

ANNUAL REPORT

WAYNE, MAINE



**FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 2023**

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**Note: A complete copy of the audit and notes to financial states are on file at the Town Office (14 Kents Hill Road) and online (www.waynemaine.org) for inspection.

Annual Town Report Dedication

Every year, the Selectboard is given the distinct task of recognizing an individual, individuals, or organization that has demonstrated true community spirit and contributed much to the shaping of our wonderful community of Wayne. This year's dedication of the Annual Town Report will be awarded to several amazing residents. These residents, through their unlimited time, energy, and devotion, have given much to the betterment of our community. This honor has been awarded to:

Peter Ault (Jan 31, 1931-Aug 10, 2023) loved Wayne, where he was always very grateful to have spent most of his life, and where he was very active in the community. Peter's large family moved to Wayne year-round in 1942 when he was 10 years old. Peter was a great storyteller of the old days, and had an unusually excellent memory, easily reciting specific dates and names. The Town of Wayne is very thankful for Peter's many years of faithful service, holding many roles, including: Wayne Planning Board, Selectboard, Town Treasurer, Library Trustee, Historical Society Committee, Conservation Commission, and 30 Mile River Watershed Association. In 2014, Maine Municipal Association presented Peter with the Ethel N. Kelley Memorial Award at the annual convention. The town office staff especially misses Peter's positive attitude and bi-weekly visits, stopping by often with an ice cream treat.

Jeanie Dorson (May 3, 1935-Dec. 9, 2023) moved to Wayne in 1961 and became a very active and beloved community member. She was a Sunday School teacher at the Wayne Community Church, the Acolyte Leader for 32 years, a Minta Class member, and Financial Secretary for 41 years. She was also a Senior Citizen Trips Coordinator, a member of the Administrator Council, Wayne Church Historian, and Editor of the "Wayne Messenger" for 37 years. Jeanie also taught Wayne Pep Squad at the Elementary School, and became Administrative Secretary at the Wayne Elementary School for 20 years. She was also employed as the Secretary of the Wayne Community Church for 20 years. She was a member of the Wayne Historical Society where she also served as the Secretary, a Member of the Cary Memorial Library, and a volunteer for the Kindergarten Rookie Readers Program at the school. Jeanie was awarded the 2011 Spirit of America Award, not only by the Town but also by members of the State Senate and the Maine House of Representatives for her volunteer work over the decades.

Mary Norris Farnham (March 16, 1937-Dec. 19, 2023) lived in North Wayne for all her life and she was very proud of her Norris family roots. She attended school in the North Wayne Schoolhouse, was active in the North Wayne Church, and served the Town of Wayne for years as a Deputy Clerk, and as a Select Board member for 6 years. Mary was also on the North Wayne Schoolhouse Committee and the Transfer Station Committee, for years. Goodhearted and very giving to those in need, especially at Christmastime, Mary was also known locally for her baked goods, jams, and jellies. She loved her neighbors, and if someone new moved into the neighborhood, they always got a loaf of her famous homemade bread.

Earle N. Welch Sr. (July 24, 1935-Nov. 21, 2023) lived in North Wayne and was an active member of the Wayne Fire Department for over 40 years, beginning in 1964. The 1st Captain of the current Firetruck #74, he could always be depended upon to get to the scene of every fire. Earle was also a caring neighbor who could fix anything, and he never hesitated to help anyone in need. The Town of Wayne is grateful for Earle's many years of service.

WAYNE TOWN OFFICIALS

July 1, 2023

Elected Town Officials

Board of Selectmen/Assessors and Overseers of the Poor [3YR-Elected]

Amy Cushman Black	Term Expires in 6/30/2024
Marianne Butak	Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Stan Davis, Vice-Chair	Term Expires in 6/30/2024
Trent Emery, Chair	Term Expires in 6/30/2025
Lloyd Irland	Term Expires in 6/30/2026

Budget Committee

[5YR-Elected]

David Stevenson	Term Expires in 6/30/2028
Eric Stinneford	Term Expires in 6/30/2027
James Perkins	Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Emily Clifton	Term Expires in 6/30/2025
Carol Ladd	Term Expires in 6/30/2024

RSU #38 School Board

[3YR-Elected]

Keltie Beaudoin	Term Expires in 6/30/2024
David Twitchell	Term Expires in 6/30/2026

School Committee

[3YR-Elected]

Vacant	Term Expires in 6/30/2025
David Twitchell	Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Theresa Kerchner	Term Expires in 6/30/2024

Appointed Town Officials

30-Mile River Watershed Association Representative

Annie Moran

Aging at Home Outreach Coordinator

Deborah Emery

Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corporation Representative

Don Welsh

Animal Control Officer

Anna Carll

Assessor Agent (RJD Appraisal)

Rob Duplisea

Cobbossee Watershed District Trustee

Eileen O'Reilly

Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector

Chip Stephens

Dead River Dam Maintenance Committee Representative

Lloyd Irland

Fence Viewer

Charles King

Fire Department

Taylor Stevenson, Fire Chief, Fire Warden and Emergency Management Director

Bruce Mercier, Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Warden

Steve Booth, Assistant Fire Chief and Fire Warden

Jim Welch

Mark Bachelder

Robert Bandy

Sydney Birtwell

Jillian Booth

John Christopher

Elaine Christopher

Stefan Gawron

Gary Hunt

Colin Jones

Megan Stevenson

Wyatt Stevenson

Emma Roesner

Isaac Stevenson

Timothy Booth

Ladd Recreation Director and Youth Sports Coordinator

Adam Brooks

Tax Collector

Bryce Cobb

Town Clerk and Registrar of Voters

Cathy Cook

Town Manager, Road Commissioner, General Assistance Administrator and Health Officer

Aaron Chrostowsky

Treasurer and E-911 Addressing Officer

Bruce Mercier

Wayne Village Dam keeper

Marcin Gawron

Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Aging-at-Home

Jane Davis
Stan Davis
Deborah Emery
Patricia Ender
Stephanie Merrill
Connie Irland
Lynette Stinneford

Archival Board

Leo Behrendt
Judy Danielson
Carroll Paradis
Gerry Paradis
Vacancy

Board of Appeals

Teco Brown, Secretary
Steve Dodge
Fred Duplisea
Theresa Kerchner
Henry Steck, Chair

[3YR-Appointed]

Term Expires in 6/30/2024
Term Expires in 6/30/2025
Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Term Expires in 6/30/2024
Term Expires in 6/30/2026

Cemetery Association

Baylee Bachelder, Secretary
Ken Foss
Linda Morin, President
Michelle Murray
Britt Norton, Vice-President, and Sexton
Doug Stevenson, Treasurer
Don Welsh

Conservation Commission

Leslie Burhoe, Secretary
Lloyd Irland
Chris Jones, Chair

[3YR-Appointed]

Term Expires in 6/30/2025
Term Expires in 6/30/2024
Term Expires in 6/30/2026

Diana McLaughlin
Ken Spalding
Fred Hurley, Associate
Kelly Hess

Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Term Expires in 6/30/2024
Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Term Expires in 6/30/2026

Farmers' Market Committee

Tammy Birtwell
Leslie Burhoe
Jane Davis
Theresa Kerchner, Chair
Cindy Townsend

Memorial Day Committee

Peter Ault
Kathleen Ballou
Rick Parker
Doug Stevenson
Holly Stevenson
Don Welsh

Planning Board

Ed Bergman, Vice-Chair
Mitchell Cobb
Doug Farris
Andrew Gorrill, Chair
Tom Moran
Megan Stevenson
Jeannie Burnett

[5YR-Appointed]

Term Expires in 6/30/2028
Term Expires in 6/30/2024
Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Term Expires in 6/30/2025
Term Expires in 6/30/2027
Term Expires in 6/30/2026
Term Expires in 6/30/2024

Regional Solid Waste Committee

Kim King
Kelli Hess
Amy Cushman Black, Selectboard

**Town Manager's
2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Message to the Community**

Dear Residents,

As I reflect on the past year as the Interim Town Manager in Wayne, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity to serve this community. It has been a challenging yet rewarding experience, and I have learned so much during my time in this role.

One of the most important lessons I have learned is the importance of effective communication. Building relationships with residents, local businesses, and officials has been crucial in addressing issues and moving our town forward. By listening to feedback and concerns from all stakeholders, we have been able to make informed decisions that benefit everyone involved.

I am proud of the progress we have made over the last year, but there is still work to be done. As I continue in my role as Interim Town Manager or Tax Collector in the upcoming year, I am committed to serving the residents of Wayne with integrity, transparency, and dedication. Together, we can create a thriving community that we can all be proud of.

Sincerely,

Bryce E. Cobb
Interim Town Manager

Dear Friends:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins

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CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL PARKS
SUBCOMMITTEE
INTELLIGENCE
VETERANS' AFFAIRS

January 1, 2024

Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Angus S. King, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

ANGUS S. KING, JR.

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Committee on Armed Services
Committee on Small Business

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

Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Respectfully,

Jared F. Golden



STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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AUGUSTA, MAINE
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Member of Congress

Dear Maine Resident:

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

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

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

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

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

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Janet T. Mills'.

Janet T. Mills
Governor



Craig V. Hickman
Senator, District 14

THE MAINE SENATE
131st Legislature

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Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Neighbor,

I trust that you and your family are safe and healthy. I deeply appreciate the opportunity to continue serving as your State Senator. It remains the highest honor of my life to represent you in the Maine Legislature and I remain committed to working hard for you every single day.

I am proud to report I will maintain my position as the Senate Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs. This committee oversees campaign finance, elections, and the Office of the Secretary of State. As a staunch defender of voting rights and our democracy, I take this role very seriously. I will continue to support the women and men who have served in uniform and the small business owners in the industries that bring in the most revenue for our state.

I am maintaining my position Senate Chair of the Government Oversight Committee. Evaluating agencies and programs and keeping government accountable to the people remains most essential to legislative oversight. Most notably this year, the committee has been evaluating DHHS and how to address the issues facing so many children and families across this state. I'm ensuring our committee maintains our promise to hold government organizations accountable and create substantial change.

I am also returning to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry where I have previously served four terms, two as House Chair. As an organic farmer and author of the Maine Food Sovereignty Act, the Right to Food Constitutional Amendment, and legislation to End Hunger in Maine by 2030, improving Maine agriculture and strengthening our local and regional food systems will always be a priority.

Looking ahead, it's clear that we need to build on our work from earlier this year and continue to address the safety and security of Maine's children, work towards solutions for safer legislation surrounding firearms, and continuing the fight to end food insecurity.

Public service remains my purpose and my duty, not only during session, but also year-round. If you need to contact a state agency or department, want to share comments or concerns, or know a youngster who wants to serve as an Honorary Paige in the Senate, please don't hesitate to send me an email at Craig.Hickman@legislature.maine.gov or call my office at 287-1515.

Wishing you peace and prosperity in 2023.

Take care of your blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig V. Hickman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Craig V. Hickman
State Senator



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January 2024

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As the Second Regular Session of the Maine State Legislature convenes, I would like to thank you for granting me the opportunity to serve the citizens of District 91 in the Maine House of Representatives. Representing you is an honor and a privilege I take seriously. This is a wonderful opportunity for me to make a difference in the community and I am looking forward to the new challenges that wait in the 2024 legislative session.

The First Regular Session of the Legislature was a busy one, as lawmakers faced many difficult issues and decisions. I believe you will be pleased with some of the accomplishments of the 131st Legislature so far. My colleagues and I were able to pass multiple bi-partisan spending agreements that included supporting hospitals and long-term care facilities, working to stabilize highway and road funding, and improving the efficient delivery of government services. I continue to support legislation that would reduce high energy costs while shoring up supply resiliency and capacity, as well as procurement and generation priorities.

I will continue to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services as we tackle matters that are crucial to our community.

I encourage you to visit the Legislature's website at www.legislature.maine.gov. From here, you can browse bill summaries, view our legislative session and public hearing schedules, submit testimony, listen to committee hearings or watch live streaming video of the House and Senate.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to represent you. Hearing your thoughts on the issues that are important to you helps me to better serve you. Please, do not hesitate to call anytime if you feel you need my assistance. If you would like to be added to my email list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request at Joshua.Morris@legislature.maine.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joshua Morris".

Joshua Morris
State Representative



30 Mile River Watershed Association

Wayne Snapshot 2023:

- \$8,000 in annual funding from the Town
- 164 Wayne donors/donor families
- 63 volunteers providing 328 hours to support 30 Mile programs on Wayne's lakes/ponds
- 1,334 inspections and 644 inspection hours on Androscoggin Lake
- 30 sampling trips to monitor water quality in Androscoggin, Pocasset, and Lovejoy
- At least five (5) Wayne landowners received technical assistance for erosion problems
- Six (6) LakeSmart evaluations completed on Wayne's lakes/ponds
- Three (3) YCC projects completed on Androscoggin and Lovejoy
- 236 monthly newsletter subscribers from Wayne

Watershed Impact in 2023:

Androscoggin Lake Watershed Planning

We developed a Watershed-Based Protection Plan for Androscoggin Lake that lays out a strategy for watershed protection over the next 10 years. We applied for and were awarded a grant of \$150K to begin watershed remediation efforts in 2024 & 2025.

Invasive Milfoil in Androscoggin

Since it was first found in 2020, we have fought the infestation of invasive variable milfoil in Androscoggin Lake. For the third summer, we successfully removed all plants found. We have kept it from spreading and are seeing fewer plants. We will continue the fight in 2024 to protect Androscoggin and all our lakes.

Our First Line of Defense

Our paid staff and 11 volunteer Courtesy Boat Inspectors conducted 2,584 inspections. Although it is rare for us to find an invasive species on a boat or trailer, all it takes is one fragment to start an infestation and ruin a lake.

Invasive Bladderwort in Tilton

In August, a new invasive plant, swollen bladderwort, was found in Tilton Pond at the top of the watershed. Our surveys confirmed that there is dense growth throughout the pond. In 2024, we will work to prevent its spread downstream to the other lakes and ponds in the 30 Mile River Watershed.

Pocasset Lake Watershed Survey

In September, we completed the Pocasset Lake Watershed Survey. 14 trained volunteers and 6 technical leaders surveyed the developed areas of the watershed, identifying 69 erosion sites that are

impacting or have the potential to harm water quality. With this data, we will take steps to address erosion and better protect Pocasset.

Water Quality Monitoring

Our staff completed a full season of monitoring on 13 lakes and ponds - expanding our monitoring of Echo Lake, and Hales, Kimball, Tilton and Whittier Ponds. Working with 27 volunteers, we completed 112 sampling events. In response to algal blooms on Androscoggin, we completed a second season of intensified monitoring of the lake and its tributaries. For in-depth water quality reports for each lake, go to <https://30mileriver.org/water-quality-monitoring/>

Supporting Landowners

Our Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) completed 11 projects on 6 lakes and ponds in 2023 to address erosion problems harming water quality. Overall, we provided technical assistance to 33+ landowners.

LakeSmart

30 Mile is a regional LakeSmart "HUB" support center for this statewide program. LakeSmart is possible thanks to our partner lake associations and the 15 volunteer coordinators and evaluators doing the work. In 2023, more than 20 LakeSmart evaluations were completed in the 30 Mile region, delivering landowner education property-by-property and shore-by-shore to create a conservation ethic across the lake community.

Septic System Vulnerability Study & Permit Database Project

Thanks in part to a grant from the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund, we are leading a new project to assess the impact of septic systems within our watershed, and provide our partner towns with a town-wide septic system database and a tool for current and future septic permit and maintenance tracking. Project findings and an interactive septic risk map will be available on 30 Mile's website in spring 2024.

Thank you, Wayne, for your continued financial support, and to all the residents who contribute individually in support of our mission: ***To work as a community for clean and healthy lakes, ponds and streams in our watershed.***

2024 Funding

Our funding request of \$10,000 for 2024 includes \$9,000 to support all 30 Mile programs benefitting Wayne, plus an additional \$1,000 of required matching funding for two (2) grant projects: \$500 for the septic project described above (committed in 2023), and \$500 for a road vulnerability assessment and inventory project (committed in Feb 2024).

To learn more about all of 30 Mile's activities, and to sign up for our newsletter, visit: www.30mileriver.org



Aging at Home Town Report 2023-24

The Aging at Home organization has proven to be a huge support for the seniors in our Wayne community. The organization provides programs and opportunities for social interaction among our older citizens. Some of our programs focus on the importance of decreasing social isolation, improving health, and providing support at home. In 2021, 33% of Wayne's population were aged 65 and over. The age demographics of Wayne reflect it as one of the oldest towns in Maine. According to the 2020 national census, Maine's age demographics rank it as the oldest state in the country. The need for elder services is critical to many of our residents.

Weekly activities have become part of the regular schedules for many of our seniors. Some of the most popular programs are monthly luncheons, a summer art show, vaccination programs and music events. AAH has offered special programs on a wide variety of topics such as Wayne history, technology support and first responder presentations. Many people attend regular classes like chair yoga, Tai Chi, bridge and Mahjong. Additionally, Aging at Home provides support to seniors in their homes. Lunch deliveries, grocery pick up, transportation and home visits are all part of the services provided to our citizens.

The AAH program hosted more than 1600 visits in 2023. An impressive number for a town of 1100 people. During the year, AAH transitioned to a new coordinator. The new coordinator as of March, 2024, is Deborah Emery. Deborah has been acting coordinator at certain times for our previous coordinator, Pam Chenea. The town owes a deep appreciation to the hard work of Pam Chenea over the past several years.

Town funds for AAH support only the coordinator's position. All programs are supported through citizen donations. AAH will continue to be responsive to the needs of our senior citizens. Plans for a new dementia prevention program, entitled Project M.I.N.D.S (Movement, Interests, New Learning, Diet, Social Connections) based on current brain research, will be forthcoming.

**Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corporation
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Wayne, ME 04284**

January 30, 2024

During 2023 ALIC in conjunction with 30 Mile Watershed, ALIC has continued the battle with the invasive milfoil in Inner Cove. ALIC is happy to report that at this point no invasives have been found outside of the initial infestation area and the amount of milfoil being pulled by the trained divers continues to decrease. ALIC's Eyes On The Water trained volunteers are continuing to survey the lake each summer to identify any possible spread. We are also continuing the Courtesy Boat Inspection, our largest single expense, at the public landing during the summer months.

2023 brought another, although not as severe, Algal Bloom late in the season. ALIC continues utilize the data gathered during the watershed survey of 2022 in an effort to find ways of reducing the high Phosphorus levels leading to the growth of Algae.

ALIC, along with 30 Mile, continues to expand the scope and frequency of water quality tests, a key element in preserving Androscoggin Lake, a most valuable resource.

ALIC is only able to continue its efforts through the hard work of many volunteers and financial support of both our members as well as other donors including The Town Of Wayne.

Thank You,

A rectangular area containing a handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to the Treasurer of ALIC.

Treasurer ALIC

REPORT OF THE ASSESSOR

The Assessor's Agent is charged with the responsibility of discovering, listing and valuing, in a fair and equitable manner, all property, real & personal, within the Town. The Assessor also maintains the Town tax maps, updates Town records with property ownership transfers and does field reviews for all building permits. All State Tax Law programs, including the Current Land Use (Tree Growth, Farmland and Open Space), the Homestead, Veterans, and Blind exemptions, as well as the State BETR (Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement) & BETE (Business Equipment Tax Exemption), for the Town are administered by the Assessor.

For 2024, the Assessor's Agent has completed a Town-wide revaluation of all properties in Wayne. Over the next few months, you will receive a notice with an updated assessment and tax amount estimate. We will be holding meetings with taxpayers that may have questions regarding these new values.

There are some exemptions available for qualifying individuals that may reduce the taxable valuation of the property and save the taxpayer money.

The Homestead Exemption: To qualify for the Homestead Exemption, you must have owned and resided in a Maine homestead for at least 12 months as of April 1st of the year for which you are applying. You must file an application with the Tax Assessor's Office of your municipality. Once you file, you need not file again, unless you have moved during the past year. Applications must be filed by April 1st in the year for which you are seeking the exemption.

The Veteran or Widowed Spouse of a Veteran Tax Exemption: If you are a veteran who is 62 years of age and served actively during a federally recognized wartime period, or a non-remarried surviving spouse of a qualifying veteran, or if you are 100 % disabled Veteran, you may be eligible for this exemption. You must file an application along with a copy of your discharge papers (DD-214) to the Assessor by April 1st in the year for which you are seeking the exemption.

The Blind Exemption: A letter from an eye care physician certifying that the applicant is legally blind must accompany the application.

You may obtain any of these applications at the Town Office.

The goal of this department is to treat all taxpayers fairly and equitably. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel to call 207-685-4983 to find out when the Assessors will be available and to make an appointment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Duplisea
Assessor's Agent

2022 MUNICIPAL TAX RATE CALCULATION STANDARD FORM

Municipality: Wayne FY22-23

BE SURE TO COMPLETE THIS FORM BEFORE FILLING IN THE TAX ASSESSMENT WARRANT

- | | | | |
|---|------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Total taxable valuation of real estate | 1 | 182,445,480 | (must match MVR Page 1, line 6) |
| 2. Total taxable valuation of personal property | 2 | 618,200 | (must match MVR Page 1, line 10) |
| 3. Total taxable valuation of real estate and personal property (Line 1 plus line 2) | 3 | 183,063,680 | (must match MVR Page 1, line 11) |
| 4. (a) Total exempt value for all homestead exemptions granted | 4(a) | 7,136,900 | (must match MVR Page 1, line 14f) |
| (b) Homestead exemption reimbursement value | 4(b) | 5,209,937 | (line 4(a) multiplied by 0.73) |
| 5. (a) Total exempt value of all BETE qualified property | 5(a) | 965,900 | (must match MVR Page 2, line 15c) |
| (b) The statutory standard reimbursement for 2020 is 50%
Municipalities with significant personal property & equipment
may qualify for more than 50% reimbursement. Contact MRS for the Enhanced Calculator Form. | 5(b) | 482,950 | (line 5(a) multiplied by 0.5) |
| | | | DO NOT QUALIFY |
| 6. Total valuation base (Line 3 plus line 4(b) plus line 5(b)) | 6 | 188,756,567 | |

ASSESSMENTS

- | | | |
|---|----|-----------------------|
| 7. County tax | 7 | \$259,000.00 |
| 8. Municipal appropriation | 8 | \$1,478,912.00 |
| 9. Cobbossee Watershed | 9 | \$3,030.00 |
| 10. Local education appropriation (local share/contribution)
(Adjusted to municipal fiscal year) | 10 | \$2,355,237.00 |
| 11. Total assessments (Add lines 7 through 10) | 11 | \$4,096,179.00 |

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS

- | | | |
|--|----|-----------------------|
| 12. Anticipated state municipal revenue sharing | 12 | \$181,564.00 |
| 13. Other revenues: (All other revenues that have been formally
appropriated to be used to reduce the commitment such as excise tax revenue, Tree Growth reimbursement, trust fund or bank
interest income, appropriated surplus revenue, etc. (Do not include any homestead or BETE reimbursement)) | 13 | \$394,907.00 |
| 14. Total deductions (Line 12 plus line 13) | 14 | \$576,471.00 |
| 15. Net to be raised by local property tax rate (Line 11 minus line 14) | 15 | \$3,519,708.00 |

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|---|
| 16. \$3,519,708.00 x 1.05 = \$3,695,693.40 Maximum Allowable Tax
<small>(Amount from line 15)</small> |
| 17. \$3,519,708.00 + 188,756,567 = 0.018647 Minimum Tax Rate
<small>(Amount from line 15) (Amount from line 6)</small> |
| 18. \$3,695,693.40 + 188,756,567 = 0.019579 Maximum Tax Rate
<small>(Amount from line 16) (Amount from line 6)</small> |
| 19. 183,063,680 x 0.018870 = \$3,454,411.64 Tax for Commitment
<small>(Amount from line 3) (Selected Rate) (Enter on MVR Page 1, line 13)</small> |
| 20. \$3,519,708.00 x 0.05 = \$175,985.40 Maximum Overlay
<small>(Amount from line 15)</small> |
| 21. 5,209,937 x 0.018870 = \$98,311.51 Homestead Reimbursement
<small>(Amount from line 4b) (Selected Rate) (Enter on line 8, Assessment Warrant)</small> |
| 22. 482,950 x 0.018870 = \$9,113.27 BETE Reimbursement
<small>(Amount from line 5b) (Selected Rate) (Enter on line 9, Assessment Warrant)</small> |
| 23. \$3,561,836.42 - \$3,519,708.00 = \$42,128.42 Overlay
<small>(Line 19 plus lines 21 and 22) (Amount from line 15) (Enter on line 5, Assessment Warrant)</small> |

(If Line 23 exceeds Line 20 select a lower tax rate.)

Results from this completed form should be used to prepare the Municipal Tax Assessment Warrant,
Certificate of Assessment to Municipal Treasurer and Municipal Valuation Return.

Board of Appeals

The Town of Wayne Board of Appeals consists of five members appointed by the Town Selectboard pursuant to the Town Zoning Ordinance and state law. The purpose of the Board of Appeals is to hear and decide:

- appeals claiming an error in any order, requirement, decision or determination by the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) in the administration of the Zoning Ordinance (but not appeals of CEO enforcement orders);
- appeals claiming an error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the Planning Board regarding its administration of Conditional Use Permits or other permits for which the Planning Board is the issuing authority;
- applications seeking interpretation of issues involving the granting of permits under the Zoning Ordinance whenever there is uncertainty as to the meaning and/or intent of any part of the Ordinance; and
- requests for variances from dimensional requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, including, but not limited to, structure height, percent of lot coverage, and setback requirements.

The Board of Appeals meets once each year in July or August to elect officers and meets thereafter throughout the year as may be necessary to act on requests and appeals or attend to other business that may come before it.

No appeals or requests were filed with the Board this last year. The Board met several times last year to adopt By-Laws, Hearing Rules, and forms for initiating appeals and requests. These documents and forms are available on the Town Website.

Respectfully submitted,

Teco Brown, Secretary
Steve Dodge
Fred Duplisea
Theresa Kerchner
Henry Steck, Chair

Cary Memorial Library Town Report
July 2022 - June 2023

The Cary Memorial Library functions as a free public lending library for the extended Wayne community. It is run by the Wayne Library Association, a 501(3)C non-profit organization with a nine member Board of Trustees.

The library boasts a collection of 13,761 books, magazines, audiobooks, and DVDs. In 2022 we started subscribing to the streaming service HOOPLA, offering library patrons access to over a million eBooks, audiobooks, tv programs, movies and more. Total circulation of books, interlibrary loans and Hoopla/Maine Download Library items numbered 8048. .

The library offers free WiFi 24/7. Request the WiFi password at the library. Public computers and a good printer are available for patron use.

Both the 1938 Cary Memorial Library building and the gracious Williams House are well used over the course of a year. Children's programs, author events, meetings, First Saturdays, book sales and exhibits add a special dimension to the Wayne community. Library visits and attendance at programs totalled 6185, continuing to gain as we began to distance from Covid limitations.

With a combination of endowment funds, fundraising, and a 6000.00 contribution from the town, the library had an operating budget of 80,009.00. The Cary also houses the Wayne Town Archive, a vault area for vital historical records. It is truly a treasure trove of the rich history of the town of Wayne.

So many dedicated Wayne citizens give generously of their time and energy to keep our two buildings functioning well and offering a continuing slate of events. Volunteers organize programs, tend the gardens, manage the finances, participate on the Board of Trustees or as Williams House Liaisons or Friends of the Library, staff the circulation desk and collaborate with the librarian to make everything run smoothly.

To reach the librarian via email: jadelbergcml@gmail.com In addition, we maintain an active email list. Reach out if you want to be added.

To view our attractive and up-to-date website, and to access our electronic catalog, visit: www.cary-memorial.lib.me.us

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Adelberg, Librarian

Mailing Address: PO Box 127 Wayne, ME 04284 Library Phone: 685-3612

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Wayne Cemetery Association

The Wayne Cemetery Association owns and maintains six cemeteries in Wayne:

- Evergreen
- Lakeside
- Gordon
- North Wayne
- Old Burying Ground
- Beech Hill

It is our goal to keep these properties in the condition expected to respect and honor the families of those buried within, including routine mowing and trimming, control of brush and threatening trees, maintenance of fencing, gates, walls, and stones. We continue to plan for the use of annexed space at several sites. In 2023, we are continuing an ongoing program of cleaning headstones and monuments using appropriate products and techniques.

We fulfill obligations applicable to the burial sites of veterans, including assuring placement of flags as required of us, and the town.

We appreciate the Town's continuing support of mowing and cleaning tasks. For information about practices or availability of sites, please contact Bud Norton, Sexton.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wayne Cemetery Association

Linda Morin, President
Bud Norton, Vice President, and Sexton
Baylee Bachelder, Secretary
Douglas Stevenson, Treasurer
Ken Foss
Michelle Murray
Don Welsh

WAYNE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FY 2022-2023 YEAR-END REPORT

It has been another challenging and busy year in Wayne serving as your Code Enforcement Officer and Plumbing Inspector. I continue working diligently with Wayne residents, the Planning and Select Boards, and on the special issues that demand much time and attention. I greatly appreciate the cooperation and help from the Interim Acting Town Manager, Bryce Cobb, and the town staff of Cathy, Bryce, and Bruce. I mention Bryce twice as he is working hard as Interim TM as well as in his other roles as a collector and front desk host. Bryce has worked hard and smartly under tough and challenging times and still keeps his humor and sanity. Economics affecting material and real estate costs have not cooled off, and there has been a lot of activity writing permits and assisting applicants with ordinance guidelines. Add to this the land boom, adding new residents and summer folks to the town, and new commercial changes. This year, we revised our building fee schedule to bring it up to date and mirror other Maine towns similar to Wayne.

We have seen the Planning Board approve two new businesses and a new daycare center in town, and I continue to work with others, previously existing with new owners.

Our Planning Board team has grown into their roles and meeting acumen, lost one alternate, and is looking for a new one. The Planning Board meetings occur on the first Thursday of the month live from the Ladd Rec Center. The issues we are working with range from the mundane permitting processes of new buildings, new businesses, shoreland regulation, and new regulations with solar and shoreland issues. Add to that, this year, we are working with the LUO to incorporate new State mandates for affordable housing, accessory dwelling units, and new manufactured home regulations, and yes, Jellystone.

The CEO's office has been focused on the Land Use changes and the process to incorporate them and the Jellystone challenges. Applications, withdrawn applications, re-applications, and moratoriums, working with a new million-dollar septic project and permits, meetings, and working with lawyers on all sides of Jellystone have been difficult. Still, I have been able to deal with the continuing work with Resource Water Quality, septic regulation, blight challenges, and working to address all other issues that come up. I am always striving to enforce "the rules" and mediate challenges that are often misunderstood or misinterpreted.

Looking forward this year, I see a residential buildout off last years approvals and new permits yet to come. My office is ready to answer questions and give guidance on their progress, keep an eye on compliance and expedite permits to allow projects to start properly move along efficiently.

Finally, we must work with the aforementioned issues and new issues and work as a team. The team encompasses our elected and appointed town officials, our residents, businesses, and volunteer organizations. The Wayne team will continue to participate and be involved in issues we all face. Involved in a positive, thoughtful, and participatory effort using our combined experiences, history, and knowledge to accomplish ends that improve and strengthen Wayne under our town's rules, LUO, and Ordinances that guide us in our efforts.

I look forward to working with all that come by for land use/plumbing needs here in Wayne.

R. Chip Stephens MS
CEO/ LPI Wayne (and Readfield) MAINE

The following is an accounting of activity in 2023 and 2022 for the CEO/LPI

BUILDING PERMITS	2023		2022		
New Home (SFD)	9		7		
Renovation / Repair	10		15		
Garage/Barn/Shed	19		11		
Solar	10		2		
Driveway /Road		8		10	
Campsite	0		1		
Business/Municipal	2		4		
Amusement	4		2		
Planning Board		5		3	
TOTALS		67	\$9618	55	\$4453
 PLUMBING					
Subsurface Waste Disposal	20		20		
Internal Plumbing	20		19		
TOTALS		40	\$9500	39	\$6770.

Wayne Conservation Commission

Annual Report for fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023)

The Wayne Conservation Commission (WCC) focused most of its work on Wayne's 100-Acre Wood in fiscal year 2023. The 100-Acre Wood or "Wood" is Wayne's largest parcel of Town-owned undeveloped land; it includes a mixture of mature tree species, plants, habitat for a variety of wildlife species, dramatic terrain, and some shoreline on Wilson Pond.

The WCC made progress on several objectives critical to meeting the long term goal of preserving the Wood for enjoyment of low impact recreation by the citizens of Wayne and others. Main-Land Development Consultants surveyed, mapped and described boundary lines for a land trade and a boundary agreement. The boundary agreement was needed due to unclear deed descriptions.

On October 2, 2022, the WCC hosted a community hike at the MacDonald Woods and the Readfield Town Forest – two adjacent conservation parcels located in Wayne and Readfield respectively, that are protected by the Kennebec Land Trust. The day was mild and sunny and enjoyed by all participants.

The 2019 vote by Wayne citizens to preserve the 100-Acre Wood as open space for all to enjoy was with the expectation that the use of Town funds to achieve this goal would be minimized. In December 2022 and January 2023, the WCC raised funds to cover the costs of legal and survey tasks for the Wood. Thank you to all who generously donated to the fundraising effort!

In early 2023 the WCC helped to direct placement of boulders on boundary lines in the Wood where needed, to the benefit of both the Town and abutters.

In March 2023, WCC members attended a public hearing on proposed amendments to Wayne's solar ordinance. The amended ordinance was adopted at annual Town meeting in June 2023.

In May 2023, the WCC began placing markers for a second walking/hiking trail through the Wood. Thank you especially to WCC members Ken Spalding and Leslie Burhoe for their continuing achievements in trail creation, and thank you to

other 100-Acre Wood supporters who have donated their time and talent to help with trail development and periodic maintenance.

In May 2023 a boundary agreement was finalized between the Town and two conservation-minded neighbors on terms very beneficial to the Town.

A land trade was completed in June between the Town and another conservation-minded neighbor, resulting in a net addition to the Wood of nearly 2 acres and 250 feet of shoreline on Wilson Pond.

WCC member Anne Huntington resigned from the Commission as of June 30, 2023, after serving on the Commission for many years. Thank you Anne for your generous donation of skills and time to conservation issues in our Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Burhoe, Secretary
Kellie Hess
Fred Hurley (Associate)
Lloyd Irland
Chris Jones, Chair
Diana McLaughlin
Ken Spalding

Report on Dead River Pollution Control Facility,

June 5, 2024

The Dam Oversight Committee (Committee) presents this 2023 report on the status of the operation and oversight of the Dead River Pollution Control Facility, commonly referred to as the Dead River Dam. We are grateful to report that the Dam Committee's team, chaired by Ian Barclay, that conducts day to day maintenance has received the Spirit of America/ award.

Brief History of the Dead River Dam

Androscoggin Lake bears the distinction of being the only lake in Maine which receives floodwaters from a Class C river through a natural reverse-flow phenomenon. The Dead River Dam was constructed in the 1930's "for the express purpose of preventing contamination of Androscoggin Lake from the pollution caused by the flow of waters from the Androscoggin River at times of highwater flow backwards into the lake." (Maine DEP Report, 1985) In 2004, DEP recommended installation of flashboards on top of the existing Dam structure to increase the height of the Dam and its capacity to hold back reverse flow from the Androscoggin River during highwater events.

The Dam continues to be owned by the State of Maine (Department of Agriculture and Forestry). Since the early 2000's, the DOAF has delegated oversight and maintenance responsibility for the Dam to local control. The Committee, which is comprised of one representative from each of the following: Wayne, Leeds, DEP, DOAF, and Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corporation, has had oversight and maintenance authority since that time.

Role of Dam Oversight Committee

In recent years, the Dam's operation and maintenance was accomplished without a formal agreement in place to guide the committee. That changed in April of 2023 when a new Dead River Dam Oversight Agreement was signed by the parties above (Wayne, Leeds, DEP, DOAF and ALIC). The Agreement spells out the Committee's purpose: "[The Committee acts] in an executive capacity to set policies and make local decisions concerning oversight of the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the Dam, including deciding on arrangements for cleaning of the pass-through grates, replacement of damaged flashboards, and approval of other repairs to keep the Dam in operating order." The Committee's responsibility also includes seeking periodic evaluations of the Dam's overall condition and continued effectiveness in service of its intended purpose.

2023 Maintenance/Funding Update

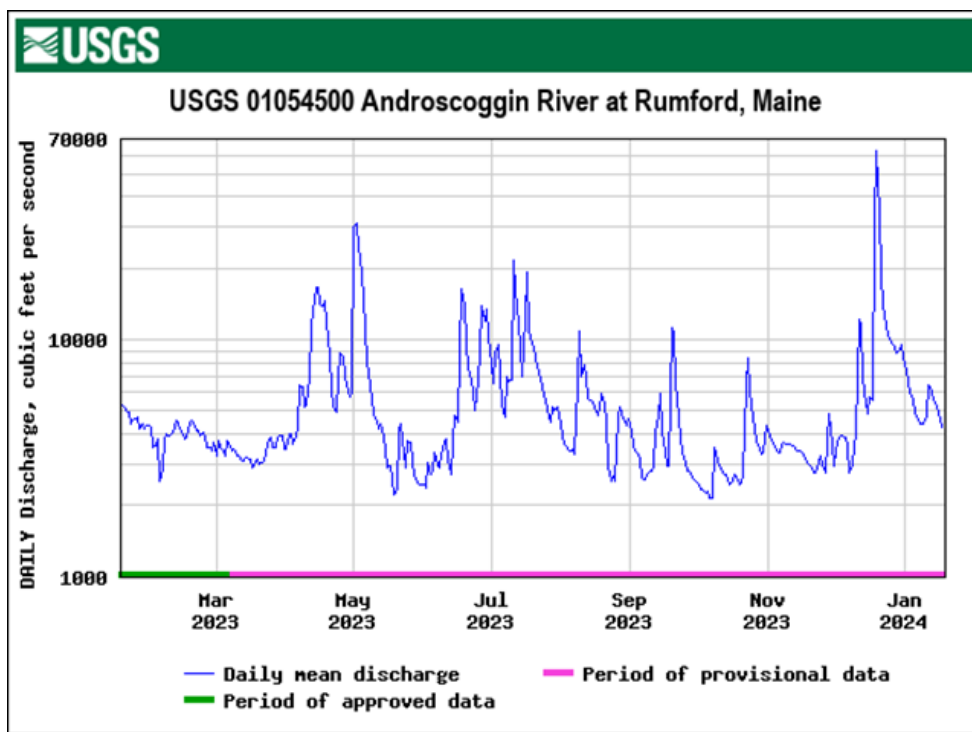
In addition to the expected spring reverse-flow after ice-out, the Dead River Dam experienced three additional major high water flood events in 2023. These events in

April, October and December led to significant backflow into Androscoggin Lake and extreme high water and, in some instances, flooding conditions.

High water reverse flow at the Dam in the spring of 2023 caused damage to the flashboards installed on top of the Dam, which required repairs, including replacement of multiple sections. In 2023, additional funds were spent to purchase tools necessary for clearing trash and debris from the spillway gates, disposal of significant debris removed from and blocking the gates, the purchase of new panels to install over the spillway gates, and maintenance of the access road leading to the Dam. The account including the 2023 maintenance work was \$ 24.950. The Fund is maintained by the Leeds Town Office.

Unfortunately, a subsequent severe rain event in December of 2023 caused new and significant damage to the flashboard system, which will need to be repaired in 2024. In this event, high water measured below the Wayne Village Dam was roughly 280 feet, The Town considers “high water” to be 277.7 ft as marked at the Yacht Club. The 100 year flood is considered to be about 286 ft, which was the level of the 1987 flood. A photo record of this event and the water levels is available from the Committee. This was the second highest flow recorded.

A Year of Androscoggin River Flows: the level of the Lake follows these peaks and valleys fairly closely. Source: USGS Website.



Looking Ahead

For 2024, repair of new damage to the Dam will be a high priority. The Committee will investigate possible funding sources for ongoing maintenance and repair work. This is important because there is no current agreement or arrangement in place to fund Dam Maintenance costs once the existing fund is depleted. Another priority for 2024 will be to explore putting a contract in place for the repair and oversight work, which is currently done mostly on a volunteer basis at this time. Finally, the Committee will consider what actions and study may be needed to evaluate the current functioning of the Dam and assess its effectiveness in helping to preserve the health of Androscoggin Lake and prevent excessive flooding of shoreland and adjacent areas.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Tucci
Chair

Wayne Farmers' Market

Summer 2023



The Wayne Farmers' Market opened for its fifteenth season on Saturday, May 27, 2023, and continued each Saturday morning through the Labor Day weekend. The Market is not only a place to purchase locally grown and produced food and other products, but also a lively community gathering place. Many thanks to all who contribute to making the Farmers' Market vibrant – vendors, shoppers, volunteers, musicians and the Town of Wayne .

Ten vendors sold a wide variety of products, including vegetables, berries, herbs, micro greens, flowers, plants, eggs, cheese, maple products, honey, baked goods, chocolate, body care products, and wooden baskets and utensils and pottery.

The 2023 vendors were: Gingerbread Farm (Wayne), A Lakeside Pottery (Wayne), A Small Town Bakery (Wayne), Bragg Maple Products (Sumner), Cosmic Goat Farm & Creamery (Litchfield), Fair Share Farm (Wayne), Firelight Farm (Livermore Falls), Pickles' Potions (Winthrop), French Connection (Wayne) and Fernwood Cottage (Wayne). The regular vendors were on occasion joined by the Wayne Community Church, a local resident giving away handmade walking sticks, guest artisans, and several young entrepreneurs. Stan Davis often entertained both adults and children with his songs and stories. The highlight of many market mornings was the singing of young visitors. Vendors appreciated increased activity during the annual Strawberry Festival on July 8, 2023, which brought a large influx of visitors from around the region. Many thanks to WFM Board member Tammy Birtwell and the Festival team for the long hours they devoted to making the Festival a fun family event, with a variety of booths, activities, food offerings and music.

Current Balance in Wayne Farmers' Market Account: \$1589.36 (Report from Interim Town Manager Bryce Cobb - February 6, 2024)

The Wayne Farmers' Market is a town-sanctioned event. The Market Committee, comprised of community members and vendors, meets in the winter to discuss ways to organize, support and improve the market, and welcomes suggestions from the community.

Leslie Burhoe and Cindy Townsend stepped down from the Market Committee after many years of thoughtful leadership, volunteer time and dedication to the mission of the WFM. Thank you, Leslie and Cindy!

Whether you are a year-round resident, a summer resident, or an occasional visitor, the Market is a great way to meet other people, purchase fresh, local food and other products, and enjoy summer Saturday mornings. Located on the green next to the Post Office overlooking the beautiful Mill Pond, we are open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, every Saturday morning from 9:00 am until noon. We hope to see you there.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Farmers' Market Committee:

Morgan Birtwell, (Website Development)
Tammy Birtwell, (Vice Chair and Strawberry Festival Coordinator)
Eileen Chretien (Vendor relations)
Cynthia Phinney (Outreach)
Jane Davis (Secretary and Publicity)
Theresa Kerchner (Chair and Treasurer)

Website: www.waynefarmersmarket.weebly.com

FB: www.facebook.com/wayne.maine.farmers.marke

Fire Department

Summary of Calls 2023

Calls in Wayne

Structure Fire	0
Vehicle Accident	18
Tree/Power Line Down	12
Smoke Investigation	2
Medical Assist	3
Water/Ice Rescue	2
Vehicle Fire	0
Carbon Monoxide Investigation	2
0	
Fire Alarm Investigation	4
Chimney Fire / Heating System	1
Woods, Grass, Brush Fires	1
Stand By Requests / Miscellaneous	1

Total in Town Calls 46

Calls to Assist Other Towns

Responded	26
Stand By in Town	9
Cancelled Before Responding	11
Total Out of Town Calls	46

Total Calls for Year 92

Summary of Calls Previous '22

Calls in Wayne

Structure Fire	0
Vehicle Accident	11
Tree/Power Line Down	7
Smoke Investigation	1
Medical Assist	0
Water/Ice Rescue	1
Vehicle Fire	1
Carbon Monoxide Investigation	
Fire Alarm Investigation	9
Chimney Fire / Heating System	1
Woods, Grass, Brush Fires	1
Stand By Requests / Miscellaneous	1

Total in Town Calls 33

Calls to Assist Other Towns

Responded	37
Stand By in Town	8
Cancelled Before Responding	13
Total Out of Town Calls	58

Total Calls for Year 91



207.377.284 Kennebec Land Trust
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January 2024

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Dear Wayne Residents,

This past year we celebrated the 35th anniversary of the Kennebec Land Trust (KLT). With generous support from community members, we have worked to conserve important lands; provide public access for hiking, paddling, skiing, blueberry picking, and hunting; and promote land stewardship, conservation education, and partnerships.

KLT has an impressive list of accomplishments: 7,753 acres under permanent conservation throughout our 413,000-acre service area; 58 miles of trails to explore; over 20 miles of conserved shoreline; and 1,100 household and business partner members.

As we look to the future, we will continue to conserve high value land and protect important wildlife habitat, and we're also offering programs to promote and expand conservation in ways that better serve our communities.

As the owner of the Besse Historic Conservation Area, Gott Pasture Preserve, Macdonald Conservation Area, Mount Pisgah Conservation Area, Norris Island, Perkins Woods, and Pickerel Pond Conservation Area, KLT contributes to the Wayne tax base through the open space tax program.

KLT offers a great selection of outings and educational programs for the public, and we collaborate with schools and other organizations to engage youth and share our conservation message with the community. In 2023, KLT cohosted a book talk with the Cary Memorial Library featuring wildlife biologist Ron Joseph. Camp Androscoggin generously hosted KLT's 35th Anniversary Annual Meeting where KLT members and guests had opportunities to hike at the nearby Perkins Woods and enjoy the time at Androscoggin Lake.

We welcome this opportunity to communicate with Wayne residents and the Select Board about our conservation work. Everyone is welcome to visit our properties and trails and to attend our public programs.

If you have questions about our community conservation work, please don't hesitate to contact us at 207-377-2848 or info@tklt.org. You can also visit our website, www.tklt.org, for trail maps, directions, and more information about our organization. Thank you to all those in Wayne who have chosen to support KLT as members or volunteers.

Sincerely,

Matt Mullen
 President

Theresa Kerchner
 Executive Director

Marie Ring
 Director of Membership
 and Programming



"First to Serve ~ 1799"

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Alfred G. Morin, Chief Deputy

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January 31, 2024

The Kennebec County Sheriff's Office is pleased to make the following report regarding the services we provided to the people of Kennebec County in 2023. These services include the Law Enforcement Division, Correctional Services, Civil Process, Administrative and Transport Division. We provided many regional assets to our communities including K-9 Teams, Dive Team, Sex Offender Registry, Veterans Advocacy, Accident Reconstruction and Drug and a School Resource Officer for MSAD 49 and RSU#38.

In 2023, Law Enforcement Deputies again logged thousands of calls for service. Our calls for service have increased since 2021. Our geographic patrol responsibilities within the County have increased, as the state police have opted to reduce their rural patrol coverage.

Overdoses of illicit substances continue to plague our county. My staff responded to 18 overdoses in 2023, we were able to save 11 of those lives. This number does not include the saves by jail staff in 2022. As the disorder continues to increase, I wish to make it clear that we at the Sheriff's Office will always support our citizens with substance dependency disorders by providing avenues that can assist with their recovery.

The patrol division welcomes Scott Dumas, Riley Boivin and Simon Yorks to our patrol team. This is the only law enforcement agency Deputy Boivin has ever worked for and is doing an excellent job. He will be attending the full-time academy in the spring of 2024. Deputies Dumas and Yorks came to us from other agencies and they both have many years of experience. Great additions to our team of professionals.

My agency continues to receive federal funds to conduct patrol details specifically related to motor vehicle violations throughout our county. Kennebec County Deputies continue to excel statistically for the number of interdictions for drug related criminal activities. In 2023 the deputies seized over 6 pounds of fentanyl in several different contacts with individuals distributing this poison. There we also seizures of methamphetamines as well as cocaine.

Our Civil Process Deputies serve legal documents on behalf of attorneys, the courts, citizens, local, and state government, landlords and other entities. In 2023, the three civil deputies received

over 5,111 requests for service in Kennebec County. This is a decrease from 2022 of documents received. Some of the services include civil summons & complaints, foreclosures, evictions, small claims, child support notices from the State and enforcement of court orders and writs to name a few.

We welcome any questions regarding civil service to be made to the office. Kennebec is very lucky to have Chief Civil Deputy Harry McKenney, who just happens to be the go-to guy on civil service matters statewide.

During the past year, our Correctional Facility managed 2206 inmate intakes. This is an increase from 2022. The offenses committed by defendants included everything from Trespass to Homicide. Our staffing at the correctional facility is robust and we are doing well. I will add that the staff have enormous responsibilities and work hard every day.

Substance abuse and the proper treatment of citizens with mental illness continue to be two primary concerns at the Correctional Facility. We have improved our medical and mental health services at Kennebec to help manage the needs of those incarcerated. Medical Assisted Treatment for Opiate dependencies continues in our facility, as it is now required by law.

Inmates at the Kennebec County Correctional Facility are asked to work and earn time off their sentences if applicable. Inmates who are a risk to the community work inside the facility cleaning and cooking, while others are supervised on outside projects. During the winter months, the outside trustees shovel several driveways in the Augusta area for those who are aging and unable to do it themselves. One may think that this only benefits the county, or our local municipalities, but it does not. It also benefits the inmate population as well. It allows them to be productive in our communities.

We are committed to providing innovative programs to reduce crimes, assist victims, and to provide enhanced public safety. We acknowledge the ever-growing opiate addiction problem nationwide and have committed to partnerships at the Federal, State and Local levels to combat this problem. Our approach is aggressive enforcement, education, treatment, and recovery for those afflicted with this horrible addiction.

In May of 2023 we moved into our new office located at 73 Winthrop Street in Augusta. What a breath of fresh air for the staff. Please feel free to stop in and see our new Sheriff's Office.

As your Sheriff, and moving forward into 2024, I remain committed to serving the hard-working taxpayers of this county, their families, and our visitors, honorably, professionally, and by using good common sense and judgement.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Mason, Sheriff

Ladd Recreation Center

The Ladd Recreation Center was a gift from Helen and George Ladd, whose goal was to provide a safe and nurturing environment where Wayne residents could participate in and enjoy a variety of high-quality indoor and outside activities throughout the year.

Adults can participate in weekly programs. At present, there is a quilting group each Wednesday. There have been two sessions of line dancing classes in 2023. There has also been an adult exercise class held this past winter. The space is available for any community member looking to host a program. During the summer months, the tennis courts, pickle ball courts, playground, and a gazebo are available for individual and family use. The Center also provides several activities for young people, including soccer and baseball, a summer program which begins the last full week in June, and community holiday parties throughout the year. The Ladd Center has been providing daily childcare after school to the community. The Center has a state childcare license and has been operating at full capacity to provide quality care for as many kids as possible.

In addition, the Center serves the community in many other ways. Many organizations-- such as the Snowmobile Club, Gardening Club, Cabin Fever Quilters, and the Central Maine Gold Prospectors club--hold their regular meetings here. Wayne residents vote and attend the annual town meeting here. This is also where the Selectboard and Planning Board meets.

The Ladd Center has a board of directors, which meets monthly to discuss a variety of topics including building maintenance and upkeep, programming, and ways to serve the community. The community members on the present board are Gloria Ladd, Besty Ladd, Sharon Bonney, Chris Bennett, Patricia Hanley-Goodwin, Carol Steck, Ken Spalding, Eric Stinneford, and Heather Hyatt.

The Center is available on a rental basis at other times for a variety of events. Families, groups, and organizations who would like to use the building and its facilities or who have questions about its use should call its Director, Adam Brooks, at 685-4616, Monday through Friday or email at laddrec@gmail.com.



MARANACOOK AREA SCHOOLS

A Caring School Community Dedicated to Excellence

Dear Community members,

The 2022-2023 school year was viewed by many as the return to a normal school year however, the harsh reality is that schools are continuing to face unprecedented challenges. The mental health needs for students continue to rise, the need for academic services continues to outpace our capacity and key staff positions throughout our schools continue to be vacant. We are also seeing the ending of pandemic funds as well as inflation that continues to remain higher than normal. Clearly our communities need to know that discussions are happening about the future path forward for RSU #38 communities. The business as normal view is no longer sustainable or prudent.

With that in mind we are submitting a budget that recognizes these challenges but is also fiscally responsible. This budget sees our commitment to student health and safety by including a School Resource Officer working with the Kennebec County Sheriff’s Department that will work across all of our schools. It also includes supporting students with a full-time nurse as started in the ESSER funds, a principal in Wayne who also acts as our Title IX Director and an elementary guidance counselor to support the needs of our youngest students.

We are beginning a strategic planning process as our current plan ends in January 2024 to articulate our goals for the future of all RSU #38 schools. We have a unique opportunity to look forward to the efficient resources from facilities all the way through curriculum priorities as well as look to a vision of our future. The need to be future focused is imperative and we look forward to robust discussions concerning the work of our district to provide all of our students a rigorous education with dynamic learning opportunities that aligns with the culture of our communities of Manchester, Mount Vernon, Readfield and Wayne.

RSU #38 Attending Students - October 1, 2022					
Grade	Manchester	Mt. Vernon	Readfield	Wayne	Totals
Pre-K	21	12	18	9	60
K	22	11	25	10	68
1	28	16	22	8	74
2	26	14	31	10	81
3	29	17	29	13	88
4	21	10	32	10	73
5	34	17	32	11	94
6	36	13	25	8	82
7	18	21	31	16	86
8	33	23	27	10	93
9	28	17	30	10	85
10	21	17	31	12	81
11	27	17	27	8	79
12	13	18	23	10	64
Resident Totals	357	223	383	145	1108

I speak on behalf of our staff when I say it is an honor and privilege to work with the students of our four communities. We thank the towns for the tremendous support they have shown all of our schools. We look forward to the continued positive relationships with our towns and thank you for all you do!

Sincerely,

James Charette, Superintendent of Schools

Solid Waste and Recycling Committee (SWRC)

The Readfield Transfer Station continued operations in the fiscal year with increased revenues and expenses along. We continue to serve three member communities, Fayette, Readfield, and Wayne, authorized by a 5-year interlocal agreement with cost sharing based on each town's state property valuation. Residents from each town utilize the station by permits issued at each town office or may arrange for a commercial hauler to deliver their materials at their own expense.

The Transfer Station is located on the North Road at the site of the old landfill and is open Tuesday through Saturday. The transfer station includes a recycling center, supported by a town recycling ordinance. Recycled items include paper, cardboard, plastic, glass, and metals. The town has also been actively encouraging residents to increase their recycling rates including the launch of a food composting program in 2021. We continue to hold a free-for-permit holders annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event in July. A staff of two runs the station, with additional part-time attendants in the busy summer season. Trash collected at the transfer station is hauled to the Waste Management Disposal Services "Crossroads" site in Norridgewock. Tipping fees in 2021-22 were \$10 per ton for our single sort recycling (SSR) and \$67 per ton for Mainstream Waste (MSW) and Demolition Debris. Hauling fees were \$215 per trip for MSW and Demolition and \$175 per trip for SSR.

Wayne, Fayette, and Readfield's estimated combined 2020 population of 4,886 generated approximately 1,434 tons of MSW and 255 tons of SSR in 2021-22 and another 353 tons of demolition waste. The total operating cost of running the transfer station in 2021-22 was \$341,535. This was offset by \$103,288 in fees, grants, and recyclable material sales. That resulted in an average net cost per person of \$48.76. Net operating cost is allocated to Readfield, Fayette, and Wayne based on their most recent State property valuations.

Future improvements needed to the Transfer Station include the addition of cover for storing equipment and materials. This would minimize maintenance requirements and the cost of moving wet materials.

Recycling continues strongly here at the Transfer Station. We continue to have very limited contamination due to the awareness and concern of our citizens to do the right thing and heed advertised instructions for material collection. A key component has been removing all plastic film from the single-stream collection and placing it separately in a bin. These materials are then taken locally to be used to manufacture composite decking. Combining collection of tires, white goods, metals, e-waste, fluorescent lamps, wood, brush, propane tanks, shingles, compostable materials, items for the swap shop, and utilizing the bins for Paint Care and Apparel Impact, our recycling rate is very good. This is something for us to continue celebrating!

The SWRC is comprised of folks from the three member-towns and the Transfer Station Manager. Each town is represented by their Town Manager, one Select Board member and two other citizens. This committee meets once every three months, rotating meeting location by towns, to review operations, budget, expenses, capital projects and safety reports.

All three member-towns are pleased to be working together for the benefit of each town, and welcome input from the public. We are always looking for ways to increase our recycling rate through education to the public. Look for updates and articles on the Readfield town website and in the Messenger.

Respectfully submitted by, Kathryn Mills Woodsum, Chair SWRC

TOWN OF WAYNE – TOWN CLERK

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

VITALS

Births 6

Marriages 12

Deaths 14

Alter, Patricia Lane	02/02/2023
Benning, Deborah A.	08/28/2022
Dobos, John F. II	03/15/2023
Green, David Andrew	08/14/2022
Kenney, Nancy Lee	01/22/2023
Lovejoy, Nancy A.	06/17/2023
McKinney, Kathryn L.	02/20/2023
Record, Ralph Stuart	06/28/2023
Ricker, Wayne Howard	05/21/2023
Rogers, Gail F.	03/09/2023
Roy, Marsha Asher	09/08/2022
Sessler, Samuel Marshall	01/17/2023
Spear, Dorothy Ethel	04/07/2023
Thompson, James Burke	05/02/2023

SPORT LICENSES-60

July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

Snowmobiles - 67

ATV's -20

Boats – 242

DOG LICENSES – 222

KENNEL LICENSES – 0

Recorded by Cathy Cook, Town Clerk

Delinquent Real Estate Property Taxes

Wayne

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Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
584 R	ATKINSON, DANA R	2022	386.84	386.22	0.62
130 R	BRYANT, TYLER	2022	4,821.92	0.00	4,821.92
1015 R	GAZMURI PATRICIA	2022	4,196.69	4,196.68	0.01
171 R	GORDEN, EDWARD M	2022	3,428.68	3,428.43	0.25
1025 R	MARIN PHILIP A.	2022	1,585.08	1,584.62	0.46
311 R	MAXIM OLA	2022	1.89	0.00	1.89
954 R	O'ROURKE DONALD RORY	2022	354.76	355.76	-1.00
718 R	SMITH RICHARD G	2022	5,008.10	5,002.33	5.77
513 R	STEVENSON PRISCILLA B.	2022	0.00	0.01	-0.01
1174 R	TOYE, RUSSELL F	2021	28.74	1.97	26.77
1174 R	TOYE, RUSSELL F	2022	30.19	0.00	30.19
1253 R	VERRILL, DALE	2021	497.49	495.78	1.71
1178 R	WELLS, LINDSAY A	2020	407.69	426.85	-19.16
Total for 13 Bills:					
12 Accounts			20,748.07	15,878.65	4,869.42

Payment Summary

Type	Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
A - Abatement	290.95	0.00	0.00	290.95
P - Payment	16,079.48	0.00	0.00	16,079.48
Y - Prepayment	5.70	0.00	0.00	5.70
F - Refund	-497.48	0.00	0.00	-497.48
Total	15,878.65	0.00	0.00	15,878.65

Non Lien Summary

2020-1	1	-19.16
2021-1		
	2	28.48
	9	38.18
2022-1		
2022-2		
	1	4,821.92
Total		
	13	4,869.42

219 L	BAILEY ALBERT L	2022	2,385.30	0.00	2,385.30
429 L	BRISKE, JESS E	2022	1,674.79	0.00	1,674.79
1010 L	BROWN WALLACE FREDERICK	2022	3,484.81	3,450.48	34.33
294 L	BUCK, KEHLI B	2022	1,440.58	0.00	1,440.58
396 L	BURGESS DALE F	2022	741.22	0.00	741.22
358 L	BURGESS KENNETH JASON	2022	3,858.56	0.76	3,857.80
355 L	COLGATE, WAYNE	2022	2,241.11	0.00	2,241.11
617 L	DAMON, DENNIS G & CHRISTINA R BANKS	2022	1,359.74	218.51	1,141.23
251 L	DUPLESSIS MARK	2022	344.99	174.19	170.80
438 L	GIACOMAZZO LORETTE	2022	4,320.86	0.00	4,320.86
1004 L	GORMAN, MICHAEL J	2022	2,335.48	0.00	2,335.48

118 L	GOUCHER LEROY G	2022	903.57	0.00	903.57
559 L	GOUCHER LEROY G	2022	3,433.33	0.00	3,433.33
561 L	GOUCHER TED & SON	2022	1,292.08	0.00	1,292.08
864 L	GREEN REVOCABLE TRUST	2022	1,679.89	1,679.35	0.54

Non Zero Balance on All Accounts

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Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
1042 L	KIMBALL MARK B	2022	3,530.32	0.00	3,530.32
1041 L	Kimball Mark B.	2022	528.61	0.00	528.61
348 L	LEE, DARREN J	2022	982.85	0.00	982.85
1203 L	OWNER UNKNOWN	2013	257.78	-57.49	315.27
253 L	PRESCOTT VICTOR S	2022	1,005.54	0.00	1,005.54
389 L	SCHNEIDMILL, SHANA L	2022	849.12	78.09	771.03
1053 L	SCOTT, MATTHEW	2022	407.64	91.68	315.96
843 L	THOMAS CHARLES F	2022	2,747.18	0.00	2,747.18
848 L	THOMAS, CHARLES F	2022	3,000.72	0.00	3,000.72
852 L	WALDEMAR A.P. JOHN	2022	5,747.94	0.00	5,747.94
292 L	WEYMOUTH, BRUCE	2022	669.03	340.68	328.35
Total for 26 Bills:			51,223.04	5,976.25	
45,246.79					

26 Accounts

Payment Summary

Type	Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
C - Correction	-170.80	0.00	0.00	-170.80
L - Lien Costs	0.00	0.00	-57.49	-57.49
P - Payment	5,606.74	165.13	432.67	6,204.54
Total	5,435.94	165.13	375.18	5,976.25

Lien Summary

2013-1	1	315.27		
2022-1				
	25	44,931.52		
Total	26	45,246.79		
Total for 39 Bills:			71,971.11	21,854.90
50,116.21				

Delinquent Personal Property Taxes

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Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
72 P	BDM PROPERTIES	2016	19.28	6.43	12.85
72 P	BDM PROPERTIES	2017	21.05	0.00	21.05
72 P	BDM PROPERTIES	2018	20.46	0.00	20.46
72 P	BDM PROPERTIES	2019	19.76	0.00	19.76
72 P	BDM PROPERTIES	2020	17.96	0.00	17.96
72 P	BDM PROPERTIES	2021	16.16	0.00	16.16
72 P	BDM PROPERTIES	2022	15.10	0.00	15.10
35 P	CAMP ANDROSCOGGIN	2022	1,996.45	1,996.44	0.01
78 P	CONOPCO, INC	2018	11.93	0.00	11.93
78 P	CONOPCO, INC	2019	19.76	0.00	19.76
29 P	DIRECTV, LLC	2020	113.15	3.18	109.97
29 P	DIRECTV, LLC	2021	55.68	0.00	55.68
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2016	109.74	0.00	109.74
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2017	119.81	0.00	119.81
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2018	126.17	0.00	126.17
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2019	132.90	0.00	132.90
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2020	132.90	0.00	132.90
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2021	132.90	0.00	132.90
22 P	GOUCHER LEE	2022	139.64	0.00	139.64
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2016	314.40	0.00	314.40
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2017	343.23	0.00	343.23
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2018	361.46	0.00	361.46
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2019	380.75	0.00	380.75
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2020	380.75	0.00	380.75
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2021	380.75	0.00	380.75
41 P	GOUCHER TED & SON EXCAVATION	2022	400.04	0.00	400.04
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2016	738.53	0.00	738.53
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2017	806.26	0.00	806.26
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2018	849.09	0.00	849.09
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2019	894.41	0.00	894.41
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2020	894.41	0.00	894.41
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2021	894.41	0.00	894.41
12 P	GOUCHER TED &SON	2022	939.73	0.00	939.73
40 P	Julians Wayne General Store	2016	522.02	0.00	522.02
40 P	Julians Wayne General Store	2018	600.16	0.01	600.15
40 P	Julians Wayne General Store	2019	632.19	0.00	632.19
40 P	Julians Wayne General Store	2020	632.19	0.00	632.19
67 P	NORTHERN LEASING SYSTEM, INC	2020	10.78	0.00	10.78
67 P	NORTHERN LEASING SYSTEM, INC	2021	8.98	0.00	8.98
67 P	NORTHERN LEASING SYSTEM, INC	2022	9.44	0.00	9.44
68 P	VIASAT COMMUNICATIONS INC	2018	23.87	0.00	23.87
68 P	VIASAT COMMUNICATIONS INC	2021	10.78	0.00	10.78

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Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
Total for 42 Bills:		10 Accounts	14,249.43	2,006.06	
12,243.37					

Payment Summary

Type	Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
C - Correction	-452.11	0.00	0.00	-452.11
P - Payment	2,458.16	0.00	0.00	2,458.16
Y - Prepayment	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01
Total	2,006.06	0.00	0.00	2,006.06

Non Lien Summary

2016-1	5	1,697.54
2017-1		
	4	1,290.35
	7	1,993.13
2018-1		
2019-1		
	6	2,079.77
2020-1		
	7	2,178.96
2021-1		
	7	1,499.66
	6	1,503.96
2022-1		
Total	42	12,243.37

No Bills

0.00 0.00 0.00

Payment Summary

Type	Principal	Interest	Costs	Total
Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Lien Summary

Total		0.00
	0	0.00

Total for 42 Bills: 14,249.43 2,006.06
12,243.37

Wayne Athletic League Annual Report

The Wayne Athletic League offers children opportunities to play soccer and baseball/softball. In the fall, kids in pre-k through 6th grade can participate in soccer. In 2023, all kids in the school district were pooled together and split into teams. This was a change from prior years when each town had their own team. In the spring, kids aged 5-12 can play t-ball, baseball, or softball with games against nearby towns. As part of the sign-up fee, each child gets a t-shirt and hat for baseball/softball and a shirt for soccer.

In 2023, Wayne fielded a T-Ball and Minor baseball team with boys and girls aged 4-6 for T-Ball and 9-10 for Minors. Due to low numbers, boys and girls aged 7-8 and 11-12 played on Readfield and Manchester teams. Wayne had 30 kids participate in rec soccer with a handful more opting for travel soccer instead.

This year, I purchased a new catcher's helmet. I added another bat to our supply to continue to upgrade our equipment to match changing safety standards. Other purchases included new equipment bags, game balls, and crushed limestone and spray paint to line the Ladd Center field for games.

My job is to oversee the sign-up process, form teams, act as Wayne's town representative at league meetings, distribute and maintain equipment, line the field for games, find umpires for home games, as well as other duties needed by the league such as building the soccer and t-ball schedules for the district.

Adam Brooks, Youth Sports Coordinator

**TOWN OF WAYNE
2023 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**

STATE OF MAINE
KENNEBEC, SS

To Cathy Cook, a resident in the Town of Wayne, County of Kennebec, and State of Maine:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters in the Town of Wayne, in said County, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the **Ladd Recreation Center** on **Tuesday, June 13, 2023**, at 8:00 AM to elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting, to elect Town Officers for the ensuing years and by secret ballot on Article 2. Polls are to be open from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM. The meeting will recess after the ballot count.

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Wendy Ault elected Moderator with 5 votes cast

*The election of Annual Town Meeting Moderator will be held **Tuesday, June 13, 2023**, at **8:00 AM**, for which the moderator will preside over the secret ballot referendum election that day until 8:00 PM at **Ladd Recreation Center**, 26 Gott Road, Wayne, ME.*

ARTICLE 2. To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, as directed by statute, on the election of Town Officers for the ensuing years. **** Winner**

- two Selectboard (3-Year term, Term Expires 2026);

Doug McKee Farris	85 votes
Lloyd C. Irland:	172 votes**
Stacy J. Ketchen	87 votes
Write-In: Marianne Butak	126 votes**

- one Budget Committee (5-Year term, Term Expires 2028);

David K. Stevenson:	212 votes**
Write-In:	6

- one Local School Committee (3-Year term, Term Expires 2026);

David R. Twitchell:	223 votes**
Write-In:	1

- one RSU#38 School Board (3-Year term, Term Expires 2026)

David R. Twitchell: 218 votes**
Write-In: 2

*The residents of the Town of Wayne, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, are hereby also warned to assemble at the **Wayne Elementary School Gymnasium** at 48 Pond Rd, Wayne, Maine 04284 at **6:30 PM** on **Wednesday, June 14, 2023**, to act on Article 3 to end of Warrant.*

72 Registered Voters in Attendance.

Trent Emery Selectboard Chairperson welcomed everyone to the 2023 Annual Town Meeting.

Gloria Ladd presented the Helen Hicks Healy Award to Wayne Bryant, the long-time Wayne Village Dam Keeper.

Trent Emery Selectboard Chairperson presented the Spirit of America Awards and Annual Town Report Dedications on behalf of the Selectboard to:

Selectboard awarded the Spirit of America Awards to:

- **Dam “Dead River” Maintenance Committee (Ian Barclay, John Cummings, Lloyd Irland, Mark Margerum, Bill Messer, Ted Tucci, Jan Wiegman)**
- **Anne Huntington**
- **Donald Welsh**

Selectboard dedicated the Annual Town Report to:

- **Wayne Bryant**
- **Dallas Folk**

Stan Davis Selectboard Vice-Chairperson made a brief presentation on the FY 23-24 Town Budget.

Doug Stevenson was appointed Deputy Moderator. The Deputy Moderator called the meeting to Order at 6:34 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made to suspend the reading of the warrant. Motion PASSED.

A motion was made to allow the Town Manager to speak at the Annual Town Meeting. Motion PASSED.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will authorize interest on taxes due, but not yet paid by each installment date, at a rate of **8%** per year.

A motion was made to amend the interest on taxes due, but not yet paid by each installment date, from, at a rate of 8% per year to 5% per year. Amendment Adopted; Amended Motion PASSED.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will allow the Tax Collector to accept money for taxes before taxes are committed.

PASSED

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will establish a **3%** interest payment for tax abatements (per annum).

PASSED

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard, on behalf of the Town, to enter contracts not to exceed five years, on such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate.

PASSED

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Board to accept **Federal, State,** or **private** grants and gifts on such terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate, apply any such grants or gifts, along with any fees, to categories deemed appropriate by the Board, and to appropriate and expend such funds for authorized purposes as the Board deems appropriate?

PASSED

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all funds received from the State of Maine for snowmobile registrations during the current fiscal year, to the Thirty-Mile Snowmobile Club for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails within the Town, and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the Club for that purpose, under such terms and conditions as the municipal officers may deem advisable, including the condition that the trails will be open to the public as long as the trails are frozen and adequately covered in snow.

PASSED

******All figures rounded to nearest whole dollar amount******

ARTICLE 9. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$302,402** for **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION?**

General Admin.	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Selectboard's Stipend	\$7,162	\$7,162
Town Manager Salary	\$55,656	\$58,589
Bookkeeper	\$3,000	\$3,000
Treasurer stipend	\$4,000	\$4,000
Tax Collector wages	\$27,541	\$33,292
Town Clerk wages	\$29,689	\$36,446
Meeting Recording Clerk wages	\$0	\$2,528
Social Security/ Medicare Match	\$9,490	\$10,316
Health Insurance	\$43,922	\$44,699
Retirement	\$5,644	\$6,416
Disability	\$1,135	\$1,254
Office Expense	\$4,000	\$4,000
Travel Expense	\$1,200	\$1,200
Training Expense	\$1,200	\$1,200
Dues (MMA)	\$3,000	\$3,000
Computer maintenance	\$500	\$500
Computer software (Trio)	\$15,000	\$16,000
Website/ Email	\$1,500	\$3,000
Town Report	\$1,000	\$1,000
Tax Administration	\$3,000	\$3,000
Legal	\$12,000	\$24,000
Audit Reporting	\$6,500	\$6,500
Insurance	\$22,000	\$24,000
Town Office Rent	\$6,656	\$0
Copier lease & maintenance	\$4,000	\$4,000
Telephone	\$3,360	\$3,300
Subtotal	\$272,155	\$302,402

PASSED

ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$55,527** for **DEBT SERVICE?**

Debt Service	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Lovejoy Road Bond	\$35,884	\$0
Walton Road Bond (5/5)	\$53,031	\$55,527

Subtotal	\$88,915	\$55,527
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PASSED

ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,850** for **HEARINGS AND ELECTIONS?**

Elections/ Hearings	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Election / Ballot Clerks wages	\$1,000	\$1,350
Election Supplies	\$500	\$500
Subtotal	\$1,500	\$1,850

PASSED

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$16,464** for **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES?**

Health & Human Services	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Aging at Home Coordinator	\$13,554	\$14,272
Social Security/ Medicare Match	\$1,037	\$1,092
Travel (AAH Mileage)	\$212	\$100
Programming - Luncheons	\$1,080	\$0
Newsletter supplies	\$175	\$0
General Assistance	\$1,000	\$1,000
Subtotal	\$17,058	\$16,464

PASSED

ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$72,451** for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** budget category for the following budget lines with any unexpended balances to carry forward to **Misc. Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund?**

Fire Department	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Chief Officers' stipends	\$9,750	\$9,750
Firefighters' stipends	\$15,750	\$15,750
Social Security/ Medicare match	\$1,951	\$1,951
Operations	\$27,000	\$29,000
Communications	\$4,000	\$5,000
Equipment	\$14,000	\$11,000
Subtotal	\$72,451	\$72,451

PASSED

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,900** for **ASSESSING?**

Assessing Mapping	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Assessing/ Mapping	\$17,000	\$17,500
Quarter Review	\$7,000	\$0
GIS Mapping Annual Hosting Fee	\$2,400	\$2,400
GIS Mapping Updates (2017-2022)	\$5,000	\$1,000
Subtotal	\$31,400	\$20,900

PASSED

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$11,026** for **ANIMAL CONTROL?**

Animal Control	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Animal Control Officer stipend	\$3,000	\$4,000
ACO wages	\$2,389	\$2,800
Social Security/ Medicare match	\$412	\$526
Travel (ACO Mileage)	\$600	\$1,400
Humane Society	\$2,234	\$2,300
Subtotal	\$8,636	\$11,026

PASSED

ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$45,600** for **CODE ENFORCEMENT & LAND USE BOARD SUPPORT?**

Code Enforcement & Land-Use Board Support	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Shared CEO/ LPI Contract	\$38,800	\$42,000
Travel (CEO/LPI)	\$0	\$0
PB Secretary wages	\$500	\$0
E911 Coordinator stipend ¹	\$200	\$0
KVCOG Membership	\$2,600	\$2,600
Ordinance/ Mapping	\$1,000	\$1,000
Subtotal	\$42,900	\$45,600

PASSED

ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$59,588** for **PUBLIC SAFETY?**

Public Safety	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
E911 Coordinator stipend ¹	\$0	\$200
Damkeeper Stipend	\$0	\$500
Social Security/ Medicare match	\$0	\$54
Streetlights	\$6,200	\$6,600
Ambulance Service	\$26,259	\$27,046
Sheriff's Department	\$1,560	\$4,000
Fire/ EMS Dispatch (Winthrop)	\$3,726	\$4,516
Rural Patrol Dispatch (State)	\$10,334	\$11,591
PSAP (Androscoggin)	\$3,127	\$5,081
Subtotal	\$51,205	\$59,588

PASSED

ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$411,344** for **ROADS?**

Roads	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Lot Plowing	\$5,000	\$4,200
Highway Plowing	\$153,993	\$177,399
Winter Sand	\$35,320	\$40,689
Winter Salt	\$16,500	\$21,600
Sidewalk Plowing	\$6,500	\$6,600
Roadside Mowing	\$3,500	\$6,800
Sand/ Salt Shed lights	\$700	\$556
Road Administration	\$500	\$500
Brush/ Tree Removal	\$12,000	\$15,000
Calcium Chloride	\$5,000	\$5,000
Sweeping/ Catch basin cleaning	\$4,000	\$4,500
Patching	\$5,000	\$10,000
Signs & Posts	\$2,000	\$2,000
Painting	\$1,500	\$1,500
Culverts	\$5,000	\$5,000
Gravel	\$25,000	\$40,000
Grading	\$15,000	\$20,000
Outside Contracting	\$25,000	\$50,000
Subtotal	\$321,513	\$411,344

PASSED

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$111,105** for **TRANSFER STATION & LANDFILL?**

Transfer Station	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Transfer Station Operation Cost	\$84,517	\$97,368
Transfer Station Capital Cost	\$8,452	\$9,737
Landfill Mowing	\$1,000	\$0
Roadside Waste	\$1,000	\$0
Hazardous Waste	\$2,500	\$4,000
Subtotal	\$97,469	\$111,105

PASSED

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$15,978** for **OUTSIDE AGENCIES.**

Outside Agencies	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Library ¹	\$6,000	\$0
Messenger/ Events Calendar ¹	\$3,400	\$0
Cemetery Association ¹	\$12,600	\$0
Rural Community Action	\$5,000	\$5,000
Spectrum Generations	\$1,004	\$1,004
Hospice	\$1,000	\$1,000
Family Violence	\$1,000	\$1,000
Maine Public Broadcasting	\$100	\$100
Kennebec Valley Behavioral Health	\$1,600	\$1,600
Crisis & Counseling Center	\$1,562	\$1,562
Children’s Center	\$595	\$595
Red Cross	\$1,200	\$1,200
Sexual Assault Crisis Support Center	\$417	\$417
Maranacook Food Pantry	\$0	\$1,000
Winthrop Food Pantry	\$1,500	\$1,500
Subtotal	\$14,978	\$15,978

PASSED

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$73,652** for **CONSERVATION, PARKS & RECREATION?**

Conservation, Parks & Recreation	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
WAL – Youth Services Coordinator	\$2,000	\$2,000

WAL – Social Security/ Medicare match	\$153	\$153
WAL – CAL Ripken Leagues	\$300	\$0
LRC - Programs	\$4,300	\$4,300
LRC – Health Insurance	\$14,641	\$14,900
LRC - Retirement	\$1,950	\$1,950
LRC - Mowing	\$5,776	\$6,064
Town Parks Mowing	\$3,129	\$3,285
Kennebec Land Trust	\$250	\$285
Friends of Cobbossee Watershed - Wilson Pond Boat Inspection	\$1,300	\$1,300
30 Mile River Watershed Association	\$7,500	\$8,000
Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corp.	\$3,500	\$3,500
Androscoggin Yacht Club - Docks	\$500	\$500
Village Porta Toilet	\$250	\$0
Village Beautification	\$1,500	\$1,000
Memorial Day	\$500	\$450
Library ¹	\$0	\$6,000
Messenger/ Events Calendar ¹	\$0	\$4,400
Cemetery Association ¹	\$0	\$14,600
Park Maintenance	\$750	\$1,000
Subtotal	\$48,299	\$73,652

PASSED

ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$7,890** for the **LAND & BUILDINGS?**

Land & Buildings	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
North Wayne Schoolhouse Utilities	\$200	\$200
North Wayne Building Utilities	\$300	\$300
Wayne Town House Utilities	\$200	\$250
Footbridge Utilities	\$200	\$450
Dumpster	\$0	\$420
Janitorial Services	\$0	\$3,900
Land & Building Maintenance	\$1,000	\$1,000
Historic Properties Mowing	\$1,243	\$1,370
Subtotal	\$3,143	\$7,890

PASSED

ARTICLE 23. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$3,000** for the **CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT?**

Contingency	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Misc. Contingency	\$3,000	\$3,000
Subtotal	\$3,000	\$3,000

PASSED

ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$398,050** for the **CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS**?

Capital Reserve	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Broadband	\$35,757	\$0
Cemetery Stone Cleaning	\$0	\$2,800
Fire Truck	\$50,000	\$50,000
Fire Ponds	\$2,500	\$0
Land & Buildings	\$15,000	\$15,000
LRC Courts	\$40,000	\$0
LRC Field	\$1,500	\$0
Revaluation	\$26,250	\$26,250
Road Reconstruction & Paving	\$211,085	\$300,000
Technology Plan	\$0	\$4,000
Subtotal	\$382,092	\$398,050

PASSED

ARTICLE 25. Shall the Town vote accept the following Estimated Revenues and Transfers in the amount of **\$702,226** to reduce the **2023 Tax Commitment**, thereby reducing the amount to be raised from property taxes?

Revenues and Transfers	BUDGET FY 22 / 23	BUDGET FY 23 / 24
Banking Interest	\$2,500	\$5,300
Lien Costs	\$1,500	\$3,200
Interest on taxes	\$9,000	\$10,000
MV Agent Fees	\$7,000	\$7,500
IF&W Agent Fees	\$500	\$600
MV Excise	\$300,000	\$310,000
Boat Excise	\$5,000	\$5,500
Vitals	\$800	\$800
Cable TV Franchise Fees	\$4,000	\$4,000
Misc. Revenues	\$10,000	\$5,000
Insurance Dividends	\$0	\$1,500
Supplemental Taxes	\$1,500	\$2,000

Burning Permits	\$50	\$50
Yard Sale	\$5	\$5
Building Permits	\$3,000	\$4,500
Plumbing Permits	\$3,000	\$4,000
Dog license fee	\$500	\$500
Dog license - late fee	\$100	\$100
Transfer from Transfer Station Capital Reserve	\$8,452	\$2,239
Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$6,000	\$9,100
Veteran Reimbursement	\$1,400	\$1,300
General Assistance Reimbursement	\$500	\$500
State Revenue Sharing	\$181,564	\$184,378
Renewable Energy	\$100	\$1,100
Local Road Assistance Program	\$30,000	\$31,680
BETE Reimbursement	\$8,500	\$9,113
Homestead Exemptions Reimbursement	\$95,000	\$98,311
TOTAL	\$679,971	\$702,226

PASSED

ARTICLE 26. To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of **\$904,601** established for the Town by State law, in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles results in a tax commitment that is greater than this property tax levy limit. (By State Law, the vote on this article must be by written ballot)

*Note: This article only requires action if the town budget exceeds the tax levy limit established by State law. This year's municipal property tax levy limit would be **\$549,664**. This year's municipal property tax levy is **\$904,601**. This year's municipal property tax levy is over the limit by **\$354,937**.*

Written Ballot Required: 61 Yes, 5 No, Motion PASSED

ARTICLE 27. Shall an ordinance entitled "Consumer Fireworks Ordinance" be amended?

Note: *An attested copy of this ordinance with amendments is attached to, and posted with, this warrant. A copy of the ordinance with amendments is available for review and inspection at Town Office; and on the Town website: www.waynemaine.org.*

YES - PASSED

ARTICLE 28. Shall an ordinance entitled "Solar Ordinance" remain in effect after the date of this Annual Town Meeting?

Note: An attested copy of the existing ordinance is attached to, and posted with, this warrant. A copy of the existing ordinance is available for review and inspection at Town Office; and on the Town website: www.waynemaine.org. Article 28 is asking voters to decide whether they would like to keep the existing Ordinance approved at Special Town Meeting in October 2022. If you vote no, you don't need to vote on Article 29.

YES - PASSED

ARTICLE 29. Shall an ordinance entitled "Solar Ordinance" be amended?

Note: An attested copy of this ordinance with amendments is attached to, and posted with, this warrant. A copy of the ordinance with amendments is available for review and inspection at Town Office; and on the Town website: www.waynemaine.org. Article 29 is contingent upon voting, yes, on Article 28.

YES - PASSED

ARTICLE 30. Shall an ordinance entitled "Special Amusement Ordinance" be enacted to repeal and replace the current "Special Amusement Permit Ordinance"?

Note: An attested copy of this new ordinance is attached to, and posted with, this warrant. A copy of the new ordinance is available for review and inspection at Town Office; and on the Town website: www.waynemaine.org.

YES - PASSED

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 PM.

Given under our hands this 11th day of July 2023

Amy Black

Marianne Butak

Stan Davis

Trent Emery

Lloyd Irland

Selectboard

Attest: A true copy of a meeting minutes entitled "Town of Wayne 2023 Annual Town Meeting Minutes", as certified to me by the municipal officers of Wayne on the 11th day of July 2023.



May 29, 2024

Selectboard
Town of Wayne, Maine
Wayne, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Wayne, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Wayne, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2023 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

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

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TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

SCHEDULE 1

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, July 1	\$ 613,734	\$ 613,734	\$ 613,734	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Property taxes	3,455,912	3,455,912	3,459,426	3,514
Excise taxes	305,000	305,000	293,385	(11,615)
Intergovernmental	322,964	322,964	346,757	23,793
Charge for services	14,955	14,955	18,717	3,762
Interest on taxes	10,500	10,500	13,266	2,766
Interest income	2,500	2,500	7,559	5,059
Other revenues	18,024	18,024	11,225	(6,799)
Transfers from other funds	8,452	8,452	8,452	-
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>4,752,041</u>	<u>4,752,041</u>	<u>4,772,521</u>	<u>20,480</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	348,155	348,155	418,797	(70,642)
Public safety	132,292	132,292	128,441	3,851
Highways and roads	321,513	321,513	434,361	(112,848)
Sanitation	97,469	97,469	93,871	3,598
Cobbossee watershed	2,867	2,867	3,030	(163)
Recreation	48,299	48,299	51,272	(2,973)
Organizations and social services	36,978	36,978	36,978	-
Unclassified	23,362	23,362	30,129	(6,767)
Education	2,355,237	2,355,237	2,355,237	-
County tax	259,000	259,000	259,000	-
Overlay	42,128	25,529	4,436	21,093
Debt service:				
Principal	84,200	84,200	84,200	-
Interest	4,715	4,715	4,717	(2)
Transfers to other funds	<u>382,092</u>	<u>398,691</u>	<u>383,691</u>	<u>15,000</u>
Total Charges to Appropriations	<u>4,138,307</u>	<u>4,138,307</u>	<u>4,288,160</u>	<u>(149,853)</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	\$ <u>613,734</u>	\$ <u>613,734</u>	\$ <u>484,361</u>	\$ <u>(129,373)</u>

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

TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

STATEMENT C

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 813,324	\$ 308,395	\$ 1,121,719
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	83,437	-	83,437
Liens	20,049	-	20,049
Prepaid items	14,161	-	14,161
Due from other funds	88,807	435,036	523,843
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,019,778	\$ 743,431	\$ 1,763,209
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 655	\$ -	\$ 655
Due to other governments	7,861	-	7,861
Due to other funds	435,036	88,807	523,843
TOTAL LIABILITIES	443,552	88,807	532,359
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred tax revenue	89,512	-	89,512
Prepaid taxes	2,353	-	2,353
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	91,865	-	91,865
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	14,161	-	14,161
Restricted	-	150,068	150,068
Committed	-	-	-
Assigned	-	575,963	575,963
Unassigned (deficit)	470,200	(71,407)	398,793
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	484,361	654,624	1,138,985
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,019,778	\$ 743,431	\$ 1,763,209

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TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

STATEMENT E

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 3,459,426	\$ -	\$ 3,459,426
Excise	293,385	-	293,385
Intergovernmental	346,757	9,870	356,627
Charges for services	18,717	49,819	68,536
Miscellaneous revenues	32,050	147,321	179,371
TOTAL REVENUES	4,150,335	207,010	4,357,345
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	418,797	-	418,797
Public safety	128,441	-	128,441
Highways and roads	434,361	-	434,361
Sanitation	93,871	-	93,871
Cobbossee watershed	3,030	-	3,030
Recreation	51,272	-	51,272
Organizations and social services	36,978	-	36,978
Unclassified	30,129	210,873	241,002
Education	2,355,237	-	2,355,237
County tax	259,000	-	259,000
Overlay	4,436	-	4,436
Capital outlay	-	436,268	436,268
Debt service:			
Principal	84,200	-	84,200
Interest	4,717	-	4,717
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,904,469	647,141	4,551,610
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	245,866	(440,131)	(194,265)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	8,452	383,691	392,143
Transfers (out)	(383,691)	(8,452)	(392,143)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(375,239)	375,239	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(129,373)	(64,892)	(194,265)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	613,734	719,516	1,333,250
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 484,361	\$ 654,624	\$ 1,138,985

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TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
EXPENDITURES					
General government:					
Administration	\$ 272,155	\$ -	\$ 272,155	\$ 340,635	\$ (68,480)
Code enforcement	43,100	-	43,100	45,434	(2,334)
Assessing	31,400	-	31,400	30,300	1,100
Elections/hearings	1,500	-	1,500	2,428	(928)
	<u>348,155</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>348,155</u>	<u>418,797</u>	<u>(70,642)</u>
Public safety:					
Ambulance	51,205	-	51,205	26,259	24,946
Law enforcement	-	-	-	3,920	(3,920)
Fire department	72,451	-	72,451	60,781	11,670
Animal control	8,636	-	8,636	10,039	(1,403)
PSAP/Dispatch	-	-	-	20,883	(20,883)
Street lights	-	-	-	6,559	(6,559)
	<u>132,292</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>132,292</u>	<u>128,441</u>	<u>3,851</u>
Highways and roads:					
Roads	321,513	-	321,513	434,361	(112,848)
	<u>321,513</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>321,513</u>	<u>434,361</u>	<u>(112,848)</u>
Sanitation:					
Transfer station	97,469	-	97,469	93,871	3,598
	<u>97,469</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,469</u>	<u>93,871</u>	<u>3,598</u>
Cobbossee watershed	2,867	-	2,867	3,030	(163)

TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
County tax	259,000	-	259,000	259,000	-
Recreation	48,299	-	48,299	51,272	(2,973)
Organizations and social services:					
Cemetery Association	12,600	-	12,600	12,600	-
Library	6,000	-	6,000	6,000	-
Messenger	3,400	-	3,400	3,400	-
Rural Community Action	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-
Senior Spectrum - KAA	1,004	-	1,004	1,004	-
Hospice of Kennebec	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Family Violence	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Maine Public Broadcasting	100	-	100	100	-
Kennebec Valley Behavioral Health	1,600	-	1,600	1,600	-
Red Cross	1,200	-	1,200	1,200	-
Sexual Assault Crisis Support Center	417	-	417	417	-
Children's Center	595	-	595	595	-
Community Health and Counseling Service	1,562	-	1,562	1,562	-
Food Pantry	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
	36,978	-	36,978	36,978	-

TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Unclassified:					
General assistance	17,058	-	17,058	18,039	(981)
Contingency	3,000	-	3,000	5,661	(2,661)
Land and buildings	3,304	-	3,304	6,429	(3,125)
	<u>23,362</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,362</u>	<u>30,129</u>	<u>(6,767)</u>
Education	<u>2,355,237</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,355,237</u>	<u>2,355,237</u>	<u>-</u>
Debt service:					
Principal	84,200	-	84,200	84,200	-
Interest	4,715	-	4,715	4,717	(2)
	<u>88,915</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,915</u>	<u>88,917</u>	<u>(2)</u>
Transfers to other funds:					
Special revenue funds	103,507	660	104,167	104,167	-
Capital projects funds	278,585	15,939	294,524	279,524	15,000
	<u>382,092</u>	<u>16,599</u>	<u>398,691</u>	<u>383,691</u>	<u>15,000</u>
Overlay	<u>42,128</u>	<u>(16,599)</u>	<u>25,529</u>	<u>4,436</u>	<u>21,093</u>
Total Departmental Operations	<u>\$ 4,138,307</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,138,307</u>	<u>\$ 4,288,160</u>	<u>\$ (149,853)</u>

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

TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 219,555	\$ 88,840	\$ 308,395
Due from other funds	388,569	46,467	-	435,036
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 388,569	\$ 266,022	\$ 88,840	\$ 743,431
LIABILITIES				
Due to other funds	\$ 27,764	\$ 43,643	\$ 17,400	\$ 88,807
TOTAL LIABILITIES	27,764	43,643	17,400	88,807
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-
Restricted	78,628	-	71,440	150,068
Committed	-	-	-	-
Assigned	309,941	266,022	-	575,963
Unassigned (deficit)	(27,764)	(43,643)	-	(71,407)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	360,805	222,379	71,440	654,624
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 388,569	\$ 266,022	\$ 88,840	\$ 743,431

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TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE

SCHEDULE C

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 49,819	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,819
Interest income	-	2,559	677	3,236
Intergovernmental	9,870	-	-	9,870
Other income	106,113	11,479	26,493	144,085
TOTAL REVENUES	165,802	14,038	27,170	207,010
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	-	436,268	-	436,268
Other	182,639	16,191	12,043	210,873
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	182,639	452,459	12,043	647,141
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(16,837)	(438,421)	15,127	(440,131)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	104,167	279,524	-	383,691
Transfers (out)	-	(8,452)	-	(8,452)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	104,167	271,072	-	375,239
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	87,330	(167,349)	15,127	(64,892)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	273,475	389,728	56,313	719,516
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 360,805	\$ 222,379	\$ 71,440	\$ 654,624

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TOWN OF WAYNE
2024 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

STATE OF MAINE
KENNEBEC, SS

To Cathy Cook, a resident in the Town of Wayne, County of Kennebec, and State of Maine:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters in the Town of Wayne, in said County, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the **Ladd Recreation Center** on **Tuesday, June 11, 2024**, at 8:00 AM to elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting, to elect Town Officers for the ensuing years and by secret ballot on Article 2. Polls are to be open from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM. The meeting will recess after the ballot count.

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

*The election of Annual Town Meeting Moderator will be held **Tuesday, June 11, 2024**, at **8:00 AM**, for which the moderator will preside over the secret ballot referendum election that day until 8:00 PM at **Ladd Recreation Center**, 26 Gott Road, Wayne, ME.*

ARTICLE 2. To proceed with the voting, by secret ballot, as directed by statute, on the election of Town Officers for the ensuing years.

- two Selectboard (3-Year term, Term Expires 2027);
- one Budget Committee (5-Year term, Term Expires 2029);
- one Local School Committee (3-Year term, Term Expires 2027);
- one RSU#38 School Board (3-Year term, Term Expires 2027);

*The residents of the Town of Wayne, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, are hereby also warned to assemble at the **Ladd Recreation Center** at 26 Gott Rd, Wayne, Maine 04284 at **6:30 PM** on **Wednesday, June 12, 2024**, to act on Article 3 to end of Warrant.*

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will authorize interest on taxes due, but not yet paid by each installment date, at a rate of **5%** per year.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will allow the Tax Collector to accept money for taxes before taxes are committed.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will establish a **3%** interest payment for tax abatements (per annum).

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to enter contracts not to exceed five years, on such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to accept *Federal, State, or private* grants and gifts on such terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate, apply any such grants or gifts, along with any fees, to categories deemed appropriate by the Board, and to appropriate and expend such funds for authorized purposes as the Board deems appropriate?

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property as they deem in the best interests of the Town, except that the Board shall use the sales process in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C if they choose to sell property to anyone other than the former owner. For sales to someone other than the former owner or if the Board chooses to retain tax-acquired property for municipal use, excess sale proceeds, as defined in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all funds received from the State of Maine for snowmobile registrations during the current fiscal year, to the Thirty-Mile Snowmobile Club for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails within the Town, and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the Club for that purpose, under such terms and conditions as the municipal officers may deem advisable, including the condition that the trails will be open to the public as long as the trails are frozen and adequately covered in snow.

*****All figures rounded to nearest whole dollar amount*****

ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$354,268** for **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**?

General Admin.	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Selectboard's Stipend	\$7,162	\$7,162
Town Manager Salary	\$58,589	\$80,000
Bookkeeper	\$3,000	\$3,000
Treasurer stipend	\$4,000	\$4,000
Tax Collector wages	\$33,292	\$34,291
Town Clerk wages	\$36,446	\$37,540
Meeting Recording Clerk wages	\$2,528	\$2,604
Social Security/ Medicare Match	\$10,316	\$11,361
Health Insurance	\$44,699	\$46,508
Retirement	\$6,416	\$7,592
Disability	\$1,254	\$1,254
Office Expense	\$4,000	\$5,000
Travel Expense	\$1,200	\$1,500
Training Expense	\$1,200	\$1,500
Dues (MMA)	\$3,000	\$3,000
Computer maintenance	\$500	\$500
Computer software (Trio)	\$16,000	\$17,906

Website/ Email	\$3,000	\$3,000
Town Report	\$1,000	\$1,000
Tax Administration	\$3,000	\$3,000
Legal	\$24,000	\$35,000
Audit Reporting	\$6,500	\$10,250
Insurance	\$24,000	\$30,000
Copier lease & maintenance	\$4,000	\$4,000
Telephone	\$3,300	\$3,300
Subtotal	\$302,402	\$354,268

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,850** for **Elections and Hearings**?

Elections/ Hearings	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Election/ Ballot Clerks wages	\$1,350	\$1,350
Election Supplies	\$500	\$500
Subtotal	\$1,850	\$1,850

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$14,435** for **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**?

Health & Human Services	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Aging at Home Coordinator	\$14,272	\$12,480
Social Security/ Medicare Match	\$1,092	\$955
Travel (AAH Mileage)	\$100	\$0
General Assistance	\$1,000	\$1,000
Subtotal	\$16,464	\$14,435

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$87,451** for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** budget category for the following budget lines with any unexpended balances to carry forward to **Misc. Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**?

Fire Department	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Chief Officers' stipends	\$9,750	\$9,750
Firefighters' stipends	\$15,750	\$15,750
Social Security/ Medicare match	\$1,951	\$1,951
Operations	\$29,000	\$29,000
Communications	\$5,000	\$5,000
Equipment	\$11,000	\$26,000
Subtotal	\$72,451	\$87,451

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$36,500** for **ASSESSING?**

Assessing Mapping	BUDGET FY 23/24	BUDGET FY 24/25
Assessing/ Mapping	\$17,500	\$18,000
Quarter Review	\$0	\$7,500
GIS Mapping Annual Hosting Fee	\$2,400	\$3,000
GIS Mapping Updates	\$1,000	\$8,000
Subtotal	\$20,900	\$36,500

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$12,485** for **ANIMAL CONTROL?**

Animal Control	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Animal Control Officer stipend	\$4,000	\$5,000
ACO wages	\$2,800	\$3,220
Social Security/ Medicare match	\$526	\$629
Travel (ACO Mileage)	\$1,400	\$1,400
Humane Society	\$2,300	\$2,236
Subtotal	\$11,026	\$12,485

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 16.

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$47,962** for **CODE ENFORCEMENT & LAND USE BOARD SUPPORT**?

Code Enforcement & Land-Use Board Support	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Shared CEO/ LPI Contract	\$42,000	\$44,223
KVCOG Membership	\$2,600	\$2,739
Ordinance/ Mapping	\$1,000	\$1,000
Subtotal	\$45,600	\$47,962

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$61,857** for **PUBLIC SAFETY**?

Public Safety	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
E911 Coordinator stipend ¹	\$200	\$200
Damkeeper Stipend	\$500	\$500
Social Security/ Medicare match	\$54	\$54
Streetlights	\$6,600	\$6,600
Ambulance Service	\$27,046	\$28,399
Sheriff's Department	\$4,000	\$4,000
Fire/ EMS Dispatch (Winthrop)	\$4,516	\$4,652
Rural Patrol Dispatch (State)	\$11,591	\$12,168
PSAP (Androscoggin)	\$5,081	\$5,284
Subtotal	\$59,588	\$61,857

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$435,153** for **ROADS**?

Roads	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Lot Plowing	\$4,200	\$4,410
Highway Plowing	\$177,399	\$177,399
Winter Sand	\$40,689	\$40,689
Winter Salt	\$21,600	\$22,605
Sidewalk Plowing	\$6,600	\$6,000
Roadside Mowing	\$6,800	\$7,300
Sand/ Salt Shed lights	\$556	\$650
Road Administration	\$500	\$500

Brush/ Tree Removal	\$15,000	\$25,000
Calcium Chloride	\$5,000	\$14,000
Sweeping/ Catch basin cleaning	\$4,500	\$4,500
Patching	\$10,000	\$10,000
Signs & Posts	\$2,000	\$2,000
Painting	\$1,500	\$4,500
Culverts	\$5,000	\$5,000
Gravel	\$40,000	\$40,000
Grading	\$20,000	\$20,000
Ditching	\$50,000	\$50,000
Subtotal	\$411,344	\$435,153

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$120,197** for **TRANSFER STATION & LANDFILL?**

Transfer Station	BUDGET FY 23/24	BUDGET FY 24/25
Transfer Station Operation Cost	\$97,368	\$106,088
Transfer Station Capital Cost	\$9,737	\$10,609
Hazardous Waste	\$4,000	\$3,500
Subtotal	\$111,105	\$120,197

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$16,730** for **OUTSIDE AGENCIES?**

Outside Agencies	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
LifeFlight	\$0	\$565
Hot Meal Kitchen	\$0	\$1,500
Rural Community Action	\$5,000	\$5,000
Spectrum Generations	\$1,004	\$1,105
Hospice	\$1,000	\$1,000
Family Violence	\$1,000	\$1,200
Maine Public Broadcasting	\$100	\$100
Kennebec Valley Behavioral Health	\$1,600	\$1,600
Crisis & Counseling Center	\$1,562	\$0
Children's Center	\$595	\$565

Red Cross	\$1,200	\$1,200
Sexual Assault Crisis Support Center	\$417	\$395
Maranacook Food Pantry	\$1,000	\$1,000
Winthrop Food Pantry	\$1,500	\$1,500
Subtotal	\$15,978	\$16,730

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$78,473** for **RECREATION**?

Recreation	BUDGET FY 23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
WAL – Youth Services Coordinator	\$2,000	\$2,000
WAL – Social Security/ Medicare match	\$153	\$153
WAL – CAL Ripken Leagues	\$0	\$0
LRC – Programs	\$4,300	\$4,300
LRC – Health Insurance	\$14,900	\$15,908
LRC – Retirement	\$1,950	\$1,950
LRC – Mowing	\$6,064	\$6,234
Town Parks Mowing	\$3,285	\$3,378
Kennebec Land Trust	\$285	\$250
Friends of Cobbossee Watershed – Wilson Pond Boat Inspection	\$1,300	\$1,500
30 Mile River Watershed Association	\$8,000	\$10,000
Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corp.	\$3,500	\$3,500
Androscoggin Yacht Club – Docks	\$500	\$500
Village Porta Toilet	\$0	\$0
Village Beautification	\$1,000	\$1,000
Memorial Day	\$450	\$500
Library	\$6,000	\$6,000
Messenger/ Events Calendar	\$4,400	\$4,200
Cemetery Association	\$14,600	\$14,600
Park Maintenance	\$1,000	\$2,500
Subtotal	\$73,652	\$78,473

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)
Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,080** for the **LAND & BUILDINGS?**

Land & Buildings	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
North Wayne Schoolhouse Utilities	\$200	\$225
North Wayne Building Utilities	\$300	\$338
Wayne Town House Utilities	\$250	\$282
Footbridge Utilities	\$450	\$507
Dumpster	\$420	\$420
Janitorial Services	\$3,900	\$3,900
Land & Building Maintenance	\$1,000	\$3,000
Historic Properties Mowing	\$1,370	\$1,408
Town Office	\$0	\$10,000
Subtotal	\$7,890	\$20,080

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 23. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$3,000** for the **CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT?**

Contingency	BUDGET FY 23/24	BUDGET FY 24/25
Misc. Contingency	\$3,000	\$3,000
Subtotal	\$3,000	\$3,000

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)

Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$696,800** for the **CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS**?

Capital Reserve	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Cemetery Stone Cleaning	\$2,800	\$2,800
Fire Truck	\$50,000	\$75,000
Fire Ponds	\$0	\$0
Land & Buildings	\$15,000	\$15,000
Revaluation	\$26,250	\$0
Road Reconstruction & Paving	\$300,000	\$600,000
Technology Plan	\$4,000	\$4,000
Subtotal	\$398,050	\$696,800

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)
Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 25. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$398,050** for the **CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS**?

Capital Reserve	BUDGET FY 22/23	BUDGET FY 24/25
Broadband	\$35,757	\$0
Cemetery Stone Cleaning	\$0	\$2,800
Fire Truck	\$50,000	\$50,000
Fire Ponds	\$2,500	\$0
Land & Buildings	\$15,000	\$15,000
LRC Courts	\$40,000	\$0
LRC Field	\$1,500	\$0
Revaluation	\$26,250	\$26,250
Road Reconstruction & Paving	\$211,085	\$300,000
Technology Plan	\$0	\$4,000
Subtotal	\$382,092	\$398,050

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)
Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 26. Shall the Town vote accept the following Estimated Revenues and Transfers in the amount of **\$663,950** to reduce the **2024 Tax Commitment**, thereby reducing the amount to be raised from property taxes?

Revenues and Transfers	BUDGET FY23/24	BUDGET FY24/25
Banking Interest	\$5,300	\$5,300
Lien Costs	\$3,200	\$2,500
Interest on taxes	\$10,000	\$10,000
MV Agent Fees	\$7,500	\$7,000
IF&W Agent Fees	\$600	\$600
MV Excise	\$310,000	\$296,500
Boat Excise	\$5,500	\$5,100
Vitals	\$800	\$650
Cable TV Franchise Fees	\$4,000	\$3,181
Misc. Revenues	\$5,000	\$5,000
Insurance Dividends	\$1,500	\$1,500
Supplemental Taxes	\$2,000	\$2,500
Yard Sale	\$5	\$5
Building Permits	\$4,500	\$6,000
Plumbing Permits	\$4,000	\$4,500
Dog license fee	\$500	\$500
Dog license - late fee	\$100	\$350
Transfer from Transfer Station Capital Reserve	\$2,239	\$0
Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$9,100	\$10,000
Veteran Reimbursement	\$1,300	\$1,300
General Assistance Reimbursement	\$500	\$500
State Revenue Sharing	\$184,378	\$152,214
Renewable Energy	\$1,100	\$1,000
Local Road Assistance Program	\$31,680	\$36,532
BETE Reimbursement	\$9,113	\$9,792
Homestead Exemptions Reimbursement	\$98,311	\$101,426
TOTAL	\$702,226	\$663,950

Selectboard Recommend: YES (3-0)
Budget Committee Recommend: YES (4-0)

ARTICLE 27. To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of **\$1,281,221** established for the Town by State law, in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles results in a tax commitment that is greater than this property tax levy limit. (By State Law, the vote on this article must be by written ballot)


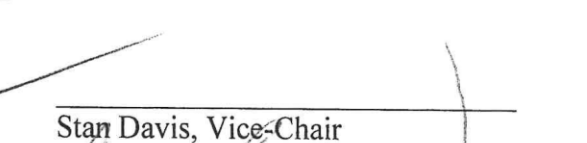
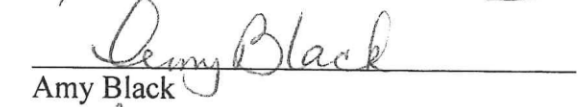
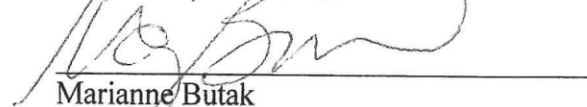
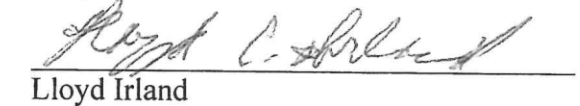
Note: This article only requires action if the town budget exceeds the tax levy limit established by State law. This year's municipal property tax levy limit would be \$974,550. This year's municipal property tax levy is \$1,281,221. This year's municipal property tax levy is over the limit by \$306,671.

ARTICLE 28. Shall an ordinance entitled "TOWN OF WAYNE, MAINE ZONING ORDINANCE" be amended?

Note: Text amendment changes to incorporate new Maine State Housing regulation LD 2003 and H.P. 211 - L.D. 337 Mobile/Manufacture Housing regulations. LUO text revisions are to Articles 2 through 4 and Part 2 Article 1 definitions.

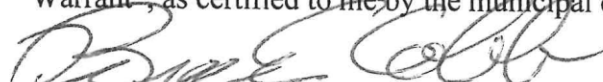
ARTICLE 29. Shall the Town adopt the statutory town manager plan pursuant to Title 30-A, Chapter 12, Subchapter 2, such plan to take effect at the next annual town meeting per the requirements in 30-A M.R.S. § 2631(1), and upon effect supersede and repeal the Town's existing Town Manager Ordinance?"

Given under our hands this 4th day of **June 2024**

 _____ Trent Emery, Chair	 _____ Stan Davis, Vice-Chair
 _____ Amy Black	 _____ Marianne Butak
 _____ Lloyd Irland	

Selectboard

Attest: A true copy of a warrant entitled "Town of Wayne 2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrant", as certified to me by the municipal officers of Wayne on the 4th day of **June 2024**.



Wayne Town Manager

ABOUT WAYNE

Originally known as New Sandwich, the Town of Wayne was incorporated on February 12, 1798, and named in honor of General Anthony Wayne. Wayne is approximately fifteen miles west of Augusta, on the western border of Kennebec County, located amidst Lovejoy Pond, Pickerel Pond, Pocasset Lake, Androscoggin Lake, Berry Pond, Dexter Pond, and Wilson Pond. The Land area of the Town comprises approximately 16,332 acres or 25.52 square miles. The 2020 US Census figure is 1,129 people.

FORM OF GOVERNMENT:	Town Meeting - Selectboard – Town Manager
FIRE:	Wayne Fire Department (Volunteer) Wayne Village Fire Station, Main Street North Wayne Fire Station, Kents Hill Road
POLICE:	Kennebec County Sheriff's Office, Augusta Maine State Police, Augusta
AMBULANCE:	Winthrop Ambulance, Winthrop
SCHOOLS:	Regional School District - RSU#38 (Manchester, Mount Vernon, Readfield & Wayne) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wayne Elementary School (K-5), Pond Rd, Wayne• Maranacook Community Middle School (6-8), Readfield• Maranacook Community High School (9-12), Readfield
AGING AT HOME CENTER:	Wayne Community Church (Pooh Bear), Old Winthrop Rd.
LIBRARY:	Cary Memorial Library, Old Winthrop Road
RECREATION:	Ladd Recreation Center, Gott Road
CHURCHES:	Wayne Community Church (Methodist), Old Winthrop Rd. North Wayne Church (Baptist), Church Street
TOWN CEMETERIES:	Wayne Cemetery Association Old Town Cemetery, Berry Road Beech Hill Cemetery, Strickland Ferry Road Lake Shore Cemetery, Lake Shore Drive North Wayne Cemetery, North Wayne Road Evergreen Cemetery, Old Winthrop Road Gordon Cemetery, Berry Road
PRIVATE CEMETERIES:	Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Gott Road Wing Cemetery, Pond Road
ROAD MILES:	State 7.25 miles Town 30.53 miles

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday CLOSED
Tuesday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Wednesday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Thursday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Office closed in observance of all State/Federal Holidays

Assessor Agent

*Third Wednesday of Every Month, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM,
appointments made by calling the Town Office*

Code Enforcement Officer

Tues. & Thurs. 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Selectboard Meetings

1st and 3rd, Tuesday, 6:30 P.M., Ladd Recreation Center

Transfer Station Hours of Operation

North Road, Readfield (685-3144)

*Tues., Wed., Fri. 11 AM – 6 PM; Sat. 8 AM – 4 PM; Sun. 8 AM – 12 PM **

**Summer Hours between Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekends*

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

<i>POLICE/ FIRE/ MEDICAL Emergency</i>	<i>Dial 911</i>
Maine State Police (non-emergency)	624-7000
Kennebec County Sheriff (non-emergency)	623-3591
Cary Memorial Library	685-3612
Ladd Recreation Center:	685-4616
<i>Town Office Phone:</i>	<i>685-4983</i>
<i>Town Office Fax:</i>	<i>685-3836</i>
Wayne Elementary School:	685-3634
Wayne Post Office:	685-9229

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Town Clerk: townclerk@waynemaine.org

Tax Collector: collector@waynemaine.org

Code Enforcement: ceolpi@waynemaine.org

Website: www.waynemaine.org