

Town of Mercer Annual Report 2020



For Calendar Year ending 12/31/2020

Dedication

The 2020 Annual Report is dedicated to **Frederick "Fred" E. LaPlante** of Bacon Road.

Having traveled the world in the US Armed Forces, Fred along with his wife Beatrice settled in Mercer, Maine because of their ancestry. Genealogy brought them here. Both of their families can be found in the cemeteries of Mercer.

Fred is also a retired electrical engineer. Those particular skills have benefited the town of Mercer over the years.

He volunteered his time to the town office at a time when the town needed someone to step up and help the town. Cheryl McAfee was the Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer at the time. The town was moving into the new Town Office (and former CERT building) and vacating the old town office on Main Street. Cheryl got sick. Julia Howard, Fran Varney and Fred LaPlante helped sort out town office records from the move. Then the accounting system crashed. It was developed by an individual who was suffering from illness. Fred helped the town select a business software company who specializes in fund accounting (governmental accounting). Fred helped the town for three years, coming into the town office on a daily basis.

He also set up the computer networking system (running cables, donating computers, etc.) at the new town office as well as at the current location in the Mercer Community Center.

His civic duty didn't end there. He went on to serve the town as a municipal officer (selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor) for an initial one-year term. Then upon the resignation of another, he was elected to fill a selectmen's vacancy and served another half year or so.

Fred served on the Budget Committee for a few years too, helping the committee to realize that their function was that of an advisory capacity and to limit discussion to financial matters.

Currently, Fred serves on the town's Charter Committee and is eager to present recommendations for developing a charter for the betterment of our community.

Unfortunately, when the pandemic hit, the committee did not get to complete the task ahead of them.

We're grateful that you and Bea chose this community to retire to. The town would like to recognize you, Fred, for all that you have done for the Town of Mercer-your civic involvement did not go unrecognized. Thank you!



Annual Report for the Municipality of Mercer, Maine

Incorporated in 1804



For the Calendar Year Ending
December 31, 2020

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Municipal Election Schedule 2021

Municipal Election will be held on **Saturday March 6, 2021**

- 8:00 a.m. Election of Moderator
at Mercer Town Office/
Community Center
- 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** Polls Open for Election of
Municipal Officials and Referendum questions
at Mercer Town Office Gymnasium
* See Sample Ballot on Page 88 & 89
Registrar of Voters on Duty

Town Meeting Schedule 2021

Town Meeting will be held on **Saturday March 13, 2021**

- 1:00 p.m.** Business Meeting begins
at Mercer Community Center in
Gymnasium

**Remember to bring your Annual Report
with you to Town Meeting**

**** Mercer Town Office Hours ****

Monday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Phone #: 207-587-2911

Fax #: 207-587-2912

Email: mercerclerk@outlook.com *** NEW

Website: www.mercermaine.com ***NEW

Mailing/Physical Address

Town of Mercer
1015 Beech Hill Road, Suite A
Mercer, Maine 04957

Mercer Town Office

2021 Holiday Schedule

(Some dates may not be applicable this year because they do not fall within the Town Office hours)

January 1, 2021 New Year's Day
January 18, 2021 Martin Luther King Jr Day
February 15, 2021 Presidents Day
April 19, 2021 Patriot's Day
May 31, 2021 Memorial Day
July 4, 2021 Independence Day
September 6, 2021 Labor Day
October 11, 2021 Columbus Day
November 11, 2021 Veterans Day
November 24, 2021 Closing at Noon
November 25 & 26, 2021 Thanksgiving Day
December 25, 2021 Christmas Day
December 31, 2021 Year End close out

Posted 1/13/2021
Nancy Gove
Town Clerk

Mercer Transfer Station
2021 Holiday Schedule

Sunday April 4th Closed, will be Open Sat. April 3rd Easter

2021 Dates to Remember

- January 1, 2021** – Dog Licenses Due
- January 31, 2021** – Last day to pay Dog License Fees without Late Fee
- February 1, 2021** – Late Fees (\$25.00) for Dog Licenses has been extended until 30 days after the Governor’s Executive Order calling for the State of Emergency is lifted
Excise Only Payments may now be made
- March 6, 2021** – **Town Election.** Polls will be OPEN 8 am-4 pm
- March 13, 2021** **Annual Town Meeting** at 1:00 pm Mercer Community Center Gym
- April 1, 2021** – Notification to Assessors forms, Homestead/Veterans Exemptions Applications & Personal/Business Property Declarations Due
- May 1, 2021** – Date to start registering ATV’s for 2021 year
- May/June 2021** – Projected date for 30 day notice to be sent out (by certified mail) for 2020 Tax Lien process
- June 1, 2021** –State/RSU #54 School Budget Referendum Election
- July - August** – Projected time for 2021 Tax Bills to be sent out
- October 15, 2021** – Date you may start licensing your Dogs for 2022
*Must bring Current Rabies Certificate
- November 1, 2021** – Projected date you may start registering Snowmobiles for the 2022 Season.
- November 2, 2021** – State Referendum Election, if any
- December 1, 2021** – Date you may start purchasing Hunting/Fishing Licenses for 2022
- December 31, 2021** –Any unpaid 2021 Real Estate and Personal Property taxes will be listed in the Annual Town Report.

Officials of Town of Mercer 2020

Select Board, Assessors & Overseers of the Poor – 1 yr. terms

1st Ricky J. Parlin
2nd Gary D Mosher
3rd Dari D. Hurley

Assessor's Agent

Clyde Cavender

Town Clerk and Tax Collector – 3 yr. terms

Nancy J. Gove – Appointed through 2022

Treasurer – 3 yr. terms

Yolanda C. Violette – Terms expire '22

Deputy Clerk/Tax Collector

Tammy H. Lamphere

Deputy Treasurer

Nancy J. Gove

Directors of SAD # 54 – 3 yr. terms

Sarah Bunker-Geyer – Term Expires '21
Maryellen Charles – Term Expires '22

CEO - Code Enforcement Officer

Brenton Lamarre

LPI - Local Plumbing Inspector

Andrew Marble

Health Officer

Heidi Dubois

Fire Warden

Dennis Obert

Deputy Wardens

Chris Holt

Animal Control Officer

Kathleen Ross

Addressing Officer

Ricky Parlin

Officials of Town of Mercer 2020 continued

Planning Board – 3 yr. terms

Joan Nunnally – Term Expires '23
Chris Dutil – Term Expires '21
Geoffrey Nosach – Term Expires '21
Jason Juskewitch – Term Expires '22
Emma Gierczak – Term Expires '22

Denis Culley- Alternate

Budget Committee – voted in at March 7, 2020 Town Meeting from floor, 1 yr. term

Sarah Bunker-Geyer
Jason Juskewitch
Norman (Gerry) Redlevske
Barbara VanBurgel
Vernon Worthen

Trustees of Shaw Library – 5 yr. terms

Cherie Sadler – Term Expires '25
Wanda Fortin – Term Expires '21
Jane Wallace – Term Expires '22
Christy Vasvary – Term Expires '23
Chris “John” Beeuwkes – Term Expires '24

Librarian

Mary Chouinard



Left to right: Yolanda
Violette, Nancy Gove and
Tammy Lamphere

A spot of light on 2020

2020 will be a year to remember. With two new select people voted in and the third with only one year under his belt, we faced many challenges. COVID hit making everything harder and uncertain for everyone, but with our list of things that needed attention, we hit the ground running.

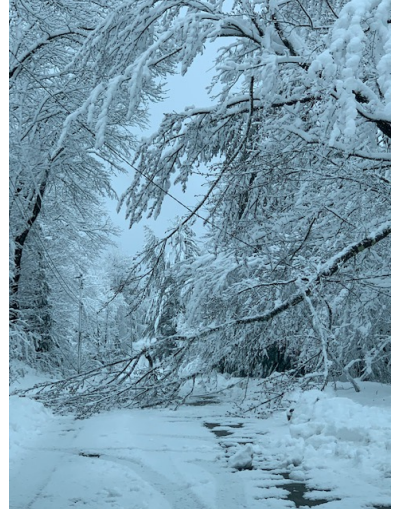
We started with revising the snowplow contract, clearing up the boundary line dispute at the town forest, grading, ditching, culvert replacement and assessing.

We spent many hours riding around with Gerry Redlevske working on the town assessing. We were able to get 25% of the town done this year.

As a group, we met numerous times with Charlie Baeder from Seven Lakes Alliance, several contractors, and culvert salespeople. (This was in association with the project on the Bog Road and Pond Road.) Terry and Travis Warren were awarded the contract for the Pond Road portion of this project. They completed approximately 90% with the funds we had. Hope to be able to finish this project up this coming year.

April brought us wet heavy snowfall taking down trees, blocking roads causing power outages all around town. We spent days cutting trees that were in the roadway and on the power lines to help ensure our residents could get out and to help get power back that much sooner.

Later in April, we organized work days to clean the grounds at the Community Center. A special "thank you" to all who volunteered their time and equipment. It was greatly appreciated.



We listed and sold the Old Town Office building.

We awarded a contract to Joel Lamphere to remove berms and to ditch from Route 2 to the end of Elm Street. We also spent time cutting trees and brush along that same stretch of road.

Then on July 8th we were hit with another big obstacle. Our Tax Collector and Town Clerk, along with Deputy Tax Collector and Deputy Clerk both turned in their resignations. We had two weeks' notice to find a qualified person to fill these positions or the town would

have to SHUT DOWN!!! Think for a moment, what would you do??? Well, we dug in and made lots of calls, one of which was to a longtime resident Nancy Gove. Nancy has 30 years of municipal experience and was willing to embark on this adventure with us. We appointed her as our new Tax Collector and Town Clerk. Within the first week, Nancy and Dari applied for a \$45,000 grant for the town. We were awarded \$35,000. Nancy also got a \$5,000 election grant. Great Job!

We were able to build a new snowplow turn-around on Clement Road with volunteers Joel Lamphere, Bruce Hurley and Donnie Howard who brought in the gravel and rolled it for us. We awarded Rick Labbe the job of replacing 5 culverts (1 on Pond Road, 3 on Beech Hill and 1 on Main Street).

After many concerns about the Mercer Dam being breached, we were able to custom fit new planking to restore the dam with the help of Dan Charles and his portable band saw. Many thanks.

We have also worked on many, many other projects throughout the year, some of which include more tree cutting, replacing or resetting culverts and road washouts. Dari and Gary, with the help of Joel Lamphere were able to get a section of the Rome Road graveled. Hoping to get more done this year.

We think we got a lot accomplished. We would like to thank all those in this community who have volunteered their equipment and time this year to help us. It truly does take a community effort!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Your Select Board: Ricky Parlin, 1st Municipal Officer; Gary Mosher 2nd Municipal Officer; and Dari Hurley 3rd Municipal Officer



Left to right: Dari Hurley, Ricky Parlin, Gary Mosher

2020 Selectman's Financial Report

MSAD #54

Assessment	\$ 563,556.02
Expenditures	\$ 563,556.02

Somerset County Tax

Assessment	\$ 157,207.26
Expenditures	\$ 157,207.26

Salaries #4

	<u>Appropriated</u>	<u>Expended</u>
1 st Selectperson	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
2 nd Selectperson	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
3 rd Selectperson	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Town Clerk	\$ 6,724.00	\$ 6,724.00
Treasurer	\$ 11,158.00	\$ 11,158.00
Tax Collector	\$ 12,419.00	\$ 12,419.00
Deputy Clerk	\$ 4,141.00	\$ 2,389.20
Registrar	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Selectman's Secretary	\$ 2,040.00	\$ 1,841.50
Office Assistant	<u>\$ 5,200.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,751.50</u>
Total Expenditure	\$ 54,182.00	\$ 51,783.20
To Surplus		\$ 2,398.80
Add Clerk/TXC	<u>\$ 3,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,613.77</u>
Per STM 8/25/20	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -1,113.77

FICA/Medicare – Art #5

Appropriated	\$ 5,700.00	(.0765% of Salaries)
Expended	<u>\$ 5,512.91</u>	
To Surplus	\$ 187.09	

Contingency Fund – Art #6

Appropriated	\$ 10,000.00	
Expended	<u>\$ 8,308.04</u>	(Trio Expenses \$5,774.24 & Rome Rd. \$2,506.80)
Remains in Surplus	\$ 1,691.96	

Maine Municipal Association – Art #7

Appropriated	\$ 1,786.00
Expended	<u>\$ 1,786.00</u>
Remains in Surplus	\$ <u>0.00</u>

Liability/Property – Art #8

Appropriated	\$ 12,700.00
Expended	<u>\$ 12,000.00</u>
To Surplus	\$ <u>0.00</u>

Liability Public Officials/Bonds – Art #9

Appropriated	\$ 1,720.00
Expended	<u>\$ 1,720.00</u>
To Surplus	\$ <u>0.00</u>

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Workers Comp/Unemployment – Art #10

Appropriated	\$ 2,500.00
Expended	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>
To Surplus	\$ 351.68

Health Insurance – Art #11

Appropriated	\$ 14,938.00
Expended	<u>\$ 12,069.25</u>
To Surplus	\$ 2,868.75

Municipal Building Expense – Art #12

Appropriated	\$ 40,000.00 + Revenues
Electricity (MCC)	\$ 3,820.57
Electricity (Old TO&Shaw)	\$ 593.75
Telephone	\$ 1,613.52
Heating-MCC	\$ 6,906.55 (Oil - 1734.40G @ \$2.419/Gal, 201.70G @1.875 & 1195.4 @2.089)
Heating- (Old TO)	\$ 217.47 (Oil - 89.90 Gal @ \$2.419/Gal)
Office Supplies	\$ 2,389.48
TO Misc	\$ 1,426.89
Postage	\$ 918.32
Annual Report	\$ 1,417.00
Registry of Deeds	\$ 109.50
Elections	\$ 1,404.00
Security	\$ 798.86
Mowing	\$ 1,445.00
Plowing	\$ 2,060.00
Internet/Web	\$ 35.00
Building Maintenance	\$ 10,345.17
Legal	\$ 2,756.25
Training/Mileage	\$ 80.00
MCC Misc	\$ 2,310.00
Janitorial	\$ 777.00
MCC Supplies	\$ 249.31
Lighting Grant	\$ 6,823.10
Expended (before Revenue)	\$ 48,496.74
Transferred to MCC Acct	\$ 7,373.34
Revenues	\$ 1,420.00
Transfer from MCC Fund	\$ 4,957.50
Credit Propane	\$ 269.48
Lighting Grant	\$ 6,823.10
Donations	\$ 2,400.00
Expended (after Revenue&Transfer)	<u>\$ 40,000.00</u>
To Surplus	\$ 0.00

Trio (Harris) – Art #13

Appropriated	\$ 7,900.00
Expended	<u>\$ 7,900.00</u>
To Surplus	\$ 0.00

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Assessing – Art #14

Appropriated	\$	9,000.00
Expended	\$	3,555.00
Trans to Asses Reval Acct	\$	<u>5,445.00</u>
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>

Transfer Station/Recycling – Art #15

Appropriated	\$	23,000.00	+ Revenues
Attendant	\$	7,218.75	
Waste Manage Trash	\$	19,323.96	
Waste Manage Recycle	\$	5,923.84	
Central Maine Septic	\$	1,320.00	
Plowing	\$	1,540.00	
Licensing	\$	<u>467.00</u>	
Expended (before Revenue)	\$	35,793.55	
Revenue	\$	13,010.00	
Expended (after Revenue)	\$	<u>22,783.55</u>	
To Surplus	\$	216.45	

Planning Board – Art #16

Appropriated	\$	500.00
Expended	\$	<u>157.00</u>
Remains in Surplus	\$	343.00

Animal Control – Art #17

Appropriated	\$	4,100.00	+ Dog Revenue
Humane Society	\$	1,115.52	
ACO Salary	\$	2,400.00	
Mileage	\$	0.00	
Service Calls	\$	<u>0.00</u>	
Expended	\$	3,515.52	
Remains in Surplus	\$	584.48	

Cemetery Care – Art #18

Appropriated	\$	5,500.00
Mowing	\$	3,420.00
Flags	\$	<u>530.85</u>
Expended	\$	3,950.00
Remains in Surplus	\$	1,549.15

Emergency Management (CERT) – Art #21

Appropriated	\$	1,209.11	
Insurance	\$	385.00	
TDS	\$	260.00	
Heating Oil	\$	<u>564.11</u>	(Oil – 233.20 Gal @ 2.419/Gal)
Expended	\$	1,209.11	
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>	

Annual Audit 2019 – Art #22

Appropriated	\$	3,450.00
Expended	\$	<u>3,450.00</u>
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>

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Public Safety & Fire Protection – Art #23

Appropriated	\$ 39,100.00
Norridgewock Fire Dept.	\$ 38,409.39
Street Lights	\$ 260.19
Traffic Light	<u>\$ 259.79</u>
Expended	\$ 38,929.37
To Surplus	\$ 170.63

Shaw Library – Art #26

Appropriated	\$ 9,325.00
Expended	<u>\$ 9,325.00</u>
To Surplus	\$ 0.00

Summer Roads – Art #27

Appropriated	\$ 80,000.00
Road Maint. Labor	\$ 23,300.00
Road Maint. Material	\$ 2,988.00
Roadside Mowing	\$ 1,575.00
Grading	\$ 11,890.00
Culverts	\$ 4,173.05
Signs	\$ 600.00
Misc	\$ 35.07
Trnfrd to Ditching	\$ 1,700.00
Trnfrd to Rome Road	\$ 4,400.88
Trnfrd to Pond Road	\$ 9,938.00
Trnfrd to Boat Landing	<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>
Expended	\$ 80,600.00

Donation	\$ 600.00
To Surplus	\$ 0.00

Rome Road Project – Art #6 ST Meeting 8/25/2020

Labor	\$ 2,550.00
Material	\$ 24,822.00
Grading	<u>\$ 2,420.00</u>
Expended	\$ 29,972.00

Trnfr from TF Fund	\$ 22,884.32
From Sum Rds	\$ 4,400.88
From Contingency	<u>\$ 2,506.80</u>
Balance	\$ 0.00

L.R.A.P – Art #28

Appropriated	\$ 57,848.00 – 2020 LRAP (\$27,848) + Taxes \$20k & Surplus-\$10k
Paving	<u>\$ 49,202.00</u> - Held over till 2021 per signed contract with Pike 10/22/2020
Remains in Surplus	\$ 8,646.00

Ditching – Art #29

Appropriated	\$ 10,000.00
Expended	<u>\$ 11,700.00</u>
From Sum Rds	\$ 1,700.00
To Surplus	\$ 0.00

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Pond Road Project – Art #30

Appropriated	\$	10,000.00	- Plus SLA Grant of \$10,000
Expended	\$	<u>19,938.00</u>	
From Sum Rds	\$	9,938.00	
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>	

Boat Landing Culvert (Bog Brook) – Art #31

Appropriated	\$	20,000.00	
Expendable in 2021	\$	<u>20,000.00</u>	- Held over till 2021 per ST Meeting 12/11/2020
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>	

Winter Roads – Art #32

Appropriated Taxes	\$	75,000.00	
Appropriated Excise	\$	155,000.00	
Winter Road Contract	\$	152,000.00	
Sand Purchase	\$	16,848.00	- 2106 yds @ \$8/yd
Salt Purchase	\$	23,670.97	- 431.62 tons (234.88 @ \$57.65/ton & 196.74 @ \$51.49/ton)
Salt Shed Electric	\$	397.56	
Miscellaneous	\$	<u>4,853.80</u>	
Expended	\$	197,770.33	

Actual Excise	\$	154,789.42	- (BMV- \$153,317.22 / IF&W- \$ \$1,472.20)
Expended from Taxes	\$	<u>42,980.91</u>	
To Surplus	\$	32,019.09	

General Assistance - Art #33

Appropriated	\$	17,500.00	
Expended	\$	<u>600.00</u>	
State Reimbursements	\$	1,821.39	
Expended after reimbursements	\$	<u>-1,221.39</u>	
Remains in Surplus	\$	18,721.39	

Charity – Art #34

Appropriated	\$	2,000.00	
Bikes for Books	\$	100.00	
HV of SC	\$	150.00	
HV of WA	\$	<u>150.00</u>	
Expended	\$	400.00	
To Surplus	\$	1,600.00	

Mercer Old Home Days – Art #35

Appropriated	\$	500.00	
Expended	\$	<u>500.00</u>	
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>	

Mercer Historical Society – Art #36

Appropriated	\$	500.00	
Expended	\$	<u>500.00</u>	
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>	

2020 Selectman's Financial Report

Youth Leagues – Art #37

Appropriated	\$	750.00
Expended	\$	<u>0.00</u>
To Surplus	\$	750.00

Scholarship Awards – Art #38

Appropriated	\$	425.00 + Interest
Helen & William True	\$	204.39
Pressey Prize	\$	29.83
Ethel Springer	\$	214.90
Interest from accts	\$	24.12
Expended	\$	<u>225.00</u>
Remains in Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>

CEO/ LPI Training – Art #40

Appropriated	\$	400.00
Expended	\$	<u>0.00</u>
Remains in Surplus	\$	400.00

CEO Compensation – Art #41

Appropriated	\$	2,000.00 (\$25.00/hr)
Expended	\$	<u>950.00</u>
Remains in Surplus	\$	1,050.00

North Pond Association – Art #42

Appropriated	\$	2,000.00
Expended	\$	<u>2,000.00</u>
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>

Mercer Rescue – Art #44

Appropriated	\$	5,240.00
Expended	\$	4,333.73
Trnfrd to Mer Res Fnd	\$	<u>240.00</u>
Remains in Surplus	\$	666.27

Road Emergency Fund – Art #45

Appropriated	\$	2,000.00
Transferred	\$	<u>2,000.00</u> (Transferred to Road Main. Fund)
To Surplus	\$	<u>0.00</u>

TOWN CLERK REPORT

To the Citizens of Mercer,

A 31-year resident of Mercer who has worked in municipal government most of my adult life, I agreed to come to work for the Town after a surprising vacancy was left in the Town Clerk and Tax Collector positions. It has been both interesting and extremely busy ever since.

We received a couple grants to help the town during this pandemic, roughly \$40,000 in total. We did great things with these grants: purchased an electronic sign, developed a new website, purchased a new photocopier, audio system with microphones, image projector with screen, personal protective equipment and for elections, we bought a new computer for the Clerk, voting booths, barriers, absentee ballot drop off box and an American flag to proudly display at the polling place.



The Presidential Election demanded much of my attention during the month of October. Many residents stepped up to help with this election. And many of you voted by absentee ballot. Thanks to my deputy, Tammy Lamphere,

for agreeing to be Election Warden for such a huge election, having never done it before-you were great. We kept it safe, while maintaining social distancing thanks to all the ballot clerks who efficiently helped throughout the day and night. Our ballot counters did a fabulous job counting a record-breaking 484 ballots. We wrapped it up about 10:45 pm thanks to our counters.

Once the election was over, we moved right into the budget process without skipping a beat and began the process of preparing for the annual town meeting in March. We met twice in January with the Budget Committee who gave their input into the budget.



This year's town meeting faces many challenges. With the pandemic spreading more rampant now, the question of whether we can safely hold an indoor town meeting in March or wait until warmer weather to be able to hold it outdoors still remains a question. We are presenting two town meeting warrants in this annual report, the first will be a secret ballot referendum town meeting and the other the annual town meeting warrant for all other town business. It will be published in this report with a March date but please note that we will not post this warrant until we know when it is safe to conduct this meeting.

We held two Special Town Meetings, one in August to accept grants, look at fire protection options and funding my position and one in December to discuss marijuana cultivation and the adoption of an ordinance as well as some housekeeping matters.

Election activity: March 3rd Presidential/Referendum election and annual town meeting; July 14th State Primary/Referendum/MSAD #54 Budget Validation Referendum, August 25th Special Town Meeting; November 3rd Presidential election and December 11th Special Town Meeting.

In addition to running elections, the Town Clerk is responsible for issuing vital records, registering boats, snowmobiles and ATV's, issuing hunting and fishing licenses and licensing dogs. Vital records recorded in 2020: Births – 3; Marriages – 5; Deaths – 11. Dog licenses issued: 26 male/female; 93 spayed/neutered. Inland Fisheries & Wildlife activity – 264 Boats, Snowmobiles and ATV's were registered.

Please remember to license your dog. The license expires December 31st annually. Bring proof of rabies. Fee is \$11/dog if capable of reproducing or \$6 if spayed or neutered. You may also license your dog online by going to our website: mercermaine.com. Effective February 1st annually, a late fee goes into effect for any unlicensed dogs. During this pandemic, the late fee has been pushed back or waived. Please contact me if you are concerned.

Please feel free to contact me anytime. My email address is mercerclerk@outlook.com and my cell phone number is 431-3443. I look forward to seeing you all in the office and at the polls.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Gove

Town Clerk



*In Loving Memory
Of those who were
residents of Mercer
or simply passing
through for a spell..*

Bryant Maynard Ayer
67
3-11-2020

David D. Benthinen
81
5-12-2020

Edna L. Benthinen
72
5-30-2020

Clayton D. Brann
77
12-28-2020

Letha Brann
96
7-16-2020

John Robert Mayo Jr.
64
4-28-2020

Barbara A. Meyer
89
12-20-2020

Sally-Jayne Peniuk
82
7-5-2020

Janet L. Perrault
69
2-21-2020

Robert Henry Tetreault
65
12-17-2020

Lillian Ann Wass
88
7-25-2020

Registrar of Voters

To the Citizens of Mercer:

The Registrar's office is open during normal business hours of the town office, on election day as well as for two hours between 5 pm and 7 pm prior to elections for the purpose of registering new voters, changing existing voter information and enrollment into or out of political parties.

Registered and enrolled voters of Mercer are as follows:

Democrats – 146

Green Independent – 25

Republican – 214

Unenrolled – 214

National Voter Registration Statistics reported for 2020 are as follows:

New Voters – 92

Changed Voters – 63

Inactive Voters – 1

Cancelled Voters – 9

The Secretary of State's Office has announced that there are two new Qualifying Political Parties – Libertarian Party and People's Party. In order for either of these parties to become a qualified party for the 2022 elections, these groups must enroll at least 5,000 voters in the proposed party by January 2, 2022. A voter may enroll in the People's Party or the Libertarian Party by completing a new Maine Voter Registration Application. The voter must check the box next to "Other qualifying party and write in "People's" or "People's Party", or "Libertarian" or "Libertarian Party".

Maine State Law requires a 15-day waiting period if you are changing parties before the new party enrollment becomes effective, i.e. before you are able to participate in that party's primary, caucus or convention. If you are unenrolled (no political party choice), you may enroll in a party effective immediately upon completing a voter registration application.

The following Citizen Initiative Petitions were submitted to the Registrar for certification:

An act to clarify the eligibility of voters;

An act to require legislative approval of Certain Transmission Lines, require legislative approval of Certain Transmission Lines and facilities and other projects on public reserved lands and prohibit the construction of certain transmission lines in the Upper Kennebec Region.

People's Veto Referendum – An Act to implement ranked-choice voting for Presidential Primary and General Elections in Maine were also received for certifying.

Respectively submitted,

Nancy J. Gove

Registrar of Voters

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Mercer,

I'm excited to report that we are now processing motor vehicle registrations electronically which will shorten the processing/wait time tremendously. Additionally, for those wishing to renew your vehicles online, that service is available too! Simply log onto the town's website: mercermaine.com and follow the link for online services.

Equally as exciting for the town is the fact that the Bureau of Motor Vehicles has given me (Motor Vehicle Agent for Mercer) permanent authorization to process at the NEW REGISTRATIONS level. Thankfully, when I came to work for Mercer, I already had motor vehicle training which allowed me to step right in without an interruption of service. Had I not had this training, residents could only pay their excise tax here and would have to go to a neighboring town to complete their registration (new or renewal).

Excise taxes collected in 2020 was approximately \$150,000, which was down roughly \$5,000 over last year. The Governor's Executive Order which extended the requirement to register your vehicles played a part in the decrease in revenue.

Getting the tax bills out was of utmost importance when I first arrived. We committed taxes in late August. We allowed a 2% discount for early payments. The total cost to the town (or lost revenue depending on how you look at it) was \$14,203. As a small town, this is a sizeable expense and one which should be explored a bit further in the future. There may be other ways to ensure timely receipt of payment to keep the town functioning.

The homestead exemption increased this year to \$25,000 for residents who resided in Maine and qualified for the exemption. If you are unsure if you qualify or received the benefit, contact the town office and we can help you.

2020 delinquent taxes by law will go to lien within 8 to 12 months from commitment. Each delinquent taxpayer will receive by certified mail, a 30-day notice. This notice starts the lien process and is just that, a notice that a lien will be recorded at the Registry of Deeds if the tax remains unpaid. If you can avoid these additional charges, please do so. We also accept partial payments on taxes-whatever you can afford as often as you can afford it. It all helps in the long run.

Please feel free to contact me by email at mercerclerk@outlook.com or by phone at the town office 587-2911. I look forward to getting to know you.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Gove

Tax Collector

2020 Tax Commitment

2020 RE & PP Commitment on 8/13/2020	\$1,047,381.58
Plus 2020 Supplemental Taxes Assessed	\$3,259.58
Less Abatements Granted	(\$2,430.38)
Less Taxes collected	(\$944,585.36)
Less Discounts Granted	<u>(\$14,202.71)</u>
Balance of Unpaid Taxes	\$89,422.71

2020 Real Estate Taxes - Unpaid

Tax Year: 2020-1 To 2020-2

As of: 12/31/2020

Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
34	Anderson, Lawrence B Jr	2020	721.12	0.00	721.12
412	Bender, Rick R	2020	565.91	0.00	565.91
409	Bennett, Craig S	2020	1,147.78	584.85	562.93
535	Berube, Ray	2020	707.85	0.00	707.85
500	Bilodeau, Michael H	2020	679.04	0.00	679.04
663	Bishop, Alan L	2020	894.36	0.00	894.36
183	Bliss, Shirley A	2020	442.64	300.00	142.64
89	Blood Timberlands LLC	2020	28.95	0.00	28.95
789	Brann, Terrance E Jr	2020	210.53	0.00	210.53
46	Bushnell, Charles R & Robert	2020	434.84	0.00	434.84
154	Bushnell, Charles R & Robert	2020	230.56	0.00	230.56
48	Bushnell, William	2020	679.50	0.00	679.50
196	Cahill, John B	2020	1,461.50	0.00	1,461.50
257	Catabia, Barbara	2020	1,892.48	0.00	1,892.48
177	Chamberlain, Eric	2020	342.07	0.00	342.07
277	Chamberlain-Merry, Bonny	2020	1,399.04	0.00	1,399.04
122	Clement, Clay P	2020	1,508.36	0.00	1,508.36
435	Corson, Charles W	2020	1,698.86	192.89	1,505.97
52	Cousineau Lumber, Inc	2020	434.81	0.00	434.81
53	Cousineau Lumber, Inc	2020	107.71	0.00	107.71
151	Doane, John E	2020	566.54	0.00	566.54
272	Doane, Kenneth L IV	2020	991.41	0.00	991.41
744	Easler, Chris	2020	181.10	0.00	181.10
575	Everett, Ricky B	2020	3,187.32	0.00	3,187.32
420	Fowle, Jeffery E	2020	2,192.78	650.00	1,542.78
735	Gagnon, Eric S	2020	111.94	0.00	111.94
354	Gilmore, Michael J	2020	1,062.25	0.00	1,062.25
555	Hampton, Jennifer L	2020	1,263.59	0.00	1,263.59
365	Krajewski, Jerzy H	2020	228.36	0.00	228.36
125	Ladd, Earle J	2020	516.03	0.00	516.03
734	Landry, Evan Michael	2020	247.81	0.00	247.81
372	Landry, Mary E, Est	2020	1,647.54	0.00	1,647.54
638	Leighton,Larry C , Couture,Lance, Hooper,Don	2020	366.78	0.00	366.78
491	Lesko (Pineau), Amy	2020	500.95	0.00	500.95
271	Levesque, Maurice R	2020	555.47	0.00	555.47
600	Levis, James Jr	2020	2,683.24	0.00	2,683.24
247	Mayou, Terry A	2020	724.42	709.93	14.49

2020 Real Estate Taxes - Unpaid

Tax Year: 2020-1 To 2020-2

As of: 12/31/2020

Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
687	McCaslin, Sonya L	2020	366.78	0.00	366.78
201	Merry, Frederick W	2020	2,147.87	0.00	2,147.87
677	Merry, Frederick W	2020	1,905.24	0.00	1,905.24
319	Moore, Steven W	2020	1,672.69	0.00	1,672.69
320	Moore, Steven W	2020	1,179.39	0.00	1,179.39
755	Northrup, Dean Jr	2020	316.48	0.00	316.48
570	Paradise Inc	2020	2,323.97	0.00	2,323.97
774	Parent, Doreen J	2020	1,574.58	739.15	835.43
309	Parlin, Kerry O PR, Estate of Richard K Parlin	2020	1,505.94	0.00	1,505.94
349	Parlin, Roger	2020	530.29	522.28	8.01
19	Patten, Jason A & Michelle B & Zeif, Mary	2020	3,932.91	0.00	3,932.91
255	Peniuk, Sherri-Lea	2020	494.88	0.00	494.88
483	Powser, David A Jr	2020	1,850.32	0.00	1,850.32
293	Redlevske, Casaundra B	2020	501.27	0.00	501.27
733	Redlevske, Casaundra B	2020	210.88	0.00	210.88
161	Redlevske, William J	2020	328.77	0.00	328.77
145	Ring, Christopher	2020	677.56	0.00	677.56
413	Rosado, Ruthann	2020	198.88	0.00	198.88
571	Rosado, Ruthann	2020	4,771.43	0.00	4,771.43
773	Saif, Esse	2020	1,578.70	0.00	1,578.70
751	Short, Gerald L	2020	250.25	0.00	250.25
279	Smith, Jean Marie	2020	3,859.72	2,500.00	1,359.72
362	Smith, Sandra J W	2020	286.88	0.00	286.88
14	Stevens, Roger E Jr	2020	1,990.21	1,833.24	156.97
396	Storms, Pamela E	2020	1,909.28	0.00	1,909.28
86	Storms, Pamela E, Trustee & , Storms, Mark Lewis	2020	2,340.89	0.00	2,340.89
479	Surette, Ralph H	2020	316.73	5.98	310.75
294	Tagle, Betina Jae	2020	3,433.95	3,365.27	68.68
88	Taylor, Paul H, Heirs of	2020	231.26	0.00	231.26
311	Tracy, Derek C	2020	570.93	0.00	570.93
546	Tracy, Derek C	2020	297.30	0.00	297.30
540	Tracy, Derek Cecil Sr	2020	657.13	0.00	657.13
94	True, Earl R	2020	194.74	0.00	194.74
604	True, Earl R, Hilton, Elaine & Hilton, Jason	2020	2,107.21	690.00	1,417.21
681	Vasvary, Kenny	2020	1,046.83	0.00	1,046.83
495	Warren, Charles C Jr	2020	758.63	0.00	758.63
207	Wass, Russell D Jr	2020	777.73	0.00	777.73
596	Wass, Russell D Jr	2020	3,369.29	0.00	3,369.29
239	Watson, Russell W III	2020	1,177.37	0.00	1,177.37
646	Wehry, Zachery	2020	2,827.11	980.52	1,846.59
477	Whipple, Cara	2020	1,751.43	0.00	1,751.43
169	Wilde, Richard A	2020	396.00	0.00	396.00

2020 Real Estate Taxes - Unpaid

Tax Year: 2020-1 To 2020-2

As of: 12/31/2020

Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
407	Worthen, Vernon E II	2020	244.29	0.00	244.29
429	Worthen, Vernon E II	2020	7,425.56	0.00	7,425.56
440	Worthen, Vernon E II	2020	1,713.54	0.00	1,713.54
104	Yoder, Timothy R, Heirs of	2020	1,376.69	0.00	1,376.69
Total for 83 Bills:			101,995.22	13,074.11	88,921.11

2020 Personal Property Taxes - Unpaid

Tax Year: 2020-1 To 2020-2

As of: 12/31/2020

Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
115	Cimaglia, George	2020	105.60	0.00	105.60
900	Greaney, Scott R	2020	26.40	0.00	26.40
186	Storms, Pamela E	2020	17.60	0.00	17.60
1302	Worthen, Vernon E II	2020	352.00	0.00	352.00
Total for 4 Bills:			501.60		501.60

2020 Treasurer's Report on Prior Year's Taxes

Mercer		2019 Real Estate Taxes ~ Unpaid					Page 1
Tax Year: 2019-1							
As of 12/31/2020							
Acct	Name ---	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due		
34 L	Anderson, Lawrence B Jr	2019	805.72	0.00	805.72		
535 L	Berube, Ray	2019	884.53	0.00	884.53		
277 L	Chamberlain-Merry, Bonny	2019	1,517.93	974.22	543.71		
122 L	Clement, Clay P	2019	1,722.89	0.00	1,722.89		
151 L	Doane, John E	2019	646.34	0.00	646.34		
744 L	Easler, Chris	2019	245.97	0.00	245.97		
365 L	Krajewski, Jerzy H	2019	295.06	0.00	295.06		
372 L	Landry, Mary E, Est	2019	958.62	0.00	958.62		
271 L	Levesque, Maurice R	2019	726.25	513.54	212.71		
201 L	Merry, Frederick W	2019	2,380.33	0.00	2,380.33		
677 L	Merry, Frederick W	2019	2,036.89	0.00	2,036.89		
319 L	Moore, Steven W	2019	1,893.59	647.17	1,246.42		
570 L	Paradise Inc	2019	2,471.85	0.00	2,471.85		
* 309 L	Parlin, Kerry O PR, Estate of Richard K Parlin	2019	1,590.91	0.00	1,590.91		
255 L	Peniuk, Sherri-Lea	2019	663.30	241.53	421.77		
293 L	Redlevske, Casaundra B	2019	578.53	0.00	578.53		
733 L	Redlevske, Casaundra B	2019	276.90	0.00	276.90		
161 L	Redlevske, William J	2019	399.35	0.00	399.35		
571 L	Rosado, Ruthann	2019	4,898.30	0.00	4,898.30		
773 L	Saif, Esse	2019	1,697.70	0.00	1,697.70		
511 L	Smart, Andrew D	2019	396.43	0.00	396.43		
86 L	Storms, Pamela E, Trustee & Storms, Mark L	2019	2,579.33	1,953.23	626.10		
495 L	Warren, Charlie II	2019	845.87	0.00	845.87		
104 L	Yoder, Timothy R, Heirs of	2019	1,494.72	0.00	1,494.72		
Total for 24 Bills:			32,007.31	4,329.69	27,677.62		
Payment Summary							
Type		Principal	Interest	Costs	Total		
P - Payment		3,646.67	380.07	302.95	4,329.69		
Total		3,646.67	380.07	302.95	4,329.69		
Lien Summary							
2019-1	24	27,677.62					
Total		24	27,677.62				
Total for 24 Bills:			32,007.31	4,329.69	27,677.62		

* Paid a Partial Payment after December 31, 2020 and by the end of business day on January 28, 2021

** Paid in Full after books closed on December 31, 2020 and by the end of business day on January 28, 2021

2020 Treasurer's Report on Prior Year's Taxes cont.

Mercer		2018 Real Estate Taxes ~ Unpaid					Page 1
Tax Year: 2018-1							
As of 12/31/2020							
Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due		
492 L	Busseff, Eric	2018	114.49	-9.90	124.39		
Total for 1 Bill:		1 Account	114.49	-9.90	124.39		
Payment Summary							
Type		Principal	Interest	Costs	Total		
L - Lien Costs				-9.90	-9.90		
Total				-9.90	-9.90		
Lien Summary							
2018-1	1	124.39					
Total	1	124.39					
Total for 1 Bill:			114.49	-9.90	124.39		

Mercer		2017 Real Estate Taxes ~ Unpaid					Page 1
Tax Year: 2017-1							
As of 12/31/2020							
Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due		
801 L	Alexson, Shane	2017	310.21	-9.85	320.06		
Total for 1 Bill:		1 Account	310.21	-9.85	320.06		
Payment Summary							
Type		Principal	Interest	Costs	Total		
L - Lien Costs				-9.85	-9.85		
Total				-9.85	-9.85		
Lien Summary							
2017-1	1	320.06					
Total	1	320.06					
Total for 1 Bill:			310.21	-9.85	320.06		

Mercer		2019 Personal Property Taxes - Unpaid					Page 1
Tax Year: 2019-1							
As of: 12/31/2020							
Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due		
900 P	Greaney, Scott R	2019	25.95	0.00	25.95		
186 P	Storms, Pamela E	2019	17.30	0.00	17.30		
Total for 2 Bills:		2 Accounts	43.25	0.00	43.25		
Payment Summary							
Type		Principal	Interest	Costs	Total		
Total		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		

2020 Treasurer's Report on Prior Year's Taxes cont.

Mercer		2018 Personal Property Taxes - Unpaid						Page 1
Tax Year: 2018-1								
As of: 12/31/2020								
Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due			
900	P Greaney, Scott R	2018	24.60	0.00	24.60			
186	P Storms, Pamela	2018	16.40	0.00	16.40			
Total for 2 Bills:		2 Accounts	41.00	0.00	41.00			
Payment Summary								
Type	Principal		Interest	Costs	Total			
Total	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00			

Mercer		2017 Personal Property Taxes - Unpaid						Page 1
Tax Year: 2017-1								
As of: 12/31/2020								
Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due			
900	P Greaney, Scott R	2017	23.99	0.00	23.99			
186	P Storms, Pamela	2017	47.65	0.00	47.65			
Total for 2 Bills:		2 Accounts	71.64	0.00	71.64			
Payment Summary								
Type	Principal		Interest	Costs	Total			
Total	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00			

Mercer		2016 Personal Property Taxes - Unpaid						Page 1
Tax Year: 2016-1								
As of: 12/31/2020								
Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due			
900	P Greaney, Scott R	2016	23.92	0.00	23.92			
1348	P GTech Corp.	2016	0.00	0.15	-0.15			
Total for 2 Bills:		2 Accounts	23.92	0.15	23.77			
Payment Summary								
Type	Principal		Interest	Costs	Total			
Y - Prepayment	0.15		0.00	0.00	0.15			
Total	0.15		0.00	0.00	0.15			

Mercer		2015 Personal Property Taxes - Unpaid						Page 1
Tax Year: 2015-1								
As of: 12/31/2020								
Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due			
900	P Greaney, Scott R	2015	23.73	0.00	23.73			
Total for 1 Bill:		1 Account	23.73	0.00	23.73			
Payment Summary								
Type	Principal		Interest	Costs	Total			
Total	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00			

Treasurer's Report 2020

2020					
Revenues	Totals Yearly				
Checkbook Balance 1/1/2020	\$ 334,083.48	Check book Balance 1/1/2020			
RE Taxes - 2021	\$ 2,509.88				
Interest	\$ -				
RE Taxes - 2020	\$ 957,457.50				
Interest	\$ 382.02				
RE Taxes - 2019	\$ 83,518.62	\$ 1,233,630.32	Total Taxes & Excise Tax		
Interest	\$ 4,995.85				
RE Taxes - 2018	\$ 29,517.60				
Interest	\$ 4,208.76	\$ 9,677.48	Interest Total		
PP Taxes - 2021	\$ 0.28				
PP Taxes - 2020	\$ 4,597.94	\$ 1,608.26	2020 RE Taxes in 2019		
Interest	\$ 0.56				
PP Taxes - 2019	\$ 346.00				
Interest	\$ 34.60				
PP Taxes - 2018	\$ 328.00	\$ 959,065.76	Total 2020 RE Taxes		
Interest	\$ 55.69				
MV Excise Tax	\$ 153,317.22				
Boat Excise Tax	\$ 1,472.20				
MV Agent Fee	\$ 4,663.00	\$ 154,789.42	Excise Total		
IF&W Agent Fee	\$ 464.50				
AWP Agent Fee	\$ 113.00				
AWP Town Fee	\$ 193.00				
AWP Late Fee	\$ 50.00	\$ 5,240.50	Agent Fee Total		
Dog Ordinance Fines	\$ -				
TS & TO Blue Bags	\$ 8,375.00				
TS Debris	\$ 4,635.00	\$ 13,010.00	TS Totals		
Copy Fees	\$ 85.00				
Fax Fees	\$ 25.00				
Birth Copies	\$ 57.60	\$ 272.80	Copy Total		
Death Copies	\$ 29.80				
Marriage Copies	\$ 100.40				
Death/Marr Town	\$ 108.00	\$ 301.00	Town Fee Total		
PB Fees-Permits	\$ 300.00				
MCC Rentals	\$ 1,565.00				
MCC Rental Refunds	\$ (155.00)				
MCC Donations	\$ 10.00				
MCC Miscellaneous (Propne Reimbu	\$ 269.48	\$ 8,512.58	MCC Totals		
MCC Lighting Grant & Club	\$ 6,823.10				

Treasurer's Report 2020 cont.

Revenues Cont			
Tree Growth Penalty	\$ 11,260.16		
Tranfr from MCC Acct	\$ -		
Memic Dividend	\$ 155.78		
Misc. Revenue	\$ 112.00		
Filing Fees	\$ -		
Bounced Check Fees	\$ 25.00		
MSAD #54 Reimbursement	\$ -		
Online Burn Permits	\$ 32.00		
Reimbursement for training/Supplies	\$ 156.00		
Maine Rev. Sharing	\$ 53,345.28		
LRAP	\$ 27,848.00		
Tree Grwth Reimburs	\$ 14,733.33		
Veterans Reimburs	\$ 1,259.00		
Homestead Reimburs	\$ 69,450.00		
GA Reimburs	\$ 1,821.39		
BETE Reimbursement	\$ 4,566.00		
Tranfr frm Scholar Accts	\$ 24.12		
Tranfr frm Town Forest Acct	\$ 42,884.32		
Tranfr frm MCC Fund	\$ 4,957.50		
Total Rev. Monthly	\$ 1,503,649.84		
Discounts RE & PP	\$ 14,768.07		
Abatements	\$ 3,497.30		
Checkbk Bal. w/ Rev	\$ 1,819,467.95		
Trio Revenue Totals	\$ 521,184.60		
Trio GF Totals	\$ 1,182,692.95		
General Fund Revenues			
MV Regs	\$ 35,057.00	\$ 60,227.08	BMV TOTAL
MV Sales Tax	\$ 22,332.08		
MV Title Fee	\$ 2,838.00	\$ 24,995.23	Sales Tax Total
IF&W B/S/A	\$ 11,804.00		
IF&W - H/F	\$ 2,490.50		
IF&W - Sales Tax	\$ 2,663.15	\$ 16,957.65	I,F & W TOTAL
Dogs	\$ 540.00		
Vitals	\$ 37.20		
Demand Fees/Costs	\$ 2,877.75		
Health Insurance- Employee	\$ 4,824.80		
Overage/Shortage	\$ 1,216.57		
LPI Permit Fees	\$ 3,595.00		
CEO Permit Fees	\$ 525.00	\$ 825.00	PB & CEO Totals
Snowmobile Reimbrs for MBR	\$ 2,995.60		
Donation to Heat Assist Fund	\$ 1,226.76		
Donation to Food Pantry	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,326.76	Gen Charity Totals

Treasurer's Report 2020 cont.

General Fund Revenues cont.			
Village Cem. Plots	\$ 1,500.00		
Town Forest Revenue	\$ 49,853.27		
Winter Road Contract Bond \$	\$ 25,000.00		
Keep Maine Healthy Grant	\$ 34,750.71		
CTCL Covid-19 Grant	\$ 5,000.00		
Sale Proceeds of Old Town Office	\$ 60,488.50		
Donation to Roads for Signs	\$ 600.00		
Donation to TO for Legal fees & Cmptrs	\$ 2,400.00		
IRS-Fed Tax/Fica/Med	\$ 15,716.80		
State of Maine - taxes	\$ 1,202.31		
Total Monthly GF Rev	\$ 291,635.00		
General Fund Expenses			
MV Regs	\$ 35,057.00	\$ 60,628.58	BMV Total PD
MV Sales Tax	\$ 22,733.58		
MV Title Fee	\$ 2,838.00		
IF&W B/S/A	\$ 11,804.00	\$ 24,995.23	Sales Tax Total PD
IF&W - H/F	\$ 2,490.50		
IF&W - Sales Tax	\$ 2,261.65		
Dogs	\$ 497.00	\$ 16,556.15	I,F & W Total PD
Vitals	\$ 37.20		
Petty Cash	\$ 100.00		
Overage/Shortage	\$ 52.00		
Health Insurance- Employee	\$ 4,824.80		
Registry of Deeds	\$ 1,482.00	\$ 2,023.70	Demand Fees PD
Postmaster	\$ 541.70		
LPI - Andy M	\$ 2,592.50		
LPI - State	\$ 820.00	\$ 3,547.50	LPI Totals - PD
LPI - DEP	\$ 135.00		
CEO Permits	\$ 525.00		
Mercer Bog Riders	\$ 2,995.60		
Keep ME Healthy Grant Expenditure	\$ 34,370.26		
CTCL Covid-19 Grant Expenditures	\$ 5,000.00		
Heat Assist Fund Expended	\$ -		
Food Pantry Expended	\$ -		
Scholarship Interest Expended	\$ 9.22		
Tranfr to Village Cemetery Acct	\$ 1,500.00		
Tranfr to Town Forest Rev Acct	\$ 49,853.27		
Tranfr to Winter Rd Contract Bond	\$ 25,000.00		
Tranfr to MCC Fund from TO Sale	\$ 15,122.00		
Tranfr to Summer Rd Main Fund fro	\$ 45,366.38		
IRS-Fed Tax/Fica/Med	\$ 15,716.80		
State of Maine - Taxes	\$ 1,202.31		
Total Monthly GF EXP	\$ 281,810.27		

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Expenses	Totals Yearly			Approved Article	Balance Remaining
	Expended Amount				
Town Clerk	\$ 6,724.00			\$ 6,724.00	\$ - NG
Tax Collector	\$ 12,419.00			\$ 12,419.00	\$ - NG
Treasurer	\$ 11,158.00			\$ 11,158.00	\$ - YV
Deputy Clerk	\$ 2,389.20			\$ 4,141.00	\$ 1,751.80 SD
Office Assistant	\$ 4,751.50			\$ 5,200.00	\$ 448.50 TL
1st Selectman	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 4,000.00	\$ - RP
2nd Selectman	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 4,000.00	\$ - GM
3rd Selectman	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 4,000.00	\$ - DH
Registrar of Voters	\$ 500.00			\$ 500.00	\$ - RoV
MO Secretary	\$ 1,841.50			\$ 2,040.00	\$ 198.50 SelSec
		\$ 51,783.20	# 4	\$ 54,182.00	\$ 2,398.80
Clerk/TxC Additional from STM 8/2	\$ 4,613.77			\$ 3,500.00	\$ (1,113.77) NG
Trans Statn Attendant	\$ 7,218.75				
ACO	\$ 2,400.00				
Fica/Medi	\$ 5,512.91		# 5	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 187.09
MSAD #54	\$ 563,556.02				
Somerset County	\$ 157,207.26				
Contingency	\$ 8,308.04		# 6	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,691.96
MMA	\$ 1,786.00		# 7	\$ 1,786.00	\$ -
Kyes Insur - Liab & Prop	\$ 12,700.00		# 8	\$ 12,700.00	\$ -
Kyes Insur - Pub.Off Lib & Bnds	\$ 1,720.00	\$ 14,420.00	# 9	\$ 1,720.00	\$ -
MMA-Unemploy/WkrComp-Memic	\$ 2,148.32		# 10	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 351.68
Health Insurance	\$ 12,069.25		# 11	\$ 14,938.00	\$ 2,868.75
CMP - MCC/TO	\$ 3,820.57				
CMP - Old TO	\$ 322.08				
CMP - Old Shaw	\$ 271.67	\$ 593.75			
TDS- TO/MCC	\$ 1,613.52				
TO Supplies	\$ 2,389.48				
TO Misc.	\$ 1,426.89				
Heating Oil-Old TO	\$ 217.47				
Heat Oil - MCC	\$ 6,906.55				
MCC Supplies	\$ 249.31				
MCC Plowing	\$ 2,060.00				
MCC Mowing	\$ 1,445.00				
MCC Janitorial	\$ 777.00				
MCC Maintenance	\$ 10,345.17				
MCC Misc	\$ 2,310.00				
MCC Lighting Grant Project	\$ 6,823.10				
Legal	\$ 2,756.25				
Postage	\$ 918.32				
Security	\$ 798.86				
Internet	\$ 35.00		# 12	\$ 40,000.00	
Reg. of Deeds Trans	\$ 109.50		Rev	\$ 1,420.00	
Elections	\$ 1,404.00		Trfr	\$ 4,957.50	
Training/Mileage	\$ 80.00		Credit	\$ 269.48	
Annual Report	\$ 1,417.00	\$ 55,870.08	Grant	\$ 6,823.10	
Transfer to MCC Acct	\$ 7,373.34		Donation	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -
Trio	\$ 7,900.00		# 13	\$ 7,900.00	\$ -

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Expenses Cont.						
Assessing	\$ 3,555.00					
Trans to Assess Reval Acct	\$ 5,445.00	\$ 9,000.00	# 14	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -	
TS Licenses	\$ 467.00					
TS Waste Management	\$ 19,323.96					
TS WM Recycling	\$ 5,923.84					
TS Central Maine Septic	\$ 1,320.00		# 15	\$ 23,000.00		
TS Plowing	\$ 1,540.00	\$ 35,793.55	Rev	\$ 13,010.00	\$ 216.45	
Planning Board	\$ 157.00		# 16	\$ 500.00	\$ 343.00	
Humane Society	\$ 1,115.52					
ACO Service	\$ -					
ACO Mileage/ Misc	\$ -	\$ 3,515.52	# 17	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 584.48	
Cemetery	\$ 530.85					
Cemetery Mowing	\$ 3,420.00	\$ 3,950.85	# 18	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 1,549.15	
Expenses Cont.			# 19	Sale of Old TO		
			# 20	\$ of Sale to Accts		
CERT Telephone	\$ 260.00					
CERT Insurance	\$ 385.00					
CERT Heat	\$ 564.11	\$ 1,209.11	# 21	\$ 1,209.11	\$ -	
Audit 2019	\$ 3,450.00		# 22	\$ 3,450.00	\$ -	
PS Norr. Fire Dept	\$ 38,409.39					
PS Street Lights	\$ 260.19					
PS Blink Light	\$ 259.79					
PS Misc.	\$ -	\$ 38,929.37	# 23	\$ 39,100.00	\$ 170.63	
Shaw Library	\$ 9,325.00		# 26	\$ 9,325.00	\$ -	
SR - Labor	\$ 23,300.00					
SR - Material	\$ 2,988.00					
SR - Misc.	\$ 35.07		# 24	2% discount		
SR - Culverts	\$ 4,173.05		# 25	9% interest		
SR - Signs	\$ 600.00					
SR - Grading	\$ 11,890.00					
SR - Roadside Mowing/Clearing	\$ 1,575.00					
SR - Moved to Ditching	\$ 1,700.00					
Transfer to Rome Road Project	\$ 4,400.88					
Transfer to Pond Road Project	\$ 9,938.00					
Transfer to Boat Landing Project	\$ 20,000.00					
SR - Donation for Signs	\$ 600.00	\$ 80,000.00	# 27	\$ 80,000.00	\$ -	
Transfer from Town Forest for Rome Rd	\$ 22,884.32					
Rome Rd - Labor	\$ 2,550.00					
Rome Rd - Grading	\$ 2,420.00					
Rome Rd - Material	\$ 24,822.00	\$ 29,792.00	# 6	STM 8/25/2020 Rome Road Totals		
LRAP Roads- Labor	\$ 49,202.00		Signed Contract to be held over till 2021			
LRAP Roads- Material	\$ -					
Surplus - LRAP	\$ -	\$ 49,202.00	# 28	\$ 57,848.00	\$ 8,646.00	
Ditching	\$ 11,700.00					
Transfer from SR	\$ 1,700.00		# 29	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	
Boat Landing Culvert - SLA Grant						
Transfer From Summer Roads	\$ 20,000.00	Carry Forward to 2021	# 31	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	

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Pond Road Work - SLA Grant	\$ 19,938.00					
Transfer From Summer Roads	\$ 9,938.00	\$ 10,000.00	# 30	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	
WR Contract	\$ 152,000.00					
WR Sand	\$ 16,848.00					
WR Salt	\$ 23,670.97					
WR Misc	\$ 4,853.80		# 32	\$ 75,000.00		
WR Salt Shed -CMP	\$ 397.56	\$ 197,770.33		\$ 154,789.42	\$ 32,019.09	
GA	\$ 600.00		# 33	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 16,900.00	
Charity - In Town	\$ -					
Charity - Out Town	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	# 34	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,600.00	
Mercer Meeting House Assoc/MOHD	\$ 500.00		# 35	\$ 500.00	\$ -	
Mercer Historical Society	\$ 500.00		# 36	\$ 500.00	\$ -	
Youth Leagues	\$ -		# 37	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	
Scholarships	\$ 425.00		# 38	\$ 425.00	\$ -	
LPI/CEO Training	\$ -		# 40	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	
CEO - Hourly	\$ 950.00		# 41	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,050.00	
North Pond Assoc.	\$ 2,000.00		# 42	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	
Mercer Rescue	\$ 4,370.12	\$4,333.73	#39 Budget Com			
Return - Credit back	\$ (36.39)		#43 Est Mer Res Res			
Transfer to Mercer Rescue Acct-new 2	\$ 240.00	\$ 4,573.73	# 44	\$ 5,240.00	\$ 666.27	
Transfer to Road Main Acct	\$ 2,000.00		# 45	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	
Total Expenses Mthly	\$ 1,309,332.93		#46-#56 Non Financial Articles			
Checkbook Balance 12/31/2020	\$ 519,959.75					
Summary	Yearly Rev & Exp					
Checkbook Balance 1/1/20	\$ 334,083.48					
Total Rev. Monthly	\$ 1,503,649.84					
GF Revenues	\$ 291,635.00					
Checkbk Bal. w/ Rev	\$ 2,129,368.32					
Total Expenses Mthly	\$ 1,309,332.93					
Gen Fund Expenses	\$ 281,810.27					
Checkbook Balance 12/31/20	\$ 538,225.12					
Discounts	\$ 15,834.99					
Abatements	\$ 2,430.38					
Double Check	\$ 519,959.75					

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2020 had its challenges throughout the year and keeping track of the funds for Summer Roads and other Summer Road Projects here in Mercer was one. As the Treasurer, I must say this was definitely the most challenging year for tracking all the different accounts for Roads, from what was voted on at the Town Meeting on the Annual Warrant, to the Select Board decisions on expending from one account to another for different projects, to the Special Town Meeting that appropriated monies after commitment. Below is a breakdown of each of the Road Accounts:

Summer Roads - Article #27			Rome Road Project	Article #6 Special Town Meeting Aug 25, 2020
\$ 60,000.00	Taxes		\$ 2,420.00	Ron Chase
\$ 20,000.00	Moved from Town Forest		\$ 24,822.00	Lenny Meader
\$ 80,000.00	Total to expend on SR		\$ 2,550.00	Joel Lamphere
			\$ 29,792.00	Total Expended on Rm Rd
\$ 44,561.12	Expended on SR work			
\$ 1,700.00	Moved to Ditching		\$ 22,884.32	Moved from TF
\$ 9,938.00	Moved to Pond Road		\$ 4,400.88	Expended from SR
\$ 20,000.00	Moved to Boat Landing Culvert		\$ 2,506.80	Expended from Contingency
\$ 4,400.88	Moved to Rome Road			
\$ 80,600.00			\$ -	Balance on Rome Road
\$ 600.00	Donation for Signs			
\$ -	Balance on Summer Roads			
			LRAP Paving Project - Article #28	
			\$ 27,848.00	2020 LRAP
			\$ 20,000.00	Taxes
\$ 10,000.00	From Taxes		\$ 10,000.00	Surplus
\$ 9,938.00	From SR		\$ 57,848.00	Total to expend on LRAP Paving
\$ 19,938.00	Total for Pond Road			
			\$ 49,202.00	Signed Contract (on 10/22/2020) with Pike for Paving parts of Beech Hill, to be done in 2021
\$ 1,000.00	Plan			
\$ 18,250.50	Warren Brothers		\$ 8,646.00	Balance to go back to Surplus
\$ 687.50	Ron Chase			
\$ 19,938.00	Total Expended			
\$ -	Balance on Pond Road			
			\$ 20,000.00	From SR
			\$ 20,000.00	Total for Boat Landing Culvert
			\$ 20,000.00	Held over till 2021 per ST Meeting Dec 11, 2020 - Article #6
\$ 10,000.00	From Taxes		\$ 20,000.00	Balance to be expended in 2021
\$ 10,000.00	Total for Ditching			
\$ 10,000.00	Joel Lamphere		Town Forest \$	
\$ 1,700.00	Joel Lamphere			
\$ 11,700.00	Total Expended		\$ 10,395.19	Bal Jan 1, 2020
			\$ 55.16	Interest Jan - Nov
\$ 1,700.00	Move from SR		\$ 49,853.27	Deposits - Harvest of Town Forest
			\$ 17,419.30	Withdrawal - Moved to MCC Fund per Article #42 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting
\$ 10,000.00			\$ 42,884.32	Bal Nov 30, 2020
\$ -	Balance on Ditching		\$ 20,000.00	Move to SR
			\$ 22,884.32	Move to Rome Road Project
			\$ -	Balance of TF
			\$ 5.56	Dec Interest
			\$ 5.56	Bal on Dec 31, 2020

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TD Bank Sub Accounts ~ 2020		Beginning Balance / Ending Balance			
	Balance	Interest	Deposits	Withdrawals	End Balance
Village Cemetery Trust	\$ 11,680.43	\$ 26.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 13,206.43
Charles A. Pressey Prize Fund	\$ 1,970.77	\$ 4.17	\$ -	\$ 4.83	\$ 1,970.11
Helen & William True	\$ 1,766.12	\$ 3.74	\$ -	\$ 4.39	\$ 1,765.47
Ethel Springer Trust Fund	\$ 6,076.95	\$ 12.88	\$ -	\$ 14.90	\$ 6,074.93
Mercer Community Center Fund	\$ 19,549.37	\$ 72.17	\$ 39,914.76	\$ 4,957.50	\$ 54,578.80
Road Maintenance Fund	\$ 19,150.55	\$ 41.18	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 21,191.73
Town Forest Revenue Fund OpenDec 14'	\$ 10,395.19	\$ 60.72	\$ 49,853.27	\$ 60,303.62	\$ 5.56
Assessing Reevaluation Fund OpenDec16'	\$ 15,963.03	\$ 33.68	\$ 5,445.00	\$ -	\$ 21,441.71
Winter Road Contract Bond OpenJuly20'	\$ -	\$ 20.66	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 25,020.66
Mercer Rescue Fund Open Aug 20'	\$ -	\$ 0.17	\$ 240.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 240.17
Summer Road Improvement Fund Nov 20'	\$ -	\$ 9.38	\$ 45,366.38	\$ 0.00	\$ 45,375.76
	\$ 86,552.41	\$ 284.75	\$ 169,319.41	\$ 65,285.24	\$ 190,871.33

Skowhegan Savings Bank ~ 2020		Beginning Balance / Ending Balance	
	Balance	Interest	End Balance
New Village Cemetery Acct	\$ 1,236.70	\$ 0.52	\$ 1,237.22
	\$ 1,236.70	\$ 0.52	\$ 1,237.22

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Credit Cards ~ 2020									
Month	Total Transactions	Phone orders	CC Credits	InforMe Fee	Total Fees	Double Check			
Jan-20	16	3	\$ 1,964.12	\$ 51.76	\$ 2,015.88	\$ 2,015.88			
Feb-20	11	0	\$ 2,326.81	\$ 58.18	\$ 2,384.99	\$ 2,384.99			
Mar-20	14	5	\$ 5,764.20	\$ 145.02	\$ 5,909.22	\$ 5,909.22			
Apr-20	14	5	\$ 3,231.95	\$ 81.42	\$ 3,313.37	\$ 3,313.37			
May-20	20	5	\$ 4,298.49	\$ 107.54	\$ 4,406.03	\$ 4,406.03			
Jun-20	20	1	\$ 5,267.90	\$ 132.05	\$ 5,399.95	\$ 5,399.95			
Jul-20	21	2	\$ 2,795.38	\$ 71.25	\$ 2,866.63	\$ 2,866.63			
Aug-20	12	0	\$ 3,768.38	\$ 94.20	\$ 3,862.58	\$ 3,862.58			
Sep-20	4	0	\$ 1,005.94	\$ 25.48	\$ 1,031.42	\$ 1,031.42			
Oct-20	14	0	\$ 7,046.71	\$ 176.17	\$ 7,222.88	\$ 7,222.88			
Nov-20	10	0	\$ 2,130.98	\$ 53.28	\$ 2,184.26	\$ 2,184.26			
Dec-20	16	4	\$ 5,758.02	\$ 145.71	\$ 5,903.73	\$ 5,903.73			
	172	25	\$45,358.88	\$1,142.06	\$46,500.94	\$ 46,500.94			

Board of Assessors' Report

The goal of tax assessment this coming year is to identify and assess property within the Town of Mercer and ensure the fairness and equity of all real and personal property values; thoughtfully interpret and comply with statutory laws as mandated by the State of Maine; update and maintain accurate maps used to provide geographic data analysis; process all recorded legal documents in a timely manner to reflect accurate records of property ownership; and to efficiently provide the public with quality products and services. To accomplish this goal, the assessors have hired an assessor's agent to assist the Board.

Every year new construction and additions to existing structures are visited and assessed, as well as properties which are reported or known to have had structural damage or structure removal. In addition, approximately one quarter of the 483 residential and seasonal properties in Mercer are visited each year. The purpose of the visits of previously assessed properties is to verify the accuracy of property records against the physical facts. For the most part this did not involve entering the buildings, as the primary focus is on the size and number of structures, and secondarily the existence of utilities such as electricity, wells and septic systems.

Some properties were found to have additional structures or notable improvement; some structures were found to have degraded; a few had deteriorated seriously. This verification process should continue annually, with approximately 25% of Mercer properties being visited each year, to satisfy the State Law requiring all properties to be visited every 4 years.

All property is assessed based on its condition on April 1st. If you purchase or sell property after April 1st, the owner of the property on April 1st will receive the tax bill per state law.

All non-exempt personal property located on your land (including travel trailers not registered (excised) on April 1st are taxed to the land owner unless claimed by another Mercer resident. Everyone is required by state law to list their personal property with the assessors by April 1st of each year. Personal Property forms are available at the town office. If you have paid excise tax on a piece of equipment please mark your list accordingly so it isn't taxed twice.

The Board of Assessors' receive an annual visit from the State. Their preliminary State Valuation for Mercer is as follows:

2020 State Valuation for Mercer: \$66,650,000

2021 State Valuation for Mercer: \$71,600,000

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Assessors, Ricky Parlin, Gary Mosher, Dari Hurley and Agent Clyde Cavender

ASSESSORS' NOTIFICATION TO TAXPAYERS

Information on all properties in Mercer are available for inspection or review by taxpayers and the public during regular office hours. Requests related to property taxes, tax policy or law, tax exemptions, etc. are processed as quickly as possible.

In order for the Town of Mercer to maintain fair and equitable assessments and accurate information for the allocation of municipal property taxes, taxpayers are asked to provide up to date information about their property. This is done by completing a Notification to Assessors form which can be found on our website at mercermaine.com or at the Town Office. Please contact the Town Office at 587-2911 if:

1 - you have constructed, altered or removed any buildings since April 1, 2012 and on or before April 1, 2021;

2 - you have started a new business, to obtain forms for filing a list of your business furniture and equipment;

3 - you have taxable* personal property items (*individual item with value greater than \$1000) - **In accordance with Title 36, Section 706 of the Maine Revised Statutes, failure to furnish lists of taxable property or any of the aforementioned changes on or before the dates requested will bar one's right of an abatement of taxes;** or

4 - you think your property should have an exemption, and you are not already receiving it.

All notifications and applications for exemption must be made no later than April 1, 2021 for the 2021 tax year. In the case of property owned by individuals, there are possible exemptions for certain veterans, blind persons, and homestead owners as described below.

Veterans who will be 62 years of age on or before April 1, 2021, or any widow or minor children of veterans who would have been 62 years of age as of April 1, 2021 **may be** eligible for a tax exemption. **Veterans** receiving a 100% disability pension from the Veterans Administration **may be** eligible for an exemption. Applications for veteran's exemption must be made with this office on or before April 1, 2021. If you are currently receiving a veteran's exemption, you do not need to reapply. The current Veteran Exemption amount is 6,000

Any person who is declared blind by a licensed doctor should notify Assessors on or before April 1, 2021 to see if he or she is eligible for a tax exemption. If you are already receiving such an exemption, you do not need to reapply. The current Blind Exemption amount is 4,000.

Homestead. A person who owns his or her own home and has owned a home in Maine for at least 12 months on or before April 1, 2021 can apply for a Homestead Exemption. The application needs to be received in the office by April 1, 2021. One can only receive this exemption on the home that is his or her residence. If you are currently receiving this exemption, and you still reside in the same home, you do not need to reapply. The current (2021) Homestead Exemption amount is 25,000.

**From the Municipal Valuation Return for
Mercer Maine for 2020:**

Valuations:	Local taxable Real Estate Valuation	\$ 59,220,083	
	Local taxable Personal Property Valuation	\$ 290,234	
	One half of Homestead Valuation	\$ 4,476,546	
	Total Valuation base		\$ 63,986,863
Appropriation:	Somerset County	\$ 157,207.26	
	Town of Mercer	\$ 407,474.11	
	MSAD #54	\$ 563,556.06	
	Total Appropriations		\$ 1,128,237.43
Allowable deductions:	State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 23,109.91	
	Other Revenues	\$ 29,408.58	
	Total deductions		\$ 52,518.49
Net to be raised by local property tax rate			\$ 1,075,718.94
Overlay			\$ 50,449.85
Minus ½ Homestead			\$ 78,787.21
Tax to be Collected			\$ 1,047,381.58

2020 Tax Rate: \$17.60 per \$1,000 of valuation

2020 Valuation Report

Owner's Name	Map/Lot	Land Value	Building Value	Exemption	Total Value
Abbott, Sharon L	06-03-01	25,600	56,956	25,000	57,556
Adams, Cody R	07-27-0	39,112	59,806	0	98,918
Ames, Casey L	05-29-03	22,300	206,743	0	229,043
Anderson, Lawrence B Jr	10-18-06	29,646	11,327	0	40,973
Angell, Frank S	07-14-03	24,495	103,040	0	127,535
Angell, Frank S	07-14-04	13,755	0	0	13,755
Angell, Frank S	07-14-07	15,575	0	0	15,575
Anthos, James H	07-42-02	37,080	103,753	0	140,833
Armstrong, Muriel J	10-09-0	37,674	84,911	25,000	97,585
Axelman, David S, Dorney, Ann E	01-02-0	82,139	0	0	82,139
Ayer, Bryant	12-03-0	24,457	34,209	25,000	33,666
Bacon, James F	02-01-10	41,300	25,641	25,000	41,941
Baker, Barbara H (L.Estate)	14-20-0	70,524	0	0	70,524
Baker, Dean A	14-01-0	161,474	34,340	0	195,814
Balgoooyen, Warren P & Helen W, T	06-35-0	3,880	0	0	3,880
Ball, Rebecca A	07-20-A	15,700	0	0	15,700
Baran, Paula T	04-08-C	48,330	0	0	48,330
Bartholf, Mychael F	04-03-0	49,915	201,016	25,000	225,931
Beaulier, Richard H	07-25-0	19,968	79,467	31,000	68,435
Bedford, Raymond	04-08-B	28,820	144,957	25,000	148,777
Bedford, Raymond	04-12-01	21,450	94,805	0	116,255
Beeuwkes, Christiaan J	11-31-0	29,235	120,671	25,000	124,906
Beeuwkes, Christiaan J	06-20-0	23,540	0	0	23,540
Beeuwkes, Christiaan J	07-28-04	13,300	0	0	13,300
Belanger, Cole A	04-04-B	59,260	77,264	25,000	111,524
Bender, Rick R	08-03-01-?	23,468	33,686	25,000	32,154
Bennett, Craig S	08-07-09	22,503	42,712	0	65,215
BENNTINEN, CARL & DAVID	03-18-0	59,655	52,303	0	111,958
Benway, Christopher J	03-02-01	17,424	51,253	0	68,677
Benway, Christopher J	03-02-0	19,760	0	0	19,760
Berube, Ray	11-11-0	19,357	45,862	25,000	40,219
Bessy Development Company	06-36-0	40,602	0	0	40,602
Bilodeau, Michael H	10-06-02	22,300	41,282	25,000	38,582
Bishop, Alan L	09-32-0	19,401	31,415	0	50,816
Blair, Paul	08-23-0	31,320	0	0	31,320
Bliss, Norman I	03-30-0	25,050	46,807	25,000	46,857
Bliss, Shirley A	03-30-01	21,325	28,825	25,000	25,150
Blood Timberlands LLC	01-01-0	1,645	0	0	1,645
Bolduc, Cindy G	01-12-01	52,264	127,442	25,000	154,706
Bolduc, Robert & Jeannette	01-12-02	17,500	76,280	25,000	68,780
Bolster, Brian L	01-17-0	29,572	27,993	25,000	32,565

Borman Family Irrevocable Trust, T 15-15-0	128,226	58,341	0	186,567	
Borman Family Irrevocable Trust, T 15-17-0	181,307	153,720	0	335,027	
Borman, Robert Glenn	15-16-0	110,399	0	110,399	
Bottrill, Judith E	10-11-03	25,194	284,731	25,000	284,925
Bouchard, Joseph E	10-18-08	39,140	11,937	0	51,077
Bowker, Brian J	10-22-0	20,840	0	0	20,840
Boyker, Alan J	11-20-0	19,482	51,525	0	71,007
Brann, Clayton D	06-30-01	21,164	110,134	25,000	106,298
BRANN, LETHA W	06-34-0	29,100	38,301	25,000	42,401
Brann, Letha W, Clayton D & Wesle	06-30-0	122,969	0	0	122,969
Brenner, Michael P	14-11-0	135,444	46,458	0	181,902
Breton, Brian D	03-16-01	29,700	30,874	0	60,574
Bridges, Dexter E	08-42-0	30,340	137,557	25,000	142,897
Brown, Dana C	07-42-05	37,065	50,069	25,000	62,134
Brown, Michael R	01-03-0	3,360	0	0	3,360
Bunker, Eric R	09-06-B	20,680	0	0	20,680
BUNKER-GEYER, PHILIP A	09-22-0	39,780	149,150	0	188,930
Buraceski, John S	01-18-02	26,448	105,403	0	131,851
BURK, CLAUDIA	01-16-04-01	15,440	6,683	0	22,123
Burr, Robert A	06-23-0	31,415	0	0	31,415
Burr, Robert A	06-16-0	55,871	510,749	25,000	541,620
Bushnell, Charles R & Robert	01-15-0	24,707	0	0	24,707
Bushnell, Charles R & Robert	02-09-0	13,100	0	0	13,100
Bushnell, David H, Trustee	06-06-0	40,265	0	0	40,265
Bushnell, David H, Trustee	06-25-A	0	10,224	0	10,224
Bushnell, David H, Trustee	06-25-0	59,340	0	0	59,340
Bushnell, William	06-06-01	38,608	0	0	38,608
Cahill, John B	04-05-04	20,800	87,240	25,000	83,040
Cameron, Andrea D	03-02-02	16,520	0	0	16,520
Campbell, Jeffrey	06-13-0	24,300	106,348	25,000	105,648
Cassidy, David S	02-01-09-01	11,900	0	0	11,900
Catabia, Barbara	06-11-0	24,807	82,720	0	107,527
Central Maine Power Company	01-999-0	0	1,302,916	0	1,302,916
Chamberlain, Eric	03-23-0	19,436	0	0	19,436
Chamberlain, Everett B II & Beverly	03-24-0	38,213	0	0	38,213
Chamberlain, John R	03-21-0	15,510	0	0	15,510
Chamberlain, John R	06-26-01	87,519	135,046	25,000	197,565
Chamberlain, John R	03-25-0	31,041	0	0	31,041
Chamberlain-Merry, Bonny	06-26-02	20,800	58,691	0	79,491
Chantry, Allen B	10-18-01	6,400	0	0	6,400
Charles, Raymond F	07-42-01	25,372	98,850	25,000	99,222
Chouinard, James	07-20-06	29,910	86,596	25,000	91,506
Churchill, Jody	14-07-0	153,937	61,353	0	215,290
Civitella, Donna E	10-11-0	51,260	358,478	25,000	384,738

Clark, Bruce W	09-10-01	26,080	0	0	26,080
Clavet, Randy R	14-22-0	109,286	79,609	0	188,895
Clavet, Randy R	02-11-03	13,942	0	0	13,942
Clement, Clay P	01-16-04	34,874	75,828	25,000	85,702
Clement, Laurie A	06-03-0	30,035	75,071	25,000	80,106
Colson, Alden	11-13-0	22,853	65,593	25,000	63,446
Colson, Alden R	07-14-10	16,044	0	0	16,044
Colson, Hunter A	10-27-0	57,600	31,605	0	89,205
Conant, Dwayne, John & Gregory	02-08-0	37,088	17,660	0	54,748
COOPER, CARLY A	07-03-01	26,940	33,928	0	60,868
COPELAND, JEAN C.	05-01-01	21,800	23,096	0	44,896
Cormier (Bartlett), Lacey B	06-04-0	24,300	128,543	25,000	127,843
Corson, Charles W	08-34-0	47,823	73,703	25,000	96,526
Corson, Kathleen A	08-34-03	19,452	23,553	25,000	18,005
Corson, Scott M	12-04-0	25,860	159,111	25,000	159,971
Coulstring, Matthew	02-08-04	27,223	41,336	0	68,559
Coulstring, Robert N Jr	02-01-08	28,340	22,322	0	50,662
Coulstring, Robert N Jr	02-01-11	66,740	0	0	66,740
Cousineau Lumber, Inc	06-28-0	24,705	0	0	24,705
Cousineau Lumber, Inc	06-41-0	6,120	0	0	6,120
Cowing, Wayne B	04-06-0	10,130	0	0	10,130
Cowing, Wayne B	04-06-05	9,949	0	0	9,949
Crandall, Charles R	08-01-01-A	36,000	217,056	0	253,056
Crandall, Jesse J	08-01-0	91,210	77,899	25,000	144,109
Cromwell, Gary R	08-34-01	23,650	61,185	25,000	59,835
Crowley, Brian J	10-21-02	19,273	22,588	0	41,861
Crowley, Brian J	10-21-0	4,030	0	0	4,030
Crowley, Elizabeth	10-10-0	29,716	118,755	25,000	123,471
Crowley, Elizabeth	10-14-0	7,182	0	0	7,182
Crowley, Susan L	10-14-01	28,548	170,764	25,000	174,312
Culley, Denis T	04-09-0	36,847	78,736	25,000	90,583
Cunningham, Debra E	13-04-0	45,141	18,438	0	63,579
Cunningham, Debra E	13-05-0	79,938	25,686	0	105,624
Cunningham, Nathan	04-13-05	13,846	0	0	13,846
Currier, Blynn	08-20-0	7,919	0	0	7,919
CURRIER, NATHAN W	02-08-06	15,634	0	0	15,634
CURRIER, NATHAN W	02-08-10	24,031	15,257	0	39,288
DaCosta, Albert	09-21-0	17,440	13,885	0	31,325
Davies, Phyllis C	03-21-01	18,839	12,909	0	31,748
Davis, Eva L	08-07-06	25,914	47,753	25,000	48,667
Davis, George S Jr	09-31-0	38,000	63,524	31,000	70,524
Davis, Morgan J	07-36-01	19,500	69,878	25,000	64,378
Davis, Paula	03-09-0	24,940	66,513	25,000	66,453
Davis, William G	07-12-0	37,654	160,326	25,000	172,980

DeGregory, Anthony Jr	08-34-02	22,100	27,741	25,000	24,841
Del Bene, Jack O	02-11-0	4,031	0	0	4,031
Del Bene, Jack O	14-14-0	146,600	93,699	0	240,299
Dellarma, Alexander E	07-21-0	38,340	0	0	38,340
Dellarma, Edward J Jr	09-35-01	22,477	47,790	0	70,267
DELLARMA, EDWARD J. JR	09-35-0	28,463	0	0	28,463
Dellarma, Kimberly A	09-05-01-A	30,173	129,154	25,000	134,327
Dellarma, Peter	11-17-0	28,826	28,044	25,000	31,870
Dellarma, Terry M	07-16-0	19,500	34,395	25,000	28,895
Demond, Christopher	05-16-C	23,278	75,710	25,000	73,988
DEVEAU, NIRIAH	13-36-0	37,986	0	0	37,986
Dewdney, Peter G	02-05-0	63,872	67,275	25,000	106,147
Doane, Deborah J	08-03-01	23,910	45,028	25,000	43,938
Doane, Jane A	06-21-0	45,146	17,120	25,000	37,266
Doane, John E	02-08-07	29,085	3,105	0	32,190
Doane, Kenneth L IV	06-22-02	17,482	63,848	25,000	56,330
Doane, W Russell	06-22-03	17,482	5,552	23,034	0
Dodge, Randy A	02-01-05	18,800	21,274	0	40,074
Doore, Stephen C	02-08-03	19,074	0	0	19,074
Dorey, Duane	07-24-0	54,362	162,017	25,000	191,379
Doucette, Renee L	09-05-03	19,438	80,766	0	100,204
Dow, Deborah J	14-23-0	145,548	79,822	25,000	200,370
Downing, Toby A	15-22-0	109,442	0	0	109,442
Doyle, James A, Estate of	10-04-0	20,100	39,907	25,000	35,007
Doyle, Michael	04-13-0	160,934	0	0	160,934
Doyle, Michael M	13-02-0	84,076	68,995	0	153,071
Dubay, Evelyn M, Trustee	05-26-0	38,428	0	0	38,428
Dubay, Wayne E	07-04-01	24,864	60,327	31,000	54,191
Dubois, Heidi	06-07-02-0	20,150	129,677	25,000	124,827
Duperry, Roland L	10-15-0	36,340	6,480	0	42,820
Duquette, Larry J	08-26-0	38,280	66,734	31,000	74,014
Dutill, Christopher P	01-06-01	24,781	105,288	25,000	105,069
Dutill, Paul	01-06-0	21,229	67,834	25,000	64,063
Easler, Chris	0/0	0	10,290	0	10,290
Ellis, David	11-27-0	19,175	16,989	0	36,164
Emery, Sherry A	13-17-0	81,524	34,118	0	115,642
Enos, Steven	04-05-03	22,100	86,346	25,000	83,446
Erickson, Lucas D	08-07-05	25,500	187,415	0	212,915
Everett, Eric C & Amy L	13-22-0	159,499	83,254	0	242,753
Everett, Eric C & Amy L	13-24-01	2,417	0	0	2,417
Everett, Ricky B	13-24-0	138,944	42,154	0	181,098
Farley (Gordon), Deborah F	05-03-01	8,000	0	0	8,000
Ferrara, Brian S	11-15-0	19,465	56,329	25,000	50,794
Ferrara, Courtney Lynn	07-39-01	23,400	19,659	0	43,059

Ferrara, Frances E	07-30-03	19,500	15,608	0	35,108
Ferrara, Frances E	09-28-0	39,100	76,664	0	115,764
Fisher, Frederick O	04-04-0	29,842	45,979	0	75,821
Folsom, Sarah	10-19-0	36,629	174,774	25,000	186,403
Fortin, Michael L	05-17-0	27,370	138,356	25,000	140,726
FORTUNATO, MATTHEW J	07-48-01-B	15,380	0	0	15,380
Foster, Caleb	13-31-0	81,524	63,569	0	145,093
Foster, Chrystal J	07-02-0	25,800	62,280	25,000	63,080
Foster, Stephen A	03-04-0	25,160	0	0	25,160
Foster, Stephen A	05-01-0	41,916	0	0	41,916
Foster, Stephen A	05-07-01	20,140	13,967	0	34,107
Fowle, Jeffery E	08-22-0	29,018	91,090	0	120,108
Fowle, Jeffery E	08-22-01	17,982	0	0	17,982
Fox, Wendy L, Heirs of	08-43-0	26,614	59,382	0	85,996
French, Ronald E	09-03-0	51,920	212,118	25,000	239,038
French, Ronald E	09-27-0	50,220	0	0	50,220
FULKERSON, ALAN S	01-10-0	17,500	69,383	25,000	61,883
Gagnon, Eric S	05-29-01	6,360	0	0	6,360
Gagnon, Ronald A	05-29-0	29,169	188,998	25,000	193,167
Gagnon, Ronald A Jr	05-29-04	18,709	28,524	0	47,233
Gardner, Robert E	03-28-0	19,774	22,154	0	41,928
Gardner, Robert E	02-01-02	35,233	83,563	25,000	93,796
Gardner, Tina M	06-07-02-01	23,000	158,278	25,000	156,278
Geidel, Lance W	08-17-0	1,620	0	0	1,620
GEISSER, NATHAN A.	08-48-01	66,533	117,092	0	183,625
Genness, Fayelyne	10-18-01-02	20,823	6,640	27,463	0
George, Carol et al	13-14-0	146,600	52,040	0	198,640
Gerrie, Steven A	10-11-02	25,446	195,156	25,000	195,602
Gevecker, Karl, Trustee	15-23-0	119,485	68,226	0	187,711
Ghapco Inc	13-13-0	99,269	42,862	0	142,131
Ghaphery, Dr A.D. Maine Haven LL	13-12-0	161,441	782,953	0	944,394
Ghaphery, Dr A.D. Maine Haven LL	13-16-0	10,403	0	0	10,403
Gibson, James A	04-02-0	36,604	56,472	31,000	62,076
Gierczak, John M	08-46-04	35,602	236,560	31,000	241,162
Gilbert Family Revocable Trust	09-20-0	53,058	85,991	0	139,049
Gilbert, A J & Carol A, Co- Trustees	07-57-0	78,840	0	0	78,840
Gilbert, A J & Carol A, Trustees	09-07-0	27,588	156,675	0	184,263
Gilbert, Donald G	13-21-0	103,216	25,479	0	128,695
Gilbert, Marc	09-19-05	43,257	2,400	0	45,657
Gilbert, Michele A	08-29-01-01	16,500	0	0	16,500
Gilman, Gerald W	07-10-0	43,670	129,669	31,000	142,339
Gilmore, Michael J	07-40-01	35,040	50,315	25,000	60,355
Goff, Nathan L	15-05-0	69,248	0	0	69,248
Goff, Nathan L	15-06-0	4,806	0	0	4,806

Goff, Nathan L	02-11-02	17,695	51,995	0	69,690
Goodwin, Robert E	07-03-A	41,359	180,900	0	222,259
Gorski, Crystal L	11-23-0	24,240	94,031	25,000	93,271
Gould, Richard B Jr	10-18-07	6,415	0	0	6,415
Gould, Richard B Jr	10-18-05	12,819	0	0	12,819
Gove, Jesse A, Trustee	11-14-0	19,452	90,961	25,000	85,413
Grant, Janice L	07-32-03-01	24,430	128,670	25,000	128,100
Greaney, Scott R	09-01-0	55,700	143,524	25,000	174,224
Greenblatt & Lufkin Enterprises	15-26-0	162,550	31,974	0	194,524
Gunnarsson, Bjarki	09-06-0	27,252	51,787	0	79,039
Hagar, Bradford H	09-12-01	10,000	0	0	10,000
Hager, Bradford H	09-17-0	41,054	0	0	41,054
Hager, Bradford H	09-18-0	27,600	202,441	0	230,041
Hakala, Teresa A	03-17-01	21,400	52,671	25,000	49,071
Hallee, Jean	06-05-0	13,300	0	0	13,300
Hampton, Jennifer L	08-30-01	23,000	73,795	25,000	71,795
Harris, Nina	07-44-01	20,800	86,158	31,000	75,958
Harvey, Charles	06-17-05	14,500	0	0	14,500
Harvey, Charles G	06-19-0	39,240	118,191	25,000	132,431
Harvey, Charles G	06-17-04	15,496	0	0	15,496
Hasenkopf, Harald	13-35-0	78,334	36,177	0	114,511
Hayden, Wanda M	01-09-01	31,420	83,054	25,000	89,474
Hayes, Elizabeth T	07-20-01-A	15,400	0	0	15,400
Hayes, Elizabeth T	07-58-0	19,411	28,766	25,000	23,177
Haynes, Jerry D	14-19-0	140,548	33,782	0	174,330
HEALY, MATTHEW J	08-03-03	36,390	361,973	0	398,363
Healy, Stephen	02-01-04	12,800	1,188	0	13,988
Henderson, Bonita L	11-21-0	11,923	0	0	11,923
Hendrix, Ralph W	06-32-0	44,220	106,328	25,000	125,548
Herbert, Joshua L	09-05-0	19,825	63,517	0	83,342
Herbert, Joshua L	09-05-04	19,500	19,732	25,000	14,232
HEYWOOD, WILLIAM H JR	06-03-02	22,100	18,484	0	40,584
Hilton, Alan	10-06-01	17,500	43,853	31,000	30,353
Hilton, Elaine T	10-18-02	6,225	0	0	6,225
Hilton, Elaine T	05-11-0	4,873	0	0	4,873
HILTON, KRISTY L	10-20-0	60,408	0	0	60,408
HINKEL, GARY B	03-08-0	13,270	2,786	0	16,056
Hinkley, Adam L	02-13-01	231,144	24,165	0	255,309
Hinkley, Clyde L	02-12-0	338,040	47,986	0	386,026
Hobbs, Tracey	03-29-0	25,500	52,011	0	77,511
Holt, Christopher	06-01-0	41,848	147,317	25,000	164,165
Hooper, Joel R	02-04-0	954	0	0	954
Hooper, Joel R	03-27-0	43,077	186,431	25,000	204,508
Howard, Martha E	09-05-01	57,588	0	0	57,588

Howard, Martha E	09-26-0	99,537	0	0	99,537
Howard, Martha E	08-50-0	31,237	0	0	31,237
Howard, Martha E	07-30-01	21,255	34,811	0	56,066
Howard, Martha E	07-48-02	28,214	67,219	0	95,433
Howard, Martha E	07-52-0	61,180	0	0	61,180
Howard, Martha E	08-35-0	15,900	0	0	15,900
Howard, Samuel J	05-18-0	25,500	48,175	0	73,675
Howard, Scott D	07-31-0	20,930	79,964	0	100,894
Howard, Scott D II	03-17-0	51,400	84,132	25,000	110,532
Howard, Scott D II	05-18-01	36,388	16,044	0	52,432
Howard, Scott D III	05-18-02	37,360	21,980	25,000	34,340
Howard, Scott D Sr	07-32-06	35,818	167,966	0	203,784
Howard, Scott D Sr	12-02-0	24,300	75,883	31,000	69,183
Howard, Scott D Sr & Martha E & H	03-03-0	37,040	0	0	37,040
Howard, Scott D Sr & Martha E & H	03-06-0	30,344	0	0	30,344
Howard, Scott D Sr & Martha E & H	05-12-0	18,140	0	0	18,140
Howard, Scott D Sr & Martha E & H	07-32-01	36,010	29,844	0	65,854
Hubach, Frederick W & Hubach, W	15-10-0	354,078	219,818	0	573,896
Hunter, Virginia C	04-05-0	56,362	0	0	56,362
Hurley, Bruce E	02-13-0	261,790	39,729	0	301,519
Hurley, Bruce E	07-44-0	33,420	194,783	25,000	203,203
Hurley, Dari D	07-45-0	21,060	0	0	21,060
JACKSON, JEFFREY A.	07-42-04-A	27,054	0	0	27,054
Jalbert, Henry	10-20-B-02	22,114	122,239	31,000	113,353
Jarosz, Kenneth W	02-08-02	18,426	0	0	18,426
JONES, CALEB M	06-03-05-01	15,770	0	0	15,770
Jones, Fe B	06-03-04	27,739	82,961	31,000	79,700
Jones, Suzanne V	10-11-03-A	20,993	110,713	25,000	106,706
Juskewitch, Jason	02-10-04	23,819	69,121	25,000	67,940
Juskewitch, Sherwood	15-12-0	145,556	68,897	25,000	189,453
Kennedy, Lance	03-16-0	24,382	14,421	25,000	13,803
KENNETH MUKAI REVOCABLE LIVIN	07-50-0	27,721	91,428	25,000	94,149
Kevett, Harry F III, Trustee	13-28-0	148,732	34,460	0	183,192
Keyser, Dennis N	10-05-02	37,020	109,867	25,000	121,887
Kimball, Deane A, Trustee	01-16-01	26,380	0	0	26,380
King, Robin L	02-18-0	202,229	55,300	0	257,529
Kitchen, Stephen	10-09-01	31,852	151,934	25,000	158,786
Kitchen, Stephen	10-15-02	10,000	340	0	10,340
Knauf, Donald J & Juliette P, Co-Tru	13-30-0	155,635	79,288	0	234,923
Knight, Bradford S	04-05-03-A	13,846	0	0	13,846
Knoernschild, Nadine	08-16-0	18,300	0	0	18,300
Konoff, Abraham D	10-12-0	21,498	0	0	21,498
Krajewski, Jerzy H	07-42-05-A	12,975	0	0	12,975
Ladd, Bert D	09-36-0	19,500	0	0	19,500

Ladd, Blacke D	10-27-01	21,400	19,895	25,000	16,295
Ladd, Earle J	01-18-0	29,320	0	0	29,320
Lafaialii, Siuleo F	08-38-01	22,300	130,107	25,000	127,407
Lafrance, Denise A & Rancourt, Gei	13-10-0	132,637	57,789	0	190,426
Lagasse, Irwin D	06-12-0	26,940	99,358	25,000	101,298
Lagasse, Linwood	06-11-01	50,868	0	0	50,868
Lagasse, Linwood	06-14-0	32,500	90,833	25,000	98,333
Lagasse, Linwood	08-45-0	42,120	0	0	42,120
Lakeman, Dean F	10-21-01	20,840	0	0	20,840
Lamarre, Brenton Francis	08-34-05	30,310	64,875	25,000	70,185
LaMarre, Edward	06-17-03	22,432	45,887	25,000	43,319
Lambert, Dennis	05-03-0	11,250	0	0	11,250
Lambert, Dennis	07-34-0	35,418	125,310	31,000	129,728
Lambert, Dillon J	09-06-02	16,660	2,047	0	18,707
Lambert, Guinevere S	11-26-0	28,398	99,334	31,000	96,732
Lambert, Sharon R	07-05-0	55,020	46,686	0	101,706
Lambert, Sharon R	07-19-0	39,960	0	0	39,960
Lamphere, Joel	09-10-01	54,955	165,813	25,000	195,768
Lamphere, Joel T	09-15-01	80,842	39,636	0	120,478
Lancaster (Poirier), Deborah Rae	05-13-0	18,800	75,880	25,000	69,680
Landry, Evan Michael	07-48-01B-C	14,080	0	0	14,080
Landry, Mary E, Est	07-48-01	39,111	79,499	25,000	93,610
Langlais, Bernard T	02-07-0	14,300	1,152	0	15,452
Langlais, Dale H	02-10-03	3,593	0	0	3,593
Langlais, Dale H	04-05-01	32,519	128,662	25,000	136,181
Langlais, Michael	15-20-0	120,442	114,228	0	234,670
Langlais, Paul	15-14-0	183,885	121,733	0	305,618
LaPlante, Frederick	02-03-0	30,600	202,796	31,000	202,396
LaPointe, Daryl	07-03-05	15,520	0	0	15,520
Lapointe, Laura T	04-08-0	21,840	133,250	25,000	130,090
Lapointe, Laura T	04-12-0	39,960	0	0	39,960
Lapointe, Ronald	04-08-01	29,120	89,778	25,000	93,898
Lapointe, Ronald	04-12-02	34,560	0	0	34,560
Lavoie, George A	02-08-09	23,718	31,965	0	55,683
Lawrence, Richard	02-19-0	197,048	76,218	0	273,266
LeClair, Leo R	0/0	0	35,946	25,000	10,946
LeClerc, Robert J	01-21-0	18,490	20,882	0	39,372
Leib, Donald T	15-01-0	105,458	7,909	0	113,367
Leib, Donald T	15-02-0	4,000	0	0	4,000
Leighton, Larry C , Couture, Lance, H	02-08-01-02	20,840	0	0	20,840
Leo, Christopher	01-13-01	30,207	0	0	30,207
Leo, Christopher	01-08-0	41,240	89,288	25,000	105,528
Levesque, Maurice R	06-22-01	27,640	28,921	25,000	31,561
Levis, James Jr	14-13-0	111,984	40,473	0	152,457

Little, Heidi J	05-16-C-1	21,101	59,541	0	80,642
LIVING TRUST FOR ROSALIND A. FC	04-13-03	11,962	0	0	11,962
LIVING TRUSTEE FO R ROSALIND A.	13-08-0	86,076	127,161	0	213,237
Loabe, Richard II	08-04-0	24,690	85,450	25,000	85,140
Loadwick, Alfred E	07-42-01-A	24,778	31,823	31,000	25,601
Loadwick, Richard E	11-01-0	20,917	18,331	25,000	14,248
Lord, Thomas	15-03-0	107,182	39,236	0	146,418
Lord, Thomas	15-04-0	4,876	0	0	4,876
Lovejoy, Frank E & Rita G, Trustees	13-39-0	77,514	10,800	0	88,314
Luke, Carter J	15-08-0	557,107	138,369	0	695,476
Lynds (Beauregard), Julie J	07-17-01	40,850	87,002	0	127,852
Lynds, Julie B	07-18-0	68,780	2,662	0	71,442
Mackey, Janice	13-15-0	110,243	33,275	0	143,518
Magnani, Gino, Heirs of	08-28-0	14,600	0	0	14,600
Mallette, Robert	02-01-07	28,990	10,976	25,000	14,966
Malo, Glenn F, Thomas R & Ronald	10-18-09	31,775	1,250	0	33,025
Mannett, Andrew J	09-12-0	8,836	0	0	8,836
Mannett, Andrew J	09-17-01	11,300	0	0	11,300
Mannett, Thomas W Jr & Nancy A,	09-16-0	22,840	0	0	22,840
Manter, Lura Ann	06-38-0	25,200	50,056	25,000	50,256
Manter, LuraAnn	06-39-0	16,500	0	0	16,500
Marcue, Bryan C & Grant, Heidi J	08-14-0	28,560	42,242	25,000	45,802
Martelli, Gina	05-15-0	37,420	0	0	37,420
Martin, Sharon A	04-02-03	22,000	37,001	25,000	34,001
MAYNARD, NATHANAEL G	07-20-01-01	16,350	0	0	16,350
MAYNARD, NATHANAEL G	07-20-07	28,182	16,246	0	44,428
Mayo, Wayne M	04-02-02	24,871	132,879	25,000	132,750
Mayou, Terry A	06-03-B-01	24,794	41,366	25,000	41,160
McCartney, Douglas F	15-21-0	120,442	183,806	0	304,248
McCaslin, Sonya L	02-01-09	20,840	0	0	20,840
McGlashing, James	09-33-0	19,500	48,239	25,000	42,739
McKechnie, Suzan C	13-20-0	148,735	73,790	25,000	197,525
McNair, Wesley	11-24-0	22,100	75,494	25,000	72,594
MEDEIROS, VICTOR	07-28-03	13,196	0	0	13,196
Medeiros, Victor	07-14-08	18,462	0	0	18,462
Medeiros, Victor	07-14-11	2,358	0	0	2,358
Mehrhoff, Nora L	10-11-02-A	20,873	161,458	25,000	157,331
Mendoza, Andres D	07-32-07	18,540	75,330	0	93,870
Meola, Earl F	07-55-0	41,153	7,883	0	49,036
Meola, Earle F	05-05-0	26,114	35,402	0	61,516
Meola, Earle F	01-09-0	53,240	795	0	54,035
Meola, Earle F	05-08-0	10,195	0	0	10,195
Merrow, R Loring & Liss, Joanna C,	01-16-0	40,010	605	0	40,615
Merry, Frederick W	04-10-0	33,248	113,790	25,000	122,038

Merry, Frederick W	04-11-0	106,920	1,332	0	108,252
Meunier, Adam W	07-29-B	19,500	84,606	25,000	79,106
Meunier, Linda	10-05-01	21,000	71,863	0	92,863
Meunier, Wayne D	10-05-B	17,500	121,762	25,000	114,262
Meyer, Bruce	04-01-B-01	24,420	109,220	25,000	108,640
Meyer, Charles J	04-01-B	31,962	32,895	31,000	33,857
Miller, Chriss L	10-26-0	63,676	48,517	0	112,193
MILLER, CHRISS L.	10-01-0	26,626	77,752	25,000	79,378
MILLER, ELI J	09-37-0	44,440	0	0	44,440
Mills, Scott A & Lora E, Trustees	10-07-0	25,000	0	0	25,000
Moore, Steven W	07-20-03	29,600	90,439	25,000	95,039
Moore, Steven W	07-20-04	25,200	41,811	0	67,011
Morabito, Daniel G	01-09-02	20,140	0	0	20,140
Morey, Allen	04-05-02	22,079	73,119	25,000	70,198
Morey, Allen R & Lenore M	13-37-01	1,739	0	0	1,739
MOSHER, CHAD E	01-13-0	27,507	0	0	27,507
Mosher, Gary D	08-46-0	51,083	140,762	25,000	166,845
Mullens, Shawn	08-01-03-A	12,754	0	0	12,754
Mullens, Shawn	08-01-03	37,326	215,640	0	252,966
Murch, Richard C	10-18-01-01	3,180	0	0	3,180
Murray, Reginald T & Barbara A, Tr	13-25-0	109,286	62,831	25,000	147,117
Murray, Reginald T & Barbara A, Tr	13-39-01	9,952	0	0	9,952
Murray, Reginald T & Barbara A, Tr	04-06-01	10,130	30,643	0	40,773
Muse, Deborah	06-21-01	17,222	0	0	17,222
Nadeau, Gerald P	13-26-0	158,255	29,728	0	187,983
NEAL, DENNIIS C	09-19-03	24,438	226,284	25,000	225,722
NEUBAUER, JAY S	06-03-B	22,100	27,887	0	49,987
Nichols, Thomas	08-21-0	19,500	114,163	25,000	108,663
Nicolson, Tyler	09-13-0	26,560	54,219	0	80,779
Norberto, Mark	09-05-02	27,200	113,385	25,000	115,585
Northrup, Dean Jr	07-14-09	17,982	0	0	17,982
Nunnally, Jesse & Joan & Hadley, N	13-27-0	143,142	76,228	31,000	188,370
Oakes, Irving Wendell	08-07-08	22,508	16,167	31,000	7,675
Obert, Dennis A	12-01-0	21,918	70,915	25,000	67,833
O'Brien, Linda	05-21-0	51,019	97,877	25,000	123,896
O'Brien, Onneke S	06-28-01	421	0	0	421
O'Brien, Walter P	05-23-0	30,940	0	0	30,940
O'Brien, Walter P	05-24-0	18,592	135,251	25,000	128,843
Oliver, Holly	0/0	0	10,920	10,920	0
Olson, David A	15-13-0	156,936	139,807	0	296,743
OSGOOD, CHRISTOPHER A.	07-09-0	39,079	105,123	0	144,202
Padham, Donald	01-13-02-01	20,612	2,850	0	23,462
Page, Donald R	14-04-0	114,700	51,758	0	166,458
Paradis, James	11-19-0	19,493	1,589	0	21,082

Paradis, James & Carla & Stratton,	07-13-0	33,020	46,989	25,000	55,009
Paradise Inc	13-18-0	131,616	428	0	132,044
Parent, Doreen J	02-01-09-02	36,305	78,160	25,000	89,465
Parker, Todd M	08-40-01	22,300	216,935	25,000	214,235
Parlin, Kerry O PR, Estate of Richard	07-11-0	61,230	24,335	0	85,565
Parlin, Ricky	06-07-0	44,469	0	0	44,469
Parlin, Ricky	08-07-0	34,720	0	0	34,720
Parlin, Ricky	08-07-10	14,426	0	0	14,426
Parlin, Ricky J	08-47-0	23,616	90,249	31,000	82,865
Parlin, Roger	07-46-0	27,480	2,315	0	29,795
Parlin, Roger	07-47-0	11,853	0	0	11,853
Parlin, Roger J	06-17-01	32,074	100,780	0	132,854
Parlin, Terry G	06-15-0	24,460	0	0	24,460
Parlin, Verna	07-08-0	49,080	76,418	31,000	94,498
Parlin, Verna	07-15-0	27,000	0	0	27,000
Partridge, Barry D	02-11-01	25,880	0	0	25,880
Partridge, Barry D	14-14-01	77,670	0	0	77,670
Pascalis, Gretchen	14-17-0	146,600	48,862	0	195,462
Patten, Jason A & Michelle B & Zeil	07-14-01	29,738	218,723	25,000	223,461
Peace, Rebecca A	11-07-0	27,624	49,030	25,000	51,654
Peniuk, Sherri-Lea	06-08-0	18,826	34,292	25,000	28,118
Perotti, Christopher	08-46-01	45,020	246,507	0	291,527
Perrault, Roxanne C	14-06-0	109,286	55,922	0	165,208
Perrault, Steven	07-43-0	23,000	50,596	25,000	48,596
Perry, Jesse E & Cynthia J, Trustees	07-06-0	33,480	0	0	33,480
Phelps, Zachary A	07-03-06	15,040	0	0	15,040
Phelps, Zachary B	07-03-07	18,358	0	0	18,358
Phillips, Shirley	07-42-02-A	22,300	83,891	31,000	75,191
Pierce, Donald I & Margaret S, Trust	06-42-0	28,440	105,878	25,000	109,318
Pierce, Donald I & Margaret S, Trust	07-52-02	14,350	0	0	14,350
Pierce, Douglas	06-42-02	24,940	52,391	25,000	52,331
Pinkham, Katherine T	06-03-03-01	24,900	36,614	25,000	36,514
Pitcher, Cheryl D	05-31-0	17,818	0	0	17,818
Pitcher, Cheryl D	07-40-0	44,208	175,303	31,000	188,511
Poirier, Frank III	05-16-B	18,250	0	0	18,250
Poirier, Michael C	05-30-0	15,100	6,260	0	21,360
Poirier, Michael Cecil	05-16-0	29,584	4,301	0	33,885
Poole, JoAnn R, Trustee	14-15-0	168,620	55,291	0	223,911
Potratz, Charles A	08-13-0	30,296	8,827	0	39,123
Poudrier, Albert D	04-02-01	30,340	41,746	31,000	41,086
Poulin, Wayne H	05-30-01	13,900	0	0	13,900
POULIN, ROBERT B	07-20-08	37,854	0	0	37,854
Powser, David A Jr	09-25-0	17,500	112,632	25,000	105,132
Pratt, John B & Jane A, Co-Trustees	08-37-0	68,740	0	0	68,740

Proulx, Louise J	13-06-0	119,217	90,590	0	209,807
Proulx, Louise J	04-13-04	11,991	0	0	11,991
Provost, Tara	08-07-03	26,136	92,266	25,000	93,402
Puccio, Carmen	04-01-0	30,880	83,421	25,000	89,301
Quimby, Joan M	09-11-0	9,928	0	0	9,928
Quimby, Linda	02-01-0	22,190	0	0	22,190
Ramsey, Edward A Jr	08-48-0	26,940	7,839	0	34,779
Rancourt, Gerard R & Lafrance, De	04-13-02	11,952	0	0	11,952
Ray, Nicole L	07-29-01	25,500	107,687	25,000	108,187
Redlevske, Casaundra B	07-01-0	37,783	86,610	25,000	99,393
Redlevske, Casaundra B	07-01-01	19,482	8,999	0	28,481
Redlevske, Casaundra B	07-01-02	11,982	0	0	11,982
Redlevske, Norman G	07-23-0	44,517	130,753	25,000	150,270
Redlevske, William J	03-01-0	18,680	0	0	18,680
Reed, Stephen A	02-10-0	64,682	0	0	64,682
Reed, Stephen A	02-01-12	32,018	0	0	32,018
Reed, Stephen A	02-02-0	50,540	0	0	50,540
Reed, Stephen A	03-32-0	129,182	14,946	0	144,128
Reed, Stephen A	15-24-0	182,731	82,316	0	265,047
Reed, Stephen A	15-28-0	11,599	15,623	0	27,222
Reynolds, Frederick C Jr	10-20-B-01	14,500	0	0	14,500
Richard, Jordan M	09-19-02	25,764	43,224	25,000	43,988
Ring, Christopher	02-08-01	38,498	0	0	38,498
Roach, Walter III	10-18-04	14,770	0	0	14,770
ROBBINS, EVELYN R.	06-42-01	24,940	72,296	25,000	72,236
Robinson, Jill A Lufkin	15-25-0	187,156	299,983	25,000	462,139
Rogercol Properties LLC	07-20-01	36,715	154,526	0	191,241
Rollins, Sherrill M	11-30-0	19,353	66,947	25,000	61,300
Rosado, Ruthann	04-06-04	11,300	0	0	11,300
Rosado, Ruthann	13-19-0	189,920	81,184	0	271,104
Ross, Doreen	08-03-0	57,923	253,939	25,000	286,862
Ross, Nancy A	07-26-0	26,940	116,924	25,000	118,864
Roy, Arthur D	08-07-01	18,780	0	0	18,780
Ryder, Jeffrey L	11-03-0	21,164	119,535	25,000	115,699
Sadler, Lyndon	07-48-02-01	19,773	79,033	25,000	73,806
Saif, Esse	04-13-01-01	89,699	0	0	89,699
Saltmarsh & Gunnarsson LLC	08-49-0	42,462	297,906	0	340,368
Schilling, Brian	08-31-0	35,040	13,504	0	48,544
Schilling, Brian J	08-33-0	35,440	178,675	25,000	189,115
Schutte, Peter	08-46-03	8,298	2,370	0	10,668
Shields, Merrill K	11-18-0	23,091	48,849	31,000	40,940
Short, Gerald L	07-14-05	12,299	1,920	0	14,219
Shute, Cole D	08-07-02	24,766	22,521	0	47,287
Sigersmith, John J	09-09-0	32,258	117,952	31,000	119,210

Sigersmith, John J	09-19-04	16,420	0	0	16,420
Slongwhite, Glenn P & Luce, Eric P	04-48-01-A	37,330	0	0	37,330
Smart, Andrew D	10-15-01	18,520	0	0	18,520
Smith, Jean Marie	06-29-0	69,200	175,102	25,000	219,302
Smith, Roger	15-27-0	150,115	0	0	150,115
Smith, Roger P	10-13-0	63,340	0	0	63,340
Smith, Sandra J W	07-42-03	16,300	0	0	16,300
Smith, Vincent P	03-16-02	27,900	25,429	0	53,329
Smith, Wyatt W	11-12-0	19,500	47,793	0	67,293
Somerset Telephone Property Tax	11-05-0	32,201	3,895	0	36,096
Spiller, Brian R Jr	05-20-0	19,475	4,844	0	24,319
STANFORD FAMILY TRUST	05-02-0	52,970	0	0	52,970
STATE OF MAINE	07-37-0	29,268	862	0	30,130
Stevens, Roger E Jr	14-21-0	78,024	35,056	0	113,080
STEVENS, ROGER E. JR	01-14-0	20,140	0	0	20,140
Steward, James A	06-17-02	23,800	150,626	25,000	149,426
Storms, Pamela E	08-03-02	30,494	77,988	0	108,482
Storms, Pamela E, Trustee & , Stor	06-18-0	34,159	123,846	25,000	133,005
Storro, Ryan	13-32-0	173,059	43,683	0	216,742
Storro, Ryan	13-37-0	10,936	0	0	10,936
Storro, Ryan	13-38-0	10,000	0	0	10,000
Stroman, Jeffrey D	07-52-02-01	24,068	118,855	25,000	117,923
Sullivan, Michael F	14-03-0	114,700	33,942	0	148,642
Sullivan, Michael F	14-05-0	167,682	92,349	25,000	235,031
Surette, Ralph H	09-19-07	17,996	0	0	17,996
Tagle, Betina Jae	07-03-02	31,401	163,710	0	195,111
Tardy (Cherkassky), Amy	08-01-01-B	22,920	77,258	25,000	75,178
Taylor, Paul H, Heirs of	02-10-02	13,140	0	0	13,140
TAYLOR, RICHAD L	05-10-0	13,700	0	0	13,700
Ten Broeck, Frank L III	13-11-0	97,857	119,910	0	217,767
TETREULT, ROBERT	08-03-01-01	36,882	73,653	25,000	85,535
Thomas, Arthur S & Mary A & Thor	08-29-0	35,094	60,177	25,000	70,271
Thomas, Lowell W	08-29-01	49,286	194,809	25,000	219,095
Thomas, Maurice E	05-25-0	49,564	95,717	31,000	114,281
Thomas, Maurice E	05-27-0	3,100	0	0	3,100
Thompson, Zachary T	07-42-04	26,670	144,561	25,000	146,231
Tibbetts, Charles E	03-12-0	24,940	99,427	25,000	99,367
Tibbetts, Christopher	08-15-0	30,720	119,952	25,000	125,672
Tibbetts, Heather M	08-34-04	11,946	0	0	11,946
Tibbetts, James A	06-24-0	21,000	81,335	25,000	77,335
Tibbetts, Jason	09-24-0	3,975	0	0	3,975
Tibbetts, Jason	06-07-02-02	22,000	198,374	25,000	195,374
Tibbetts, Jason	09-34-0	19,440	0	0	19,440
Tibbetts, Robert B Jr	07-38-0	20,124	101,870	25,000	96,994

TIBBETTS, ROBERT BLAINE JR	07-39-0	33,588	0	0	33,588
Tibbetts-Krupa, Debra L	05-06-0	54,100	37,746	0	91,846
Tibbetts-Krupa, Debra L	05-07-0	84,940	0	0	84,940
Tobin, Gerald D	09-08-0	22,840	0	0	22,840
Toth, Gladys P & William H, Co-Tru	04-07-0	39,630	138,489	0	178,119
Toth, Vance A	06-02-0	34,894	39,383	0	74,277
Toupin, Paul R	01-22-0	49,460	0	0	49,460
Tracy, David w	11-02-01	27,698	94,925	25,000	97,623
Tracy, Deborah L	01-05-01	24,924	92,925	25,000	92,849
Tracy, Derek C	07-13-01	19,500	12,939	0	32,439
Tracy, Derek C	11-22-0	17,282	24,610	25,000	16,892
Tracy, Derek Cecil Sr	11-16-0	20,280	17,057	0	37,337
Tracy, Spencer R	07-14-B	24,300	141,474	0	165,774
Tracy, Spencer R	13-03-0	136,876	0	0	136,876
Tracy, Vicki Jo	11-04-02	26,250	112,311	0	138,561
Tremblay, Eugene	02-10-01	23,725	26,741	0	50,466
Trepanier, Roland	13-07-0	80,576	16,402	0	96,978
True, Earl R	10-06-0	35,612	73,918	0	109,530
True, Earl R	10-18-0	26,364	1,592	0	27,956
True, Earl R	10-23-0	11,065	0	0	11,065
True, Earl R, Hilton, Elaine & Hilton	14-16-0	111,200	8,528	0	119,728
True, Norris A	06-33-0	10,794	0	0	10,794
Turk, Emily	07-53-0	18,800	55,988	0	74,788
Turk, Emily	07-30-04	33,150	59,832	0	92,982
Turk, Emily L	07-52-03	17,500	140,908	25,000	133,408
Turk, William	10-11-01	15,880	0	0	15,880
Turner, Daren	08-18-0	48,720	25,536	0	74,256
Tuttle, Claire A	09-30-0	26,900	74,470	25,000	76,370
Van Burgel, Barbara J	05-14-0	40,060	114,658	25,000	129,718
Van Burgel, David P	03-10-0	42,025	123,633	25,000	140,658
Varney (Hunt), Harriett	06-32-B	49,240	42,412	25,000	66,652
Vasvary, Kenny	06-10-0	23,400	61,079	25,000	59,479
Veilleux, Dustin	07-17-03	32,457	90,535	25,000	97,992
Veilleux, Jeffrey S	07-17-04	28,911	122,319	25,000	126,230
Violette, John P	06-40-0	16,500	0	0	16,500
Violette, John P	08-07-04	26,670	124,266	25,000	125,936
Violette, John P	08-41-0	20,140	0	0	20,140
Violette, John P	08-35-A	16,500	0	0	16,500
Voelkel, William	05-19-0	34,882	0	0	34,882
Vogt, Thomas E	03-08-01	27,580	67,400	25,000	69,980
Waggoner, Robert	07-04-0	32,978	163,918	25,000	171,896
Wallace, Kenneth	14-18-0	114,700	100,744	25,000	190,444
WARREN BROTHERS CONSTRUCTIC	11-10-0	19,407	115,600	135,007	0
Warren, Charles C Jr	10-02-0	21,075	22,029	0	43,104

Warren, Charles C Jr	10-03-0	17,475	86,279	25,000	78,754
Warren, Charlie C	09-02-0	29,640	131,424	25,000	136,064
Warren, Terry W	01-07-0	40,134	108,038	25,000	123,172
Wass, Russell D Jr	04-14-0	18,150	26,039	0	44,189
Wass, Russell D Jr	14-08-0	130,340	61,097	0	191,437
Waterman, Alan H	01-13-02	25,386	50,032	25,000	50,418
Watson, Russell W III	05-31-01	38,980	52,916	25,000	66,896
Watson, Russell W Jr	02-01-03	32,770	47,767	25,000	55,537
Weaver, Timothy J & Brunjes, Caro	14-10-0	146,600	95,832	0	242,432
Wehry, Zachery	08-38-02	22,300	138,331	0	160,631
Weisher, Kara M	07-54-0	19,980	0	0	19,980
Welch, David A	07-49-0	19,500	68,848	25,000	63,348
Wellington, Patricia A	01-18-02-01	22,404	89,323	25,000	86,727
Wells, Cheryl L	14-09-0	142,772	84,525	25,000	202,297
Wenninger, Ray	15-18-0	110,399	0	0	110,399
Wenninger, Ray	15-19-0	109,442	0	0	109,442
West, Dolores	02-08-05	23,210	29,323	0	52,533
Whipple, Cara	09-19-01	25,692	73,821	0	99,513
White, Bryan K, Pray, Sidne & Dun	04-03-01	23,834	136,817	25,000	135,651
White, Rachel E	09-28-02	20,800	85,459	25,000	81,259
Whitmore-Smithers, Linda	10-28-0	8,009	0	0	8,009
Whitney, Mark	09-23-0	40,060	134,122	31,000	143,182
Whitney, Stephen	03-31-0	31,718	115,847	31,000	116,565
Wilde, Richard A	03-13-0	17,500	30,000	25,000	22,500
WILLIAMS, MAYNARD D JR	07-56-0	34,300	145,942	25,000	155,242
Williamson, Jay Jr	07-36-0	20,790	0	0	20,790
Wilson, James A	06-09-0	21,400	22,732	31,000	13,132
WITHAM, DANIEL M	07-58-01	11,911	0	0	11,911
Witham, Leslie L III	06-17-0	18,052	0	0	18,052
Wolf, Suzette C	10-25-0	33,040	60,138	25,000	68,178
Wood, Douglas	13-24-0	74,834	76,860	0	151,694
Worthen, Valerie J	08-05-01	22,295	130,712	25,000	128,007
Worthen, Vernon E II	08-05-0	71,598	84,509	0	156,107
Worthen, Vernon E II	08-07-07	13,880	0	0	13,880
Worthen, Vernon E II	08-30-0	42,740	404,167	25,000	421,907
Worthen, Vernon E II	08-38-0	97,360	0	0	97,360
Worthen-Redlevske (Worthen), M	08-11-0	62,580	43,414	0	105,994
Worthen-Redlevske (Worthen), M	08-10-0	43,740	0	0	43,740
Worthen-Redlevske (Worthen), M	08-08-0	19,500	72,429	25,000	66,929
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Worthen-Redlevske (Worthen), M	08-27-0	69,120	3,841	0	72,961
WU, YONG YUAN	07-40-01-01	27,512	198,545	25,000	201,057

Yale, Henry I	13-09-0	80,576	47,893	0	128,469
Yates, Margaret B	07-21-01	39,960	0	0	39,960
Yoder, Timothy R, Heirs of	01-05-0	24,420	53,801	0	78,221
Young Kidd, Maureen E	07-40-02	24,946	0	0	24,946
Zajkowski, Jill	07-07-0	24,000	116,512	0	140,512
Zambelli, Stephen	07-42-0	30,280	28,195	0	58,475
Zimmer, Randolph P Est of	01-16-02	15,710	0	0	15,710
Zimmer, Randolph P Est of	06-29-B	31,800	124,097	0	155,897
Zweig Hebert, Jennifer A	05-04-0	282	0	0	282

2020 REPORT OF THE NORRIDGEWOCK FIRE DEPARTMENT

Proudly serving the Towns of Mercer and Norridgewock



Unit 24

Engine 21

Engine 22

Engine 23

We are pleased to announce that we now staff two full-time firefighters at the fire station; they started in October 2020. Welcome, Firefighters Josh Corson and Andrew Dexter! Josh is a resident of Mercer and was previously an on-call member of our department. Andrew comes to us from Leeds and Turner fire departments and has deep family ties to Norridgewock. The full-time coverage is scheduled weekdays from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM, and they will cover any emergency. Call 9-1-1 in case of emergency. Fire permits are available by calling the station at 634-2208 and remain available online.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department's public education was minimal. We hosted youngsters from The Quimby Child Care Center. The two new firefighters pulled the trucks outside to see the trucks and answered many questions for the curious children. We also made a showing with trucks to celebrate two children's birthdays. We were able to participate in a drive-by parade recognizing Elwin Matthews, a long-time Norridgewock resident who has been active in the community for over 60 years. On a couple of occasions, we escorted Red Knights Motorcycle Club (made up of all firefighters) on charity runs through Town.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel several of our usual events and offerings. We couldn't utilize the fire safety house. The annual tree lighting happened quietly. There was no trick-or-treating at the station, and safety prevailed in pausing Santa's long tradition of visiting seniors. Meetings and training were impacted, too, with only mandatory training being held. Once the Maine CDC has cleared us, we hope to continue with many of our long-lasting traditions.

We sold our 1989 FMC fire truck by sealed bid for \$2,700 to an individual in South Portland; the proceeds were deposited into the equipment reserve account. Unit 24 (2000 Dodge, utility/forestry truck) will be getting a facelift in 2021 due to its deteriorating condition.

Improvements will include a new aluminum body (F3 Manufacturing, Waterville, ME) and a new pull-out pump and accessories (Kimtek Corp, Orleans, VT). This truck goes on a majority of all calls, and its body has been beaten up by its life on Maine's winter roads.

- We applied for a Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) grant to assist with COVID-related expenses. As a part of this grant, we were able to purchase a turnout gear dryer (\$11,153), fully funded by the grant. The gear dryer was much needed but became essential for firefighter safety amid the pandemic. We also received funds for additional personal protective equipment (face masks, gloves, gowns, etc.) and hands-free sanitizer dispensers, and hands-free towel dispensers.
- Norridgewock Fire was also awarded the 2020 Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant through Maine Forest Service for a total of \$2,325.50. This grant is awarded to support the Department's purchase of equipment related to forestry, such as foam, fire hoses, nozzles, radios, etc.
- We recently contracted with First Responder Grants, LLC, to secure professional grant writer Greg Bavis to assist in developing and refining future grant applications. This assistance will be valuable as we look to make larger necessary purchases and look to do so with grant funding. We are looking to submit the first grant to replace our self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) bottles that have a 15-year shelf life. We purchased thirty bottles and associated packs through a grant in 2009.
- The Department has added the Maine EMS license for first responders. We currently have two licensed EMTs on the roster. A refurbished Medtronic Lifepak 1000 automatic external defibrillator (AED) was purchased for \$400 with a 4-year warranty that the attached pads will not be interchangeable with our local ambulance services. A new AED typically sells for about \$2,500.
- **Firefighter and Officer of the Year.** At the Department's recognition banquet in February, these awards were presented respectively to Firefighter Josh Corson, Captain Todd Pineo, and Lieutenant Jeff Jones. Congratulations to all three!
- **Annual Fire Fatalities.** Maine finished the year with **16** fire deaths. This number is a decrease from **18** in 2019. Be sure you have adequate working smoke detectors, no older than ten years old, to include fresh batteries. We recommend that you change the batteries when you change your clocks.

We want to thank the residents of Mercer for your continued support through the many years of service.

Respectfully submitted,

David R. Jones
Fire Chief

RESPONSES FOR NORRIDGEWOCK FIRE IN 2020

Norridgewock:		Mercer:	
Aircraft Crash	00	Aircraft Crash	00
Assist EMS	36	Assist EMS	05
Carbon Monoxide	03	Carbon Monoxide	01
Chimney Fires	01	Chimney Fires	00
Fire Alarms	10	Fire Alarms	01
Life flight	00	Life flight	00
Miscellaneous	07	Miscellaneous	04
Motor Vehicle Accidents	33	Motor Vehicle Accidents	08
Motor Vehicle Fires	02	Motor Vehicle Fires	00
Mutual Aid	26	Mutual Aid	N/A
Power Lines Down	13	Power Lines Down	01
Propane Leak	00	Propane Leak	00
Rescues	01	Rescues	00
Smoke / Odor Investigations	11	Smoke / Odor Investigations	00
Snowmobile/ATV Crash or Fire	00	Snowmobile/ATV Crash or Fire	01
Structure Fires	05	Structure Fires	04
Trees in Roadway	08	Trees in Roadway	00
Trees on Wires	21	Trees on Wires	06
Woods/Brush/Grass Fires	07	Woods/Brush/Grass Fires	01
Total:	184	Total:	32

Norridgewock 184 85%
Mercer 32 15%

Some interesting statistics:

Busiest day of the week was on Saturday, with 46 calls.

Busiest month was December with 30 calls.

Average time for calls is 2:11 pm

41 **online** fire permits were issued for Mercer residents this year.

19 **hand-written** fire permits were issued for Mercer.

23 **online** fire permits were issued for Norridgewock residents this year.

65 **hand-written** fire permits were issued for Norridgewock.

Town of Mercer Annual Planning Board Letter to the Town for 2020

This year on the Planning Board the town of Mercer was pretty busy. We had 2 approved applications which were both approved:

One modification to a subdivision

Second was for an addition to an existing principal structure

This year was an interesting one with Covid . It made having board meetings more tricky however the board came together to do your civic duty. I would also at this time would like to thank all the board members, even though we all might agree on certain subjects however we all in the end work together for the best interest of the town. Another person who should also be thanked is Harriet Varney she does so much for us including behind the scenes. She goes above and beyond for the Town of Mercer and she be recognized. Brenton Lamarre has a also been a committed and a good resource for the board. Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Juskewitch

Chairman of the Mercer Planning Board

Plumbing Inspectors Report

Dear Mercer Residents

2020 was a busy plumbing year in Mercer, with a total of 21 plumbing permits issued. These permits breakdown as follows:

- 8 Internal plumbing permits
- 13 Subsurface Wastewater plumbing permits

As if the Covid 19 pandemic had not already dominated most headlines lately, this years plumbing report will beat the dead horse just a bit further by highlighting an important way the pandemic has effected the world of plumbing.

Remember back to that wonderful period in March/April of 2020 where toilet paper hording became a thing? During this period, folks were forced to either buy Charmin rolls on the black market for exorbitant prices or get creative with their wiping material of choice. As would be expected, paper towels were viewed by many as a handy stand in for toilet tissue, and the “quicker picker-upper” soon became the “quicker bum-hole-wiper”. This catchy slogan even began appearing on select rolls of paper towels (specifically, the ones found in my house, after I wrote it on the packages when my wife wasn’t looking...).

While its easy to see why paper towels would be the go-to substitute for toilet paper, (they’re both made of paper, they both come on a roll and they both have handy perforations for tearing off what you need) they, unfortunately, are a nightmare for your plumbing system. The problem with paper towels is precisely what makes them so great for cleaning up spills; they’re durable! When paper towels are manufactured, long wood fibers are used to give the product strength and longevity, even when soaking wet. Toilet paper on the other hand is made with very short wood fibers which almost immediately begin to break apart as soon as they touch water (ever try to clean up a liquid spill with toilet paper...). This important distinction is what wrecks havoc with the plumbing in your home and septic.

When paper towels are flushed, they retain their original size and form, and are much more apt to cause clogs in your homes drainage pipes. Worse still, when paper towels do make their way to your septic tank, they take exponentially longer to break down, and can clog tank baffles, tank filters, septic distribution boxes, or even the septic field itself. Who knew one simple toilet paper stand-in could cause so much trouble! Don’t flush paper towels!

Now I know what you’re thinking; the toilet paper crisis is over, and paper towel flushing is old news. Well, even though the crisis may be over, there happens to be another item being flushed that is equally murderous on septic systems and in record high demand right now thanks to Covid 19.

What is this evil product causing mass chaos and septic systems everywhere to explode? You guessed it; “flushable” sanitizing wipes

In an effort to sterilize every square inch of the earth to protect against Covid 19, Salmonella, the Bubonic plague and cooties, more sanitizing wipes were sold in 2020 than any other year on record. While I myself have nothing against these handy wipes, the issue comes from the evil marketing departments which slings garbage information at consumers in an attempt to sell more products.

Walk down the aisle at your local supermarket and you’ll see numerous claims of “flushable” this and “septic safe” that. What makes these wipes flushable you might ask? Well, if you put them in the toilet and press the handle, they flush; Viola! they are flushable! By the same token, I could say that my sons Legos are flushable, or that my wedding band is flushable! Press the handle and they’re gone!

In reality, these “flushable” wipes are constructed nearly identical to paper towels, meaning the same long strand wood fibers which give the wipes their robustness, is the same thing that loves to clog your plumbing pipes and take forever to decompose in your septic system.

While most folks reading this likely have their own personal septic system, this problem gets exponentially worse when you look at municipal sewage treatment systems which have hundreds (if not thousands) of households attached to them. Like some sort of nasty mighty morphing power ranger, these flushable wipes often twist together in municipal sewers to form a braided rope from hell, capable of binding up pumps, clogging sewers, and causing hundreds of thousands of dollars in damages. In fact, there have been numerous cities (like New York City, San Francisco, and Washington D.C.) which have filed suit against “flushable” wipe manufacturers to try and recover some of the money spent repairing the damage they’ve caused. While some of these lawsuits have been successful in recovering expenses, they have not been able to get the words “flushable” or “septic safe” removed from packages. This is because there is basically no standard as to what “flushable” actually means, and without it, the companies claim that making them remove the “flushable” language from the packaging would impair their First Amendment (freedom of speech) right. I’m sure this is exactly what our founding fathers had in mind when they were drafting the Constitution....

While you may not have a “braided rope from hell” morphing together in your septic tank, do yourself a favor and never flush anything except toilet paper down your toilet. Well.... toilet paper, and the occasional “flushable” Lego.

Respectfully Submitted

Andrew Marble
Licensed Plumbing Inspector

P.S.

Don’t forget to pump your septic tank once every 3-4 years (or sooner if you use “flushable” Legos often....)



Transfer Station Report

Hours of operation

Sunday 8:00-4:00 PM

Wednesday 4:00-6:00

May 1-Oct 30

Closed April 4, 2021
(Easter)

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Attendant: Derek Tracy Sr

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Located at 52 East
Sandy River Road

Purchase Bags at:

Town Office:

1015 Beech Hill Road
Transfer Station

More information available
mercermaine.com

What do **Your Recyclables** **Become?**

Newspapers-

Many of the newspapers and magazines collected in Maine are recycled at the Huhtamaki Paper in Waterville/Fairfield in the manufacture of paper plates and associated paper goods.

Cardboard- The majority of cardboard is shipped to Canada and overseas.

Products made from Recycled Office Paper- Facial tissue, toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, new notebook paper, new computer paper.

Products made from Recycled Steel/ Tin cans- Bike parts, car parts, steel barns, rebar, appliances, new cans.

Aluminum- New Aluminum, tractor trailer & car bodies

Glass Bottles & Jars- New bottles, new jars, fiberglass.

Plastic Beverage Bottles- Carpet, backpacks, polar fleece, sleeping bags & ski jacket insulation #2 decking, plastic docks & lumber, buckets containers (Source Maine DEP)

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Great Job Denis



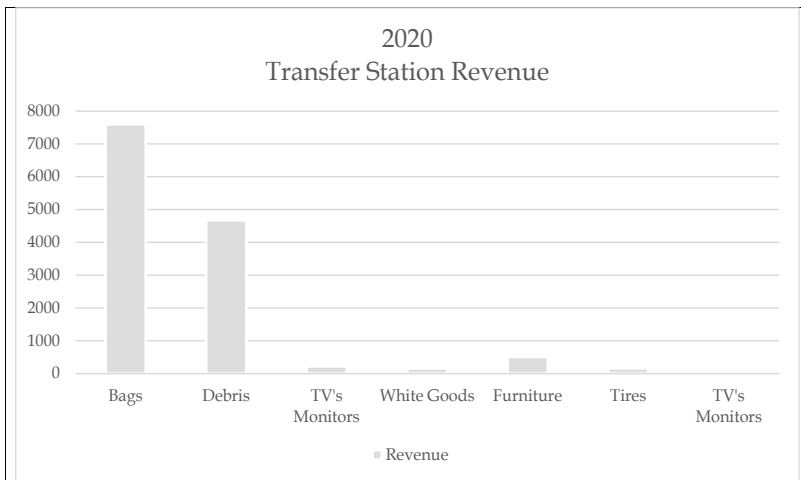
Reduce/ Reuse/ Recycle
Crush & Flatten - Clean & Dry
Will Save the Town Money

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Plastic Bag and Plastic Film Recycling

In 2019, Maine Governor Janet Mills and the Legislature passed two bills into law that target two top sources of plastic pollution: single-use plastic bags and expanded polystyrene (EPS) foam food ware.

The Maine Dept of Environmental Protection is delaying enforcement of the law that bans the use of this product and collection of the 5 ¢ fee for single-use bags until July 1, 2021.



Unacceptable Recyclables:



Food Soiled
Paper



Clothing



Cords / Wires



Food



Electronics
& Batteries



Household
Hazardous
Waste



Needles



Garden Hose



Diapers



Broken Cups
& Dishes



Plastic
Bags



Snack Bags
& Wrappers



Mercer Community Club



As we roll out of 2020, a year that was full of chaos, it helps to put into perspective what is important to us. To the Mercer Community Club, that is community. The Mercer Community Club has been around since the late 1950's and was originally organized to raise money to help build and furnish the new school, which today, is the current Community Center. The current Community Club is now into its third generation of members with the same goal in mind – support of the building and the community.

Membership in the Club is, and always has been, open to residents, past residents, and anyone interested in promoting the following Club goals: 1) to offer programs and activities to people of all ages in Mercer and surrounding communities to promote physical and emotional well-being and to promote a sense of community; and 2) to raise money to help support the Mercer Community Center, while providing a location and equipment for community activities, thus supporting the residents and other Organizations in the community. The Community Club has sponsored many activities for the young and old alike over the years, as well as provided support for upgrades to the Community Center, including the gym floor, a makeover of the entryway to the gym, remodeling of the kitchen, spruce up of the community playground, listing just a few.

Unfortunately 2020 did not allow the Club to operate as normal. We were forced to forgo our normal community events and were even prohibited from our monthly Club meetings. Let's face it, the only bright thing that came out of 2020 were the new parking lot lights that the Community Club had installed!

As we tiptoe into 2021, we anxiously try to anticipate what the year will bring. Will the Club be able to operate as normal this year? While it is unknown at this time, we are looking for suggestions for 2021 events should the world open up around us. The more ideas and involvement from residents, the greater variety of the programs we can provide. We are anxious to welcome new ideas and members. Even if you are only able to volunteer for a one-time event, we greatly appreciate any participation.

Thank you to all those who help to keep the Community Center and its activities going. We are looking forward to things returning to normal. Again, our continued gratitude and here's to a happy and healthy 2021!

Greetings from the Mercer Historical Society:

We are small but dedicated group, and endeavor to preserve and share the history of our beautiful little town. New members are encouraged to become active with us. Those from away with Mercer roots, or a shared interest in our history, are welcome to join our society. Our membership fee is a mere "historic" \$2!

This past year we were affected by the pandemic, and we had to postpone and curtail our activities. We hope next year to expand our public programs related to our rich heritage, depending on the health situation. We received a donation of the original School District # 8 Record Book, 1843-1879, now East Mercer. These records indicate that the present schoolhouse was built in 1857. This is a major find, and we are grateful for such additions. Preservation is one of our major goals.

We wish to sponsor future events, such as a fundraiser supper with a silent or a documentary film. And I hope at some point to arrange for speakers with topics of interest. Please stay posted; all depends on the state of the pandemic. We wanted to hold another annual free Christmas wreath making workshop led by Denis, but we are not allowed to open our small museum to the public.

Like all aging buildings, our society home needs a new coat of paint, more insulation, window repairs and a re-planked ramp. This is still a major concern. Dorothy tends our lovely garden in front, and Chis is our angel of maintenance. Last year Denis planted an old variety apple tree to the side of the building. Let's watch it mature and see it thrive.

We are always very grateful to the town for its generous annual support for our society. Donations are always appreciated as well as a helping hand with painting and various other chores to maintain and improve the building. If interested in membership or with the latter, call Dorothy or Chris at 587-2361. You may also email me at <btracy51@yahoo.com>.

Have you been following our Facebook page? <https://www.facebook.com/mercer.historical>. It is regularly updated with news and old photos. Speaking of which, have you noticed the horse and buggies on the roads? New Amish neighbors have moved in on Elm Street. They are a wonderful addition to our rural community. They are bustling with activity and are selling home baked goods and chocolates. I've sampled a variety of tasty treats, made the oldfashioned way. I'm sure you will agree.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry "Butch" Tracy
President of the Mercer Historical Society

To James Tracy, one of the legal voters in School
Dis. No. 8 in the Town of Mercer.

You are hereby required in the name of the
State of Maine to summon and notify the
Inhabitants of School Dis. No. 8 in the Town
of Mercer, who are qualified to vote in
town affairs, to assemble at the schoolhouse in
in said Dis. on Saturday the sixth day of
May next at five O. clock P.M. to act on
the following articles viz.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
 - 2^d To choose a Dis. Clerk for the year ensuing
 - 3^d To choose an Agent for said Dis.
 - 4th To act on any other business that may
come before said meeting,
- Given under our hands at Mercer this
29th day of April 1843,

Daniel Elliott Selectmen
Moses C. Pike of
Alvin Whitecomb, Mercer.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have
notified and warned the inhabitants of

MERCER MEETING HOUSE ASSOCIATION

January, 2021

To Our Supportive Community,

We'd like to humbly thank all of you for your continued support of our beloved Mercer Meeting House. Your support ensures that the Meeting House stands for generations to come and that it may remain a pillar of history for all those who visit Mercer.

2020 brought challenges to our community as it did for the world. The pandemic forced us to rethink our fund raising efforts entirely. We struggled, as did many, with funding for the necessary repairs to the building. It was also discovered in the Fall of 2020 that the underpinnings and footings of the Meeting House are slipping. Without a secure foundation beneath such a massive structure could prove catastrophic. We are making the necessary steps to ensure work is completed in the spring of 2021, Our community has never let us down, and we hope we can count on you again for support in this project. Please stay tuned to our Facebook page and Town of Mercer websites for upcoming fundraising efforts and community volunteer work days on the project.

Due to the ongoing pandemic and the Maine State of Emergency in place, we may need to alter our events again for 2021. We hope that by August, Maine is open and we can once again host our Mercer Old Home Day weekend. It is tentatively planned for Sunday, August 1st.

As always, we welcome any and all to join us in our plight to save Mercer's history. We hold meetings throughout the year, we'd love to have you join us. We can be reached via facebook at "Mercer Meeting House", or by calling Linda at 207-634-2332 or Amy at 207-587-2225.

Again, our continued gratitude and thanks for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Tibbetts
Vice President
Mercer Meeting House Association

TOWN OF MERCER RESCUE

Dear Residents,

I first want to thank the residents and selectmen of Mercer for their continuous support. It is great to see, hear and feel. We currently have four active Rescue members covering calls. A huge thank you to our members volunteering their time to serve the community. They are Aaron Gordon, Karen Ayer, Patrick Crowley and Adam Keene.

2020 was an odd year with the Covid-19 Pandemic. I would like to think the low call volume of the year was due to residents following CDC guidelines. We responded to 45 requests for service this year. That is half of the calls of 2019. These calls range from public assistance, motor vehicle accidents, cardiac arrest and respiratory distress.

We are looking for more interested people who are licensed, or wishing on becoming licensed, to join the Rescue to assist your neighbors. If you know of someone, or you yourself, who has questions or concerns please feel free to contact myself at (207) 431-2365.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam Keene, EMS Chief
Town of Mercer Rescue

Mercer Shaw Public Library
Annual Report 2020

In the beginning of last year, as in years passed, our Town Library served the community with a welcoming and cozy place to read, socialize in small and large groups, and entertain and enrich children with books, games, art supplies and access to computer apps and online media. Our adult sitting room was a place where people could read, browse books to take home, flip through periodicals, play board or card games, quietly converse and access the Internet. Using our two computers or their own devices with the library's high speed Internet service and printer, many people conducted research, completed homework, filled out applications, read and sent email, shopped online, paid bills, listened to music, etc. People used areas in and around the community center for these purposes as well. A few local artisans' works were on display for viewing and/or purchase. Then, in March, COVID hit and we were forced to bring all of this to a screeching halt.

On March 17th we closed our doors to the public due to the uncertainty of how the virus was spread and began a curbside only circulation service. During that time, Mary (Library Director) attended weekly Zoom meetings (with over 300 library directors around the state) lead by Janet McKenney, Director of Library Development and others at the Maine State Library, who researched and developed guidelines for how to safely continue to serve communities all throughout Maine. They worked in conjunction with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, as well as Governor Mills' office and the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development. After following the strict guidelines that were developed for libraries and implementing many changes to our cozy library, we were certified to reopen on June 2nd, 2020. Patrons in good health, who limit travel outside the area and wear face coverings are welcome to visit. The hours have changed a little, and capacity is restricted to three, but **WE ARE OPEN!** In addition, those who wish to browse the book stacks privately can do so by appointment, and phone and email book requests for curbside delivery also remains available for those who feel uncomfortable coming into the building.

We are pleased to have welcomed Emma Gierczak as our Saturday morning librarian. She has been a delightful addition to the library who brings a keen interest in historical fiction and a cheerful eagerness to assist patrons in finding interesting, suitable things to read! She and Mary have been tidying and tightening up the collection - beginning with the non-fiction section and moving into the Young Adult section soon. Our dynamic collection includes over 6,800 books in print, with an ever expanding array of titles. We offer an abundance of adult fiction, non-fiction, poetry, science fiction, westerns and reference materials. There are picture and chapter books to sign out for children, a young adult section, and an audiobook collection that includes more than 60 titles. Visit the Library's website (mercershawlibrary.weebly.com) for the latest book acquisitions. Our collection is replenished with new books ordered monthly - many requested by our patrons. Unfortunately, due to the strict COVID restrictions, we have been unable to accept book donations at this time and periodicals are unavailable.

Mug Up Social Gatherings. The bimonthly Mug Up gatherings that were organized to help offset the isolation of Mercer's Silver Citizens were suspended due to the dangers COVID poses to those 65 years of age and older. This was a regular library sponsored meeting group since April, 2018 with attendance between 12 and 24 per event for which (as you may recall) its organizers received the Spirit of America Award at the 2020 Town Meeting. Its postponement was a crushing disappointment to all those involved, organizers and attendees alike. But rest assured that as soon as it is safe to resume them, the library will offer these gatherings once again! We all anxiously await that day!!

Library sponsored **pickleball** games were resumed in June after a brief hiatus and have been attended on a regular basis. Rackets, balls, and net are available to use in the community center gym where a court has been delineated. This activity is free of charge and available during library and some town office hours by appointment, with tutorials offered for newcomers. Inquire at the library. Social distancing and face coverings are required during play.

This has been a rollercoaster year for our library, as it has been for businesses and organizations everywhere. Our visits were down 32 % from last year's high of 1,680 to 1137 this year due to an 11 week closure and stay-at-home recommendations by state officials. We are confident that once the pandemic is eradicated, our patrons will return to take advantage of all our library has to offer the Mercer community, as more and more of its services are brought back to life! Currently, the library is open to local residents Tuesday and Thursday 1:30-5:30pm, Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm, and by appointment by calling 207-779-3977 or emailing mercershawlibrary@gmail.com.

The Trustees and Librarians truly appreciate the continuing support shown to our town's Shaw Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Chouinard, Library Director
Shaw Library Trustees

Shaw Library Treasurer's Report – 2020

Income:

Town of Mercer	\$ 9,325.00	
Interest	<u>6.95</u>	
		\$ 9,331.95

Expenses:

Wages	\$ 6,084.01	
IRS	1,007.97	
Books	338.00	
Network of Maine(wi-fi) n/c this year	0.00	
Cushman Accounting	260.00	
Telephone	71.78	
MeInfoNet(books on line)	<u>150.00</u>	
		<u>\$ 7,911.76</u>
Balance		\$ 1,420.19

Year End Account Balances:

Checking Account	\$ 45.41
Savings Account	21,699.84
CD Balance	13,331.15

Respectfully Submitted,

Cherie Sadler
Shaw Library Treasure

Norridgewock Community Christmas Program
P.O Box 642
Norridgewock, ME 04957

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As we complete our fifth year of working to assist families in Norridgewock and Mercer with their holiday needs, we want to thank all of the businesses that are so gracious in their donations. The mission of our program is for business owners to give back to the community in a way that directly goes to the children. Funds donated allow us to shop for gifts and clothing items needed by the families in our communities. Each year we have several families fill out assistance forms and we work hard to fill the requested items and help every child have a Merry Christmas.

We have been including Mercer residents in our program for a few years now but we need your help to get the word out to families who could use our services. The assistance forms go to the Town Office right before Thanksgiving or they are available by contacting me directly. Our program does not deny anyone and our gift pickup is the last Thursday before Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support of our program! We are happy to be serving our communities and will continue to work hard reaching those who can use the program.

The Norridgewock Community Christmas Program
Amanda Taylor - President

North Pond Association

The North Pond Association is grateful to partner with Mercer residents and town officials to help watch over the watershed that is so vital to the quality of life we all enjoy. To those of you new to Smithfield, the North Pond Association is an all-volunteer organization supported by your donations. The NPA thanks you for your continued support. The monetary funding we request each year is earmarked for payment of Courtesy Boat Inspectors. These paid employees are trained and hired by 7 Lakes Alliance as the first line of defense in our quest to keep invasive aquatic plants from entering our lake. If found, North Pond's ecosystem would forever be altered because the rapidly growing plants displace our native plants. The cost of eradication is much more than the cost of prevention, so thank you again for the support!

CBI STATS Summer 2020 as reported from 7 Lakes Alliance - North Pond CBIs inspected 1286 boats, down 120 boats from 2019 (1406 boats inspected) and down 300 from 2018 (1589 boats inspected). Most days there were several boats already in the water by the time the CBI arrived at 7am. (The NPA could use some volunteers to cover 5-7am in the summer! FREE training and FREE tshirt!) A total of 11,362 boats were inspected within the five Ponds using 7LA's CBIs. There were NO invasive plants recovered but 29 native plants were removed by CBIs from boats.

As most of you know, North Pond experienced a serious, early in the summer algae bloom in 2020. All of us are part of the Belgrade Watershed, whether you have a camp on the water or not. The NPA is part of LakeSmart, managed by Maine Lakes. We like to ask the question, "Are You Buff Enough?" to bring attention to the need for buffers along the shoreline. The NPA has a volunteer site evaluator and on a side note, we could use more! The evaluation is FREE. The checklist used helps home and camp owners recognize where problem stormwater runoff could be loading phosphorus and other non point source pollutants into the lake. There are also helpful easy, inexpensive suggestions for all to use to redirect or stop the runoff. Nutrient overloading whether internal or external combined with the hotter than normal temperatures, the drought and lack of wind helped create the algae bloom last summer. We encourage everyone to watch the path of rain water on your driveway or yard to see if the water is slowed down or if it rushes to the ditch, lake or stream. WWW.LAKES.ME has a great link to LakeSmart information or find it at WWW.NORTHPONDMAINE.ORG.

The North Pond Association will once again host an Earth Day Kiosk and Boat Landing Clean Up in both Mercer and Smithfield, we will host our 7th Are You Buff Enough? How to become LakeSmart-er Workshop and all lake associations in our watershed will participate this year, Watercraft Safety Course at Fairview Grange #342 with the MDEP (may be virtual only TBD) and most likely host our Annual Meeting virtually in August as well.

We will continue to raise awareness and education efforts, especially for the many new camp owners around the lake. We hired Charlie Baeder to manage our 319 Grant Funded Projects and many have been completed around the lake with more to come in 2021. The NPA continues to promote tri-town businesses in North Pond News, a portable toilet at the boat landing, provide informational materials at town offices and area stores. We also continue to work with lake scientists from 7 Lakes Alliance and Colby College, to help reach our goals.

Respectfully,
Jodie Mosher-Towle, NPA President



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SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2020 Sheriff's Office Annual Report



Dale P. Lancaster
Sheriff

As your Sheriff, it continues to be an honor and privilege to serve the residents of Somerset County. The men and women of the Somerset County Sheriff's Office are dedicated to protecting life and property. The Office of the Sheriff oversees the operations of the County Jail, law enforcement, court security, and civil process. Somerset County is approximately 4,000 square miles. The County is comprised of 27 towns, 6 plantations, and 83 unorganized townships. I remain the 2nd Vice President of the Maine Sheriff's Association. I was also appointed to the Board of Directors for the New England State Police Information Network and Maine's Drug Enforcement Agency.

Covid-19 has had a direct impact on our enforcement, Courts, civil processing, and Jail. Considerable time and resources has been spent purchasing PPE gear and developing and implementing Covid-19 safety measures to protect Deputies and Corrections Officers. The service of civil paperwork was suspended for approximately 3 months. We stopped in-person visits at the Jail. We negotiated with our telephone provider to reduce costs so that inmates could stay in contact with their loved ones. Administrative staff worked remotely for a number of weeks. We are constantly re-evaluating and modifying our safety measures as the pandemic continues to affect our daily operations.

Law Enforcement

The patrol division is comprised of 11 rural patrol Deputies. Through funding from the State of Maine, we have one Deputy dedicated to patrolling the unorganized townships. The patrol division is overseen by a Lieutenant. The Detective division is comprised of three Detectives and is overseen by a Lieutenant. The Sheriff's Office continues to partner with MDEA (Maine Drug Enforcement Agency) to have an agent assigned to the Detective division.

The patrol division now has a trained drug recognition expert, a State certified accident reconstructionist, and 2 forensic mappers.

The Sheriff's Office has 4 Deputies assigned to Madison along with a Secretary/Dispatcher.

In 2020, the Sheriff's Office had 1 Deputy graduate from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy, Deputy Hunter Howard. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a portion of his training was done remotely, and it took a substantial amount of additional time for him to complete the course studies.

Throughout 2020, the Sheriff's Office Criminal Division investigated a large volume of illicit drug trafficking activities and obtained and executed numerous drug search warrants, which subsequently led to the arrest and conviction of numerous people from Maine and out of State on various Federal and State level drug trafficking charges. Large amounts of illicit drugs, to include heroin, fentanyl, crack cocaine, cocaine, crystal methamphetamine, and controlled pills were seized, along with thousands of dollars in illicit drug proceeds, several motor vehicles and firearms. The Criminal Division investigated numerous serious felony level cases to include robberies, burglaries, thefts, scams, aggravated assaults, unattended deaths and sexual abuse cases.

In 2020, the Crimes Against Persons Detective investigated 30 sex crimes. 13 of those cases involved child sexual abuse where forensic interviewing was utilized. Detective Jeremy Leal is a Children's Advocacy Center forensic interviewer. The Sheriff's Office Criminal Division tracked 54 individuals who are required by law to register as sex offenders, and 3 individuals were arrested for failing to register with the Sex Offender Registry.



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SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Jail

The Somerset County Jail, when operating at full capacity, operates with 36 budgeted Correctional Officers, 8 Shift Supervisors, 2 cooks, 12 program and support staff, and 9 administrative staff to include Major Cory Swope, who is the Jail Administrator.

- The County Jail is now 13 years old. We are projecting the Jail bond will be paid off in 2028.
- The County Jail is nationally accredited through the American Correctional Association and is operating under nationally accepted best practice standards. The County Jail is also PREA (Prison Rape Elimination Act) certified.
- In 2020, the Somerset County Jail processed 1,193 bookings, a 23.8% decrease from 2019.
- In 2020, a significant amount of time and resources has been dedicated to extensive modification of operations related to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Our federal inmate boarding contract was renegotiated to include an increase in our per-day reimbursement rate to house federal inmates.
- Our partnership with Redington-Fairview General Hospital and their Rural Communities Opioid Response Planning grant consortium has led to Redington-Fairview General Hospital being awarded a 3-year implementation grant. Through this grant, the Jail will receive funding to contract for the services of a Case Manager to work specifically with our inmate population that identifies as having a substance use disorder in an effort to combat recidivism. The Case manager will work closely with Redington-Fairview General Hospital and other care providers to continue to provide treatment and programming initiated in the Jail for offenders after release.
- The County Jail continues to actively recruit qualified Corrections Officers to join our professional and dedicated team.

Civil Process

In 2020, the Somerset County Sheriff's Office Civil Deputies received 1,193 papers to process and serve. That is a 30% decrease from 2019.

Calls for Service

- In 2020, the Sheriff's Office received 14,521 calls for service from our residents. This represents a 3.8% decrease from 2019.
- During 2020, the Sheriff's Office responded to 249 calls for service from the Town of Mercer, which is a slight increase over 2019. These calls included 19 motor vehicle accidents, 2 motor vehicle stops, 4 calls for domestic disturbances, 6 calls requesting citizen assistance, as well as calls for theft, criminal threatening, welfare checks and other requests for police services.

The Somerset County Sheriff Office remains committed to our core values: INTEGRITY-RESPECT-FAIRNESS-DEDICATION.

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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate. I am grateful for the trust the people of our State have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to reflect on 2020, an incredibly challenging year for Maine families, small businesses, and communities.

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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January 1, 2021

Dear Friends,

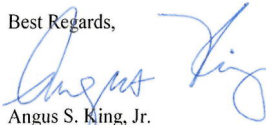
2020 was a year unlike any in our lifetimes. Our state and nation dealt with unprecedented challenges--the coronavirus pandemic, ensuing economic fallout, and a prolonged, heavily divisive campaign season each took a significant toll on all of us. The worst part? In order to protect each other, we had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

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

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

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

Best Regards,



Angus S. King, Jr.
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Jared Golden
Congress of the United States
2nd District of Maine

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. I know that this year has been challenging for many of our communities. In the midst of these challenges, it remains a privilege to represent you, and I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I have been working on in Congress for the people of the Second Congressional District.

The coronavirus pandemic has made this year an especially difficult one. We've seen the struggles of small businesses, workers and families, hospitals, and states and towns. COVID-19 has been a serious threat to public health that requires a comprehensive, ongoing response. In March, Congress passed the largest of three bipartisan pieces of relief legislation, the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act*. The *CARES Act* was a \$2 trillion economic relief package to provide immediate assistance for some of those hit hardest by the pandemic. While an important start, many of the programs and benefits created by the *CARES Act* were set to expire by the end of 2020 at a time when COVID-19 cases were on the rise. That's why in late December, Congress passed another bipartisan bill to provide COVID-19 relief to small businesses and hospitals, the unemployed, and families struggling to put food on the table. However, the action Congress took at the end of 2020 cannot distract from its failure to act sooner. The unwillingness of many members of Congress to accept compromise throughout the fall left many Mainers struggling and led to a rushed process that produced a bill with serious flaws. In 2021, Congress needs to step up, come together, and lead the country through this pandemic and get our economy back on track.

There are a few bright spots that came out of the work done by Congress this year. As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I helped advocate for a national defense bill that would include important priorities for American national security, Maine shipbuilders, and servicemembers and their families. The legislation authorizes a new DDG-51 Arleigh Burke-class destroyer to be constructed at Bath Iron Works and helps BIW compete for new work by encouraging a new multi-year procurement process for the DDG-51 Flight III. This funding bill also makes permanent new federal guidelines proposed by Senator King and me to allow Gold Star Families free admission to national parks and other federal lands.

I've been working to improve mental health services for veterans for years, and I led the Maine delegation's effort to address the need for long-term mental health substance abuse treatment for veterans in our state. This past fall the Veterans Administration announced we were successful. Construction starts next year on a new, 24-bed facility at Togus that will ensure Maine veterans won't be sent out of state to receive residential care for substance use disorder and associated mental health issues. This is one result that I am especially proud to deliver for my fellow Maine veterans.

As I reflect upon what I am most grateful for this year, I am especially glad to be able to share that my wife Izzy and I are expecting a baby in 2021. We are excited about this new addition to our family and look forward to the blessings ahead.

This period is challenging for Mainers as we all take steps to limit the spread of the coronavirus, protect our families and our communities, and lean on each other to withstand this pandemic and economic hardship. My staff and I stand ready to assist Mainers as we work through these challenges together. I look forward to continuing to work on your behalf in 2021.

Respectfully,

Jared Golden
Member of Congress



Brad Farrin
Senator, District 3

130th MAINE SENATE

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An Update from Senator Brad Farrin

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

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

As you are no doubt aware, Maine is in the midst of the one of its greatest difficulties, both in public health and economic downturn. The 130th Maine Legislature faces the challenge posed by a \$1.4 billion budget shortfall, and perhaps more than ever before, state government must learn to live within its means.

As we move through the Legislative session I will be mindful of this and will do my best to hold the line on any new taxes or unneeded borrowing. Like you and your family, state government must tighten its belt in slow economic times and make the difficult but necessary decisions that will allow us to weather the storm.

At the same time, it is very important that we restore a sense of balance in state government where both the Governor and the Legislature work together on behalf of you, our constituents. This is even more important given the unusual nature of how and where this Legislature will meet, given the safety considerations required by the global pandemic. However the legislative process plays out, it is imperative that the public continue to have access to and play a critical role in the work of the Legislature. These will be a few of my priorities this coming year.

In addition to working on these important issues, I look forward to serving on the Legislature's Transportation Committee as well as the Veteran's and Legal Affairs committee.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. The 130th Legislature certainly has a great deal of work to do; but I believe that if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or brad.farrin@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad Farrin".

Brad Farrin
State Senator



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January 2021

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It has been a pleasure to serve the residents of House District #108 in the Maine Legislature. I am honored that you have entrusted me again with this responsibility. As you aware, these past ten months have brought unprecedented challenges to our country, the State of Maine and our communities.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the second session of the 129th Legislature adjourned *Sine Die* on March 17, 2020. The opening on December 2 of the 130th Legislature was still impacted by the pandemic and to ensure social distancing, the *Swearing In* was held at the Augusta Civic Center instead of the chambers in the State House.

I will serve on the Joint Committee of Criminal Justice and Public Safety. This session, the most immediate work will be managing the impact of the impending budget shortfall for the remaining six months of this fiscal year 2021. Hard economic choices will have to be made not only in the short term, but we will then be asked to develop the next biennium budget covering fiscal years 2022 and 2023. Prioritizing efforts will be paramount to the rebuilding of the Maine economy.

I encourage you to actively participate in your state government. Phone calls and letters are always welcome, however, due to the wider use of technology, meetings and hearings are even more accessible. Using the homepage of the Maine Legislature: **Legislature.Maine.Gov**, you will find access to Zoom meetings and YouTube videos. Speaking of technology, you can follow me on Facebook at **Representative Shelley Rudnicki**. I also send a weekly email with current state news. If you wish to receive these updates, please contact me at Shelley.Rudnicki@legislature.maine.gov, and we will gladly add you to our list.

Again, thank you for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta and may you all have a safe and healthy 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Shelley Rudnicki'.

Shelley Rudnicki
State Representative

District 108 Fairfield, Mercer and Smithfield



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We were engaged by the Town of Mercer, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Mercer, Maine as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2020 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town Office.

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STATEMENT C

TOWN OF MERCER, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2020

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 520,649	\$ 194,328	\$ 714,977
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	89,626	-	89,626
Liens	26,398	-	26,398
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 636,673</u>	<u>\$ 194,328</u>	<u>\$ 831,001</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	2,510	-	2,510
Deferred tax revenues	94,531	-	94,531
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>97,041</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,041</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	10,754	10,754
Restricted	69,583	12,263	81,846
Committed	-	171,311	171,311
Assigned	-	-	-
Unassigned	470,049	-	470,049
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>539,632</u>	<u>194,328</u>	<u>733,960</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 636,673</u>	<u>\$ 194,328</u>	<u>\$ 831,001</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF MERCER, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property taxes	\$ 1,075,151	\$ -	\$ 1,075,151
Excise taxes	154,789	-	154,789
Intergovernmental revenues	207,811	-	207,811
Charges for services	22,407	57,226	79,633
Miscellaneous revenues	18,545	87,273	105,818
TOTAL REVENUES	1,478,703	144,499	1,623,202
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	174,259	-	174,259
Public Safety	47,988	-	47,988
Health and sanitation	35,794	-	35,794
Education	563,556	-	563,556
Public works	300,654	-	300,654
County tax	157,207	-	157,207
Cemeteries	3,951	-	3,951
Unclassified	40,649	5,565	46,214
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,324,058	5,565	1,329,623
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	154,645	138,934	293,579
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	42,908	25,105	68,013
Transfers (out)	(7,685)	(60,328)	(68,013)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	35,223	(35,223)	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	189,868	103,711	293,579
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1, RESTATED	349,764	90,617	440,381
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	\$ 539,632	\$ 194,328	\$ 733,960

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

SCHEDULE 1

TOWN OF MERCER, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1, Restated	\$ 349,764	\$ 349,764	\$ 349,764	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	1,047,381	1,047,381	1,075,151	27,770
Excise taxes	-	155,000	154,789	(211)
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State revenue sharing	23,110	23,110	53,345	30,235
Homestead exemption	74,221	74,221	69,450	(4,771)
Local road assistance	4,566	4,566	27,848	23,282
Other income	-	34,757	57,168	22,411
Charges for services	-	20,000	22,407	2,407
Interest income	-	-	156	156
Interest/fees on taxes	-	-	2,878	2,878
Miscellaneous revenues	29,409	39,409	15,511	(23,898)
Transfers from other funds	-	60,000	42,908	(17,092)
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>1,528,451</u>	<u>1,808,208</u>	<u>1,871,375</u>	<u>63,167</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	193,601	188,156	174,259	13,897
Public safety	44,409	44,409	47,988	(3,579)
Health and sanitation	23,000	23,000	35,794	(12,794)
Education	563,556	563,556	563,556	-
Public works	185,000	430,000	300,654	129,346
County tax	157,207	157,207	157,207	-
Cemeteries	5,500	5,500	3,951	1,549
Unclassified	63,865	98,622	40,649	57,973
Transfers to other funds	-	5,445	7,685	(2,240)
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>1,236,138</u>	<u>1,515,895</u>	<u>1,331,743</u>	<u>184,152</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 292,313</u>	<u>\$ 292,313</u>	<u>\$ 539,632</u>	<u>\$ 247,319</u>
Utilization of unassigned fund balance	<u>\$ 57,451</u>	<u>\$ 57,451</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (57,451)</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF MERCER, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
General Government -					
Town officers	\$ 54,182	\$ -	\$ 54,182	\$ 56,397	\$ (2,215)
FICA/Medicare	5,700	-	5,700	5,513	187
Selectpersons contigency	10,000	-	10,000	8,308	1,692
Annual dues	1,786	-	1,786	1,786	-
Insurance	12,700	-	12,700	12,700	-
Selectboard liability insurance	1,720	-	1,720	1,720	-
Workers comp and unemployment	2,500	-	2,500	2,148	352
Health insurance	14,938	-	14,938	12,069	2,869
Town office, Shaw library	40,000	-	40,000	44,563	(4,563)
TRIO	7,900	-	7,900	7,900	-
Assessing	9,000	(5,445)	3,555	3,555	-
Planning Board	500	-	500	157	343
Town audit	3,450	-	3,450	3,450	-
Training CEO and LPI	400	-	400	2,593	(2,193)
Code Enforcement Officer	2,000	-	2,000	1,475	525
General assistance	17,500	-	17,500	600	16,900
Shaw Library	9,325	-	9,325	9,325	-
	<u>193,601</u>	<u>(5,445)</u>	<u>188,156</u>	<u>174,259</u>	<u>13,897</u>
Health and Sanitation -					
Solid waste disposal	23,000	-	23,000	35,794	(12,794)
	<u>23,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>35,794</u>	<u>(12,794)</u>
Public Works -					
Summer road maintenance	60,000	20,000	80,000	72,946	7,054
Winter roads maintenance	75,000	155,000	230,000	197,770	32,230
Paving	30,000	-	30,000	-	30,000
Bog Brook culvert	-	60,000	60,000	-	60,000
Ditching	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-
Pond Road paving and ditching	10,000	10,000	20,000	19,938	62
	<u>185,000</u>	<u>245,000</u>	<u>430,000</u>	<u>300,654</u>	<u>129,346</u>

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF MERCER, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Public Safety -					
Public safety	39,100	-	39,100	38,929	171
Mercer rescue	-	-	-	4,334	(4,334)
EMA	1,209	-	1,209	1,209	-
Animal control	4,100	-	4,100	3,516	584
	<u>44,409</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,409</u>	<u>47,988</u>	<u>(3,579)</u>
County Tax	157,207	-	157,207	157,207	-
Cemeteries	5,500	-	5,500	3,951	1,549
Education	563,556	-	563,556	563,556	-
Unclassified -					
Charity	2,000	-	2,000	400	1,600
Mercer Meeting House Assoc	500	-	500	500	-
Mercer Historical Society	500	-	500	500	-
Youth leagues	750	-	750	-	750
Town scholarships	425	-	425	449	(24)
North Pond Association	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	-
Rescue capital reserve	5,240	-	5,240	-	5,240
Emergency Road Fund	2,000	-	2,000	-	2,000
Covid-19	-	34,757	34,757	34,370	387
Overlay	50,450	-	50,450	2,430	48,020
	<u>63,865</u>	<u>34,757</u>	<u>98,622</u>	<u>40,649</u>	<u>57,973</u>
Transfers to Other Funds -					
Special revenue	-	5,445	5,445	7,685	(2,240)
	<u>-</u>	<u>5,445</u>	<u>5,445</u>	<u>7,685</u>	<u>(2,240)</u>
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 1,236,138	\$ 279,757	\$ 1,515,895	\$ 1,331,743	\$ 184,152

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SCHEDULE B

TOWN OF MERCER, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2020

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 171,311	\$ 23,017	\$ 194,328
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 171,311	\$ 23,017	\$ 194,328
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	10,754	10,754
Restricted	-	12,263	12,263
Committed	171,311	-	171,311
Assigned	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	171,311	23,017	194,328
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 171,311	\$ 23,017	\$ 194,328

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SCHEDULE C

TOWN OF MERCER, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Charges for services	\$ 57,226	\$ -	\$ 57,226
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	-	47	47
Interest income	239	-	239
Other	85,487	1,500	86,987
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>142,952</u>	<u>1,547</u>	<u>144,499</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Other	5,565	-	5,565
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>5,565</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,565</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>137,387</u>	<u>1,547</u>	<u>138,934</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	25,105	-	25,105
Transfers (out)	<u>(60,304)</u>	<u>(24)</u>	<u>(60,328)</u>
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(35,199)</u>	<u>(24)</u>	<u>(35,223)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	102,188	1,523	103,711
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1, RESTATED	<u>69,123</u>	<u>21,494</u>	<u>90,617</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 171,311</u>	<u>\$ 23,017</u>	<u>\$ 194,328</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

State of Maine
Municipal Election for the Town of Mercer
March 6, 2021

Official Ballot
Nancy J. Gove, Town Clerk

To Vote for Candidate, Check the box to the left of the name.

For a Write In, write the Last name, First name
and Check the box to the left of the name.

**First Selectperson, Assessor
and Overseer of the Poor - 1 Year**
(Vote for one)

	Parlin, Ricky J

Trustee of Shaw Library - 5 Year
(Vote for one)

	Fortin, Wanda L

**Second Selectperson, Assessor
and Overseer of the Poor - 1 Year**
(Vote for one)

	Moshier, Gary D

Director of SAD #54 - 3 Year
(Vote for One)

	Bunker-Geyer, Sarah R

**Third Selectperson, Assessor
and Overseer of the Poor - 1 Year**
(Vote for One)

	Dutill, Christopher P
	Hurley, Dari D

Planning Board - 3 Year
(Vote for Two)

	Dutill, Christopher P
	Nosach, Geoffrey

See other side for Referendum Questions

State of Maine
Municipal Election for the Town of Mercer
March 6, 2021

Official Ballot
Nancy J. Gove, Town Clerk

Place a \checkmark or an X in the appropriate YES or NO box to the left

YES **NO** **Question 1:** Shall an Ordinance entitled "Adult Use Marijuana Manufacturing and Cultivation Facilities Ordinance" be enacted with "opt in" authorization within the Town of Mercer for the operation of adult use marijuana cultivation facilities provided they operate in compliance with all applicable state and local requirements?

YES **NO** **Question 2:** Shall the Town of Mercer authorize the State to issue licenses for the sale of liquor to be consumed on the premises of licensed establishments on Sundays?

YES **NO** **Question 3:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 6/12th of the budget amount of the 2020 annual budget during the period from January 1st - June 30, 2021 due to the ongoing pandemic to continue to operate the town until such time as the Annual Town Meeting can be conducted in a safe manner?

YES **NO** **Question 4:** Resolution to Tax Action on Carbon Pollution, the Principal Cause of Climate Change.

"We the citizens of Mercer, Maine, hereby call upon our Federal elected representatives to enact fossil fuel pricing legislation to speed the transition to clean energy sources and to protect Maine from the increasing costs and environmental risks (including floods, droughts, unprecedented wind storms, etc) associated with climate change. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee & Dividend approach. It charges producers for pollution associated with burning fossil fuels, and rebates the money collected to all citizens or legal residents on an equal basis. Such a "Carbon Cash-Back" program decreases fossil-fuel dependence throughout the economy, aids in the household budget of energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in Maine's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 Wall Street Journal) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety. Cashback carbon pricing is:

- *Effective in reducing air pollution, and thus improving health;
- *Freedom loving, putting money directly in people's pockets to spend as they see fit;
- *Benefiting the income of most residents in rural Maine;
- *Creating millions of new jobs throughout the cleaner economy;
- *Revenue neutral, in that the Government keeps none of the funds.

We expect our Congressional Representatives and Senators to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of Maine's natural resources upon which we all rely. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Mercer's State Legislators, to the Governor of Maine, to Mercer's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents."

Thank You ~~~~ You have now finished voting!

Town of Mercer
Town Meeting Warrant for Secret Ballot Election
Saturday, March 6, 2021

To Tammy Lamphere, a citizen of the Town of Mercer, in the County of Somerset, State of Maine,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Mercer in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the **Mercer Town Office/Community Center** in said Town on **Saturday, the 6th day of March, 2021**, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Articles 2 through 6 as set out below, the polling hours therefor to be from 8:00 a.m. until 4 p.m., said articles being the following:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2: To elect three (3) Selectpersons, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor all for one-year terms, one (1) Trustee of Shaw Library for a five-year term, one (1) Director of SAD #54 for a three-year term and two (2) Planning Board members for a three-year term.

ARTICLE 3: Shall an Ordinance entitled "Adult Use Marijuana Manufacturing and Cultivation Facilities Ordinance" be enacted with "opt in" authorization within the Town of Mercer for the operation of adult use marijuana cultivation facilities provided they operate in compliance with all applicable state and local requirements?

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town of Mercer authorize the State to issue licenses for the sale of liquor to be consumed on the premises of licensed establishments on Sundays?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 6/12th of the budgeted amount of the 2020 annual budget during the period from January 1 - June 30, 2021 due to the ongoing pandemic to continue to operate the town until such time as the Annual Town Meeting can be conducted in a safe manner?

ARTICLE 6: Resolution to Take Action on Carbon Pollution, the Principal Cause of Climate Change.

"We the citizens of Mercer, Maine, hereby call upon our Federal elected representatives to enact fossil fuel pricing legislation to speed the transition to clean energy sources and to protect Maine from the increasing costs and environmental risks (including floods, droughts, unprecedented wind storms, etc) associated with climate change. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee & Dividend approach. It charges producers for pollution associated with burning fossil fuels, and rebates the money collected to all citizens or legal residents on an equal basis. Such a "Carbon Cash-Back" program decreases fossil-fuel dependence throughout the economy, aids in the household budget of energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in Maine's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 Wall Street Journal) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety. Cashback carbon pricing is:

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We expect our Congressional Representatives and Senators to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of Maine's natural resources upon which we all rely. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Mercer's State Legislators, to the Governor of Maine, to Mercer's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents."

Given under our hands this 4th day of February, 2021.

Ricky J. Parlin, 1st Selectperson

Gary D. Mosher, 2nd Selectperson

Dari D. Hurley, 3rd Selectperson

2021 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

To Tammy Lamphere, a resident of the Town of Mercer, in the County of Somerset, State of Maine,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Mercer in said county and state, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the **Mercer Town Office/Community Center** in said Town on **Saturday, the 13th day of March, 2021**, at one o'clock in the afternoon (**1 pm**) then and there to act upon said articles being the following:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend any amount not to exceed 3/12th of the current annual budget during the period from January 1st of the following year to the date of that year's annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$75,548 for the salaries, wages and payroll taxes of Town Officers.**

		Requested		
1 st Selectperson	4,000		DeputyClk/Tax Coll	9,184
2 nd Selectperson	4,000		Deputy Treasurer	6,500
3 rd Selectperson	4,000		Transfer Sta. Attend	7,310
TClk, TColl, Treas	29,314		Code Enforcement	<u>1,500</u>
Registrar of Voters	1,000		Sub-Total	69,848
Selectmen's Sec	<u>3,040</u>		SS & Medicare	<u>5,700</u>
Total Full-time EE	33,354		Total	75,548

Note: 2020 budget was \$69,192
 Select Board recommends \$75,548 from Taxes
 Budget Committee recommends: no, vote 2-3-0

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus **\$8,000 for selectpersons' emergency contingencies.** All use of funds to be reported in the 2021 annual report.

Note: 2020 Budget was \$10,000
 Select Board recommends \$8,000 from Surplus
 Budget Committee recommends yes, vote 4-1-0

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,826 for Dues.**

Maine Municipal Association membership	\$1,786
KVCOG membership	<u>\$1,040</u>
Total	<u>\$2,826</u>

Note: 2020 budget was \$1,786
 Select Board recommends \$2,826 from Taxes
 Budget Committee recommends \$1,786, vote 4-1-0

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$16,794 for Insurance (General Liability & Property, Public Officials & Bonds, Workers Comp and Unemployment).**

Note: 2020 budget was \$16,920

Select Board recommends \$16,794 from Taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$16,794, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$13,430 for Health Insurance coverage.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$14,938

Select Board recommends \$13,430 from Taxes

Budget Committee recommends no, vote 2-0-3

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$45,000 for Town Office/Community Center and Town Expenses** plus expend any revenues and donations generated by/for the community center; any unexpended balance to be placed in Town Office Capital Reserve Fund.

Note: 2020 budget was \$40,000 plus revenues and donations (\$46,097 spent)

Select Board recommends \$45,000 from taxes plus any revenues/donations (if any).

Budget Committee recommends \$45,000, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$9,000 for annual maintenance of TRIO accounting, assessing program, tax collection, motor vehicle (including Rapid Renewal online vehicle registration) and backup system.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$7,900.

Select Board recommends \$9,000 from Taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$9,000, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,000 for Assessing;** any remaining balance to be placed in the Assessing Revaluation Fund.

Note: 2020 budget was \$9,000

Select Board recommends \$5,000 from Taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$5,000, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,000 for Solid Waste Disposal, Recycling and Blue Bag purchase** plus expend all Transfer Station revenue generated in 2021.

Note: 2020 budget was \$23,000 plus revenues (roughly \$13,000)

Select Board recommends \$20,000 from Taxes plus TS revenues

Budget Committee recommends \$20,000, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus **\$500 for the Planning Board.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$500

Select Board recommends \$500 from Surplus

Budget Committee recommends \$500, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,100 for Animal Control and the Humane Society,** plus expend any dog license revenue.

Note: 2020 budget was \$4,100

Select Board recommends \$4,100 from taxes plus dog license revenue

Budget Committee recommends \$4,100, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus **\$5,500 for Cemetery Care.**
Note: 2020 budget was \$5,500
Select Board recommends \$5,500 from Surplus
Budget Committee recommends \$5,500, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus **\$5,250 for the 2020 Town Audit**, plus expend any donations received.
Note: 2020 budget was \$3,450
Select Board recommends \$5,250 from Surplus plus any donations received
Budget Committee recommends \$5,000, vote 3-2-0; straw poll \$5,250, vote 2-3-0

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to enter into an agreement with the Town of Norridgewock to provide Mercer with fire protection services for a term of no more than three (3) years at an increase of no more than 17% of their budget annually, and on such terms and conditions as the Municipal Officers deems to be in the best interest of the Town.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$51,100 for Public Safety (Fire, Traffic and Street lights).**

Note: 2020 budget was \$39,100
Select Board recommends \$51,100 from Taxes
Budget Committee recommends \$51,100, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 18: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,240 for Town of Mercer Rescue** with any remaining balance to be placed in the Mercer Rescue Capital Reserve Fund.
Note: 2020 budget was \$5,240
Select Board recommends \$5,240 from Taxes
Budget Committee recommends \$5,240, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 19: To see what percentage the Town will vote to deduct on all taxes assessed in 2021 that are paid in full on or before the 30th day after the date of the mailing of the tax bills; funds to come from overlay.
Note: 2020 Discount of 2% cost the town \$14,203
Select Board does not recommend
Budget Committee recommends 2%, vote 4-1-0

ARTICLE 20: To see what rate the Town will vote to charge and collect interest on all taxes assessed in 2021 that are unpaid 60 days after the date of the mailing of the tax bills.
Select Board recommends the maximum allowed by state law (2021 is 6%)
Budget Committee recommends 60 days, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,325 for Shaw Library.
Note: 2020 budget was \$9,325
Select Board recommends \$9,325 from taxes
Budget Committee recommends \$9,325, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$125,000 (\$80,000 from Taxes, \$45,000 from the Summer Roads Improvement Fund) for Summer Road Maintenance.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$80,000

Select Board recommends \$125,000

Budget Committee recommends \$125,000, vote 3-1-1

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$30,000 (\$20,000 from Taxes, \$10,000 from Surplus) plus any LRAP funds received for Paving.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$30,000 plus LRAP

Select Board recommends \$30,000 plus 2021 LRAP funds

Budget Committee recommends \$30,000 plus LRAP, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,000 for Ditching.**

Note: 2020 Budget was \$10,000

Select Board recommends \$10,000 from taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$10,000, vote 4-1-0

ARTICLE 25: To see if the town will vote to appropriate **\$20,000 from Surplus for Elm Street culvert replacement.**

Select Board recommends \$20,000 from surplus

Budget Committee recommends \$20,000, vote 4-1-0

ARTICLE 26: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$40,000 to finish Pond Road and improve Bacon and Beech Hill Road with matching funds from 7 Lakes Alliance Grant.**

Note: Allocation: Pond Road - \$5,000; Bacon \$20,000; Beech Hill \$15,000

Select Board recommends \$40,000 from taxes and \$40,000 from 7 Lakes Alliance.

Budget Committee recommends \$40,000, vote 4-1-0

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$210,000 (\$60,000 from Taxes, \$150,000 from Excise taxes) for Winter Road maintenance, including plowing, sanding and stockpiling sand and salt.**

Note: 2020 Budget was \$230,000

Select Board recommends \$210,000

Budget Committee recommends \$210,000, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$5,000 from Surplus for General Assistance.**

Note: 2020 Budget was \$17,500

Select Board recommends \$5,000

Budget Committee does not recommend, vote 0-1-4

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$1,000 from Surplus for charity. A minimum of 50% of this will be spent in the Town of Mercer.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$2,000

Select Board recommends \$1,000 from Surplus

Budget Committee recommends \$1,000, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$500 for Mercer Meeting House Association and for use of Mercer Old Home Days festivities.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$500

Selectmen Recommend \$500 from Taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$500, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$500 for Mercer Historical Society.**

Note: 2020 budget was 500

Select Board recommends \$500 from Taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$500, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$750 from Surplus for various Youth Leagues.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$750

Select Board recommends \$750 from surplus

Budget Committee recommends \$750, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$425 to supplement the three town scholarship awards.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$425

Select Board recommends \$425 from taxes (\$200 for each high school award and \$25 for elementary award)

Budget Committee recommends \$425, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$500 from Surplus for training costs of Code Enforcement Officer, Local Plumbing Inspector and Health Officer.**

Note: 2020 Budget was \$400 (We added training for Health Officer in 2021)

Select Board recommends \$500 from surplus

Budget Committee recommends \$500, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the **CEO to keep all application fees.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$2,000 included wages

Select Board recommends Yes (2020 fees were \$450)

Budget Committee recommends yes, vote 4-0-1

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,000 for North Pond Association.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$2,000

Select Board recommends \$2,000 from taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$2,000, vote 4-1-0

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,000 for the Mercer Road Emergency Fund.**

Note: 2020 budget was \$2,000

Select Board recommends \$2,000 from taxes

Budget Committee recommends \$2,000, vote 5-0-0

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to elect by secret ballot at the annual town meeting, five individuals to serve as a Budget Committee and to increase the length of the term from a 1-year term to 3-year staggered terms, to be phased in beginning at the 2022 Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to elect from the floor at this meeting, five individuals to serve as a Budget Committee. The committee will meet with the selectpersons within 60 days for the purpose of electing a Chairperson.

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to appoint the positions of Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer. This article to take effect at the 2022 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to increase the length of the terms of the Municipal Officers from a 1-year term to three-year staggered terms, to be phased in, beginning at the 2022 Town Meeting. The initial term of the three Municipal Officers elected in 2022 shall be 3 years- 1st Selectperson, 2 years- 2nd Selectperson and 1 year- 3rd Selectperson. Thereafter each position which is due to expire shall be filled by election for a 3-year term.

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to put up for sale according to terms and conditions determined to be in the best interest of the town a parcel of land on Elm Street with river frontage known as the "Town Forest" and further identified as tax map 10, lot 8 within the Town of Mercer, said parcel to contain 22.68 acres more or less. Proceeds of the sale to be placed in the Town Forest Account Fund.

ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the select board, on behalf of the Town, to take whatever actions are necessary for the Town to become a member of the Maine Municipal Association Property and Casualty Pool Program, including but not limited to the execution of any contract required for such membership and the payment of any required fees or charges. The authority granted herein shall be continued until revoked.

ARTICLE 44: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to join with other participating municipal and quasi-municipal employers to group self-insure for the provision of workers' compensation benefits, as authorized by 39-A MRSA sec 403, said group to be known as the "Maine Municipal Association Workers' Compensation Fund" (Fund); and for that purpose and in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements among participating employers, to authorize the Select Board to enter into a Fund Indemnity Agreement on behalf of the Town and take whatever other actions may be necessary. The authority granted herein shall continue until revoked.

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to extend the deadline for the five member Town Charter Research Committee appointed at the 2020 Annual Town Meeting to provide a report and recommendations to Town Meeting 2022.

ARTICLE 46: To see what action the Town will take to implement a policy that any vendor, service provider, contractor or individual shall be accountable by an itemized invoice(s) or receipt of purchase prior to approval by the Municipal Officers and payment. The authority granted herein shall continue until amended or revoked.

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will vote to revoke 2008 Annual Town Meeting Continuing Article 27: The Town voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to annually appoint a Director of the Mercer CERT Program, to report to the Town's Emergency Management Director.

ARTICLE 48: To see if the Town will vote to revoke 2008 Annual Town Meeting Continuing Article 49: The Town voted to accept the following funds...agency funds or grants not specifically listed above.

ARTICLE 49: To see if the Town will vote to accept and expend any or all donations received from the public, any state, federal, or other governmental agency funds not explicitly allowable by state law, and all grants received in accordance with the intended purpose of the donation, grant or other funds as they are received.

ARTICLE 50: To see if the Town will vote to revoke the 2008 Annual Town Meeting Continuing Article #46 to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend up to 2/12 of the budgeted amount...of that year's annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 51:

To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for Mercer by state law, in the event that the municipal budget approved under the following articles results in a tax commitment greater than that limit.

Given under our hands this 11th day of February, 2021.

Ricky J. Parlin

Gary D. Mosher

Dari D. Hurley

List of Continuing Articles

At past town meetings, voters have approved the following "continuing articles". *[printed for information purposes]*

1991 Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 22: Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon by sealed bid following public notice of sale of such real estate, and to issue quit claim deeds for same. The Selectmen shall first offer to sell to the previous owner for full payment of all delinquent taxes, fees, plus interests and costs. This authorization to continue from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 39: Voted to authorize the Selectmen to accept gifts on behalf of the town. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

1992 Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 12: Voted to authorize the selectmen to fill vacancies on non-elected boards and committees by appointment. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 36: Voted to allow the Selectmen to authorize cutting in the Town Forest in accordance with the Town Forest Management Plan. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

2008 Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 27: The Town voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to annually appoint a Director of the Mercer CERT Program, to report to the Town's Emergency Management Director. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

List of Continuing Articles Cont.

ARTICLE 35: The town voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to close East Sandy River Road for the winter from the transfer Station entrance to the snow plow turn around. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 44: The Town voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to temporarily borrow money as needed to cover the Town's expenses until this year's tax revenues are received. Any such loan to be repaid in full within the year. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 45: The Town voted to appropriate \$1,000.00 from surplus to pay the interest on the tax anticipation loan, if needed. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 46: The Town voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 2/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the current annual budget during the period from January 1, of the following year to the date of that year's annual town meeting. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 48: The Town voted to apply for a Maine State Archives Grant to assist with the preservation of the town's historical records, and to accept and appropriate such funds if received. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 49: The Town voted to accept the following funds:

All Excise Taxes

Municipal State Revenue Sharing

Tree Growth Reimbursement

Homestead Exemption Reimbursement

Veterans Exemption Reimbursement

List of Continuing Articles Cont.

ARTICLE 49 cont.:

Local roads assistance LRAP

MEMA and FEMA funds

All agent fees

Donations from the Public

Any other state, federal, or other governmental agency funds or grants not specifically listed above.

This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 50: The Town voted to authorize the Municipal Officers to accept donations to be added to the principal of the scholarship funds. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 51: The Town voted to appropriate all State refunds of registrations fees for the Mercer Bog Riders. This authorization to continue in effect from year to year until amended or revoked by Town Meeting.

2011 Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 35: The Town voted to authorize the selectmen to appoint one individual from the Town of Mercer to represent the town on the Skowhegan Cal Ripken Baseball Board of Directors. This to be a continuing article unless amended at a future town meeting.

2019 Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 48: The Town voted to authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, pursuant to 36 MRSA § 506, the amount collected not to exceed the previous year's taxes. Interest on any prepayment will be zero percent.

ARTICLE 49: The Town voted to allow the Town Treasurer, after Municipal Officers approval, to file a waiver of automatic foreclosure at the Registry of Deeds, pursuant to 36 MRSA section 944, on real estate that may be burdensome on the town.

List of Continuing Articles Cont.

ARTICLE 50: The Town voted to prohibit a Municipal Officer from being an employee or an independent contractor for the Town of Mercer.

ARTICLE 51: The Town voted to ensure that work conducted on behalf of the Town of Mercer in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500) must have a written contract.

IN APPRECIATION

During this pandemic year, we wish to thank all those who continually put themselves at risk for the health, safety and well-being of others. So, thank you, health care workers, first responders, protection agencies, grocery workers, pharmacists, delivery drivers, teachers, and all others who worked selflessly to help others during this pandemic.

The Town is grateful for all the donations we received from the community as well as community volunteerism to get the jobs done. We couldn't have gotten so much accomplished without you. Many thanks to all who gave a helping hand, from fixing a ditch or a road, to donating food and syrup, equipment and your time. We hope it continues as "many hands make light work"!

Looking forward to 2021, we hope to bring the community together with a BBQ and summertime fun, pandemic permitting of course.



(Above:

Red Thomas, who donates maple syrup at Christmas time each year;

Left:

some of our community volunteers.)



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Monday 8 am-3 pm; Tuesday 12 pm-6 pm; Wednesday 8 am-7

Animal Control Officer.....	441-7121	Kathleen Ross
Code Enforcement Officer.....	313-3604	Brenton Lamarre
Court, District	474-9518	
Court, Superior	474-5161	
District Attorney's Office.....	474-7404	
Fire Warden.....	587-4331	Dennis Obert
Deputy Fire Warden.....	587-4551	Chris Holt
Health Officer	314-8336	Heidi Dubois
Hospitals: Redington Fairview Gen Hosp.....	474-5121	
Hospitals: ME Gen Medical Center-Wtvl.....	872-1000	
Hospitals: ME Gen Med Center-Augusta.....	626-1000	
Hospitals: Franklin Memorial Hospital.....	778-6031	
Local Plumbing Inspector.....	779-4858	Andrew Marble
Maine CDC	287-8016	
MSAD #54 Superintendent's Office.....	474-9508	
MSAD #54 Mill Stream Elementary	634-3121	
MSAD #54 Skowhegan Area Middle.....	474-3339	
MSAD #54 Skowhegan Area High.....	474-5511	
Norridgewock Fire.....	911 or 634-2208	
Norridgewock Post Office	634-4201	
Shaw Library.....	779-3977	
Somerset County Commissioners Office.....	474-9861	
Somerset Registry of Deeds.....	474-3421	
Somerset Registry of Probate.....	474-3322	
Somerset Sherriff Dept.....	911 or 474-9591	
State Police.....	911 or 474-3350	

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, DIAL 9-1-1