All persons who desire to secure any exemption of taxes in Porter, shall on or before the first day of April, notify the assessors of Porter in writing, and furnish proof of entitlement. Exemption forms can be picked up at the Town Office.

### **Assessor's Notice**

To bring to the assessors of the Town of Porter a true and perfect list by all persons, of all their estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, which they possessed or otherwise held on the first day of April, and be prepared to take oath to the truth of the same.

### **Public Meetings**

The **Select Board / Board of Assessors** meet every other Wednesday from 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm at the Town Office.

The **Planning Board** meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room at the Town Hall.

The **Conservation Commission** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room at the Town Hall.

The **School Board** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at Sacopee Valley Middle School.

The **Comprehensive Planning Committee** meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Porter Grange Hall.

The **Appeals Board** meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Meeting Room at the Town Hall.

All meetings are open to the public. Please note, there are occasions when meetings need to be rescheduled. Please check the calendar on our website for up to date meeting times.

## REPORT OF THE SELECT BOARD

2022 has been a busy year. Having applied for and received a low interest Bank Anticipation Note (BAN) we were able to get sufficient funding to rebuild all of Old Meeting House Road and sections of Spec Pond Road without raising extra taxes. With proper care, these roads should last for many years. This will allow us to rebuild more roads in the future. Rebuilding all Porter roads is definitely a long-term project, but we will keep working to improve our roads.

We have tried to keep up with Mother Nature to keep water levels stable in our ponds. With long dry periods then periods of heavy rain, it has been a challenge. Last year we replaced the gate at the Black Bog Dam. The new gate is different than what is at the other dams and we are getting better at controlling water flow at that dam.

We had planned to use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to build a small boat/canoe/kayak launch area at town owned land on Lower Spec Pond. However, as we planned to begin work, the skies opened and the heavy rains came last Fall and made it impossible to do the work. We do plan to try again this year when the water level is low enough to allow us to complete the work. This is another project that is of no cost to the taxpayers, as we are using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for this project.

We are continuing to attempt to get residents with large amounts of used/junk cars to clean up their property. Some of these areas are in violation of the Town's Land Use Ordinance and may require legal action. If an individual wants to establish a junkyard business, he/she must go through the Planning Board and the Code Enforcement Officer. Trash buildup is also a problem in some areas. Rather than letting trash build up and attracting rats and other rodents, please take a short trip to the transfer station. Your neighbors will appreciate this little effort.

We have been working with the Oxford County Sheriff to get extended coverage for Porter. At \$50.00 per hour we could have 500 hours of coverage for \$25,000.00, or 1,000 hours for \$50,000.00. These amounts include the deputy, cruiser, benefit package for the deputy, and mileage. The Sheriff or the Chief Deputy and the Select Board would meet periodically to determine when this extended coverage would occur. It could be on weekends, during special events, evenings, etc. The funds for this extended coverage would come from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA funds, no taxpayer money) for the first year or two. This would be a trial period to determine if we really want this coverage. Anything beyond this period would be funded with taxpayer dollars.

We would like to thank all the employees and volunteers that have helped us during 2022.

Sincerely,

Brent Day

Ron Silvia

Shane Lajoie

## Assessors Report

### 2022 Assessment and Valuation

**Assessments**

County Tax	\$	144,537.00	
Municipal Appropriation	\$	1,157,397.66	
Education Appropriation	\$	1,279,420.12	
Overlay	\$	31,605.77	
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENT</b>			<b>\$ 2,612,960.55</b>

**Deductions**

State Revenue Sharing	\$	226,131.36	
Homestead Reimbursement	\$	107,441.98	
BETE Reimbursement	\$	5,762.01	
Municipal Revenues	\$	340,000.00	
<b>TOTAL DEDUCTIONS</b>			<b>\$ 679,335.35</b>

**NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED** **\$ 1,933,625.20**

**Valuations of Taxable Real & Personal Property**

Real Estate	\$	115,065,786.00	
Personal Property	\$	1,417,660.00	
<b>TOTAL TAXABLE VALUATION</b>			<b>\$ 116,483,446.00</b>

Mil Rate for 2022 x 0.0166

**TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT**  
**AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2022** **\$ 1,933,625.20**

Supplemental Taxes	\$	16,351.37	
Real Estate Abatements	\$	(6,209.36)	
<b>TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT</b>			<b>\$ 1,955,114.15</b>

## TOWN OFFICERS & INFORMATION

<b>Town of Porter</b>	Tuesday	9-6	
Porter Town Office	Wednesday	9-3	625-8344
71 Main Street	Thursday	9-3	625-4120 (fax)
Porter, ME 04068	Friday	9-6	www.portermaine.org
	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	9-12	
	of the month		

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<b>Transfer Station</b>	Tuesday	10-3
208 South Hiram Road	Wednesday	10-3
Hiram, ME 04041	Friday	10-3
Phone: 625-7633	Saturday	8-4
	Sunday	9-4

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<b>Selectboard, Assessors &amp; Overseers</b>	Ronald J. Silvia	(2023)	625-8246
	Shane R. Lajoie	(2024)	256-0295
	Brent A. Day, Chair	(2025)	756-5645

<b>Town Clerk / Tax Collector</b>	Janice Miller
<b>Deputy Clerk / Tax Collector</b>	Hannah Hutchinson
<b>Treasurer / Registrar of Voters</b>	Hannah Hutchinson
<b>Deputy Treasurer / Registrar of Voters</b>	Janice Miller

<b>Road Commissioner</b>	Bradley Sanborn	(2025)	432-1355
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<b>Animal Control Officer</b>	Cynthia Eaton	890-5313
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<b>Plumbing Inspector</b>	Daniel Davis	256-4522
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<b>Code Enforcement</b>	Daniel Davis	256-4522
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<b>Emergency Management Director</b>	Roger Berube	432-1919
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<b>Health Officer</b>	Dr. Joseph DeKay	(2023)
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**Planning Board (7 members)**

Corey Lane, Secretary	(2023)	Cristina Forsyth	(2023)
Mark Tuttle, Vice Chair	(2024)	Robert Tripp	(2024)
John J. White	(2024)	David Newman, Chair	(2025)
Michael Enos	(2025)		

**Board of Appeals (5 members)**

John Lowry	(2023)	Robert Heard, Chair	(2024)
Jean Stanley	(2024)	Steven Bennett	(2025)
Dora Day	(2025)		

**Conservation Commission (5 members)**

Douglas Mixer	(2023)	Hannah Stiles	(2024)
Vacancy	(2025)	David Gilpatric	(2026)
Marty Tracy, <i>Chair</i>	(2027)		

**M.S.A.D. No. 55**

Superintendent of Schools	Carl Landry	625-2490	
Directors		Jenilee Barsanti	(2023)
		Jennifer Day-Hink	(2024)
		Melissa A. Jordan	(2025)

**Budget Committee**

Katherine Chaiklin	(2023)	Jamie Gleason	(2023)
James Stanley	(2024)	Roger Berube	(2024)
Adrien Mills	(2025)	Margaret Zack	(2025)
Denise Day	(2026)	Robert Heard	(2026)
Luke Nielsen	(2027)	Jean Stanley	(2027)

**Road Advisory Committee**

Gary Nickerson	Robert Johnson
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**Comprehensive Planning Committee**

Peter Hagerty	Margaret Zack
Daniel Davis	Rebecca Thompson
John Lowry	Margaret Lowry

**Saco River Corridor Commission**

Elizabeth Bull	(2024)	Robert Heard	(2024) - <i>alternate</i>
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**George W. Towle Trust Fund**

Margaret Zack	(2023)	Rebecca Carpenter	(2024)
Cynthia Berube	(2025)		

**Elijah Fox Trust Fund**

Jean Stanley	(2023)	Gary Nickerson	(2024)
Janice Iler	(2025)		

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Dear Friends:

For four years it has been my privilege to guide our great state, working with the Legislature to keep Maine people safe and put our economy on a path to recovery.

Since the arrival of the COVID-19 vaccines in December 2020, we have worked hard to get as many shots into the arms of Maine people as quickly as possible. Since the COVID-19 vaccine became available, more than a million Maine people have gotten fully vaccinated from COVID-19. It is thanks to them that our state has one of the highest vaccination rates and one of the lowest death rates from COVID-19, despite having a much older population than other states. People are coming to Maine because we are one of the safest states in the nation.

Following the recommendations of the Economic Recovery Committee, our economy has not only fully recovered, but has surpassed pre-pandemic projections and unemployment claims have dropped to pre-pandemic levels. And, last year, I was pleased to sign a balanced, bipartisan budget that finally achieves the State's commitment to 55 percent education funding, fully restores revenue sharing, and expands property tax relief for Maine residents.

Maine can be proud of our nation-leading progress, but our work is far from done. Through the Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan, we will continue to address our longstanding workforce shortage, the expansion of broadband, education and job training opportunities, housing, child care, and transportation. Drawing on the hard work and resilience of Maine people, together we will rebuild our economy and rise from this unprecedented challenge a state that is stronger than ever.

In 2022, we focused on our economy, on our climate, on our kids, on keeping people safe and on the health and welfare of all Maine people. We have persevered, and, while challenges remain, we will get through them together. I am proud of the people of Maine, and I am proud to be your Governor.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janet T. Mills".

Janet T. Mills  
Governor

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SELECT COMMITTEE  
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Dear Friends:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator



# 2022 Annual Report

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Committee on Armed Services  
Committee on Small Business

**Jared Golden**  
Congress of the United States  
2nd District of Maine

Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Respectfully,

Jared F. Golden  
Member of Congress

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is an honor to serve you in the Maine Senate. Thank you for putting your trust in me. You can be sure I will work tirelessly on your behalf.

I have already taken the oath of office and started my first term working for the people of our district. Having served in the State Senate previously and being a lifelong resident of Maine, I am quite familiar with the towns in Senate District 22.

The 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature must work collaboratively to solve problems and ease the burdens everyday Mainers face. Constituents have already expressed that they would like to see government start working for them. I could not agree more. I look forward to hearing from more of you, so together we can evaluate the nature and effectiveness of the state/local government relationship.

Maine families, seniors, and small businesses need relief from high costs affecting budgets. Addressing policies that have contributed to some of these high costs is a priority of mine in the coming session. As your State Senator, I will be working to find ways to incorporate economies. Your tax dollars should be spent wisely.

In addition to addressing costs, the 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature is tasked with passing a balanced budget by June 30, 2023. This will require careful review of current state spending, and a prioritization of allocations that meet the most vital needs of our towns.

Thank you for electing me to serve you in the Maine Senate. The 131<sup>st</sup> Legislature has a great deal of work to do, but I know if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please contact me at 287-1505 or [james.libby@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:james.libby@legislature.maine.gov) if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,



James D. Libby  
State Senator  
Maine Senate District 22

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January 2023

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you for electing me to serve as your State Representative. It is truly an honor. This is a wonderful opportunity for me to make a difference in the community and I am looking forward to the new challenges that await me in the 2023 legislative session.

In order for me to represent you in the best way possible, I need to hear your thoughts on the issues that are important to you. Please, do not hesitate to call me anytime if you feel you need my assistance. I encourage you to monitor all legislative proposals being worked on at the State House by visiting the Legislature's website at [www.legislature.maine.gov](http://www.legislature.maine.gov). From here, you can browse bill summaries, view session and public hearing schedules, listen to committee hearings or watch live streaming video of the House and Senate.

For the next two years, I will be serving on the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business. On this panel, we will discuss many issues in regards to the Committee's jurisdiction over new legislation pertaining to business regulation; professional and occupational licensing; student assistance programs at the Finance Authority of Maine; economic development; economic planning and development agencies. These matters are crucial to our community and I hope to hear from you to discuss ways to improve our community.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to represent you, the people of District 82. I encourage you to actively participate in your state government. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request at [Caleb.Ness@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Caleb.Ness@legislature.maine.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Caleb Ness'.

Caleb Ness  
State Representative

District 82 Brownfield, Fryeburg, Lovell, Hiram & Porter

*OXFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE*

*Christopher R. Wainwright*

*Sheriff*

*Christopher Wainwright*



*Chief Deputy*

*James Urquhart*

*OXFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE*

**2022 Annual Town Report**

Dear Neighbors, Residents, and Taxpayers,

As I enter my fifth year as Sheriff, I am extremely proud of the work our office has accomplished throughout our western Maine communities, and I am motivated about the momentum our office has heading into the New Year. This would not be possible without the dedicated team of men and women who have continued to serve our mission and protect our communities, with professionalism, integrity, and leadership. It is their work that keeps our agency moving forward.

As I have mentioned in previous years, our calls to service have continued to increase in volume as well as their complexity. Our patrol division handled nearly 14,000 calls to service this past year, with more calls regarding mental health concerns since 2020. This speaks to the need for state funding for services for our communities and our sheriff's departments throughout the state, to keep individuals needing help, and others around them, safe.

We have continued to improve our visibility and response times by utilizing our substations in Dixfield, Brownfield, Rumford, and Bethel. As promised, over this past year, our office successfully completed the plans to convert the jail facilities from a 72-hour holding facility back to a full-service operation. The jail received its full accreditation this past October, and with this accomplishment completed, this improvement has restored local control and has already saved taxpayers money. In 2022, our corrections officers and jail administrators processed 1,795 bookings.

We have continued our efforts to combat the opioid epidemic in Oxford County by supporting local organizations such as the Western Maine Addiction Recovery Initiative by referring eligible individuals, inflicted by substance use disorder, to Project Save ME. The program is a police-assisted initiative designed to connect those burdened by substance use disorder with recovery coaches, advocates, and other treatment services to assist them with their recovery journey.

On behalf of the deputies, correctional officers, and support staff, I want to thank and acknowledge the continued community support we have received. Our deputies and staff have gone above the call to service, and I am happy to hear and see that their work has not gone unnoticed.

As an agency, we have great opportunities ahead of us. I look forward to the work we will accomplish in the coming year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 207-743-9554 or follow us on Facebook: Oxford County Sheriff's Office.

I wish you all a safe and healthy year ahead.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Christopher Wainwright".

Sheriff Christopher Wainwright



## Oxford County Sheriff's Office

### 2022 Calls For Service by Location

#### Porter

Reported Offense	Total	Reported Offense	Total
911 hangup call (911H)	21	Peace Officer (PEOF)	4
Abandoned Vehicle ++++ (ABAN)	2	Plowing Complaint/Violation (PLOW)	1
Alarm (ALAR)	8	Protection From Abuse Order (PTAO)	10
Ambulance or Medical Assist (AMAS)	1	Protection Harassment Order (PTHO)	5
Animal Problem (ANPR)	5	Request Call (RCAL)	21
Arrest/Traffic Violation (ARES)	2	Repossession of Property (REPO)	2
Arrest (ARRS)	1	Request Officer (ROFF)	8
Assault, Simple (ASIM)	1	Sex Offense (SOFF)	1
Agency Assist (ASST)	77	Sex Offender Reg Verification (SORV)	1
Attempt to Locate (ATL)	2	Subpoena Service (SUBP)	2
ATV Problem (ATV)	2	Suicidal Person/Welfare Check (SUDL)	4
Burglary, Non-res, Att Forc En (BNAF)	1	Suspicion (SUSP)	25
Burglary, Resident, Unlawf Ent (BRUE)	3	Traffic Accident, Prop Damage (TAPD)	15
Citizen Dispute (CDIS)	7	Traffic Accident, Pers Injury (TAPI)	3
Child Abuse or Neglect (CHAN)	2	Telephone Harassment (TELO)	2
Civil Issue (CIIS)	11	Threatening (THRE)	7
Custodial Interference (CINT)	1	Traffic Offense (TOFF)	6
Citizen Assist (CITA)	2	Theft, Property, Other (TPOT)	6
Criminal Mischief (CMIS)	5	Trespassing (TRES)	12
Computer Crime/Complaint (COMP)	2	Theft, Vehicle: Automobile (TVAU)	1
Cont Substance/Sale/Manu/Other (CSSO)	3	(VIN)	2
Disorderly Conduct (DCON)	1	Welfare Check (WELF)	25
Domestic Incident (DOME)	11	Warrant Failure to Appear (WFTA)	2
Drug Info/Statistics (DRUG)	3	Weapons Offense (WOFF)	3
Detail (DTAL)	6	<b>Total Incidents for This Agency:</b>	<b>401</b>
Request Extra Patrol (EXPT)	3		
(FPR)	1		
Fraud (FRAU)	4		
Gross Sexual Assault (GSA)	1		
Harassment (HARS)	14		
Identity Theft (IDTH)	1		
Information (INFO)	3		
Intoxicated Person (INTP)	1		
Juvenile Problem (JUVP)	3		
(LPPH)	1		
(LPR)	1		
Misdialed Number to 911 (MISD)	5		
Missing Person (MPER)	1		
Mental Subject (MTAL)	1		
Mail Tampering (MTAM)	1		
Noise Problem (NPRB)	6		
Property Damage, Non-vandalism (PDNV)	6		

**SPECIMEN**

MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE TOWN OF PORTER  
March 17, 2023

Make a cross (X) or a check mark (✓) in the square at the left of the nominee for whom you wish to vote. Follow directions as to the number of nominees to be elected to each office. You may vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot by writing it in the proper blank space and marking a cross (X) or check mark (✓) in the proper square at the left. Do not erase names.

<p>SELECT PERSON, ASSESSOR, OVERSEER 3 year Term <u>Vote for ONE</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Jeffery P. Cypher <input type="checkbox"/> John H. Lowry <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD 3 year Term <u>Vote for Two</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>
<p>DIRECTOR, MSAD #55 3 year term <u>Vote for ONE</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>	

To Fred Iler, Resident of the Town of Porter in the County of Oxford:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Porter, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Porter Town Hall in said town on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D. 2023 at 4:00 in the afternoon to act on the following articles to wit:

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

The Moderator will then open the polls at the Porter Town Hall. The polls will remain open until 8:00 p.m. to vote on article 2.

**Article 2.** To elect by secret ballot the following Town Officers:

One Selectperson, Assessor, Overseer 3 year term  
One Director of S.A.D. 55 3 year term  
Two Planning Board Members 3 year term

When the polls are closed, the meeting will recess until 9:00 a.m. on the following morning, March 18, 2023 and will re-assemble at the Sacopee Middle School to act on the following articles to wit:

**Article 3.** To elect the following Town Officers for the ensuing year:

Two Budget Committee Members 5 year term  
One George W. Towle Trust Fund Trustee 3 year term  
One Elijah Fox Trust Fund Trustee 3 year term

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2023 annual budget during the period from February 1, 2024 to the next annual town meeting.

TAX RELATED ARTICLES

**Article 5.** To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$503,938 established for Porter by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the following articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer the authority to use the Tax Lien Waiver Foreclosure process (Title 36 M.R.S.A. § 944).

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell any or all tax acquired property, whether by foreclosure of tax liens or acquired by court action, by sealed bid, except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s). The sale or sales shall first be advertised for three (3) successive weeks in "Your Weekly Shopping Guide" or a newspaper of general circulation in the local area, and to execute and deliver municipal quitclaim deeds for the same. Provided, however, the Select Board, in their discretion, may offer and sell any such property to the former owner against whom the tax had been assessed or to the successor or successors in interest to that person. The Select Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to use funds from undesignated fund balance, as they deem advisable, to reduce the tax commitment for fiscal year 2023.

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to establish September 30, 2023 as the date when the 2023 real estate and personal property taxes will be due and payable, and to establish a rate of 8.00% interest to be charged on all unpaid taxes as of that date (the maximum allowable rate by the State is 8.00% per annum pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §505(4-A)).

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes for the ensuing year, not yet due or assessed, and to pay interest at a rate of 3% per annum on such prepayments made prior to commitment of those taxes. Prepayments not to exceed 90% of the previous year's tax. Said interest on prepayment of taxes shall be taken from undesignated fund balance as needed. (Title 36 M.R.S.A. §506)

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of interest paid on overpayment of taxes at 4.00%. In accordance with Title 36 M.R.S.A. §506-A, the interest rate can be no less than 4% below the per annum rate charged on delinquent taxes. Said interest on overpayment of taxes shall be taken from undesignated fund balance as needed.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to direct the Tax Collector/Treasurer to apply any tax payment received for any property tax to outstanding or delinquent taxes owed and in chronological order beginning with the oldest unpaid tax bill. (Title 36 M.R.S.A. §906)

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - 10

**Article 13.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Town Officers' Salaries account for the ensuing year and to authorize the Select Board to transfer all clerk fees to the Town Officers' Salaries account to be expended from the same.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$150,000 and transfer all clerk fees.**

**Article 14.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Office account and to authorize the Select Board to enter all income received from the rental of space, photocopying fees & fax fees into this account to be expended from the same.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$62,000 and add income from rental of space, photocopying fees & fax fees.**

**Article 15.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Insurance account (including Workers Compensation Insurance).

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$9,100.**

**Article 16.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$24,041.56 for the Debt Payment account to be expended for the 2023 payment on the Maine Municipal Bond.

**Budget Committee recommends this article.**

**Article 17.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Contingent account to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during the fiscal year 2023.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$15,000.**

**Article 18.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to accept donations of items or monetary donations not to exceed \$1,000 per donation and made without conditions other than dedication to a Town budget account. All monetary donations to be deposited into the undesignated fund. Any donation exceeding \$1,000, in value or funds, will require town approval at a special town meeting.

**Article 19.** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to apply for, accept, and expend grant money available from the State of Maine, Federal Government, or other organizations for any public purpose when they deem it to be in the town's best interest and needed matching funds are available within the current budget.

BOARDS & COMMITTEES - 12

**Article 20.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Porter Planning Board account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$500.**

**Article 21.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Porter Appeals Board account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$500.**

**Article 22.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Porter Comprehensive Planning Committee account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$2,000.**

**Article 23.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Porter Conservation Commission for management of the town cemeteries, the town ball field, the Veteran's Park, the Spec Pond swim area and other conservation activities as deemed to be in the best interest of the town.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$3,200.**

PUBLIC WORKS - 15

**Article 24.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Roads account (to be spent on repairs and maintenance).

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$180,000 and transfer the unexpended balance to the Road Reconstruction Reserve Fund.**

**Article 25.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to review any and all road work to be done and, if they deem advisable, to let the work out to private contractor by hourly rate or by bid.

**Article 26.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Winter Roads account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$310,000.**

**Article 27.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Solid Waste account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$133,615.**

PUBLIC SAFETY - 20

**Article 28.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Animal Control account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$2,000.**

**Article 29.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,675.00 for the maintenance of the Kezar Falls Fire Department.

**Budget Committee recommends this article.**

**Article 30.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$83,000.00 for the maintenance and operation of Sacopee Rescue to be disbursed in three (3) equal installments. The first installment payable on or before April 15, 2023, the second installment payable on or before August 15, 2023, and the third installment payable on or before November 15, 2023.

**Budget Committee recommends this article.**

**Article 31.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Street Lights account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$12,000.**

**Article 32.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Hydrants account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$53,000.**

**Article 33.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the E-911 Communications Account to be expended for the dispatch of E-911 calls through the Maine State Police.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$7,000.**

HEALTH & WELFARE – 25

**Article 34.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the General Assistance account.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$2,000.**

RESERVE FUNDS

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - 50

**Article 35.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Improvements Reserve Fund.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$10,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

**Article 36.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Old Porter Meetinghouse Reserve Fund to be expended for repairs and maintenance of the Old Porter Meetinghouse.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$5,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

**Article 37.** To see if the Town will authorize the transfer of revenue generated from vital record fees to the Records Restoration Reserve Fund.

**Budget Committee recommends this article.**

**Article 38.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Revaluation Reserve Fund to be expended for the revaluation of property in the Town of Porter for tax purposes.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$15,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

**Article 39.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Code Enforcement Legal Expenses Reserve Fund.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$5,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

PUBLIC SAFETY - 60

**Article 40.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Kezar Falls Fire Department Equipment Reserve Fund.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$10,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

**Article 41.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for the Sacopee Rescue Reserve Fund.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$15,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

PUBLIC WORKS - 70

**Article 42.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Bridge / Culvert Reserve Fund. Funds to be used for the repair of bridges, and culverts in excess of 24 inches in diameter.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$30,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

**Article 43.** To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the Dam Reserve Fund. Said funds to be expended by the Select Board for the repair or replacement of the town's dams, including engineering, tests, permits, pursuing grants, etc.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$5,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

**Article 44.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Road Reconstruction Reserve Fund; said projects to be at the discretion of the Select Board.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$75,000, carry forward the unexpended balance, and transfer from the DOT Reserve Fund as needed.**

**Article 45.** Shall the Select Board be authorized to expend \$400,000 from the undesignated fund balance, said allocation to be applied to the outstanding balance of the Bond Anticipation Note issued to Bangor Savings Bank in 2022.

**Selectboard recommends appropriating \$400,000.**

**Article 46.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Sidewalk Reserve Fund to be expended for replacing, upgrading, or constructing sidewalks.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$7,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

**Article 47.** To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Tri-Town Waste Reserve Fund and authorize the Select Board to withdraw funds from the reserve as needed for the capital expenses at the Tri-Town Waste Disposal Facility.

**Budget Committee recommends raise \$15,000 and carry forward the unexpended balance.**

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

**Article 48.** To see if the Town will authorize the use of town-owned buildings by outside organizations, groups or individuals and to charge a fee and other requirements as outlined in the Facilities Use Policy for use of said properties to help cover town expenses. Fees collected to be deposited into the Office Account.

**Article 49.** To see if the Town will vote to dedicate the franchise fees and any other grants received from Spectrum, Inc to Sacopee Valley Media Tech (Sacopee TV) for the purchase and maintenance of equipment, and for operating costs.

**Budget Committee recommends this article.**

**Article 50.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer 100% of the previous year's registration fees rebate from the state to the Sacopee Valley Snowdrifters. This money to be used for various purposes such as trail maintenance, construction or purchase of equipment and materials. These maintained trails to be open to the public during the winter.

**Budget Committee recommends this article.**

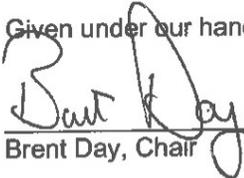
**Article 51.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the net income from the Stanley-Higgins Trust to be paid to the Stanley-Higgins Fund Committee for the purposes stated in such trust.

**Article 52.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee’s recommendations for the support of the agencies or organizations listed below:

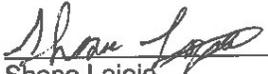
Agency or Organization	Requested Amount	Budget Committee Recommendation
American Legion	\$400.00	\$400.00
American Red Cross		\$100.00
Androscoggin Home Healthcare & Hospice	\$500.00	\$0.00
Community Concepts	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Friends of Porter 569	\$500.00	\$500.00
Grateful Undead	\$500.00	\$500.00
Harvest Hills	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Kezar Falls Circulating Library	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
LifeFlight Foundation	\$800.00	\$800.00
Maine Behavioral Healthcare	\$750.00	\$750.00
Maine Public	\$100.00	\$100.00
Northern Light Home Care & Hospice	\$250.00	\$250.00
Parsonsfield-Porter Historical Society	\$500.00	\$500.00
Saco River Corridor Commission	\$650.00	\$650.00
Saco River Festival Association	\$300.00	\$300.00
Sacopee Valley Rec Council	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
SafeVoices	A gift amount 50-250	\$250.00
Seniors Plus	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Smooth Feather Youth	\$600.00	\$600.00
Southern Maine Planning Development & Commission	\$614.00	\$614.00
SW Oxford County Nutrition (Brownfield Food Pantry)	\$3,100.00	\$3,100.00
Tri-County Mental Health Services	\$500.00	\$500.00

**Article 53.** A motion to adjourn.

Given under our hands this 18th day of February, 2023

  
 Brent Day, Chair

  
 Ronald Silvia

  
 Shane Lajoie

Select Board, Town of Porter

2022 Annual Report

Account	2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET		2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET REQUESTS		Other
	Bal. Forward	Raise	Bal. Forward	Raise	
Town Officer Salaries		\$ 123,500.00		\$ 150,000.00	
Town Office		\$ 55,000.00		\$ 62,000.00	
Insurance		\$ 9,100.00		\$ 9,100.00	
Debt Payment		\$ 24,459.66		\$ 24,041.56	
Contingent		\$ 15,000.00		\$ 15,000.00	
Planning Board		\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	
Appeals Board		\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	
Comprehensive Planning Update		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 2,000.00	
Conservation Commission		\$ 2,850.00		\$ 3,200.00	
General Roads		\$ 180,000.00		\$ 180,000.00	
BAN (Bond Anticipation Note)			Paid by General Roads and Road Reconstruction Account		
Winter Roads		\$ 285,000.00		\$ 310,000.00	
Solid Waste		\$ 105,450.00		\$ 133,615.00	
Animal Control		\$ 2,000.00		\$ 2,000.00	
Kezar Falls Fire Department		\$ 52,325.00		\$ 62,675.00	
Sacopee Rescue		\$ 81,000.00		\$ 83,000.00	
Street Lights		\$ 10,000.00		\$ 12,000.00	
Hydrants		\$ 53,000.00		\$ 53,000.00	
Communications Fund		\$ 7,000.00		\$ 7,000.00	
General Assistance		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 2,000.00	
Capital Improvements Reserve Fund	\$ 51,388.13	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 53,988.19	\$ 10,000.00	
Old Porter Meetinghouse Reserve Funds	\$ 24,733.97	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 30,283.97	\$ 5,000.00	
Milfoil Reserve Fund	\$ 94.60	\$ -	\$ 94.60	\$ -	
Records Restoration Fund	\$ 8,750.00	\$ -	\$ 9,272.90	\$ -	
Revaluation Reserve Fund	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
Kezar Falls Fire Dept Equipment Reserve Fund	\$ 17,067.58	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 27,067.58	\$ 10,000.00	
Sacopee Rescue Reserve Fund	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,150.00	\$ 15,000.00	
Bridge Reserve Fund	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	
Dam Reserve Fund	\$ 34,722.95	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 39,722.95	\$ 5,000.00	
DOT Reserve Fund	\$ 19,746.67	\$ -	\$ 19,746.67	\$ -	
Road Reconstruction Reserve Fund	\$ 174,790.36	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00	As needed from DOT
Sidewalk Reserve Fund	\$ 31,935.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 38,935.00	\$ 7,000.00	
Solid Waste Reserve Fund	\$ 3,236.45	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 2,021.45	\$ 15,000.00	
Code Enforcement Legal Expenses Reserve Fund	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,919.25	\$ 5,000.00	
Interest on Prepaid Taxes		\$ -		\$ -	As Needed
Sacopee Valley Media Tech (Sacopee TV)		\$ -		\$ -	Franchise Fees
Sacopee Valley Snowdrifters		\$ -		\$ -	State Rebate
American Legion - West Day Post 123		\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	
American Red Cross		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 100.00	
Androscoggin Home Healthcare & Hospice		\$ -		\$ 500.00	
Community Concepts		\$ 3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	
Friends of Porter 569		\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	
Grateful Undead				\$ 500.00	
Harvest Hills Animal Shelter		\$ 1,498.00		\$ 1,600.00	
Healthcare Access		\$ 570.00		\$ -	
Kezar Falls Circulating Library		\$ 5,750.00		\$ 6,000.00	
LifeFlight Foundation		\$ 749.00		\$ 800.00	
Maine Public		\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
Maine Behavioral Healthcare				\$ 750.00	
MaineHealth Care at Home		\$ 1,500.00		\$ -	
Northern Light Home Care & Hospice				\$ 250.00	
Parsonsfield-Porter Historical Society		\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	
Saco River Corridor Commission		\$ 600.00		\$ 650.00	
Saco River Festival Association		\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	
Sacopee Valley Recreation Council		\$ 4,000.00		\$ 4,000.00	
Sacopee Valley Snowdrifters		\$ 750.00		\$ -	
SafeVoices				\$ 250.00	
Senior Plus		\$ 1,200.00		\$ 1,200.00	
Smooth Feather Youth		\$ 600.00		\$ 600.00	
Southern Maine Planning Development & Commission		\$ 596.00		\$ 614.00	
Southwest Oxford County Nutrition, Inc.		\$ 3,100.00		\$ 3,100.00	
Tri-County Mental Health Services		\$ -		\$ 500.00	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 517,465.71</b>	<b>\$ 1,162,397.66</b>	<b>\$ 395,202.56</b>	<b>\$ 1,329,845.56</b>	

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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

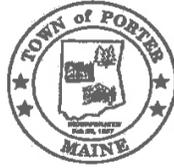
Total number of dogs licensed in 2022: 229

The following have been recorded in the Book of Vital Statistics:

Marriages	8
Births	6
Deaths	19

<b>Date of Death</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Place of Death</b>
01/15/2022	Patricia Pease	70	Portland
01/24/2022	Sandra M. Trueworthy	82	Portland
02/18/2022	Denis P. Welch	86	Porter
02/21/2022	Margurite T. Drowns	94	Westbrook
02/28/2022	Helene F. Dewitt	82	Parsonsfield
03/07/2022	Laurence E. Taylor Jr.	82	Porter
04/22/2022	Julie K. Sullivan	50	Portland
04/26/2022	Gary E. Wentworth	58	Portland
05/28/2022	Gene F. Nichols	83	Portland
06/27/2022	Helen M. Pederson	72	Scarborough
07/05/2022	Judith E. Mason	80	Portland
07/19/2022	Chester H. Chapman	83	Porter
07/22/2022	Harvey R. Langlois	87	Portland
08/02/2022	Richard E. Day	73	Porter
10/13/2022	Jerrold H. Root Sr.	87	Windham
11/23/2022	Georgia M. Wilson	81	Porter
12/24/2022	Jason O. Denison	47	Scarborough
12/26/2022	Brian S. Day	58	Porter
12/27/2022	Marsha M. Potts	66	Lewiston

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janice M. Miller  
Town Clerk



**RESULTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF PORTER  
JUNE 8, 2022**

**Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM on June 8, 2022, by Town Clerk  
Janice Miller.**

**Article 1. Robert Heard was elected as Moderator by written ballot and was  
sworn in by Town Clerk Janice miller.**

**Article 2. Voted by hand vote (13-0) to approve the proposed amendments to  
the Porter Land Use Ordinance. Amendments attached.**

**Article 3. Voted by hand vote (13-0) to approve the proposed amendments to  
the Planning Board By-laws. Amendments attached.**

**Article 4. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.**

**Respectively submitted,  
Janice M. Miller  
Town Clerk**

*I certify this to be  
a true copy.  
Janice M. Miller  
Town Clerk*



**RESULTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF PORTER  
AUGUST 18, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM on August 18, 2022, by Town Clerk Janice Miller.

**Article 1.** Robert Heard was elected as Moderator by written ballot and was sworn in by Town Clerk Janice Miller.

**Article 2.** Voted by hand vote to transfer not more than \$14,000.00 from Undesignated Fund Balance (surplus) to the Tri-Town Capital Account to be used to replace the current Trash Compactor. The current compactor is leaking fluid and is in need of major repairs estimated to be \$35,000.00. The original build date was 1974.

**Article 3.** Voted by hand vote to authorize the Select Board to use \$5,000.00 of ARPA funds for the construction of a small boat landing on Lower Spec Pond for canoes and kayaks.

**Article 4.** Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM

Respectively Submitted,  
Janice M. Miller  
Town Clerk

*I attest this to be  
a true copy.  
Janice M. Miller  
Town Clerk*



**RESULTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF PORTER  
November 15, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM on November 15, 2022, by Town Clerk Janice Miller.

**Article 1.** Robert Heard was elected as Moderator by written ballot and was sworn in by Town Clerk Janice Miller.

**Article 2.** Voted by hand vote (6-0) to appropriate \$10,000. from Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka American Rescue Plan Act or ARPA funds) received by the Town from the federal government for the purchase of two (2) Lukas Devices for Sacopee Rescue, Inc.

**Article 3.** Voted by hand vote (6-0) to appropriate \$2,500. From Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka American Rescue Plan Act or ARPA funds) received by the Town from the federal government for the purchase of two (2) new voting stations.

**Article 4.** Voted by hand vote (6-0) to appropriate \$400. From Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery funds (aka American Rescue Plan Act or ARPA funds) received by the Town from the federal government for Essential Worker Pay. For the Local Health Officer for many extra hours helping the Select Board.

**Article 5.** Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Respectively Submitted,  
Janice M. Miller  
Town Clerk

*I attest this to  
be a true copy.  
Janice M. Miller  
Town Clerk*

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## Incoming Funds    Outgoing Funds

### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - 10

#### Town Officer Salaries

Raised:	\$ 123,500.00
Clerk Fees:	\$ 13,891.70
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 137,391.70</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Ballot Clerks	\$ 1,770.61
Brent Day	\$ 5,500.00
Daniel Davis	\$ 11,529.96
Hannah Hutchinson	\$ 33,830.50
Janice Miller	\$ 35,398.36
Shane Lajoie	\$ 5,500.00
Dr. Joseph DeKay	\$ 400.00
Ronald Silvia	\$ 6,500.00
Maine Municipal Association (Unemployment Insuranc	\$ 427.60
Maine Municipal Employess Health Trust	\$ 29,845.92
US Treasury (Employer share of FICA & Medicare)	\$ 10,042.78
Transfer from Contingent	\$ (3,354.03)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 137,391.70</b>

#### Building Permits

Balance Forward:	\$ 2,266.55
Building Permit Fees:	\$ 17,186.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 19,452.55</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Dan Davis, Code Enforcement Officer	\$ 17,186.00
Balance Forward to 2023	\$ 2,266.55
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 19,452.55</b>

#### Plumbing Permits

Balance Forward:	\$ 2,655.00
Plumbing Permits:	\$ 7,275.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,930.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Ashley Childress	\$ 115.00
Dan Davis, Plumbing Inspector	\$ 4,952.50
State of Maine, DEP Surcharge	\$ 165.00
State of Maine	\$ 1,045.00
Balance Forward to 2023	\$ 3,767.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,930.00</b>

#### Insurance

Raised:	\$ 9,100.00
Dividends (MEMIC):	\$ 164.65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,264.65</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Chalmers Insurance Group	\$ 7,651.00
Maine Employers Mutual Insurance Co (MEMIC)	\$ 337.25
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 1,276.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,264.65</b>

#### Debt Payment

Raised:	\$ 24,841.32
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 24,841.32</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
US Bank Corporate Trust Boston	\$ 24,841.32
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 24,841.32</b>

## Incoming Funds    Outgoing Funds

#### Office

Raised:	\$ 55,000.00
Copies/Faxes:	\$ 196.15
Rent/Key Deposit:	\$ 540.00
Tax Postage:	\$ 112.85
Advertisement Reimbursement:	\$ 128.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 55,977.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
CAI Technologies	\$ 757.50
Call's Shop n' Save	\$ 112.36
Central Maine Power	\$ 222.72
Consolidated Communications	\$ 1,682.07
Cornish Hardware	\$ 27.18
Creative Digital	\$ 650.00
Dora's Cleaning Service	\$ 3,480.00
Eatern States	\$ 60.00
Employee Mileage	\$ 712.13
GoDaddy	\$ 947.88
Hannah Hutchinson	\$ 7.85
Harris Computer System	\$ 5,659.95
Hygrade Business Group	\$ 458.70
J D Power	\$ 140.00
Jeri Dudics	\$ 116.38
John E O'Donnell & Associates, Inc	\$ 2,000.00
Maine Municipal Association	\$ 2,586.00
Maine Municipal Tax Collectors & Tr	\$ 60.00
Maine Town & City Clerks Assoc.	\$ 60.00
Maine Water Company	\$ 516.84
Microsoft	\$ 210.98
Minuteman Press	\$ 1,209.12
Modem Wavs, Inc.	\$ 992.99
Porter Office Machines	\$ 287.24
Quill.com	\$ 1,038.25
Registry of Deeds	\$ 2,063.95
RHR Smith & Company	\$ 8,750.00
Robert Konczal	\$ 15,750.00
Ruth L Sawyer	\$ 1,263.00
Southern Maine Planning & Development	\$ 228.36
Spectrum	\$ 1,199.88
TracFone	\$ 149.51
USPS	\$ 1,790.32
White Mountian Oil and Propane	\$ 2,400.16
Wreaths	\$ 30.00
Your Weekly Shopping Guide	\$ 1,735.50
Transfer from Contingent	\$ (3,379.82)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 55,977.00</b>

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - 10 (Continued)

<b>Contingent</b>	
Raised:	\$ 15,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Amazon.com	\$ 31.65
Jennifer Zulker	\$ 525.00
Jensen Baird Gardner & Henry	\$ 1,837.50
Cornish Hardware	\$ 60.85
White Signs	\$ 56.60
Moulton Lumber	\$ 117.34
SC Day Carpentry	\$ 1,339.94
K.L. Jack & Co	\$ 187.50
Transfer to Office	\$ 3,379.82
Transfer to Winter Roads	\$ 1,329.64
Transfer to Salaries	\$ 3,354.03
Transfer to Solid Waste	\$ 1,311.36
Transfer to Street Lights	\$ 394.28
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 1,074.49
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>

PUBLIC WORKS - 15

<b>Roads</b>	
Raised:	\$ 180,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 180,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Bernstein Shur	\$ 2,600.00
Carrol Materials, LLC.	\$ 1,552.96
Cornish Hardware	\$ 2,068.73
Dale Metcalf Sr. & Son	\$ 750.00
Dwight R Mills	\$ 8,071.01
Bradley Sanborn	\$ 43,159.41
Metcalf's Trading Post Inc	\$ 116.50
PY Estes & Sons	\$ 237.50
Shaw Brothers	\$ 2,312.99
SHOem Roadway	\$ 697.50
White Signs	\$ 1,845.51
William A Day Jr	\$ 751.00
WL Sturgeon Inc	\$ 112,678.23
Balance to Road Reconstruction Reserve	\$ 3,158.66
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 180,000.00</b>

**BAN (Bond Anticipation Note)**

Applied For:	\$1,000,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,000,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
All States	\$ 595,294.27
W L Sturgeon Inc	\$ 243,111.63
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 838,405.90</b>

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES - 12

<b>Planning Board / Appeals Board</b>	
Raised:	\$ 500.00
Application Fees:	\$ 500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Your Weekly Shopping Guide	\$ 308.00
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 692.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>

**Comprehensive Planning Committee**

Raised:	\$ 1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Rebecca Thompson	\$ 800.00
Your Weekly Shoppers Guide	\$ 200.00
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>

**Conservation Commission**

Raised:	\$ 2,850.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,850.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Ruth Sawyer	\$ 927.50
Ernest Avanzato	\$ 460.00
Your Weekly Shoppers Guide	\$ 102.00
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 1,360.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,850.00</b>

**Winter Roads**

Raised:	\$ 285,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 285,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Cornish Fire Department	\$ 300.00
Dwight R Mills	\$ 13,046.40
Eastern Salt	\$ 55,242.16
WL Sturgeon Inc.	\$ 245.00
Todd Pierce	\$ 216,296.08
Town of Hiram	\$ 1,200.00
Transfer from Contingent	\$ (1,329.64)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 285,000.00</b>

**Solid Waste**

Raised:	\$ 105,450.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 105,450.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Tri-Town Waste Board	\$ 106,761.36
Transfer from Contingent	\$ (1,311.36)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 105,450.00</b>

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### PUBLIC SAFETY - 20

<b>Animal Control</b>	
Raised:	\$ 2,000.00
License Fee:	\$ 370.00
Impound Fee:	\$ 240.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,610.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Cynthia Eaton	\$ 1,678.54
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 931.46
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,610.00</b>

<b>Kezar Falls Fire Dept - Operating</b>	
Raised:	\$ 52,325.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 52,325.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Kezar Falls Fire Department	\$ 52,325.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 52,325.00</b>

<b>Sacopee Rescue Unit - Operating</b>	
Raised:	\$ 81,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 81,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Sacopee Rescue Unit	\$ 81,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 81,000.00</b>

### HEALTH & WELFARE - 25

<b>General Assistance</b>	
Raised:	\$ 1,000.00
State Reimbursement:	\$ 993.30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,993.30</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Your Weekly Shopping Guide	\$ 58.00
Melton Goodwin	\$ 1,350.00
Call's Shop 'n Save	\$ 69.00
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 516.30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,993.30</b>

### RESERVE ACCOUNTS

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - 50

<b>Capital Account</b>	
Balance Forward:	\$ 51,388.13
Raised:	\$ 10,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 61,388.13</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Maple Ridge	\$ 6,900.00
Amazon.com	\$ 324.94
Logan Electrical	\$ 175.00
Balance to Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 53,988.19
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 61,388.13</b>

## Incoming Funds    Outgoing Funds

<b>Street Lights</b>	
Raised:	\$ 10,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Central Maine Power	\$ 10,394.28
Transfer from Contingent	\$ (394.28)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>

<b>Hydrants</b>	
Raised:	\$ 53,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 53,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Maine Water Company	\$ 50,253.72
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 2,746.28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 53,000.00</b>

<b>Communications - E911</b>	
Raised:	\$ 7,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Department of Public Safety	\$ 6,887.56
Lapse to Undesignated Fund	\$ 112.44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,000.00</b>

<b>Record Restoration Reserve Fund</b>	
Balance Forward:	\$ 8,750.00
Income from Vital Records	\$ 988.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,738.40</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Spectra Associates	\$ 465.50
Balance to Record Restoration Reserve Fund	\$ 9,272.90
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,272.90</b>

<b>Revalutaion Fund</b>	
Balance Forward:	\$ 85,000.00
Raised:	\$ 15,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 100,000.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Balance to Revaluation Fund	\$ 100,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 100,000.00</b>

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#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - 50 (Continued)

##### Old Porter Meetinghouse

Balance Forward:	\$ 24,733.97
Raised:	\$ 5,000.00
Donations:	\$ 550.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 30,283.97</b>

*Paid:*

Balance to Old Porter Meetinghouse Reserve Fund	\$ 30,283.97
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 30,283.97</b>

##### Milfoil Reserve Fund

Balance Forward:	\$ 94.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 94.60</b>

*Paid:*

Balance to Milfoil Reserve Fund	\$ 94.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 94.60</b>

#### PUBLIC SAFETY - 60

##### Kezar Falls Fire Department - Capital

Balance Forward:	\$ 17,067.58
Raised:	\$ 10,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27,067.58</b>

*Paid:*

Balance to Kezar Falls Fire Department Reserve	\$ 27,067.58
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27,067.58</b>

#### PUBLIC WORKS - 70

##### Bridge Account

Balance Forward:	\$ 30,000.00
Raised:	\$ 10,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>

*Paid:*

Balance to Bridge Reserve	\$ 40,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>

##### Dam Account

Balance Forward:	\$ 34,722.95
Raised:	\$ 5,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 39,722.95</b>

*Paid:*

Balance to Dam Reserve	\$ 39,722.95
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 39,722.95</b>

##### Solid Waste - Capital

Balance Forward:	\$ 3,236.45
Raised:	\$ 15,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 18,236.45</b>

*Paid:*

Tri-Town Waste Board	\$ 16,215.00
Balance to Solid Waste Reserve	\$ 2,021.45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 18,236.45</b>

### Incoming Funds    Outgoing Funds

##### Code Office Legal

Balance Forward:	\$ -
Raised:	\$ 5,000.00
Reimbursement through Supplement	\$ 11,472.11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,472.11</b>

*Paid:*

Ashley Dame	\$ 1,900.00
Bishop Company LLC	\$ 1,750.00
CIA Salvage Inc	\$ 5,214.60
County of Oxford	\$ 177.86
Jensen Baird Gardner	\$ 3,133.40
Tri-Town Waste	\$ 120.00
Your Weekly Shopping Guide	\$ 270.00
Balance to Code Office Legal Fund	\$ 3,906.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,472.11</b>

##### Sacopec Rescue Unit - Capital

Balance Forward:	\$ 41,000.00
Raised:	\$ 5,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 46,000.00</b>

*Paid:*

Sacopec Rescue	\$ 15,850.00
Balance to Sacopec Rescue Unit Reserve	\$ 30,150.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 46,000.00</b>

##### DOT Reserve

Balance Forward	\$ 19,746.67
State of Maine (LRAP)	\$ 47,392.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 67,138.67</b>

*Paid:*

Balance to DOT Reserve	\$ 19,746.67
Balance to Road Reconstruction Reserve	\$ 47,392.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 67,138.67</b>

##### Road Reconstruction Reserve

Balance Forward:	\$ 174,790.00
Raised:	\$ 35,000.00
Transfer from DOT Reserve	\$ 47,392.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 257,182.00</b>

*Paid:*

All States	\$ 27,370.00
Shaw Brothers	\$ 25,000.00
Sebago Technics, Inc	\$ 478.00
WL Sturgeon Inc.	\$ 204,334.00
Balance to Road Reconstruction Reserve	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 257,182.00</b>

##### Sidewalk Account

Balance Forward:	\$ 31,935.00
Raised:	\$ 7,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 38,935.00</b>

*Paid:*

Balance to Sidewalk Reserve	\$ 38,935.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 38,935.00</b>

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	Incoming Funds	Outgoing Funds
<b>LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS</b>		
<b>Sacoee Valley Snowdrifters</b>		
State Rebate:	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Sacoee Valley Media Tech (Sacoee TV)</b>		
Cable TV Franchise Fees	\$ 8,114.89	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 8,114.89
<b>American Legion - West Day Post 123</b>		
Raised:	\$ 400.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 400.00
<b>American Red Cross</b>		
Raised:	\$ 1,000.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 1,000.00
<b>Community Concepts</b>		
Raised:	\$ 3,000.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 3,000.00
<b>Friends of Porter #569</b>		
Raised:	\$ 500.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 500.00
<b>Harvest Hills Animal Shelter</b>		
Raised:	\$ 1,498.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 1,498.00
<b>Kezar Falls Circulating Library</b>		
Raised:	\$ 5,750.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 5,750.00
<b>Lakes Region Senior</b>		
Raised:	\$ 570.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 570.00
<b>The LifeFlight Foundation</b>		
Raised:	\$ 749.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 749.00
<b>Maine Public</b>		
Raised:	\$ 100.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 100.00

	Incoming Funds	Outgoing Funds
<b>MaineHealth Care at Home</b>		
Raised:	\$ 1,500.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 1,500.00
<b>Saco River Festival</b>		
Raised:	\$ 300.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 300.00
<b>Parsonsfield-Porter Historical Society</b>		
Raised:	\$ 500.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 500.00
<b>Saco River Corridor Commission</b>		
Raised:	\$ 600.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 600.00
<b>Sacoee Valley Recreation Council</b>		
Raised:	\$ 4,000.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 4,000.00
<b>Sacoee Valley SnowDrifters</b>		
Raised:	\$ 750.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 750.00
<b>Seniors Plus</b>		
Raised:	\$ 1,200.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 1,200.00
<b>Smooth Feather Youth</b>		
Raised:	\$ 600.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 600.00
<b>Southern Maine Planning &amp; Devel. Comm.</b>		
Raised:	\$ 596.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 596.00
<b>Southwest Oxford County Nutrition (Food Pantry)</b>		
Raised:	\$ 3,100.00	
<i>Paid:</i>		\$ 3,100.00

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## MISC INFORMATION

### State Agencies

#### Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Balance Forward	\$ 2,640.75
Fees Received from Customers	\$ 183,418.10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 186,058.85</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Secretary of State	\$ 177,655.59
Payable at year end	\$ 8,403.26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 186,058.85</b>

#### Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

Balance Forward	\$ 4,885.56
Fees Received from Customers	\$ 48,113.68
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 52,999.24</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Treasurer, State of Maine	\$ 48,892.88
Payable at year end	\$ 4,106.36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 52,999.24</b>

#### Discounts on Taxes

Transfer from Undesignated	\$ 19,036.50
<i>Paid:</i>	
Abatement	\$ 17,617.05
Prepaid Interest	\$ 1,419.45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 19,036.50</b>

## TRUST FUNDS

### Elijah Fox Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ 2,737.00
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 5.09
<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 11,325.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 14,067.09</b>

### Evelyn Watkins Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ 576.00
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 5.18
<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 10,100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,681.18</b>

### Florance Higgins Beautification Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ 730.00
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 10.17
<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 20,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 20,740.17</b>

### Florance Higgins Education Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ 74,975.00
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 38.14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 75,013.14</b>

### Florance Higgins Education Fund CD

<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 10,597.03
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 12.77
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,609.80</b>

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### Animal Welfare

Balance Forward	\$ 280.00
Fees Received from Customers	\$ 875.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,155.00</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Treasurer, State of Maine	\$ 918.00
Payable at year end	\$ 237.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,155.00</b>

### Vital Records

Balance Forward	\$ 12.40
Fees Received from Customers	\$ 218.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 230.80</b>
<i>Paid:</i>	
Treasurer, State of Maine	\$ 217.60
Payable at year end	\$ 13.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 230.80</b>

### School Assessment

<b>Assessment</b>	
<i>Paid: Treasurer, MSAD 55</i>	\$1,287,101.85

### Oxford County Tax

<b>Tax Assessment for 2022</b>	
<i>Paid: Treasurer, Oxford County</i>	\$ 144,537.00

### George Towle Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ 2,090.00
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 18.80
<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 37,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 39,108.80</b>

### John Chapman Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ (1,134.00)
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 10.41
<b>TOTAL SPENDABLE</b>	<b>\$ (1,123.59)</b>
<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 20,474.00
<b>TOTAL NON-SPENDABLE</b>	<b>\$ 20,474.00</b>

### Luelle Lord Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ 144.00
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 0.33
<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 644.33</b>

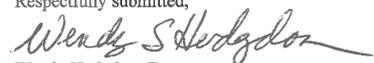
### Madeline Wakefield Fund

<i>Spendable</i>	\$ 1,205.00
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 8.42
<i>Non-Spendable</i>	\$ 16,485.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 17,698.42</b>

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<b>TRUST FUNDS (Continued)</b>		
<b>Ministerial Fund</b>		
Spendable	\$ 647.00	
Interest	\$ 0.86	
Non-Spendable	\$ 1,700.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 2,347.86</b>
<b>Randal Libby Fund</b>		
Spendable	\$ 318.00	
Interest	\$ 0.41	
Non-Spendable	\$ 800.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 1,118.41</b>
<b>Town Hall Fund</b>		
Spendable	\$ 965.00	
Interest	\$ 1.27	
Non-Spendable	\$ 2,500.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 3,466.27</b>

	Incoming Funds	Outgoing Funds
Town of Porter Report of the Stanley Higgins Fund Committee January 31, 2022 – January 31, 2023		
Beginning bank balance – Bangor Savings (1/31/19)		\$278,992.78
Interest accrued from Bangor Savings		\$ 275.11
<u>Deposits from Key Bank</u>		<u>\$15,695.77</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 294,963.66</b>
<b>Activity:</b>		
Total Scholarship awarded		-\$30,000.00
Three scholarship checks outstanding		+\$ 8,000.00
Three scholarship checks cashed from previous year's awards		-\$ 6,000.00
Total Assistance awarded		-\$ 500.00
Assistance award check from previous year cashed		-\$ 500.00
<u>Expenses</u>		<u>- \$ 244.00</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>- \$ 29,244.00</b>
Check balance January 31, 2023	<b>\$ 294,963.66 – \$29,244.00 =</b>	<b>\$ 265,719.66</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Wendy Hodgdon, Treasurer  
 Stanley Higgins Fund Committee

\*\*\*: Please note that until final audit is complete all fiscal numbers are subject to change

## Treasurer's Report

<b>Income from Taxes:</b>	
2022 Real Estate Taxes	\$ 1,720,729.61
2023 Real Estate Taxes	\$ 34,600.25
Prior Years Real Estate Taxes	\$ 151,894.76
2022 Personal Property Taxes	\$ 33,300.86
2023 Personal Property Taxes	\$ -
Prior Years Personal Property Taxes	\$ 7,612.23
Supplemental Taxes	\$ 18,750.54
<b>Income from Interest:</b>	
Tax Interest	\$ 8,986.31
ICS (Checking Sweep Account) Interest	\$ 8,846.99
<b>Income from State Agencies:</b>	
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	\$ 186,058.85
Excise for Motor Vehicles	\$ 417,011.43
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	\$ 52,999.24
Excise for Boats	\$ 1,863.60
Animal Welfare	\$ 610.00
Vital Records	\$ 988.40
General Assistance Reimbursement	\$ 993.30
<b>Income from the State:</b>	
BETE Exemptions Reimbursement	\$ 5,782.00
Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	\$ 112,249.00
Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$ 23,262.75
Veterans Exemption Reimbursement	\$ 579.00
DOT Local Road Assistance	\$ 47,132.00
Revenue Sharing	\$ 235,142.98
<b>Income from Permits:</b>	
Plumbing Permits	\$ 7,275.00
Building Permits	\$ 17,186.00
Junk Yard Permits	\$ 200.00
<b>Income from Boards:</b>	
Planning Board	\$ 500.00
Appeals Board	\$ 50.00
<b>Income from Miscellaneous:</b>	
<i>Loan Withdrawal</i>	\$ 838,405.90
<i>Clerk Fees</i>	\$ 13,543.05
<i>Maine Water Collection</i>	\$ 200.00
<i>Office Copies, Rents, Etc</i>	\$ 977.00
<i>Insurance Overpayments/Dividends</i>	\$ 164.65
<i>Sale of Town Property</i>	\$ 61,246.23
<i>Spectrum Franchise Fees</i>	\$ 8,114.89
<i>Tri-Town Waste Stickers</i>	\$ 95.00
<i>ATV Trail Maps</i>	\$ 90.00
<i>Showmobile Trail Maps</i>	\$ 50.00
<i>Excise for Other Towns</i>	\$ 6,452.14
<i>Salary Reimbursement from Tri-Town Waste</i>	\$ 148.65
<i>Lien Costs</i>	\$ 3,460.46
<i>ARPA Funds</i>	\$ 80,361.27
<i>Grant Reimbursement</i>	\$ 503.69
<i>Legal Fee Reimbursement</i>	\$ 328.14
<i>Road Repair Reimbursement &amp; Equipment</i>	\$ 393.99
<i>Old Meetinghouse Donation</i>	\$ 550.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 4,109,690.16</b>
<b>TOTAL WARRANTS PAID</b>	<b>\$ 3,930,692.30</b>
<b>TOTAL SURPLUS/DEFICIT</b>	<b>\$ 178,997.86</b>

## TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

### EXCISE TAX

Collected - Motor Vehicles	\$	417,016.43	
- Boats		<u>1,863.60</u>	
Turned over to Town Treasurer	\$	418,875.03	
Less Tax Collected and Paid to Other Towns		<u>(6,452.14)</u>	
<b>NET EXCISE TAX</b>			<b>\$412,422.89</b>

### PROPERTY TAX

2022 Property Tax Commitment	\$	1,944,942.14	
Homestead Exemption		107,705.55	
Business Equipment Exemption		88.54	
Supplemental		<u>16,351.37</u>	
<b>TOTAL PAYABLE</b>			<b>\$2,069,087.60</b>
Less: Credits/Prepayments from 2021	(\$	60,997.52)	
Interest on Prepayments		<u>(1,418.47)</u>	
Subtotal credit to 2022 Tax			(\$ 62,415.99)
Abatements			( 6,209.36)
Discounts Allowed			( 0.00)
Taxes Collected			( 1,729,507.38)
Homestead Exemption Reimbursement			( 112,951.00)
Business Equipment Exemption Reimbursement			( <u>5,782.00</u> )
Total Credited against Commitment			(\$1,907,385.96)
<b>TOTAL 2022 TAXES RECEIVABLE, 02/1/2023</b>			<b>\$ 152,923.87</b>

### 2022 TAX RECEIVABLES

Unpaid as of 02/01/2023

\*Paid in Full as of 02/17/2023

Accent Health LLC (Pers. Prop.)	\$	13.66
Jessica L. Allaire		\$1,310.47
AT&T Mobility LLC (Pers. Prop.)		\$ 1.71 Balance
Douglas Baer		\$1,821.25
Rodney W. Barrett		\$1,233.43
Daniel J. Bradley Sr.		\$1,314.99 *
Donna L. Brown		\$ .97 Balance
Tracy L. Burk		\$ 398.40
Raymond J. Chesley Jr.		\$1,584.62
Brian Clark		\$2,034.01 Balance
David W. Clark		\$2,028.72
Matthew P. Cormier		\$1,805.03
Matthew P. Cormier		\$ 967.45
Donald A. Cressey		\$ 908.53
Scott Cressey		\$1,285.67
Elizabeth Larson Cross		\$1,896.79
Elizabeth Larson Cross		\$ 245.51
Sean Cross		\$1,166.70
Gregg W. Croteau		\$1,962.75
Robert S Croteau		\$ 672.96
George & Mary-Ellen Dale		\$ 346.67
Charles A. Darneille		\$ 556.10

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Gregory Davis	\$ 204.51 *
Bobbi Ann Day	\$ 554.44
Bobbi Ann Day	\$ 76.43
Lisa Sargent Day	\$ 859.20
Eric C. Dearing	\$2,935.43
Direct TV (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 31.51
Thomas J. Doviak	\$1,491.23 Balance
Leonard Drowns, Jr. (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 48.14
Heirs of Kenneth Drowns	\$ 286.05
Marguerite S. Drowns	\$1,357.05
Marguerite S. Drowns	\$ 568.65
Ronald D. Dunnells	\$1,241.25
Shannon Eldredge	\$ 1.35 Balance
Eva M. Eldridge	\$1,839.53
Fairpoint Communications	\$ 3.09 Balance
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Kevin J & Dian L. Federico	\$1,956.33
Nathaniel F. Fox Jr.	\$1,437.68 *
Thomas W. Foye	\$2,174.47
Jeffrey C. Frost	\$ 359.27
Victoria A. Fultz	\$ 428.11 Balance
Scott R. Giallongo-Orr	\$ 805.20 Balance*
Adam L. Gilpatric	\$ 53.95
Landon Hall	\$1,313.97
Patrick T. Harrigan	\$ 20.75 *
Curtis Hendricks	\$1,921.40
Heritage Hudson Holdings	\$7,307.46
Thomas D. Herman	\$ 12.36 Balance
Jackson R Hibbert, Trustee	\$1,356.04 *
Adam K. Holmes	\$1,663.90
Matthew Joffre	\$3,599.75
Frank N. Johnston	\$ 7.77 Balance
Kenhill LLC	\$ 855.45
Randall B. Lagasse	\$ 134.92
Matthew Lajoie (Building Demolition)	\$11,472.11
Debbie A. Libby	\$ 233.73
Edwin C. Libby	\$ 233.73
Kristina L. MacQuarrie	\$ 995.32
Dawn McAllister	\$ 361.88
David McCubrey Estate	\$ 531.20 *
David McCubrey Estate	\$ 518.75 *
David McCubrey Estate	\$ 415.00 *
David McCubrey Estate	\$1,505.37
Libby McManus	\$ 933.50
David W. Merrill	\$1,019.95
MODBL Real Estate LLC (Pers. Prop.)	\$1,411.00
MODBL Real Estate LLC	\$2,992.95
Stephen T. Monroe	\$1,271.29
Stephen T. Monroe (Septic Lien)	\$ 644.45
Warren Moore	\$ 204.51
T. Merrick Morgan	\$2,480.72
Elie Nasar	\$1,265.75
John Nason	\$ 399.45 *
Tina Nelson, PR	\$1,264.92 *
Gary L. Nickerson	\$2,567.06
Thomas Niedermeyer	\$ 468.45
Alexander Noujaim	\$ 530.22

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Alexander Noujaim	\$1,820.12	
Alexander Noujaim	\$ 137.40	
113 Moody Road Corporation	\$ 471.94	
Michael E. O'Brien (estate)	\$1,803.04	
Elizabeth Panetti Devisees	\$ 733.44	
Mark Parker	\$1,336.32	
Patricia Pease (estate)	\$1,407.48	
Helen M. Pederson (estate)	\$ 203.52	
Porter Holdings Corp.	\$2,465.28	
Porter Holdings Corp. (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 29.88	
Karen Prouty	\$1,814.30	
William J. Reynolds	\$ 426.62	
William J. Reynolds	\$1,490.29	Balance
Michael Risti	\$2,039.71	
Paul C. Rogers	\$ 39.04	
Jed Rollins	\$ 365.20	
Benjamin Ruitter, Trustee	\$ 359.07	
Eric & Coleen Schroeder	\$1,984.43	
Dennis Searles	\$ 686.51	
Chase Shea	\$ 997.89	
Sisters, Inc.	\$1,583.59 *	
Matthew P. Skillin	\$ 960.77	
Christopher J. Smith	\$2,118.28	
George B. & Patricia L. Smith	\$ 729.45	
Belinda Sprague	\$1,520.84	
Brandon Sprague	\$ 610.05	
Brandon Sprague	\$1,698.15	
Ralph Staples Heirs	\$ 616.18	Balance
Robert G. Steven	\$ 333.99	
Siobhan Bradley Stevens	\$ 317.06	
Garland Stewart (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 8.30	
Shannon M. Stuart	\$ 307.25	
Carla Tannozzini	\$2,519.66	
Carla Tannozzini	\$ 996.00	
Charles Eglise Revocable Trust	\$2,325.71	
John R. Thibodeau	\$2,209.79	
John R. Thibodeau	\$ 498.00	
Nicole Tyler	\$2,688.88	
Unison Revocable Trust	\$ 370.05	
Clifford A. & Flossie A. Verrill Jr.	\$ 404.67	Balance
Kevin A. Walker	\$ 676.45	
Kevin A. Walker	\$ 456.50	
Marjorie Ward	\$3,305.77	
Norma Ward	\$ 231.49	Balance
Jason V. Watson	\$ 662.22	
Bruce C. Webster	\$2,231.09	
Richard E. & Nikki L. Westberry Jr.	\$1,214.94	
John L. White	\$ 435.34	
John L. White	\$2,357.57	
Charles Whittimore	\$ 899.43	Balance
Barbara Winslow	\$ 526.15	Balance
Timothy Wood	\$ 774.27	
Charles A Wright	<u>\$1,537.36</u>	
<b>TOTAL 2022 TAX RECEIVABLES</b>		<b>\$152,923.87</b>

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**2021 TAX RECEIVABLES  
UNPAID AS OF 02/01/2023**

Amounts shown do not reflect interest and fees due on prior taxes

Accent Health LLC (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 13.66	
Donald A. Cressey	\$ 992.88	
Sean Cross	\$1,290.59	
George M. & Mary-Ellen Dale	\$ 408.02	
Bobbi Ann Day	\$ 645.89	
Bobbi Ann Day	\$ 54.74 Balance	
Lisa Sargent Day	\$ 481.24 Balance	
Direct TV, LLC (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 47.20 Balance	
Leonard Drowns JR	\$ 48.14	
Ronald D. Dunnells	\$ 872.26	
Margie Johnson Estate (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 29.88	
Debbie Libby	\$ 89.67 Balance	
Edwin C. Libby	\$ 233.71 Balance	
Peter & Kristina MacQuarrie	\$1,083.22	
Estate of David McCubrey	\$ 454.96 Balance	
Libby A. McManus	\$ 360.45 Balance	
David Merrill	\$ 683.96 Balance	
Stephen T. & Dawn Monroe	\$ 722.59	
Stephen T & Dawn Monroe (Septic Lien)	\$ 843.69	
Warren Moore	\$ 281.64	
Elie Naser	\$1,386.32	
Alexander Noujaim	\$ 645.11	
Alexander Noujaim	\$1,970.76	
Alexander Noujaim	\$ 219.61	
Alexander Noujaim	\$ 560.02	
Estate of Elizabeth Panetti Devisees	\$ 839.60	
Michael Risti	\$ 782.64 Balance	
Dennis H. Searles	\$ 783.37	
Matthew P. Skillin	\$1,047.26	
George B. & Patricia L. Smith	\$ 813.85	
Siobhan Bradley Stevens	\$ 389.41 Balance	
John R. Thibodeau	\$2,232.91 Balance	
US Bank National Association (Pers. Prop.)	\$ <u>418.04</u>	
<b>TOTAL 2021 TAX RECEIVABLES</b>		<b>\$21,727.29</b>

**2020 TAX RECEIVABLES  
UNPAID AS OF 02/01/2023**

Amount shown do not reflect interest and fees due on prior taxes

Margie Johnson (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 29.30	
Warren Moore	\$ <u>53.47</u>	
<b>TOTAL 2020TAX RECEIVABLES</b>		<b>\$ 82.77</b>

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**2019 TAX RECEIVABLES  
UNPAID AS OF 02/01/2023**

Amounts shown do not reflect interest and fees due on prior taxes

Accent Health (Pers. Prop.)	\$ 8.04	
Margie Johnson (Pers. Prop.)	<u>\$ 2.71 Balance</u>	
<b>TOTAL 2019 TAX RECEIVABLES</b>		<b>\$ 10.75</b>

**2018 TAX RECEIVABLES  
UNPAID AS OF 02/01/2023**

Amounts shown do not reflect interest and fees due on prior taxes

US Bank National Association (Pers. Prop.)	<u>\$ 527.45</u>	
<b>TOTAL 2018 TAX RECEIVABLES</b>		<b>\$ 527.45</b>

**2015 TAX RECEIVABLES  
UNPAID AS OF 02/01/2023**

Amounts shown do not reflect interest and fees due on prior taxes

Victoria Fultz	<u>\$1,665.23</u>	
<b>TOTAL 2015 TAX RECEIVABLES</b>		<b>\$1,665.23</b>

**2013 TAX RECEIVABLES  
UNPAID AS OF 02/01/2023**

Amounts shown do not reflect interest and fees due on prior taxes

Victoria Fultz	<u>\$514.81 Balance</u>	
<b>TOTAL 2015TAX RECEIVABLES</b>		<b>\$ 514.81</b>

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**Code Enforcement Officer Report Fiscal Year 2022** *(Building Permits issued 2/1/22-1/31/23):*

Type	Permit #/ID	Description	Date	E911#	Street	Map	Lot
Building Permits	1400	Addition and Remodel of Cabin	7/6/22	95	Hoover Point Road	U10	15
Building Permits	1447	Pole Structure - storage	6/15/22	175	First County Road	R02	14.1
Building Permits	1467	Single Family Dwelling	2/16/22	-	Winchester Drive (OMH)	R05	29
Building Permits	1480	New expanded deck and basement remodel	5/18/22	384	Porterfield Road	R11	2
Building Permits	1483	Replace Structure - Single Family Dwelling	4/20/22	3	Eastman Hill Road	R03	4
Building Permits	1485	Added bathroom, reconfigure kitchen, mudroom, move washer upstairs	2/2/22	11	School Street	U01	70
Building Permits	1486	Storage Shed	2/13/22	-	Ossipee Trail	R01	45
Building Permits	1487	Cabin - primitive	6/22/22	55	Douglass Mill Road	R04	8
Building Permits	1490	Slab and Mobile Home	4/20/22	490	Ossipee Trail	U05	7
Building Permits	1491	Pool	3/16/22	83	Summer Street	U02	66&67
Building Permits	1492	2-car garage - attached	3/16/22	4	Taylor Lane	R03	21A
Building Permits	1495	Dwelling	3/30/22	4	Camp Hiawatha Road	R07	1.6
Building Permits	1496	Remote Solar Array	4/13/22	18	Raspberry Lane	R03	11.3
Building Permits	1497	Pole Barn	4/13/22	30	Endfield Street	U03	44C
Building Permits	1498	Deck surround for pool	4/6/22	4	Jones Drive	R06	5
Building Permits	1499	Garage Replacement - ATF	4/22/22	12	Little Lane	R01	5A
Building Permits	1501	Residential solar on Barn roof	4/27/22	154	Spec Pond Road	R05	1
Building Permits	1502	Shed	4/27/22	565	Ossipee Trail	U06	1
Building Permits	1503	Inground Scale with retaining walls and an office 2-story	5/4/22	995	Porterfield Road	R12	36
Building Permits	1504	Bathroom (Camp)	5/4/22	766	Ossipee Trail	R03	18&18A
Building Permits	1505	Garage	5/11/22	846	Spec Pond Road	R08	19
Building Permits	1505	Garage	5/11/22	846	Spec Pond Road	R08	19
Building Permits	1506	Remodel existing dwelling	5/18/22	47	Mason Road	R01	28
Building Permits	1507	Remodel existing shed	5/18/22	916	Ossipee Trail	R03	40

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Code Enforcement Officer Report Fiscal Year 2022 (continued) (Building Permits issued 2/1/22-1/31/23):							
Type	Permit #/ID	Description	Date	E911#	Street	Map	Lot
Building Permits	1508	Remodel Basement - In-Law APT	6/15/22	17	Cary Lane	U16	5&6
Building Permits	1509	Modular- Manufactured Home	6/8/22	596	Bickford Pond Road	R04	28A
Building Permits	1510	Storage Shed	5/25/22	97	Raspberry Lane	R03	11.01
Building Permits	1511	Garage/Covered Enclosure	6/4/22	104	Old Meetinghouse Road	R05	38B
Building Permits	1512	2nd Floor remodel/dormer addition	6/29/22	340	Porterfield Road	R07	31A
Building Permits	1513	Porch on Cabin	6/8/22	363	Town Pound Road	R05	44
Building Permits	1514	Dwelling & Garage	6/15/22	-	Old Meetinghouse Road	R05	34.1
Building Permits	1515	Addition & Lean-to	6/22/22	627	Spec Pond Road	R07	34.1
Building Permits	1516	Generator Pad and Appurtenances	6/29/22	169	Pine Street	R06	7(CELL)
Building Permits	1518	New Deck	7/13/22	42	Summer Street	U02	26
Building Permits	1519	Pool & Deck	7/13/22	444	Porterfield Road	R11	5
Building Permits	1520	Storage Shed	8/3/22	40	Eastman Hill Road	R03	7.4
Building Permits	1521	Addition	7/29/22	63	Chapel Street	U03	9
Building Permits	1523	Sunroom	8/3/22	7	First County Road	U06	14
Building Permits	1525	Mobile Home	8/17/22	8	Pine Street	U02	80
Building Permits	1526	Replace and expand cabin	10/5/22	55	Lower Lakedale Drive	U10	10&11
Building Permits	1527	Sunroom	8/31/22	1269	Colcord Pond Road	U16	50
Building Permits	1531	Shed (pole - enclosed)	10/5/22	52	Dam Road	R04	17.2
Building Permits	1533	Pole Structure for carport	10/4/22	116	Mine Pond Road	R03	11.5
Building Permits	1535	New Seasonal Camp (Replaces old)	10/12/22	4	West Lane	U16	29
Building Permits	1536	Bunkhouse	10/12/22	55	Douglas Mill Road	R04	8
Building Permits	1538	Shed (prefab)	10/19/22	220	Colcord Pond Road	R01	23B
Building Permits	1539	Addition - Dumpster Pad/Enclosure/Interior Renovations-Remodel	10/26/22	70	Main Street	U02	10
Building Permits	1540	Garage and In-law apartment over garage	11/1/22	216	First County Road	R02	16.4

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Code Enforcement Officer Report Fiscal Year 2022 (continued) (Building Permits issued 2/1/22-1/31/23):							
Type	Type	Type	Type	Type	Type	Type	Type
Building Permits	1541	Framed greenhouse & 2 tent platforms	11/16/22	756	Spec Pond Road	R08	17
Building Permits	1542	Multi-family-dwelling - Full Reno/Remodel	11/30/22	1	Bridge Street	U01	27
Building Permits	1543	Renovation of dwelling & 2-story addition with pool and garage	12/14/22	27	Heyburn Drive	R03	11.08
Building Permits	1544	Cell Antenna Updating	11/18/22	169	Pine Street	R06	7(CELL)
Building Permits	1545	Single Family Dwelling w/attached 2-bay garage	12/21/22	-	Kennard Hill Road	R10	25.7

**Land Use Permits, Demolition Permits, Driveway Permits, Certificate of Occupancies and Shoreland and Subdivision Compliance Certifications, and Floodplain Risk Permits issued 2/1/2022 to 1/31/2023:**

Type	Permit #/ID	Description	Date	E911#	Street	Map	Lot
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300796785	800A service	2/2/22	568	Kennard Hill Road	R10	24
Driveway permit	DP-2-2022-1	Individual private campsite	2/23/22	-	Ossipee Trail	R01	45
Land Use Permit Applications (CEO)	2-2022-1-LUA-CEO	Individual Campsite and Temp Dock	2/23/2022	-	Ossipee Trail	R01	45
CofO	CofO - 3-2022-1	Dwelling	3/4/22	7	First County Road	U06	14
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300861400	100A Service updating	3/9/22	168	Ossipee Trail	U04	7
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300867986	400A service	3/9/22	518	Ossipee Trail	U07	5
Driveway permit	Demo-3-2022-1	Dwelling - MH	3/30/22	26	Maria Lane	U07	6A
Driveway permit	Demo-3-2022-2	Garage	3/30/22	52	Summer Street	U02	29
CofO	CofO - 2-2022-1	Dwelling	4/2/22	7	Jenny Lane	R04	27
Driveway permit	DP-5-2022-1	Dwelling	5/4/22	431	Moses Chapman Road	R08	11
Land Use Permit Applications (CEO)	5-2022-1-LUA-CEO	Individual Campsite, Pole, and Cabin refurbish	5/18/2022	-	Ossipee Trail	R03	40 & 41
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300880924	commercial	6/3/22	995	Brownfield Road	R12	36

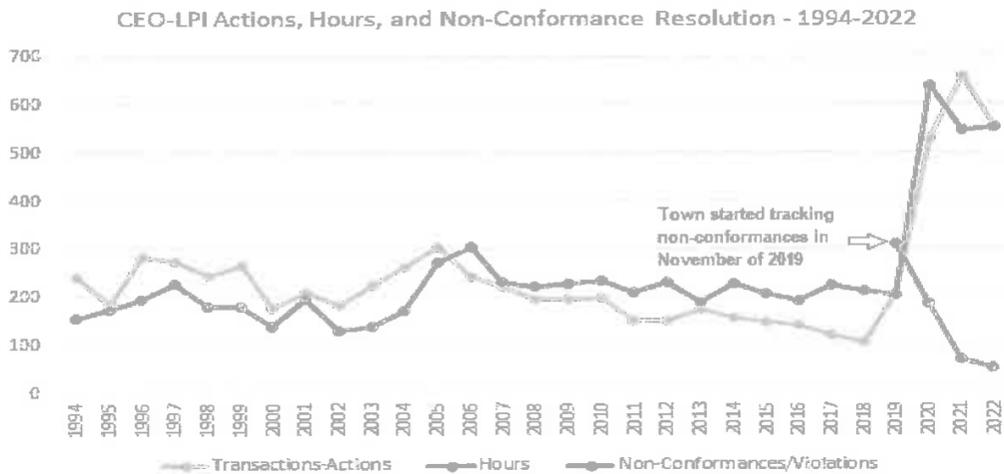
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<b>Code Enforcement Officer Report Fiscal Year 2022 (continued)</b>							
<b>Land Use Permits, Demolition Permits, Driveway Permits, Certificate of Occupancies and Shoreland and Subdivision Compliance Certifications, and Floodplain Risk Permits issued 2/1/2022 to 1/31/2023 (con't):</b>							
Type	Permit #/ID	Description	Date	E911#	Street	Map	Lot
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300882773	commercial	6/3/22	995	Brownfield Road	R12	36
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	30014031204	apartment - 2	6/3/22	481	Brownfield Road	R07	1.6
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300796785	800A service	6/8/22	568	Kennard Hill Road	R10	24
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	30014215302	Home replaced with mobile home	6/8/22	490	Ossipee Trail	U05	7
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300858308	new dwelling	6/15/22	-	Old Meetinghouse Road	R05	34
Driveway permit	DP-6-2022-1	Existing Dwelling - 2nd access (ADA)	6/16/22	627	Spec Pond Road	R07	34.1
Driveway permit	DP-6-2022-2	Dwelling - Primitive Camp	6/22/22	55	Douglas Mill Road	R04	8
Demolition permit	DEMO-7-2022-1	Mobile Home	7/1/22	8	Pine Street	U02	80
Land Use Permit Applications (CEO)	LUA-7-2020-1-CEO	Individual private campsite	7/6/22	52	Summer Street	U02	29
Demolition Permit	DEMO-7-2022-2	Depreciated Structure	7/20/22	535	Ossipee Trail	U06	5
Demolition Permit	DEMO-2022-7-3	Depreciated Structure	7/27/22	26	Eastman Hill Road	R03	7.5
Flood Risk Permit (Minor)	FHDP-9-2022-1	Updating and elevating an existing storage shed	9/17/22	-	Ossipee Trail	R03	40
Flood Risk Permit (Minor)	FHDP-9-2022-2	Updating an existing seasonal cottage	9/17/22	1108	Ossipee Trail	R03	49
Demolition Permit	DEMO-9-2022-1	Depreciated Camp	9/28/22	4	West Lane	U16	29
Driveway Permit	DP-2022-10-2	Single Family Dwelling	10/5/22	-	Waddell Road	R06	18 B
Driveway Permit	DP-2022-10-1	Town Way Improvement – Logging Access culvert	10/5/22	-	Spec Pond Road	R07	35 A.0 01
Demolition Permit	DEMO-2022-10-1	Existing Camp	10/5/22	55	Lower Lakedale Road	U10	10 & 1 1
CofO	CofO 10-2022-1	Home Occupation - Mobile Nurse Coordinator	10/12/22	83	Summer Street	U02	66 & 6 7

Code Enforcement Officer Report Fiscal Year 2022 (continued)							
Land Use Permits, Demolition Permits, Driveway Permits, Certificate of Occupancies and Shoreland and Subdivision Compliance Certifications, and Floodplain Risk Permits issued 2/1/2022 to 1/31/2023 (con't):							
Type	Permit #/ID	Description	Date	E911#	Street	Map	Lot
Land Use Permit Applications (CEO)	1-2022-10-LUA-CEO	Shoreland Dock Permit	10/19/22	1108	Ossipee Trail	R03	49
Driveway Permit	DP-2022-10-3	Accessory Dwelling	10/19/22	22	Colcord Pond Road	R01	23 B
Driveway Permit	DP-11-2022-1	Garage and In-Law Apt	11/1/22	216	First County Road	R02	16.4
Land Use Permit Applications (CEO)	LUA-11-2022-1-CEO	Individual Private Campsites (2)	11/15/22	756	Spec Pond Road	R08	17
CofO	CofO 11-2022-2	Dwelling	11/16/22	560	Colcord Pond Road	R04	11
CCSSZR - 1190 FORM	10300934294	Existing cabin rebuild	11/30/22	95	Hoover Point Road	U10	15
CofO	CofO 11-2022-1	Home Occupation - Farm Related Ventures	11/30/22	756	Spec Pond Road	R08	17
CofO	CofO 1-2023-1	Home Occupation - Farm Related Ventures	1/18/23	568	Kennard Hill Road	R10	24

It has been another busy year in the Town of Porter.

Based on the socio-economic impacts that we are realizing from the recent pandemic (*housing as well as drug and mental health issues*), and significant changes to laws up in Augusta, it is recommended that the Town continue to be proactive by investing in land use planning and administration and updating their local floodplain, subdivision, accessory dwelling, land use and zoning regulations as soon as possible this spring.



If you are performing interior renovations or intending to use or develop land or structures in the Town of Porter (including but not limited to setting a recreational trailer for temporary dwellings, delivering or moving a pre-fabricated mobile/modular/storage container, building new decks, or renting out properties), please give the Code Enforcement Office a heads-up beforehand.

In addition, setting up temporary camp (RV, Camper, Tent-site) on a property with an existing dwelling or on an undeveloped lot requires a local land use permit application to be filed with the Town. These permits are issued for **120 to 135 days** depending on the location, or for the duration of a permitted dwelling under construction, and both require a septic plan to be submitted to the local plumbing inspector for review and approval.

 Checking in with the code office helps to verify setbacks, consider best practices, review state laws, and minimize uncomfortable (and often unnecessary) disagreements or misunderstandings between yourself, your neighbors, and/or town officials down the road.

*“Good planning is the type of service that if it’s done properly, you don’t notice because it works. It’s the same thing with engineering – you don’t notice a bridge until it falls down.” (January 21, 2023 Maine Monitor Article – As development pressure spreads, small towns struggle to plan for the future*

It’s been a pleasure to serve the community and the townspeople have been overwhelmingly friendly and respectful to work with. Feel free to reach out at any time with questions or concerns that you may have, and I’ll strive to be open, honest, and respectful as I always have.

**Porter Code Enforcement Officer #2202 – Dan Davis**  
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2022 Annual Report

**Plumbing Inspector (LPI) Report - Fiscal Year 2022** (Plumbing Permits issued 2/1/22-1/31/23):

Type	Permit #/ID	Description	Date	E911#	Street	Map	Lot
Plumbing Permits	1075	Internal Plumbing	7/6/22	95	Hoover Point Road	U10	15
Plumbing Permits	1115	SSWD	2/16/22	-	Old Meetinghouse Road	R05	29
Plumbing Permits	1116	Internal Plumbing	2/16/22	-	Winchester Drive (OMH)	R05	29
Plumbing Permits	1131	SSWD - NEW	6/22/22	55	Douglass Mill Road	R04	8
Plumbing Permits	1132	Internal Plumbing	6/22/22	55	Douglass Mill Road	R04	8
Plumbing Permits	1134	Internal Plumbing	4/20/22	490	Ossipee Trail	U05	7
Plumbing Permits	1135	Internal Plumbing	4/6/22	52	Cappy Lane	U07	7
Plumbing Permits	1136	SSWD Replacement	3/30/22	4	Camp Hiawatha Road	R07	1.6
Plumbing Permits	1137	Internal Plumbing	3/30/22	4	Camp Hiawatha Road	R07	1.6
Plumbing Permits	1138	Interior Plumbing	4/6/22	154	Spec Pond Road	R05	1
Plumbing Permits	1139	SSWD replacement	4/20/22	490	Ossipee Trail	U05	7
Plumbing Permits	1140	SSWD Replacement	4/6/22	99	Main Street	U02	90
Plumbing Permits	1141	SSWD	4/27/22	3	Eastman Hill Road	R03	4
Plumbing Permits	1142	SSWD replacement	4/20/22	13	Eastman Hill Road	R03	4
Plumbing Permits	1143	SSWD replacement - Field Failure	4/27/22	37	Mills Extension	R01	14B
Plumbing Permits	1144	Internal Plumbing	5/4/22	995	Brownfield Road	R12	36
Plumbing Permits	1145	SSWD	4/28/22	995	Brownfield Road	R12	36
Plumbing Permits	1146	Internal Plumbing	5/4/22	766	Ossipee Trail	R03	18-18A
Plumbing Permits	1147	SSWD	5/11/22	25	Mine Pond Road	R03	54.A
Plumbing Permits	1148	Internal Plumbing	5/18/2022	47	Mason Road	R01	28
Plumbing Permits	1149	Internal Plumbing	5/18/22	384	Porterfield Road	R11	2
Plumbing Permits	1150	Internal Plumbing	6/15/22	17	Cary Lane	U16	5&6
Plumbing Permits	1151	SSWD	6/8/22	596	Bickford Pond Road	R04	28A
Plumbing Permits	1153	Internal Plumbing	6/1/22	502	Ossipee Trail	U07	2
Plumbing Permits	1155	SSWD - Replacement	6/15/22	17	Cary Lane	U16	5&6
Plumbing Permits	1156	Internal Plumbing	6/16/22	-	Old Meetinghouse Road	R05	34

**Plumbing Inspector (LPI) Report - Fiscal Year 2022** (Plumbing Permits issued 2/1/22-1/31/23) -  
Continued:

Type	Permit #/ID	Description	Date	E911#	Street	Map	Lot
Plumbing Permits	1157	SSWD	6/15/22	-	Old Meetinghouse Road	R05	34
Plumbing Permits	1158	Internal Plumbing	6/22/22	627	Spec Pond Road	R07	34.1
Plumbing Permits	1160	SSWD	11/1/22	216	First County Road	R02	16.4
Plumbing Permits	1161	Internal Plumbing	8/10/22	8	Pine Street	U02	80
Plumbing Permits	1163	Internal Plumbing	10/5/22	55	Lower Lakedale Drive	U10	10&11
Plumbing Permits	1164	SSWD - Tank only and 2 alarms - Tank Failure	8/24/22	5	Bridge Street	U01	23
Plumbing Permits	1168	Internal Plumbing	10/12/22	4	West Lane	U16	29
Plumbing Permits	1173	SSWD - Expansion	11/5/22	1	Bridge Street	U01	27
Plumbing Permits	1175	Internal Plumbing	11/9/22	70	Main Street	U02	10
Plumbing Permits	1176	SSWD - Replacement	11/16/22	543	Ossipee Trail	U06	7
Plumbing Permits	1177	Internal Plumbing	11/30/22	1	Bridge Street	U01	27
Plumbing Permits	1178	Internal Plumbing	12/7/22	27	Heyburn Drive	R03	11.08
Plumbing Permits	1179	Internal Plumbing	12/14/22	27	Heyburn Drive	R03	11.08
Plumbing Permits	1180	SSWD - Tank Only - Tank Failure	12/21/22	24	Main Street	U02	1
Plumbing Permits	1181	SSWD	12/21/22	-	Kennard Hill Road	R10	25.7
Plumbing Permits	1182	Internal Plumbing	12/21/22	-	Kennard Hill Road	R10	25.7
Plumbing Permits	1183	SSWD	1/18/23	16	School Street	U01	34

**Several concerns to the Town over the last year have been the increasing potential for dwellings to be overcrowded and folks attempting long-term usage of temporary living conditions (RV's, tents, etc.) as dwellings on developed lots with existing homes. The State has been and is currently modifying state laws to address housing, and will effect many local government ordinances, regulations, processes, and procedures.**

Not having an appropriately sized septic system or a written plan on how to dispose of human waste can cause serious health and safety problems for the whole community, may result in leach field failures, be very costly to clean-up, and if it is not addressed properly, lead to Septic Liens being placed on properties by the Town in order to correct the problem(s).

Septic Liens and local regulations limiting the long-term use of temporary living conditions (RV's, tents, etc.) exist for these very reasons. Recent significant changes to laws up in Augusta attempting to address the housing crisis requires that the Town continue to be proactive and invest in land use administration and enforcement, and also update the local land use, subdivision, and floodplain ordinances and regulations as soon as possible this spring.

Please contact the LPI whenever intending to expand occupancy with the addition of an additional family\* or rental unit\*.

Per the State of Maine, a plumbing permit is required before installation, expansion, or replacement of **any** portion of the internal drainage or vent system (*new building, renovation, or addition*), for the installation or replacement of subsurface wastewater disposal systems or water heaters, OR adding dishwashers, garbage disposals, hosebibbs/sillcocks, and adding water softener/treatment systems.

In addition, there is more prevalence of treatment systems in Maine to address persistent chemicals and heavy metals. These require an HHE-211 internal plumbing permit per the State of Maine.

Checking in with the LPI helps to consider best practices, state laws, and septic disposal capacity, minimizing uncomfortable (*and often unnecessary*) disagreements or misunderstandings between yourself, town inspectors or officials, and neighbors down the road.

 **Helpful Tips:**

- Septic tanks should be pumped and baffles checked every **3-4 years** (*\*Or annually if intending to introduce a rental or a 2<sup>nd</sup> family*).
- The overuse of harsh chemicals can damage, even destroy, a significant investment (*your septic system*)
- A Licensed Site Evaluator should determine if the existing septic system is adequate for increased bedrooms or dwelling units.
- Hot water heater overflows are to be piped **6"-12"** from the floor.
- Consider either an air gap or the 'high-loop method' for new dishwasher wasteline installations, to prevent drain water from being siphoned back into your dishwasher.

**Local Plumbing Inspector #2202 – Dan Davis**

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To the citizens of Porter,

It has been my pleasure to serve as Animal Control Officer for the Town of Porter and would like to thank everyone for their help and support. If you have any question, concern or need to make a report please call me at **207-890-5313** or Oxford County Dispatch at **1-800-733-1421**.

**Dogs over the age of six months to be licensed each year by December 31<sup>st</sup> accordance with the laws of the state.** To license your dog bring proof of rabies and spay or neuter certificate, the cost to license your dog is \$6.00 (spayed or neuter) and \$11.00 (unaltered). Substantial late Fee of \$25.00 per dog become effective January 1<sup>st</sup> .

Also a reminder we have a **Disturbing the peace ordinance**. It shall be unlawful for anyone owning, possessing or harboring a dog to cause or permit such dog to disturb the peace of any person.

Please put tags on your pets collar (Rabies and Town Tag) it is the State Law and it helps if they are lost to get them home as soon and as safe as possible. It is against the law for any dog to be running at large.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cynthia Eaton', written in a cursive style.

Cynthia (Cindy) Eaton



## TOWN REPORT 2023

### Spec Pond Beach

The Porter Conservation Commission celebrated spring last year by sponsoring a clean up day at Spec Pond Beach on the first weekend in May. Spirits were high, post Covid relief was present, the group bustled and raked and weeded the beach, paths, and parking lot area. Pam and Rich Pinault built a fairy house and a nearby fascinating box filled with “seeing stones” free for the taking. These stones can be used to find fairies or locate appropriate places to build fairy houses.

We also has a second clean up day the last weekend of October. Once again a great group of volunteers showed up with high energy and productivness. Tom McGlynn even went home and drove back in his gorgeous green tractor and moved all the old rotten logs from the parking area and placed them in the woods to compost.



A few words of thanks from Doug Mixer:

*“A special thanks is in order to the many volunteers who twice donated their time and tools to help maintain the beach/parking lot areas.*

*Improvement plans for 2023 include new signage, nature trails, and most important, a new boat/watercraft ramp to the pond with easy access.*

*Please take the time to enjoy this small gem our community has to offer.”*

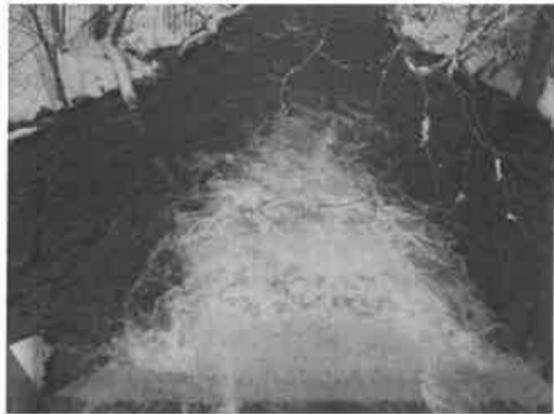
## Cemetaries

Kudos to Ruth Sawyer for her dedication as town mower. She is a careful and reliable worker – even while taking care of her 100 year old mother at home. THANK YOU Ruth for keeping the town grounds ship-shape.

## Dams

Here is a report from our newest conservation member, Holden Scott, who is now working with Shane Lajoie to manage the dams:

*“The town of Porter is host to many beautiful bodies of water, and Both Bickford and Colcord ponds are no exceptions. Located at the southerly ends of both Colcord and Bickford ponds, there are dams set in place in order to control the water levels of the ponds, which are both maintained by Shane Lajoie and Holden Scott. In the later autumn months, the boards are hoisted out of the dams to allow the water level to fall to allow for safe ice and snowfall melt in the spring without creating flooding and erosion to waterfront properties, as well as the roadways in which the streams flow beneath. During the spring season the boards are put back in place to significantly slow the water flow in order to return the ponds to their relative water levels.”*



## Seeking certified swim instructor and lifeguard assistant

We are fortunate to live in a beautiful area with many scattered lakes, streams, and wetlands. If we want our children to safely explore and benefit from these precious natural resources, they need to be able to keep themselves safe if they fall in the water. Say they are looking for tadpoles in shallow water but fall in the mud and panic. For this reason, the Porter Conservation Commission feels that it is important to bring back swim lessons to the Spec Pond Beach and help the Rec Council look for an instructor. This was a tradition started in the late 1950's by the local women's clubs and their families but has recently ended because of the difficulty of finding certified instructors. Last summer the Conservation Commission sponsored two swimming instruction events at the beach. The events were well attended – one mother had lost a 5-year-old nephew to drowning one month before and she was very worried about her own young children. Another mother with four children WALKED to the beach bringing her eight-month-old twin girls and two older boys, eight and ten, one of them autistic. The need for the lessons is clear. Our former teacher has moved from the area and we can't move forward unless we find certified people. Please let us know if you know of a qualified instructor or life guard interested in the position. OR someone interested in becoming trained. Contact the Town Office. THANK YOU!



Beginner's class with instructor Sidney Griffith, 1958

The Zoning Board of Appeals received one appeal this year for a hardship variance to replace a structure on Colcord Pond which would further encroach on already non-conforming lot setbacks. The Board conducted a public hearing in May which was left open for the June meeting to allow for additional information to be provided. In July, the Board met to finalize its decision to deny the application on the grounds that the property could still be used with the original footprint boundary.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Heard,

Chair

Zoning Board of Appeals.

Porter, ME



## COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

### Report of the Comprehensive Planning Committee – 2022

Early in 2023, the Committee completed the draft Comprehensive Plan, and is preparing to send it to the State of Maine for their review. This new version is completely redone and meets the new state requirements for format and content.

This summer, the Comprehensive Plan proposed update will be presented to the public for special town meeting vote on its adoption. Stay tune for announcements on document availability and public information meetings.

*Comprehensive Planning Committee*

## Porter Planning Board – 2022 Annual Report

It has been another busy year for the all-volunteer Planning Board in 2022. The Planning Board meets at 7PM on the third Wednesday of every month for public meetings, workshops, public hearings, continued maintenance and updating of our town ordinances and regulations, providing guidance to town residents, and reviewing land use permit applications. During 2022 the Planning Board met 12 times.

**The following items were reviewed and completed by the Planning Board over this past year:**

- 1.) **Tax Map R05 - Lot 010A (193 Spec Pond Road)** – Establishing a Wedding Venue and Short-Term Rental – **Withdrawn.**
- 2.) **Tax Map R06 - Lot 007 CELL (169 Pine St.)** – Generator Consolidation Project - **Approved with Conditions**
- 3.) **Tax Map R03 - Lot 022 CELL (851 Ossipee Trail)** – Generator Consolidation Project - **Approved with Conditions**
- 4.) **Tax Map R06 - Lot 007 CELL (169 Pine St.)** – Antenna Upgrades - **Approved with Conditions**
- 5.) **Tax Map R03 - Lot 022 CELL (851 Ossipee Trail)** – Antenna Upgrades- **Approved with Conditions**
- 6.) **Tax Maps R03, Lots 11.06 (91 Mine Pond Road), 11.07 (105 Mine Pond Road), 11.08 (27 Heyburn Drive), and 11.09 (51 Heyburn Drive)** – Subdivision amendment requests to convert from seasonal to year-round – **Approval pending**
- 7.) **Tax Map U06 - Lot 007 (543 Ossipee Trail)** – Revitalizing the Porter General Store and upper-level apartment – **Approved**
- 8.) The planning board held public hearings for proposed updates to the Land Use Ordinance. The amendments to Town of Porter Land Use Ordinance was voted approved at an **June 8, 2022** Special Town Meeting.
- 9.) The group continued studying new State requirements that were recently signed into law in the *130<sup>th</sup> Legislature* involving subdivisions, comprehensive planning, shoreland zoning, land use, floodplain, housing, kennels, and commercial marijuana cultivation and testing.

As we face changes in property ownership and welcome new residents to Porter, it is critical that our town consider land use administration and drafting ordinance and regulatory amendments as a top priority this coming year. The Planning Board understand this and is striving to proactively understand and integrate these laws and regulation into our town.

New volunteers to become Planning Board members are always welcome and appreciated. Please reach out to the town if you would like to know more on how to help!

Members of the Planning Board would like to thank all of the citizens that have taken the time and interest in participating. You are always encouraged and welcome to attend and participate in our meetings. We always strive to continue an open, transparent, and inclusive environment.

Sincerely and respectfully,

The Porter Planning Board

**David Newman (Chair)**  
**Mark Tuttle (Vice Chair)**  
**Corey Lane (Secretary)**  
**Cristina Forsyth**  
**Robert Tripp**  
**Michael Enos**  
**John White**

## 2022 Annual Report

Joseph R.D. deKay, D.O.

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### Local Health Officer Report for 2022

Over the past year ongoing work on an unsafe dwelling culminated in a peaceful demolition of the mobile home and some clean up of the accumulation of trash on the property. The property owner's ability to deal with the issues raised by the town and neighbors was inadequate without this action. One individual took up a significant amount of effort by town officials.

Junk accumulation on properties, unsafe mold and rotting rental properties, people in recovery from substance use disorders with inadequate funds to do proper upgrades on their dwellings to bring things up to code have been challenging. While pushing people when they are too poor to do what is needed is unrealistic, safety comes first, and while we are quite patient with people who have difficulties, we need to see progress and try to respond to all reasonable parties' concerns. Often neighbors bring problems to our attention very appropriately.

Aging in place has proven fraught with danger, and we were fortunate to have been able to work together to get some elderly residents out of their terrible dwelling, place their animals and see healthy results.

The State of Maine is making efforts to help local health officers work together and understand how to better serve the towns. A needs assessment survey has been circulated, and one issue of great concern is legal authority to make things happen when matters drag out.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Joseph R.D. deKay, LHO for the Town of Porter

Towns of Parsonsfield / Porter

We had a very busy year for calls with 154, the most ever. This year is starting same as last year. We had more than expected on Vehicle Maintenance this past year. The fleet is still in good shape and hopefully we will not have to replace any of the trucks for a few more years with the maintenance schedule we have in place.

We will start requiring physical for the membership to help off set the raising cost of our insurance and help keep the members in good health and comply with OSHA and NFPA standards.

We were able to secure a grant from the Gary Sinise Foundation for 16 new spare bottles for our air paks at a savings to the towns of \$ 16,000.00.

We also had two more of our firefighters complete Firefighter 1 & 2 this past year that brings the total of members that are Firefighter 1 & 2 to 11.

We have one new member starting this January taking Firefighter 1&2.

As in the past we continue to do fund raisers so that can purchase/upgrade some equipment that is needed to help offset the budget to keep it as low as possible. We purchased some traffic equipment that was needed for traffic control at our fire scene to keep our people safe. Also purchase 4 spare air bottles for our air packs in addition the 16 we received from the grant. We are looking to upgrade our exhaust fan as the ones we have now are over 20 years old.

We appreciate all your support that is giving to the Kezar Falls Fire Department as we continue to respond to the ever-growing needs of the towns

Thank You

Kezar Falls Fire Department

## 2022 Annual Report

2022 was a productive year for Sacopee Rescue. In the late spring the rescue hired a full-time paid chief-Welcome Chief Hatch. In April the rescue started a second crew to help with the response to the increase in calls. Currently that second crew runs 40 to 48 hours per week. In the fall, with the assistance of ARPA funds, the rescue has obtained two LUCAS devices, one for each staffed ambulance. This device preforms automated CPR, decreasing the number of personal needed to preform CPR when the need arises. We are also currently revamping the rescue's website and Facebook page, with the new look targeted for completion the end of January 2023.

For 2023 we look to increase the second crew to 48 hours per week and possibly to 56 hours per week contingent on call volume. In January we expect receipt of a new (to Sacopee Rescue) used unit. This is to replace Rescue 2 which was just too worn out to feasibly repair. Later in the spring we expect to receive a third unit. With two crews staffed we need at least three reliable units, two in use and one as back up when one of the other two units is in the shop. In the spring the rescue is looking to start a regular community CPR class. We received donations from a local business and Maysville Baptist Church in Maysville GA to purchase all of the necessary equipment for the class. We are currently working on getting staff properly certified to conduct and certify those taking the class in CPR. In the fall we are looking to start a Junior Rescue program at Sacopee Valley High School and are in the process of setting this program up. The training provided through this program could lead to an EMT Basic certificate for those that participate.

The Rescue is always looking for additional board members or volunteers for special projects, grant writing, or fund-raising events. Please consider serving your community by helping the rescue in these areas.

The call numbers for 2022 were as follows:

Cornish	236	
Hiram	212	
Parsonsfield	303	
Porter	229	
Outside the 4 towns	25	
Total calls handled by Sacopee Rescue		1005

2022 cost per call (budget/total number of calls handled by the rescue)  $\$740,450/1005 = \$736.90$

## 2022 Annual Report

### 2023 budget for the Sacopee Rescue

2023 budget	2022 budget	Percentage of 2022 budget	2023 budget w/second crew 48 hrs	Percentage of 2023 budget
<b>Income</b>				
Billing	\$380,000	51.30%	\$450,000	50.94%
Town Subsidies	\$324,000	43.80%	\$332,000	37.58%
<b>Other Income</b>				
MEALS ON WHEELS FOR ELECTRIC	\$750	0.10%	\$900	0.10%
Fundraising	\$1,500	0.20%	\$3,000	0.34%
refunds				
fees from events			\$2,000	0.22%
income from CPR classes			\$3,000	0.34%
donations	\$1,500	0.20%	\$6,000	0.68%
bank interest	\$10	>0.1%	\$30	0.01%
<b>total income</b>	<b>\$707,760</b>		<b>\$798,930</b>	
carry over from general fund	\$32,690	4.40%	\$45,000	5.09%
carry over in capital fund that is not designated			\$40,000	4.53%
carry over in donation that is not designated			\$1,500	0.17%
<b>total working income/budget</b>	<b>\$740,450</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$883,430</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Consultant & Professional Fees	\$7,500	1.00%	\$10,690	1.21%
Bank fees	\$350	> .01%	\$650	0.07%
Public Relations	\$750	0.10%	\$3,800	0.43%
Office Supplies /Equipment Maintenance	\$500	0.10%	\$840	0.10%
Rent /Utilities	\$12,900	1.70%	\$17,700	2.00%
Membership/Affiliations/ programs	\$400	0.10%	\$1,340	0.15%
Vehicles	\$52,640	7.10%	\$63,280	7.16%
Building	\$5,100	0.70%	\$7,000	0.79%
Personal	\$531,000	71.70%	\$642,130	72.69%
chief benefits	\$13,250	1.80%	\$8,000	0.91%
Radios	\$5,300	0.70%	\$4,000	0.45%
Computers	\$3,500	0.50%	\$2,500	0.28%
Medical	\$39,100	5.30%	\$36,000	4.08%
Paramedic intercept	\$8,000	1.10%	\$10,000	1.13%
Insurance	\$35,500	4.80%	\$48,500	5.49%
Medical Billing costs	\$22,800	3.10%	\$27,000	3.06%
Capital fund	\$2,000	0.20%		
	<b>\$740,590</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$883,430</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**TRI-TOWN WASTE FACILITY**

Serving Towns of Baldwin, Hiram & Porter  
 208 So. Hiram Road  
 Hiram, ME 04041

**Tri-Town Waste Report****2022**

We would like to thank Baldwin, Hiram and Porter residents for their cooperation to make the station run as smoothly as possible. As with most operations there were good times and not so good times.

We were able to reduce the slope to the exit and entrance to the recycling compactors.

We added more snow stops the roof over the recycling compactors.

The scales were finished and have been working well.

We were able to purchase a plow for our pickup which makes it easier to keep the grounds plowed and sanded without having to hire an outside contractor.

We replaced our 1974 vintage trash compactor with a refurbished 2018 model. The estimate to repair the old compactor was \$35,000.00. The cost for the refurbished Compactor was \$40,000.00. Due to the slightly larger size of the new compactor we are able to increase the tonnage, thereby, requiring fewer trips to ECO Maine. There were a few glitches, but Atlantic Recycling Equipment fixed them all. We thank our attendants and residents for being very patient during the transfer of compactors.

We have received a request from Parsonsfield to use our facility for construction debris and metals. We agreed to try it for one year. If it works well, we will continue working with them. This however, requires an amendment to our agreement with Maine DEP. We have been working on that for almost a year and hope to get approved soon. This agreement would help increase income and help reduce our operational costs.

Now for the not so good news. Our tipping fees continue to increase which means we need to increase fees for certain items. These include electronic waste, bulky waste, mattresses, construction debris, and household trash. There is no tipping fee for recyclables, only trucking expenses.

**Tipping fees** (all tipping fees are per ton)

AS OF	1/1/2021	4/1/2021	8/16/2021	9/21/2021	10/17/2022	1/1/2022
ECO HHW	\$88.42	\$88.42	\$92.42	\$92.42	\$98.89	\$98.89
ECO BULKY	\$79.50	\$75.50	\$79.50	\$79.50	\$102.85	\$102.85
ECO SPECIAL	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$20.00
CPRC	\$95.00	\$97.00	\$99.00	\$97.00	\$114.00	\$114.00
ELECTRONICS	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	\$100.00	\$100.00

**Recycling tons hauled**

Year	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
Tons	152.24	183.65	172.76	177.42	161.56

(2022 was only until mid-December)

As you can see, if we increase our recycling and decrease household trash, we could save money. In 2022 we saved \$16,156+ by recycling rather putting everything in household trash.

Please recycle and encourage your neighbors to recycle, it will make a difference.

Respectfully,

Ronald J. Silvia, Chair  
 Tri-Town Board of Directors

2022 Annual Report



**TRI-TOWN WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY  
2022 ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR THE TOWNS OF BALDWIN, HIRAM AND PORTER**



<b>Opening Balance</b>		<b>\$ 11,115.96</b>
Received from:		
Town of Baldwin	\$ 105,450.00	
Town of Hiram	105,450.00	
Town of Porter	105,450.00	
Demo Debris Fees	14,478.00	
Items with Freon	3,405.00	
Reimb. For metals 157.70T	12,010.00	
Bulky Waste fees	12,425.00	
Reimb for electronic waste	6.16	
MSAD #55 payment to participate	16,133.40	
Town of Baldwin reserve acct	77,938.55	
Town of Hiram reserve acct	77,938.55	
Town of Porter reserve acct	77,938.55	
Bangor Savings Bank, construction loan	80,000.00	
Misc. revenue	1,760.00	
ARPA funds from each town	7,968.00	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 698,351.21</b>	<b>\$ 709,467.17</b>
Total		
Paid:		
<b>TIPPING FEES:</b>		
ECOMAINE -- 1936.60 tons	\$ 184,425.32	
ECOMAINE -- Bulky waste 168.03T + 194 Mattresses	15,728.16	
CPRC -- demolition debris 124.6T	14,378.88	
Northcoast Services- electronics	346.13	
<b>BUILDING REPAIRS:</b>		
Station repairs	862.04	
Supplies	306.03	
<b>EQUIPMENT PURCHASES</b>		
Atlantic Recycling	\$40,555.00	
Maine Scales	19,490.00	
<b>STATION CONSTRUCTION</b>		
PY Estes & Son	256,271.15	
<b>EQUIPMENT REPAIRS</b>		
Backhoe fuel	902.53	
Repairs	1,757.69	
<b>TRUCK EXPENSES:</b>		
KF Auto Parts	2,770.75	
Fuel Decal	5.00	
Dicks Used Cars & Repairs	4,629.96	
Truck fuel 2,840.871 gals	14,831.31	
Truck registration	1,757.44	
Central Tires	1,074.13	
<b>TRUCK DRIVER EXPENSES:</b>		
Driver -- Salary	14,171.11	
Spare driver -	124.87	
MMTA fees	25.00	
<b>ATTENDANTS PAYROLL:</b>		
Michael Cote	14,829.01	
Joseph McNulty	23,576.26	
Tim Caldwell	13,086.93	
<b>PAYROLL EXPENSES:</b>		
IRS tax deposits & state tx dp	16,878.58	
<b>SECRETARIAL SERVICES &amp; OFFICE SUPPLIES</b>		
Town of Hiram reimbursed	2,549.04	
Terry Day mileage	61.83	
Shopping Guide Ads	570.00	
Miscellaneous	35.00	
Audit	2,550.00	
Office supplies	2,035.96	
Employee gift cards	625.00	
<b>STATION OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>		
Water bill	493.10	
CMP bill	3,243.75	
Telephone bill	629.02	
Internet for scales	734.66	
Annual license fees	536.00	
DEP amendment fee	870.00	
<b>INSURANCES:</b>		
General Liability/Workers Comp & Auto Insurance	19,706.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 677,222.34</b>	<b>\$ 32,244.83</b>
Balance Carry Forward to 2022		

**Reminders**  
**Recycling saves you money!**  
**We accept: Demo debris, metals, items with Freon, batteries, cellphones, electronic waste, florescent light bulbs, bulky waste. Check your towns websites for more details**

*Station hours: Tues, Weds, Fridays – 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Sat. 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Sun. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.*

**STATION MANAGER: JOE MCNULTY**  
**ATTENDANTS: MIKE COTE, TIM CALDWELL**  
**TRUCK DRIVER – DENNIS LOWD**  
**SPARE TRUCK DRIVER – SCOTT CHAPMAN**  
**STATION TEL NUMBER: 207-625-7633**  
**OFFICE TEL NUMBER: 207-625-4663**

**THE TRI-TOWN BOARD WOULD LIKE TO THANK JOE, MIKE, TIM, DENNIS & SCOTT FOR THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE TO OUR TOWNS AND FOR KEEPING THE TRANSFER STATION IN TIP TOP SHAPE.**  
**KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!**

**BE SURE TO CHECK OUT YOUR TOWNS WEBSITE FOR CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE FOR MULTIPLE ITEMS**



October 31, 2022

Ms. Janice Miller  
Town Clerk  
Town of Porter  
71 Main Street  
Porter, ME 04068-3557

Dear Ms. Miller,

On any given day Androscoggin Home Healthcare + Hospice is called to serve more than 3,700 individuals and their families. For nearly 55 years, we have served the counties of Franklin, Oxford, Somerset, Kennebec, Sagadahoc, Androscoggin, Aroostook, Lincoln, Cumberland, Washington, and York with innovative and compassionate medical care regardless of an individual's or family's ability to pay.

Over the last 5 years, Androscoggin Home Healthcare + Hospice has provided more than \$7.54 million in charity care to the residents of the counties and towns we serve. In 2021 alone \$1.64 million in care was afforded residents throughout our region assuring them a better quality of life from infancy to end of life.

Today, I write to ask you and the Town of Porter to consider including Androscoggin Home Healthcare + Hospice in your annual budget allocation for 2023 in the amount of \$500 in support of not only those we serve within Town of Porter but also in support of the overall well-being of individuals throughout Maine.

I certainly recognize the budgetary limitations placed on municipalities throughout Maine. Androscoggin Home Healthcare + Hospice was founded with the mission that no one is ever denied skilled care or hospice services based on their ability to pay. Allocations received specifically support care of Town of Porter residents. Many residents we serve have serious and chronic illnesses that when managed at home, they are able to remain independent and in their homes.

Thank you for your generous support in the past and your thoughtful consideration of this request. It makes a real and meaningful difference when we have your support to ensure critical care is always delivered. I look forward to meeting with you in the not-too-distant future and should the Town of Porter require a formal application, or process that we should follow, please contact me at (207) 795-9389 or [thomas.fogarty@androscoggin.org](mailto:thomas.fogarty@androscoggin.org).

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom Fogarty", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Tom Fogarty  
Community Engagement Officer



American Legion West- Day Post 123  
40 Mountain View Ave.  
PO Box 38  
Parsonsfield, Maine 04047-0038  
12/29/2022

The American Legion West-Day Post 123 would like to request that the Town of Porter consider again raising \$400.00 for the year 2023 for the purpose of purchasing Flags for our veteran's graves in all of Porter's out lying cemeteries as well as the local cemeteries in the Village.

We place a Wreath at our Veteran's Memorial Park on Memorial Day and have a small ceremony on that occasion.

We thank you for considering this request, and the opportunity to assist the town in honoring all of our veterans interred in Porter's cemeteries.

For the Commander  
Lawrence Stevenson.  
  
Roger K. Berube, Adjutant



ccimaine.org  
(800) 866-5588

240 Bates Street  
Lewiston, ME 04240  
(207) 795-4065

Town of Porter  
Attention: Town Manager  
71 Main Street  
Porter, ME 04068

November 30, 2022

To the Town of Porter Budget Committee,

We would like to thank the Town of Porter for their contribution of \$3,000.00 to Community Concepts for the upcoming fiscal year. Your support allows our organization to provide your residents with services to meet some of their immediate basic needs, as well as assist many toward becoming self-sustaining members of your community.

Your town's support demonstrates you understand the need for our services as they make a tremendous difference in the lives of your neighbors, families, and friends. Together, we will continue to strengthen our reach in your community to reduce the burden of poverty and improve quality of life.

Again, we thank the Town of Porter for partnering with Community Concepts to provide needed services in your community.

Sincerely,

Mary-Rita Reinhard, Interim CEO

*Community Concepts is a Maine 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization with a mission to strengthen individuals, families and communities in Western Maine by providing diverse programs, by engaging in strategic partnerships, and through advocacy that addresses the barriers to promote economic opportunities for all. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution.*





Friends of Porter 569

December 8, 2022

Budget Committee  
Town of Porter  
71 Maine Street  
Porter, ME 04068

Dear Budget Committee Members:

The Friends of Porter 569 respectfully requests an appropriation of \$500.00 at your annual town meeting in 2023.

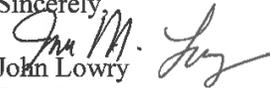
The Friends of Porter 569 is a 501(c)3 charitable organization formed in 2019 to engage in historical preservation and education. We have two significant activities that we need support for.

This year held two services at the Porter Union Church and have stalled in the process of replacing the windows and caulking due largely to the impact of COVID and a lack of volunteer labor. Much work remains but we hope to replace and repair six of the lower story windows in 2023.

At the same time, we are an affiliate of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. This activity delivers a book a month to each registered child from birth to age 5 for free. Our coverage area started with the MSAD-55 towns but is not up to 20 towns. We have community support from the local Masonic Lodges, the 21 Club, and many individuals, as well as support from the Betterment Fund and the Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation.

All work at the Friends is done by volunteers. The costs per child are low, a \$25.00 donation pays for one child for an entire year. There are 32 children from Porter currently receiving books. We currently have 447 children in the program and 51 'graduates' who have gone on to kindergarten.

Sincerely,

  
John Lowry  
President

Email: [admin@friendsofporter569.org](mailto:admin@friendsofporter569.org) Website: [friendsofporter569.org](http://friendsofporter569.org)

## THE GRATEFUL UNDEAD

December 1, 2022

Dear Members of the Town of Porter's Select Board:

The Grateful Undead would like to thank the town of Porter for its commitment to become an AARP-recognized Age Friendly Community. We are asking the Town for \$500.00 to help us secure liability insurance for the organization as we take on services and activities to help our seniors stay in their homes. Please note that this amount is also being requested from the other five Age-Friendly towns in the Sacopee Valley.

The Grateful Undead are volunteers from Porter and other towns in the Sacopee Valley who have been working together for several years on ways to help Seniors remain in their homes and support healthy well-being and socialization. To this end, The Grateful Undead offers a variety of services:

- Volunteer Transporters drive folks to medical appointments as far away as Portland
- Handy Helpers do needed home repairs for folks who do not have financial resources
- Phone Buddies address isolation by keeping our seniors in touch with others
- Seniors in Conversation allows for an exchange of ideas coming directly from the people in the area that we serve
- Senior Central, in collaboration with Sacopee Valley Adult Education, provides workshops and events offering socialization and enrichment
- And we provide a Resource Guide that connects folks with services and programs that are available to them.

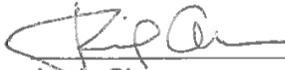
The Grateful Undead started as a Neighbors-Helping-Neighbors program. We have grown over the years to try to meet the needs of our communities. We have become a 501(3c) which allows us to accept donations and apply for grants to develop future programs for our expanding Senior population.

Citizens of Porter have participated in our Senior Central offerings and our phone buddies. Handy Helpers have served three individuals from Porter and Transporters have made eight trips to medical appointments with Porter residents so far this year.

This is our hometown. These are our families, our friends, and our neighbors. We look forward to support from the Town of Porter for \$500 to the Grateful Undead identify and address needs of our community's seniors.

Let's work together.

Thank you for considering our request for town funds to help us do this work.



Jamie Gleason

Resident of Porter and members of the Grateful Undead

Date: 12-1-22

*Info@harvesthills.org*  
*www.harvesthills.org*



*(207) 935-4358 Phone*  
*(207) 935-7058 Fax*

*A Non-Profit Corporation*  
*1389 Bridgton Rd Fryeburg, ME 04037*

December 15, 2022

Budget Committee

To Whom It May Concern:

Harvest Hills Animal Shelter appreciates the continued support from your town as we continue over 30 plus years of service to the surrounding communities. With funding over the past years, we have found loving homes for over 25,000 cats and dogs that were spayed, neutered, and inoculated. We continue to educate the community about the responsibilities of pet ownership and the benefits of adopting a Harvest Hills Animal Shelter.

So far this year we have taken in 410 cats and 148 dogs. Some of these animals have had serious medical conditions that have had a considerable impact our budget for veterinary and related expenses. Every animal is evaluated, given treatment for any medical problem they might have and is put through a socialization program. We also perform emergency treatments on more animals than we ever have with our local vet not doing emergency at night or weekends.

We were fortunate enough to receive a grant from the Sewall Foundation, so we were able to spay and neuter cats and dogs from all our contracted towns.

We are requesting \$1.00 per capita fee from your town again for 2022 based on 2020 Census numbers, which for the Town of Porter would be \$1600.00

If you could, please include a discussion of the importance of funding for the shelter at your annual budget meeting. If you have any questions, please contact the Shelter Manager, Joan McBurnie at 207-935-4358

Thank you in the advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joan McBurnie", written in a cursive style.

Joan McBurnie Shelter Manager

Kezar Falls Circulating Library  
P.O. Box 11  
Parsonsfield, ME 04047  
207-625-2424

December 15, 2022

Budget Committee  
Town of Porter

Dear Budget Committee Members,

The Kezar Falls Circulating Library always attempts to balance the need to keep costs down while serving the needs of the community. As is the case with so many organizations, we are facing rising costs for 2023.

With Maine's minimum wage increase effective January 1, 2023, our payroll costs will increase 8%. Heating oil costs continue to be higher than previous years. In 2021, we were fortunate to enroll in a pre-buy contract at \$2.89 a gallon for our 2022 heating season. Unfortunately, a favorable pre-buy was not available this year and we're expecting a substantial increase in our 2023 heating costs.

In addition, the library's wooden thirty-year old, handicapped ramp is starting to fail and will need replacement. In October, we incurred an expense of \$5,200.00 to install a copper ice belt with soldered snow guards on the roof to prevent ongoing water damage caused by snow on the roof. This is the first step towards ramp replacement. We have contracted with a ramp company to look at our footprint and begin the design process for a metal replacement ramp. We plan to seek grant foundation support to cover the costs.

As a result of these increases, we respectfully request an increase in our annual appropriation from \$5,750.00 to \$6,000.00. Thank you for your support as we continue to service our community.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Libby  
Treasurer

Kezar Falls Circulating Library  
P.O. Box 11, 2 Wadleigh St.  
Parsonsfield, ME 04047  
207-625-2424  
[kezarfallscirclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:kezarfallscirclibrary@gmail.com)  
Visit us at [facebook.com/KezarFallsLibrary](https://facebook.com/KezarFallsLibrary)

December 2022

Dear Porter Selectboard and Budget Committee,

Like many organizations, the focus of 2022 for the Kezar Falls Library has been returning to full force after two years of Covid-related limitations. This has taken form in many ways, from the reexpansion of the Children's section and the return of more programs for kids, to this month's Holiday Cookie Walk, the first in multiple years.

We have continued popular programs for young and old, as well as started expanding into new areas. For six weeks this summer, kids joined us once again for Summer Storytime. They returned in the autumn for the reestablished Lego Club. We also began planning for an upcoming computer coding program for kids, which I hope to launch later this winter. For adults, the book discussion group continues to meet for lively bookchat and those interested in genealogy gathered for a workshop in October. We are also currently working with another organization to make large print books available to seniors who receive meal deliveries.

The maintenance and up-keep of the library building also remains important, and making improvements to the ramp and side entrance of the building is the current priority. Work was completed earlier this year above the side entrance to help divert snow and prevent ice build-up on the ramp. Next year, we hope to upgrade to an aluminum ramp, as well as continue improvements to the door and surrounding structure. We are working to secure a grant to cover the ramp costs and we continue to look to the support of the community.

Looking ahead, we hope to continue to grow and adjust to meet the needs of the local community.

Thank you,

Tanya Wilson Denman

Librarian

2022 Annual Report

TREASURER'S REPORT - KEZAR FALLS CIRCULATING LIBRARY - AS OF December 15, 2022

	<u>2022 Actual</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>
<b>Checking Account Balance, January 1, 2022</b>		
	<b>\$17,158.87</b>	
<b>Add Income:</b>		
Town of Parsonsfield	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 5,750.00
Town of Porter	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 5,750.00
Donations	\$ 1,485.92	\$ 1,200.00
Donations - 2022 Year End Appeal	\$ 575.00	
Peter Davis Donation - Summer Storyhour	\$ 200.00	
Misc. (Fines, etc)	\$ 318.74	\$ -
Jose Fenderson Trust	\$ 10,389.37	\$ 4,300.00
Fundraising:		
Book and Bake Sales	\$ 612.75	\$ 300.00
Donor Advised Grant MCF	\$ 500.00	
Transfer from Savings if needed		\$ 2,675.00
Interest	\$ 8.12	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 25,589.90</b>	<b>\$ 19,975.00</b>
<b>Less Expenses:</b>		
Salaries & Emp. Taxes	\$ 10,285.17	\$ 11,250.00
Books	\$ 1,068.06	\$ 1,200.00
Books, Junior Non Fiction (ARPA Funds)	\$ 695.46	\$ -
Workers Comp & Insurance	\$ 1,253.00	\$ 1,300.00
Supplies	\$ 624.35	\$ 700.00
Contracted Services	\$ 495.00	\$ 700.00
Programming	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Children's Programs	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Summer Storyhour Supplies -(Davis Donation)	\$ 187.25	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ 209.00	\$ 250.00
Advertising	\$ 226.00	\$ 500.00
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 518.27	\$ 500.00
Maintenance & Repairs, Painting,(Window Funds)	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Electric	\$ 504.04	\$ 500.00
Heating Oil	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
Phone	\$ 641.80	\$ 500.00
Water	\$ 473.19	\$ 475.00
Capital Improvements (Roof Cooper Ice Belt/Snow guards)	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 250.00
New Ramp Project(Amramp Design/Drawings)	\$ 500.00	\$ -
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ (23,280.59)</b>	<b>\$ 19,975.00</b>
<i>*3/28/22-Transfer to BSB MMA (extra from Fenderson)</i>	\$ (6,000.00)	
<i>*11/9/22- Transfer from BSB MMA (Roof Work)</i>	\$ 5,200.00	
<b>Checking Account Balance on 12/15/22</b>	<b>\$ 18,668.18</b>	
<i>*Building Maint-\$880.60, Gen. Operating-\$17,787.53*</i>		

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

Bangor Savings Bank, current rate at .06%	
<b>Beginning Balance (03/28/22)*</b>	<b>\$ 21,497.41</b>
<i>*Transfer \$15,497.41 from Capital One &amp; \$6,000.00 from BSB Checking*</i>	
Interest thru 12/15/22/22	\$ 11.48
<i>*11/9/22 - Transfer to Checking (Roof Work)</i>	<u>\$ (5,200.00)</u>
<b>Money Market Account Balance on 12/15/22</b>	<b>\$ 16,308.89</b>

Respectfully Submitted, Kimberly Libby, Treasurer



November 2022

Janice Miller, Town Clerk  
Town of Porter  
71 Main St  
Porter, ME 04068-3557

Dear Janice,

Every town, city, plantation, and municipality in Maine is unique but a common thread ties us all together: **no matter where we live, Mainers recognize our great state as one large, connected community with shared attitudes of hard work, compassion, and the willingness to help a neighbor in need.** Similarly, the state's emergency critical care and medical transport system has its own community, with the shared goal of providing every Mainer the opportunity for the best possible outcome on what is often the worst day of their life. **Each partner plays an integral role, including LifeFlight, and together we form the chain of survival.**

LifeFlight of Maine is the state's only emergency air ambulance service, with three helicopters, an airplane, and specialty ground vehicles equipped as fully functioning mobile intensive care units. Our Crews bring advanced skills, medical technology, pharmacy, and blood directly to a patient's side, wherever they may be. We do this in partnership with the many 911 dispatchers, fire/rescue, EMS, public safety, law enforcement, and hospitals across the state.

Since its founding 24 years ago, LifeFlight has safely transported more than 35,000 patients regardless of location, insurance status, or the ability to pay for care. These transports include patients of all ages and across all points in Maine. **Since 1998, 15 residents of Porter have been cared for by LifeFlight, with 1 in the past year.** In addition, LifeFlight has made 4 scene calls to your community to support local fire/rescue and EMS partners.

LifeFlight, a non-profit organization, is among the most efficient providers of critical care air medical services, with the lowest costs and charges in New England. To maintain these standards, we rely on support from various funding sources, including individuals, businesses, foundations, and communities. Each year we reach out to every municipality in the state and invite them to support our Community Giving Campaign to ensure that the LifeFlight teams can continue to answer the call for help for Mainers, 24/7/365.

Last year, 194 communities donated a total of \$124,234. **This year, we need Porter, and every community across Maine to come together to help us reach our collective goal of \$125,000. Please consider a gift of \$800, which is based on a rate of \$0.50 per capita.**

Your support helps LifeFlight operate and maintain a safe, fast, and reliable fleet, provide critical care education to the team and partners around the state, upgrade and replace advanced medical equipment, and enhance Maine's aviation infrastructure. **In a serious emergency, every minute counts, and in meeting Maine's need for critical care, the gifts we receive from Maine communities are symbolic of the thread that ties all Mainers together.**

We have enclosed FAQs about LifeFlight, a map of Maine transport locations, and a map of Maine communities that have supported us. **Please contact Ashley MacMillan at The LifeFlight Foundation at [amacmillan@lifeflightmaine.org](mailto:amacmillan@lifeflightmaine.org) or 207-357-5508 with any questions.** If you need additional information or a specific town application form is required with this request, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Tom Judge  
Executive Director  
LifeFlight of Maine

Ashley MacMillan  
Director of Annual Giving  
LifeFlight Foundation

***P.S. If a past request was recently approved and an invoice is required, please contact us so we may submit the invoice.***



## **Ten Facts and Frequently Asked Questions about LifeFlight**

**1. LifeFlight is a private non-profit charitable organization with a public mission serving all of Maine.** We care for all patients regardless of insurance status or ability to pay for care 24/7/365 with helicopters based in Bangor, Lewiston and Sanford, a fixed-wing airplane based in Bangor, rapid response vehicles, and specialized ground ambulances. In FY2022 LifeFlight provided \$355,691 in uncompensated care, as well as significant discounts for Medicare and MaineCare patients.

**2. In FY22, 2,508 patients were LifeFlighted from 145 communities, islands, and unorganized townships—** about 1 patient every 3.5 hours. LifeFlight has cared for more than 35,000 patients since September 1998.

**3. What is the Community Giving Campaign?** Each year in the Fall, LifeFlight reaches out to every community in the state to ask for support. The request includes a suggested donation based on population; a \$1.00 per capita rate for towns that have up to 1,000 residents; a \$0.50 per capita rate for those with up to 2,000 residents; and a \$0.25 per capita rate for all others, with asks typically capped at \$2,000. The average gift size in 2022 was \$640, and some towns give generously beyond what they are asked.

**4. How is LifeFlight funded?** LifeFlight operates much like a hospital emergency department, taking care of all patients and billing insurance companies. We contract with all major payers including Medicare, MaineCare and commercial insurers. Most of our operational expenses are covered by patient fees, but we rely on the LifeFlight Foundation to support the purchase of new aircraft, medical equipment, infrastructure, improvements, and to provide clinical education around the state.

**5. LifeFlight helicopters, airplane, and specialty ground ambulances are equipped as fully functioning mobile intensive care units.** LifeFlight's critical care teams bring the trauma center intensive care unit -- skills, medical technology, pharmacy, blood, and more -- directly to a patient's side.

**6. What types of patients do we transport?** Critically ill or injured patients of all ages needing specialized care beyond what can be provided by local hospitals - including premature infants, cardiac and stroke patients, complex traumatic injury, organ transplant, sepsis, burns, and serious obstetric complications. We use the strictest medical utilization criteria in the country to make sure all flights are medically necessary. Emergency medical providers are guided by state-mandated protocols based on the latest research and best practice.

**7. About 92% of patients are transported from community hospitals to major specialty centers, and 8% are transported directly from the scene of an emergency -** roadsides, woods, mountains, and islands. While most patients are transported to EMMC, MMC and CMMC, about 10% of patients are transported to Boston and beyond for specialized care not available in Maine.

**8. LifeFlight is lean.** We are among the most efficient providers in the world, we pay close attention to costs, maintaining a very small administrative team that results in some of the lowest costs and charges in New England and the country.

**9. LifeFlight's costs and charges are the lowest in New England and among the lowest in the country.** The average charge for a LifeFlight transport is around \$20,109. Other provider charges across New England and the northeast range from around \$27,000 for non-profits providers to \$60,000-\$80,000 from for-profit air medical companies. LifeFlight is in-network with all government payers, and most major insurance carriers. Patients will never receive a bill in excess of their insurance deductible or co-pays. LifeFlight offers a generous charity care / discounted care program for patients who qualify, and whose transport is not covered by insurance.

**10. What other benefits to our town and region does LifeFlight provide besides critical care and transport?** We provide local critical care training to medical providers in specialized areas such as traumatic brain injury and pediatric trauma, critical medical diagnosis and treatment. We also support weather systems, hospital helipads, and advanced aviation navigation systems across the state.



December 2022

Dear Janice,

**As the end of the year approaches, I don't want to miss this opportunity to say thank you.** Because of our supporters, Maine Behavioral Healthcare (MBH) was able to respond to the soaring demand for mental health services.

We saw an increase of 280% in the number of clients served, and visits to our inpatient psychiatric units, which provide our highest level of care, rose sharply. But with the financial support of our donors, MBH remained resilient and responsive to community needs.

I want to take a moment to practice what our care team members encourage in our clients: gratitude. **With everything that the pandemic has taken from us, there is still so much to be thankful for.** Patients struggling with mental illness connected to caring providers at MBH and they persevered, gaining new coping skills. Parents with young children diagnosed with autism found critical support at our Glickman Lauder Center of Excellence in Autism and Developmental Disorders. Individuals struggling with addiction battled their way out of isolation and shame by connecting to one of our dedicated clinics in southern and midcoast Maine.

Like other healthcare organizations, MBH will start 2023 with high demand for services amidst ongoing staffing challenges. **I urge you to make a year-end gift to the Maine Behavioral Healthcare Fund with a gift of \$750 by December 31, so we can remain strong in the new year.** If you have already made a gift, thank you very much for your generous support!



When I think of the thousands of clients who have reclaimed their mental well-being with the support of MBH, I can't help but think of the thousands of donors who have made gifts to fund our programs and services. Our donors are people from all walks of life, many of whom have been personally impacted by a mental health crisis. We are grateful to have them – and you – on our side. **Thank you for prioritizing mental health treatment so that our neighbors and community members – all of us – can access healthcare for body and mind.**

With warm wishes for the holiday season,

Kelly Barton, MPH, FACHE  
President, Maine Behavioral Healthcare

**P.S. Please give today! The demand for mental health services shows no signs of slowing. You can make a secure online donation to Maine Behavioral Healthcare through our website at [mainebehavioralhealthcare.org/donate](https://mainebehavioralhealthcare.org/donate).**



September 7, 2022

Town of Porter  
71 Main Street  
Porter ME 04068

Dear Selectperson,

When Maine Public was established in 1961, the goal was to bring a new kind of broadcasting service to Maine – one that was as innovative as it was trustworthy, a service that would inform, inspire, and educate our communities. Now six decades later, Maine Public is still leading the charge to share Maine’s stories in new and revitalized ways.

In 2022, we are completing the second successful year of our Connecting Communities initiative, delivering translated weekly news in French, Spanish, Somali, and Portuguese so that more people here in Maine have access to the important information and stories that shape their lives. Recently, Portland Public Access TV began airing **News Connect** videos and we plan to engage more public access channels across the state.

**Climate Driven**, our latest Deep Dive series, is a year-long look at climate change featuring stories from each of Maine’s 16 counties. Our reporters are taking a deep dive into the effects of climate change on diverse regions of the state — the coast, the western mountains, the North Woods, Down East — and reporting not only what the science tells us but what communities, businesses, and individuals are doing to prepare for the future that’s unfolding.

Every day, Maine Public connects the people of Maine and our region to each other and to the world through the open exchange of information, ideas, and cultural content. This is essential work that we are proud to do. Currently, Maine Public has 14 radio signals emanating from towers across the state. We plan to add seven more radio signals to our networks over the next three years to reach nearly 100,000 more listeners in rural parts of Maine.

Today, we’re asking Porter to continue supporting this important resource with an appropriation of \$100 for our next fiscal year. With your funding, Maine Public, with our trusted partners, NPR and PBS, will continue to be Maine’s storyteller, amplifying the voices of Maine.

Our listeners and viewers appreciate the support your community provides. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marvis Zou  
Direct Marketing and Membership Fundraising Specialist  
mzou@mainepublic.org, 800-884-1717 x 3045



### **Maine Public Organizational Overview**

Public radio and television broadcasting in the United States is organized as a cooperative of community-based stations which pool resources to create shared national programming and individually serve the needs of their communities.

Through its radio, television, educational and Web services, Maine Public provides inspiration, information and lifelong learning to a diverse public. Maine Public serves Maine, most of New Brunswick, Canada, and parts of New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Maine Public's services are available to everyone at no charge. Hundreds of thousands of people find value in Maine Public's services every day. Private donations — including those received from radio members, television members, program sponsors and contributors of unrestricted gifts — comprise the largest source of revenue for the organization. The membership base alone totals more than 54,000 individuals and families.

### **Formation of Maine Public**

Maine Public was formed in 1992 through the merger of the educational radio and television stations provided by the University of Maine System and WCBB public television operated by Colby, Bates and Bowdoin Colleges. Maine Public is an independently owned and operated 501(c)3 nonprofit organization with office and studio locations in Bangor, Lewiston and Portland, Maine.

### **Maine Public's Mission**

Maine Public connects the people of Maine and our region to each other and to the world through the open exchange of information, ideas, and cultural content.

### **Maine Public's Vision**

Maine Public will inform, inspire, and delight.

We will be recognized throughout Maine and beyond as an organization that has made a distinct difference by focusing in a disciplined manner on the issues most important to Maine and by being relentless in pursuit of the truth about them. We will also be noted for the consistent quality of the cultural and entertainment programming that we provide through collaborations with other organizations and independent producers.

We will continue to be regarded as a superb financial steward by all of our supporters, investing resources wisely across our multiple services: Web, radio, TV, and print. We will creatively build on the value created by PBS, NPR, and other organizations to deliver rich, rewarding content.

Maine Public will be known throughout Maine as an organization that listens and acts accordingly.

Our enterprise will help lead Maine towards its bright future.

### **Financial reports**

See Maine Public's federal financial reporting documentation at [mainepublic.org/financial-reports-990-forms](http://mainepublic.org/financial-reports-990-forms)



Home Care & Hospice  
225 Gorham Rd.  
South Portland, ME 04106

Office 800-757-3326  
Fax 207-400-8891

December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

To the Residents and Selectman of Porter:

On behalf of Northern Light Home Care & Hospice, thank you for this opportunity to introduce our organization and request funding for programming in 2022-2023. Founded in 1921, our mission is to provide clinically excellent, compassionate home health and hospice care to individuals and families. We provide crucial community health services to help your residents remain in the comfort of their own home for as long as they possibly can. We are nurses, rehabilitation therapists, social workers, home health aides, volunteers, and spiritual counselors. We provide pivotal and compassionate care when people are released from the hospital following illness or surgery, as well as when people elect end of life hospice services.

Although Northern Light Home Care & Hospice faced many challenges the past two years, we have not wavered in delivering high quality patient care, remaining devoted to our staff, and striving to improve the health of the people and communities we serve. In the last twelve months we have:

- conducted 121,130 visits to 8,752 homecare patients
- conducted 54,339 visits to 2,058 hospice patients

In addition to our hallmark Home Health and Hospice programs, we provide indispensable public health services in the community. Our COVID-19 pop-up clinics, school located vaccination clinics, and COVID-19 testing at various facilities and businesses had an outsized & meaningful community impact. In the twelve months ending September 30, 2022, we have:

- administered approximately 61,000 COVID vaccines
- administered nearly 10,000 flu vaccines
- administered 100s of homebound vaccinations

These visitation numbers are nothing short of remarkable during these unprecedented times. As an example of the good work we do, I share with you a quote from a grateful family.

“Dianna’s and my experience with hospice during her last seven weeks was totally positive. Hospice was very sensitive to our wanting minimum visits due to COVID worries, but the advice we received during the visits that did take place and over the telephone were invaluable. I would not want to go through such an end-of-life caregiving experience without hospice!”

While we get reimbursed from Medicare, MaineCare, and other insurers, this does not cover the full cost of care provided to those with, or without, insurance in your community. It also does not cover our efforts to assist members of your community who need a shower bench, blood pressure cuff, or nutritional assistance. Financial support provided by the Town of Porter would be used to offset the shortage in reimbursements for insured individuals, and to ensure care for those without insurance.

We hope that we have inspired you to consider supporting our work with a FY23 gift in the amount of \$250. Please be reminded that our clinicians live in the communities they serve, and our board of directors includes a representative residing in each county we cover. Along with this request, I have included our board list, a summary of the care provided in Porter last year, and our FY23 budget. Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

We are grateful for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Colleen Hilton

Senior VP, Continuing Care

President Home Care & Hospice



**FY 2022 statistics ending September 30, 2022**

Counties served include: Aroostook, Cumberland, Hancock, Kennebec, Oxford, Penobscot, Somerset, Sagadahoc, Waldo, Washington, York

Home Health Patients:	8,752
Home Health Visits:	121,130
Hospice Patients:	2,059
Hospice Visits:	54,344
Palliative Care Patients:	522

**FY 2022 Local Statistics Porter**

Home Health Patients:	20
Home Health Visits:	366
Hospice Patients:	1
Hospice Visits:	4
Est Value of Services:	\$95,349

\*\*total number of town served across the entire state in 2022 is greater than 425



Actual and Budget for year(s) ending 9/30	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budget
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>			
Inpatient Revenue	\$ 1,175,127	\$ 1,055,896	\$ 1,250,000
Outpatient Revenue	\$ 62,629,227	\$ 56,335,387	\$ 61,285,070
<b>Total Gross Patient Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 63,804,354</b>	<b>\$ 57,391,283</b>	<b>\$ 62,535,070</b>
<b>DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE</b>			
Inpatient Contractual Allowances	\$ 394,488	\$ 342,980	\$ 347,377
Outpatient Contractual Allowances	\$ 13,819,975	\$ 13,472,204	\$ 14,088,926
<b>Total Contractual Allowances</b>	<b>\$ 14,214,462</b>	<b>\$ 13,815,184</b>	<b>\$ 14,436,303</b>
Charity Care	\$ 17,498	\$ 10,825	\$ 5,607
<b>Total Deductions from Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 14,231,960</b>	<b>\$ 13,826,009</b>	<b>\$ 14,441,910</b>
<b>Total Net Patient Service Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 49,572,393</b>	<b>\$ 43,565,273</b>	<b>\$ 48,093,160</b>
<b>OTHER REVENUE</b>			
Net Sales and Contract Revenue	\$ 736,174	\$ 534,650	\$ 512,735
Other Revenue	\$ 23,641	\$ 36,354	\$ 18,141
Net Assets Released from Restriction	\$ 239,908	\$ 165,946	\$ 241,040
<b>Total Net Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 50,572,117</b>	<b>\$ 44,302,223</b>	<b>\$ 48,865,076</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Salaries and Wages	\$ 28,638,072	\$ 28,149,021	\$ 30,629,038
Employee Benefits	\$ 8,403,918	\$ 7,763,830	\$ 8,349,909
Professional Fees	\$ 623,375	\$ 2,179,006	\$ 1,145,952
Cost of Goods Sold	\$ -26,311	\$ -25,974	\$ -18,000
Supplies	\$ 2,840,395	\$ 2,337,048	\$ 3,140,104
Purchased Services	\$ 2,049,165	\$ 2,256,620	\$ 2,952,627
Leases and Rentals	\$ 805,309	\$ 904,043	\$ 780,618
Utilities	\$ 449,626	\$ 521,378	\$ 837,237
Insurance	\$ 268,672	\$ 362,548	\$ 301,792
Interest	\$ 0	\$ 812.66	\$ 0
Depreciation and Amortization	\$ 117,755	\$ 121,074	\$ 110,707
Other Expense	\$ 2,281,269	\$ 2,104,066	\$ 2,578,787
NLH Support Services	\$ 2,108,330	\$ 2,257,224	\$ 2,144,362
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 48,559,574</b>	<b>\$ 48,930,699</b>	<b>\$ 52,953,133</b>
<b>Net Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 2,012,543</b>	<b>\$ (4,628,475)</b>	<b>\$ (4,088,057)</b>

**Parsonsfield - Porter Historical Society  
P O Box 250 Parsonsfield, Maine 04047  
92 Main Street, Porter, Maine 04068**

December 2022

Budget Committee  
Town of Porter  
71 Main St.  
Porter, ME 04068

Dear Budget Committee Members:

The Parsonsfield - Porter Historical Society respectfully requests an appropriation of \$500.00 at your annual town meeting. This is the same amount requested for many years.

In the new year we need to have some building maintenance done at our History House. Supply chain issues and worker shortages prevented us from doing so in 2022; hopefully these problems will be resolved in 2023.

We were very pleased that we were able to pass through to the Town of Porter \$550 in donations that we received for the maintenance of the Old Porter Meetinghouse in 2022.

We appreciate your support in the past as we strive to preserve the history of our wonderful town.

Sincerely,  
Sylvia Wilson, Treasurer

2022 Annual Report

TREASURER'S REPORT - PARSONSFIELD PORTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Actual</u>	
<b>Checking Account Balance, 1/1/2022</b>			\$ 5,450.49
Add Income:			
Town of Parsonsfield - 2021 Receivable		\$ 500.00	
Town of Porter	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
Town of Parsonsfield	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
Membership Dues	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,210.00	
Donations	\$ 750.00	\$ 2,075.84	
Fundraising:			
Misc. Sales		\$ 28.00	
Book Sales	\$ 500.00	\$ 385.00	
Quilt Raffle	\$ 600.00	\$ 608.00	
Yard/Bake Sale	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,331.50	
Book Royalties Paid			
Sales Tax Collected		\$ 19.89	
Shipping Fees Collected		\$ 59.00	
Interest		\$ 2.71	
Transfer from Savings as needed	\$ 3,720.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 8,670.00</b>		<b>\$ 7,219.94</b>
Less Expenses:			
Insurance	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,816.00	
Postage/Box Rental	\$ 400.00	\$ 431.64	
Building Maintenance/Repairs	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 295.58	
Social Media	\$ 300.00	\$ 59.88	
Newsletter Printing	\$ 600.00	\$ 493.72	
Non-archival Supplies	\$ 300.00	\$ 289.11	
Archival Supplies	\$ 100.00		
Advertising	\$ 650.00	\$ 432.00	
Heating Oil	\$ 500.00		
Electric	\$ 500.00	\$ 631.51	
Water	\$ 475.00	\$ 488.18	
Program Stipends	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00	
Dues	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	
Office Furnishings and Equipment	\$ 500.00	\$ 200.42	
Exhibit Expenses/Fees	\$ 100.00		
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 75.00	\$ 35.00	
Sales Tax Paid to State		\$ 47.03	
Rental Fee - Town Hall Use		\$ 15.00	
Donation to Am. Legion for use of their hall		\$ 25.00	
Donations Collected for Meetinghouse Paid to Town		\$ 550.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 8,670.00</b>		<b>\$ (5,980.07)</b>
<b>Balance, December 31, 2022</b>			<b>\$6,690.36</b>

Respectfully Submitted, Sylvia P. Wilson, Treasurer



## Saco River Corridor Commission

*"Communities Working Together To Protect Our Rivers"*

December 13, 2022

Porter Budget Committee  
71 Main Street  
Porter, ME 04068

Dear Committee Members:

The Saco River Corridor Commission (SRCC) moved into its second decade of water quality testing in 2022. The testing areas most relevant to the Town of Porter are at the Maine/NH state line off Route 25 (O7), at the covered bridge on Kezar Mountain Road (O7-1), downriver of Kezar Falls village off Powerhouse Road (O8), and Spectacle Pond (SPEC). Attached you will find the SRCC's Water Quality Monitoring (WQM) Program testing results for 2022, with an analysis and recommendations for water quality protection.

The water quality program was created to help understand the types of issues that affect the water quality of the river and to help the Commission and area residents better understand how the surface water in the town contributes to their quality of life. There is a direct correlation between the quality of the rivers and streams in our towns and the aquifer that supplies our drinking water. As development and building continue, the water quality monitoring program will allow the town and the SRCC to better assess the standards in place that keep our community water systems clean.

This past season, thanks to a grant from the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund (MOHF), the Commission successfully moved *E.coli* and *Enterococci* sampling in-house, with advanced equipment from IDEXX Laboratories. This move has allowed the SRCC to expand the program through additional bacteria and chemical sampling to further evaluate and monitor the health of our waterways.

In May 2022, the MOHF issued the SRCC another grant to expand the scope of our water quality monitoring program. In 2023, the Commission will launch its pioneering program to isolate environmental DNA (eDNA) from the collected water samples. This analysis will allow the Commission to identify the probable source of *E.coli*, whether human or animal-derived, and provide much-needed guidance on strategies to address fecal contamination of our water bodies.

The annual Porter water quality report is enclosed. It identifies potential problem areas, including *E. coli* levels at site O8, that are approaching State Class B limits. Total Phosphorus (TP) measured on average within acceptable limits at this site. When the level was approaching Class B limits last year, the SRCC added chemical parameters such as total phosphorus to the sampling schedule. Adding these sampling parameters is important to identify other potential related water quality issues that may provide more information to help identify the problem source. *E. coli* levels at site O7-1 were higher than in previous years. The addition of TP sampling in 2023 could be of value and assist in assessing potential water quality issues and their source.

During the 2022 monitoring season, the SRCC spent a total of \$666.16 on sampling costs for the two sites monitored in Porter. Corridor-wide, the SRCC spent an additional \$21,006.68 on equipment, supplies, travel reimbursement, and personnel costs throughout the season. Without the town's assistance, we would not be able to conduct such extensive monitoring in Porter and throughout the watershed.

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P.O. Box 283 - Cornish, Maine 04020-0283 - (207) 625-8123 Fax (207) 625-7050 Email: [src@srcc-maine.org](mailto:src@srcc-maine.org)

## 2022 Annual Report

Due to the significantly increased costs to the overall program, including additional nutrient sampling and new project costs, the SRCC needs additional assistance to continue sampling at a level that meets the needs of Porter citizens. We request that the town provide enough funds to cover most of the sampling costs for Porter sample sites (O7-1, and SPEC) not including any other costs associated with the program, such as personnel equipment, data analysis provided in the annual town report, and more. The SRCC will incur all other costs. Without the town's assistance, we will not succeed in our mission to help towns identify and stop threats to water quality.

To that end, the Commission asks that the following statement be included as an article in your town warrant:

"The town will vote to raise and appropriate \$650 toward the support of the Saco River Corridor Commission for its continued water quality monitoring program."

We thank the town of Porter for your continued support of the water quality program and look forward to providing you with many more years of valuable information. Please let us know if the town of Porter has any recommendations for other recreational or public sites within the Corridor that would benefit from being added to our sampling schedule in 2023.

Our goal is to protect the value of the rivers and lakes in our area. We will continue to do our part, but we need the town's help to succeed. Please do not hesitate to contact us with comments, questions, or suggestions about the program or any of the work we do. Please let us know when your budget meeting is scheduled so we can send a representative to speak to this important request.

Thank you very sincerely for your time and consideration.

Warm regards,



Dalyn P. Houser  
Executive Director

Enclosure: Water Quality Analysis Report – Porter 2022

\*Amounts represent the sampling cost.  
Travel and personnel time are not included and represent an additional expense.

Saco River Corridor Commission  
Sampling Cost per Municipality

2022 Season

Parameter	ALK	TP	PO4	NO3+NO2	TDN+DOC	<i>E.coli</i>	<i>Enterr.</i>
<b>Cost per sample</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>\$7.00</b>	<b>\$7.00</b>	<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>\$30.28</b>	<b>\$38.87</b>

Porter

SPEC	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
O7-1	0	0	0	0	0	13	0
<b>Total per parameter</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$666.16</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$666.16</b>						

## Overall comments on Porter’s water quality

- Porter’s water quality for the sites tested in 2022 is good.
  - A few occasions where parameters measured outside of acceptable ranges but that is a typical observance in field work.
  - *E. coli* at O8 continues to be high and is approaching Class B limits. Total phosphorus – a new parameter in 2022 – did show TP levels on average to be within acceptable limits.
  - *E. coli* at O7-1 this year had higher levels than the two previous years. This site could be a good candidate for total phosphorus analysis.
- Ways to improve/protect water quality:
  - Make sure there is good riparian vegetation near running water.
  - Best Management practices to prevent erosion.
  - Reduced/no salt areas around bodies of water.
    - Recalibrate trucks so salt stays on road.
    - Brining.
  - Have septic systems checked regularly.
  - In areas of high swim activity consider whether seasonal toilet facilities are feasible.

**SACO RIVER FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION**

Enriching Maine's Culture  
for Over 30 Years



Town of Porter  
Budget Committee

November 28, 2022

Hello,

The Saco River Festival Association would like to request that the following article\* be placed on the Porter Town Meeting agenda for 2022.

The Saco River Festival Association is a non-profit Corporation formed in 1976 in Parsonsfield for the purpose of promoting quality music and arts programs in the Sacopec Valley area. The SRFA has been organizing the Cornish Bandstand Summer Concert Series for a long time now. In 2022 we scheduled four bands for concerts. Feedback from the audiences has been positive, and many musical groups love the venue and want to return. We believe that the advertising and visitor traffic is beneficial to the entire Sacopec region. We are thankful for the financial support from the SAD 55 towns in past years, and the Association is continuing to underwrite the Bandstand concerts with donations only.

SRFA strives to provide a venue for Maine artists and to provide affordable entertainment for the community. Donations during the Bandstand concerts from the audience, sponsorships from local businesses, and funds from other SRFA projects help to defray the costs of the musical groups. We hope to continue supporting artistic and musical events for the SAD 55 schools, and also hope to resume providing student scholarships for musical pursuits.

We would appreciate your consideration in planning the next Town Meeting warrant to include this article. Thank you very much!

Sincerely, *Sharon Beever*

Sharon Beever

For the SRFA Board of Directors

\*\* To see if the Town will vote to contribute \$300 toward the costs of the Sacopec Summer Concert Series at the Cornish Bandstand organized by the Saco River Festival Association.

## Sacopee Valley Recreation Council Annual Report for Porter

December 2022

Sacopee Valley Recreation Council has provided a wide variety of programs for members of the communities in this area since 1989. SVRC is a registered non-profit organization. The council conducts business through a board of directors who are volunteers and two part time paid coordinators. Currently our paid coordinators are Kathy Hewey and Jocelyn Nielsen. Kathy Hewey will be stepping down and we will be finding her replacement in the next month or two. The coordination of duties of the co-coordinators, along with their communication skills and great work ethic certainly contribute to making this small program work in big ways.

Normally we plan and oversee engaging and diverse activities—including traditional sports programs for youth in grades K-6, imaginative summer camps and a low-cost learn to swim program, not to mention several free offerings, such as open gym, cross-country skiing and ice skating, women's volleyball, Friday night cribbage, and Easter egg hunts.

This past spring, we were able to have sign-ups for baseball and softball after not having a season in 2020 and a smaller season in 2021. We were back in full swing this season and it went well with high numbers! Karate continued as before except recently it moved from Pike Hall back to the elementary school gym.

Summer camps resumed in 2022 with great attendance and interest. We were allowed to use school indoor facilities and the Ossipee Valley Fairgrounds for two camps, we had basketball at the middle and high schools, and soccer camp was at the school fields as well as the Cornish fields. The Field Hockey camp was at the elem. school fields and Pickleball was held at the tennis courts.

In the fall soccer and field hockey were both successful, as well as starting Cheer back up. We were still using Cornish fields which worked out wonderfully. In November we were given permission by the school to conduct an indoor soccer program for 3 Mondays in a row which went smoothly, and the kids really enjoyed it. A record number of youth signed up for basketball and this year we get to have home games as well as at the Fryeburg Rec center. Rick Buzzell of Fryeburg is coordinating all game schedules, securing referees, and setting league rules for those games at Fryeburg. Josie Nielsen is securing refs and having the middle school gym set up for home games. We have started our cheer program back up which we know can be expensive. This winter practices will take place at the Baldwin Community Center.

We continue to have expenses such as advertizing, insurance, and equipment as well as coordinators pay. We hope to be able to add more activities as time goes on if we can do them safely and have a place to do them. We had a successful fundraiser for baseball that was to help with the major expenses that come with baseball, and we are doing what we can to keep the fees as low as possible. And lastly it is our mission to provide our programs to all children regardless of a family's ability to pay. We offer coupon codes so families only must pay what they can, or if nothing at all, then we can still sign them up for free.

None of this would be possible without the help and support of the citizens of the five towns. We would like to thank everyone for this support and we want everyone to know that we welcome more folks to join us in supporting recreation in the area. If you have a desire to help in any way, please let us know.

Sincerely,

SVRC Board of Directors

Participant numbers for Porter

Spring (Baseball, softball)—34 Summer Camps—21

Fall (soccer, field hockey) ---40 Winter (basketball, karate) ---38

The article for the warrant----

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000 for the Sacopee Valley Recreation Council



**Sacopee Valley Snow Drifters  
Snowmobile Club  
PO Box 210  
Porter, ME 04068**



December 22, 2022

Town of Porter  
71 Main Street  
Porter, ME 04068

To Whom It May Concern,

The Sacopee Valley Snow Drifters will not be putting in a budget request this year.

We would like to thank the Town of Porter for supporting us in our application for a Municipal Grant. We have been approved for the grant. The grant funds and membership dollars will help us continue to maintain and improve our trail system.

Sacopee Valley Snow Drifters has combined with Hiram Hill Climbers. In 2022 we have been able to repair and replace some bridges as well as reroute a few trails to make riding more enjoyable and help trail maintenance run smoothly. We are looking forward to a great riding season for 2023.

Thank you for your support,

Jenilee Barsanti

Sacopee Valley Snow Drifters

Secretary/Treasurer



*Working to End Domestic Violence*

October, 2022

Town of Porter  
71 Main St  
Porter, ME 04068-3557

Dear Town of Porter,

The past year has been a time of reflection and connection for us here at Safe Voices. We have spent time thinking about why we do this work, appreciating a community that steadfastly supports us, and considering ways to further empower all survivors. All of our progress in the courtroom, in school systems, and with each individual who comes to Safe Voices for services, is made possible by the effort invested by every staff member here at Safe Voices.

This is just a peek at how our advocacy team spent their past year:

- Safe Voices advocates served a total of 2,155 survivors of domestic abuse, sex trafficking, and sexual exploitation.
- We provided 8,972 hours of legal and civil advocacy services.
- We arranged 5,429 nights in our shelter, safe house, and hotels, providing safety for survivors in crisis.

All of these services are free to survivors, and supporting our work means you support them as well as the staff of caring, qualified individuals who advocate for them every day. Our employees are our greatest asset, and a central value of Safe Voices is to provide fair pay and benefits to all. Although we receive grants and other sources of funding, much of the funding excludes employee pay because grantmakers want to focus on programming or facilities. We need those items funded, but we also need to continue to ensure that Safe Voices is an excellent place to work and one that values the time, training, and dedication of our employees.

In an effort to continue maintaining the highest talent of domestic violence advocates and housing advocates, we are asking you to support the work our advocates do.

- Your gift of \$50 could allow an advocate to offer an hour of advocacy to a survivor, to offer safety planning, information about the legal system, and referrals to others who may help.
- Your gift of \$150 could allow us to provide one night of shelter — a room, meals, safety, and rest — for a survivor.
- Your gift of \$250 could allow a courtroom advocate to be in court with survivors for one day, ensuring that a survivor doesn't walk into that courtroom to face their abuser alone.

We appreciate your commitment to survivors and our work. We expect the need for our services to continue to rise in the new year, and we ask you to consider making a gift to ensure our staff can meet that call.

Warmly,

**ELISE M. JOHANSEN**  
Executive Director

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November 21, 2022

Town of Porter  
Select Board Members  
71 Main Street  
Porter ME 04068

Dear Select Board Members,

SeniorsPlus, the Western Maine Area Agency on Aging, is requesting \$1200 to support its work in your town with older people and those with disabilities and their families.

While the Covid-19 pandemic created stress on our health and human services systems and our organization, we also learned a great deal. During the pandemic, we began offering several of our education classes using Zoom. With the ability to provide laptops and training to those who needed it, we found we could reach more people. This has allowed for more participants in our programs, no matter where they live.

SeniorsPlus continues to operate using a hybrid model. Clients can access all the services offered either virtually, telephonically, or in-person. Fortunately, this past year we began opening services to in-person visits. In addition to Lewiston, we have office locations in Wilton and Norway to better meet the needs of community members in all three counties we serve. Throughout the pandemic, our Meals on Wheels home delivered meals program never ceased to operate, ensuring we met client's nutritional needs.

The services SeniorsPlus provides are free and there is no income eligibility. That said, a local dollar match is required to receive federal support from the Older Americans Act, which provides the needed funding to make these services available to all who can benefit from them. For every \$.25 you contribute, we contribute \$1.00 of our Older Americans Act funding.

Our work touches the most vulnerable, our valued older adults and those with disabilities. As the number of older adults in Maine continues to grow each year, the number of people needing services continues to grow as well. That said, the funding to support those services does not. Your financial support is crucial.

Attached is a list of the services we provided to residents of your town during the past year. Thank you for your consideration of our request. And please, do not hesitate to reach out if further information would be helpful in making your decision.

My best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Heather Davis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Heather Davis  
Chief Operating Officer

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## ***Summary of Services Report 2022***

**SeniorsPlus** is the designated Area Agency on Aging for your county. Our job is to support your residents in independent living and healthy aging. We act as a hub of information, assistance, referrals, and education.

SeniorsPlus assisted **26** Porter residents during the past year. Here is a breakdown of those services.

**1,221** Meals on Wheels were delivered to **8** residents

**57** requests for information were answered by Aging Specialists

*"I took a Meals on Wheels referral today from a woman who had a stroke and is now legally blind. She explained that she has a really hard time making meals for herself and tends to eat all the wrong food because it is easier for her. When she realized she qualified for meals, she began to cry because she was so happy."*

*"A client I spoke with this afternoon has called SeniorsPlus off and on over the last several years and she stated that she is always pleased with the competence and professionalism of our staff. Whenever she has called she has been assisted and our staff has always been very pleasant and helpful."*

**1-800-427-1241**



**[www.seniorsplus.org](http://www.seniorsplus.org)**



November 16th, 2022

To the town of Porter,

Smooth Feather Youth is a 501(c)(3) non-profit with the mission to **work with youth to do what makes us come alive in service of our community. Based at the historic Kezar Falls Theater in Southern Maine, we make films, create within the arts, explore the outdoors, and have open circles that allow for inspiration, adventure, and growth. Our incredible Patrons allow us to offer all our films and events free of charge for all to attend.**

For the past seven years, we have been working with youth in the S.A.D. 55 area by offering the following programs:

**Smooth Feather Film School** is a film school hosted multiple times throughout the year where local youth write, film, and edit an original film, which is then premiered on the red carpet for the community. Each film school has a one-to-one student to staff ratio, which provides our participants with a high level of professional instruction. It has been amazing to see the support from the community, as well as the creativity pouring out of our youth. This year our summer film "AS WE ARE" was accepted into both the Maine Outdoor Film Festival and the Boston International Kids Film Festival. We furthermore release all of our films online after their public premieres at the Kezar Falls Theater, and we are honored to have our films be a catalyst for community conversation and growth.

**Smooth Feather Excursions** is an after school adventure program for youth. Our aim is to immerse them in the beautiful Maine outdoors and challenge ourselves in nature to establish a powerful bond. Smooth Feather Excursions offers this opportunity to a handful of participants every winter, spring, and fall for five-week sessions which often culminates with an overnight weekend excursion.

**Smooth Feather Youth Theater Events** happen throughout the year and range from movie screenings, to art shows, to concerts, to one of the best variety shows around. As part of our mission, we make all events at the theater free to attend to ensure that all community members are able to regardless of their financial situation.

The above programming takes considerable resources annually, so we always welcome donations. Last year we were incredibly honored and humbled to have Porter's support and it would be a huge help if the town was willing to make another donation of \$600 to Smooth Feather Youth. It would be an honor to continue collaborating with the town of Porter as we continue to grow and offer our youth creative outlets, inspiring events, and most importantly, a strong community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Silas Hagerty", written in a cursive style.

Silas Hagerty - Executive Director : Smooth Feather Youth



*Serving the Municipalities of Southern Maine for Over 50 years*

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December 19, 2022

Town of Porter  
Attn: Brent Day  
71 Main Street  
Porter, ME 04068

Dear Brent;

With 2023 upon us, I am pleased to report that it was a fulfilling year as we have collectively emerged from the pandemic. It's been wonderful to reconnect in person with many of you and yet still enjoy the benefits of Zoom meetings for efficiency.

As you know, SMPDC is a non-partisan nonprofit (Council of Governments) founded in 1964 to provide technical expertise and lead regional planning and economic development for land use, smart growth, resource management, affordable housing, environmental sustainability, and transportation planning. In short, we cultivate and strengthen thriving, sustainable communities and local governments for our 39 member towns in York County and southern Oxford and Cumberland Counties.

Our nonprofit continues to provide affordable, valuable services to you such as planning assistance, cooperative purchasing, access to federal and state grant programs, and collaboration on issues of regional concern. Our technical assistance covers land use, transit and economic development - from providing traffic counts, road service management, grant writing services, to demographic and Census information. Most of our towns benefit from our cooperative purchasing program which offers savings on road salt, paving, and other town purchasing. Last year, your community saved \$14,843.00 from purchasing through SMPDC.

Regional planning has never been more important to meet your needs and those of our region. Because we're seeing increased demands from towns for assistance, our programs and services continue to grow as well. We've just brought on board a new Director of Strategic Initiatives to spearhead a recently funded regional broadband program and to provide assistance with the affordable housing crisis Maine is experiencing. It's this responsiveness to your needs that sets SMPDC apart, something that will continue to grow as we build on our regional and cooperative approach to all we do.

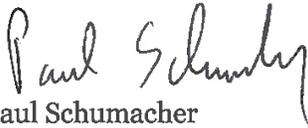
110 Main Street, Suite 1400, Saco, ME 04072  
207.571-7065 Voice • 207.571-7068 Fax  
[smpdc.org](http://smpdc.org)

As a result of our growth to meet your needs, we are requesting a modest increase in dues of 3%. Please keep in mind that our dues are below the rates for other regional planning agencies across the state and are based on a method that accounts for both valuation and population of your community. These annual membership dues are for the upcoming fiscal year beginning July 2023. **Your dues amount for 2023-2024 will be \$614.00.** We are grateful for your continued support.

We have included a page entitled ***Benefits to All Communities*** that details the services provided by Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission.

As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns. I can be reached at [pschumacher@smpdc.org](mailto:pschumacher@smpdc.org) or call our office at (207) 751-7065.

Best regards,



Paul Schumacher

Executive Director

# *Southwest Oxford County Nutrition, Inc.*

S.O.C.N. Regional Food Pantry  
P.O. Box 85,  
Fryeburg, Maine 04037

A Non-profit, Public Benefit Corporation  
registered with the Maine Secretary of State  
Tax Exempt under section 501(c)3

Date: November 10, 2021

Town of Porter Budget Committee

71 Main St., Porter, Me. 04068

Dear Budget Committee:

Our food pantry serves the towns of Brownfield, Chatham, Denmark, Fryeburg, Hiram, Lovell, Porter, Stoneham, and Stow. We are an all volunteer organization with no paid positions. Our volunteers include teachers, nurses, clergy, computer technicians, security personnel, parents, and senior citizens.

Our annual income of \$50,250 is comprised of money from participating towns, grants, fundraisers and donations. These monies go directly to the needs of our clients.

We continue to provide about 3,700 people and any person +/- family in these towns who are in need with approximately \$290,000 worth of food.

Due to Covid protocols we had to change the way we distribute our food in order to keep both clients and volunteers safe. Masks were worn at all times. We now have a drive up distribution where our volunteers load up food into the clients cars.

The cost of food continues to increase. We receive monthly food supplements from the federal government, and as members of the Wayside Food Program, we receive food boxes for our older clients to help supplement their nutritional needs.

We continue to have a good relationship with The Brownfield Country Market, Walmart, and Hannaford. They are very generous in allowing us to purchase food at a reduced price.

We ask for your continued support. We are requesting \$3,100 to help serve the needs of your towns people in the best way possible.

If you have any questions or need a S.O.C.N. representative to attend a budget meeting, please contact Roger Benson @ 935-2620.

Sincerely,

The S.O.C.N. board of directors



# TRI-COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

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Statewide Crisis Services: 1-888-568-1112  
TTY: 1-888-568-1112  
[www.tcmhs.org](http://www.tcmhs.org)

### LEWISTON

Mailing:  
P.O. Box 2008  
Lewiston, ME 04241-2008

Location:  
1155 Lisbon Street  
Lewiston, ME 04240  
Main Number 783.9141  
Toll Free: 1.800.787.1155

### SOCIAL LEARNING CENTER

80 Strawberry Ave  
Lewiston, ME 04240  
Main Number 783.4672  
Toll Free: 1.877.208.6134

### BRIDGTON

32 No. High Street  
Bridgton, ME 04009  
Main Number 647.5629  
Toll Free: 1.800.286.5629

### FARMINGTON

144 High Street, Ste. 1  
Farmington, ME 04938  
Main Number 778.3556  
Toll Free: 1.800.559.3556

### OXFORD HILLS

143 Pottle Road  
Oxford, ME 04270  
Main Number 743.7911  
Toll Free: 1.800.750.7911

### RUMFORD

49 Congress Street  
Rumford, ME 04276  
Main Number 364.7981  
Toll Free: 1.800.371.7981



December 8, 2022

Janice Miller  
Town of Porter  
71 Main Street  
Porter, ME 04068

RE: Town Funding Allocation Request

Dear Ms. Miller:

For more than 70 years, Tri-County Mental Health Services has been offering hope, healing and recovery to those who face the challenges of mental illness, substance use disorders, developmental disabilities and more. We deliver state-of-the-art treatment that is trauma-informed, recovery-based and integrated to thousands of Mainers every year. The outcomes-driven, recovery-oriented and cost-effective services we provide across the state include outpatient counseling for adults and children, substance-use disorder treatment, specialized group programs and Behavioral Health Home programming that is delivered by an integrated team of professionals.

Tri-County's services provide significant benefits to the health, well-being and economic strength of an entire community, often making it possible for people to maintain employment and independence and helping to keep families together and strong. Some who turn to us are fortunate enough to have insurance to cover the treatment they need. However, many others depend on funds contributed by municipalities, the United Way and others to ensure their access to the care.

Over the past year, Tri-County was honored to serve six individuals from the Town of Porter. The cost to provide services to Porter residents through our Bridgton location totals \$2,720 per client, or \$16,320 total for all six Porter clients. Your funding allocation ensures that we can continue to keep our Bridgton office operating, maintained and adequately staffed to provide needed treatment services to those Porter residents who need it most.

In support of the services Tri-County provides to residents of the Town of Porter, we ask that you consider making a commitment of \$500 to ensure that all who need our help get the care they need. Tri-County uses town contributions to fund direct treatment services for people who have no pay source and no other means of payment. Those in need of help might include people who lost their healthcare coverage and are not eligible for MaineCare or others who have exhausted the limited funding available to them and still require services. We hope you will help us continue to provide the quality care that people, families and communities need by making a contribution this year.

Sincerely,

Leslie Ogilvie, MPA  
Manager of Grants and Communications



February 17, 2023

Selectboard  
Town of Porter  
Porter, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Porter and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Porter as of and for the year ended January 31, 2023. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2023 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

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

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## SCHEDULE 1

## TOWN OF PORTER

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2023**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, February 1, Restated	\$ 1,006,112	\$ 1,006,112	\$ 1,006,112	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property Taxes	1,944,942	1,944,942	\$ 1,925,809	(19,133)
Excise Taxes	330,000	330,000	418,875	88,875
Interest on Taxes	10,000	10,000	12,284	2,284
Total Taxes	<u>2,284,942</u>	<u>2,284,942</u>	<u>2,356,968</u>	<u>72,026</u>
Intergovernmental Revenues:				
State Revenue Sharing	226,161	226,161	235,143	8,982
Homestead Exemption	107,706	107,706	112,249	4,543
Veteran Reimbursement	-	-	579	579
Tree Growth Reimbursement	-	-	23,263	23,263
Other	89	89	7,391	7,302
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>333,956</u>	<u>333,956</u>	<u>378,625</u>	<u>44,669</u>
Licenses, Permits and Fees	-	14,731	14,931	200
Charges for Services:				
Rental Income	-	540	540	-
Planning Board	-	-	550	550
Public Works	-	-	394	394
Animal Control	-	-	610	610
Total Charges for Services	<u>-</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>2,094</u>	<u>1,554</u>
Investment Income	-	-	9,011	9,011
Miscellaneous Revenues:				
Sale of Town Property	-	-	49,990	49,990
Misc Revenues	-	586	12,838	12,252
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>586</u>	<u>62,828</u>	<u>62,242</u>
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>3,625,010</u>	<u>3,640,867</u>	<u>3,830,569</u>	<u>189,702</u>

## SCHEDULE 1 (CONTINUED)

## TOWN OF PORTER

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General Government	202,600	217,469	210,479	6,990
Boards and Associations	4,850	4,850	3,125	1,725
Culture and Recreation	10,250	10,250	10,250	-
Protection	206,823	206,823	204,004	2,819
Highway and Roads	465,000	465,000	461,234	3,766
Health and Sanitation and General Assistance	106,450	106,450	108,238	(1,788)
Education	1,279,420	1,279,420	1,287,102	(7,682)
County Tax	144,537	144,537	144,537	-
Debt Service	24,460	24,460	24,460	-
Unclassified	37,543	37,543	19,037	18,506
Local Area Agencies	14,965	14,965	14,965	-
Transfers to Other Funds	122,000	122,988	126,147	(3,159)
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>2,618,898</u>	<u>2,634,755</u>	<u>2,613,578</u>	<u>21,177</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 31	<u>\$ 1,006,112</u>	<u>\$ 1,006,112</u>	<u>\$ 1,216,991</u>	<u>\$ 210,879</u>

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

## STATEMENT C

## TOWN OF PORTER

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JANUARY 31, 2023

	General Fund	Stanley Higgins Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,710,704	\$ 265,720	\$ 198,197	\$ 2,174,621
Investments	-	-	10,603	10,603
Accounts receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles):				
Taxes	119,659	-	-	119,659
Liens	18,348	-	-	18,348
Other	4,649	-	-	4,649
Prepaid items	1,156	-	-	1,156
Tax acquired property	2,955	-	-	2,955
Due from other funds	12,833	-	508,899	521,732
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,870,304</b>	<b>\$ 265,720</b>	<b>\$ 717,699</b>	<b>\$ 2,853,723</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Due to other governments	\$ 16,611	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,611
Due to other funds	508,899	-	12,833	521,732
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>525,510</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,833</b>	<b>538,343</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred tax revenues	127,803	-	-	127,803
Advanced payment of LRAP funding	-	-	19,638	19,638
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>127,803</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,638</b>	<b>147,441</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>				
Nonspendable	4,111	-	120,884	124,995
Restricted	-	265,720	84,240	349,960
Committed	-	-	488,794	488,794
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,212,880	-	(8,690)	1,204,190
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>1,216,991</b>	<b>265,720</b>	<b>685,228</b>	<b>2,167,939</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 1,870,304</b>	<b>\$ 265,720</b>	<b>\$ 717,699</b>	<b>\$ 2,853,723</b>

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## STATEMENT E

## TOWN OF PORTER

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND  
BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2023**

	General Fund	Stanley Higgins Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 1,938,093	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,938,093
Excise taxes	418,875	-	-	418,875
Intergovernmental revenues	378,625	-	127,601	506,226
Charges for services	17,025	-	-	17,025
Miscellaneous revenues	71,839	15,971	653	88,463
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>2,824,457</b>	<b>15,971</b>	<b>128,254</b>	<b>2,968,682</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
General government	210,479	-	-	210,479
Boards and associations	3,125	-	-	3,125
Culture and recreation	10,250	-	-	10,250
Protection	204,004	-	-	204,004
Highway and roads	461,234	-	-	461,234
Health and sanitation and general assistance	108,238	-	-	108,238
Education	1,287,102	-	-	1,287,102
County tax	144,537	-	-	144,537
Debt service:				
Principal	21,441	-	-	21,441
Interest	3,019	-	-	3,019
Unclassified	19,037	29,244	98,968	147,249
Local area agencies	14,965	-	-	14,965
Capital outlay	-	-	1,095,588	1,095,588
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2,487,431</b>	<b>29,244</b>	<b>1,194,556</b>	<b>3,711,231</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>337,026</b>	<b>(13,273)</b>	<b>(1,066,302)</b>	<b>(742,549)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Bond proceeds	-	-	838,406	838,406
Transfers in	-	-	126,147	126,147
Transfers (out)	(126,147)	-	-	(126,147)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(126,147)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>964,553</b>	<b>838,406</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>210,879</b>	<b>(13,273)</b>	<b>(101,749)</b>	<b>95,857</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - FEBRUARY 1, RESTATED</b>	<b>1,006,112</b>	<b>278,993</b>	<b>786,977</b>	<b>2,072,082</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 31</b>	<b>\$ 1,216,991</b>	<b>\$ 265,720</b>	<b>\$ 685,228</b>	<b>\$ 2,167,939</b>

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF PORTER

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
General Government -					
Town officer salaries	\$ 123,500	\$ 13,892	\$ 137,392	\$ 140,746	\$ (3,354)
Town office account	55,000	977	55,977	57,982	(2,005)
Insurance and workers comp	9,100	-	9,100	7,988	1,112
Contingency	15,000	-	15,000	3,763	11,237
	<u>202,600</u>	<u>14,869</u>	<u>217,469</u>	<u>210,479</u>	<u>6,990</u>
Boards and Associations -					
Planning and appeals board	1,000	-	1,000	636	364
Comprehensive planning	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Conservation committee	2,850	-	2,850	1,489	1,361
	<u>4,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,850</u>	<u>3,125</u>	<u>1,725</u>
Culture and Recreation -					
Kezar Falls library	5,750	-	5,750	5,750	-
Historical society	500	-	500	500	-
Sacopee Valley recreation	4,000	-	4,000	4,000	-
	<u>10,250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,250</u>	<u>10,250</u>	<u>-</u>
Protection -					
Kezars Falls fire department	52,325	-	52,325	52,325	-
Sacopee rescue	81,000	-	81,000	81,000	-
Harvest Hills animal shelter	1,498	-	1,498	1,498	-
Animal control	2,000	-	2,000	1,678	322
E911 communications	7,000	-	7,000	6,855	145
Hydrants	53,000	-	53,000	50,254	2,746
Street lights	10,000	-	10,000	10,394	(394)
	<u>206,823</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>206,823</u>	<u>204,004</u>	<u>2,819</u>

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF PORTER

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Highway and Roads -					
Winter roads	285,000	-	285,000	284,391	609
Summer roads	180,000	-	180,000	176,843	3,157
	<u>465,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>465,000</u>	<u>461,234</u>	<u>3,766</u>
Health and Sanitation and General Assistance -					
Solid waste account	105,450	-	105,450	106,761	(1,311)
General assistance	1,000	-	1,000	1,477	(477)
	<u>106,450</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>106,450</u>	<u>108,238</u>	<u>(1,788)</u>
Education -					
RSU #55	1,279,420	-	1,279,420	1,287,102	(7,682)
	<u>1,279,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,279,420</u>	<u>1,287,102</u>	<u>(7,682)</u>
County Tax -					
Oxford County	144,537	-	144,537	144,537	-
	<u>144,537</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>144,537</u>	<u>144,537</u>	<u>-</u>
Debt Service -					
Principal	21,441	-	21,441	21,441	-
Interest	3,019	-	3,019	3,019	-
	<u>24,460</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,460</u>	<u>24,460</u>	<u>-</u>

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF PORTER

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Unclassified -					
Abatements/overlay	37,543	-	37,543	19,037	18,506
	<u>37,543</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,543</u>	<u>19,037</u>	<u>18,506</u>
Local Area Agencies -					
Southwest Oxford County Nutrition	3,100	-	3,100	3,100	-
Saco River Corridor	600	-	600	600	-
Sacopee Valley Festival	300	-	300	300	-
Maine Public	100	-	100	100	-
Community Concepts	3,000	-	3,000	3,000	-
Seniors Plus	1,200	-	1,200	1,200	-
Healthcare Access	570	-	570	570	-
MaineHealth Care at Home	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Lifeflight Foundation	749	-	749	749	-
American Legion - West Day Post	400	-	400	400	-
American Red Cross	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Friends of Porter	500	-	500	500	-
Smooth Feather Youth	600	-	600	600	-
Saco Valley Snowdrifters	750	-	750	750	-
Southern Maine Planning	596	-	596	596	-
	<u>14,965</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,965</u>	<u>14,965</u>	<u>-</u>
Transfers to Other Funds -					
Special revenue funds	122,000	988	122,988	126,147	(3,159)
	<u>122,000</u>	<u>988</u>	<u>122,988</u>	<u>126,147</u>	<u>(3,159)</u>
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 2,618,898</b>	<b>\$ 15,857</b>	<b>\$ 2,634,755</b>	<b>\$ 2,613,578</b>	<b>\$ 21,177</b>

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## SCHEDULE B

## TOWN OF PORTER

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JANUARY 31, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 198,197	\$ 198,197
Investments	-	10,603	10,603
Due from other funds	508,432	467	508,899
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 508,432</u>	<u>\$ 209,267</u>	<u>\$ 717,699</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Due to other funds	\$ 7,566	\$ 5,267	\$ 12,833
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>7,566</u>	<u>5,267</u>	<u>12,833</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Advanced payment of LRAP funding	19,638	-	19,638
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<u>19,638</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,638</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Nonspendable	-	120,884	120,884
Restricted	-	84,240	84,240
Committed	488,794	-	488,794
Assigned	-	-	-
Unassigned	(7,566)	(1,124)	(8,690)
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>481,228</u>	<u>204,000</u>	<u>685,228</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 508,432</u>	<u>\$ 209,267</u>	<u>\$ 717,699</u>

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## TOWN OF PORTER

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Intergovernmental	\$ 127,601	\$ -	\$ 127,601
Interest income	-	103	103
Miscellaneous	550	-	550
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>128,151</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>128,254</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Program expenditures	98,968	-	98,968
Capital outlay	1,095,588	-	1,095,588
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>1,194,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,194,556</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>(1,066,405)</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>(1,066,302)</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>			
Bond proceeds	838,406	-	838,406
Transfers in	126,147	-	126,147
Transfers (out)	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<u>964,553</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>964,553</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>(101,852)</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>(101,749)</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - FEBRUARY 1, RESTATED</b>	<u>583,080</u>	<u>203,897</u>	<u>786,977</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 31</b>	<u>\$ 481,228</u>	<u>\$ 204,000</u>	<u>\$ 685,228</u>

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