



**TOWN OF HIRAM  
2019  
ANNUAL REPORT**



RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED TO  
**JIM AND MARY HANNAFORD**

*Town of Hiram*

*The 2019 Town Report is graciously dedicated to  
Jim and Mary Hannaford*

*These two are amazing, community oriented, kind hearted, talented people that we are very fortunate to say they are residents of Hiram. Jim's family has been in Hiram for many, many years, many of us remembering Fred, his father, and his wonderful greenhouse full of beautiful flowers and plants located in South Hiram beside Jim and Mary's house now. Jim and Mary salvaged the original farmhouse after a major fire burned the greenhouse and part of the farmhouse and moved it to the top of the hill on the same property.*

*Jim and Mary are members of or volunteers for several organizations throughout our community such as: Riverside Methodist Church, Riverside Food Pantry, Hiram Historical Society, 2014 Bicentennial Committee, Sacopee Community Band, Men's Prayer Breakfast, United Methodist Women, 21 Club, Hiram Cemetery Committee, Nursing Home Singers, Ballot Clerk, Senior Community Services (meals on wheels) and volunteers at the Stanley Cemetery. Not many couples can have this long list of organizations and community functions on their resume! They are always on the go and always with a smile. We are so very proud and fortunate to have them in this small community. It takes people like them to keep a community together and rich with support and love.  
We cannot say thank you enough to you Jim and Mary!*

*Town of Hiram, Maine*

*Annual Report  
Of the  
Municipal Officers  
Of the  
Town of Hiram  
Maine*

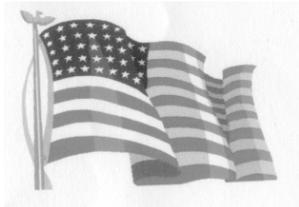


*For the Fiscal Year Ending  
December 31, 2019*

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### **DISCLAIMER**

*This town report is for informational purposes only.  
We apologize for any errors or omissions that  
we may have missed during editing.*

**--- NOTICE ---**

This report is submitted subject to an audit by a qualified public accountant, in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 216, Public Laws of Maine, 1937.

**--- SPECIAL NOTICE ---**

To veterans or other persons who desire to secure any exemption of taxes in Hiram, shall on or before the first day of April, 2020, notify in writing the assessors of Hiram, and furnish proof of entitlement. Excerpt of Public Laws of the State of Maine passed by 95<sup>th</sup> legislature, Chapter 160, Public Laws of 1951.

**--- ASSESSOR'S NOTICE ---**

To bring to the assessors of the Town of Hiram, a true and perfect list by all persons, and all their estates, real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, which they possessed or otherwise held on the first day of April, 2020, also to be prepared to take oath to the truth of the same.

**--- NOTICE ---**

Excerpts from Statutory provisions governing Town Reports. A list shall be included of all unpaid taxes which have been committed for collection, giving the names of all delinquent taxpayers and the amount due from each; except persons receiving pauper assistance.

**TOWN OFFICE HOURS**

**MON – THURS 9 A.M. – 3 P.M.**

**THURS EVENINGS 5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.**

**FRI- 9 A.M. – NOON**

**MUNICIPAL OFFICER'S MEETINGS EVERY THURS  
EVENING AT 7 P.M.**

**2nd Saturday of the month  
8 to 11a.m.**

## TOWN OFFICERS FOR 2019

### SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Elected – 3 year terms – March

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Joyce Siracuse     | 2020 |
| Eric Durgin        | 2021 |
| Herbert J Marshall | 2022 |

### MODERATOR

Elected  
Walter Brink

### TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR, TREASURER REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR ALL STATE AGENCIES STANLEY CEMETERY TREASURER, OUTLYING CEMETERY COMMITTEE SEC/TREAS TOWN WEB DESIGNER

Appointed – 1 year term - March  
Marylou F. Stacey

### BOOKKEEPER/SECRETARY DEPUTY TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR, TREASURER E911 ADDRESSING OFFICER, GENERAL ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR ASSISTANT ASSESSING AGENT PLANNING BOARD, APPEALS BOARD & TRI TOWN SECRETARY

Appointed – 1 year term - March  
Terry Day



### ROAD COMMISSIONER

Elected – 3 year term – March 2022  
Greg Sawyer

### FIRE CHIEFS

Elected within departments  
Bruce Pyburn                      Hiram Fire Dept.  
James Siracuse                  So. Hiram Fire Dept.

### EMA DIRECTOR

Appointed – 1 year term- March  
John Bonnano

### DIRECTORS OF M.S.A.D. #55

Elected – 3 year term – March  
Amanda Watson, resigned              2020  
Cynthia Clark, appointed to fill vacancy 2020  
Arthur Melanson                              2021  
Sue Melanson                                      2022

**TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Changed from Elected to Appointed in 2020

5 year term - March

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Ellie Stein    | 2020 |
| Susan Hamilton | 2021 |
| Dan Hester     | 2022 |
| Dianne Jewett  | 2023 |
| Sally Williams | 2024 |

Alt. Trustees

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Pamela Hild     | 2020 |
| Patrica Dietzel | 2024 |

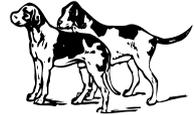


**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

Appointed – 1 year term – March

Cindy Eaton

890-5313



**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

**BUILDING INSPECTOR – PLUMBING INSPECTOR**

Appointed – 1 year term – March

Bruce Smith – resigned

Guy Lehouillier

**APPEALS BOARD**

**FAIR HEARING AUTHORITY**

Appointed – 3 year term

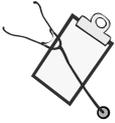
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|------------------|-------|---------------|
| Elwyn Day        | March | 2020 resigned |
| Grace Gilpatrick | April | 2020 resigned |
| Eugene Stacey    | April | 2021          |
| Jan Williams     | April | 2021          |
| William Johnson  | April | 2021          |
| Sylvia Pease     | April | 2022          |

**We have one vacancy on Board of Appeals**

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Appointed – 3 year term – April

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Stacey Richard     | 2022          |
| Walter Brink       | 2022          |
| Donna Ward         | 2020          |
| J. Bruce Nason     | 2020          |
| Harold Gillman     | 2020          |
| Delbert Gilpatrick | 2021 resigned |
| Michael Singleton  | 2021          |



**HEALTH OFFICER**

Appointed – 3 year term – March

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Dr. Joseph DeKay, D.O. | 2021 |
|------------------------|------|



**TOWN HISTORIAN**

Appointed – 1 year term – March

Sally Williams



**PLANNING BOARD**

Appointed – 3 year term - March

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| Stephanie Ranieri           | 2022 |
| John Bonanno                | 2022 |
| Ron Richards                | 2021 |
| Guy Lehouillier             | 2021 |
| Karen James                 | 2020 |
| Patricia Dietzel- Alternate | 2022 |

Planning Board Currently  
has one Alternate Vacancy

**SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION**

Appointed – 3 year term - November

|             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| Dan Hester  | 2022       |
| Carol Goode | 2022 – Alt |

**SOUTHERN MAINE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMM.**

Appointed 1 Year Term

Jan Williams

Joyce Siracuse - Alt

**TOWN COUNSEL**

Leah Rachin  
Bergen & Parkinson, LLC



**TRI-TOWN WASTE DISPOSAL BOARD**

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Hiram -              | Herbert J Marshall |
|                      | Joyce Siracuse     |
|                      | Eric Durgin        |
| Baldwin -            | Jim Dolloff        |
|                      | Dwight Warren      |
|                      | Gerry Brown        |
| Porter -             | Ron Silvia         |
|                      | Brent Day - Chair  |
|                      | Rob Heard          |
| Secretary/Bookkeeper | Terry Day          |
| Station Attendants   | Joe McNulty        |
|                      | Michael Cote       |
|                      | Tim Caldwell       |
| Truck Driver         | Scott Chapman      |
| Spare Driver         | Joseph Stacey      |

**HIRAM PARADE COMMITTEE**

Dave & Gloria Paro

**Animal Control Officer**

**Cindy Eaton**

Please call

**207-590-5313**

or

1-800-733-1421

Oxford County Dispatch

For all your ACO needs

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**Appropriations and Financial Affairs**

Ranking Member

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Let me begin by thanking you for allowing me the privilege of serving you in the Maine Senate. I am honored that you have put your trust in me and can assure you I will continue to work tirelessly on your behalf.

Maine is in the midst of one of the greatest periods of prosperity in its history and has led the nation in a number of economic categories over the last several years. Unemployment is at record low levels, wages are up, and state government has had seven straight years of surpluses. The number of children living in poverty is in a steep decline, and Maine now leads the nation in equality for women in the workplace and politics.

Though we have accomplished a great deal in the past year, there is still much more to be done. Maintaining the prosperity that you have built over the last several years tops the list. We can do this by holding the line on government spending, doing our best to stay out of the way of local businesses so that they can thrive as a result of their own hard work, and making sure that government is the most fiscally responsible steward of your tax dollars. These will be a few of my priorities this coming year.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. The 129<sup>th</sup> Legislature certainly has a great deal more work to do; but I believe that if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or [James.Hamper@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:James.Hamper@legislature.maine.gov) if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

James M. Hamper  
State Senator



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Dear Friends & Neighbors:

I would first like to thank the residents of Hiram for giving me the opportunity to serve as your State Representative for House District 70. It is an honor and privilege to serve as your voice in Augusta.

During the last session which concluded in June, the Legislature was able to provide much needed property tax relief measures such as increasing the homestead exemption and revenue sharing. Other accomplishments included the reaffirmation of Maine's health coverage law, a new law that protects those with pre-existing conditions and the ability to keep children on insurance policies until age 26.

The second Legislative session of the 129<sup>th</sup> Legislature begins in January and it is my belief that we must focus on policies that benefit all of Maine. I'll continue to advocate for an efficient, effective, and affordable state government that cares for our most vulnerable and needy citizens.

In an effort to stay in contact with my constituents, I continue to send weekly updates via e-mail and facebook throughout the year regarding current state news. If you wish to receive these updates, please contact me at [Nathan.Wadsworth@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Nathan.Wadsworth@legislature.maine.gov).

Again, thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you at our State Capitol.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nathan J. Wadsworth".

Nathan J. Wadsworth – State Representative

*Town of Hiram, Maine*

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SPECIAL COMMITTEE  
ON AGING  
Ranking Member  
APPROPRIATIONS  
SELECT COMMITTEE  
ON INTELLIGENCE

Dear Friends,

As 2019 ends and 2020 begins, I am pleased to report that Congress made progress on a number of issues important to Maine families despite the polarization in our country.

In a major win for surviving military and retiree spouses to whom we are deeply indebted, I was proud to co-lead the repeal of what is often referred to as the “Military Widow’s Tax,” an unfair offset of survivor benefits that has prevented as many as 67,000 surviving spouses—including more than 260 from Maine—from receiving the full benefits they deserve.

The high cost of health care and prescription drugs continues to be a top issue for families and seniors. To provide continued relief for more lower- and middle-income individuals, I led the charge to extend for another two years the medical expense tax deduction that I included in the 2017 tax law. Without this extension, nearly 20,000 Mainers and millions of Americans with high medical expenses, including many with preexisting conditions, would have faced an increased tax burden. In other good news, the CREATES Act I cosponsored became law. It will prevent pharmaceutical companies from blocking access to a sufficient supply of brand-name drugs needed for the studies that allow less expensive alternatives to enter the marketplace.

Improving people’s health and wellbeing remains my priority. On a per capita basis, Maine has the highest incidence of Lyme disease in the country. In August, I held a Senate hearing at the University of Maine’s Tick Lab on this growing public health crisis. A comprehensive public health strategy to combat this epidemic is needed, and the new law I authored will do just that.

In addition, I helped champion another \$2.6 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health, our nation’s premiere biomedical research institution, including significant boosts for Alzheimer’s disease and diabetes research. Last year, NIH funded more than \$111 million for research at 14 Maine institutions.

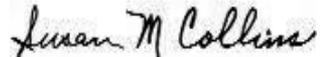
To help prepare the graduates of Maine Maritime Academy, I secured \$300 million for a new training ship, which will ensure rigorous instruction for MMA students for decades to come.

Significant federal funding was approved for work at Bath Iron Works and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Funding appropriated by Congress will pay for three new destroyers, make a down payment on an additional ship, and finance infrastructure improvements at PNSY.

As Chairman of the Transportation and Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I have led efforts to improve our nation's crumbling infrastructure and ensure that Maine's housing needs are addressed. For Maine's roads, bridges, airports, and seaports, tens of millions in federal funding will help make urgently needed upgrades and improve safety. Funding will also support housing assistance to low-income families and seniors and aid communities in reducing homelessness among our youth. The Community Development Block Grant program will assist numerous towns and cities in our State.

The Aging Committee I chair has continued its focus on financial security for our seniors. A new law I authored will make it easier for small businesses to offer retirement plans to their employees. Our Aging Committee's Fraud Hotline fielded more than 1,200 calls this year. Congress passed a new law to crack down on robocallers who are often the perpetrators of these scams. And a new law I authored will expand the IRS' Identity Protection PIN program nationwide to prevent identity theft tax refund fraud.

At the end of 2019, I cast my 7,262nd consecutive vote. In the New Year, I will keep working to deliver bipartisan solutions to the challenges facing Maine and the nation. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact one of my state offices or visit my website at [www.collins.senate.gov](http://www.collins.senate.gov). May 2020 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.



Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator

*Town of Hiram, Maine*

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MAINE

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WASHINGTON, DC 20510

COMMITTEES:  
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BUDGET  
INTELLIGENCE  
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Dear Friends,

The beginning of a new year provides the opportunity to reflect on the progress of the past 12 months. If you've been watching cable TV, you might think that every waking moment of 2019 in Washington has been consumed by divisive, partisan issues – and while there's no shortage of those debates, there have also been opportunities for bipartisan cooperation. You sent me to the Senate to make the most of those opportunities, so as we enter into the New Year, I wanted to take a moment to update you on my efforts to work with members of both parties to make life better for the people of Maine.

One of my most important priorities this past year has been emphasizing preventive healthcare. Maine's distinction as the oldest state in the nation brings us wisdom, of course – but it also creates unique challenges, particularly relating to healthcare. The key to addressing these obstacles is being proactive, because the cheapest, safest medical procedure is the one that doesn't need to happen. That's why I've introduced legislation to incentivize healthier living, expand mental health screenings, and help more Americans access regular check-ups. We're making progress, but we've got a long way to go – and I'd like your help, because I know that the best ideas are the ones that come from families and communities on the front lines of these challenges. To strengthen this effort, I convened a policy forum on prevention in Bangor in October, which has already given me exciting new ideas that I'll carry with me into 2020. If you have additional thoughts on encouraging preventive healthcare, please share them with my office.

This year has also continued the growth of Maine's forest products industry – a key focus of my work to revitalize Maine's rural economy and communities. We've seen significant investment in mills across the state, creating good jobs to support rural Maine. I'm also pleased that the investments aren't just in our mills – the industry is thriving because of its commitment to innovation. We're fortunate to have the University of Maine's top-notch researchers exploring cutting-edge ways to use our forest resources, including capitalizing on the rise of 3D printing technology with the world's largest 3D printer. Combining this work with ongoing federal support, our vast forests, and Maine's dedicated workforce, I know that the future of this industry is bright, and I'll continue working to support it on all fronts.

I'm proud of all we've accomplished together this year, but even as I reflect on all that we've achieved, it is challenging to not think of the work left undone. It sometimes can be discouraging to watch these important priorities hang in limbo, but fortunately for me, encouragement is never far. After all, I get to live in Maine – which means I get to count Maine people as my neighbors and friends. I'm always struck by the kindness that our citizens show not only to me, but also to each other. This focus on collaboration and compassion is an inspiration, and it powers my efforts bring a little bit of Maine common sense to Washington. Thank you for all you do to for our state – Mary and I are deeply grateful, and we hope that 2020 will be a good year for you, your family, your community, and the State of Maine.

Best Regards,  
Angus King Jr, United States Senator

*Town of Hiram, Maine*

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**Committee on Armed Services**  
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and Infrastructure

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

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well. It is an immense honor to serve as your representative in Congress. I take very seriously the responsibility that has been placed on me, and I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some of what I've been working on in my first year in Congress.

At the beginning of this term, the House passed H.R. 1, a comprehensive package of reforms I cosponsored to get big money out of politics and fight corruption in Washington. And in December, I helped pass H.R. 3, the Lower Drug Costs Now Act, which would limit out-of-pocket prescription drug costs paid by seniors, fund the expansion of Medicare coverage to include dental, vision, and hearing, and lower prescription drug prices for thousands of Mainers. Additionally, as a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I worked to ensure our annual defense authorization bill supports America's national security and Maine's shipyard workers, National Guardsmen, manufacturers, and universities.

On top of working on this legislation, I have also been advocating for our district directly to administrative agencies. I have been fighting for Maine lobstermen to urge the president to intervene in proposed regulations by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) that would hurt our lobster industry. I pressed government agencies to ground their regulations in sound science and data when crafting new regulations on Maine's lobstermen. I also persuaded the Army Corps of Engineers to hold a public hearing in Maine about the proposed Central Maine Power NECEC transmission line, which gave hundreds of people the opportunity to voice their opinions about the project.

Some of the most important work of members of Congress is rooted in on-the-ground constituent services. We have three offices in the district -- in Caribou, Bangor, and Lewiston -- and my staff work tirelessly to help Mainers solve problems they may face with federal government agencies. I urge you to stop by to talk to us in person and let us know how we can better serve you and your communities.

My favorite part of the job is coming home to the district and hearing about what matters to you. This year, I brought a hearing of the House Small Business Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure to Maine to find ways to expand access to rural broadband. I've also held open town halls and coffee hours throughout the district to hear directly from Mainers veterans, as well as roundtables to find more ways to help small businesses in Maine grow and create jobs.

As always, please continue to reach out to me and my staff if you'd like to voice an opinion, let us know about a local event, or seek any assistance with federal agencies.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jared Golden".

Jared Golden

## 2019 APPROPRIATIONS

### APPROVED BY VOTERS:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Town Office Operations                     | 35,000.00  |
| MMA  | 2,563.00   |
| Computer Software/equipment                | 5,000.00   |
| Update tax maps                            | 1,600.00   |
| Legal Expenses                             | 5,000.00   |
| Planning Board                             | 100.00     |
| Appeals Board                              | 100.00     |
| Municipal Officer's Compensation & Mileage | 5,600.00   |
| Southern Maine Regional Planning Comm.     | 591.00     |
| Soldiers Memorial Library                  | 23,600.00  |
| Audit                                      | 6,500.00   |
| Update Assessing                           | 3,000.00   |
| Towns Share Social Security                | 12,500.00  |
| Town Staff                                 | 77,700.00  |
| Code Enforcement Officer                   | 14,500.00  |
| Election Clerks                            | 2,500.00   |
| Unemployment                               | 1,000.00   |
| Town Building Repairs                      | 37,840.00  |
| Emergency funds                            | 10,000.00  |
| Hiram Fire Dept.                           | 16,880.00  |
| So. Hiram Fire Dept.                       | 18,538.00  |
| EMA director                               | 1,800.00   |
| Animal Control Officer                     | 2,150.00   |
| Harvest hills                              | 1,620.00   |
| Health Officer                             | 800.00     |
| Hydrants                                   | 16,500.00  |
| Street Lights                              | 11,000.00  |
| Insurance                                  | 57,800.00  |
| General Roads                              | 100,000.00 |
| Road Resurfacing                           | 100,000.00 |
| Roads,Bridges, town lot                    | 50,000.00  |
| Winter Roads                               | 245,000.00 |
| Town equipment purchase                    | 30,000.00  |
| Communications                             | 12,200.00  |
| General Assistance                         | 9,350.00   |
| Solid Waste                                | 90,000.00  |
| Solid waste Reserve                        | 15,000.00  |
| Land payment                               | 8,400.00   |
| Sacopee Rescue                             | 24,200.00  |
| Sacopee Rescue Reserve                     | 10,000.00  |
| District Recreation                        | 3,500.00   |
| Hiram Parade                               | 1,000.00   |
| Hiram Historical Society                   | 500.00     |
| Senior Plus                                | 1,000.00   |
| Community Concepts                         | 1,500.00   |
| Smooth Feather Youth Club                  | 600.00     |
| Hiram Community Club                       | 500.00     |
| Hiram Development Association              | 500.00     |
| Care of Cemeteries                         | 4,800.00   |
| Outlying Cemeteries                        | 2,000.00   |
| Memorial Purposes                          | 600.00     |
| Road Reconstruction Reserve                | 10,000.00  |
| Building Maintenance Reserve               | 5,000.00   |
| Revaluation Reserve                        | 3,500.00   |



## ASSESSOR'S REPORT

|                                       |                          |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Real Estate Valuation                 | \$ 155,904,470.00        |
| Homestead Exemption Valuation         | 8,469,310.00             |
| Personal Property Valuation           | 911,035.00               |
| <b>TOTAL VALUATION:</b>               | <b>\$ 165,284,816.00</b> |
| <b>TOTAL TAXABLE VALUATION</b>        | <b>156,815,505.00</b>    |
| Homestead                             | 5,293,319.00             |
| Base Assessment                       | <b>\$ 162,108,824.00</b> |
| Raised at Town Meeting                | \$ 1,128,448.00          |
| MSAD #55 Assessment                   | 1,557,338.72             |
| County Tax                            | 152,664.00               |
| <b>ASSESSMENTS</b>                    | <b>\$ 2,838,450.72</b>   |
| <b>*LESS ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS</b>     | <b>- 593,441.00</b>      |
| <b>TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT W/OVERLAY</b> | <b>\$2,245,009.72</b>    |

Rate of taxation - \$14.54 per thousand

Committed to the Tax Collector July 19, 2019 and interest started 60 days after commitment date, September 17, 2019

**!!!! IMPORTANT NOTICE !!!!**

***You may notice that all the articles in the town meeting warrant state that all funds are being RAISED AND APPROPRIATED instead of some of them being just appropriated. This is by the advice of our auditor. This will not change the bottom line at tax commitment time, funds will still be taken from Undesignated Fund Balance and other revenues to reduce the total budget figures.***

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**TOWN OF HIRAM  
TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

**MARCH 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
9 am. at the SACOPEE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL**

To \_\_\_\_\_, a resident of the Town of Hiram in the County of Oxford, in the State of Maine.

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Hiram, in said County, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Hiram Town Office on Friday, March 6th, 2020 at 3:45 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

- ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for said meeting.  
The Moderator will then open the polls, to vote on Article 2, at the Hiram Town Office at 4 p.m. and close at 8 p.m.
- ARTICLE 2. To elect by secret ballot the following Town Officers:  
  
Municipal Officers/Assessor/Overseer of the Poor – 3 yr term  
  
MSAD 55 School Board Director – 3 yr term

When the polls are closed, the meeting will recess until 9:00 a.m. Saturday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020, to meet at the Sacopee Valley Middle School, then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

**ARTICLES FOR OUTSIDE AGENCIES:**

- ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$714.96 which is the snowmobile reimbursement received from the State. One half of the amount to be given to the Sacopee Snowdrifters Club and the other half to be given to the Hiram Hillclimbers. The money to be used for various purposes, such as trail maintenance and construction, or purchases of equipment and material. These trails to be open to the public during the winter season.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: Appropriate the Snowmobile Reimbursement from the State of \$714.96.
- ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,500.00 for operating and maintenance costs for the Sacopee Rescue Unit.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend raise and appropriate \$32,500 for SRU with signed service contract.

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- ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be placed in a town reserve account for the Sacopee Rescue Unit capital expenses.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend raise and appropriate \$2,500.00 to reserve account
- ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Time Warner (Spectrum) Franchise Fee and any grant monies for Sacopee TV received by the town minus the amount spent for high speed internet service to the Town Office and South Hiram Fire Department to the Sacopee TV at the SVHS. The money they receive will be used to purchase equipment for their studio in order to continue to broadcast town, school and community events on Channel 1301.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend to do so.
- ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the Sacopee Recreation Council.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend raise and appropriate \$4,000.00
- ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,600.00 for the Southwest Oxford County Nutrition, Inc. (Brownfield Food Pantry), per their request by petition.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend make no recommendation
- ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for the Seniors Plus Organization, per their request by petition.  
Municipal Officers & BC make no recommendation
- ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,980 for Community Concepts, Inc., per their request by petition.  
Municipal Officers & BC make no recommendation
- ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the Saco River Festival, per their request by petition.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend raise and appropriate \$300.00
- ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the Smooth Feather Youth and Excursions team per their request by petition.  
Municipal Officers and BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$600.00
- ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Saco River Corridor Commission, per their request.  
Municipal Officers and BC make no recommendation
- ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for Riverside Food Pantry, per their request by petition.  
Municipal Officers make no recommendation  
BC recommend \$750.00

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Sacopee Snowdrifters Club, per their request by petition.  
Municipal Officers and BC make no recommendation

**ADMINISTRATION ARTICLES:**

ARTICLE 16. To act on the reports of the Municipal Officers, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, and other Town Officers.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2019 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2021, to the March 2021 annual Town Meeting.  
Explanation: This article legalizes municipal expenditures made after the fiscal year ends but before the annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during calendar year 2020.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise & appropriate \$10,000.00 (this figure is included in the amount taken from surplus to reduce the commitment)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers on behalf of the Town to dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on terms as they may deem advisable but pursuant to a written policy adopted by them, and to execute Quitclaim Deeds for such real estate and further allow the Municipal Officers to authorize the Treasurer to waive automatic foreclosures when it is in the best interest of the Town.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, pursuant to 36MRSA §506 and to set that rate of interest at 2% that the town will vote to pay thereon and appropriate said amount from the Overlay account.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend to pay 2% on any prepaid taxes.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to charge **9%** of interest on unpaid taxes and set the date for interest to commence at 60 days after the 2020 commitment date.  
The Municipal Officers and budget committee recommend 60 days after the 2020 commitment date and interest rate of **9%**.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will vote to set the interest rate of 3% to be paid by the town on abated taxes pursuant to 36MRSA section 506-A and authorize the Municipal Officers to appropriate from the 2020 Overlay abated taxes to any property owner that have paid their taxes prior to approval of the abatement.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend 3% for 2020

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- ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all types of gifts, trusts and/or grant funds that are in the best interest of the Town. The Town to disperse interest earned on each trust in accordance with provisions therein.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: to do so.
- ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to accept any and all interest earned on checking account, Reserve Accounts, money market accounts and savings accounts and disperse said interest on notes to the banks and apply a portion to the current year taxes.
- ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to dispose of any town owned personal property they deem necessary and place the funds received from the sale into a specified account. Such as: sale of fire truck, funds would be placed into the vehicle purchasing reserve account etc.
- ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,900.00 for an audit of the Town Books.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$6,900.00
- ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 plus fees received for the Hiram Planning Board and Hiram Appeals Board.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$200.00 plus fees received
- ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for legal expenses incurred and approved by the Municipal Officers prior to expenditure by any department, committee or board acting on behalf of the town.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise & appropriate \$5,000 for legal expenses.
- ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,700.00 which includes revenue from the trustees for any expenses over \$17,500.00 for the Soldiers Memorial Library.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$24,700.00 which includes revenue from Library.
- ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,616.00 for MMA dues for 2020.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$2,616.00.
- ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$608.00 for dues to the Southern Maine Planning and Development for 2019.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$608.00
- ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 for town office operations and administration including printing and postage.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$35,000.00

- ARTICLE 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing necessary software and/or equipment for office.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$5,000.00
- ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,600.00 to have John O'Donnell Associates update the town tax maps for 2020.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$1,600.00
- ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,500.00 for upkeep and repairs to any town owned properties which includes \$10,000.00 to be taken from the STK Grant funds and up to \$15,500 from the building maintenance reserve account.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$25,500.00 (this includes \$10,000.00 to come from STK Grant and up to \$15,500.00 from Building maintenance reserve account to reduce the commitment)
- ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate all building permit fees and 75% of the plumbing permit fees collected by the building and plumbing inspector. The remaining 25% of the plumbing permit fees to be sent to the State Treasurer. These fees will be collected into the Revenue Account and used to reduce the tax commitment each year.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend to do so.

**SALARY ARTICLES:**

- ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,500.00 for Code Enforcement Officer, Building Inspector, and Plumbing Inspector's combined salary, Mileage, Training courses and any other miscellaneous materials or supplies needed.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$14,500.00
- ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,500.00 for Town Office Staff and \$4,000 for Fire Chiefs, totaling \$84,500.00 for compensation.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$80,500 for Town office Staff, \$4,000.00 for Fire Chiefs, totaling \$84,500.00 for compensation.
- ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$69,300.00 for the Town's Auto, Property & Liability Insurance, volunteer insurance, and Office Staff Health Insurance for 2 full-time employees for the ensuing year.  
Municipal Officers recommend: raise and appropriate \$69,300.00.  
BC recommend: Raise and appropriate \$42,930 for single benefit w/dental & vision for 2 staff.
- ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,800.00 for Municipal Officers Compensation and Mileage reimbursement.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$14,800.

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- ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the update assessing for the 2020 tax commitment. This is a written contract with a single assessor.  
Municipal Officers and BC recommend to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00.
- ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for the Elections.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$2,500.00
- ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,150.00 for Animal Control.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$2,150.00.
- ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for the Town of Hiram Health Officer stipend.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$800.00
- ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800 for the Town of Hiram EMA Director for salary and mileage/training expenses.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$1,800.00
- ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for unemployment benefits for town employees.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 .  
(This will be taken from surplus to reduce the commitment.)
- ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,000.00 for the Town's Share of Social Security on employees of the Town.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$13,000.00.

**RESERVE ACCOUNT ARTICLES:**

- ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the Capital Improvement Reserve Account.  
Municipal Officers and BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$5,000
- ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be put into the Road Reconstruction Reserve Account for the purpose of future road projects.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 for the Road Reconstruction reserve.
- ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be put into the Public Works Reserve Account for the purpose of purchasing vehicles and or equipment to utilize on town roads.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend \$10,000 for Public Works Reserve Account

- ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be put into the Building Maintenance Reserve Account for any unforeseen town building repairs.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 for the Building Maintenance Reserve Account.
- ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be put into the Vehicle Purchasing Reserve Account for the purpose of saving for a vehicle for the town.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 for Vehicle Reserve Account
- ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to be put into the Revaluation Reserve Account for saving for the future revaluation.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$3,500.00 for the Revaluation Reserve Account.
- ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for the Tri-Town Waste Reserve account and authorize Municipal Officers to withdraw funds as needed.  
BC & Municipal Officers recommend to raise and appropriate \$15,000.00

**PROTECTION ARTICLES:**

- ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,200.00 for the Communications Account for the dispatching and communication services for all departments. Any unexpended balance at years end will be put into a special revenue account for communications.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise & appropriate \$12,200.00
- ARTICLE 56. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,880.00 for the Hiram Fire Department operating and maintenance costs. Any unexpended balance at year end will be put into a designated special revenue account for the HFD  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise & appropriate \$16,880.00 with unexpended balance going to special revenue account.
- ARTICLE 57. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,500.00 for the South Hiram Fire Department operating and maintenance costs. Any unexpended balance at year end will be put into a designated special revenue account for the SHFD.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$18,500.00 with unexpended balance going to special revenue account.

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- ARTICLE 58. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$5,000 from the vehicle purchasing reserve account for the South Hiram Fire Department in order for them to retro fit the pump truck so that the pump is located at the back of the truck instead of on top causing a hazard for the operator.  
BC and Municipal Officers recommend to take up to \$5,000 from the vehicle purchase account for the SHFD to retro fit the location of the pump on the fire truck.
- ARTICLE 59. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,500.00 for Hydrant Rental.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$16,500.00
- ARTICLE 60. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for existing street lights for the ensuing year.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$10,000.00
- ARTICLE 61. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,620.00 for the Harvest Hills Animal Shelter, Inc. to help defray expenses for upkeep of animals the town turns into them.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$1,620.00

**HEALTH & SANITATION ARTICLES:**

- ARTICLE 62. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,350.00 which includes reimbursement from the State for the General Assistance Account.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$9,350.00 which includes reimbursements.
- ARTICLE 63. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000.00 for the Solid Waste Account.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$90,000.00
- ARTICLE 64. To see if the Town will vote to enter into another 30 year term Interlocal Solid Waste Agreement which includes the Towns of Baldwin, Hiram and Porter for the purpose of managing solid waste for the three municipalities. Said Interlocal Solid Waste Agreement has been reviewed by Maine Department of Environmental Protection and confirmed the agreement meets all of their requirements as written.

NOTE: An attested copy of the full text of this agreement has been posted together with this warrant, and copies are available from the town office or on our town website and available at the annual town meeting.

**ROAD ARTICLES:**

- ARTICLE 65. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 plus \$25,000 from surplus, totaling \$50,000.00 for the purpose of road reconstruction, bridge repairs and to help cover large scale projects.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 plus \$25,000 from surplus totaling \$50,000 for roads, & bridges.
- ARTICLE 66. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00 for Summer Roads as follows:  
\$100,000.00, for the General Road Maintenance  
\$100,000.00, for Paving  
  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: Raise and appropriate \$200,000.00 which includes monies received from Local Roads.
- ARTICLE 67. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$286,000.00 for Winter Road Maintenance.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: Raise and appropriate \$286,000.00,
- ARTICLE 68. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$40,000.00 from the Public Works Reserve Account, for the purpose of purchasing a second backhoe in order to have one located at each end of town, which alleviates the need for a larger dump truck (which requires a CDL driver) and a large trailer at this time.  
Municipal Officers and BC recommend raise & appropriate up to \$40,000.00 to be taken from the Public Works reserve account.
- ARTICLE 69. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to make final determinations regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 MRSA subsection 2953.
- ARTICLE 70. To see if the Town will vote to extend Bobbin Mill Road 85 feet more or less from the current intersection with now Allard Circle traveling in a Northerly direction to the intersection of So Hiram Road/Rt. 160 running over Allard Circle, therefore eliminating Allard Circle. Said Town way to be 2 rods wide as laid out in the 1860 town meeting records and voted to accept as such and amended in 2016 when moved Bobbin Mill Road from bridge to in back of Sawmill Park, making Bobbin Mill Road a total of approximately 389 feet in length and 2 rods wide (33 feet) and so declared a town way.  
BC and Municipal Officers recommend to do so.  
Note: refer to diagram handout to see the portion referring to.
- ARTICLE 71. To see if the town will vote to accept Nasons Way (formerly known as Allard Circle) as a town way further described as follows: The former deeded right of way described and recorded at the Oxford County Western District registry of deeds in Book 100 Page 61 on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1915, beginning at the intersection of So Hiram Road/Rt. 160 and traveling in a Southerly direction along Map U01 Lot 10 and 9 on the

easterly side and U01 Lot 4 on the westerly side a distance of 285 feet more or less to the property line of Map U01 Lot 6 currently owned by the Town of Hiram. From said property line traveling in a Southwesterly direction an additional 150 feet more or less through the town property in order to have access to the Municipal Office, Post Office boxes, Sacopee Rescue Barn and South Hiram Fire Station. Said town way to be 3 rods wide (49 1/2 feet) and a total of 435 feet more or less in length.

BC and Municipal Officers recommend to do so.

Note: again, refer to diagram handout to see the portion referring to.

ARTICLE 72. Shall an ordinance entitled "Town of Hiram Driveway Permit Ordinance" be enacted?

NOTE: An attested copy of the full text of this ordinance has been posted together with this warrant, and copies are available from the town office or on our town website and available at the annual town meeting.

**CEMETERY, PARKS, RECREATIONAL, AND ANY OTHER TOWN DEPTS ARTICLES:**

ARTICLE 73. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the restoration and maintenance of Outlying Cemeteries where veterans are buried, per MRSA 1964, Chap. 58, Section 3. Any unexpended balance at year end will be put into a special revenue account.

Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$2,000.00

ARTICLE 74. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,800.00 for the Care of Cemeteries. The \$5,800.00 to be appropriated as follows:

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Pleasant Ridge Cem. | \$ 1,000.00     |
| Stanley Cem.        | 3,000.00        |
| Tare Cem.           | 100.00          |
| Hiram Village Cem.  | <u>1,700.00</u> |
| Total appropriated  | \$ 5,800.00     |

Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$5,800.00

ARTICLE 75. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Memorial Purposes.

Municipal Officers & BC recommend: \$400.00

ARTICLE 76. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the Hiram Historical Society.

Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise & appropriate \$1,500.00

ARTICLE 77. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Hiram Development Association for the purpose of upkeep of the K of P park.

Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$500.00

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- ARTICLE 78. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Hiram Community Center.  
Municipal Officers and BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$500.00
- ARTICLE 79. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for any park upkeep expenditures. Funds to come from surplus account. Any balance at the end of the year will be put into a reserve account for larger park upkeep projects.  
Municipal Officers & BC recommend: raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 funds to come from surplus account. Any balance at the end of the year will be put into a reserve account for larger park upkeep projects.
- ARTICLE 80. To see if the town will vote to allow the Municipal Officers to sell by most beneficial method a currently town owned parcel of vacant land located on New Settlement Road, further described as being Tax Map R1 Lot 44, aka the old South Hiram Dump site. It has 13.6 acres, with only approximately 4 acres of wasteland where the dump was located.  
Municipal Officers and Conservation Committee recommend to do so.
- ARTICLE 81. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Municipal Officers to sell by most beneficial method, a currently town owned parcel of vacant land located on King St, further described as being Tax Map R14 Lot 5. It has 2.8 acres on the Saco River, with some severe erosion on parts of the banking and rescind the vote approved by the town in 1971, which states the town shall retain all waterfront parcels it possesses for recreational purposes.  
Municipal Officers and Conservation Committee recommend to do so.
- ARTICLE 82. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Municipal Officers to sell by most beneficial method as a commercial/industrial parcel, a currently town owned parcel of vacant land located on Pequawket Trail, further described as being Tax Map R14 Lot 20 and rescind the vote approved by the town in 1971, which states the town shall retain all waterfront parcels it possesses for recreational purposes. It is the old Hiram Dump site and town beach area located on the Saco River, totaling 32 acres with 2,000 feet of riverfront but is very steep to the river.  
Municipal Officers & Conservation Committee recommend to do so
- ARTICLE 83. To see if the Town will vote to declare the deeded 30 foot right of way between lots #57 & #58 of Map R14 located on Gould Farm Road, a public easement into the town owned property on Map R14 Lot #50 aka the Town Forest Lot, with no summer or winter maintenance done by the town. In order to be able to access the lot by crossing the railroad tracks, we have to declare it a 30 foot public easement.  
Municipal Officers recommend to do so.

ARTICLE 84. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ established for the Town of Hiram by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved in the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit. This article must be voted on by secret ballot.

ARTICLE 85. Entertain a motion to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,  
Joyce Siracuse  
Eric Durgin  
H. Jamie Marshall  
Town of Hiram  
Municipal Officers

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Sacopee TV2 crew - Great Job!

## **Municipal Officers Report Year Ending December 31, 2019**

When looking back over the events of 2019 in Hiram, there are many things we have dealt with and accomplished, but among them I am proudest of putting into service the Traffic Logix speed sign which was provided by a DOT grant. It saw service first just north of the bridge over the Saco, where local residents told me they could hear each other and the birds again in the yard, as drivers slowed to the posted 30mph speed limit to traverse the bridge there. Next I had it placed, with the generous help of Mr. Siracuse, on South Hiram Road near the Fair and Music Festival events, to caution speeders about the activity over the brow of New Settlement Road; on New Settlement, to remind drivers of the posted speed; and lastly back to the Saco Bridge during the Fryeburg Fair rush. The sign only has room to spell ten letters, but will flash speeds and strobe if programmed that way, and has a solar energy feature. It will be in storage until the snow melts. I believe it may already have prevented accidents, and it definitely slows traffic to the posted speeds.

The Mt. Cutler Park was finalized, trails improved, and a lovely parking lot installed on Hiram Hill Road, due to the untiring efforts of Dan Hester and many others. Among donations and grants, the largest was from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which took almost three years to be completed.

After public hearings, on November 5th a town referendum vote approved the widening of Allard Circle between the Town Hall and the Rte. 160/South Hiram Road, so that emergency vehicles and other drivers may safely pass each other there. This is the only feasible financial alternative for the Town.

The Town Hall is now open on the second Saturday morning each month, from 8-11am, for your convenience. And Thursday evening hours have been changed to 5:30-7pm.

All of the Selectboard members are currently working, with several other residents, on the town's Comprehensive Plan. It needs to be updated before the Town is eligible for some types of grants.

A new Conservation Committee was formed last year, which now may oversee the upkeep of parks. It is also researching, with the Select Board, pieces of land the Town has owned for a long while. If you have an interest in this, perhaps this is the Committee you'd like to join?

How about volunteering in your children's schools? I did that when my children were in the Elementary, and I met and got to appreciate all their friends, clear thru graduation and beyond. Don't let that precious time go by without noticing what they do and with whom.

The Hancock Avenue Arts Center is offering their building to rent for receptions, etc., and has a full slate of cultural events now; last fall I got to hear the bagpiper! It's fun for all there and you should be part of it, just volunteer. That's not some people's favorite word, but it makes the world go around, I can tell you that. Don't forget to see what's going on with the Hiram Historical Society this year. I am so proud of their efforts in spiffing up their building and putting on fascinating programs there on Historical Ridge. Don't

miss the goings-on at the Hiram Community Club this year. There'll be suppers, sales and Open Mic Nights, and more.

Now where the real need lies: more men and women are needed to volunteer with our two fire departments, on each side of town. Learn how to protect your neighbors and loved ones. (Free Red Cross smoke detectors coming soon.). If more volunteers don't pitch in, someday you as a taxpayer may be paying other towns for your fire protection, and the price will not be small.

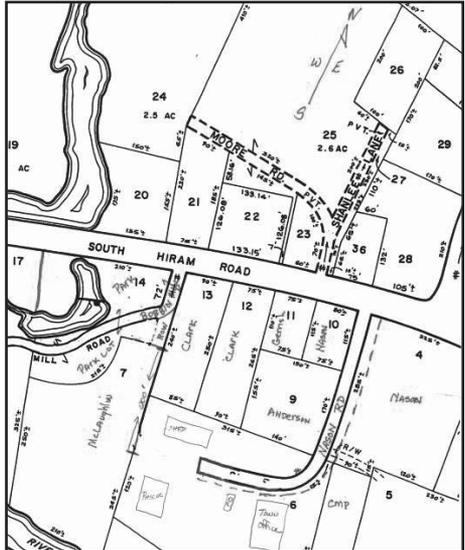
Want to save money on taxes? Find out how to lower possible recycling contamination. Do all you can to recycle. Go to [ecomaine.org](http://ecomaine.org) and look at their Recyclopedia app. To find out other important things about your town, and your tax dollars at work, go to the towns website, [townofhiram.org](http://townofhiram.org).

They say the small towns in Maine will have to grow, and keep up with the times. But don't let Hiram lose what has always made it unique and beautiful. Build the community you want to see in this town and in the world, it's up to you. Don't know your neighbors? Go and meet them; shovel their walkway; brush off their car; visit the sick. Spread kindness and compassion like fertilizer, and see what grows then.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Siracuse  
Municipal Officer, Chairperson

This map depicts the proposed new layout of the access road to the Hiram Town Office, South Hiram Firestation, and the Sacopee Rescue Barn. We will be widening the road in order to accommodate emergency vehicles meeting patrons of the town office on the road safely. This is a dead end road now. All property owners on the former Allard Circle will be notified of your address changes in 2020.



## MUNICIPAL OFFICER'S REPORT



### EXCISE TAX



|                            |               |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Received:                  |               |                     |
| Auto Registrations         |               | \$ 284,971.69       |
| Boat Registrations         |               | 1,724.00            |
| Transferred to other towns |               | - 3,453.52          |
| Total                      |               | <hr/> \$ 283,242.17 |
| Applied to 2019 commitment | \$ 290,000.00 |                     |
| Balance from Surplus       |               | \$ - 6,757.83       |



Jim Hannaford reciting "The Night Before Christmas" at the Sacopee Valley Community Band concert at the Arts Center 2019

### COUNTY TAX

|                         |   |               |
|-------------------------|---|---------------|
| Assessed:               |  | \$ 152,664.00 |
| Paid:                   |   |               |
| Oxford County Treasurer |   | \$ 152,664.00 |



### STATE MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING

|                               |              |               |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Received from State Treasurer |              | \$ 102,679.93 |
| Applied to 2019 commitment    | \$ 73,000.00 | <hr/>         |
| Balance to Surplus            | <hr/>        | \$ 29,679.93  |

### OVERLAY

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Assessed 2019 Commitment | \$ 112,052.58 |
| Supplements              | 5,209.57      |
| Abatements               | - 2,867.07    |
| Balance                  | \$ 114,395.08 |



Gazebo at Peleg Wadsworth Memorial Park  
2019



**ADMINISTRATION**

**LEGAL EXPENSES**

|                        |           |                   |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Raised at town meeting |           | \$ 5,000.00       |
| Paid:                  |           |                   |
| Town issues            | \$ 655.00 |                   |
| CEO issues             | 4,345.00  |                   |
| Total                  |           | <hr/> \$ 5,000.00 |



**MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES**



|                                   |              |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Received:                         |              |                    |
| Town Fees                         |              | \$ 6,967.75        |
| Plumbing Permit Fees (75%)        |              | 3,740.00           |
| Vital Statistics fees             |              | 1,175.80           |
| Building Permit Fees              |              | 8,829.90           |
| Lien Charges & Fees               |              | 5,011.70           |
| Lease income                      |              | 4,800.00           |
| Miscellaneous                     |              | 537.00             |
| Total Received                    |              | <hr/> \$ 31,062.15 |
| Applied to reduce 2019 commitment | \$ 25,000.00 |                    |
| Balance to Surplus                |              | \$ 6,062.15        |



Mary Hannaford (left) and Dianne Jewett serving lunch at the Denmark Sheepfest 2017



**TOWN OFFICE OPERATIONS**



|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Raised                              | \$ 35,000.00 |
| Received Reimb. for office supplies | 259.36       |

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|     |              |
|-----|--------------|
| Bal | \$ 35,259.36 |
|-----|--------------|

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Paid:                     |             |
| Heating Oil 880.80 gals   | \$ 2,189.98 |
| Electric Bill             | 2,519.09    |
| Telephone Bill            | 1,205.55    |
| Water Bill                | 478.79      |
| Office Supplies           | 3,575.03    |
| Postage                   | 4,280.61    |
| Town report               | 1,150.48    |
| Mowing                    | 360.00      |
| Shoveling                 | 300.00      |
| Cleaning Town Office      | 1,620.00    |
| Copier contract           | 399.57      |
| Software agreement        | 10,256.53   |
| Postage Meter contract    | 278.22      |
| Workshops                 | 125.00      |
| Dues                      | 250.00      |
| Registry of Deeds         | 2,409.30    |
| Ads                       | 2,780.70    |
| Town office mileage       | 741.24      |
| Food for budget meeting   | 55.11       |
| Decals for town equipment | 175.00      |




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|                           |              |           |
|---------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Total Expenses            | \$ 35,150.20 |           |
| Balance lapsed to surplus |              | \$ 109.16 |



Hiram Town Office  
25 Allard Circle



**COMPUTER SOFTWARE/EQUIPMENT**

|                          |                    |             |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Appropriated             |                    | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Paid:                    |                    |             |
| Sit Stand station for MS | 800.35             |             |
| Router & CEO computer    | 445.00             |             |
| Monitors & rec't printer | 745.00             |             |
| Point to Point bridge    | 412.50             |             |
| Carbonite                | 316.24             |             |
| GoDaddy                  | 899.40             |             |
| Total                    | <u>\$ 3,618.49</u> |             |
| Balance to surplus       |                    | \$ 1,381.51 |

**MMA DUES**

|                             |  |             |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------|
| Raised:                     |  | \$ 2,563.00 |
| Paid:                       |  |             |
| Maine Municipal Association |  | \$ 2,563.00 |

**PLANNING BOARD**

|                    |                    |                    |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Raised:            |                    | \$ 100.00          |
| Received from fees |                    | 1,200.00           |
| Total              |                    | <u>\$ 1,300.00</u> |
| Paid:              |                    |                    |
| Ads                | \$ 908.40          |                    |
| Workshops          | 165.00             |                    |
| Lawbooks           | 112.00             |                    |
| Total              | <u>\$ 1,185.40</u> |                    |
| Balance to surplus |                    | \$ 114.60          |





**APPEALS BOARD**

|                    |        |                 |
|--------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Raised:            |        | \$ 100.00       |
| Received:          |        | 300.00          |
| Total              |        | <hr/> \$ 400.00 |
| Paid:              |        |                 |
| Ads                | 196.60 |                 |
| Balance to surplus |        | \$ 204.00       |



**STATE PLUMBING FEES**

|                                |  |             |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Received from Plumbing Permits |  | \$ 1,642.50 |
| Paid:                          |  |             |
| Treasurer State of Maine       |  | \$ 1,642.50 |

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS COMPENSATION  
&  
MILEAGE**

|                    |  |                  |
|--------------------|--|------------------|
| Raised:            |  | \$ 5,000.00      |
| Mileage            |  | 600.00           |
| Overdrawn          |  | 166.48           |
| Total              |  | <hr/> \$5,766.48 |
| Paid:              |  |                  |
| Municipal Officers |  | \$5,766.48       |

**UPDATE ASSESSING**

|                                  |             |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Raised at a special town meeting |             | \$ 3,000.00 |
| Paid:                            |             |             |
| Ben Thompson, single assessor    | \$ 2,050.00 |             |
| Balance to Surplus               |             | \$ 950.00   |

**SOUTHERN MAINE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

|            |  |           |
|------------|--|-----------|
| Raised     |  | \$ 591.00 |
| Paid:      |  |           |
| SMRPC dues |  | \$ 591.00 |



**SOLDIERS MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

|                       |  |              |
|-----------------------|--|--------------|
| Raised:               |  | \$ 16,500.00 |
| Received from Library |  | 7,653.17     |

|       |  |                     |
|-------|--|---------------------|
| Total |  | <u>\$ 24,153.17</u> |
|-------|--|---------------------|

|                        |              |  |
|------------------------|--------------|--|
| Paid:                  |              |  |
| Librarian salary       | \$ 22,651.80 |  |
| Heating Oil 557.8 gals | 1,341.37     |  |
| Mowing                 | 110.00       |  |
| Shoveling/plowing      | 50.00        |  |

|       |         |              |
|-------|---------|--------------|
| Total | <u></u> | \$ 24,153.17 |
|-------|---------|--------------|



**AUDIT**

|        |  |             |
|--------|--|-------------|
| Raised |  | \$ 6,500.00 |
|--------|--|-------------|

|                       |             |  |
|-----------------------|-------------|--|
| Paid:                 |             |  |
| RHR Smith, town audit | \$ 6,200.00 |  |

|         |         |           |
|---------|---------|-----------|
| Balance | <u></u> | \$ 300.00 |
|---------|---------|-----------|

**UPDATE TAX MAPS**

|        |  |             |
|--------|--|-------------|
| Raised |  | \$ 1,600.00 |
|--------|--|-------------|

|                        |  |             |
|------------------------|--|-------------|
| Paid:                  |  |             |
| John O'Donnell & Assoc |  | \$ 1,600.00 |



**UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION**

|                                |  |             |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Appropriated from Fund Balance |  | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Balance to fund bal.           |  | \$ 1,000.00 |

**TOWN OFFICE STAFF**

|   |   |              |
|---|---|--------------|
| Raised:                                 |   | \$ 77,700.00 |
| Received reimbursement from<br>Tri-Town |  | 1,631.31     |
|   |   | <hr/>        |
|   |   | \$ 79,331.31 |

|  |              |  |
|--|--------------|--|
| Paid:  |              |  |
| Terry Day/Admin.Assist./deputy<br>E911 address officer/GA admin<br>PB & AB secretary | \$ 34,977.47 |  |
| Terry Day/Tri-Town Treas/Sec   | 1,631.31     |  |
| Marylou Stacey/Twn Clk, Tx. Coll.,<br>Treasurer, Reg.of Voters                       | 38,088.99    |  |
| Bruce Pyburn, HFD chief  | 2,000.04     |  |
| James Siracuse, SHFD chief   | 2,000.04     |  |
|  | <hr/>        |  |
| Total Expenditures   | \$ 78,697.85 |  |

Balance \$ 633.46

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**



|                           |              |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Raised:                   |              |              |
| CEO, salary               |              | \$ 14,500.00 |
| Paid:                     |              |              |
| Bruce Smith, CEO resigned | \$ 8,630.00  |              |
| Guy Lehouillier, CEO      | 3,370.00     |              |
| CEO training              | 50.00        |              |
| CEO dues                  | 45.00        |              |
| Mileage                   | 1,999.92     |              |
|                           | <hr/>        |              |
| Total                     | \$ 14,094.92 |              |
| Balance to fund bal.      |              | \$ 405.08    |



**ELECTION OFFICIALS/WORKERS**

|                  |           |             |
|------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Raised:          |           | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Paid:            |           |             |
| Election Workers | \$ 900.00 |             |
| Election food    | 67.70     |             |
| Voting booth     | 915.30    |             |
|                  | <hr/>     |             |
| Total            | 1,883.00  |             |
| Balance          |           | \$ 617.00   |





**TOWNS SHARE OF SOCIAL SECURITY**

|                                      |              |                     |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| Raised                               |              | \$ 12,500.00        |
| Received reimb. from Tri-town        |              | 124.80              |
| Librarian taxes from library account |              | 1,609.72            |
| Total                                |              | <u>\$ 14,234.52</u> |
| Paid:                                |              |                     |
| Towns Share of IRS tax deposits      | \$ 11,518.88 |                     |
| Balance to fund Balance              |              | <u>\$ 2,715.64</u>  |



**MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION**



|   |  |               |
|---|--|---------------|
| Opening balance                             |  | \$ 2,221.45   |
| Received from registrations (state portion) |  | 139,349.36    |
| Paid:                                       |  |               |
| Secretary of State, MVD                     |  | \$ 140,699.06 |
| Balance                                     |  | \$ 871.75     |



**INLAND FISH & WILDLIFE  
LICENSES & RV'S**



|   |  |                     |
|---|--|---------------------|
| Opening balance                         |  | \$ 2,765.80         |
| Received from Lic. Fees (State portion) |  | \$ 28,481.01        |
| total                                   |  | <u>\$ 31,246.81</u> |
| Paid:                                   |  |                     |
| Treasurer State of ME                   |  | \$ 28,519.81        |
| Balance                                 |  | \$ 2,727.00         |

### ANIMAL WELFARE

|                        |   |                   |
|------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Opening balance        |   | \$ 237.00         |
| Received from licenses |  | 1,060.00          |
| Total                  |   | <hr/> \$ 1,297.00 |
| Paid:                  |   |                   |
| Animal Welfare Board   | \$ 1,000.00   |                   |
| Balance                |   | \$ 297.00         |

### EDUCATION

|           |   |                 |
|-----------|---|-----------------|
| Assessed: |  | \$ 1,557,338.72 |
| Paid:     |   |                 |
| MSAD #55  |   | \$ 1,557,338.72 |

### EMERGENCY EXPENSES

|  |          |              |
|--|----------|--------------|
| Voted at town meeting to appropriate up to |          | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Paid:                                      |          |              |
| Town Attorney, Harmon Case                 | 2,768.20 |              |
| Balance                                    |          | \$ 7,231.80  |



Jim Hannaford working on the Flye Cemetery with Bruce Nason, Priscilla Howard and others in 2014



## HEALTH & SANITATION



### GENERAL ASSISTANCE

|                         |             |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Raised:                 |             | \$ 9,350.00 |
| Paid:                   |             |             |
| Heating Oil, 420 gals   | \$ 1,008.07 |             |
| Electricity bills       | 540.52      |             |
| Food Vouchers           | 349.65      |             |
| Cremation               | 785.00      |             |
| Rents                   | 1,692.00    |             |
|                         | <hr/>       |             |
| Total expenses          | \$ 4,375.24 |             |
| Balance to fund balance |             | \$ 4,974.76 |



### SOLID WASTE



|                               |              |               |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Raised:                       |              | \$ 90,000.00  |
| Raised for reserve            |              | 15,000.00     |
|                               |              | <hr/>         |
| Total                         |              | \$ 105,000.00 |
| Paid:                         |              |               |
| Tri-Town Waste Disposal Board | \$ 90,000.00 |               |
| Placed into a reserve         | 15,000.00    |               |
|                               | <hr/>        |               |
| Total                         |              | \$ 105,000.00 |



for the Bicentennial "log races" down the river.



**SACOPEE RESCUE UNIT**  
**17 Allard Circle, Hiram**



|                            |  |                    |
|----------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Raised:                    |  | \$ 24,200.00       |
| Raised for Reserve         |  | 10,000.00          |
| Total                      |  | <hr/> \$ 34,200.00 |
| Paid:                      |  |                    |
| Sacopee Rescue Unit        |  | \$ 24,200.00       |
| Put into a reserve account |  | 10,000.00          |
| Total                      |  | <hr/> \$ 34,200.00 |



**HEALTH OFFICER**

Raised  
 Paid:  
 Dr. Joseph Dekay, D.O.



\$ 800.00  
 \$ 800.00



**TOWN BUILDING REPAIRS**

|                                      |                     |              |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Raised & Appropriated                |                     | \$ 37,840.00 |
| Paid:                                |                     |              |
| Convex Mirror for end of Allard Cir  | 192.87              |              |
| Extinguishers                        | 356.50              |              |
| Chainlink fence 140'                 | 2,400.00            |              |
| SHFD electrical work                 | 3,200.00            |              |
| HFD electrical work                  | 3,765.00            |              |
| HFD generator maintenance            | 300.00              |              |
| Saltshed repairs                     | 116.39              |              |
| Total                                | <u>\$ 10,330.76</u> |              |
| Balance                              |                     | \$ 27,509.24 |
| Transferred back to building reserve |                     | 12,000.00    |
| Lapsed to fund balance               |                     | 15,509.24    |



Hiram Fire Departments  
 Refurbished 1937 Fire Truck with Eric Durgin  
 At the Wheel



## HIGHWAYS



### LOCAL ROAD ASSISTANCE

|                            |             |              |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Received from State        |             | \$ 50,512.00 |
| Appropriated to commitment | \$50,000.00 |              |
| Lapse to reserve account   |             | \$ 512.00    |



### GENERAL ROADS MAINTENANCE



|                                 |  |               |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Raised:                         |  | \$ 100,000.00 |
| Moved from Lg road proj account |  | 20,668.47     |

|       |  |                     |
|-------|--|---------------------|
| Total |  | <hr/> \$ 120,668.47 |
|-------|--|---------------------|

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Paid:                            |              |
| Greg Sawyer, Road Commissioner   | \$ 18,732.00 |
| Road Crew                        | 10,270.00    |
| Culverts                         | 4,950.20     |
| Cold Patch                       | 17,012.00    |
| Gravel                           | 6,848.72     |
| Hot top                          | 38,358.28    |
| Road signs                       | 581.31       |
| Parts & supplies                 | 800.12       |
| Equipment repairs                | 2,337.38     |
| Truck maintenance                | 828.68       |
| Purchased weedwacker & pwr broom | 649.00       |
| Assembled traffic trailer        | 625.00       |
| Purchased lawnmower              | 264.79       |
| Tools                            | 96.37        |
| Loam                             | 54.00        |
| Sweeping Roads                   | 1,600.00     |
| Town backhoe & truck fuel & oils | 3,110.21     |
| Equipment Rental,                |              |
| Greg Sawyer, Backhoe             | 630.00       |
| Truck                            | 8,020.00     |
| Dump truck                       | 952.50       |
| Grader                           | 862.50       |
| Flail mower                      | 3,200.00     |
| Trucking of hot mix              | 722.50       |

|           |                     |           |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| Total     | <hr/> \$ 121,505.56 |           |
| Overdrawn |                     | \$ 837.09 |



### ROAD RESURFACING ACCOUNT

|            |               |
|------------|---------------|
| Raised:    | \$ 100,000.00 |
| Paid:      |               |
| Paved:     |               |
| Hiram Hill | \$ 100,000.00 |



### WINTER ROADS



|   |               |               |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Raised:                                 |               | \$ 245,000.00 |
| Paid:                                   |               |               |
| CMP                                     | \$ 788.92     |               |
| Greg Sawyer, payroll                    | 210.00        |               |
| Gravel                                  | 165.00        |               |
| Salt-North End 456.09 tons              |               |               |
| South End 455.50 tons                   | 50,491.81     |               |
| Snowplow Contract NE-                   |               |               |
| PY Estes & Son –                        | 108,815.96    |               |
| Put up Salt/sand pile-NE –Geo. Anderson | 12,000.00     |               |
| 1600 yards                              |               |               |
| Snowplow Contract SE                    |               |               |
| Snowplow contract – Greg Sawyer         | 80,172.93     |               |
| Put up Salt/sand pile – SE              |               |               |
| 1350 yds                                | 7,195.50      |               |
| GPCOG, salt bid fee                     | 138.77        |               |
| Backhoe                                 | 1,175.00      |               |
| Truck                                   | 395.00        |               |
| Grader                                  | 1,235.00      |               |
| Trucking                                | 93.00         |               |
| Supplies                                | 43.72         |               |
| Total                                   | \$ 262,920.61 |               |
| Overdrawn                               |               | - \$17,920.61 |

Total for NE Contractor  
 PY Estes & Son  
 4 yr contract to 4/30/22  
 4,800 per mile



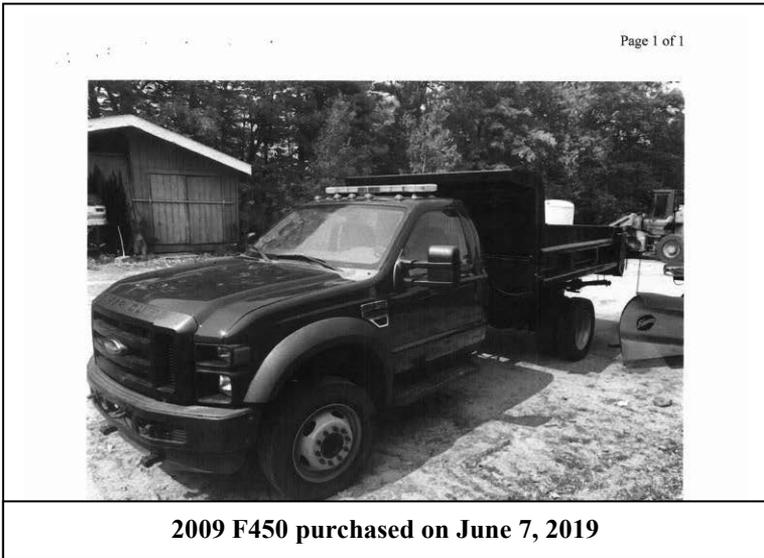
Total for SE Contractor  
 Greg Sawyer – contractor  
 3 yr contract to 4/30/22  
 4,300/mile 2019/20  
 4,400/mile 2020/21  
 4,500/mile 2021/22

### ROADS, BRIDGES & LARGE PROJECTS

|                                  |             |              |
|----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Raised:                          |             | \$ 50,000.00 |
| Paid:                            |             |              |
| Widening Ben Gilpatrick Rd       | \$ 3,583.00 |              |
| Transfer to large paving project | 20,668.47   |              |
| Total                            | <hr/>       | \$ 24,251.47 |
| Balance to surplus               |             | \$ 25,748.53 |

### EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

|                           |              |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Raised:                   |              | \$ 30,000.00 |
| Purchased 2009 F450 truck | \$ 18,000.00 |              |
| Back to reserve           |              | \$ 12,000.00 |





## PARKS & RECREATION



### PARKS & RECREATION REVENUES

Received:

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Tree Growth Reimbursement | \$ 20,931.35 |
| Veterans Reimbursement    | 1,179.00     |

|                                      |              |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total                                | <hr/>        | \$ 22,110.35 |
| Anticipated to apply to 2019 commit. | \$ 20,000.00 |              |

|                    |       |             |
|--------------------|-------|-------------|
| Balance to surplus | <hr/> | \$ 2,110.35 |
|--------------------|-------|-------------|



### OUTLYING CEMETERIES

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Opening balance | \$5,902.92 |
| Raised          | 2,000.00   |

|       |       |            |
|-------|-------|------------|
| Total | <hr/> | \$7,902.92 |
|-------|-------|------------|

Paid:

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Repairs to Wadsworth & Dr. Teg Cem | \$ 3,900.00 |
| Supplies                           | 26.70       |
| Bushhog & mowed Settlers Cem       | 90.00       |
| Removed tree old Settlers          | 450.00      |

|       |       |          |
|-------|-------|----------|
| Total | <hr/> | 4,466.70 |
|-------|-------|----------|

|                 |  |            |
|-----------------|--|------------|
| Balance to 2020 |  | \$3,436.22 |
|-----------------|--|------------|

### CARE OF CEMETERIES

|        |             |
|--------|-------------|
| Raised | \$ 4,800.00 |
|--------|-------------|

Paid:

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Pleasant Ridge Cemetery | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Stanley Cemetery        | 2,000.00    |
| Tarr Cemetery           | 100.00      |
| Hiram Village Cemetery  | 1,700.00    |



|       |       |             |
|-------|-------|-------------|
| Total | <hr/> | \$ 4,800.00 |
|-------|-------|-------------|

**MEMORIAL PURPOSES**

|                  |           |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Raised           |           | \$ 600.00 |
| Paid:            |           |           |
| Purchased Flags  | \$ 154.80 |           |
| Bloomers Flowers | 180.00    |           |
|                  | <hr/>     |           |
| Total            | \$ 334.80 |           |
| Balance          |           | \$ 265.20 |



**DISTRICT RECREATION COUNCIL**

|                             |  |             |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------|
| Raised:                     |  | \$ 3,500.00 |
| Paid:                       |  |             |
| District Recreation Council |  | \$ 3,500.00 |



**PARK UPKEEP**

|                              |           |             |
|------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Appropriated:                |           | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Paid:                        |           |             |
| Mowing Sawmill Park          | \$ 250.00 |             |
| Signs for Mt. Cutler Parking | 50.00     |             |
| Mt. Cutler road signs        | 199.35    |             |
| Cemetery supplies            | 14.99     |             |
|                              | <hr/>     |             |
| Total                        | \$ 514.34 |             |
| Balance                      |           | \$ 1,485.66 |



**MT. CUTLER GRANT PROJECT**  
**Received from PF Fund of the**  
**Maine Community Foundation\$ 8,000.00**

|                                       |             |              |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Paid from grant LWCF & PF funds:      |             |              |
| Ad for Mt. Cutler Parking Lot         | \$ 130.00   |              |
| Construction of Parking Lot           | 13,990.00   |              |
| Materials                             | 178.07      |              |
| Purchased LWCF signs                  | 20.00       |              |
|                                       | <hr/>       |              |
| total                                 | \$14,318.07 |              |
| Received reimbursement of grant funds |             | \$ 10,087.19 |
| Unspent balance of grant funds:       |             | \$ 3,769.12  |



**SNOWMOBILE CLUBS**

|                      |           |           |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Received from State  |           | \$ 616.00 |
| To be paid to:       |           |           |
| Hiram Hillclimbers   | \$ 308.00 |           |
| Sacopee Snowdrifters | 308.00    |           |
| Total                | <hr/>     | \$ 616.00 |

**Your local snowmobile clubs would like you to join and help keep snowmobiling a fun, safe recreation. Each club has their trail maps for sale and membership cards at the Hiram Town Office.**



**HIRAM PARADE**



|                       |             |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Opening Balance       |             | .....10           |
| Raised                |             | 1,000.00          |
| Received              |             | 837.25            |
| Total                 |             | <hr/> \$ 3,609.35 |
| Paid:                 |             |                   |
| Parade items/supplies | \$ 1,518.57 |                   |
| Balance to 2020       |             | \$ 2,090.78       |



Sacopee Valley Community Band in the 2013 Hiram Fourth of July Parade

**SACOPEE HIGH SCHOOL  
TV 2**

|  |             |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Received from franchise fees                               |             | \$ 7,138.50 |
| Paid:  |             |             |
| Time Warner, high speed internet<br>for town office & SHFD | \$ 1,371.77 |             |
| Sacopee Valley TV2   | 5,766.73    |             |
| Total  |             | \$ 7,138.50 |

**SENIOR PLUS**

|             |  |             |
|-------------|--|-------------|
| Raised:     |  | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Paid:       |  |             |
| Senior Plus |  | \$ 1,000.00 |



**SACO RIVER FESTIVAL**

|                     |  |           |
|---------------------|--|-----------|
| Raised:             |  | \$ 300.00 |
| Paid:               |  |           |
| Saco River Festival |  | \$ 300.00 |



**SOUTHWESTERN OXFORD COUNTY  
NUTRITION  
(BROWNFIELD FOOD PANTRY)**

|                         |  |             |
|-------------------------|--|-------------|
| Raised:                 |  | \$ 4,600.00 |
| Paid:                   |  |             |
| SW Oxford Cty Nutrition |  | \$ 4,600.00 |



**COMMUNITY CONCEPTS**

|                    |  |             |
|--------------------|--|-------------|
| Raised:            |  | \$ 1,500.00 |
| Paid:              |  |             |
| Community Concepts |  | \$ 1,500.00 |



**HIRAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Raised:  
Paid:  
HHS



\$ 500.00  
\$ 500.00

**HIRAM COMMUNITY CLUB**

Raised:  
Paid:  
HCC



\$ 500.00  
\$ 500.00

**HIRAM DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION**

Raised:  
Paid:  
HDA

\$ 500.00  
\$ 500.00

**SMOOTH FEATHER THEATER**

Raised:  
Paid:  
Smooth Feather Theater

\$ 600.00  
\$ 600.00



Mary Hannaford, helping repaint the walls of the Hiram Historical Society 2015



# PROTECTION

## HIRAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

|                             |             |              |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Raised at town meeting      |             | \$ 16,880.00 |
| Paid:                       |             |              |
| Heating Oil – 1,290.60 gals | \$ 3,085.12 |              |
| Propane                     | 249.56      |              |
| Electricity                 | 1,013.98    |              |
| Telephone                   | 585.61      |              |
| Supplies                    | 441.33      |              |
| Truck fuel                  | 797.29      |              |
| Fit test SCBA               | 145.80      |              |
| Truck Maintenance/parts     | 2,099.87    |              |
| Truck inspections           | 180.00      |              |
| Radio/pager repairs         | 1,566.06    |              |
| Air pack batteries          | 152.70      |              |
| Plowing station             | 2,145.00    |              |
| Firefighter dues            | 190.00      |              |
| Total                       | <hr/>       | \$ 12,472.22 |
| Balance to special reserve  |             | \$ 4,407.78  |



## EMA DIRECTOR

|                            |          |             |
|----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Raised:                    |          | \$ 1,800.00 |
| Paid:                      |          |             |
| EMA director, Gary Pierce  | \$600.00 |             |
| EMA director, John Bonanno | 600.00   |             |
| EMA mileage, Gary Pierce   | 300.00   |             |
| EMA mileage, John Bonanno  | 300.00   |             |
| Total                      | <hr/>    | \$ 1,800.00 |



### SOUTH HIRAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Raised at town meeting                                 | \$ 18,538.00 |
| Received from other towns for Learn no to burn program | 400.00       |

|       |                     |
|-------|---------------------|
| Total | <u>\$ 18,938.00</u> |
|-------|---------------------|

**Paid:**

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Heating Oil 236.9 gals     | \$ 869.35 |
| Electricity                | 1,083.26  |
| Telephone                  | 680.35    |
| Water Bill                 | 474.50    |
| Fuel for trucks            | 518.25    |
| Supplies                   | 460.20    |
| Benchtest/SCBA             | 525.00    |
| Air bottles                | 2,036.00  |
| Pump test                  | 1,158.84  |
| Parts                      | 1,046.49  |
| Extinguisher inspections   | 155.45    |
| Truck Maintenance          | 445.72    |
| Truck Inspections          | 147.00    |
| Ladder testing             | 120.00    |
| Radios                     | 124.40    |
| Protective gear            | 1,735.75  |
| Truck construction         | 1,680.10  |
| Plowing                    | 1,040.00  |
| Training                   | 535.31    |
| Dues                       | 160.00    |
| Food for training sessions | 75.03     |
| Gear bags                  | 398.05    |
| Match for grant expenses   | 1,793.76  |

|       |                     |
|-------|---------------------|
| Total | <u>\$ 17,262.81</u> |
|-------|---------------------|

|         |             |
|---------|-------------|
| Balance | \$ 1,675.19 |
|---------|-------------|





**COMMUNICATIONS**

|  |          |              |
|--|----------|--------------|
| Raised                                   |          | \$ 12,200.00 |
| Paid:                                    |          |              |
| Dispatching contract w/Gray              | 7,152.00 |              |
| Tower rental                             | 1,140.00 |              |
| Road Commissioners Cellphone             | 575.20   |              |
| SHFD radios batteries                    | 265.80   |              |
| <hr/>                                    |          |              |
| Total paid                               |          |              |
| Balance to communication reserve account |          | \$ 3,067.00  |



**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**



|                        |             |             |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Raised                 |             | \$ 2,150.00 |
| Paid:                  |             |             |
| Animal Control Officer | \$ 565.50   |             |
| ACO mileage            | 490.63      |             |
| <hr/>                  |             |             |
| Total                  | \$ 1,056.13 |             |
| Balance                |             | \$ 1,093.87 |



**HARVEST HILLS SHELTER**



|                              |  |             |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Appropriated                 |  | \$ 1,620.00 |
| Paid:                        |  |             |
| Harvest Hills Animal Shelter |  | \$ 1,620.00 |



**HYDRANTS**

|                 |              |              |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Raised:         |              | \$ 16,500.00 |
| Paid:           |              |              |
| Maine Water Co. | \$ 15,536.76 |              |
| Balance         | <hr/>        | \$ 963.24    |



**STREET LIGHTS**

|         |             |              |
|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Raised: |             | \$ 11,000.00 |
| Paid:   |             |              |
| CMP     | \$ 9,447.73 |              |
| Balance | <hr/>       | \$ 1,552.27  |



**INSURANCE**

|  |           |              |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| Raised:                                |           | \$ 57,800.00 |
| Received Insurance funds               |           | 1,100.92     |
| Total                                  | <hr/>     | \$ 58,900.92 |
| Paid:                                  |           |              |
| MMA General Liability & Auto           | 13,323.50 |              |
| MMA Workers Comp.                      | 4,357.00  |              |
| Health Insurance for town office staff | 38,181.60 |              |
| Volunteer insurance for firefighters   | 864.00    |              |
| Total                                  | <hr/>     | \$ 56,726.10 |
| Balance                                |           | \$ 2,174.82  |

**ROAD RECONSTRUCTION  
RESERVE ACCOUNT**

 Meeting  
Deposited into reserve

\$ 10,000.00  
\$ 10,000.00



**REVALUATION  
RESERVE ACCOUNT**

Raised at Town Meeting  
Deposited into reserve

\$ 3,500.00  
\$ 3,500.00



**BUILDING MAINTENANCE  
RESERVE ACCOUNT**

Raised at Town Meeting  
Deposited into reserve

\$ 5,000.00  
\$ 5,000.00

**TRI-TOWN WASTE DISPOSAL  
RESERVE ACCOUNT**

Raised at Town Meeting  
Deposited into reserve

\$ 15,000.00  
\$ 15,000.00

**VEHICLE PURCHASING  
RESERVE ACCOUNT**

Raised at Town Meeting  
Deposited into reserve

\$ 5,000.00  
\$ 5,000.00

**PUBLIC WORKS  
RESERVE ACCOUNT**

Raised at Town Meeting  
Deposited into reserve

\$ 10,000.00  
\$ 10,000.00

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS  
RESERVE ACCOUNT**

Raised at Town Meeting  
Deposited into reserve

\$ 5,000.00  
\$ 5,000.00



## DEBT AND INTEREST

### INTEREST

|                                    |  |                    |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Received from                      |  |                    |
| Money Market and Checking          |  | \$ 23,844.52       |
| Interest from Taxes paid           |  | 14,483.44          |
| Interest applied to pre-paid taxes |  | - 621.22           |
| Total                              |  | <hr/> \$ 37,706.74 |
| Applied to commitment              |  | \$ 23,000.00       |
| Balance to surplus                 |  | \$ 14,706.74       |

### LAND PAYMENT

|  |            |                    |
|--|------------|--------------------|
| <b>Purchased 8 acres from Delbert &amp; Grace Gilpatrick</b> |            | <b>\$42,000.00</b> |
| <b>To be paid over 5 years interest free.</b>                |            |                    |
| Raised   |            | \$ 8,400.00        |
| Fifth and final payment paid:                                | \$8,400.00 |                    |
| Balance  |            | \$ 0.00            |

### THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS SPECIAL RESERVE FUND

|  |           |                   |
|--|-----------|-------------------|
| Opening balance                          |           | \$ 496.91         |
| Generously received donations of         |           | \$ 2,212.00       |
| Total                                    |           | <hr/> \$ 2,708.91 |
| Spent:                                   |           |                   |
| Thanksgiving gift certificates to Call's | \$ 445.88 |                   |
| Christmas gifts for 7 large families     | 1,653.95  |                   |
| Total                                    | <hr/>     | \$ 2,099.83       |
| Balance to 2020                          |           | \$ 609.08         |

I wish to thank the many people that made generous donations as well as all of Santa's Helpers that volunteer to wrap gifts for the families and a special thank you to Dave Paro and James Siracuse for making sure they are delivered on time. It would not be possible without your help.



## HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

### 418 GRANTED BY ASSESSORS

|                     |               |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 418 applications    | \$ 121,554.40 |
| Received from State | \$ 76,285.00  |

REMINDER

- **If you have not applied for the homestead exemption and you think you may be eligible contact the Town Office for more information. *This year the exemption has increased to \$25,000 off your total valuation.* You can get the forms at the town office or on our website: [townofhiram.org](http://townofhiram.org). **FORMS MUST BE FILED WITH THE TOWN ASSESSORS BY APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2020.** *It amounts to around \$364. taken off your tax bill – every little bit helps!***
- ***If you have already filed last year you do not have to refile***



View from the Mt Cutler hiking trail  
At the front ledge looking at Hiram village



**TOWN CLERK REPORT 2019**  
**INLAND FISH AND WILDLIFE**  
**LICENSE SALES**



|                       |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| Combination           | 38 |
| Hunting               | 17 |
| Fishing               | 38 |
| Junior Hunting        | 2  |
| Archery               | 4  |
| Bear Permits          | 4  |
| Misc. Lic             | 21 |
| Migratory Birds       | 7  |
| Muzzleloader          | 9  |
| Turkey                | 14 |
| Expanded Archery      | 2  |
| Superpack             | 1  |
| Non Resident Licenses | 12 |



**INLAND FISH AND WILDLIFE**  
**REGISTRATIONS**

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Boats Registered | 84 |
| Snowmobiles      | 85 |
| ATV's            | 62 |



**DOGS LICENSED**

|                 |             |     |
|-----------------|-------------|-----|
|                 | <b>2019</b> |     |
| Males/Females   |             | 29  |
| Neutered/Spayed |             | 124 |
|                 | <b>2020</b> |     |
| Males/Females   |             | 17  |
| Neutered/Spayed |             | 73  |



## VITAL STATISTICS

*In memory of our  
community members  
who have left us this past year.  
Gone but not forgotten*

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Michael Scott     | 3/6/2019  |
| Norma Bagwell     | 8/13/2019 |
| Richard Bard      | 1/2/2019  |
| John Bardugone Jr | 10/3/2019 |
| Regina Coburn     | 12/5/2019 |
| Margaret Johnson  | 7/2/2019  |
| Warren Johnson    | 8/14/2019 |
| Mark Leveille     | 7/17/2019 |
| Nathan Locklin Sr | 8/4/2019  |
| Joyce Ridlon      | 5/4/2019  |
| John Thompson     | 5/11/2019 |
| Annette Turner    | 5/20/2019 |

*A life that touches others goes on forever*

### **16 BIRTHS IN 2019**

### **7 MARRIAGES IN 2019**

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Carol Farley & Arnold Vickery    | 1/26/2019  |
| Norma Patnaude & John Albert     | 2/25/2019  |
| Britt Monique & Clifford Graves  | 6/15/2019  |
| Marjorie Yandell & Zachary Gross | 9/21/2019  |
| Karah Coburn & Kenneth Anderson  | 9/28/2019  |
| Rebecca Smith & Steven Bedard    | 9/28/2019  |
| Pamela Urquhart & Louis Turner   | 10/12/2019 |



## Tax Collector Report 2019 Taxes

Assessed Value \$156,815,505

Tax Rate \$14.54 per thousand

Committed July 19, 2019

|                           |     |                 |
|---------------------------|-----|-----------------|
| Committed                 |     | \$ 2,280,097.44 |
| Supplements               |     | 939.57          |
| Transferred to TAP        |     | 8,839.46        |
| Interest applied to Taxes |     | 621.22          |
| Abatements                |     | 1,317.61        |
| Received                  |     | 2,098,117.84    |
| Balance Due 12/31/2019    |     | \$ 172,140.88   |
|                           |     |                 |
| Almadani, Carrie          |     | 909.77          |
| Anderson, Jason           |     | 240.35          |
| Avanzato, Charlotte       | Bal | 1,330.01        |
| Ballou Robert             |     | 1,339.86        |
| Barrier, Ira              | Bal | 427.12          |
| Barry, Robert             |     | 565.97          |
| Batchelder, Clarence      |     | 188.29          |
| Bean, Paul Est of         |     | 1,112.02        |
| Benson, Mary              |     | 2,199.17        |
| Bernard, Michael          |     | 442.16          |
| Black, James Est of       |     | 1,738.98        |
| BNL Properties            |     | 4,057.10        |
| Bragdon, Valerie          |     | 1,817.94        |
| Brown, Donna              |     | 558.05          |
| Brown, Gregory            |     | 507.16          |
| Bucknell, David           |     | 548.99          |
| Bucknell, David           |     | 1,726.48        |
| Bucknell, Linda           |     | 756.52          |
| Caldwell, Denise          |     | 744.01          |
| Cantor, Theodore          |     | 1,426.08        |
| Chase, Donald             |     | 576.07          |
| Ciasullo, Gary            |     | 2,048.40        |
| Coburn, John              |     | 771.35          |
| Coe, Thomas               | Bal | 7.80            |
| Cram, Michael             | Bal | 1,620.73        |
| Cryan, Mary               |     | 71.68           |

Town of Hiram, Maine

|                                  |     |          |
|----------------------------------|-----|----------|
| D and N Construction             |     | 599.78   |
| Davis, Philip                    |     | 1,485.55 |
| Day, Basil                       |     | 1,709.90 |
| Decker, Dwight                   |     | 482.80   |
| Demers, Ellen                    |     | 1,289.12 |
| Drew, James                      |     | 1,618.45 |
| Drew, James                      |     | 680.62   |
| Dunnells, Craig                  |     | 2,673.34 |
| Dunnells, Craig                  |     | 57.72    |
| Fairpoint Communications         |     | 363.50   |
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| Fitzgerald, Gregory              |     | 563.13   |
| Foley, David                     |     | 1,367.63 |
| Fox, Leslie Jr.                  |     | 418.32   |
| Fyler, William                   |     | 2,712.15 |
| Gavett, Gregory                  |     | 1,410.38 |
| Gilpatric, Donald                |     | 855.97 * |
| Glatzer, Denise                  |     | 743.72   |
| Golder, Karen & Golder Elizabeth |     | 1,542.26 |
| Goodwin, Melton                  |     | 1,673.99 |
| Grace, Kim                       | Bal | 30.09    |
| Grant, Peter                     |     | 983.92   |
| Griggs, Edward                   |     | 843.17   |
| Hackett, Scott                   |     | 987.12   |
| Hammond, Deborah                 |     | 2,523.56 |
| Harmon, Kenneth E.               |     | 1,749.74 |
| Harmon, Kenneth E.               |     | 4,608.89 |
| Harmon, Kenneth R.               |     | 361.03   |
| Harmon, Kenneth R.               |     | 1,225.29 |
| Harris, John                     |     | 627.40   |
| Hartford, Jane                   |     | 2,078.78 |
| Healey, David Est of             |     | 517.33   |
| Heaney, William                  | Bal | 2,003.95 |
| Henderson, Barry                 |     | 1,411.83 |
| Hiram Scenic Land                |     | 755.64   |
| Iott, Evelyn                     |     | 362.77 * |
| Jenkins, Debbie                  |     | 506.38   |
| JMC Hiram Nominee                |     | 1,033.79 |
| Johnson, William Jr              |     | 2,055.67 |
| Kimball, Kenneth                 |     | 955.71 * |

Town of Hiram, Maine

|                            |     |            |
|----------------------------|-----|------------|
| Labrecque, Erin            |     | 1,403.11   |
| Laperna, Eric              |     | 1,153.89   |
| Leonard, William           |     | 2,198.45   |
| Lewis, Peter               |     | 917.47     |
| Lindstedt, John            |     | 470.08     |
| MacDonald, RA              |     | 389.67     |
| Marshall, Jonathan         | Bal | 1,131.00   |
| Martell, Lester            |     | 1,848.18   |
| McGrath, Roger             |     | 543.94     |
| McWilliams, Henry          |     | 604.86     |
| Meehan, Stephen            |     | 262.88     |
| Meehan, Stephen            |     | 1,628.63   |
| Miller, Steve              |     | 191.06     |
| Millet, Gary               |     | 266.81     |
| Mitchell, Donald           |     | 1,992.27   |
| Morris, William            |     | 1,395.55   |
| Newman, Robert             |     | 558.92     |
| Norton, Jack               |     | 508.90     |
| Novom, Peter               |     | 21.81      |
| O'Grady, Daniel            |     | 556.16     |
| Oxford County Soil & Water |     | 4,481.81   |
| Pelletier, Robert          |     | 150.49     |
| Pierce, Francina           |     | 512.39     |
| Pierce, Leonard            |     | 2,320.87   |
| Pinkerton, Joyce           |     | 959.35     |
| Porter, Earle Est of       |     | 918.20     |
| Porter, Earle Est of       |     | 790.25     |
| Rand, Barbara              |     | 805.95     |
| Rankin, Isabelle           |     | 1,222.52   |
| Reardon, MC                |     | 1,570.03   |
| Remillard, Wilfred         |     | 357.10     |
| Remillard, Wilfred         |     | 476.77     |
| Ridlon, Joyce              |     | 774.40     |
| Robinson, Gordon           |     | 1,845.56   |
| Ruddock David              |     | 1,820.84 * |
| Sanborn, Tracey            |     | 783.72     |
| Sargent, Rita              |     | 1,244.33   |
| Searcy, Debra              |     | 204.14     |
| Smalley, Tammy             |     | 647.47     |
| Stanley Trafton Holdings   |     | 26,893.33  |
| Stosez, Joseph             |     | 1,710.34   |

Town of Hiram, Maine

|                     |     |               |
|---------------------|-----|---------------|
| Thombs, Harvey      |     | 584.51        |
| Thompson, Sandra    |     | 916.75        |
| Three Zero Eight    |     | 17.12         |
| Traynor, Marybeth   |     | 313.92        |
| Valley, Jeannette   |     | 419.48        |
| Vining, Robert      |     | 1,083.38      |
| Vittum, Brandi      |     | 696.61        |
| Wallace, Alonzo     |     | 516.90        |
| Ward, Bruce         |     | 649.65        |
| Ward, Willis        |     | 860.64        |
| Ward, Willis        | Bal | 526.71        |
| Waterman, Russell   |     | 1,383.62      |
| Watts, Vinal Est of |     | 114.87        |
| Whipple, George     |     | 1,286.79      |
| Whitney, Christian  |     | 1,915.06      |
| Wing, John          |     | 2,268.97      |
| Winslow, Cheryl     | Bal | 1,144.88      |
| Wright, Mariah      |     | 130.57        |
| Wright, Norman      |     | 2,129.53      |
| Wylie, John         |     | 1,243.17      |
| Yattaw, Frank       |     | 420.35        |
| Zulick, Patrick     |     | 2,191.32      |
| Balance Year End    |     | \$ 172,140.88 |

The above amounts do not include any interest or other fees.

**Liens will be filed in June 2019 for any unpaid taxes.**

**The Tax Collector will accept payments on the above outstanding balances.**

\* Paid in full after books closed 12/31/2019 to 1/31/2020

### **2018 Outstanding Taxes**

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Opening Balance      | \$ 187,245.54 |
| Transferred to TAP   | 1,775.94      |
| Received             | 120,303.88    |
| Transferred to Liens | \$ 65,165.72  |
| Balance              | 0.00          |

**2018 Outstanding Tax Liens  
As of December 31, 2019**

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance            | \$ 65,165.72 |
| Transferred to TAP         | 8,857.69     |
| Received                   | 21,596.52    |
| Total Due as of 12/31/2018 | \$ 34,711.51 |

**2018 Outstanding Tax Liens**

|                         |     |            |
|-------------------------|-----|------------|
| Bean, Paul Est of       |     | 1,114.31   |
| Benson, Mary            |     | 2,203.71   |
| Black, James, Est of    |     | 1,742.57   |
| Bragdon, Valerie        | Bal | 1,157.24   |
| Chase, Leslie           |     | 577.26     |
| Coburn, John            |     | 739.18     |
| Cryan, Mary             |     | 71.83      |
| Curit, Virginia         |     | 954.92     |
| D and N Construction    |     | 601.01     |
| Drew, James             |     | 1,621.79   |
| Drew, James             |     | 682.02     |
| Foley, David            |     | 1,503.85   |
| Fox, Leslie             |     | 419.18     |
| Golder, Karen & David   |     | 1,545.44   |
| Griggs,Edward           |     | 780.67     |
| Harmon, Kenneth         |     | 361.77     |
| Harmon, Kenneth         |     | 1,227.81   |
| Harris, John            | Bal | 110.52     |
| Hartford, Jane          |     | 2,083.07   |
| Leonard, William        |     | 2,202.98   |
| Lewis, Peter            | Bal | 65.92      |
| MacDonald, RA Heirs of  |     | 390.48     |
| Morris, William         |     | 1,398.43   |
| Norton, Jack            |     | 509.95     |
| O'Grady, Daniel         |     | 557.30     |
| Porter, Earle Heirs of  |     | 905.96     |
| Porter, Earle, Heirs of |     | 791.88     |
| Rankin, Isabelle        |     | 1,422.32   |
| Ridlon, Joyce           |     | 776.00     |
| Robinson, Gordon        |     | 1,849.37 * |
| Sargent, Rita           |     | 1,246.90   |

|                            |     |             |
|----------------------------|-----|-------------|
| Winslow, Cheryl            | Bal | 246.79      |
| Yattaw, Frank              |     | 421.22      |
| Total Due as of 12/31/2019 |     | \$34,711.51 |

**The above amounts do not include any interest or other fees.**

\* Paid in full after book closed 12/31/2019 to 1/31/2020

**2017 Outstanding Tax Liens**

|                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Beg. Balance       | \$ 41,354.78 |
| Transferred to TAP | 10,142.61    |
| Received           | 31,212.17    |
| Balance due        | \$0.00       |

**Tax Acquired Property**

|                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Transferred to TAP | \$ 31,472.83 |
| Payment Received   | 11,672.01    |
| Balance 12/31/2019 | \$ 19,800.82 |

**Taxes Paid in Advance 2020**

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance | \$ 24,181.81 |
|-----------------|--------------|

Payment for taxes can be made several ways.  
You can make partial payments throughout  
the year; a lot of people find it easier to  
budget and send in a monthly payment if your  
taxes are not escrowed.  
If you have any questions at all about your  
taxes please be sure and call the office and  
speak with Marylou  
625-4663

## TREASURERS REPORT



### Received from Taxes

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| 2019 Taxes                 | \$ 2,098,117.84 |
| 2018 Taxes                 | \$ 120,303.88   |
| 2018 Tax Liens             | \$ 21,596.52    |
| 2017 Tax Liens             | \$ 31,212.17    |
| 2016 Tax Liens             | \$ 1,588.70     |
| 2015 Tax Liens             | 657.15          |
| 2020 Taxes Paid In Advance | \$ 24,181.81    |
| TAP Redeemed               | \$ 11,672.01    |
| Liens Fees Collected       | \$ 5011.70      |

### Received in Interest

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Taxes               | \$ 14,483.44 |
| Peoples United Bank | \$ 23,844.52 |

### Motor Vehicle

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Excise (Town)        | \$ 281,518.17 |
| Registration (State) | \$ 139,349.36 |

### Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Boat Excise (Town)               | \$ 1,724.00  |
| State Sales Tax, Reg. & Lic Fees | \$ 28,481.01 |

### Animal Welfare

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Animal Control (Town)  | \$ 736.00   |
| Animal Welfare (State) | \$ 1,060.00 |

### Agent Fees

\$ 6,967.75

### Vital Statistics

|       |             |
|-------|-------------|
| Town  | \$ 1,175.80 |
| State | 154.20      |

*Town of Hiram, Maine*

|                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Received from the State             |               |
| Homestead                           | \$ 76,285.00  |
| General Assistance Reimbursement    | \$ 2,079.30   |
| Veterans Exemption Reimbursement    | \$ 1,179.00   |
| Tree Growth Reimbursement           | \$ 20,931.35  |
| State Revenue Sharing               | \$ 102,679.93 |
| Local Roads                         | \$ 50,618.00  |
| Snowmobile Reimbursement            | \$ 615.66     |
| Misc State Income                   | 26.00         |
| Received from Permits               |               |
| Plumbing Permits                    | \$ 3,740.00   |
| Building Permits                    | \$ 8,829.90   |
| Plumbing State Share                | \$ 1,332.50   |
| State Septic Fee                    | \$ 210.00     |
| Received from Boards                |               |
| Appeals Board                       | \$ 300.00     |
| Planning Board                      | \$ 1,200.00   |
| Received from Miscellaneous         |               |
| Office Misc Fees                    | \$ 162.00     |
| Transfer Station Stickers           | \$105.00      |
| Sale of Tax Acquired Prop           | \$ 38,237.59  |
| Lease Income                        | \$ 4,800.00   |
| Time Warner Cable                   | \$7,138.50    |
| Insurance Dividends & Claims        | \$ 1,100.92   |
| LAWF Grant                          | \$ 10,087.19  |
| STK Grant                           | \$ 10,000.00  |
| PF Fund Grant                       | \$ 8,000.00   |
| Driveway Permit Fees                | \$ 100.00     |
| Misc Revenue                        | \$ 270.00     |
| Interest Received on Cemetery Trust |               |
| Charles Watson Cemetery Fund        | \$ 30.73      |
| Eastman Tripp Cemetery              | \$ 40.58      |
| Hiram Village Green – K of P        | \$ 104.63     |
| Isaac W. Gray                       | \$ 113.45     |
| Spring Cemetery                     | \$ 6.70       |
| Charles Bean Cemetery Fund          | \$ 26.88      |

**TOWN RESERVES & FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE TOWN OF HIRAM**



**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RESERVE**

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Balance             | \$ 96,376.57 |
| Added per Town Vote | 5,000.00     |
| Ending Balance      | \$101,376.57 |

**ROAD CONSTRUCTION RESERVE**

|                     |               |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Opening Balance     | \$100,804.95  |
| Added per Town Vote | 10,000.00     |
| Ending Balance      | \$ 110,804.95 |

**PUBLIC WORKS RESERVE**

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance        | \$ 56,307.13 |
| Added per Town Vote    | 10,000.00    |
| Sale of Screener       | 23,000.00    |
| Purchase of Truck F550 | 18,000.00    |
| Ending Balance         | \$ 71,307.13 |

**BUILDING MAINTENANCE RESERVE**

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance     | \$ 77,407.95 |
| Added per Town Vote | 5,000.00     |
| Ending Balance      | \$ 82,407.95 |

**VEHICLE PURCHASE RESERVE**

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance     | \$ 52,718.27 |
| Added per Town Vote | 5,000.00     |
| Ending Balance      | \$ 57,718.27 |



**TRI TOWN WASTE RESERVE**

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance         | \$ 34,492.72 |
| Added per Town Vote     | 15,000.00    |
| Adjustment W/D Interest | 592.72       |

**SACOPEE RESCUE RESERVE**

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance     | \$ 21,000.00 |
| Added per Town Vote | 10,000.00    |
| Ending Balance      | \$ 31,000.00 |

**REVALUATION RESERVE**

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance     | \$ 59,623.02 |
| Added per Town Vote | 3,500.00     |
| Ending Balance      | \$ 63,123.02 |

**HIRAM PARADE FUND**

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Opening Balance     | \$ 1,772.78 |
| Added Per Town Vote | 1,000.00    |
| Raised at Event     | 837.25      |
| Expenditures        | 1,518.57    |
| Ending Balance      | \$ 2,091.46 |



**HOLIDAY FUND**

|                 |           |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Opening Balance | \$ 496.91 |
| Donated         | 2,212.00  |
| Expended        | 2,099.83  |
| Ending Balance  | \$ 609.08 |

**OUTLYING CEMETERY FUND**

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Opening Balance     | \$ 5,902.92 |
| Added Per Town Vote | 2,000.00    |
| Expenditure         | 4,466.70    |
| Ending Balance      | \$3,436.22  |



**COMMUNICATIONS AKA RADIO FUND**

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Opening Balance   | \$3,971.34 |
| Fund Balance 2018 | 3,224.37   |

**HFD FUND**

New in 2019 Fund Balance \$ 4,407.78

**SHFD FUND**

New in 2019 Fund Balance \$ 1,675.19

**GRANT FUNDS**

**MMA SAFETY GRANT – SHFD**

Received and Spent – SCBA Bottles \$ 2,000.00

**FORESTRY GRANT – SHFD**

Received and Spent – Jeep Apparatus \$ 1,542.50

**STEPHEN AND TABITHA KING GRANT**

Received – Lead Abatement Town Office \$10,000.00  
Project to be completed in 2020

**PF FOUNDATION GRANT**

Received for Mt Cutler Cost \$8,000.00  
Spent 4,230.88  
Year End Balance \$ 3,769.12



**Kiosk at New Parking Lot for Mt Cutler**

**CHARLES BEAN CEMETERY**

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Balance of CD        | \$ 1,522.75 |
| Interest Added to CD | 26.88       |
| Balance of CD        | \$ 1,549.63 |

**DAY DURGIN WARD**

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Balance of CD        | \$ 986.12   |
| Interest Added to CD | 17.41       |
| Balance of CD        | \$ 1,003.53 |

**CHARLES WATSON CEMETERY TRUST**

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Balance of CD           | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Account Opening Balance | \$ 1,042.36 |
| Interest Received       | 30.73       |
| Account Balance         | \$ 1,073.09 |

**EASTMAN TRIPP CEMETERY TRUST**

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Balance of CD     | \$ 2,002.00 |
| Account Balance   | \$ 2,615.66 |
| Interest Received | 40.58       |
| Account Balance   | \$ 2,656.24 |

**HIRAM VILLAGE GREEN / K OF P TRUST**

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Balance of CD           | \$ 5,675.64 |
| Account Opening Balance | \$ 2,210.05 |
| Interest Received       | 104.63      |
| Account Balance         | \$ 2,314.68 |



**ISAAC WALDEN GRAY (OLD SETTLERS) TRUST**

|                   |             |             |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Balance of CD     |             | \$ 6,000.00 |
| Account Balance   | \$ 3,755.27 |             |
| Interest Received | 113.45      |             |
| Account Balance   | \$ 3,868.72 |             |

**SPRING MARSHALL TRUST - CD**

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Account Balance   | \$ 543.57 |
| Interest Received | 6.70      |
| Account Balance   | \$ 550.27 |



Before and after photos of the Wadsworth Poindexter Cemetery

**STANLEY BURIAL GROUNDS**

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Opening Balances of CD's (6 at \$5,000.00) | \$ 30,000.00 |
| 2 Savings Bonds each \$500.00              | 1,000.00     |

**NOW CHECKING ACCOUNT**

|                 |          |             |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|
| Opening Balance |          | \$ 97.03    |
| Deposits        | 3,675.00 |             |
| Expenses        | 2,466.23 |             |
| Ending Balance  |          | \$ 1,305.80 |

**MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT**

|                              |          |              |
|------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Opening Balance              |          | \$ 14,959.18 |
| Interest of checking account | 20.66    |              |
| Interest on CD's             | 261.87   |              |
| Savings Bond Dividends       | 15.00    |              |
| Sale of Lots                 | 1,200.00 |              |
| Ending Balance               |          | \$ 16,456.71 |

**Stanley Burying Grounds Trustees**

Richard Burnell

Daniel Gillis - Sexton

Bruce Nason

Cheryl Nee

Sylvia Pease

Lura Sawyer

Marylou Stacey

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER  
2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

This year the Code Enforcement Office issued a total of 32 building permits as shown below:

- Dwellings – 11
- Garages – 5
- Decks – 4
- Sheds – 3
- Mobile Homes – 2
- Renovations – 3
- Additions – 2
- Porches – 1
- Antenna Pad - 1

Thanks for your patience as I get accustomed to this new position. Please feel free to contact this office with any questions relating to the building permit process.

Respectfully submitted,  
Guy Lehouillier  
CEO

**LOCAL PLUMBING INSPECTOR  
2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

This year a total of 29 plumbing permits were issued. Breakdown is as follows:

- Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Systems – 16
- Interior Plumbing – 13

Thanks for the opportunity to serve in this capacity. Please feel free to contact this office with any questions relating to the plumbing permit process.

Respectfully submitted,  
Guy Lehouillier

We would like to welcome Guy Lehouillier as our new Code Enforcement Office, Plumbing and Building Inspector. He can be reached via email at [hiramceo@townofhiram.org](mailto:hiramceo@townofhiram.org), by calling the office 625-4663 or his cell 256-2410

**HIRAM PLANNING BOARD**  
2019 Annual Report

The Planning Board welcomed Pat Dietzel to the board as an alternate and Karen James as a full member – thank you for your decision to serve our community.

Carol Goode accepted an appointment to the Saco River Corridor Commission for Hiram and so resigned from the Planning Board. Thank you Carol for your years of service to the Planning Board.

Guy Lehouillier was appointed to the position of Hiram Code Enforcement Officer but will continue to serve on the Planning Board until such time as all the vacant positions are filled.

A couple members of the Planning Board participated in the Working Session for Saco River Corridor - Hiram maps, on June 3.

- The Saco River Corridor Commission (SRCC) has since completed their project and released the SRCC digital, ARC GIS mapping system. The maps detail the jurisdictional boundaries and districts of the Saco River corridor within all twenty member municipalities. These maps are now accessible on our website and may be used at no cost to the public. KUDOS to all those who worked so hard to make this happen.

A total of 8 Public Hearings were held.

Seven of the eight hearings addressed Conditional Use Permit (C.U.P.) Applications.

- After extensive discussions, one CUP was withdrawn.
- One was approved for the applicant to own and operate a quilt shop on their property.
- Another was approved for the applicant to use an existing garage as a storage/office space for his business.
- One was approved for the applicant to use a newly constructed garage for his excavation business vehicles and equipment.
- Another was approved for the applicant to create a second campsite on his property.
- One was approved for the applicant to operate a seasonal retail shop in their barn.
- The last one was approved for the applicant to operate a day care center from their home.

Another hearing was held to discuss adopting the State Shoreland Zoning Ordinance after incorporating suggested changes made by the state.

- Motion was made and accepted to adopt the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance as presented and recommendation was made for it to be placed on the town meeting warrant for a vote at the annual town meeting.
- The new Shoreland Zoning regulations were presented to the town for approval at the Annual Meeting and accepted.

Respectfully submitted,  
Guy Lehouillier  
Chairman

**HIRAM FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
2019 Report



|    |                         |   |                       |
|----|-------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| 16 | MOTOR VEHICLE INCIDENTS | 4 | TREE / WIRE HAZARDS   |
| 11 | FIRES                   | 5 | SMOKE / INVESTIGATION |
| 8  | ASSIST RESCUE / OTHER   |   |                       |

HFD responded to 44 calls in 2019. While a few less than 2018, there is an overall upward trend over the last several years. With membership numbers historically low, the department is being called upon more frequently than ever. For example, HFD was tasked to assist Sacopee Rescue on several medical calls, and assisted in performing CPR on patients in two of those incidents.

HFD personnel volunteered more than 500 man hours responding to calls, attending meetings, training, and performing equipment repairs, maintenance and other forms of community service. More hours were certainly given, and it is appreciated.

2019 was a milestone year as the long awaited project to preserve the 1937 Dodge Buffalo fire truck was completed. The truck returned from Firefly Restorations just in time for the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. The mechanical systems were all serviced and restored to near original condition while the original paint was cleaned and clear coated. The original gold leaf was touched up as needed and some chrome items re-plated. The work was funded solely through donations and the efforts of many Hiram firefighters, past and present. Firefly Restorations did an amazing job, and the truck now shines and runs as well as it did in the 1940's. We encourage anyone with an interest or appreciation of this wonderful piece of Hiram history to contact any member of the department for a good look, and to attend the parade to see it out on the road.

A change to our paging system was made in an attempt to minimize the impact of the low number of volunteers in the towns two departments. Hiram and South Hiram departments began being notified with the same tone for any call in town. The hope was to get more responders activated whenever a call came in and reduce reliance on mutual aide. It's become clear this hasn't really affected better response. The same geography that drives the need to have two departments causes long response times to opposite ends. Timely response requires each department to rely on much closer mutual aide departments. Unfortunately the root of the problem remains; the historically low numbers of volunteers. This continues to be the biggest challenge our departments are facing. While we actively work to recruit new and younger members, we will also continue looking for ways to improve response using the limited manpower we have.

The station has been upgraded to replace most of the old fluorescent bulbs to LED this year. This reduces electricity costs and greatly improves interior and exterior lighting. Other repair items remain for consideration in the future.

For 2020 HFD requested the same budget amount as 2019, holding the line for the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. With costs of all products and services continually rising, the department has been fortunate to avoid major unexpected expenses. We all know that eventually it will be impossible to maintain the same level, but it is in all of our best interests to get the most out of our available resources

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce Pyburn  
HFD chief

Both Fire Departments are in need of additional volunteers. If you are interested in learning more about the training and such please reach out to one of the following individuals.

Hiram Fire Department  
Bruce Pyburn Chief HFD – 625-7298  
Darryl Ward -625-4790  
Eric Durgin -625-4843

Hiram Fire Department meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at the fire station at 7pm

South Hiram Fire Department  
James Siracuse Chief 625-3604

South Hiram Fire Departments meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7pm

**SOUTH HIRAM FIRE DEPARTMENT  
2019 Report**



The Department responded to fifty-six Dispatched Incidents. We gave Mutual Aid to our neighboring departments twenty times and received aid from them at four incidents. The members logged about two hundred hours responding to emergency incidents and approximately two hundred and fifty hours with station, equipment, apparatus maintenance and inspections, including various training's.

|                |   |                |   |                   |    |
|----------------|---|----------------|---|-------------------|----|
| Structure Fire | 9 | Fire/CO Alarms | 2 | Vehicle Crash     | 16 |
| Chimney Fire   | 1 | Smoke/Odor     | 3 | Canceled in Route | 4  |
| Vehicle Fire   | 2 | Tele/Elec      | 7 | Lift Assist       | 7  |
| Other Fire     | 2 | Tree in Road   | 2 | Basement Flood    | 1  |

The department has seven members, only one is presently certified for interior attack. Most members are over fifty and three are over sixty five. Younger community members need to join to relieve the retiring members.

Both departments are dispatched with the same tone for various reasons. Lack of daytime personnel responding is putting a crimp on all area departments in our communities. Both departments responding to a fire or severe incident in our town is vital. One department can cancel the other's response if not needed. It's a long way from one side of town to the other.

With assistance from other departments, financially and with personnel we gave the "Learn Not to Burn" program again to the Elementary School students as well as participated in the new intruder program ( ALICE ), being introduced in our state to SAD 55 and will continue with the program this coming year. Parade duty, Funeral attendance, Christmas Gift delivery, and Traffic Control for various road races are other activities that the department is called to participate in.

We Thank the Mutual Aid Companies, Sacopee Rescue and the People of the Town of Hiram for their support. Have a Safe Year.

James Siracuse  
Chief South Hiram Fire Department



## **SACOPEE RESCUE**

P.O. Box 367  
Parsonsfield, ME 04047  
207-625-3088



In 2019 Sacopee Rescue responded to a total of 637 calls for service. This is a decrease in calls for service from 2018 (748 calls) of 111 calls or 14.83%. This decrease in calls does have an impact on our revenues for we receive 70.1% of our income for the year from insurance/private payments for services rendered. It is difficult to predict what amount of income to expect from this revenue stream for it is dependent on a number of factors that the Rescue has no control over. This is why the payments from the towns are an important financial bridge for the Rescue. In 2018 the town payments in total were set at \$136,800 (General and Capital Fund) with each town asked to contribute a total of \$34,200 (General and Capital Fund).

For 2020 the budget of the Rescue increased 10% to \$437, 870.00. A large part of this increase is due to payroll. January 1, 2020 minimum wage increased across the State to \$12.00 per hour. This added close to \$20,000 to the budget. Also due to the tightening labor pool of qualified licensed individuals that can work the Rescue, we have to have the ability to offer individuals an increase in wages to compete with surrounding area services. This adds a second \$20,000.00 to the budget. Thus the amount in total we are asking from the 4 towns for 2020 is \$150,000 (General and Capital Fund) with each town asked to contribute \$37,500 (General and Capital Fund) a 9.64% increase over 2019.

The breakdown of the calls is as follows: Town of Cornish (not including Cornish Station) 154, Town of Porter (not including The Sacopee Valley Health Center) 126, Town of Parsonsfield 149, Town of Hiram 145, Cornish Station 13, Sacopee Valley Health Center 25. Mutual Aid 25; Town of Limington 10, Town of Limerick 5, Town of Baldwin 7, Town of Newfield 1, Town of Brownfield 1, Town of Sanford 1

We look forward to being here to assist you in 2020 but pray that you don't need to call us, the true paradox of an emergency rescue service.

Sincerely  
The Sacopee Rescue Board of Directors



## HIRAM JULY 4th PARADE

It's that time of year again and we need to thank all who participated, helped and attended the July 4th parade. It's because of you that it is successful. As I was under the weather this summer and could not make the parade we had some new people jump in and help. John Martus and Robin Martell a big thank you for your help and to Amy Irish who again came out of retirement and worked the bake sale, thanks so much. Also thanks to Denise Martus, Craig Thompson and Ron Rice for all their help. Thanks again to Nate Wadsworth for being the MC. We are so grateful to the band from the West Baldwin Methodist Church for their wonderful music.

We would appreciate the donation of any raffle items for men, women or children. It does not have to be an expensive item. It is expensive to put on the parade and we don't know how much longer we can do a raffle. Anyone who would like to bake something for the bake sale, who hasn't done it before, give Dave or Gloria a call and we will get in touch with whomever is doing the bake sale. You can leave a message on our voice mail and please leave your full name and phone number.

Thanks again to everyone and we will see you on the 4th of July.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dave and Gloria Paro



## **Hiram Historical Society Annual Report**

The Hiram Historical Society was very active in 2019 hosting six guest lecturer programs plus the popular Trash Can Turkey Roast with barbecue and fixings provided by Bald Mountain BBQ, Apple Acres, and music by David Foley. This year we combined it with a monumental Mt. Cutler School Reunion on October 19. The Reunion sparked the theme of the 2019 calendar – School Days, an expansion of an exhibit on schools and an update to the History of Mt. Cutler School. The Reunion attracted 65 former students of the school that had closed 41 years ago, in 1978, plus friends!

Guest lecturers in 2019 were:

**May 11** – New Fruits to Grow in Maine. Jesse Stevens, farmer in Sweden, explained how, and brought plants for sale.

**June 8** – Deb Gould, Maine author, was back to talk about her second book of historical fiction.

**July 13**– Maine’s Early Tourism: Growth and Development, with examples of Belgrade and Hiram by Linda McLoon & Sally Williams

**August 10** – Popular storyteller Jo Radner on misunderstandings in the interaction of Colonial settlers and Native Americans

**September 7** - “Marty on the Mountain” weatherman Engstrom” entertained with his years on New England’s tallest peak.

**October 12** –.Katherine Rhoda performed Vintage Grange Songs and displayed some of her collection.

Among the achievements of the year were oral history interviews with Hilda Kaye Berry, whose community spirited family owned and ran Four Corners Store for decades, including during World War 2 and the 1947 wildfires, and Mary York Pugsley, long time resident of Hiram. We continued the digital documentation of the collection thanks to volunteers Maryagnes Gillman and high school seniors doing community service. With the help of Northeast Historic Films we converted excerpts of humorous audio tapes into “Hiram Tales” on CD, preserving the voices of Roger Flint, Walter Twitchell and Raymond Cotton. On infrastructure, we removed unused kitchen equipment to make way for additional preservation storage of the collection, and, with the Community Center, renewed the parking lot.

Jim and Mary Hannaford earned the Hubert W. Clemons Award for Outstanding Service to the Town of Hiram, presented annually in October. Thank you, public spirited citizens!

We couldn’t have done it without the support of the Town of Hiram, our merry band of volunteers, and our generous donors. Thank you, Hiram! We depend upon your continued support in 2020.





## Hiram Community Club

Hiram Community Club met monthly from March to December. For those new to our town, we are a nonprofit organization working to hold events to bring the community together. The Community Center is for ALL citizens of Hiram. We put out a “Welcome to Hiram” packet which contains a map locating 18 sites throughout the town that a new resident might find helpful. The only site that has not been included is the 8 Hancock Art Center, which is beside the library. Also included is information about Soldiers Memorial Library, Hiram Historical Society and the Town Office. Packets may be picked up at the library, the Town Office, or by contacting Priscilla Howard at 625-8074.

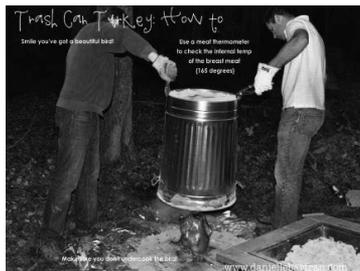
The Center had two rentals this year: an anniversary party and a home school graduation. We had a “rent your space” Flea Market in July and plan another in 2020. In August the Center made its space available free of charge for a fundraiser dance, BBQ and raffle to benefit one of Hiram’s longtime citizens, who was battling breast cancer. In October we again hosted the HHS Trash Can Turkey Roast and this year it included a Mt. Cutler School reunion. “Open Mic Night” is still gaining in popularity. We feature it on the second Sat. from June through Nov. It starts at 7PM. Admission is free, but we do accept donations. Snacks and soft drinks are available for sale. Performers and audience always have a good time! Roast Beef suppers continue to be a big hit! They are held from the 1st Sat. in May through the 1st Sat of Nov. Start time is 5PM. One Pot Luck supper was held, in April. All participants enjoyed sampling all the delicious contributions! Anyone may come and if you don’t cook, feel free to purchase something to bring.

A couple of updates we were able to manage were getting the parking lot re-stripped, with the help of HHS, who shared the cost, and putting in a perennial flower garden on each side of the front entrance. Thank you to Dave Paro, Sally and Jan Williams, and Sally’s sister!

As always, we are grateful to the town for its monetary contribution to our upkeep.

We are always looking for new members and ideas for how to use our building more efficiently. If you are interested, please contact Pres. Dave Paro 256-0136 or Priscilla Howard 625-8074.

Respectfully,  
Priscilla Howard, Sec





## ANNUAL REPORT Soldiers Memorial Library

Your library is a treasure many of you have had the fortune to unearth. However, an even larger number have yet to discover its gems. If you have not yet visited, or it has been a while, we extend an invitation to stop by - you will be pleased! Our 2020 vision as a year for extending membership and support can only be achieved by you!

The approximately two-thousand visits, three-hundred in-house computer usages and five-hundred books circulated reveals a healthy and viable institution. We continually add to our book collection, which helps to keep us up-to-date with the best sellers so much in demand. We are extremely grateful to the Gray Public Library, which donated over nine-hundred dollars worth of their needed large print collection. These books are costly, but are requested by more and more readers.

The popularity of continuing activities such as Scrabble, yoga, knitting, and book discussions highlight the community outreach we provide. The Knotty Knitters have been especially generous with their projects, and have raised funds via donations and their Christmas Crafts Fair.

The Book Club is a pleasure for those who love to share their perspectives on a title. The titles for 2020 will include: Jan., Never Caught by Erica Armstrong Dunbar; Feb., Poetry month - folks choose a favorite poem to share with the group; March, Betty Ford – biography; April, A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Cline; May, Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens; June, The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society by MaryAnn Shaffer; July, Bloodworth by Tim Junkins; Aug., The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict; Sept., The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides; and Oct., On Writing by Stephen King.

In February we began a new activity that piqued the interest of “wanted-to-be” thespians. Jerry Walker, former director of the Sebago Lake Schoolhouse Theater, generously offered his time and talent to form a Readers and Players group. About eight courageous participants met weekly to read and perform together. Talents were honed, and a comedic dialogue between Hiram’s own Jim Hannaford and a fellow actor was enjoyed at Open Mic night on June 8th at the Hiram Community Center.

Our Maine author visits have been divided between the Library and the adjacent Arts Center. The spaciousness of the Arts Center lends itself well to larger audiences, while the Library provides a cozy, more intimate location for authors seeking the one-on-one experience.

Visits at the Library included Ed Rice in April. He is the author of Louis Sockalexis - Right Field: Baseball’s First Indian. It was a fascinating meeting, and we urge you to borrow a copy! In July, local children’s author Joyce Berk shared her delightful first publication, Tate, Levitate, and the Old Woman. With props such as a squirrel puppet and “roasted” marshmallows, Joyce brought her love of nature and animals to life!

At the Arts Center on August 7, we hosted a sing-a-long Ukulele Show with “Nancy and Cal.” The audience broke into song as the duo played favorites, and some “lucky” participants were invited to come to the stage to help lead a particularly tongue-tying title. The Maine Mystery writers panel returned with new member Kate Flora. Kate, Bruce Coffin, Dick Cass and Barbara Ross held a round-table discussion covering everything from their personal writing experiences to the ramifications of their genre choices. The final program here was on October 20, when Navy veteran and former reporter Mac Smith presented his meticulously researched book Mainers on

the Titanic. He held us captivated by the stories he had of harrowing experiences of passengers with ties to Maine.

In addition to the programs of the Library, our building and the Arts Center building are the two public buildings in the North End of Hiram that are heated and available year-round for other meetings and events. Always feel free to call the Library if a meeting space is needed.

We had only one significant improvement to our historical library building during the past year. Some patrons had complained of the harshness and flickering irritation of fluorescent lighting in our cellar rooms, and we agreed that improvement was needed. Rather than replacing the fixtures, we were able to have the existing fixtures re-wired to accommodate LED bulbs. Our patrons are now very pleased with the uniform, steady lighting of the LEDs, and this lighting also reduces our power consumption.

With regard to consumption, the Trustees and Library Director use your annual support, along with donations and volunteer fund-raising, to maintain and operate the Library at reasonable cost. The total cost for 2019 was \$27,954 of which the Town provided \$16,500 and most of the remaining costs were paid by fund-raising efforts of the Friends of the Library. (See the FoSML report elsewhere in this booklet.)

This Town Report shows how the town appropriation for the Library has been spent, and a separate Budget Plan has been provided to show details of all of our costs and resources. The Library Trustees have developed a 2020 budget with expectation of total expenses of about \$30,000. We have requested a \$1000 increase of the annual appropriation, and we have also requested a separate appropriation for the cost of needed exterior building repairs. Some of the trim and lower walls need repainting and minor gutter repairs are needed.

We sincerely appreciate the groundskeeping efforts of Ken Bouffard and the volunteer snow removal work of Darryl Ward, as well as the many others who help with maintenance, projects and programs. All of this volunteer work keeps our total costs to a minimum.

Your library is still about books, but it is also about much, much more than books. We hope to see you here this year for all that your library has to offer.

- Library Director: Pam Slattery-Thomas, and Trustees: Pat Dietzel, Sue Hamilton, Dan Hester, Pam Hild, Dianne Jewett, Ellie Stein, Sally Williams.

**Library Hours**  
**Tuesdays 2-5 pm**  
**Wednesday & Thursday 10 am to 5 pm**  
**Saturday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm**  
**Phone 625-4650**

## **Friends of Soldiers Memorial Library and Hancock Avenue Arts Center**

The Friends of Soldiers Memorial Library (FoSML) is a 501c3 non-profit volunteer organization established in 2012 to provide support for the Soldiers Memorial Library (SML) and our community.

The purposes of FoSML include:

- To support and promote the charitable, educational and literary purposes of the Library.
- To improve the financial well-being of the Library by fund-raising, by providing publicity and programs that support our Library and community purposes, and by encouraging volunteer work.
- To lessen the burdens of Town government by raising funds in support of Library programs.

During 2019 FoSML accomplished those purposes by fund-raising projects including the annual membership campaign which raised about \$3200. There were many other fund-raising efforts including the food sale at our Annual Town Meeting, the Memorial Day Bake Book and Blooms Sale, sales of flower bulbs, catering for the Denmark Sheep Fest and Fiber Arts programs, and many other projects. In total, the FoSML volunteers raised about \$6300 during this year and provided \$7000 of funding for the Library. (Details of Library funding & expenses: see the SML report elsewhere in this Annual Report booklet.)

Since 2016, FoSML has also managed the Arts Center at Hancock Avenue to provide programs and space for other events in support of the Library and Community. The former Congregational Church next to the Library was donated to FoSML for the purposes listed above and has become a public facility for community use. This building, at 8 Hancock Avenue, shares the parking lot with the Library, and has been used for programs that need more room than the limited space of the library building. During the past year, the Arts Center has been used for Yoga classes, adult education, part of the Memorial Day Bake, Book & Blooms Sale, a Christmas Season Crafts Fair, two memorial services, a wedding, and many other meetings, performances and informational programs.

Here is a listing of most of our major 2019 events:

April 23 – Chewonki's traveling natural history program, "Owls of Maine," for students as well as adults.

May 11 – Oen Kennedy, award winning singer-songwriter-naturalist, and a master bird whistler.

May 23 – Maine Wildflowers slide show with Dianne Sinclair, supported by Oxford County SWCD.

June 16 – Carlos Angeles, singer/songwriter in concert, original music in a variety of styles.

Carlos also returned to provide music for the December 7 Crafts Fair.

June 28 – Bellamy Jazz Band, award winning 8-piece band with much-enjoyed Chicago style.

July 20 – Cormac McCarthy, a Maine-based troubador, singer-song-writer and gifted story-teller.

August 3 – Milltown Roadshow, a 5-piece band, "Americana" music, both original and familiar.

August 30 – Katherine Rhoda with her amazing variety of instruments and her singer/songwriter talents.

Sept 13 – Mountaineer Ed Webster, with interactive slide show, "History of Agiocochook, Mt Washington".

September 21 – Maine Mystery Authors Panel: Richard Cass, Bruce Coffin, Kate Flora, Barbara Ross.

October 20 - "Mainers on the Titanic" by Mac Smith, Navy veteran and reporter for the Bar Harbor Times.

October 26 – Joel Cage, award-winning Boston area singer-songwriter and acoustic guitarist.

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We also had concerts by Preston & Curry, bands Primitive Man and Harmony, and ended our concerts on Dec 1 with a Sacopee Community Band Christmas Concert after the Community Tree Lighting & caroling.

We hope that you were able to join with us for some of these performances and programs. **And we have exciting news for the coming year!** We have been awarded a grant from The Onion Foundation to pay most of the costs for bringing a half-dozen brilliant new programs and performances, and allowing us to offer these events with no admission costs. We hope you can be here for these events soon to be announced. We are planning to have at least one performance or program each month during all of this year. Updated schedules of events will be available at the Library, Hiram Town Office, and other places.

During 2019, we were able to continue making repairs and improvements to the building to make it a more comfortable venue for a wider variety of events. All fluorescent bulbs were replaced with LED lighting. But, the most awesome improvement was made possible by a generous grant of the Stephen & Tabitha King Foundation. This enabled us to acquire 100 comfortable new chairs to replace the pews and most of our folding chairs. Come to see and have a seat to enjoy these improvements.

The building can also be rented for private functions, weddings, meetings, etc. Info can be provided by email <[soldiersmemoriallibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:soldiersmemoriallibraryfriends@gmail.com)> or by a phone call or visit at the Library next door.

Respectfully submitted, FoSML Board Members: Pat Dietzel, Sue Hamilton, Mary Hannaford, Dan Hester, Sue Moulton, Pam Slattery-Thomas, Amy Wentworth, Sally Williams.



## **Conservation Committee**

The Conservation Committee of your town was re-established with a meeting held at Soldiers Memorial Library on the evening April 30. Eight volunteers attended.

As stated in the Conservation Committee Policy that was adopted by the Municipal Officers, the Conservation Committee "May have the care and superintendence of public parks such as Sawmill Park, Mt Cutler and Peleg Wadsworth Memorial Park." Committee members have already been involved in the maintenance and improvements of those parks, so this is a confirmation of the volunteer work that some have already been managing.

The Conservation Committee is also directed to "Keep an index of all open areas within the municipality, whether publicly or privately owned, including marshlands, swamps and other wetlands." The Committee has been working with the Municipal Officers to identify lands that may be useful as a town forest, for recreational purposes, and to be maintained for conservation and environmental protection.

As a part of the second meeting that was held in June, the Committee made site visits to access points of the Mt Cutler property on Hiram Hill Road and also at Merrill Park from the original Mt Cutler trail head where the old Hiram Depot station used to be. These site visits helped all to understand the continuing work to develop the Mt Cutler Park (See a separate report about the Park development and use.), and helped with planning further volunteer work. At this meeting we also made plans for clean-up work at the recreation area below Hiram Falls.

During the evening of July 30, Committee members and other volunteers met at the parking area for the sand bar below Hiram Falls and did clean-up work to remove trash, broken glass, and other discarded materials which mar the beauty and welcome use of this recreational and scenic treasure that is owned by Brookfield White Pine Hydro. We remove a large pickup load of trash. More details and photos from this clean-up were described in the Town's Summer Newsletter. Other volunteers have also continued this clean-up work.

The third meeting of the Committee was held on October 29, and most of the meeting was devoted to consideration of several parcels that are owned by the town and discussion of how these lands should either be used or sold. The R10-013, 2-acre parcel, is adjacent to the Ingalls Pond lands managed for public access by the Francis Small Heritage trust. Consensus was that this narrow parcel should be retained by the town as additional river frontage to be available for public use with the other Ingalls Pond lands. The R14-050, 37-acre parcel, across the RR from the Gould Farm subdivision development, is considered to be a town forest land, also with significant river frontage. The major concern with use of this property is the need to better develop a usable access route. The R14-020, 32-acre parcel, is the land of the old town dump, but also includes river shoreland that was the Town Beach during the 1970s and 1980s. Unfortunately, the river made changes that eliminated the sandbar beach, so this land has not been used for recreation for many decades. Consensus was that the town should retain this land for two possibilities: (1) the high ground may some day be an important source of sand and gravel for the town, and (2) there may be possibility that the high ground land here could be useful for business development. Several other parcels were discussed that may be best for the town to sell since those seem to have little value for public access and may be best as areas either to be owned by abutters or purchased for appropriate development.

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During the year, each of the Conservation Committee members provided extensive volunteer time and work in park maintenance, clean-up efforts and in development of the new Mt Cutler Park. By the time that you read this we should have had a January meeting and will be working on plans and projects of 2020. We usually meet on the last Tuesday evening of the month at Soldiers Memorial Library, and very much welcome any other volunteers who would want to help with our efforts. Watch for meeting announcements on the road-side sign of the Library or in the Town of Hiram web pages.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Hester, Committee Chairman.





### **SACO RIVER CORRIDOR**

As we are just starting this New Year of 2020, there has become available from the Saco River Corridor Commission a new map resource that can be a tool of exceptional value for all people living within the Corridor towns. Executive Director Dalyn Houser made the announcement on January 7 of the release of our new on-line digital maps.

To use the maps, use any Internet browser to go on-line to: [srcc-maine.org](http://srcc-maine.org)

Highlight "Resources," then click on "Corridor Mapping Tools."

Scroll down and use "Click here" to start the mapping tools.

There is also a link to a 4-page PDF that describes the maps and shows how to use them.

Near the rivers, you can add or remove layers of the maps that show property boundaries, Corridor districts, flood plain areas, and many other details

These maps are especially useful for municipal officers, town offices, code enforcement, planning boards, realtors, and many other agencies and businesses. But these are also useful for any land owner to just have better map details of lands that they own or of any places of interest.

Notice the the maps are not just useful only for lands in the Corridor. You can also use these maps to see features, structures, roads, terrain and many other details of lands throughout the towns.

Hiram is one of the twenty towns from Fryeburg to Saco that are in the Saco River Corridor. The Corridor includes lands near the Saco, Ossipee and Little Ossipee rivers. Each town can appoint one Commissioner and one Alternate to serve on the Saco River Corridor Commission (SRCC). The Commission has eleven meetings each year, once each month except December. The purpose of these meetings is to consider applications for uses to be located near these rivers and to consider other issues that may threaten the water quality and shore land conditions. The Corridor and the Commission were established by Maine Public Law, The Saco River Corridor Act of 1973. Among the purposes of this law, "to preserve existing water quality, to control erosion, to protect fish and wildlife, to prevent undue extremes of flood and drought, to limit the loss of life and damage to property from periodic floods; to preserve the scenic, rural and unspoiled character of the lands adjacent to these rivers." The Corridor works in cooperation with local zoning ordinances and code enforcement, and also assures that lands near the waters of the Saco River have similar application requirements and permission of uses in all of the 20 towns.

The Saco River Corridor office is at 81 Maple Street in Cornish with entrance between the Family Dollar building and the Cote & Howe Real Estate office. The SRCC has two full-time staff members, Executive Director Dalyn Houser and Administrative Assistant Keisha Garnett. Our administrative assistant for more than two decades had been Joy Chasse, but Joy accepted an opportunity to have a job in a law office and her last meeting with the SRCC was in August. We were at first at a loss to maintain the office without Joy's capable management, but we interviewed several capable applicants. Keisha was hired in September, and has already been working with Dalyn to better organize the office and to improve our record-keeping and administrative procedures.

The SRCC also has two part-time staff. John Boland is our Environmental Compliance Evaluator who does some of the site inspections, and does follow-up work to assure that projects are done as allowed by the permits. John had a long career with Maine Inland Fish & Wildlife, and brings his extensive experience to help with this work.

For part of each year we also have staff to manage our Water Quality Monitoring Program. Rachele Averille had this work for 2019. Water testing has been conducted at 36 sites extending from NH to the Saco estuary. Rachele did the actual water test work at about half of these sites, and managed the work of eight volunteers who did the rest of the testing. Our Executive Director

also did testing at several sites and filled-in for some volunteers when they were unable to be available. Testing has been done every two weeks for all of the year from May through October, with a few sites visited more frequently. In addition to testing the river waters, some of the sites were at local ponds which are popular for swimming and other recreation. Your commissioner, Dan Hester, was one of the volunteers and did water testing in the Saco at the Hiawatha Campground and at the sand bar below Hiram Falls. Mandatory training for the water testing work is conducted each year at the Green Mtn Conservation Group headquarters in Ossipee, NH. Waters are tested for dissolved oxygen, nitrates, phosphates, pH, temperature, turbidity (clarity), temperature, and bacteria. Observations of conditions, weather and nearby activities are also recorded. Data has been collected since 2001, and the standards of the program have been upgraded to meet qualifications for use of the data by Maine DEP, NH DES and the EPA. We can be pleased to report that the water quality of the Saco and its tributaries is of very high quality, although the testing program has identified some specific problem sites.

Dan Hester has served as your Commissioner for several years, and Priscilla Howard was your Alternate Commissioner until last fall. Priscilla found that other obligations and needs of family have left too little of her time for being able to do work of the Commission. With Priscilla's resignation, Carol Goode has been willing to become your Alternate Commissioner. (Both Carol and Dan have previously been commissioners, and both have actually been the commission chair at earlier times.) Working together, we have assured that you have had representation at every meeting of the SRCC during 2019.

The eleven meetings are held at either the Porter Town Hall or at the Dayton Town Hall. The meeting location usually alternates month-to-month, but may also depend upon the locations of the current permit applications. Dan has also attended most of the Rules Committee meetings that are held at the Cornish office two weeks before each SRCC meeting. The Rules Committee reviews applications to assure that details are not overlooked prior to the commission meeting, and also considers needed rules and policies.

Although the SRCC considered about eighty applications during the past year, this year was unusual in that there were no applications from Hiram. However, your commissioners did have a half dozen of site visits in Hiram to investigate possible violations and to determine if a permit application was needed.

Regarding the boundaries of districts, flood plains, water bodies and property lines, be aware that the new digital maps being provided by the SRCC are always a work-in-progress. Some water bodies may not be shown with perfect accuracy, and some boundaries may not be perfectly depicted, but there is no question that these maps are much more useful and more accurate than the paper maps that we have used for most of the past 50 years. As we use these maps, we will gradually identify and correct errors, and the mapping will become a more useful tool as we gain more experience with it. If you notice errors, or have questions, please contact your commissioners or the SRCC office.

More information is available at the office or at the web site, [srcc-maine.org](http://srcc-maine.org). Links are provided to access the law, other documents and policies, and additional information. Use the web site or a phone call to be certain of meeting dates and locations.

Feel free to visit the office Mon-Thur 9AM-4PM, or to call at 207-625-8123.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Hester.

## Sacopec Valley Recreation Council Annual Report

Sacopec Valley Recreation Council continues to provide a wide variety of programs for members of the communities in the area. The council conducts business through a board of directors who are volunteers and two part time paid program coordinators. We currently have 14 active board members, 2 of which are from the town of Hiram.

The traditional sports programs continue for our youth; grades K-6 sports include baseball, softball, t-ball, field hockey, soccer, basketball, cheering and karate. We have started the process of replacing our aged uniforms and will be looking to replace equipment including but not limited to soccer goals/nets, next year.

We continue to host three middle school dances per school year and a variety of summer camps, including swimming lessons.

Our family/community activities continue such as cross-country skiing, open gym, woman's gym night, cribbage and the annual Barn Dance. We continue to provide/maintain the ice rink for skating in the winter; which includes the learn to skate program. In 2019, we hosted two Barn Dances as well as an Easter Egg Hunt.

Over the past couple of years we have purchased a few large items that will support and provide for the community and our programs. In the winter of 2018/2019, we purchased a skate sharpener to provide a better skating experience for those in our community. In the summer of 2019, we purchased new docks for swim lessons at Spec Pond and those docks were available to the community members that swam there.

SVRC is a registered non-profit organization. We continue to lease the Horizons Building and must pay the heat and lights for that. Liability insurance, advertising, and equipment costs are always increasing and our fundraising through dances and other events help to keep the cost of the program down for the participants. Even so, most programs do still need to share a fee.

We would like to thank everyone for their help this past year and we look forward to another great year of programs for community member of all ages. None of these things would be possible without the help and support of the citizens of the five towns we serve. We would be happy to have more people join or get involved in some way. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please let us know.

Sincerely,

SVRC Board of Directors

Participant Numbers:

|   | <u>Hiram</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Winter (basketball, cheering/karate):       | 29           | 136          |
| Spring (tball/baseball/softball):           | 31           | 160          |
| Summer (swim/summer camps):                 | 6            | 34           |
| Fall (soccer/field hockey/cheering/karate): | 25           | 123          |

### **Town of Hiram Health Officer**

2019 Health officer calls usually involved residents with housing and mental health problems associated with isolation as in previous years. More neighbors calling about neighbors for help than previous years where complaints were prominent.

The fire departments on both ends of town continue to benefit from volunteers ready to work and help, but with various levels of vigor making safety a focus of concern particularly for aging department members. Fortunately, common sense among older firefighters and a small influx of young people keep the departments viable. State requirements for health evaluations were met.

Respectfully submitted.

Dr. Joseph R.D. deKay, D.O.

### **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT**

It has been my pleasure to serve as Animal Control Officer for the Town of Hiram 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 31st 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 1st.

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,  
Cynthia (Cindy) Eaton



## SACO MUSIC FESTIVAL



The Saco River Festival Association appreciates the continued support of our programs from the Hiram citizens. SRFA is a non-profit organization founded in 1976 by Frank and Ruth Glazer. Our mission is to promote quality music programs in the Sacopee Valley area and to support music and arts education in the schools.

1. In 2019, the **Cornish Bandstand Series** had another successful summer. We had a five enthusiastic bands, fair weather, and great music, and attendance is growing. The summer concerts are held on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:00 P.M. There are no admission fees, but donations are welcome, and refreshments are sold to help with the cost of the performers. We encourage you to attend and also to invite friends.
2. We continued offering a **scholarship and grant program** for music or art classes, camps, etc. In 2019 we provided funds for one student taking guitar lessons, and funds for sheet music purchase by the Community Chorus.
3. The second annual spring **Sacopee Variety Show** was a fun fundraiser to benefit renovations of Pike Hall in Cornish. Everyone who signed up did very well at the performance in April, and we hope to encourage more local amateur performers to give it a try this year.
4. In September we were very pleased to host an evening concert on the Pike Hall stage by **Heather Masse**, a nationally known singer with Oxford County roots.
5. With SRFA sponsorship, Sacopee Elementary students enjoyed a special school program in November by the **Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers**, who set up their backdrops and props for an entertaining production of [The Legend of Sleepy Hollow](#).

We invite you to visit our website at [www.sacoriverfestival.org](http://www.sacoriverfestival.org) and/or the Bandstand Facebook page at [Cornish Maine Bandstand Series](#) for additional information about our organization and upcoming events for 2020.

Respectfully Submitted

Sharon Beever, President  
Saco River Festival Association

## **Smooth Feather Youth**

We are incredibly honored to have all the support for Smooth Feather Youth from our community. Here are a few highlights from 2019, which were made possible thanks to that support.

We had three fantastic seasons of Smooth Feather Excursions for both the boys and girls programs, which included hiking, mountain biking, trips to the Maine Islands, and more.

We had our first Variety Show at the theater and we had to turn away over 100 people! The local creativity and variety was unbelievable, and the event concluded with a rocket launch on stage!

We hosted a fashion show titled, “Rubbish on the Runway,” in collaboration with Rachelle Averill’s fashion club at the Sacopee Middle School. All outfits were constructed from rubbish, and it was amazing to see what the young fashionistas came up with.

We had a “School of Rock” music workshop, which was a huge success and was hosted by local legends of rock Pete Finkle, Ron Parker, Katrina Stacey and more!

We hosted another powerful kickoff concert for the Ossipee Valley Music Festival, which was a free event and was broadcasted live to TV2 and youtube. It was also projected live to an overflow venue across the street thanks to the Riverside United Methodist Church.

Our red carpet film school premiere was a huge success with another full house supporting our latest young filmmakers of Kezar Falls. This year’s film “Breaking Reins” was written and directed by Porter native Gwyneth Hibbert.

To wrap up the year, we hosted a Holiday Extravaganza with live music, movies, jumping elves, Christmas tree handstands and more. Santa Claus even made an appearance for all the kids!

Silas Hagerty  
Smooth Feather Youth  
[www.smoothfeather.org](http://www.smoothfeather.org)

## **SeniorsPlus**

SeniorsPlus is your Area Agency on Aging. Our mission is to assist older adults and adults with disabilities to remain independent and at home as long as possible. We do this by providing information on services, connections to services, assistance to families in navigating what the next step is in care for family members, and educational information on important topics such as Scams and Fraud, Live Well Plan Now, and Informed Aging. We also provide support for family caregivers, and education about anything to do with the aging process and services available.

We are Medicare experts, providing one-on-one assistance to choose a Medicare policy and if eligible, assist people with the enrollment in a Medicare Savings Programs. Through our Marketplace to Medicare program we assist those that need to transfer from their Affordable Care Act (ACA) plan to a Medicare plan that is affordable and meets their individualized needs

We also provide Meals on Wheels to homebound older adults and adults with disabilities, and we offer our Meals to Recovery (MTR) program for those who are returning home after a hospital or rehab stay, or even after day surgery. Meals are provided up to 4 weeks to help them with their recovery process.

Our services are free, although donations are greatly appreciated, and we are available by phone, and home visits if needed. Your local SeniorsPlus staff member is Valerie Cole, who lives and works in Oxford County.

Our website is [www.seniorsplus.org](http://www.seniorsplus.org), and our toll-free number is 1-800-427-1241. No question or concern is too small – call us anytime.

This past year we provided services to 21 Hiram residents, including Meals on Wheels, Medicare counseling, Money Minders support and information and assistance.

## Community Concepts, Inc.

Community Concepts offers a variety of free or affordable services and programs to move individuals, families and businesses forward primarily in the communities of Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford counties. These services support both the basic needs of families and promote self-sufficiency.

Our programs and services:

- support the well-being of children, teens and families,
- foster home ownership across the community and affordable living options for low-income residents,
- provide income eligible residents with energy assistance as well as safe and energy-efficient housing,
- support transportation services for children, adults and seniors,
- match residents with local employment, training and education opportunities, and
- help businesses and communities grow.

Our website is [www.ccimaine.org](http://www.ccimaine.org) and our toll-free number is 1-800-866-5588. We have two offices at 17 Market Square, S. Paris and 240 Bates Street, Lewiston. We have interpreter services available at no cost, and our doors are open to anyone who is in need.

During CCI's fiscal year 2019 (October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019) we provided services to 65/162 Hiram households/residents, including:

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) 52/108 households/individuals = \$46,322  
Emergency Crises Intervention Program (ECIP) 4/7 households/individuals = \$1,384  
Weatherization 3/7 households/individuals = \$24,237  
Above ground storage tank removal 1/4 households/individuals = \$3,400  
Central Heating Improvement Program (CHIP) 2/3 households/individuals = \$1,105  
Transportation for elderly/Veterans and Medicaid patients 16 individuals = \$112.64  
Alternative Response/Family Support Program 1 household = \$1,073  
Maine Families Home Visitation 2 households = \$6,514  
Housing Counseling/Financial Coaching 17 individuals = \$7,242

## **Sacopee TV**

As we do every year, we would like to start off by thanking the towns for your continued support of Sacopee TV. Without your support and encouragement, this program wouldn't exist. We continue to add updated programming for our viewers across the MSAD55 community and to our viewers around the globe. We have continued to provide programming to those not served by SPECTRUM by use of streaming web media content. Our YouTube Channel allows viewers who do not have access to Sacopee TV on their televisions to view the same content online. By simply going to our YouTube page, anyone can view our most recent programming. The programming includes Girls and Boys Varsity Basketball games and MSAD55 School Board Meetings. Any of the events on our YouTube page can be watched at any time and is available to watch anywhere around the globe as long as you have an internet connection. We have viewers from all parts of the United States and beyond. Currently our subscriber number for our YouTube page is over 150 subscribers and continues to grow each week.

The Sacopee TV students continue to work particularly hard setting up live sound and live remote broadcasting from the many school board public forums, as well as other community and school events. We are in the middle of the busiest event year in recent memory for Sacopee Tv. Last year we broadcast 35 live events. This year with the 17 live basketball games, 12 School Board Meetings and Town Meetings we should be over 40 live events. We continue to provide coverage of all school board meetings and were able to record and broadcast all of the town meetings. Every day at 7am and 7pm, we replay the entire MSAD55 School Board Meeting from the past month so viewers can catch up if they missed the event. We also broadcast some town events during the past year and will continue to increase the amount of events we cover in the towns that support Sacopee TV. With our new Youtube channel and new broadcasting equipment we are able to stream more events in the upcoming calendar year.

Sacopee TV students continue to work in a classroom format processing school and community events, and updating information on our bulletin board for viewers. Students actively engage in learning valuable real life TV/Video experiences as they develop skills necessary to manage the public access channel, all usually while broadcasting, "on-the-fly". We are very proud to provide coverage and look to always improve on the program. Many students benefit from this educational component created by the Sacopee TV Community Television Program in the school, several of which have pursued careers in this discipline after graduation. For most students in the program, it is their first time broadcasting events and quickly learn the skills required for the job.

In 2020, we will continue to see the results of our franchise agreement negotiations. With our Wirecast application we also can stream live online from more locations and we have updated our graphics for School Board Meetings and sporting events to look professional. We are able to put live scoreboards on the

sporting events and dates on the town meetings. We look forward to reach more viewers, provide more event coverage and further expand on our current broadcasting service. With our new broadcasting equipment called Wirecast, Sacopee TV has the ability to go live on our YouTube channel from ANY location as long as that location has WI-FI. We want more town content on our Spectrum Channel 1301 and on our YouTube page.

If you have any important dates or events you would like the towns to know about, please contact us and we will be glad to list them on our Sacopee TV bulletin board. We may be reached at 625-3208 ext. 2119 or via email directly to the Sacopee TV gmail account at [sacopeetv@gmail.com](mailto:sacopeetv@gmail.com)

This article does not require the town to raise **any** revenue. The franchise fee is a fee paid by each cable subscriber to SPECTRUM - above and beyond the regular cable rate - and is returned to the towns. Most municipalities dedicate these franchise fees to the local access station, like Sacopee TV. It is our goal for Sacopee TV to be self-sufficient, and not need to use school funds or request donations from local businesses to maintain operations.

All funds for Sacopee TV are managed through the MSAD #55 Finance Office and are audited every year with records kept for at least seven years.

Please feel free to contact us if you would like additional information regarding Sacopee TV.

Once again we would like to thank the towns for their continued support of the Sacopee TV program. Please check out Sacopee TV located on Channel 1301 and for those who don't have SPECTRUM please see our YouTube page as it has most of our programming including on-demand content at our YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-IcbTPrelfeQ8zfaExVU1Q>.



Spirit of America Award to Dave & Gloria Paro

## TRI-TOWN WASTE REPORT 2019



The Tri-Town Transfer Station Board of Directors has been busy studying, researching, and developing improvements to our facility. DEP recognizes our station as one of the cleanest well organized stations in southern Maine. We intend to maintain that status with your help.

We have been met with many financial challenges with substantial increases in all tipping fees through EcoMaine for household and bulky waste and CPRC on demo loads. This has forced us into researching better ways to make sure everyone is paying their fair share for their bulky waste and demolition debris items that are brought to the station. The board has voted to invest in a scale system in order to equalize this issue. The scales would be delivered in 2020 but not operable until 2021.

EcoMaine had started a new system where they review our recycle loads and if there are non-recyclable items in the load, it gets reported to us and we can even get fined/charged for the entire load if over 5% is "contaminated". Fortunately, our patrons have been doing an good job and the highest "contamination" we have had is 2%. That is credited to our amazing attendants at the station! They have been reviewing the loads to the best of their ability and pulling items out of the load prior to it being sent to Eco, therefore keeping our % down. **YOU CAN MAKE THEIR JOB A LOT EASIER BY PAYING ATTENTION TO THE SIGNAGE AT THE STATION AND ONLY DISPOSE OF RECYCLEABLE ITEMS.** If you have questions as to whether or not something is recyclable, please ask the attendant before disposal or you can easily check on the EcoMaine app called "recyclopeda".

We wish to thank and highly commend our faithful attendants; Mike Cote and Tim Caldwell, our station manager Joe McNulty and our truck driver Scott Chapman and spare driver Joe Stacey for your continued efforts to keep our station in tiptop shape and being friendly, courteous and helpful to our patrons.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brent Day, Porter Selectman  
Chair, Tri-Town Waste Facility



TRI-TOWN WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY  
2019 ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR THE TOWNS OF BALDWIN, HIRAM AND PORTER



|  |               |                      |
|--|---------------|----------------------|
| <b>Opening Balance</b>                           |               | <b>\$ 1,715.72</b>   |
| Received from:                                   |               |                      |
| Town of Baldwin                                  | \$ 90,000.00  |                      |
| Town of Hiram                                    | 90,000.00     |                      |
| Town of Porter                                   | 90,000.00     |                      |
| Demo Debris Fees                                 | 11,906.33     |                      |
| Stickers sold for Freon removal                  | 2,530.00      |                      |
| Reimb. For metals                                | 4,500.65      |                      |
| Bulky Waste fees                                 | 9,100.00      |                      |
| Reimb for electronic waste                       | 357.28        |                      |
| Misc. revenues                                   | 562.62        |                      |
| MSAD #55 payment to participate                  | 16,000.00     |                      |
| <br>   |               |                      |
| Total Receipts                                   | \$ 314,956.88 |                      |
| <b>Total</b>                                     |               | <b>\$ 316,672.60</b> |
| Paid:  |               |                      |
| TIPPING FEES:                                    |               |                      |
| ECOMAINE –1,755.49 tons                          | 155,381.79    |                      |
| ECOMAINE – Bulky waste 70.76T<br>+ 62 Mattresses | 5,553.19      |                      |
| <br>   |               |                      |
| CPRC – demolition debris 149.28T                 | 14,199.68     |                      |
| BUILDING REPAIRS:                                |               |                      |
| Station repairs                                  | 226.21        |                      |
| Sweeping station                                 | 400.00        |                      |
| BUILDING CONSTRUCTION:                           |               |                      |
| SRG Engineering Inc                              | 2,500.00      |                      |
| EQUIPMENT REPAIRS                                |               |                      |
| S Chamberlain, hydraulics repairs                | 2,377.00      |                      |
| Container repairs                                | 1,341.80      |                      |
| Tractor registration                             | 352.18        |                      |
| Backhoe fuel                                     | 749.39        |                      |
| Backhoe repairs                                  | 462.78        |                      |
| Eastmans Welding                                 | 317.00        |                      |
| TRUCK EXPENSES:                                  |               |                      |
| KF Auto Parts                                    | 1,634.10      |                      |
| Fuel Decal                                       | 5.00          |                      |
| Dicks Used Cars & Repairs                        | 178.00        |                      |
| Truck fuel 2,433.54 gals                         | 7,187.90      |                      |
| Truck registration                               | 2,143.46      |                      |
| IRS-HUVT fee                                     | 41.99         |                      |
| Central Tires                                    | 1,712.02      |                      |
| TRUCK DRIVER EXPENSES:                           |               |                      |
| Driver – Salary                                  | 12,236.64     |                      |
| MMTA dues –                                      | 52.40         |                      |
| Drug tests                                       | 85.00         |                      |
| ATTENDANTS PAYROLL:                              |               |                      |
| Michael Cote                                     | 11,258.41     |                      |
| Joseph McNulty                                   | 18,719.11     |                      |

Town of Hiram, Maine

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Tim Caldwell                                       | 9,347.63  |
| PAYROLL EXPENSES:                                  |           |
| IRS tax deposits & state tx dp                     | 11,501.80 |
| SECRETARIAL SERVICES & OFFICE SUPPLIES             |           |
| Town of Hiram reimbursed                           | 1,816.11  |
| Terry Day mileage                                  | 90.48     |
| Shopping Guide Ads                                 | 204.00    |
| Miscellaneous                                      | 639.05    |
| Audit  | 2,500.00  |
| STATION OPERATING EXPENSES:                        |           |
| Water bill   | 475.41    |
| CMP bill   | 3,337.43  |
| Telephone bill                                     | 829.22    |
| Plowing/sanding                                    | 1,500.00  |
| Extinguishers                                      | 63.00     |
| Service charges                                    | 41.20     |
| Annual license fees                                | 489.00    |
| INSURANCES:  |           |
| General Liability/Workers Comp<br>& Auto Insurance | 17,191.00 |

Total Expenses

\$ 289,140.38

Balance Carry Forward to 2020

\$ 27,532.22

**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 – SCOTT CHAPMAN  
SPARE TRUCK DRIVER – JOSEPH STACEY  
STATION TEL NUMBER: 207-625-7633  
OFFICE TEL NUMBER: 207-625-4663***

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

Town of Hiram, Maine



*Proven Expertise & Integrity*

February 12, 2020

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Hiram, Maine  
Hiram, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Hiram, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Hiram, Maine as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2019 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, is 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 |
| 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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Certified Public Accountants

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TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|                                     | Budgeted Amounts |              | Actual<br>Amounts | Variance<br>Positive<br>(Negative) |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
|                                     | Original         | Final        |                   |                                    |
| Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1   | \$ 2,198,335     | \$ 2,198,335 | \$ 2,198,335      | \$ -                               |
| Resources (Inflows):                |                  |              |                   |                                    |
| Taxes:                              |                  |              |                   |                                    |
| Property Taxes                      | 2,280,097        | 2,280,097    | 2,295,067         | 14,970                             |
| Excise Taxes                        | 290,000          | 290,000      | 283,242           | (6,758)                            |
| Interest on Taxes and Liens         | -                | -            | 19,495            | 19,495                             |
| Total Taxes                         | 2,570,097        | 2,570,097    | 2,597,804         | 27,707                             |
| Intergovernmental Revenues:         |                  |              |                   |                                    |
| State Revenue Sharing               | 73,000           | 73,000       | 102,680           | 29,680                             |
| Homestead Exemption                 | 76,965           | 76,965       | 76,285            | (680)                              |
| GA Reimbursement                    | 3,850            | 3,850        | 2,079             | (1,771)                            |
| Local Road Assistance               | 50,000           | 50,000       | 50,618            | 618                                |
| Veteran Reimbursement               | 1,000            | 1,000        | 1,179             | 179                                |
| Tree Growth Reimbursement           | 19,000           | 19,000       | 20,931            | 1,931                              |
| State Snowmobile                    | 616              | 616          | 616               | -                                  |
| Other                               | -                | -            | 26                | 26                                 |
| Total Intergovernmental Revenues    | 224,431          | 224,431      | 254,414           | 29,983                             |
| Licenses, Permits and Fees          | -                | -            | 12,570            | 12,570                             |
| Charges for Services:               |                  |              |                   |                                    |
| Library                             | 7,100            | 7,653        | 7,653             | -                                  |
| Administration                      | -                | -            | 8,306             | 8,306                              |
| Appeals Board                       | -                | -            | 300               | 300                                |
| Planning Board                      | -                | -            | 1,200             | 1,200                              |
| Lease Income                        | -                | -            | 4,800             | 4,800                              |
| Transfer Station Fees               | -                | -            | 105               | 105                                |
| Animal Control                      | -                | -            | 736               | 736                                |
| Total Charges for Services          | 7,100            | 7,653        | 23,100            | 15,447                             |
| Investment Income                   | 23,000           | 23,000       | 23,223            | 223                                |
| Miscellaneous Revenues:             |                  |              |                   |                                    |
| Cable TV Franchise Fees             | -                | 7,139        | 7,139             | -                                  |
| Sale of Town Assets                 | -                | -            | 38,238            | 38,238                             |
| Miscellaneous Revenue               | 25,000           | 23,520       | 270               | (23,250)                           |
| Transfers from Other Funds          | 42,000           | 18,000       | 18,593            | 593                                |
| Total Miscellaneous Revenues        | 67,000           | 48,659       | 64,240            | 15,581                             |
| Amounts Available for Appropriation | 5,089,963        | 5,072,175    | 5,173,686         | 101,511                            |

SCHEDULE 1 (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|  | Budgeted Amounts    |                     | Actual<br>Amounts   | Variance<br>Positive<br>(Negative) |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
|  | Original            | Final               |                     |                                    |
| Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):  |                     |                     |                     |                                    |
| General Government                     | 205,300             | 205,300             | 196,118             | 9,182                              |
| Boards and Associations                | 21,900              | 21,900              | 22,843              | (943)                              |
| Maintenance                            | 39,840              | 27,840              | 22,845              | 4,995                              |
| Community Services                     | 31,600              | 31,600              | 31,600              | -                                  |
| Culture and Recreation                 | 30,816              | 31,369              | 31,369              | -                                  |
| Protection                             | 80,688              | 71,538              | 67,929              | 3,609                              |
| Cemeteries                             | 5,400               | 5,400               | 5,135               | 265                                |
| Highway and Roads                      | 495,000             | 495,000             | 488,009             | 6,991                              |
| Health and Sanitation                  | 100,150             | 100,150             | 95,175              | 4,975                              |
| Education                              | 1,557,339           | 1,557,339           | 1,557,339           | -                                  |
| County Tax                             | 152,664             | 152,664             | 152,664             | -                                  |
| Unclassified                           | 115,207             | 122,346             | 15,928              | 106,418                            |
| Debt Service:                          |                     |                     |                     |                                    |
| Principal                              | 8,400               | 8,400               | 8,400               | -                                  |
| Capital Outlay                         | 30,000              | 18,000              | 18,000              | -                                  |
| Transfers to Other Funds               | 65,500              | 74,650              | 77,874              | (3,224)                            |
| Total Charges to Appropriations        | <u>2,939,804</u>    | <u>2,923,496</u>    | <u>2,791,228</u>    | <u>132,268</u>                     |
| Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31    | <u>\$ 2,150,159</u> | <u>\$ 2,148,679</u> | <u>\$ 2,382,458</u> | <u>\$ 233,779</u>                  |
| Utilization of Unassigned Fund Balance | <u>\$ 58,875</u>    | <u>\$ 58,875</u>    | <u>\$ -</u>         | <u>\$ (58,875)</u>                 |

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TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
DECEMBER 31, 2019

|   | General<br>Fund     | Other<br>Governmental<br>Funds | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>   |                     |                                |                                |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | \$ 2,981,948        | \$ 27,676                      | \$ 3,009,624                   |
| Investments   | -                   | 49,781                         | 49,781                         |
| Accounts receivables (net of allowance<br>for uncollectibles):                |                     |                                |                                |
| Taxes   | 191,942             | -                              | 191,942                        |
| Liens   | 36,076              | -                              | 36,076                         |
| Other   | 24                  | -                              | 24                             |
| Due from other funds  | -                   | 602,888                        | 602,888                        |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>   | <b>\$ 3,209,990</b> | <b>\$ 680,345</b>              | <b>\$ 3,890,335</b>            |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>  |                     |                                |                                |
| Due to other governments  | \$ 3,984            | \$ -                           | \$ 3,984                       |
| Due to other funds  | 602,888             | -                              | 602,888                        |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>  | <b>606,872</b>      | <b>-</b>                       | <b>606,872</b>                 |
| <b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>  |                     |                                |                                |
| Deferred revenues   | 171,222             | -                              | 171,222                        |
| Advanced payment of LRAP funding  | 25,256              | -                              | 25,256                         |
| Prepaid taxes   | 24,182              | -                              | 24,182                         |
| <b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>                                    | <b>220,660</b>      | <b>-</b>                       | <b>220,660</b>                 |
| <b>FUND BALANCES</b>  |                     |                                |                                |
| Nonspendable - principal  | -                   | 68,259                         | 68,259                         |
| Restricted  | -                   | 13,977                         | 13,977                         |
| Committed   | 871                 | 585,683                        | 586,554                        |
| Assigned  | -                   | 13,436                         | 13,436                         |
| Unassigned  | 2,381,587           | (1,010)                        | 2,380,577                      |
| <b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>  | <b>2,382,458</b>    | <b>680,345</b>                 | <b>3,062,803</b>               |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF<br/>RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b> | <b>\$ 3,209,990</b> | <b>\$ 680,345</b>              | <b>\$ 3,890,335</b>            |

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TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND  
BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|   | General<br>Fund     | Other<br>Governmental<br>Funds | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>   |                     |                                |                                |
| Taxes:  |                     |                                |                                |
| Property taxes  | \$ 2,314,562        | \$ -                           | \$ 2,314,562                   |
| Excise taxes  | 283,242             | -                              | 283,242                        |
| Intergovernmental revenues                              | 254,414             | 9,147                          | 263,561                        |
| Charges for services                                    | 35,670              | -                              | 35,670                         |
| Miscellaneous revenues                                  | 68,870              | 55,046                         | 123,916                        |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>                                   | <b>2,956,758</b>    | <b>64,193</b>                  | <b>3,020,951</b>               |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                                     |                     |                                |                                |
| Current:  |                     |                                |                                |
| General government                                      | 196,118             | -                              | 196,118                        |
| Boards and associations                                 | 22,843              | -                              | 22,843                         |
| Maintenance   | 22,845              | -                              | 22,845                         |
| Community services                                      | 31,600              | -                              | 31,600                         |
| Culture and recreation                                  | 31,369              | -                              | 31,369                         |
| Protection  | 67,929              | -                              | 67,929                         |
| Cemeteries  | 5,135               | -                              | 5,135                          |
| Highway and roads                                       | 488,009             | -                              | 488,009                        |
| Health and sanitation                                   | 95,175              | -                              | 95,175                         |
| Education   | 1,557,339           | -                              | 1,557,339                      |
| County tax  | 152,664             | -                              | 152,664                        |
| Unclassified  | 15,928              | 28,718                         | 44,646                         |
| Debt service:   |                     |                                |                                |
| Principal   | 8,400               | -                              | 8,400                          |
| Capital outlay  | 18,000              | -                              | 18,000                         |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>                               | <b>2,713,354</b>    | <b>28,718</b>                  | <b>2,742,072</b>               |
| <b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER<br/>(UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b> | <b>243,404</b>      | <b>35,475</b>                  | <b>278,879</b>                 |
| <b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>                   |                     |                                |                                |
| Transfers in  | 18,593              | 77,874                         | 96,467                         |
| Transfers (out)   | (77,874)            | (18,593)                       | (96,467)                       |
| <b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>             | <b>(59,281)</b>     | <b>59,281</b>                  | <b>-</b>                       |
| <b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>                      | <b>184,123</b>      | <b>94,756</b>                  | <b>278,879</b>                 |
| <b>FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1</b>                        | <b>2,198,335</b>    | <b>585,589</b>                 | <b>2,783,924</b>               |
| <b>FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31</b>                      | <b>\$ 2,382,458</b> | <b>\$ 680,345</b>              | <b>\$ 3,062,803</b>            |

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|                                  | Original Budget | Budget Adjustments | Final Budget   | Actual         | Variance Positive (Negative) |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>General Government -</b>      |                 |                    |                |                |                              |
| Legal and professional           | 5,000           | -                  | 5,000          | 5,000          | -                            |
| Town office operation            | 35,000          | -                  | 35,000         | 34,891         | 109                          |
| Update assessing                 | 3,000           | -                  | 3,000          | 2,050          | 950                          |
| Town staff                       | 89,500          | -                  | 89,500         | 86,851         | 2,649                        |
| Fringes                          | 1,000           | -                  | 1,000          | -              | 1,000                        |
| Insurance                        | 57,800          | -                  | 57,800         | 55,625         | 2,175                        |
| Audit of Town books              | 6,500           | -                  | 6,500          | 6,200          | 300                          |
| Computer                         | 5,000           | -                  | 5,000          | 3,618          | 1,382                        |
| Elections                        | 2,500           | -                  | 2,500          | 1,883          | 617                          |
|                                  | <u>205,300</u>  | <u>-</u>           | <u>205,300</u> | <u>196,118</u> | <u>9,182</u>                 |
| <b>Boards and Associations -</b> |                 |                    |                |                |                              |
| Selectmen                        | 5,600           | -                  | 5,600          | 5,766          | (166)                        |
| Tax maps                         | 1,600           | -                  | 1,600          | 1,600          | -                            |
| Code enforcement                 | 14,500          | -                  | 14,500         | 14,095         | 405                          |
| Planning board                   | 100             | -                  | 100            | 1,185          | (1,085)                      |
| Appeals board                    | 100             | -                  | 100            | 197            | (97)                         |
|                                  | <u>21,900</u>   | <u>-</u>           | <u>21,900</u>  | <u>22,843</u>  | <u>(943)</u>                 |
| <b>Maintenance -</b>             |                 |                    |                |                |                              |
| Upkeep of buildings              | 37,840          | (12,000)           | 25,840         | 22,331         | 3,509                        |
| Park upkeep                      | 2,000           | -                  | 2,000          | 514            | 1,486                        |
|                                  | <u>39,840</u>   | <u>(12,000)</u>    | <u>27,840</u>  | <u>22,845</u>  | <u>4,995</u>                 |
| <b>Community Services -</b>      |                 |                    |                |                |                              |
| Sacopec Rescue                   | 24,200          | -                  | 24,200         | 24,200         | -                            |
| Southwest Oxford County          | 4,600           | -                  | 4,600          | 4,600          | -                            |
| Community Concepts               | 1,500           | -                  | 1,500          | 1,500          | -                            |
| Seniors Plus                     | 1,000           | -                  | 1,000          | 1,000          | -                            |
| Saco River Festival              | 300             | -                  | 300            | 300            | -                            |
|                                  | <u>31,600</u>   | <u>-</u>           | <u>31,600</u>  | <u>31,600</u>  | <u>-</u>                     |

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|                                 | Original Budget | Budget Adjustments | Final Budget  | Actual        | Variance Positive (Negative) |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Culture and Recreation -</b> |                 |                    |               |               |                              |
| Soldiers Memorial Library       | 23,600          | 553                | 24,153        | 24,153        | -                            |
| Smooth Feather Youth            | 600             | -                  | 600           | 600           | -                            |
| Sacopec recreation              | 3,500           | -                  | 3,500         | 3,500         | -                            |
| Historical Society              | 500             | -                  | 500           | 500           | -                            |
| Hiram Development Assoc.        | 500             | -                  | 500           | 500           | -                            |
| Hiram Community Center          | 500             | -                  | 500           | 500           | -                            |
| Snowmobile club                 | 308             | -                  | 308           | 308           | -                            |
| Hiram Hillclimbers              | 308             | -                  | 308           | 308           | -                            |
| Fourth of July Parade           | 1,000           | -                  | 1,000         | 1,000         | -                            |
|                                 | <u>30,816</u>   | <u>553</u>         | <u>31,369</u> | <u>31,369</u> | <u>-</u>                     |
| <b>Protection -</b>             |                 |                    |               |               |                              |
| Hiram fire department           | 16,880          | (4,408)            | 12,472        | 12,472        | -                            |
| South Hiram fire department     | 18,538          | (1,675)            | 16,863        | 16,863        | -                            |
| EMA director                    | 1,800           | -                  | 1,800         | 1,800         | -                            |
| Communications                  | 12,200          | (3,067)            | 9,133         | 9,133         | -                            |
| Animal control                  | 2,150           | -                  | 2,150         | 1,056         | 1,094                        |
| Harvest Hills Animal Shelter    | 1,620           | -                  | 1,620         | 1,620         | -                            |
| Hydrants                        | 16,500          | -                  | 16,500        | 15,537        | 963                          |
| Street lights                   | 11,000          | -                  | 11,000        | 9,448         | 1,552                        |
|                                 | <u>80,688</u>   | <u>(9,150)</u>     | <u>71,538</u> | <u>67,929</u> | <u>3,609</u>                 |
| <b>Cemeteries -</b>             |                 |                    |               |               |                              |
| Care of cemeteries              | 4,800           | -                  | 4,800         | 4,800         | -                            |
| Memorial purposes               | 600             | -                  | 600           | 335           | 265                          |
|                                 | <u>5,400</u>    | <u>-</u>           | <u>5,400</u>  | <u>5,135</u>  | <u>265</u>                   |

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|                             | Original Budget | Budget Adjustments | Final Budget | Actual    | Variance Positive (Negative) |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Highway and Roads -         |                 |                    |              |           |                              |
| General roads               | 100,000         | -                  | 100,000      | 100,837   | (837)                        |
| Resurfacing account         | 100,000         | -                  | 100,000      | 100,000   | -                            |
| Roads/bridges               | 50,000          | -                  | 50,000       | 24,251    | 25,749                       |
| Winter roads                | 245,000         | -                  | 245,000      | 262,921   | (17,921)                     |
|                             | 495,000         | -                  | 495,000      | 488,009   | 6,991                        |
| Health and Sanitation -     |                 |                    |              |           |                              |
| Solid waste account         | 90,000          | -                  | 90,000       | 90,000    | -                            |
| Health officer              | 800             | -                  | 800          | 800       | -                            |
| General assistance          | 9,350           | -                  | 9,350        | 4,375     | 4,975                        |
|                             | 100,150         | -                  | 100,150      | 95,175    | 4,975                        |
| Education -                 |                 |                    |              |           |                              |
| RSU #55                     | 1,557,339       | -                  | 1,557,339    | 1,557,339 | -                            |
|                             | 1,557,339       | -                  | 1,557,339    | 1,557,339 | -                            |
| County Tax -                |                 |                    |              |           |                              |
| Oxford County               | 152,664         | -                  | 152,664      | 152,664   | -                            |
|                             | 152,664         | -                  | 152,664      | 152,664   | -                            |
| Unclassified -              |                 |                    |              |           |                              |
| Maine Municipal Association | 2,563           | -                  | 2,563        | 2,563     | -                            |
| Southern Maine Planning     | 591             | -                  | 591          | 591       | -                            |
| Cable franchise fees        | -               | 7,139              | 7,139        | 7,139     | -                            |
| Abatements/overlay          | 112,053         | -                  | 112,053      | 5,635     | 106,418                      |
|                             | 115,207         | 7,139              | 122,346      | 15,928    | 106,418                      |

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|                               | Original Budget | Budget Adjustments | Final Budget  | Actual        | Variance Positive (Negative) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| Debt Service -                |                 |                    |               |               |                              |
| Principal                     | 8,400           | -                  | 8,400         | 8,400         | -                            |
|                               | <u>8,400</u>    | <u>-</u>           | <u>8,400</u>  | <u>8,400</u>  | <u>-</u>                     |
| Capital Outlay -              |                 |                    |               |               |                              |
| Public works truck            | 30,000          | (12,000)           | 18,000        | 18,000        | -                            |
|                               | <u>30,000</u>   | <u>(12,000)</u>    | <u>18,000</u> | <u>18,000</u> | <u>-</u>                     |
| Transfers to Other Funds -    |                 |                    |               |               |                              |
| Road reconstruction           | 10,000          | -                  | 10,000        | 10,000        | -                            |
| Building improvement          | 5,000           | -                  | 5,000         | 5,000         | -                            |
| Revaluation reserve           | 3,500           | -                  | 3,500         | 3,500         | -                            |
| Capital improvements          | 5,000           | -                  | 5,000         | 5,000         | -                            |
| Tri-Town capital reserve      | 15,000          | -                  | 15,000        | 15,000        | -                            |
| Vehicle reserve               | 5,000           | -                  | 5,000         | 5,000         | -                            |
| Public works reserve          | 10,000          | -                  | 10,000        | 10,000        | -                            |
| Hiram fire department         | -               | 4,408              | 4,408         | 4,408         | -                            |
| Sacopec Valley Rescue         | 10,000          | -                  | 10,000        | 10,000        | -                            |
| Outlying cemeteries           | 2,000           | -                  | 2,000         | 2,000         | -                            |
| South Hiram fire department   | -               | 1,675              | 1,675         | 1,675         | -                            |
| Radio reserve                 | -               | 3,067              | 3,067         | 6,291         | (3,224)                      |
|                               | <u>65,500</u>   | <u>9,150</u>       | <u>74,650</u> | <u>77,874</u> | <u>(3,224)</u>               |
| TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS | \$ 2,939,804    | \$ (16,308)        | \$ 2,923,496  | \$ 2,791,228  | \$ 132,268                   |

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TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
DECEMBER 31, 2019

|  | Special<br>Revenue<br>Funds | Capital<br>Projects<br>Funds | Permanent<br>Funds | Total Nonmajor<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                  |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Cash and cash equivalents                      | \$ -                        | \$ -                         | \$ 27,676          | \$ 27,676                               |
| Investments                                    | -                           | -                            | 49,781             | 49,781                                  |
| Due from other funds                           | 99,373                      | 503,515                      | -                  | 602,888                                 |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                            | <u>\$ 99,373</u>            | <u>\$ 503,515</u>            | <u>\$ 77,457</u>   | <u>\$ 680,345</u>                       |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                             |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Due to other funds                             | \$ -                        | \$ -                         | \$ -               | \$ -                                    |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>                       | <u>-</u>                    | <u>-</u>                     | <u>-</u>           | <u>-</u>                                |
| <b>FUND BALANCES</b>                           |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Nonspendable - principal                       | -                           | -                            | 68,259             | 68,259                                  |
| Restricted                                     | 3,769                       | -                            | 10,208             | 13,977                                  |
| Committed                                      | 82,168                      | 503,515                      | -                  | 585,683                                 |
| Assigned                                       | 13,436                      | -                            | -                  | 13,436                                  |
| Unassigned                                     | -                           | -                            | (1,010)            | (1,010)                                 |
| <b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>                     | <u>99,373</u>               | <u>503,515</u>               | <u>77,457</u>      | <u>680,345</u>                          |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND<br/>BALANCES</b> | <u>\$ 99,373</u>            | <u>\$ 503,515</u>            | <u>\$ 77,457</u>   | <u>\$ 680,345</u>                       |

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TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
DECEMBER 31, 2019

|  | Special<br>Revenue<br>Funds | Capital<br>Projects<br>Funds | Permanent<br>Funds | Total Nonmajor<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                  |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Cash and cash equivalents                      | \$ -                        | \$ -                         | \$ 27,676          | \$ 27,676                               |
| Investments                                    | -                           | -                            | 49,781             | 49,781                                  |
| Due from other funds                           | 99,373                      | 503,515                      | -                  | 602,888                                 |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                            | <u>\$ 99,373</u>            | <u>\$ 503,515</u>            | <u>\$ 77,457</u>   | <u>\$ 680,345</u>                       |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                             |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Due to other funds                             | \$ -                        | \$ -                         | \$ -               | \$ -                                    |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>                       | <u>-</u>                    | <u>-</u>                     | <u>-</u>           | <u>-</u>                                |
| <b>FUND BALANCES</b>                           |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Nonspendable - principal                       | -                           | -                            | 68,259             | 68,259                                  |
| Restricted                                     | 3,769                       | -                            | 10,208             | 13,977                                  |
| Committed                                      | 82,168                      | 503,515                      | -                  | 585,683                                 |
| Assigned                                       | 13,436                      | -                            | -                  | 13,436                                  |
| Unassigned                                     | -                           | -                            | (1,010)            | (1,010)                                 |
| <b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>                     | <u>99,373</u>               | <u>503,515</u>               | <u>77,457</u>      | <u>680,345</u>                          |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND<br/>BALANCES</b> | <u>\$ 99,373</u>            | <u>\$ 503,515</u>            | <u>\$ 77,457</u>   | <u>\$ 680,345</u>                       |

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TOWN OF HIRAM, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

|   | Special<br>Revenue<br>Funds | Capital<br>Projects<br>Funds | Permanent<br>Funds | Total Nonmajor<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| <b>REVENUES</b>   |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Interest income   | \$ -                        | \$ -                         | \$ 639             | \$ 639                                  |
| Intergovernmental                                       | 9,147                       | -                            | -                  | 9,147                                   |
| Miscellaneous   | 26,532                      | 23,000                       | 4,875              | 54,407                                  |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>                                   | <u>35,679</u>               | <u>23,000</u>                | <u>5,514</u>       | <u>64,193</u>                           |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                                     |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Program expenditures                                    | 26,252                      | -                            | 2,466              | 28,718                                  |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>                               | <u>26,252</u>               | <u>-</u>                     | <u>2,466</u>       | <u>28,718</u>                           |
| <b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER<br/>(UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b> | <u>9,427</u>                | <u>23,000</u>                | <u>3,048</u>       | <u>35,475</u>                           |
| <b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>                   |                             |                              |                    |   |
| Transfers in  | 17,874                      | 60,000                       | -                  | 77,874                                  |
| Transfers (out)   | -                           | (18,593)                     | -                  | (18,593)                                |
| <b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>             | <u>17,874</u>               | <u>41,407</u>                | <u>-</u>           | <u>59,281</u>                           |
| <b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>                      | 27,301                      | 64,407                       | 3,048              | 94,756                                  |
| <b>FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1</b>                        | <u>72,072</u>               | <u>439,108</u>               | <u>74,409</u>      | <u>585,589</u>                          |
| <b>FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31</b>                      | <u>\$ 99,373</u>            | <u>\$ 503,515</u>            | <u>\$ 77,457</u>   | <u>\$ 680,345</u>                       |

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