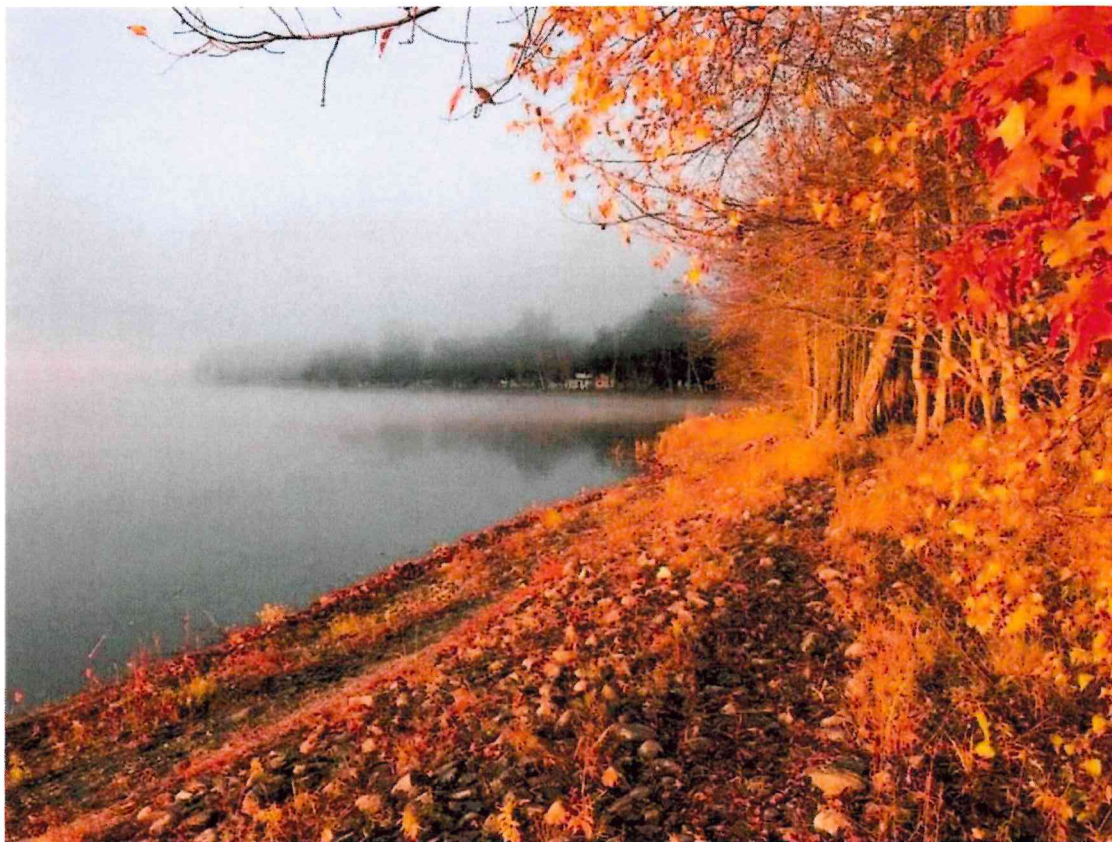


2023
ANNUAL REPORT
TOWN OF BURNHAM,
MAINE
INCORPORATED 1824



HOME OF LAKE WINNECOOK

BURNHAM – GENERAL INFORMATION

Incorporated: February 4, 1824
Government: Town Meeting and 3 Member Select Board
Population: 1108 (as per 2020 Census)
Registered Voters: 818

Town Office: Reynolds Corner Municipal Building
Address: 247 South Horseback Road
Hours: Monday - Thursday 8am-4pm
Friday 8am-2pm
Monday Evening 7pm-9pm
3rd Saturday of each month 9am-12pm
Office: 948-2369 **Fax:** 948-2793 **Email:** townofburnham@gmail.com
Website: www.burnham-maine.us

Transfer Station: 296 North Horseback Rd.
Hours: Saturday 8am-4pm, Tuesday 12pm-4pm

Animal Control Officer: Russell Craft: 341-5488

Planning Board: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Town Office
Planning Board Chairman: Brian Swift: 487-2709

Code Enforcement Officer: Charles Porter: 948-6325
Plumbing Inspector: Randolph Hall: 234-4006

Assessors' Agent: RJD Appraisal, Pittsfield, Maine

MSAD #53 School District: 487-5107
Superintendent: Sherry Littlefield

Post Office: 487-2267 / 26 Troy Rd.
Counter Hours: Mon-Fri 7:30-9:30am, 2:30-4:30pm
Sat 7:30am-11:15am

Pittsfield Food Pantry: Hours: Tuesdays & Fridays 9:30-12:00pm

Unity Food Pantry: Hours: 3rd Saturday of each month 7-8:00am
180 Depot St. (Former Fire Station)
Contact phone number: 487-1199

FOR EMERGENCIES: Dial 911

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE TOWN OF

BURNHAM, MAINE

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

2023

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

As required by law, we hereby submit the Annual Town Report of the municipal activities of the Town of Burnham by the various department heads, committees, and organizations for the year ending December 31, 2023. We closed the books at noon on December 29, 2023, with a General Fund balance of **\$1,767,102.06**.

The Town received \$150,187.05 in 2021 and 2022 from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds established under the **American Rescue Plan Act**. In 2022, the Town voted to use some of the ARPA funds to improve our municipal building by expanding the administrative office and purchased additional TRIO software licenses – both Payroll and Rapid Renewal. In 2023, the Town voted to use more of the funds for paving the Town Office driveways and for office equipment. Most of the remaining amount of the ARPA funds were voted to be used for the Mill Bridge Replacement Project on the Pond Road, which was completed in August 2023.

At last year's Town Meeting, the Town voted to approve RJD Appraisal to apply a factor to all Real Estate assessment valuations to declare 100% certified ratio to the state. As a result of that factoring, all real estate valuations did increase, as shown on your 2023 tax bills. Although the mil rate dropped in 2023, the amount on the tax bills went up due to a 14% increase in the budget last year. That increase included a higher amount for the Snowplow Contract (which was put out to bid), the Town's first Road Note payment for paving certain roads in 2022, as well as a substantial increase in the MSAD #53 school budget, which alone makes up 69% of your tax bill. As living expenses continue to climb, we are always looking for ways to save the Town money and will continue to do so. We do try to keep a close eye on the Town budget. There was an unanticipated expense in December 2023 - the winter storm that required much cleanup of downed trees in our roadways, mostly coming out of our Roads Budget. Thank you, Charlie King and all the firemen who worked hard to clear the roads right before Christmas!

Last year, we started working on updating our **Veterans Memorial** on Route 100. A second stone has already been placed and the new plaque has been ordered – we're hoping to have it in place by Memorial Weekend. The Veterans banners you've probably seen in Town have been purchased and installed by family members, friends and through numerous donations and volunteers. They are a beautiful addition to our small town. Amazing job! To all Veterans, in our town and everywhere – thank you for your service!

A planning committee has been formed to plan the **Bicentennial Event**, which will take place this July 20, 2024. Anyone who is interested in volunteering and/or donating is encouraged to contact the Town Office or a member of the Select Board. Happy 200th Birthday, Burnham!

Although **recycling** is no longer available at the Transfer Station, residents are encouraged to participate in recycling at the Unity Area Regional Recycling Center. The cost of your non-resident annual pass (\$30) will be reimbursed in full by the Town upon proof of payment. For more information on the UARRC, please visit www.uarrc.org. Thank you to those who participated in 2023 and to those who will continue to do their part in the year ahead. As a reminder, residents making use of the **transfer station** are required to purchase a sticker and may do so at the Municipal Office during regular office hours. (Note: current sticker color is still orange!)

As another reminder, please take a moment to make sure your **E911** number is present on your home, mailbox, and at the end of your driveway. If there is an emergency in your home and you need help, the number will clearly identify where the emergency is located. Time is of the essence in an emergency, so please take the time to make sure your property is clearly marked.

If you are interested in participating on a committee or just learning about your town, come join us at a Select Board Meeting every other Monday night at 7pm, which is open to the public. We look forward to the year ahead, and we hope you will join us at the Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Stuart Huff, Chairman of the Board
Ricky Basford
Brent Chase

STATE OFFICIALS

GOVERNOR

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Governor at Office of the Governor
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Email: governor@maine.gov

UNITED STATES SENATORS

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United States Senate
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Angus S. King Jr. (I)
United States Senate
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Tel: 202-224-5344 or 1-800-432-1599
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Tel: 207-883-1588 Website: www.kingsenate.gov

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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MAINE SENATE

Glenn "Chip" Curry (D-Belfast)
District 11
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MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Amanda Collamore (R-Pittsfield)
District 68
173 Library St., Pittsfield, ME 04967
2 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Tel: 207-679-7305 Email: Amanda.Collamore@legislature.maine.gov



STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0001

Dear Maine Resident:

In January, I was privileged to take the Oath of Office to begin my second term as your Governor. I am deeply humbled by the trust the people of Maine have placed in me, and I look forward to continuing to work hard over the next four years to improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people.

Over the past four years, we have made real progress. We have expanded health care, leading to the largest decline in the uninsured rate of any state in the nation. We fully funded the State's share of public education. We delivered two-years of free community college. We fully restored municipal revenue sharing to five percent. We delivered substantial tax relief, nation-leading inflation relief, and emergency energy relief to help Maine people through difficult times.

Through the Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan, we are strengthening and diversifying our economy. In 2022, our state's gross domestic product – a key measure of economic growth – grew at the 9th fastest rate in the United States. People are moving to Maine at a rate higher than any other New England state, and at one of the highest rates in the nation. We have enacted balanced budgets, and we have built up Maine's "Rainy Day" fund to a record high, preparing our state to continue meeting its commitments in the event of an economic downturn.

While I am proud of the progress we have made, there is more to do, like addressing the housing crisis, the workforce shortage, and the opioid epidemic and strengthening health care, education, and the economy. I know that by working together to tackle these issues head-on, we can improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people and make Maine the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Thank you again for the honor to serve you as Governor.

Thank you,

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

Janet T. Mills
Governor

January 1, 2024

Dear Friends,

Thank you for allowing me to add my congratulations and gratitude for the positive differences each town and city in Maine makes for its people and ultimately for Maine as a whole. When I travel around the state and visit the various regions in Maine, I see firsthand the differences you all make, the focus you put on excellence, and the helping hands you extend to neighbors. I have learned valuable lessons watching your collaborations with each other. They got the State motto right – *Dirigo* – because you all certainly do lead the way and exemplify the best of Maine.

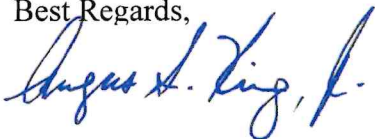
First, it was a true honor to be appointed to the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee this year to help address the challenges facing Maine veterans. We owe our way of life to these brave men and women and share a collective responsibility as a grateful nation to give back to our veterans. That means delivering veterans the benefits they have earned, addressing the veterans' suicide crisis, improving transition-to-civilian-status programs, and ensuring every veteran can access essential services, like affordable housing and behavioral healthcare.

Next, one of the most significant infrastructure projects in Maine history is underway: affordable and universal broadband availability throughout the state. Supported through funding in the bipartisan infrastructure bill, we are now within striking distance of broadband service even in our most rural communities. Additionally, infrastructure improvements in our roads and bridges, water and septic upgrades for our towns and support for our workforce and employers are also in the pipeline. Serious steps are being taken to address the toll from substance abuse and to provide our older neighbors with resources to help them continue to stand strong throughout their golden years. It is my goal here to make sure everyone has access to stable employment opportunities and quality healthcare which is of critical importance to keep our families healthy and happy.

I am thankful for each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. I will do my part to listen to your concerns and work to find useful solutions to the issues you face. My offices throughout Maine remain available to you if you face hurdles with the federal government, whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, tax assistance and more. I hope you will reach out of my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow me the chance to be part of your solutions. Together, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state.

Maine is known for our grit and resiliency and we are making great strides — something others across the country have noticed. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you — it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2024.

Best Regards,



ANGUS S. KING, JR.
United States Senate

SUSAN M. COLLINS
MAINE

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WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904

COMMITTEES
APPROPRIATIONS
HEALTH, EDUCATION,
LABOR AND PENSIONS
SELECT COMMITTEE
ON THE ENERGY
SPECIAL COMMITTEE
ON AGING

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to serve the people of Maine in the U.S. Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share an update on issues important to Maine and America.

One of my priorities for 2023 has been to improve the appropriations process in Congress – the way it decides how to spend taxpayer money. I took over as the Vice Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee last year. Along with Chair Patty Murray, we decided the best change we could make was not to do something new. Instead, it was to do something old – that is, go back to the regular and transparent committee process that we used to have.

Part of restoring this process included holding 50 public Committee hearings, which allowed for input from senators on both sides of the aisle. As a result, for the first time in five years, the Senate Appropriations Committee passed all twelve of its funding bills on time. This was done with strong bipartisan support. In fact, seven of them passed unanimously.

Now, we need to work with the House of Representatives to pass these twelve bills and turn them into laws.

These bills contain funding for a wide range of Maine priorities, including support for the workforce at Bath Iron Works and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, our lobster industry, infrastructure improvements, affordable housing, biomedical research, veterans, and heating assistance programs like LIHEAP. These bills also contain nearly \$590 million in Congressionally Directed Spending for 231 projects throughout the State of Maine. These projects would help promote job creation, expand access to health care, and improve public safety, infrastructure, and important resources in communities across all 16 counties of our state. I will continue to work to get these bills signed into law in the new year.

On October 25, the horrific mass shooting in Lewiston claimed the lives of 18 Mainers and injured 13 others. In response, I led Maine's Congressional Delegation in requesting an independent investigation by the U.S. Army Inspector General into the events leading up to the shooting. On December 15, the Under Secretary of the Army wrote to inform me that such an investigation will take place, and the Army Inspector General has instructed her team to immediately begin preparing to conduct this investigation. While nothing can undo the events of October 25, I will continue to work to understand what happened and what could have been done differently, and to find answers for the victims, survivors, and their families.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and this year I honored that work ethic when I cast my 8,855th consecutive roll call vote.

As we look ahead to 2024, I remain committed to addressing the concerns of Maine families and communities. If you need assistance or wish to share your thoughts, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator



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

Dear Friends,

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

Maine's heritage industries are the backbone of our state's economy. That is why one of the first bills I introduced in this Congress was the *Northeast Fisheries Heritage Protection Act*, which would prohibit commercial offshore wind energy development in Lobster Management Area 1 (LMA 1) in the Gulf of Maine. LMA 1 was identified by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) as a potential commercial offshore wind site. LMA 1 is a critical and highly productive fishing ground for a variety of sea life, including lobster. Prohibiting offshore wind development in LMA 1 would help to avoid conflict with the New England commercial and recreational fishing industries. Additionally, the bill would initiate a federal study on the environmental review processes of any relevant Federal agencies for offshore wind projects in the Gulf of Maine.

I also continue to advocate on behalf of our veterans and those providing care to our former service members. The current pay for VA employees in the Kennebec and Penobscot counties does not reflect the critical services they are providing. As the oldest state in the nation, with the fifth highest veteran population, Mainers rely on the services offered at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities. That's why recently, Senator Collins, Senator King, Representative Pingree, and I called on the Biden Administration to increase locality pay for VA employees in Kennebec and Penobscot counties. The level of care received is impacted by job vacancies, and the high turnover rate among its healthcare workforce is often the result of pay and compensation issues, which is further exacerbated by the increased cost of living.

Lastly, I'm excited that Mainers are continuing to reap the benefits of the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* (BIL). Recently, millions of dollars in grants have been awarded across the state, including \$35 million through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Culvert Aquatic Organism Passage (AOP) program to conserve spawning and migratory habitats for native fish species in Maine, \$460,000 through the Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) program for the Princeton Municipal Airport, Stephen A. Bean Municipal Airport, and Dexter Regional Airport, and nearly \$8 million through the Buses and Bus Facilities Program for Bangor's bus system. These investments are critical to ensuring Maine's infrastructure and will help to ensure Mainers and businesses across Maine are connected.

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

- **Caribou Office:** 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou, ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009
- **Lewiston Office:** 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767
- **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Suite 101, Bangor, ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2024. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,

Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress



Glenn "Chip" Curry
Senator, District 11

THE MAINE SENATE
131st Legislature

3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333

January 12, 2024

Dear Friends and Residents of Burnham,

Thank you for the opportunity to continue serving as your State Senator. I'm incredibly proud to represent our communities in Augusta, and I promise to work as hard as I can on your behalf. My career as an educator, community development coordinator, and advocate for children and youth has been driven by a calling to help people of all ages reach their highest potential.

The Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature began on January 3, 2024. I continue to serve as Senate chair of the Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business Committee. We are responsible for looking at a wide range of issues, including supporting and uplifting Maine's workforce, strengthening local businesses, and encouraging economic development across the state, especially within our rural communities. Our work is critical to aiding Maine's economic recovery. I also continue to serve on the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, which focuses on enabling and promoting the safe enjoyment of Maine's outdoors and conservation duties to protect our wildlife and natural resources.

We opened our work this year by honoring those lost in the Lewiston Shootings. The National Anthem was sung in the Senate Chamber by the Lewiston High School Chamber Choir, and our opening invocation was delivered by the Rev. Sarah Gillespie. The session was also translated by two ASL interpreters.

There are many important issues that lawmakers will be considering and voting on this year, like affordable housing, expanded access to child care, supports for working families, as well as violence prevention and gun safety. I'll be sure to keep you all updated on our progress.

Please remember that I am a resource for you all year. If you need to contact a state agency or department or want to share a comment, please don't hesitate to reach out. You can email me at Chip.Curry@legislature.maine.gov or call my legislative office at (207) 287-1515. I know that the winter can be challenging for families, but please don't be afraid to ask for help. After all, I'm here to serve you. Sincerely,
Chip Curry State Senator, District 11 Representing the twenty-six rural, coastal, and island communities of Waldo County

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chip Curry".

Chip Curry

State Senator, District 11

Representing the twenty-six rural, coastal, and island communities of Waldo County

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February 2024

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you for electing me to serve as your State Representative for a second term. I am honored and grateful that you have placed your trust in me to serve as your Representative for District 68. I look forward to the challenges ahead as we enter the second regular session of the 131st Maine Legislature.

I am excited to have been selected by leadership to serve as the Lead member of the Joint Standing on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement, and Business, because of my bipartisan approach to find solutions. For this, I am extremely grateful.

Last year in the 131st Legislature, I championed a bill LD 950 to add “kickboxing” and “Muay Thai” into the laws that govern mixed martial arts. I also supported a bill to make Community College coursework and apprenticeship program work count toward the Journeymen-in-Training license. This bill will help increase the number of licensed electricians entering the workforce. This coming session, I have a bill that will also let those same coursework hours count toward the Career and Technical Education Centers. The bill made it through Legislative Council unanimously. I am excited to advocate for this bill to help address the electrician shortage in our state. I hope to work on more common sense solutions like this this coming session.

I look forward to continuing the work on legislation to address the many issues facing this state. I will make sure your voices continue to be heard in Augusta.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to represent you, the people of District 68. Please call me anytime at 207-679-7305 or email at Amanda.Collamore@legislature.maine.gov to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request. Sincerely, Amanda Collamore State Representative House District 68 Clinton, Pittsfield, Burnham, and Troy
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Amanda N. Collamore".

Amanda N. Collamore
State Representative

House District 68 - Pittsfield, Burnham, Clinton, and Troy

TOWN OFFICIALS

Select Board, Assessors & Overseers of the Poor (3-year term)

Stuart Huff – Chairman (487-4976)	2026
Ricky Basford (948-2490)	2024
Brent Chase (416-4746)	2025

Administrative Assistant to the Select Board

Susan King

Clerk & Registrar of Voters/Notary Public

Stacy Patterson

Deputy Clerk/Notary Public

Susan King

Tax Collector & Excise Tax Collector

Stacy Patterson

Deputy Tax Collector & Excise Tax Collector

Susan King

Treasurer

Susan King

Deputy Treasurer

Stacy Patterson

General Assistance Administrator

Stacy Patterson

Highway Commissioner (1-year term)

Robert Charles King	2024
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School Administrative District #53 (3-year term)

Gregory Hughes	2026
Brian Whitney (Resigned)	2025
Rachael Merrithew (Interim)	

Cemetery Sexton

Franz Spiegel

Animal Control Officer

Dave Huff (January – June) (487-1632)
Russell Craft (July – December) (341-5488)

Licensed Health Officer

Sherri Thornton

Licensed Plumbing Inspector

Randolph Hall – Dixmont (234-4006)

Code Enforcement Officer

Charles Porter - Unity (948-6325)(Cellphone: 485-2340)

Deputy Code Enforcement Officer

Randolph Hall – Dixmont (234-4006)

Emergency Management Director

Wesley Brooks

Fire Protection

Robert Charles King – Lifetime Fire Chief
Kyle King - Assistant Fire Chief
Peter Smedberg – Assistant Fire Chief

Bryan King Jr. – Fire Captain
Raymond Reynolds – Fire Captain

Planning Board

Brian Swift, Chairman	2026	Stacy Patterson, Secretary & Member	2025
Matthew Bolster	2027	Brian Levesque	2026
Brian Croft	2025	Sherri Thornton	2026

Board of Appeals

Richard Castonguay	2025
Brian Fletcher	2025

Bicentennial Committee

Alexander Huff	Meaghan O'Brien
Susan Huff	Wanda O'Brien
Susan King (Resigned)	Sherri Thornton (Resigned)
Bethany O'Brien	Ann Wishart

Ballot Clerks

Donna Bubar	Mary Ellen Hall
Allyson Chadwick (Resigned)	Zyra Hetherman-Murray
Gwendolyn Chase	Cay Jones
Patsy Edwards	Johna Gagnon
Brian Fletcher	Susan King
Joy Foss	Donna Runnels



Lake Winnecook (Photo by Nancy Tkachuk)

SELECT BOARD'S REPORT

2023 REAL ESTATE - VALUATION

Land	\$55,276,500
Buildings	<u>61,788,800</u>
Total Taxable Valuation	\$117,065,300

2023 PERSONAL PROPERTY – VALUATION

Production Machinery & Equipment/Business Equipment & Other	
Total Taxable Valuation	\$7,911,100

TOTAL VALUE OF REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY **\$124,976,400**

EXEMPTIONS - VALUATION

Homesteads	\$9,129,300
Veterans/Veterans' Widows	222,000
Town of Burnham	612,300
Churches	371,900
Parsonages	20,000
State of Maine – Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	<u>439,300</u>
Total Exemptions	\$10,794,800

MUNICIPAL APPROPRIATIONS – AMOUNTS RAISED AT TOWN MEETING – 2023

Art. 15. Fire Protection	\$26,000.00
Art. 16. Firemen's Payroll	8,800.00
Art. 17. Fire Department Equipment	10,000.00
Art. 18. Emergency Management	1,000.00
Art. 19. Electrical Services	8,000.00
Art. 20. Insurance	16,000.00
Art. 21. Roads, Bridges & Patching	60,000.00
Art. 21. Brush Removal	5,000.00
Art. 21. Mowing Shoulders	6,500.00
Art. 22. Road Resurfacing Note	154,661.89
Art. 23. Tree Removal	10,000.00
Art. 24. Transfer Station	115,000.00
Art. 30. Towns' Share of Payroll Taxes/Health Insurance	15,000.00
Art. 31. Town Officers' Salaries	110,000.00
Art. 32. Town Office Supplies	6,500.00
Art. 34. Incidental Expenses	35,000.00
Art. 35. Municipal Building – Maintenance	14,000.00
Art. 38. Cemeteries	7,500.00
Art. 39. General Assistance	5,000.00
Art. 40. Town Beach	1,000.00
Art. 40. Swimming Instructor	800.00
Art. 41. Kennebec Valley Council of Governments	1,706.00
Art. 42. Community Christmas Project (Pittsfield)	600.00
Art. 42. Hospice Volunteers of Waterville	460.00
Art. 42. Jaws of Life (Unity Fire Dept.)	200.00
Art. 42. Kennebec Behavioral Health	1,000.00
Art. 42. Sebasticook Regional Land Trust	250.00
Art. 42. Spectrum Generations	1,000.00
Art. 42. Unity Volunteer Food Pantry	600.00
Art. 42. Waldo Community Action Partners	6,000.00

Art. 46. Animal Control	2,049.52
Art. 47. Assessment – Quarter Review	6,250.00
Art. 48. Veterans Memorial Park	5,000.00
Art. 50. Bicentennial Events	2,000.00
Art. --- RJD – Factoring	6,500.00
Art. 52. RJD – Revaluation (Capital Reserve Account)	<u>18,125.00</u>
TOTAL	\$667,502.41

AMOUNTS RAISED FROM SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – 05/30/2023

Art. 26. Winter Roads - Snow Removal, Sanding & Salting	<u>325,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$992,502.41

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Waldo County Tax	\$203,714.96
Local Educational Appropriation	1,437,632.86
Overlay (not to exceed 5% of "net to be raised")	<u>33,019.62</u>
Total	\$1,674,367.44

Total Amounts Raised at Town Meeting, Special Town Meeting AND for Special Assessments	\$2,666,869.85
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2023 TAX COMMITMENT

ASSESSMENTS

Waldo County Tax	\$203,714.96
Municipal Appropriation	992,502.41
Local Educational Appropriation	1,437,632.86
Overlay (not to exceed 5% of "net to be raised")	<u>33,019.62</u>
Total Assessments	\$2,666,869.85

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$218,508.26
Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	115,869.08
BETE Reimbursement	30,270.34
<u>Other Revenue:</u>	
Veterans Exemption Reimbursement	\$836.00
Tree Growth Reimbursement	14,280.29
Excise Tax	<u>200,000.00</u>
Total Deductions	\$579,763.97

TOTAL 2023 REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX:
 Net Assessment for Commitment: **\$2,087,105.88**
 {2023 Local Mil Rate - .0167/\$16.70 per thousand-dollar valuation}
 {\$124,976,400 x .0167 = **\$2,087,105.88**}

COMMITMENT DATE: July 24, 2023

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

For year ending December 31, 2023

	<u>OVER- EXPENDED</u>	<u>UNDER- EXPENDED</u>
Art. 19. Street Lighting/Electrical Services		\$2,166.17
Art. 20. Insurance		4,239.00
Art. 21. Roads, Bridges & Patching	(8,249.18)	
Art. 21. Mowing Shoulders		300.00
Art. 24. Transfer Station		197.58
Art. 25. Recycling		440.00
Art. 26. Snow Removal, Sanding & Salting		67,991.28
Art. 30. Towns' Share of Payroll Taxes/Health Insurance		2,347.03
Art. 31. Town Officers' Salaries		19,629.37
Art. 32. Town Office/Treasurer Supplies		384.53
Art. 34. Incidental Expenses		7,800.85
Art. 35. Municipal Building – Maintenance		4,206.67
Art. 38. Cemeteries		1,448.00
Art. 39. General Assistance		4,648.06
Art. 40. Town Beach		430.00
Art. 47. Assessment – Quarter Review		125.00
Art. --- Assessment – Factoring		250.00
Art. --- Mill Bridge Replacement Project		5,680.04
Totals	(8,249.18)	\$122,283.58

Net Unexpended Balance Transferred to Undesignated Fund - \$114,034.40



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ART. 15 - FIRE PROTECTION

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$26,000.00
Donation	500.00
Carried Forward	<u>4,461.68</u>
Total	\$30,961.68

EXPENDED:

A & P Small Engine & Generator Service	\$230.00
CMP - Electricity	1,150.05
Charter Communications – Telephone/Internet	1,299.70
DAC Distributors - Parts & Supplies	871.48
Fabian Oil - Heating Oil	6,007.91
Fire Tech & Safety of NE	3,440.84
Fowlers Diesel Service	500.00
Gilman Electrical Supply	1,310.04
Guay Fire Extinguishers - Inspections	30.00
King Jr., Bryan – Reimburse, Physical	170.00
King, Kyle – Reimb.	332.66
Maine Fire Chiefs Association – Dues	100.00
Maine State Federation of Firefighters - Dues	195.00
NE Emergency Apparatus	1,764.95
Patterson’s Store - Gas & Diesel	758.86
Ricky Basford - Service Furnace	212.00
Suburban Propane	60.00
Sullivan Tire	4,614.14
US Postal Service - PO Box	178.00
Yankee Communications	<u>2,178.10</u>
Total	\$25,403.73

CARRY FORWARD:

\$5,557.95

ART. 16 – FIREMENS’ PAYROLL

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$8,800.00
Carried Forward	<u>6,278.12</u>
Total	\$15,078.12

EXPENDED:

Payroll & Training	\$8,021.25
Storm Cleanup (12/18/2023)	<u>1,485.00</u>
Total	\$9,506.25

CARRY FORWARD:

\$5,571.87

ART. 17 - FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$10,000.00
Carried Forward	<u>89,982.43</u>
Total	\$99,982.43

EXPENDED:

\$0.00

CARRY FORWARD:

\$99,982.43

ART. 18 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$1,000.00
Carried Forward	<u>7,525.49</u>
Total	\$8,525.49

EXPENDED:

Wesley Brooks – Director’s Yearly Pay	\$500.00
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CARRY FORWARD:

\$8,025.49

ART. 19 – STREET LIGHTING/ELECTRICAL SERVICES

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$8,000.00
Littlefield’s Construction – Reimburse, Sand & Salt Shed	<u>117.35</u>
Total	\$8,117.35

EXPENDED:

Blinking Light (at Twitchell’s Corner)	\$402.46
Municipal Building	2,844.71
Sand & Salt Shed	644.47
Streetlights	<u>2,059.54</u>

Total **\$5,951.18**

UNEXPENDED:

\$2,166.17

ART. 20 – INSURANCE

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$16,000.00
MMA Refund – P&C/WC Dividends	<u>723.00</u>
Total	\$16,723.00

EXPENDED:

MMA – Property & Casualty/Public Officials Liability	\$9,860.00
MMA – Workers Comp.	1,717.00
Audits	<u>907.00</u>

Total **\$12,484.00**

UNEXPENDED:

\$4,239.00



PUBLIC WORKS –

ART. 21 – ROADS, BRIDGES & PATCHING

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$60,000.00
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EXPENDED:

D Larrabee Construction, Inc.	\$3,599.66
Kyle King & Sons	3,360.00
Littlefield Paving & Plowing	24,000.00
Moonshine Gardens	6,145.00
Rancourt’s Superior Landscaping	482.50
R.C. King & Sons	17,502.50
R.C. King & Sons – Storm Cleanup (12/18/23)	4,630.00
Viking, Inc.	7,304.22
White Sign	<u>1,225.30</u>

Total **\$68,249.18**

OVER-EXPENDED:

(\$8,249.18)

ART. 21 - BRUSH REMOVAL

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$5,000.00

EXPENDED:

Moonshine Gardens **\$5,000.00**

ART. 21 - MOWING SHOULDERS

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$6,500.00

EXPENDED:

Sandra Greeley **\$6,200.00**

UNEXPENDED:

\$300.00

ART. 22 - ROAD RESURFACING NOTE

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$154,661.89

From LRAP 50,000.00

From Remaining Unspent Balance of Road Note 28,957.84

From 2022 Excise Tax 35,277.65

Total \$268,897.38

EXPENDED:

Androscoggin Bank (Payment #1)

- Principal \$220,371.36

- Interest 48,526.02

Total \$268,897.38

[NOTE: Final Payment – Sept. 15, 2027]

ART. 23 - TREE REMOVAL

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$10,000.00

EXPENDED:

Moonshine Gardens **\$10,000.00**

HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)

RESOURCES:

Carried Forward \$1,376.26

EXPENDED:

\$0.00

CARRY FORWARD:

\$1,376.26

ART. 24 - TRANSFER STATION

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$115,000.00

Fees & Stickers 612.00

Total \$115,612.00

EXPENDED:

Attendant Payroll \$8,926.75

Bolster's Rubbish & Recycling - Container Rent 2,850.00

Bolster's Rubbish & Recycling – Contract/Transport 32,765.00

Bolster's Rubbish & Recycling – Fuel Surcharge 245.00

DEP - Annual Reporting Fees 224.00

Guay Fire Equipment 54.00

Fabian Oil, Inc. - Propane 152.17

King, Michael – Barrier Repair 250.00

Mac's True Value - Supplies	52.02
Moonshine Gardens – Bushhogging	840.00
Nature's Way – Portable Toilet	1,560.00
PERC - Tipping Fees	66,959.48
R.C. King & Sons	180.00
Treasurer, State of Maine – Facility License Renewal	<u>356.00</u>

Total **\$115,414.42**

UNEXPENDED: \$197.58

ART. 25 - RECYCLING

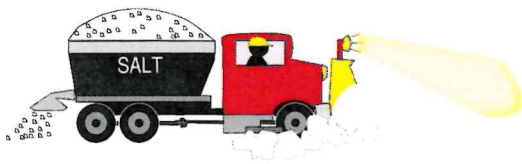
RESOURCES:

From Undesignated Fund \$500.00

EXPENDED:

Reimburse Memberships – Unity Area Recycling Center **\$60.00**

UNEXPENDED: \$440.00



ART. 26 - WINTER ROADS - SNOW REMOVAL, SANDING & SALTING

RESOURCES:

Raised at Special Town Meeting (May 30, 2023) \$325,000.00

EXPENDED:

Harcros Chemicals, Inc. - Salt \$23,559.93

Littlefield Construction – Contract 233,448.79

Total **\$257,008.72**

UNEXPENDED: \$67,991.28

ART. 27 - SAND & SALT SHED (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$0.00

Carried Forward 19,110.45

Total **\$19,110.45**

EXPENDED:

Guay Fire Equipment, Inc. – Fire Extinguisher Inspection \$5.00

Moonshine Gardens – Bush Hogging 830.00

Total **\$835.00**

CARRY FORWARD: \$18,275.45

ART. 30 - TOWNS' SHARE OF PAYROLL TAXES/HEALTH INSURANCE

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$15,000.00

EXPENDED:

Health Insurance (Reimburse) –

S. Patterson 2,400.00

Town Share Taxes 9,099.61

IRS – Federal 474.24

Maine Unemployment Contribution (Qtrly.) 679.12

Total **\$12,652.97**

UNEXPENDED: \$2,347.03

ART. 31 - TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$110,000.00
Agent Fees	<u>8,834.70</u>
Total	\$118,834.70

EXPENDED:

Select Board

Stuart Huff - Chairman	\$3,500.00
Ricky Basford	3,500.00
Brent Chase	3,500.00

**Clerk/Tax Collector/Deputy Treasurer/Registrar of Voters/General Assistance
Administrator/Notary Public**

Stacy Patterson	42,466.13
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**Administrative Assistant/Treasurer/Deputy Clerk/Deputy Tax Collector/
Notary Public**

Susan King	24,267.00
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Deputy Clerk/Deputy Tax Collector/Notary Public

Cay Jones	6,360.27
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Code Enforcement Officer

Charles Porter	5,500.00
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Animal Control Officer

Dave Huff (Jan. – June)	750.00
Russell Craft (July – Dec.)	750.00

Cemetery Sexton

Franz Spiegel	500.00
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Health Officer

Sherri Thornton	100.00
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Fire Chief

Robert Charles King	2,500.00
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Assistant Fire Chiefs

Kyle King	1,000.00
Peter Smedberg	1,000.00

Fire Captains

Bryan King Jr.	500.00
Raymond Reynolds	500.00

Ballot Clerks

1,055.70

Moderators/Warden

150.00

Planning Board

1,090.00

Mileage

216.15

Total

\$99,205.33

UNEXPENDED:

\$19,629.37

ART. 32 - TOWN OFFICE SUPPLIES

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$6,500.00
Copies, Faxes & Postage	<u>128.30</u>
Total	\$6,628.30

EXPENDED:

Bangor Savings Bank, Credit Card – Office Supplies	\$3,414.05
Bangor Savings Bank, Credit Card – Postage/Envelopes	1,823.80
Creative Digital – 2023 Tax Bill Postage	498.16
Hygrade Business Group – 2023 Tax Bill Printing	<u>507.76</u>
Total	\$6,243.77

UNEXPENDED:

\$384.53

ART. 33 - OFFICE EQUIPMENT

RESOURCES:

From ARPA Funds (American Rescue Plan Act)	\$9,000.00
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EXPENDED:

Bangor Savings Bank CC – Computer Equipment	\$527.72
Bangor Savings Bank CC – Cyber Security	52.74
Bangor Savings Bank CC – File Cabinets	3,542.29
Bangor Savings Bank CC – Furniture, Desk	694.19
Bangor Savings Bank CC – Re-new Town Website	263.88
Bangor Savings Bank CC – Supplies, Printer Toner	94.94
CIT – Copier, Lease Payment	360.00
Kyocera Document Solutions – Service/Maint. Agreement/Toner	536.22
US Bank Equip. Finance (New Copier, Lease Payment)	<u>2,344.98</u>
Total	\$8,416.96

UNEXPENDED:

\$583.04

ART. 34 - INCIDENTAL EXPENSES

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$35,000.00
Revenues:	
Certificates - Vital Records	\$1,050.00
Charter Communications - Franchise Fees	5,813.93
Concealed Weapons Permit Application Fees	110.00
Costs on Tax Liens	3,674.79
Non-Sufficient Fund Fees	111.00
Planning Board Application Fees	<u>658.80</u>
Total	\$46,418.52

EXPENDED:

C. Jones – Notarize Liens	\$81.00
Hall Rental Deposit Refund	50.00
Harris/TRIO Service Contract - Computer Software	12,874.91
Harris Computer Systems – Payroll/TRIO Training	2,348.69
MMA – Workshops & Training	25.00
MMA – Yearly Membership Dues	2,392.00
MMTCTA – Dues	30.00
MTCCA – Dues	30.00
Notary Public – Applications: King, S./Patterson, S.	100.00
Postmaster - Certified, 2022 30-Day Notices/Tax Liens	903.00
Post Town Warrants	60.00
RHR Smith & Company - Yearly Audit	8,500.00
RJD Appraisal - Assessing, Spring Work/Misc.	7,532.50
The Rolling Thunder Express - Advertising	919.64
Treasurer, State of Maine – Concealed Weapons (State Share – 2022)	145.00

Treasurer, State of Maine - Vital Records (State Share)	124.00
US Postal Service – Treasurer PO Box	78.00
Waldo County Registry of Deeds - Lien Discharges	1,064.00
Waldo County Registry of Deeds – Record Cemetery Lot Conveyance	38.00
Waldo County Registry of Deeds – Record 2022 Liens	<u>1,321.93</u>

Total **\$38,617.67**

UNEXPENDED: **\$7,800.85**

ART. 35 - **MUNICIPAL BUILDING - MAINTENANCE**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$14,000.00

EXPENDED:

Bangor Savings Bank CC – Supplies	\$904.74
Bolsters Rubbish & Recycling - Trash Removal	364.00
CLC Lawncare	750.00
CMD Powersystems – Generator	250.00
Direct Communications – Telephone/Fax/Internet	2,333.86
Fabian Oil - Heating Oil	1,925.46
Guay Fire Equipment – Fire Extinguisher Inspection	20.00
Jones, Cay – Reimburse, Supplies	18.91
Patterson, Freeman – Custodian	2,080.00
Seacoast Security	372.00
Snow Removal	250.00
Terminex – Pest Control	512.00
Waldo County Oil – Propane	<u>12.36</u>

Total **\$9,793.33**

UNEXPENDED: **\$4,206.67**

ART. 36 - **MUNICIPAL BUILDING – EXTERIOR (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$0.00
Carried Forward	<u>10,268.31</u>
Total	\$10,268.31

EXPENDED:

Technology Solutions – Security Camera System **\$1,585.00**

CARRY FORWARD: **\$8,683.31**

ART. 37 - **MUNICIPAL BUILDING – INTERIOR (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$0.00
Carried Forward	<u>8,892.77</u>
Total	\$8,892.77

EXPENDED:

Bangor Savings Bank CC – Renovation Supplies **\$1,382.71**

CARRY FORWARD: **\$7,510.06**

MUNICIPAL BUILDING (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)

RESOURCES:

Carried Forward	\$3,232.27
Town Hall Rental Deposits	<u>100.00</u>
Total	\$3,332.27

EXPENDED: **\$0.00**

CARRY FORWARD: **\$3,332.27**

ART. 38 - CEMETERIES

RESOURCES:	
Raised at Town Meeting	\$7,500.00
EXPENDED:	
CLC Lawncare	\$5,800.00
World of Flags	<u>252.00</u>
Total	\$6,052.00
UNEXPENDED:	\$1,448.00

ART. 39 - GENERAL ASSISTANCE

RESOURCES:	
Raised at Town Meeting	\$5,000.00
State of Maine – Reimbursement (at 70%)	<u>1,110.76</u>
Total	\$6,110.76
EXPENDED:	
Cases #1-3	\$1,462.70
UNEXPENDED:	\$4,648.06

ART. 40 - TOWN BEACH

RESOURCES:	
Raised at Town Meeting	\$1,000.00
EXPENDED:	
CLC Lawncare	\$450.00
Nature's Way – Portable Toilet	<u>120.00</u>
Total	\$570.00
UNEXPENDED:	\$430.00

ART. 40 - SWIMMING INSTRUCTOR

RESOURCES:	
Raised at Town Meeting	\$800.00
EXPENDED:	
Katie Ann Curtis	\$800.00

ART. 40 - RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOURCES:	
Raised at Town Meeting	\$0.00
Carried Forward	<u>2,474.88</u>
Total	\$2,474.88
EXPENDED:	\$0.00
CARRY FORWARD:	\$2,474.88

ART. 41 - KENNEBEC VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

RESOURCES:	
Raised at Town Meeting	\$1,706.00
EXPENDED:	\$1,706.00

ART. 42 - COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PROJECT – TOWN OF PITTSFIELD

RESOURCES:	
Raised at Town Meeting	\$600.00
EXPENDED:	\$600.00

ART. 42 - **HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS OF WATERVILLE**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting

\$460.00

EXPENDED:

\$460.00

ART. 42 - **JAWS OF LIFE – TOWN OF UNITY**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting

\$200.00

EXPENDED:

Unity Fire Dept.

\$200.00

ART. 42 - **KENNEBEC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting

\$1,000.00

EXPENDED:

\$1,000.00

ART. 42 - **SEBASTICOOK REGIONAL LAND TRUST**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting

\$250.00

EXPENDED:

\$250.00

ART. 42 - **SPECTRUM GENERATIONS**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting

\$1,000.00

EXPENDED:

\$1,000.00

ART. 42 - **VOLUNTEER REGIONAL FOOD PANTRY – TOWN OF UNITY**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting

\$600.00

EXPENDED:

\$600.00

ART. 42 - **WALDO COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERS**

RESOURCES:

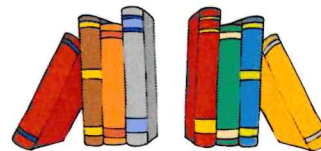
Raised at Town Meeting

\$6,000.00

EXPENDED:

\$6,000.00

ART. 43 - **LIBRARIES**



RESOURCES:

From Undesignated Fund

\$1,000.00

EXPENDED:

Pittsfield Library - Resident Reimbursement

\$435.00

UNEXPENDED:

\$565.00

ART. 44 - **PITTSFIELD RECREATION – ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

RESOURCES:

From Undesignated Fund \$1,000.00

EXPENDED:

\$245.00

UNEXPENDED:

\$755.00

ART. 45 - **DRIFTBUSTERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB – PITTSFIELD**

RESOURCES:

State of Maine - Snowmobile Reimbursement \$423.68

EXPENDED:

Driftbusters Snowmobile Club - Pittsfield **\$423.68**

ART. 46 - **ANIMAL CONTROL**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$2,049.52

Carried Forward 3,590.47

Towns' Share License Fees/Late Fees 1,404.00

Total \$7,043.99

EXPENDED:

Supplies \$15.00

Transportation to Shelter 90.00

Waterville Humane Society - Housing Contract 2,049.52

Total \$2,154.52

CARRY FORWARD:

\$4,889.47

ART. 47 - **ASSESSMENT - QUARTER REVIEW**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$6,250.00

EXPENDED:

RJD Appraisal **\$6,125.00**

UNEXPENDED:

\$125.00



ART. 48 - **VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting \$5,000.00

Carried Forward 13,602.01

Total \$18,602.01

EXPENDED:

CLC Lawncare \$650.00

Moonshine Gardens (for 2022) 2,510.00

Moonshine Gardens 2,167.75

Provost Monuments 3,357.25

Unity Flower Shop – Wreath (Memorial Day) 100.00

Total \$8,785.00

CARRY FORWARD:

\$9,817.01

MILL BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$0.00
From ARPA Funds (American Rescue Plan Act)	80,000.00
From Undesignated Fund (until receipt of "Grant for Stream Crossing Infrastructure Improvements" in 2024)	125,000.00
From Mill Bridge Capital Reserve Account	<u>103,631.35</u>
Total	\$308,631.35

EXPENDED:

American Concrete Industries, Inc.	\$89,872.00
Littlefield Construction	208,064.00
Plymouth Engineering	<u>5,015.31</u>
Total	\$302,951.31

UNEXPENDED:

\$5,680.04

ART. 50 - **BICENTENNIAL EVENTS (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$2,000.00
Carried Forward	<u>13,000.00</u>
Total	\$15,000.00

EXPENDED:

\$0.00

CARRY FORWARD:

\$15,000.00

ART. 51 - **FRIENDS OF LAKE WINNECOOK**

RESOURCES:

From Boat Excise	\$1,600.00
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EXPENDED:

Friends of Lake Winnecook	\$1,600.00
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ART.52 – **ASSESSING – REVALUATION (CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT)**

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$18,125.00
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EXPENDED:

\$0.00

CARRIED FORWARD:

\$18,125.00

[NOTE: Projected Revaluation Date – 2026/Total Cost - \$72,500.00]

[ART. 54 – 2023 Town Warrant]

ASSESSING – FACTORING

RESOURCES:

Raised at Town Meeting	\$6,500.00
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EXPENDED:

RJD Appraisal	\$6,250.00
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UNEXPENDED:

\$250.00

[ART. 56 – 2023 Town Warrant]

TOWN OFFICE PAVING PROJECT

RESOURCES:

From ARPA Funds	\$40,000.00
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EXPENDED:

Littlefield Paving & Plowing	\$38,290.00
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UNEXPENDED:

\$1,710.00

TOWN OFFICE RENOVATION PROJECT

RESOURCES:

Voted to take from ARPA Funds – Special Town Meeting 2022	\$18,000.00
Expended in 2022: Reynolds Carpentry & Heat Pumps	<u>-9,000.00</u>
Unexpended:	\$9,000.00

EXPENDED:

Reynolds Carpentry & Heat Pumps (finished Dec. 2022/Paid in 2023)	\$7,600.00
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UNEXPENDED:

\$1,400.00

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS –
EDUCATION**

RESOURCES:

Assessment	\$1,437,632.86
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EXPENDED:

M.S.A.D. #53	\$1,437,632.86
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WALDO COUNTY TAX

RESOURCES:

Assessment	\$203,714.96
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EXPENDED:

Treasurer, Waldo County:	
- County Tax Assessment	\$136,779.78
- Jail Tax Assessment	<u>66,935.18</u>

Total

\$203,714.96



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TREASURER'S REPORT

BEGINNING BALANCE: January 1, 2023

\$1,936,451.46

2024 RE Taxes	\$7,815.45
2024 PP Taxes	5.85
2023 RE Taxes	1,677,919.65
2023 PP Taxes	121,684.69
2022 RE Taxes	85,102.73
2022 Tax Liens	25,211.16
2021 Tax Liens	30,930.77
Interest on Taxes & Liens	5,798.18
Costs on Taxes & Liens	3,674.79
Agent Fees	8,829.70
Animal Control - Town	264.00
Animal Control - State	896.00
Animal Control - Late Fees	1,075.00
Certificates	1,050.00
Concealed Weapons	110.00
Donations (Fire Dept.)	500.00
Planning Board Permit Fees	658.80
Charter Communications Franchise Fees	5,813.93
Excise Tax/Auto	246,884.90
Excise Tax/Boats	1,910.50
Excise Tax collected for other Towns	4,649.56
Postage/Copies/Faxes	128.30
Transfer Station Fees & Stickers	612.00
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	21,618.21
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife - Lifetime License	8.00
Motor Vehicles	125,979.29
Cemetery Lots Sold	300.00
Cemetery Trust Interest - 90% 2023	87.17
Bangor Savings, ICS Account Interest	32,819.86
MMA, Refunds, WC \$123.00/PC \$600.00	723.00
Town Hall Rent \$\$	100.00
Bank returned check fee collected from residents	36.00
Town returned check fee collected from residents	75.00
Sand & Salt shed electric bill reimbursement	117.35
State of Maine -	
BETE Mandate Payment (2023)	30,269.00
BETE Mandate (2022)	14.00
General Assistance (December 2022)	368.90
General Assistance (February 2023)	741.86
Homestead Exemption First Payment (2023)	77,072.00
Homestead Exemption 2 nd payment (2022)	27,692.00
Municipal Revenue Sharing	234,563.02
Ordinance Fine	50.00
Snowmobile Refund (2022)	423.68
Stabilization Mandate Reimbursement	400.00
Tree Growth Reimbursement 2022	13,664.31
Veteran's Exemption	746.00
LRAP	42,316.00
Transferred to LRAP	(42,316.00)

Transferred from LRAP – Road paving loan	50,000.00
Transferred from ARPA – Mill Bridge	80,000.00
Transferred from ARPA – Paving project	38,290.00
Transferred from ARPA – Town office renovations	7,600.00
Transferred from ARPA – Town office equipment	8,416.96
Rapid Renewal	5,804.08

ALL DEPOSITS

SUB-TOTAL \$4,925,957.11

Less Warrants #1 thru #53

(3,156,985.90)

Stop Payment Charges (102.00)

Bank charged returned check fees (12.00)

Microsoft Office (313.34)

2022 Credit card payment cleared in 2023 427.52

Credit card payment cleared in 2024 (1,869.33)

ENDING BALANCE on December 31, 2023 \$1,767,102.06

2023 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>				
01/01/2023					\$138,051.35
	Voted project & amount		Spent	Balance	
03/21/2023	Town office renovations	\$9,000.00	(\$7,600.00)	\$1,400.00	
06/27/2023	Paving	\$40,000.00	(\$38,290.00)	\$1,710.00	
10/03/2023	Mill Bridge	\$80,000.00	(\$80,000.00)	\$ -	
12/29/2023	Office Equipment	\$9,000.00	(\$8,416.96)	\$583.04	
2023	Interest				\$1,803.20
12/31/2023	Totals	\$138,000.00	(\$134,306.96)	\$3,693.04	\$5,547.59

2023 LRAP/CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT

<u>Date</u>	<u>Balance 01/01/2023</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
09/25/2023	2023 Article #22 Road Note		\$50,000.00		\$104,508.51
12/5/2023	State of Maine Check	\$42,316.00			
2023	Interest			\$1,806.42	
12/31/2023	Totals	\$42,316.00	-\$50,000.00	\$1,806.42	\$98,630.93

2023 ROAD PAVING LOAN

2022 Androscoggin Bank Loan \$1,200,000.00

Repayment Terms – 5 years @ 3.69% per annum

<u>Date</u>		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Payments</u>
09/15/2023	Actual Loan payment	\$220,371.36	\$48,526.02	\$268,897.38
		<u>Proposed remaining Payments</u>		
	Payment date	Principal	Interest	Payment
	September 15, 2024	\$232,519.88	\$36,377.50	\$268,897.38
	September 15, 2025	\$241,199.25	\$27,698.13	\$268,897.38
	September 15, 2026	\$250,099.50	\$18,797.88	\$268,897.38
	September 15, 2027	\$259,328.15	\$ 9,569.20	\$268,897.35

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

<u>Name</u>	<u>Principal</u> <u>12/31/2022</u>	<u>Earnings</u> <u>Previous Yrs.</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2022</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>2023</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2023</u>	<u>Expenses</u> <u>2023</u>	<u>Final</u> <u>12/31/2023</u>
Allen, Clyde	\$150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Allen, Ethel	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Bane, Eloise 2A	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Berry, Annie M (Eben Berry Lot)	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Berry, Annie M (G.E. Berry Lot)	500.00	159.78	659.78	2.60	662.39	(2.07)	660.32
Berry, George & McAllister	500.00	159.78	659.78	2.60	662.39	(2.07)	660.32
Bickford, Earlene (Langlais)	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Blaisdell, Orel & Walter Bowden Lot	500.00	159.78	659.78	2.60	662.39	(2.07)	660.32
Braley, Edward W.	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Braley, James	50.00	15.98	65.98	0.26	66.24	(0.21)	66.03
Bubar, Donald & Roberta Lot 1A/1B/1C	600.00	191.74	791.74	3.12	794.87	(2.48)	792.38
Chamberlain, Joseph	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Champagne, Wende	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Chandler, Alberto	600.00	191.74	791.74	3.12	794.87	(2.48)	792.38
Chandler, Dennis	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Chase, Annie & Hebert	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Cole, Henry M.	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Comerford, Delight Lot 16B	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Cookson, Clarence & Florence	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Crawford, E.W.	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Crosby, Nancy Lot 20A	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Crosby, Nancy Lot 21A	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Cunningham, Estella	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10

Cyr, Arthur&Crystal, Lot 7	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Cyr, Arthur&Crystal, Lot 8	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Davis, Edward	148.95	47.60	196.55	0.78	197.33	(0.62)	196.71
Dickerson, Brian	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Dodge, Dawna	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Drake, Barbara	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Drummond, Albert & Nellie	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Hart, John	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Hazeltine, Joseph W.	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Hetherman, John	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Huff, Alfred	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Huff, Roger A. Jr.	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Hunt, George & Ida	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Jacobs, Jonathan	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Jones, Eldon & Phyllis	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Jones, Theodore R & Carol Brackett	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Jones, Theodore & Pam	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
King, Bryan & Beverly 9A	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
King, Bryan & Beverly 8A	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
King, Bryan & Beverly 7A	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Lasselle, William, Elizabeth & Mattie	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Lasselle, William Sr. & Mazie	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Libby, Lloyd C. & Howard I. Jr.	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Lindsay, Timothy K.	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Lord, Glendon G. Vinnie E. George H. & Ethelyn M.	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
McNally, Arthur	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Miles, Andrew	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Milliken, M.P.	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Mudgett, Franklin	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
O'Brien, David & Wanda	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.00
Perkins, Benjamin E.	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Petrie, Edyth C.	300.00	95.87	395.87	1.56	397.43	(1.24)	396.19
Reynolds, Bert R.	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Reynolds, Christopher	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Reynolds, George E.	250.00	79.89	329.89	1.30	331.19	(1.04)	330.16
Reynolds, Rufus	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Rice, Timothy C.	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Rowell, William H.	400.00	127.83	526.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Sanborn, Charles A.	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Sanborn, John B.	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Sawyer, Fred E.	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
Scribner, Belle	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Shaw, Wilton L. & Fred P.	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Sherman, Charles E.	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Small, Phillip Lot 22A	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Small, Phillip Lot 23A	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Small, Phillip Lot 24A	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Phillip Lot 24B	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Phillip Lot 25A	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Phillip Lot 25B	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Phillip Lot 26A	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Phillip Lot 26B	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Richard Lot 27A	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Richard Lot 27B	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Richard Lot 28A	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06

Small, Richard Lot 28B	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Richard Lot 29A	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Small, Richard Lot 29B	100.00	31.96	131.96	0.52	132.48	(0.41)	132.06
Stackpole, Lillian Berry (Rev. John Cook Lot)	500.00	159.78	659.78	2.60	662.39	(2.07)	660.32
Thibault, Albert	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Tucker, Richard	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Twitchell, Gersham Jr.	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Vaughan, Lawrence	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Vaughan, Norval Jr. & Dorothy	400.00	127.83	527.83	2.08	529.91	(1.66)	528.25
Wentworth, Leroy Jr.	150.00	47.94	197.94	0.78	198.72	(0.62)	198.10
Whitney, James L. & Elvin W.	300.00	95.87	395.87	1.56	397.43	(1.24)	396.19
Whitten, Charles & Truman	200.00	63.91	263.91	1.04	264.96	(0.83)	264.13
	\$21,048.95	\$6,726.59	\$27,775.54	\$109.62	\$27,885.16	(\$87.17)	\$27,797.99

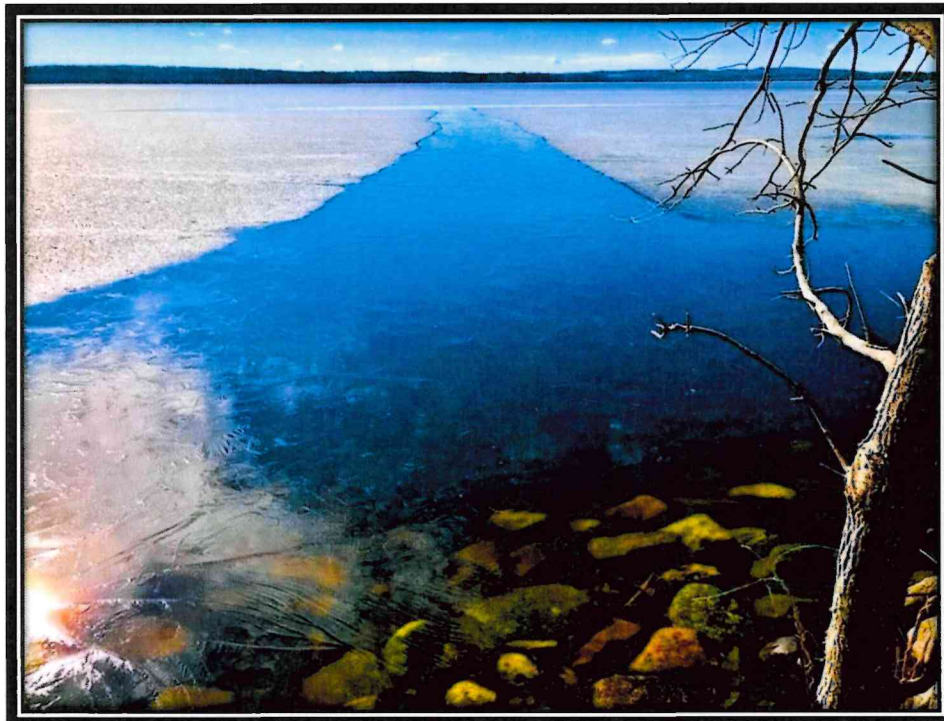
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Total Savings Account	\$7,721.94	\$19.48
Total Certificate of Deposit	\$20,076.05	\$90.14
	\$6,726.59	\$109.62

2023 Expenses \$87.17 90% Interest of 2022

New lots for 2024 report

Bubar, Larry (Gibbs, Alisa) \$150.00
 Follensbee, Burton & Joyce \$150.00

Respectfully submitted,
 Susan King



(Photo by Nancy Tkachuk)

2022 TAX LIENS

Recorded May 10, 2023

Becomes **Tax Acquired Property** on November 10, 2024

Archer, Robin	\$1,419.33*
Bailey, Patty Ann	453.18
Bickford, Alan - Estate	1,124.80
Bragg, Dennis	220.26
Chase, David A.	308.72
Chase, Marcus	52.28
Corson, John/Hunt, Blake	220.80
Dean, James	635.87
DiMeo, Daniel	463.64
Dodge, Kurt	994.35
Dodge, Penny - Estate	1,072.61
Eichman, Tonya	350.35
Flood, Harold	827.91
Flood, Wayne	108.80
Geiger, Sarah	1,903.98
Gerrish, Irene	657.31**
Grant, Juston	1,381.65
Greene, Anne M.	669.86
Hamm, Gerald – Estate	1,112.63
Huff, Dave	255.35
Huff, Russell	815.35
Huff, Zylphia	798.36
Hunt, Stanley	102.52
Irish, Jacob	3,756.48
Irish, Lewis II	1,995.85
Lee, Kenneth	747.03
Leighton, Eric	1,222.30
Martin, Chesley & Edes, Cynthia	549.23
McAlpine, Carl	534.58
McRae, Jennifer	1,083.32
Moody, Walter	484.58
Pomerleau, Steven	474.11
Pomeroy Jr., Raymond	1212.88
Pratt, Noel Billings et al.	553.66
Rines, Glenys C. Irrevocable RE Trust	1,376.15
Shute, Andrew	2,998.58
Sigston, Pamela	70.30
Simeone, John Jr.	266.62
Stephen, Ronald	908.52
Towers, Donald	737.89
Van Ryswood, Alyssa	<u>1,201.61</u>
TOTAL	\$36,123.60

* DENOTES FULL PAYMENT AFTER CLOSE OF BOOKS

** DENOTES PARTIAL PAYMENT AFTER CLOSE OF BOOKS



EXCISE TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Excise - Collected	\$246,884.90
Boat Excise - Collected	<u>1,910.50</u>
Total	\$248,795.40
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Agent Fees - Collected	\$8,834.70
Motor Vehicle Registrations - Collected for the State of Maine	\$125,979.29
Inland Fisheries & Wildlife Registrations & Licenses – Collected for the State of Maine	\$21,626.21

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

OUTSTANDING 2023 REAL ESTATE TAXES

As of December 31, 2023

Ames Family Land Company	\$2,105.87
Archer, Robin	1,654.97*
Bailey, Patty Ann	457.58
Basford, Stephanie	452.57
Belliveau, Omer	360.72
Bickford, Alan - Estate	1,963.92
Blanchard, Edward	1,320.97
Boudreau, Jeremy	46.91
Bragg, Dennis	195.39
Brann, Jane – Personal Representative	395.79
Brooks Preservation Society	26.72
Brower, Howard S.	4,190.71
Burt, Kathy	437.54
Carroll, Lisa	1,852.03
Cayouette, John	465.93
Chase, Beverly	1,065.46**
Chase, David & Doria	531.06
Chase, David & Beverly	293.92
Chase, Marcus	108.55
Cianbro Corp.	1,047.09
Cook & Huff Development	145.29
Cook, Christopher W.	6,006.21
Corson, John/Hunt, Blake	192.05

Cozzolino, Jeffrey	687.03
Curtis, John	582.83
Dean, James	824.98
DeGroff, Michael	439.21*
Demo, Karen	536.07*
Demo, Michael	85.17
Desjardin, Robert	291.24
DiMeo, Daniel	470.94
Dodge, Dixie	916.83**
Dodge, Kurt	1,174.01
Dodge, Penny	1,140.61
Doherty, Hollis	462.59*
Doucette, Steven G.	1,990.84
Duplisea, Gerald	1,773.46*
Dunton, William	2,773.87
Duprey, Walter	1,898.79
Eichman, Tonya	313.96
Fantasy Island, LLC.	4,198.38
Flood, Clarence – Estate	2.92
Flood, Harold	873.41
Flood, Michael	908.48
Flood, Wayne	177.02
Flynn, David	4.57
Foss, Darrell	1,568.13
French, Peter	3,358.37
Furno, Dale	1,105.54
Geiger, Sarah	2,092.51
Gerrish, Irene	964.53
Gilligan’s Island, LLC.	200.40
Glabau, Ernest & Bianca	1,133.93
Goodblood, Anne	31.40
Gordon, Katherine	492.65*
Grant, Justin	1,611.55
Greene, Ann M.	799.93
Griffith, Donald	1,210.75
Halvey, Alan	357.38
Hamm, Gerald S. - Heirs	1,195.72
Henry, Lonnie & Berry, Chasity	594.52
Hewins, Alan	1,562.55
Higgins, Richard L, Jr.	612.89
Huff, Dave	325.65
Huff, Estella	3,729.11
Huff, Frances – Estate	2,438.20
Huff, Manley III	3,106.16
Huff, Russell	1,375.63**
Huff, Zylphia	836.67
Humphrey, Jason	1,521.37*
Hunt, Blake	1,285.90
Hunt, Linda	876.75
Hunt, Stanley	155.31
Irish, Jacob	4,203.39
Irish, Lewis B. II	2,176.01
Kallgren, Brian	1,295.92
Kenneth A. Lindsey Revocable Trust	2,176.01
King, Bryan	1,437.87
Kitchin, Amy	2,821.00
Kmon, Matthew	2,705.40
Lasselle, Gregory	769.87*

Lee, Kenneth	823.31
Leighton, Eric N.	1,419.50
Leighton, Sheila	1,543.08
Lester, Elaine	325.65
Lester, John	28.39*
Luba, Richard	419.17
Marquis, CaseyJo & Richard	367.40
Martin, Chesley & Edes Cynthia	556.11
McAlpine, Carl	541.08
McKeough, James	474.28
McRae, Jennifer	1,351.03
MDA Investment Trust	2,967.28*
Miles, Arlene	1,072.40
Montana, Rita	5,302.25*
Moody, Walter	1,272.54
Nadeau, Nathan (1/2 interest)	300.60
Nolan, James	4,183.35
Peters, Jon & Pamela	252.17*
Phelps, Donna & Strout, Arnold	850.03*
Pierce, Amy	695.99*
Poltrack, Joseph	2,847.35*
Pomerleau, Misty	474.28
Pomerleau, Steven	482.63
Pomeroy, Raymond Jr.	1,307.61
Pratt, Noel Billingsly et al.	572.81
Ramsdell, Ronnie	402.47*
Rich, Paige	1,267.53
Rines, Glenys C. Irrevocable RE Trust	1,481.29
Salaoutis, Gregory	1,126.58
Septelka, Joseph	2,847.35
Shaw, Matthew	923.51*
Shorey, Margaret	409.15
Shute, Andrew	3,281.55
Sigston, Pamela J.	1,773.54
Simeone, John	4,771.19
Stephen, Ronald A.	841.53
Stevens, Kevin	895.12
Trafton, Wayne	3,764.18*
Truax, Scott	1,354.37
Turner, Kaiser	1,912.15
Upton, Sheila	2,675.34
Van Ryswood, Alyssa	1,407.81
Volpe, Todd	749.83
White, Kathi	210.42
Young, David	1,611.55*
Total Outstanding	\$138,200.11

* DENOTES FULL PAYMENT AFTER CLOSE OF BOOKS
 ** DENOTES PARTIAL PAYMENT AFTER CLOSE OF BOOKS

**PROPERTY TAXES ARE DUE OCTOBER 31ST EVERY YEAR!
 (INTEREST BEGINS NOVEMBER 1ST)**

NOTICE TO MOBILE HOME OWNERS:

Taxes must be paid on a mobile home before moving it from town. You must file a "Certificate of Taxes Paid on Mobile Home" with the tax collector. Forms are available at the Town Office.

OUTSTANDING PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

As of December 31, 2023

Outstanding 2023 Personal Property Taxes

Spectrum Northeast, LLC

\$4,031.38

2022 REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY COLLECTIONS

Real Estate & Personal Property Tax Commitments	\$1,831,253.32
Supplemental Taxes	7,395.79
Real Estate & Personal Property Interest Outstanding (and costs?)	<u>3,598.15</u>
Total	\$1,842,247.26
Payments	\$1,729,247.29
Discounts	74,330.27
Abatements	<u>2,546.10</u>
Total Net	\$1,806,123.66
Outstanding as of 12/31/2023	\$36,123.60

Respectfully submitted,
Stacy Patterson
Tax & Excise Tax Collector





VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

To REGISTER a Motor Vehicle, you will need the following:

RE-REGISTRATIONS -

Must provide current proof of insurance and mileage.
Please also provide the previous year's registration when possible.

*Proof of insurance on mobile devices is accepted!

(NOTE: SR22 Insurance filers require immediate notice!)

FIRST TIME REGISTRATIONS -

CASUAL SALES:

Bill of sale, insurance card, current mileage and title. (NOTE: Maine is a "FOREVER STATE" - 1995 and newer vehicles need a title; the back of title should be completed.)

DEALER SALES:

Bill of sale, insurance card, current mileage and blue copy of the title application.

DO YOU WANT TO TRANSFER A REGISTRATION? Please remember to bring the registration you wish to transfer from.

The **Rapid Renewal** link can be found on the town's website: www.burnham-maine.us, as well as on the Maine.gov Bureau of Motor Vehicles website.

If you do not have your current insurance card, please call your insurance company before you come to the Town Office and have them fax a copy to 948-2793. Thank you!

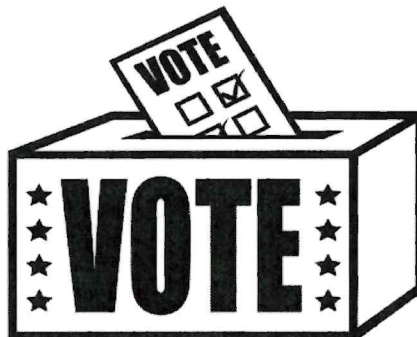
REGISTRAR OF VOTER'S REPORT

REGISTERED VOTERS

Democratic – 171
Green Independent – 34
Libertarian – 6
Republican – 250
Unenrolled - 357
TOTAL - 818

- Residents may register to vote or change their party enrollment during regular business hours at the Town Office, on election day at the polls or by mail. Identification and proof of Burnham residency are required at the time of registration.
- A person may change or withdraw party enrollment only after three months of enrollment in one of the recognized political parties in Maine by filing an enrollment application with the registrar. A person who is an unenrolled registered voter may enroll in a party at any time. You must be enrolled in a party for at least 15 days to participate in that parties' caucuses or other activities.
- In Maine a registered voter can vote an absentee ballot for any reason. Absentee ballots are available 30 days before the election and you can apply in person, by mail, by phone, or electronically at www.maine.gov.

Respectfully submitted,
Stacy Patterson
Registrar of Voters



CLERK'S REPORT

REMINDERS...

Are you new to town? Have you applied for your **HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION**? This exemption is currently worth up to \$25,000 off your assessed value. You must be a resident of Burnham, have owned your home (which is your primary residence) for at least one year and file an application by April 1st. Applications are available at the Town Office. This is a one-time application and as long as you own your home, there is no need to reapply!



VETERANS who have served in a federally recognized war period, have reached the age of 62, or are receiving government compensation for a service-connected disability, may be eligible for a **Veteran's Property Tax Exemption**. Applications are available at the Town Office. Please bring with you your DD214. If you are an un-remarried spouse of a deceased Veteran who may have met these criteria, you may also be eligible. This is a one-time application.



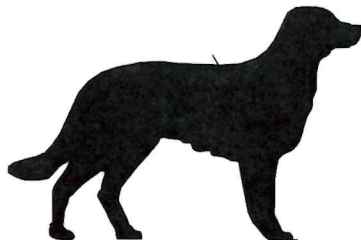
DOG LICENSES expire on December 31st of each year.

- Once a dog is **6 months old**, it needs to be licensed!

- You must have a current **rabies vaccination** certification (we will then keep a copy on file in the office).

- If your dog is neutered or spayed, the cost is **\$6.00**. (You must show verification from your veterinarian that your dog has been fixed!) Otherwise, the cost is **\$11.00**.

- As of February 1st of each year, a **late fee** of \$25.00 per dog is collected, in addition to the cost of the license.



2023 DOG LICENSES SOLD

Male/Female	33
Neuter/Spay	<u>77</u>
Total	110

INLAND FISHERIES & WILDLIFE –

LAW BOOKS for Hunting, Fishing (ice & open water), ATV, Snowmobiles and Boats are available at the Town Office and online at mefishwildlife.com/laws.

INLAND FISHERIES & WILDLIFE – EXPIRATION DATES FOR...

Hunting & Fishing Licenses – **Dec. 31st**
Boat Registrations – **Dec. 31st**
Snowmobile & ATV Registrations – **June 30th**

2023 Hunting & Fishing Licenses Sold:

Resident - 153 Nonresident - 21

Registrations:

Boats – 113

Snowmobiles – Resident: 55/Non-Resident: 6

ATVs – Resident: 85/Non-Resident: 2

HOLIDAYS

The Town Office will be CLOSED on the following dates:

Monday January 1, 2024 – **New Year's Day**
Monday January 15, 2024 – **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**
Monday February 19, 2024 – **Presidents Day**
Monday May 27, 2024 – **Memorial Day**
Thursday July 4, 2024 – **Independence Day**
Monday Sept. 2, 2024 – **Labor Day**
Monday October 14, 2024 – **Indigenous Peoples' Day**
Monday November 11, 2024 – **Veterans' Day**
Thursday November 28, 2024 – **Thanksgiving Day**
Wednesday December 25, 2024 – **Christmas Day**

Wednesday January 1, 2025 – **New Year's Day**
Monday January 20, 2025 – **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**
Monday February 17, 2025 – **Presidents Day**

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS - 6

MARRIAGES - 8

DEATHS - 17

- Certified copies of **vital records** filed in Burnham (Birth, Marriage, Death) can be obtained at the Town Office. The fees for certified copies of vital records are \$15 for the first copy and \$6 for each additional copy of the same record purchased at the same time. Copies of birth and death records may be obtained from either the town of occurrence or the town of residence.
- **Marriage** records are only filed in the town where the license is issued. Births, marriages or deaths, which take place out of state are only filed out of state and are not recorded in this office. Certified copies of those records must be obtained from the state of occurrence.
- **Marriage licenses** are issued from the town of your residence. Residents of Maine intending to join in marriage shall record notice of their intentions in the office of the Clerk of the municipality that at least one of them resides. If both parties of a marriage reside outside the State of Maine, they may file their notice of intentions in any municipal office. Once their intentions are filed and the license is issued, the parties are free to marry anywhere in the State of Maine. The filing fee is \$40. If either applicant has been married before and is divorced or widowed, a certified copy of documentation showing how the last marriage ended is required. Once intentions have been filed, a marriage license may be issued immediately. Both applicants will need to appear in person to sign the original marriage license during regular business hours. The license is valid 90 days from the date of filing.



IN MEMORY OF...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>
Bennett, Chesley Thomas	62	07/21/2023
Caveny, Charles Timothy	84	03/09/2023
Craig, Richard Douglas	80	08/08/2023
Duplisea, Norma Shirley	95	08/24/2023
Emmert, Betty Lou	74	03/22/2023
Follensbee, Joyce Faith	78	01/24/2023
Giroux, James Russell	71	07/21/2023
Huff, Frances Louise	73	02/25/2023
Kelley, Gail L.	76	05/08/2023
Medeiros, Mark	57	11/13/2023
Nickerson, Allan Wayne	79	06/24/2023
Nickerson, Clara	80	11/02/2023
Noble, Zachary Taylor	27	10/17/2023
Pelletier, Betty A.	76	03/05/2023
Reichert, Susan	72	11/22/2023
Waterman, Catherine Ann	64	12/26/2023
Wheeler, William N. Sr.	78	11/09/2023

"Time takes away the edge of grief, but memory turns back every leaf. Gone from our lives, one so dear, but in our hearts forever near." - Author Unknown

Respectfully submitted,
Stacy Patterson
Clerk



Sunrise on Lake Winnecook (Photo by Nancy Tkachuk)

LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

February 12, 2024

From: Sherri Thornton
Burnham Health Officer
To: Town of Burnham
Annual report for 2023

Appointment Date:
September 5, 2023

I am very happy to serve as Burnham's Local Health Officer. Since my appointment in September, I have responded to two (2) calls for service.

One (1) in September and one (1) in October. Both issues were completed successfully.

For general information below is a brief description of duties of a local health officer provided by Maine Law:

1. Overall health resource to the community
2. Mediator and problem solver in the resolution of complaints
3. Investigator and enforcer of complaints that cannot be resolved
4. Report to and inform the Board of Selectmen/City Council on the community's public health status
5. Report to the Maine CDC, DHHS on any perceived local public health threats

For further reference citizens may look up the statute 22 M.R.S.A. subsection 454-A

Respectfully Submitted

Sherri Thornton, RN, ME-SAFE-A/P, SANE-A, FNE
Town of Burnham Local Health Officer

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

I would like to Thank the members of the Burnham Fire Department and their families for their continued dedication, as this past year was another busy year for our fire department, responding to 44 calls:

- 8 structure fires
- 1 chimney fire
- 13 traffic control calls
- 10 grass and forest
- 4 CO2 detector
- 1 snowmobile
- 7 ambulance assistance

We have members who are continuing their training this year with the upcoming Fire Fighter I and Fire Fighter II courses to become State certified.

We are also in the process of resubmitting the grant application for a new fire truck, as our lead fire truck, which still works fine, is 22 years old.

We would also like to express our appreciation and thank the Towns people for your continued support.

Respectfully,

Chief R. Charles King

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

This past year we were able to get a lot accomplished with the replacement of cross culverts, which is an ongoing project to keep our roads in pretty decent shape.

I am happy to report the completion of the Mill Bridge project on Pond Road. A job well done.

I would like to thank the many people who helped with the clean up on the December storms, which resulted in a lot of tree damage, to get the roads back open, with a plan for this summer to clean up the remaining roadside debris. We have submitted paperwork to FEMA to hopefully recover some of the cost.

I would like to Thank the Towns people for all your support over the years by voting for me as road commissioner. It has been an honor to serve the Town as road commissioner. My hope is you will continue the same support for the incoming new road commissioner this year and in the years to come. Thank you.

Respectfully,

R. Charles King

WALDO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

6 Public Safety Way
Belfast, ME 04915

SHERIFF

Jason W. Trundy

Administrative Offices

207-338-6786

Fax

207-338-6784

CHIEF DEPUTY

Matthew C. Curtis

Citizens of Waldo County,

The Members of the Waldo County Sheriff's Office are proud to provide law enforcement, correctional and civil paperwork services to the citizens of our great county and we want to thank the members of the public for their continued support.

In 2023, our patrol division handled 9,059 calls for service. These calls included all types of incidents from murders, domestic violence, robberies, burglaries, thefts, child abuse, sexual abuse, drug overdoses, and much more. The patrol division also conducted 1,301 traffic stops throughout the county in an effort to increase traffic safety on our roads and highways.

Our corrections division finished its fourteenth year in the operation of our 72-hour intake and the Maine Coastal Regional Re-entry Center. The seventy-two-hour holding and booking facility processed 717 persons who were arrested in Waldo County by all the law enforcement agencies serving our County.

In 2023, the participants of the reentry provided 2,796 hours of community service throughout Waldo County. This translated to a savings in labor costs of \$39,563 to citizens and non-profit agencies. Residents also provided more than 52,000 pounds of fresh vegetables to local food pantries and those in need from the County's Garden Project overseen by Waldo County Commissioner William Shorey. The residents also paid \$14,666.53 dollars in room and board to the County and \$12,130.74 toward their fines and restitution.

Our Civil Service Division served 1,247 sets of legal paperwork all over the County in 2023.

It has been an honor for all of us to be of service to the citizens of Waldo County in 2023. It is my goal as Sheriff to focus the resources of the Sheriff's Office on enhancing traffic safety, addressing substance abuse, and identifying operational efficiencies and cost savings in our correctional services. These issues are critical to the quality of life of everyone in Waldo County. We look forward to providing the citizens of Waldo County with professional law enforcement services based on our core values of Integrity, Teamwork and Compassion. We wish everyone a safe and productive 2024.

Respectfully,

Sheriff Jason W. Trundy



Waldo County Sheriff's Office
6 Public Safety Way Belfast Maine 04915
207-338-2040



Total Number of Complaints received in 2023 for Burnham

<u>Nature of Call</u>	<u>Total Calls Received</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
911 Disconnect	24	7.84%
911 Misdial	15	4.90%
911 Open Line	11	3.59%
Agency Assist	18	5.88%
Alarm	1	0.33%
Animal Prob LAW	1	0.33%
Assault	2	0.65%
BOLO	1	0.33%
Bad Check	1	0.33%
Burglary	1	0.33%
Car/Deer PD	11	3.59%
Civil	15	4.90%
Crim Mischief	4	1.31%
Crim Trespass	7	2.29%
Detail Bail Chk	1	0.33%
Detail K-9	1	0.33%
Detail Radar	3	0.98%
Disorderly	1	0.33%
Disturbance	10	3.27%
Domestic	8	2.61%
Drugs	5	1.63%
Escort	2	0.65%
Found Property	1	0.33%
Fraud	1	0.33%
Fuel Drive Off	1	0.33%
Harassment	2	0.65%
House Check	14	4.58%
Identity Theft	1	0.33%
Information	14	4.58%
Juvenile Prob	1	0.33%
Late 10-55	4	1.31%
Littering	1	0.33%
MV Complaint	4	1.31%
Mental Medical	3	0.98%
MessageDelivery	3	0.98%
Missing Person	2	0.65%
Motor Veh Theft	3	0.98%
Motorist Assist	1	0.33%
Noise Complaint	1	0.33%
PD Accident	8	2.61%
PI Accident	5	1.63%
Paperwork	9	2.94%
Property Watch	1	0.33%
Public Assist	4	1.31%
Recovered Prop	1	0.33%
Reported Death	4	1.31%
Service PO	9	2.94%

Sex Offense	1	0.33%
Speed Complaint	4	1.31%
Structure Fire	1	0.33%
Suspicious	10	3.27%
Theft	13	4.25%

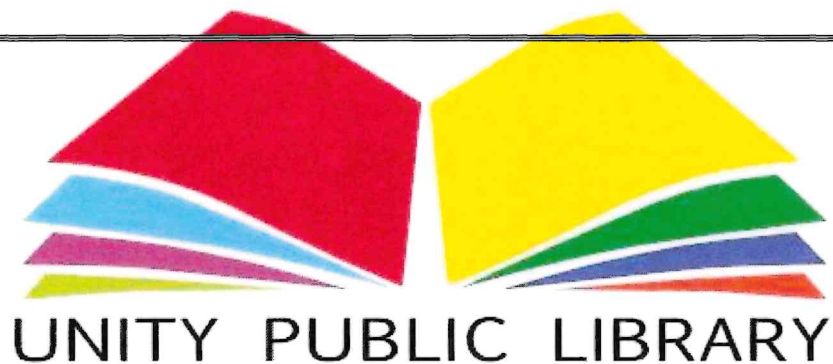
<u>Nature of Call</u>	<u>Total Calls Received</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
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Threatening	2	0.65%
Traffic Hazard	2	0.65%
Traffic Offense	5	1.63%
VIN Verify	1	0.33%
Veh Off The Rd	2	0.65%
Violation PO	2	0.65%
Wanted Person	6	1.96%
Welfare Check	11	3.59%
Wildlife Prob	5	1.63%

Total Complaints Reported: 306

Total Traffic Stops: 7

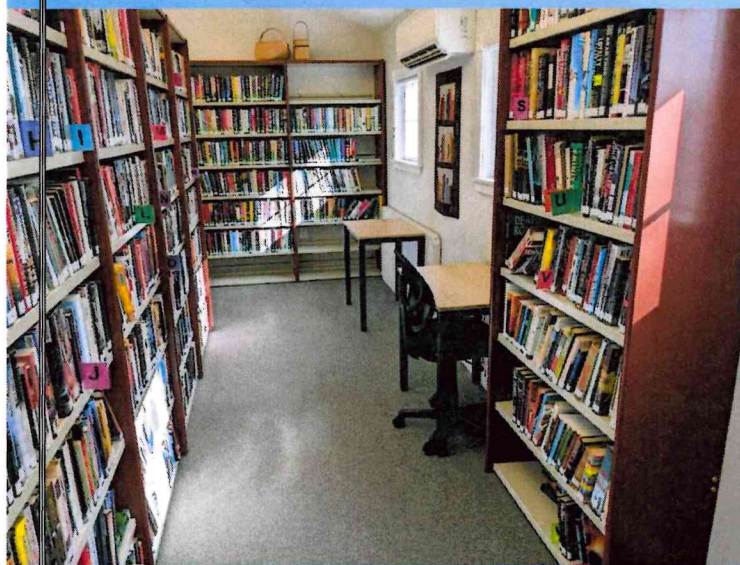




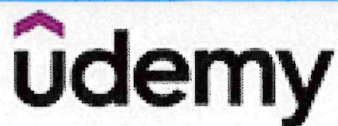
**38 School Street in Unity
948-BOOK (948-2665)**

Open Hours

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Wednesday 10 to 2
Thursday 10 to 2
Friday 10 to 2
Saturday 10 to 2**



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SPECIAL TOWN WARRANT – MAY 30, 2023

To Susan King, resident of the Town of Burnham, County of Waldo, State of Maine:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Burnham, in said County qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Reynolds Corner Municipal Building, in said Town, on **Tuesday, the 30th day of May, A.D. two thousand twenty-three at 7:30 pm** to act upon articles 1 through 2.

7:30 pm – Town Clerk opens Special Town Meeting.

Art. 1. To elect a **Moderator** to preside at said meeting.

- One ballot cast for George Robison. Clerk officiated oath.

Art. 2. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise & appropriate for **Snow Removal, Sanding & Salting** the Town Roads for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2021**: \$202,084.65

Expended in **2022**: \$202,615.73

- Roger Chadwick made a motion to raise & appropriate \$325,000. R. Charles King seconded. 7 YES 1 NO. Motion carried.

7:51 pm – R. Chadwick made a motion to adjourn. Stuart Huff seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Given unto our hands this May 15, 2023.

Stuart Huff, Chairman of the Board

Ricky Basford, Selectman

Brent Chase, Selectman

Burnham, Maine

Date: _____

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Town, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy of said warrant at the Burnham Municipal Building, Burnham Post Office and Patterson's Store in said town, being in public and conspicuous places in said town, on the **16th day of May, 2023, being a least seven days before the meeting.**

Constable or Resident of Burnham, Maine

SPECIAL TOWN WARRANT – OCT. 30, 2023

To Stacy Patterson, resident of the Town of Burnham, County of Waldo, State of Maine:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Burnham, in said County qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Reynolds Corner Municipal Building, in said Town, on **Monday, the 30th day of October, A.D. two thousand twenty-three at 7:30 pm** to act upon Articles 1 & 2.

7:30 pm – Town Clerk opens Special Town Meeting.

Art. 1. To elect a **Moderator** to preside at said meeting, by written ballot.

- One ballot cast to elect George Robison. Clerk officiated oath.

Art. 2. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to enact a Moratorium Ordinance entitled "**High-Impact Electric Transmission Line Moratorium Ordinance**".

- Wayne Mitchell made a motion to accept and enact the Moratorium. Brian Croft seconded the motion. 33 YES
0 NO. Motion carried.

7:45 pm – Wayne Mitchell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brian Croft seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Given unto our hands this date: October 16, 2023.

Stuart Huff, Chairman of the Board

Ricky Basford, Selectman

Brent Chase, Selectman

Burnham, Maine

Date: _____

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Town, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy of said warrant at the Burnham Municipal Building, Burnham Post Office and Patterson's Store in said town, being in public and conspicuous places in said town, on the _____ **day of October, 2023, being a least seven days before the meeting.**

Constable or Resident of Burnham, Maine

TOWN WARRANT - 2024

To Susan King, resident of the Town of Burnham, County of Waldo, State of Maine:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Burnham, in said County qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Reynolds Corner Municipal Building, in said Town, on **Friday, the fifteenth day of March, A.D. two thousand twenty-four at 1:45 p.m.** to act upon articles 1 & 2. Polls are open from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and to **reconvene on Saturday, the sixteenth day of March A.D., two thousand twenty-four, at one o'clock in the afternoon**, at the Reynolds Corner Municipal Building, to act upon the remaining articles.

Art. 1. To elect a **Moderator** to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To elect by secret ballot the following officers: one **Select Board Member, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor** for a three-year term; one **Highway Commissioner** for a one year term; one **MSAD #53 Director** for a one year term (remainder of a three-year term); and one **Cemetery Sexton** for a three year term.

Art. 3. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to allow municipal spending to **exceed the LD1 Tax Cap** that was put into effect in 2005. (Ballot vote required).

Art. 4. To see what rate the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to **charge interest** on all **2024 taxes** which remain unpaid on November 1, 2024.

Recommended: At the rate of 7.5%

Art. 5. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to allow a **discount on all 2024 taxes** paid in full within 30 days from the date of mailing tax bills and to set a discount rate.

Recommended: YES – 5%

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Discounts** on taxes for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022:** \$74,330.27

Expended in **2023:** \$83,822.38

Recommended: Whatever necessary from Undesignated Fund.

Art. 7. To see what rate the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to **charge interest** on all **2023 tax liens**.

Recommended: At the rate of 7.5%

Art. 8. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will authorize the select board, with a committee of four residents, to sell or otherwise **dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town** for nonpayment of taxes thereon, and to authorize the Town Treasurer to execute the Quit-Claim Deed for said real estate to be sold as follows:

- A. The last owner(s) of record prior to foreclosure, shall have 30 days from the date of the foreclosure instrument to purchase the real estate from the town for the sum of all unpaid taxes, plus interest and costs.
- B. In the event the last previous owner(s) and/or successor(s) shall not exercise their option to repurchase the property under the terms described above, any bid submitted by them which is less than the sum of unpaid taxes, plus interest and costs, shall be automatically rejected.
- C. A notice of intent to sell such property shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least three weeks prior to such sale, inviting interested parties to submit sealed bids thereon. Minimum bid shall never be less than the sum of all unpaid taxes, plus interest and costs. Any or all bids may be rejected.
- D. Select board to negotiate sale of tax acquired property following an unsuccessful bid process outlined above with the terms and conditions that they deem appropriate.
- E. Notwithstanding A. through D. above, the select board shall use the sale process required by 36 M.R.S. section 943-C, (Amended: Effective June 30, 2023) if they sell property tax-acquired from qualifying seniors, and former owners, to anyone other than the former owner(s). The amendment allows former owners of tax-acquired property to request an alternative sales process: any excess proceeds from the sale, after deducting certain taxes, costs, and fees, must be paid to the former owner of the property.

Recommended: YES

Art. 9. To see what action the Inhabitants of the Town will take regarding electing four residents to serve as an **advisory committee**, with the select board, in disposing of **Tax Acquired Property**.

Elected in **2023**: Nancy Edge, Anne Goodblood, Brian Levesque, and Sherri Thornton

Recommended: Elect four (4) committee members at Town Meeting.

Art. 10. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to authorize the select board to transfer from the unexpended balance of the current year any amount necessary to **cover overdrafts** which occur during the **fiscal year 2024**. All overdrafts to be shown in the Town Report.

Recommended: YES

Art. 11. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to accept **property tax payments** before commitment.

Recommended: YES

Art. 12. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to authorize the Fire Department to **sell excess fire equipment** no longer in use; all proceeds to go back into the Fire Protection account.

Note: List of all equipment for sale is to be posted in three public locations in town, thirty (30) days prior to sale.

Recommended: YES

Art. 13. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to authorize the use of a portion of the **2023 excise tax receipts** to **reduce** the **2024 property tax commitment**.

Recommended: \$200,000.00 from 2023 Excise Tax collected

Art. 14. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to **carry forward** to the next year all unexpended funds from the **Fire Protection** and **Firemen's Payroll** accounts.

Recommended: YES

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Fire Protection** for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022**: \$26,896.19

Expended in **2023**: \$25,403.73

Recommended: \$25,000.00

(Carried Forward: \$5,557.95)

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for pay to cover the **Firemen's Payroll** while fighting fires and attending training sessions.

Expended in **2022**: \$8,842.50

Expended in **2023**: \$9,506.25

Recommended: \$10,000.00

(Carried Forward: \$5,571.87)

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to go into the **Fire Department Equipment** account.

Expended in **2022**: \$0.00

Expended in **2023**: \$0.00

Recommended: \$10,000.00

(Carried Forward: \$99,982.43)

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, to be used as follows: \$0.00 for **Emergency Management** Capital Reserve Account; \$0.00 for the Director's Expense Account and \$500.00 for Director's Yearly Pay.

Expended in 2022:

Expenses: \$0.00

Directors Pay: 500.00

Capital Reserve: 0.00

Total: \$500.00

Expended in 2023:

\$0.00

500.00

0.00

\$500.00

Recommended: YES

(Carried Forward: \$8,025.49)

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Street Lighting/Electrical Services** necessary for the Town for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022:** \$4,858.15

Expended in **2023:** \$5,951.18

Recommended: \$8,000.00

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Insurance** for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022:** \$12,180.00

Expended in **2023:** \$12,484.00

Recommended: \$16,000.00

Art. 21. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Town Highways** listed below:

ROADS, BRIDGES & PATCHING

Expended in **2022:** \$61,310.85

Expended in **2023:** \$68,249.18

Recommended: \$60,000.00

BRUSH

Expended in **2022:** \$4,730.00

Expended in **2023:** \$5,000.00

Recommended: \$5,000.00

MOWING

Expended in **2022:** \$6,000.00

Expended in **2023:** \$6,200.00

Recommended: \$6,500.00

Art. 22. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$268,897.38 for payment of the **Road Resurfacing Note.**

Recommended: Raise and appropriate \$154,661.89; take \$50,000.00 from (LRAP) Urban-Rural Initiative Program; take \$46,884.90 remaining from 2023 Excise Tax collected; and take \$17,350.59 from Undesignated Fund.

[NOTE: Final payment – Sept. 15, 2027]

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Tree Removal** on town roadways.

Expended in **2022:** \$10,000.00

Expended in **2023:** \$10,000.00

Recommended: \$10,000.00

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Transfer Station** for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022:** \$111,316.28

Expended in **2023:** \$115,414.42

Recommended: \$105,000.00 plus revenues; take \$12,000 from the MRC Refund account; and take up to \$25,000.00 from Undesignated Fund

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Recycling**, for reimbursement to residents of Burnham for yearly memberships paid to the Unity Area Regional Recycling Center. (NOTE: Proof of residency and proof of membership paid must be submitted to the Town Office. Upon approval of the select board, reimbursement will be made by town check on the next scheduled pay warrant.)

Expended in **2022:** \$120.00

Expended in **2023:** \$60.00

Recommended: \$500.00

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Snow Removal, Sanding and Salting** the Town's Roads for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022:** \$202,615.73

Expended in **2023:** \$257,008.72

Recommended: \$340,000.00

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Sand & Salt Shed** Capital Reserve Account.

Expended in **2022:** \$5.00

Expended in **2023:** \$835.00

Recommended: \$0.00

(Carried Forward: \$18,275.45)

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of **Sayward and Collamore Lanes.**

Expended in **2022:** \$0.00

Expended in **2023:** \$0.00

Recommended: \$0.00

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for summer maintenance of the **Charles Taylor Lane.**

Expended in **2022:** \$0.00

Expended in **2023:** \$0.00

Recommended: \$0.00

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Towns' Share of Payroll Taxes/Health Insurance.**

Expended in **2022:** \$12,172.17

Expended in **2023:** \$12,652.97

Recommended: \$15,000.00

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Town Officers' Salaries.**

Expended in **2022:** \$98,416.97

Expended in **2023:** \$99,205.33

Recommended: \$110,000.00 plus registration agent fees

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Town Office Supplies.**

Expended in **2022:** \$5,719.26

Expended in **2023:** \$6,243.77

Recommended: \$6,500.00

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Office Equipment** account.

Expended in **2022:** \$5,337.09

Expended in **2023:** \$8,416.96

Recommended: Take \$5,547.59 from ARPA (remaining balance) and take \$2,000.00 from Undesignated Fund

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Incidental Expenses** for the ensuing year. This includes the audit, cost of town reports, assessing, mapping, legal fees, and other miscellaneous expenses to the Town.

Expended in **2022:** \$36,108.49

Expended in **2023:** \$38,617.67

Recommended: \$35,000.00 plus revenues and costs on liens

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to maintain and operate the **Municipal Building** for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022:** \$12,189.55

Expended in **2023:** \$9,793.33

Recommended: \$12,000.00

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the **Exterior** of the **Municipal Building**.

Expended in **2022:** \$0.00

Expended in **2023:** \$1,585.00

Recommended: \$3,000.00

(Carried Forward: \$8,683.31)

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the **Interior** of the **Municipal Building**.

Expended in **2022:** \$2,950.00

Expended in **2023:** \$1,382.71

Recommended: \$3,000.00

(Carried Forward: \$7,510.06)

Art. 38. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of the Town **Cemeteries** and Veterans Graves, wherever located, in the Town of Burnham for the coming year.

Expended in **2022:** \$5,800.00

Expended in **2023:** \$6,052.00

Recommended: \$13,000.00

Art. 39. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **General Assistance** for the ensuing year.

Expended in **2022:** \$1,070.66

Expended in **2023:** \$1,462.70

Recommended: \$5,000.00 plus revenues from State of Maine Dept. of Human Services

(NOTE: Reimbursement from State at 70%)

Art. 40. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for other **Recreational Activities** for the ensuing year.

Town Beach Maintenance

Expended in **2022:** \$690.00

Expended in **2023:** \$570.00

Recommended: \$1,000.00

Swimming Instruction

Expended in **2022:** \$800.00

Expended in **2023:** \$800.00

Recommended: \$800.00

Recreation Committee

Expended in **2022:** \$1,000.00

Expended in **2023:** \$0.00

Recommended: \$500.00

(Carried Forward: \$2,474.88)

Art. 41. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the continued service of **Kennebec Valley Council of Governments**.

Expended in **2022:** \$1,706.00

Expended in **2023:** \$1,706.00

Recommended: \$1,740.00

Art. 42. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the requests for the following agencies asking for **Donations**.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PROJECT – TOWN OF PITTSFIELD

Expended in **2022:** \$600.00
Expended in **2023:** \$600.00
Recommended: \$600.00

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS OF WATERVILLE AREA

Expended in **2022:** \$460.00
Expended in **2023:** \$460.00
Recommended: \$460.00

JAWS OF LIFE – Unity Fire Dept.

Expended in **2022:** \$200.00
Expended in **2023:** \$200.00
Recommended: \$200.00

KENNEBEC BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH

Expended in **2022:** \$1,000.00
Expended in **2023:** \$1,000.00
Recommended: \$1,000.00

SEBASTICOOK REGIONAL LAND TRUST

Expended in **2022:** \$250.00
Expended in **2023:** \$250.00
Recommended: \$250.00

SPECTRUM GENERATIONS

Expended in **2022:** \$764.36
Expended in **2023:** \$1,000.00
Recommended: \$800.00

UNITY VOLUNTEER FOOD PANTRY

Expended in **2022:** \$600.00
Expended in **2023:** \$600.00
Recommended: \$600.00

WALDO COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERS

Expended in **2022:** \$5,121.00
Expended in **2023:** \$6,000.00
Recommended: \$6,000.00

Art. 43. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, for reimbursement, to families and/or individual residents of Burnham, fee memberships paid to the **Pittsfield Public Library** (NOTE: Proof of residency and proof of membership paid must be submitted to the Town Office. Upon approval of the select board, reimbursement will be made by town check on the next scheduled pay warrant.)

Expended in **2022:** \$450.00
Expended in **2023:** \$435.00
Recommended: \$1,000.00

Art. 44. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, for reimbursement to Burnham resident parents of children that wish to participate in the **Pittsfield Recreation Department Athletic** activities. The reimbursement will be for a maximum of \$100.00 per child. (NOTE: Proof of residency and proof of membership paid must be submitted to the Town Office. Upon approval of the select board, reimbursement will be made by town check on the next scheduled pay warrant.)

Expended in **2022:** \$185.00
Expended in **2023:** \$245.00
Recommended: \$1,000.00

Art. 45. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to give Snowmobile Registration funds to the **Driftbusters Snowmobile Club** of Pittsfield, for the purpose of creating and maintaining snowmobile trails in Burnham.

Recommended: YES

Art. 46. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Animal Control**.

Expended in **2022:** \$2,221.68

Expended in **2023:** \$2,154.52

Recommended: \$2,148.16 (cost for animal housing contract) plus towns' share of dog licenses

(Carried Forward: \$4,889.47)

Art. 47. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500.00) for professional consultant services in connection with the **Assessment Quarter Review**.

Expended in **2022:** \$6,000.00

Expended in **2023:** \$6,125.00

Recommended: YES

Art. 48. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Veterans Memorial Park**.

Expended in **2022:** \$725.00

Expended in **2023:** \$8,785.00

Recommended: \$5,000.00

(Carried Forward: \$9,817.01)

Art. 49. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to authorize the **select board to spend an amount**, whatever necessary, for the period **January 1, 2025, to March 15, 2025**.

Recommended: YES

Art. 50. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Bicentennial Events** in the Town in 2024.

Recommended: No Recommendation

(Carried Forward: \$15,000.00)

Art. 51. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to give up to \$1,600.00 from excise tax collected on Boat registrations to the **Friends of Lake Winnecook** for the purpose of supporting the Courtesy Boat Inspection & Lake Monitoring effects on Lake Winnecook.

Recommended: YES

Art. 52. To see if the Inhabitants of the Town will establish a non-lapsing "Revaluation Reserve Account" for the purpose of covering the cost to conduct a town-wide **property tax revaluation**, and to raise and appropriate \$18,125.00 into the account in Fiscal Year 2024 provided that the select board shall have the authority to spend from the account for the purpose stated above without further vote of the town meeting.

[NOTE: Projected Date of Revaluation – 2026]

Recommended: YES

(Carried Forward: \$18,125.00)

Art. 53. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to **rebuild the road** at the **Transfer Station**.

Recommended: No Recommendation

Art. 54. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will vote to **rebuild the road** at the **Sand & Salt Shed**.

Recommended: No Recommendation

Art. 55. Shall the following **amendment** to the Town's **Shoreland Zoning Ordinance** be enacted?

Section 16 – Administration, Subsection C(5) – Permit Application - is amended to read:

38 M.R.S. 439-A(10) **Photographic record required.** A municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to this article must require an applicant for a permit for development within the shoreland zone to provide to the municipal permitting authority preconstruction photographs and, no later than 20 days after completion of the development, postconstruction photographs of the shoreline vegetation and development site.

Recommended: YES

Art. 56. Shall the following **amendment** to the Town's **Shoreland Zoning Ordinance** be enacted?

Section 14 – Land Use Standards, Subsection B(4) – Principal and Accessory Structures – is amended to read:

(4) With the exception of General Development Districts located adjacent to coastal wetlands and rivers that do not flow to great ponds, and Commercial Fisheries/Maritime Activities Districts, non-vegetated surfaces shall not exceed a total of (20) percent of the portion of the lot located within the shoreland zone. This limitation does not apply to public boat launching facilities regardless of the district in which the facility is located.

For the purposes of calculating lot coverage, non-vegetated surfaces include, but are not limited to the following: structures, driveways, parking areas and other areas from which vegetation has been removed. Naturally occurring ledge and rock outcroppings are not counted as non-vegetated surfaces when calculating lot coverage for lots of record on March 24, 1990 and in continuous existence since that date.

Recommended: YES

LATE ARTICLE. To see what sum of money the Inhabitants of the Town will raise and appropriate to donate to **Spirits Place** (a cat sanctuary) in St. Albans, Maine.

Recommended: No Recommendation

The Select Board hereby gives notice that the Registrar will be at the Municipal Building on **Friday, March 15, 2024**, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters, from 1:30 p.m. until the close of polls.

Given unto our hands this **4th day of March 2024**.

Stuart Huff, Chairman of the Board

Ricky Basford, Selectman

Brent Chase, Selectman

Burnham, Maine

Date: _____

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of said Town, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy of said warrant at the Burnham Municipal Building, Burnham Post Office and Patterson's Store in said town, being in public and conspicuous places in said town, on the _____ day of March AD, 2024, being a least seven days before the meeting.

Constable or Resident of Burnham, Maine

