



Town of Oakland, Maine
2018 Annual Report



2018 OAKLAND TOWN REPORT DEDICATION

Richard "Dick" Lord

The 2018 Oakland Town Report is dedicated to Dick Lord, a man who was respected, professional and filled a very personal place within our community.

As owner of Wheeler's Funeral home, Dick served families in the Oakland community and surrounding areas for over 35 years until his retirement. Throughout those 35 years, Dick was a member of the Oakland Lion's Club, he was the Treasurer of the Oakland Historical Society and he was a member of the Early Bird Coffee Club here in Oakland, not to mention all of his professional affiliations.

Dick loved his wife Jeannine, his daughter Alexandria (Alex) and his grandson Hunter, his Great Dane "Big Poppy" and his community. Dick worked closely with our Municipal family in Oakland. He was a dear man to all of us. His kind smile and easy personality is sadly missed.

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**TOWN GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL
TOWN COUNCIL & OVERSEERS OF THE POOR**

Dana Wrigley	Term Expires December 2021
Donald Borman	Term Expires December 2021
Robert Nutting	Term Expires December 2020
Michael Perkins, Chairperson	Term Expires December 2019
Harold Buzzell	Term Expires December 2019

TOWN CLERK

Janice E. Porter	Term Expires December 2021
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ASSESSOR

Kathleen Geaghan	Term Expires December 2021
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APPOINTED PERSONNEL

Town Manager/Treasurer/Tax Collector and Road Commissioner	Gary Bowman
Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk and General Assistance Director	Janice Porter
Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy Registrar	Kathleen Paradis
Fire Chief	David Coughlin
Police Chief	Michael Tracy
Librarian	Sarah Roy
Buildings & Grounds Supervisor	A.J. Cain
Municipal Agent	Leatrice Grevois
Code Enforcement/Plumbing Inspector	David Savage
Health Officer	David Coughlin & Anthony Thibodeau
Recreation Director	Eric Seekins
Public Works Director	Jeffrey Hall
Transfer Station Manager	Daniel Hapgood
Finance Director	Douglas Mather
Municipal Engineer/Wastewater Supt	Boyd Snowden
Registrar of Voters	Janice Porter

PLANNING BOARD

David Roy, Alternate # 1	Term Expires June 2021
Mark Stevens, Jr. Alternate # 2	Term Expires June 2021
Shawn Stevens	Term Expires June 2020
Jamie Phair	Term Expires June 2020
Daniel Duperry, Chairperson	Term Expires June 2019
Everett Rossignol	Term Expires June 2019
Robert Knowlton	Term Expires June 2019

APPEALS BOARD

Dabney Lewis, Alternate # 1	Term Expires June 2021
Vacancy, Alternate # 2	Term Expires June 2021
Edward Cornwall	Term Expires June 2020
Gary Bennett, Chairperson	Term Expires June 2020
Richard Jurdak	Term Expires June 2020
Jeffrey Warren	Term Expires June 2019
Patrick Linehan	Term Expires June 2019

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Jane Sturk, Chairperson	Term Expires June 2021
Julie Kern, Alternate	Term Expires June 2020
Robert Knowlton	Term Expires June 2020
Vacancy	Term Expires June 2019
Sylvia Jadczyk	Term Expires June 2019

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 18 MEMBERS

Laura Tracy (effective July 1, 2019)	Term Expires June 2022
Charles "Rick" Stubbert	Term Expires June 2021
Mary-Anne LaMarre	Term Expires June 2020
Thomas Burton	Term Expires June 2019

BUDGET AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

David Groder	Term Expires December 2022
Donald Ponitz	Term Expires December 2022
Nathan Bernier	Term Expires December 2022
Michael Rossignol, Chairperson	Term Expires December 2021
Angela Jurdak	Term Expires December 2021
Shawn O’Leary	Term Expires December 2021
Edward “Ned” Hammond, Vice Chairperson	Term Expires December 2020
Kelly Pinney-Michaud	Term Expires December 2020
William Kennard	Term Expires December 2020
Donna Pullen	Term Expires December 2019
Donna Doucette	Term Expires December 2019
Max Marston	Term Expires December 2019

LIBRARY BOARD COMMITTEE

Marilyn Stevens	Term Expires June 2021
Bert Brewster	Term Expires June 2021
Patricia Stevens	Term Expires June 2021
Linda Holmsen	Term Expires June 2021
Howard Hardy	Term Expires June 2020
Stephanie Cheevers	Term Expires June 2020
Peter Godfrey	Term Expires June 2020
Lesley Palmer	Term Expires June 2019

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Ralph E. Farnham, Jr.

Edward Roderick

OAKLAND BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Maila Couture, Co-Chairperson
Jayne Roberge, Co-Chairperson
Max Marston
Alexandra Fabian
Claritza Hurdle
Gary Bowman

Wayne Cowing
Sharon Wildes
Nancy Smith
Samantha Burdick
Ashley Violette

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Boyd Snowden, Chairperson
Kelly Pinney-Michaud
Eric Sharpe
Gary Bowman, ex-officio
David Coughlin, ex-officio
A.J. Cain, ex-officio
Michael Willey, Advisor

Richard MacKenzie
Ned Hammond
Jon Cox
Donald Borman
Mark Stevens, Jr.
Harold Buzzell

OAKFEST COMMITTEE

Kathy Paradis, Chairperson
Lisa Loisel, Vice Chairperson
Max Marston, Secretary
Monica Charette, Media Relations
Gary Bennett
Mary Faucher
Gary Bowman, ex-officio

Maila Couture
Mike Crowell
Patrick Faucher
Holly MacKenzie
Ashley Violette
Chris McPherson

BROADBAND/FIBER OPTICS EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Joshua Zukerman
Alexandra Fabian
Garvan Donegan
Gary Bowman

Danielle Marquis
Donald Borman
Elaine Theriault-Currier

FLOWER COMMITTEE

Jean Ponitz, Chairperson
Diane Engert, Secretary
Terry Borman, Treasurer
Laura Pierce, Pierce's Greenhouse
Amber Beaudoin
Eileen Bolstad
Jane Boucher
Stephanie Cheevers
Cheryl Godfrey
Beth Granholm
Dr. Meg Griffin

Linda Holmsen
Janet Hutchinson
Carolyn McCaughey
Dr. Katie Meikle
Charlotte Melnichok
Cindy Potter
Kelly Roderick
Dr. Mark Sutherland
April Wood

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE

Robert Nutting, Chairperson
Laura Tracy, Vice Chairperson
Donna Griffin
Michael Rossignol
Shawn Marquis
Garvan Donegan, ex-officio
Gary Bowman, ex-officio

Cindy Reese
Mark Fisher
Dan Duperry
Dale Sturtevant
Kelley Roderick
Bob Marden, Member at Large

WATERFRONT MUSIC SERIES COMMITTEE

Chris McPherson, Chairperson
Gary Bowman, ex-officio

Ed Pearl
Eric Seekins, ex-officio

REFERENCE NUMBERS

Oakland Town Office

Telephone.....	465-7357
Fax.....	465-9118
Code Enforcement Office/Plumbing Inspector.....	465-2842
Assessor's Office.....	465-2750
Public Work's Garage.....	465-2408
Treatment Plant.....	465-7198
Public Library.....	465-7533
Fax.....	465-9954
Transfer Station.....	465-4732
Police Station (Non Emergency).....	465-2202
Animal Control Officer.....	465-2202
Sexton's Garage.....	465-9117
Fire Station.....	465-2631
Superintendent's Office.....	465-7384
Bus Garage.....	465-2102
Messalonskee High School.....	465-7381
Messalonskee Middle School.....	465-2167
Williams Elementary School.....	465-2965
Atwood/Tapley School.....	465-3411

Oakland's Web Page

www.oaklandmaine.us

Oakland's E-Mail Address

gbowman@oaklandmaine.us

Oakland's Facebook Page

Town of Oakland

The following websites provide an opportunity to purchase licenses, registrations and to request an absentee ballot for state elections:

<https://www10.informe.org/bmv/vanity/>

<https://www.informe.org/bmv/rapid-renewal/>

<https://www.maine.gov/online/trailerrenewal/>

<https://www5.informe.org/online/boat/>

<https://www10.informe.org/ifw/atv-snow/>

<https://www.doglicensing.com>

<https://www.informe.org/moses/>

<https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/voter-info/absent.html>

MAINE LAW REQUIRES THAT BURNING PERMITS

are issued for all outdoor fires. Fire permits are issued on fire danger Class 1 and 2 days determined by the Maine Forest Service from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm at the fire station. Permits may also be obtained online from the State of Maine at <https://www1.maine.gov/burningpermits/>

EMERGENCY NUMBER

Oakland Fire Department.....	911
Oakland Rescue.....	911
Oakland Police Department.....	911

OAKLAND POST OFFICE

Oakland Postmaster – Jude Sirois 465-2404

TOWN OFFICE HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday thru Thursday - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Friday - 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month 6:00 p.m.,
in the Cascade Room at the Police Department

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS

As needed, the Third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., in the
Cascade Room at the Police Department.

**TRANSFER STATION & RECYCLING CENTER
HOURS OF OPERATION**

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday
Open 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed Monday, Tuesday and Holidays

PUBLIC LIBRARY

E-Mail Address: staff@oaklandpubliclibrarymaine.org
Website: oaklandpubliclibrarymaine.org

Tuesday 10:00 am – 7:00 pm and
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

SPECTRUM

1-800-833-2253 Website: www.timewarnercable.com

TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

To the Citizens of Oakland:

On behalf of the Town Council, I'd like to thank the citizens of Oakland for placing your trust in us, and allowing us to continue to serve you. It is an honor to represent such a great town.

The Council would like to thank the many residents who have volunteered their time and service to work with us to move the town forward and help with the many projects. We also would like to thank the town employees for all their hard work and dedication in serving the citizens of the Town. We couldn't do it without you.

Thank you to all the members of the Flower Project for their continued hard work in making Downtown so inviting. They maintain the beautiful gardens around Town, the flowers on the traffic islands and the decorative bicycles up Main Street. They do a wonderful job and we appreciate their hard work and dedication to our Town.

This year marked our inaugural year for the Oakland Summer Music Series. This summer long event was held every Thursday evening from 6pm-8pm at Oakland's new gazebo which is located at the Oakland Waterfront Park. It has proved to be a welcome success. Thank you again to all who donated their time and money. Without you, this project would have never happened.

This year, we will be building a new state of the art Fire Station on the North side of the existing Fire Station on Fairfield Street. The Town Crew has started the site work. Keep an eye on the site and watch the progress.

The Town Council members continue to work together with Town Manager Gary Bowman and Finance Director Douglas Mather, who continues to do an excellent job in keeping the Town of Oakland in a strong financial position. This enables us to continue to provide the essential services our citizens and employees need.

As always, the Council would like to encourage as many citizens as possible to attend Council Meetings. The Council is elected by you, to represent you and your ideas. By attending the meetings you are able to present your ideas directly to us. And as always, if you are unable to attend the meetings, or have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact any member of the Town Council.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow members of the Town Council, Don Borman, Harold Buzzell, Dana Wrigley, and Bob Nutting for their support and dedication to the Town during 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Perkins
Council Chairman

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

To the Town Council and the Citizens of Oakland:

It has been stated, that this year the Town of Oakland has experienced it's best financial year in over 30 years.

Since taking this job back in 2014, we have added an annual summer event, built a new Police Station, built a new gazebo, added an annual summer long music series for the gazebo, developed new web pages and social media pages, continued to be creative with our beautification projects, gained public support on a new Fire Station and have added many new committees. All of this hard work by many has had a positive impact with not only bringing new attention to our town, but by adding \$265,000 to Oakland's tax base compared to \$67,000 last year. This past year alone, we've permitted 19 new homes, numerous additions and garages and many commercial buildings. Many Towns would love to have this kind of new tax activity. We have done all of this with our existing staff and dozens of volunteers.

As with the past four years, I am continuing to systematically address lower than average wages for our town employees. This year, I am asking for pay increases for five full time employees and seven part time employees. Also, this year, the Northeast CPI came in at 1.9 % and we are asking for a 2% COLA for all of our employees. This allows us to stay competitive with neighboring towns our size. This is a priority due to the lack of availability of employees who are willing to work for wages that are lower than the private sector wages. The municipal work force has morphed into a nomadic group who will leave for more money in neighboring towns. It is financially important to our Town and to our tax payers to keep our skilled staff. It costs more money to train new staff and to deal with expensive errors than it is to retain our trained work force.

We are hoping to add another FTE to be split between the Parks and Recreation and the Town Office. This staff member will oversee the Town's web pages, social media pages and all the new events that we have established over the past 4 years. They will assist at the Town Office front counter and participate in grant writing as grants become available. The job title is Media and Special activities Coordinator.

Our Fire Department is in need of replacing our 22 year old rescue truck. This vehicle gets used daily and is easily the highest use vehicle in the Fire Department fleet. We are asking you to support placing the last needed \$55,000 in the Capitol Equipment budget to purchase this \$200,000 vehicle. The Fire Department is also hoping to gain support to purchase the used Police cruiser that is scheduled to be traded this summer. Currently the Town pays Chief Coughlin \$250/month for the Town's use of his personal vehicle. Out of all of our Emergency personnel, Chief Coughlin responds to the highest number of call outs during his time off. This car can be set up to respond from home and save on his personal vehicle. I support this plan.

The Police Department will be trading a cruiser this summer and we have budgeted \$35,000 for this purchase. If approved, they will receive an additional \$4,500 from the Fire Department for the cruiser that was to be traded.

Our Buildings and Grounds Department needs to replace a pick up and we have budgeted \$45,000 to purchase a 1 ton truck with a dump body. We will be replacing the silver Dodge that we purchased used a couple of years ago. As most of you know, this department is very busy and in the summer months they break out into teams to do building maintenance, light construction projects, mowing lawns, cemeteries and every burial that takes place in Oakland.

As in past years, our health insurance continues to climb. This year, we experienced an increase of 7%. We were looking at a \$26,000 increase, but as in the past years, we've had employees who have switched out to Medicare or switched to a spouses insurance program resulting in a savings of \$113,401 over the past 4 years. Due to this type of loyalty, this year's insurance increase was reduced to \$7,483. This is all the more reason why we need to continue working to bring our employee's wages up to at least average wage for towns of our size in our geographic area. I truly believe that above average employees has the right to at least earn average pay. It would be my guess that there are not many of you who are reading this document that would be willing to do this in order to keep your town's taxes low.

Workers Compensation remains constant with last year.

Our winter's weather has become more aggressive over the past 3 years by delivering lots of ice and frequent storms. This has resulted in a higher use of sand and salt. We have added approximately \$9,000 to the salt and sand line item.

Our debt service has increased by about \$152,000/year due to our Fire Station bond.

Due to the above mentioned items and a few smaller ones that I have not mentioned, we will be seeing an overall budget increase of \$349,473 (43% of this increase is due to the bond for the new Fire Station). **With new revenues, taxes and an exceptional overlay from last year, we will be experiencing a property tax decrease of \$57,642 on the Municipal side of your tax bill.**

As I said at the beginning of this report, the Town of Oakland has experienced the best year financially that it has seen for the past 30 years. We are increasing our value and attracting new tax dollars to our town by adding family friendly activities, beautification projects, working on improving distressed properties (including Municipal properties), generating a Comprehensive Plan for the Town and planning on improving our Pleasant Point Park. All of this has added not only to the overall Town appeal, but has added to our quality of life at an affordable price.

Oakland continues to offer the lowest tax mil rate for any full service town within our area and beyond. This is not only due to the important work that our Council and Budget Committee does, but is also due to our staff and their dedication to this town that they hold dear to their hearts.

This has been another year of great happenings in the Town of Oakland. I wish to thank the Honorable Oakland Town Council for their continued vision and guidance involving the many projects that have been put forth over the past few years. I wish to thank our department heads and their staff for the hard work and drive that gets the job done. And, I wish to thank the citizens of this community who support and volunteer on the many committees that are literally changing the face of the town. With your help, Oakland sets the standard, without you, we would be just like everyone else.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Bowman
Town Manager

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT CONTACTS

Governor Janet T. Mills	1 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333	207-287-3531
Senator Susan M. Collins	413 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20510	202-224-2523
Senator Angus S. King, Jr.	133 Hart Building Washington, DC 20510	202-224-5344
Congressman Jared Golden	1223 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515	202-225-6306
Senator Matthew Pouliot	3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04330	207-287-1505
Rep. Michael Perkins	93 Willey Point Road Oakland, ME 04963	207-716-6968
Rep. Colleen Madigan	13 Gilman Street Waterville, ME 04903	207-692-7143
Sheriff Ken Mason	125 State Street Augusta, ME 04330	207-623-3614
Dist. Atty. Maeghan Maloney	95 State Street Augusta, ME 04330	207-623-1156

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

2018 was an active year for the towns Code Enforcement Office. Long time Code Enforcement Officer Robert Ellis has retired, the town wishes him and his family well. This year the town has seen above average growth in development both residentially and commercially. The town ordinances and citizen staffed Planning, and Appeals Board have been critical in directing and assisting this development in the best manner possible with the goal of maintaining necessary regulatory compliance and character of the town, while keeping pace with the new housing and business demands that wish to expand or relocate in Oakland.

This year the following permits have been issued:

- 19 New Homes
- 9 Additions
- 11 New garages
- 4 Mobile homes
- 18 Other (camp, decks, tower upgrades etc.)
- 28 Internal Plumbing or connection permits
- 17 New or replacement Septic Systems

There have been a number of complaints filed and investigated about illegal dumping of trash, and debris on public and private property. Please make sure your trash and debris makes it to the appropriate places.

Building and plumbing permits are required for most work. If you are unsure if a permit is needed call the Town Office at 465-2842, the staff will be happy to assist you with your projects.

Respectfully submitted,

David Savage
Code Enforcement Officer

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

2018 was an average year of activity for the Planning Board. We spent time reviewing the large Central Maine Power sub-station which will be located off the County Road. There are also a couple smaller projects, including the new storage units located on Summer Street that have been reviewed and approved by the board.

We wish long time Code Enforcement Officer Robert Ellis well in his retirement that started this year. We also wish to welcome our new Code Enforcement Officer David Savage.

The Board is critical in directing and assisting with development in the best manner possible for the Town of Oakland.

The Planning Board is scheduled to meet the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm, as needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Duperry
Planning Board Chairman

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

To the Town Council and the Citizens of Oakland:

The 2018 – 2019 fiscal year has been a successful year for the Assessing Office. The real estate market is continuing to improve and properties continue to sell, split, or otherwise change hands. The interest rates are creeping back up and have slowed homeowners from refinancing their existing mortgages but still those that do, make their monthly payments lower to ease their burden. New construction and improvements have increased from last year to Oakland's existing properties and continued throughout the year.

The process of reviewing the property record cards and inspecting a quarter of the properties as described in state law Title 36 M.R.S.A., section 328 (7) continues.

The Homestead Exemption is in its twenty-first year of implementation and continues to provide direct relief to property taxpayers. While the State of Maine provides funding (.625%) reimbursement for the property taxes lost, it is implemented through the assessing office. This year one thousand six hundred and eighty-three (1,683) households took advantage of the Homestead Exemption. If you received a \$20,000 Homestead Exemption, your tax bill was reduced by \$328.00. A further application for the Homestead Exemption is not needed for next year unless there has been a change in your residency, you did not apply last year, or you are a new Oakland homeowner. The State of Maine will reimburse the Town of Oakland \$339,782.38.

The Town of Oakland currently has 166 veterans or veteran widows that have a combined exempt value of \$996,000 saving these residents a total of \$16,334.40. The average savings this year is \$98.40. There are two (2) persons determined to be legally blind, each exemption reduces the taxpayer's property by \$4,000, thus saving the taxpayer \$65.60.

The real estate market sales are studied throughout the year in order to keep abreast of the ever-changing real estate market. The sales in central Maine (Oakland) have not had the big fluctuation in decreased sale prices as other areas of the state. I am beginning to see the sale prices of homes continuing to slowly rise throughout the year.

Any taxpayer that owns a business may be eligible for Maine's Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement Program (BETR) on eligible personal property placed into service after April 1, 1995. This program is to encourage new capital investment in Maine by reimbursing business owners who invest in new equipment. There were 170 +/- Oakland businesses eligible to receive more than \$85,000.00 in personal property tax reimbursement from the State.

There were 25 businesses eligible for the Business Equipment Property Tax Exemption (BETE) for qualified business equipment that was first subject to local property taxes as of April 1, 2008. The total exempt value was \$4,597,200. The State of Maine will reimburse the town \$39,838.56 which is 50% of taxes lost for 2018 – 2019.

As of this writing, eleven (11) abatements have been issued during the year amounting to \$2,309.12. There have been two (2) Supplemental Assessments committed to the Tax Collector this year amounting to \$795.40. There were no appeals to the Board of Assessment Review this year.

Should a street number be needed for a new residence or business, the Assessor/Street Addressing Officer has the responsibility of assigning that number. There have been fifteen (15) addresses assigned and one new private road added during the year. All changes or additions to the E911 data base are immediately sent to the police and fire departments, the post office and MeOGIS. The police and fire departments are networked to the Assessing information 24/7 for use in the performance of their duties.

Important: Please note, that all house/business numbers assigned shall be displayed and maintained on the structure or at the end of the driveway/right of way. The numbers are to be at least 3” in height, on reflective material, and plainly visible during all seasons.

The address will then be used in conjunction with the Enhanced 911 service which links each telephone number to a physical address easily located by emergency responders. The Post Office, utilities, delivery services and others will use the new address for more effective service.

Please note that all Assessing records and Enhanced 911 records are public information, if you have any questions or concerns, no matter how large or small regarding valuation, exemptions, land transfers, street numbers, etc., please do not hesitate to contact me. The entire commitment book, map and lot listing, valuation reports, tax bills, E911 addresses by name or street is on line and is user friendly as well as the tax maps that are on Oakland’s web page. Log on at www.oaklandmaine.us for the complete listings.

The Assessing office continues to send a “Welcoming Letter” to all new residents. The informational packet includes an application for the Homestead Exemption, reference telephone numbers and meeting schedules for the various Town departments, a notice about property taxes for buyers & sellers, and a Homeowners Guide to Property Tax.

My sincere thanks to the Town Council and Town Manager for their continued support and cooperation over the past year. A special “thank you” to Ginny Joseph and all the town office staff for their assistance throughout the year.

It has been my pleasure to serve another year as Oakland’s Tax Assessor and Addressing Officer for Enhanced 911.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen R. Geaghan, C.M.A.
Assessor

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Valuation as of April 1, 2018
FY July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

Real Estate	\$516,779,000	
Personal Property	<u>24,490,600</u>	
Total Taxable Valuation		\$541,269,600
Total Homestead Exemption Valuation	\$ 33,149,500	
Total of all Homestead Exemption x .0625	20,718,437	
(a)Total of all BETE Exempt Valuation	4,597,200	
(b)Statutory BETE Reimbursement Value	<u>2,429,181</u>	
Total Valuation Base		\$564,417,218

Tax Requirements for Fiscal Year
July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019

Appropriations		
County Tax	\$ 525,781.64	
Municipal	3,091,974.00	
TIF financing plan amount	579,464.48	
Education	5,549,344.83	
Kennebec Regional Develop. Authority	(Summit TIF)	
Overlay	<u>137,726.43</u>	
Total Appropriations		\$9,884,291.38
Allowable Deductions		
State Revenue Sharing	\$ 299,654.00	
Homestead Reimbursement	339,782.38	
BETE Reimbursement	39,838.56	
Other Revenue	<u>328,195.00</u>	
Total Deductions		<u>- 1,007,469.94</u>
To be raised by Property Tax		<u>\$8,876,821.44</u>

Computation of 2018 Tax Assessment

Valuation x Rate	Total Tax to Raise
\$541,269,600 x .0164	\$8,876,821.44

Exempt Property

Kennebec Regional Development Authority	\$ 1,586,700
Veteran's, Veteran's Widows, and Blind	1,004,000
Church and Parsonages	3,169,400
State of Maine	204,600
United States	----
Town of Oakland	5,875,900
Schools (R.S.U. #18)	23,230,000
Kennebec Water District	1,537,200
Charitable/Benevolent	2,033,000
Literary/Scientific	2,311,800
Veteran's Club	272,500
Fraternal Organizations	<u>162,000</u>
Total Exempt Property	\$41,387,100

State Valuations

2018 Valuation	2019 Valuation	Increase
\$511,500,000	\$513,250,000	.34%

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

VITAL RECORDS

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

2018 Birth and Marriages

Births: 61 Marriages: 43

DEATHS IN MEMORY OF

Ahearn, Kathleen J.	08/04/2018	Mullen, Edwin Daniel	02/25/2018
Bacon, Erland P. Jr..	07/01/2018	Murphy, Lawrence E.	09/07/2018
Barba, Deborah Gail	03/24/2018	Nummy, Brian Joseph	12/15/2018
Bartlett, Robert K. Sr.	12/22/2018	Perkins, Nancy Louise	06/11/2018
Bickford, Hilda J.	06/28/2018	Pettitt, Arthur R.	08/31/2018
Bouchard, Anna Marie	06/29/2018	Poplaski, John III	05/16/2018
Bragg, Mavel Manning	05/03/2018	Poulliot, Eleanor Esancy	10/30/2018
Caron, Karen Christy	12/25/2018	Preble, Beverly A.	10/05/2018
Case, Bette M.	07/15/2018	Rancourt, Earl Raymond	08/21/2018
Chadwick, John Harold	04/23/2018	Robinson, Allan N.	01/22/2018
Cochrane, Janet Lucia	09/22/2018	Rubinson, Jill	07/30/2018
Cote, Carol A.	02/19/2018	Schissler, Bernice Renee	03/30/2018
Cote, Matthew Joseph	05/05/2018	Spencer, William R.	10/31/2018
Cunningham, Iva F.	01/18/2018	Stevens, Parker Millard	07/24/2018
Fish, Frederick Norris	09/10/2018	Veilleux, Virginia A.	01/28/2018
Fitzgerald, Mark L.	09/06/2018	Vintinner, James Robt.Sr.	09/25/2018
Gerald, Stephen Albert	04/21/2018	Warren-Gauthier, Nancy	07/12/2018
Giguere, Evelyn Elizabeth	03/31/2018	Webber, Gordon Bruce	04/07/2018
Godin, Robert Leo	09/24/2018	Wheelock, James E.	09/25/2018
Guimond, Stephen Timothy	08/23/2018	Willett, Helen G.	12/18/2018
Halley, William John	11/13/2018	Wood, Patricia Ann	04/09/2018
Harmon, Joshua Adam	04/20/2018	Wright, Irving E.	01/03/2018
Hight, Vernal Edward Jr.	04/04/2018	York, Lloyd A. Jr.	10/23/2018
Hosea, Ann F.	08/31/2018	Young, Lawrence L.	12/07/2018
Joseph, Albert G.	11/16/2018		
King, Josephine T.	09/09/2018		
Loucks, Leon W.	08/27/2018		
Manson, Gwendeth I. .	05/22/2018		
Marston, Dean J. Sr.	11/13/2018		
McKay, Brenda Elaine	11/03/2018		
Meador, Arlene Davis	05/16/2018		
Morrison, Ralph	02/01/2018		

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Town Council and the Citizens of Oakland:

Oakland Officers responded to 15,513 calls for service in the year 2018. They affected 83 adult arrests, detained 28 juveniles, conducted 1,952 motor vehicle stops and investigated 86 (UCR reportable) serious crimes. The officers completed 6,510 business checks and 876 vacant property checks for people away from their homes for an extended period of time. The department investigated 286 motor vehicle accidents in 2018. Additionally, our Animal Control Officer responded to over 532 calls for the year.

The constants such as substance abuse issues, domestic violence, traffic related incidents, etc. continue to take up much of your officer's time. Further, the opioid epidemic and the overdose deaths that are occurring every day in Maine and across the nation are on our minds as we perform our duties. We pray for an answer to these issues and continue to work hard to deal with the offenders and help the victims of these societal problems.

Police work has often been described as "having a front row seat to the greatest show on earth!" There are days where this definition rings true as we have certainly seen it all. Digging deeper into this phenomenon will however cause us to realize that people experience difficulties every day that may or may not be of their own doing. Either way, we all have need of assistance on occasion! We make it our mission to be there when Oakland citizens need our help.

The following is a roster of your police department:

Chief Michael Tracy	Captain Rick Stubbert	Officer Peter Tibbetts (SRO)
Sgt. Adam Sirois	Sgt. Gene Richard	Officer Nickolas Von Husen
Officer Todd Burbank	Officer Kelly Hooper	Dispatcher Kathy Gray
Officer Jacob Pierce	Sgt. Tracey Frost (SRO)	

Reserve Officers: Sgt. Jerry Haynes, Officer David Groder, Officer Jeremy Buzzell, Officer Steven Gould, Officer Luke Klinker, Officer Dave Boag and Officer Jonathan Robichaud.

Please drive safely and be a good neighbor. Report suspicious activity, and ask questions when you have concerns. We want to hear from you! We must work together in order to maintain the healthy and safe community that we all enjoy in Oakland.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your police chief.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael D. Tracy
Police Chief

FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

We are very excited to see the construction of Oakland's new fire station begin this spring. A huge thank you to the facilities committee, members of the Fire Department, and most importantly the residents of Oakland who have shown overwhelming support. This project has been in the planning phases for many years and will greatly enhance the safety and efficiency of the Department.

The Oakland Fire Rescue Department continues to be the busiest "volunteer" department without fulltime 24-hour staffing in the area. The fire station is currently only staffed 8 hours per day with a per-diem firefighter/EMT. We are seeing a trend of calls going unanswered due to the unavailability of volunteers. We are recruiting Firefighters and EMTs to join our volunteer ranks over the next year. Along with recruiting on call volunteers, we need to explore additional staffing that will be readily available at the fire station. This year's budget includes the per-diem day increasing from 8 to 10 hours per day beginning in January 2020.

The following is a three-year comparison of incidents as reported to the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS).

<u>Incident Type</u>	<u>Years</u>		
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
100 Fires	47	38	46
200 Explosions (no fire)	3	0	1
300 Rescue	667	655	621
400 Hazardous Conditions	90	97	67
500 Service	138	157	121
600 Good Intent	56	73	72
700 False Alarms	54	56	66
800 Severe Weather	11	13	3
900 Special Incidents	4	4	5
Mutual Aid Calls	<u>73</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>57</u>
Total Incidents	1143	1141	1059

This year we will replace Rescue 4 with a new light duty rescue squad. The current rescue vehicle served the town for over 20 years and is overdue for replacement. Additionally, we will receive a retired police vehicle to use as a Chiefs/Command vehicle. Although this is new for Oakland, it is very common in today's emergency services.

Oakland had two very unfortunate tragedies during 2018 in which the Fire Rescue Department responded. The first was on July 24th when 8-year-old Parker Stevens died at his home. The second was on November 13th when Bill Halley lost his life when a fire swept through his camper. Please keep these families and your first responders in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, we want to remind you of the importance of having multiple working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in your home. If you don't have a CO detector, please purchase one and if you have one in your home that is more than 6 years old, it should be replaced. If you have any questions or need a smoke detector please contact the Fire Department.

We continue to issue burning permits at the Fire Station free of charge. Permits are issued starting at approximately 8:30 am, 7 days a week.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the following for their support during the year: Town Manager, Town Office Staff, the Honorable Town Council, Department Heads and members of their departments, members of various town committees, Lions Club, Mutual Aid Departments and the Citizens of Oakland. I especially thank my Department Members and their families for their continued dedication to the Department and to the Citizens of Oakland.

Respectfully submitted,

David P. Coughlin, Fire Chief

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

A “Local Health Officer (LHO) is a term established by the State Statute. Title 22 M.R.S.A. Chapter 153 §451 authorizes every municipality in the State to employ a local health officer. Maine law also requires the LHO’s to obtain certification through training. It is the authority of the Town Health Officer to hear concerns and complaints of public health issues. Some examples of complaints that may be addressed include but are not limited to: dangerous buildings, public health threat, and removal of filth on property, unlawful dumping, and malfunctioning septic systems.

This past year has brought on a series of more challenging issues from our towns people. From January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2019 we covered a total of 12 complaints varying from no heat, to rat infestations. The majority of these complaints have to do with rental housing issues. Most often, remediation is accomplished through cooperation between the person with the complaint and the landlord or other responsible individual. The willingness to communicate appropriately and effectively between both parties is essential to solving all the issues we encounter.

This year was a very effective year dealing with the complaints. Working in conjunction with code enforcement has created a more efficient method of handling complaints.

We cannot thank the community enough with its continued support with the merging of the Health Officer and Fire Rescue. Your appreciation of both departments has been paramount in our continued success with the complaints we have received. If there are any questions or concerns, we are always willing to talk. We can be reached either through the Town’s Code Enforcement Officer, Dave Savage, at 465-7357 or direct at the Fire Station 465-2631. All questions can be directed to Firefighter/Paramedic Anthony Thibodeau or Chief David Coughlin.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Thibodeau
Firefighter/Paramedic and Health Officer

SNO-GOERS REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

The members of the Oakland Sno-Goers Club would like to take this opportunity to thank the landowners for giving us permission for use of their land for our snowmobile trails. Without this use of land it would be impossible to access the trails.

We had a much better season this year. The volunteer members worked very hard on the trails, along with cleaning and maintenance of the equipment. I would like to thank those volunteers for their hard work in making it all possible for the snowmobilers to enjoy their sport.

The Town of Oakland has over 318 registered snowmobiles. I would like to thank all of our members for their loyal support and give an extra special thanks to those members that volunteered their time to maintain our trails.

The club now owns six drag sleds and two track machines and drags 41 miles of trails (one way) in the town. Thanks to the town for allocating a portion of the money they receive from the state (a portion of snowmobile registrations fees). It is very costly when maintaining the sleds and track machines for use in smoothing the trails for safe travel.

We would like to invite you to join the Oakland Sno-Goers Club and support your sport. We are doing our very best to keep the trails as smooth and safe as possible. It is all volunteer work. For more information please feel free to call me at 465-6136.

Please remember to **“TREAD LIGHTLY”**

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Swett
President, Oakland Sno-Goers Club

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

The Highway Department began the spring season with the cleanup of winter sand. Throughout the year we installed culverts for new homes, replaced existing culverts and maintained ditches encompassing the town. Also, the department completed screening and hauling of 8,133 yards of winter sand.

I wish to thank the following members of our Highway Department:

Raymond Hewett
Mike Hachey
Jeff Clark
Brad Vannah

Wayne Knox
Robert Mathieu
Roland Cote, Asst. Public Works Director

Completed paving projects: for (2018-2019)

Gagnon Road-Shim-Overlay
Oak Hill Drive-Shim- Overlay
South Gage- Shim-Overlay
Portion of West School St Side Walk
South Alpine Overlay

Ayer Street-Overlay
Goodwin Street-Shim-Overlay
Heath St-Upper Half-Shim-Overlay
North Gage-Shim-Overlay

For the upcoming year (2019-2020) the Highway Department paving plans include:

County Road- Overlay
Old Waterville Rd- Overlay
Gallagher Road- Overlay
North Alpine- Overlay
Oak Hill Drive- Shim & Overlay
Skyline Drive- Overlay
Powell Avenue- Overlay

Transfer Station Rd-Overlay
Lake Vista Drive- Shim & Overlay
Heath Street- Upper Half & Overlay
North Gage- Shim & Overlay
Repair Side Walks
Upper Half-South Alpine- Overlay
Sparkling Lake Lane- Overlay

Additional projects will include all of the site work for the new fire station.

I would like to thank the Town Manager Gary Bowman, Police Chief Mike Tracy, Fire Chief David Coughlin, Municipal Engineer/Wastewater Superintendent, Boyd Snowden, Transfer Station Manager, Daniel Hapgood, and Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, A.J. Cain for their continued support of the Highway Department.

As well as, thanking the Town Council, Town Office Staff and the citizens of Oakland for their assistance and patience throughout the many projects the Public Works Department completed and will continue with this upcoming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey S. Hall
Public Works Director

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Town Council and the Citizens of Oakland:

In 2018 the Sewer Department's efforts focused on three main components:

1. Continued Operational Savings
2. Sewer Manhole Access
3. Collection System Maintenance and Reduction in Inflow and Infiltration (I&I)

The Department has continued the operation of the large sewer pumps at the former sewer plant during "non-peak hours" when possible in order to reduce the monthly electrical costs. In the 2017/2018 budget cycle, we were able to use our storage tanks during the day and pump at night for 6 months, providing a savings of approximately \$9,000 to the customers of the Sewer Department. Our goal for the 2018/2019 budget cycle will be 7 months of "non-peak pumping". The final savings each year under this program are based upon the flow from the collection system and the amount of precipitation each year.

The Department also continued the program of raising all manhole covers to pavement grade ensuring access to the collection system. The program we have in place will be to raise at least 6 manhole rims to grade each year, until all manholes are accessible. In 2018 we raised manhole covers due to paving projects on Heath Street, Oak Hill Drive, South Alpine Street and Water Street. Most of these manhole covers were already accessible, but were raised to accommodate the new paving operation. While raising the manholes, we replace the deteriorated brick and mortar under the frame and covers with new precast risers. This eliminates the possibility of bricks falling into the sewer system piping as the mortar deteriorates over time from the salt used during winter conditions. In 2019, we plan to raise any buried manhole covers on Deer Run, Railroad Avenue, Hubbard Street and on Pleasant Street near the Railroad Track crossing.

Finally, the Sewer Department continued our program on collection system maintenance. Part of that effort includes cleaning and video inspection of a portion of the sewer piping each year. Due to the cost of these cleaning and inspection operations, we can only afford to complete approximately 20% of the system annually, meaning we should be able to inspect the entire system in a 5 year period. This cleaning and video inspection serves two purposes; first it allows us to inspect the sewer system for I & I contribution, and second, it allows us to inspect the system to identify any areas within that require maintenance work. In April of 2018 we completed this work on Oak Street, Oak Hill Drive, and part of Allagash Drive. This work is performed in the spring which allows us to view any I & I entering the piping system during high groundwater table periods. Several areas were identified as contributors to I&I as part of this project, some of which we plan to address in 2019. In April 2019, we hope to complete cleaning and inspection of the remainder of Allagash Drive, Deer Run, Sawtelle Road, Railroad Avenue, and Hubbard Street.

I wish to thank Town Manager Gary Bowman and the Town Council for their unending support. I would also like to thank Jeff Hall and the Public Works crew, Chief Tracy and the Oakland Police Department, Chief Coughlin and the Oakland Fire Department, AJ Cain and his crew, as well as Jan Porter, Doug Mather and the rest of the staff at the Town Office for their assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Boyd Snowden, PE
Municipal Engineer/Wastewater Superintendent

TRANSFER STATION & RECYCLING REPORT

To the Town Council and the Citizens of Oakland:

2018 saw the end of a nearly 20 year cooperation between Oakland and the City of Waterville and Town of Winslow. Waterville and Winslow have decided instead to haul their waste directly to Crossroads Landfill in Norridgewock, Maine for the next several years. Oakland will soon be hauling our household trash to the new state of the art Fiberright facility in Hampden, Maine. Fiberright has some exciting technologies being applied to waste management for recovering value from trash wherever it can be found.

The loss of Waterville and Winslow is reflected in a \$21,090.48 loss in revenue in 2018, but this is by no means a cause for concern. While taking this hit in revenue, we were able to make adjustments in staffing producing about \$25,015.70 in cost savings. Another \$6,949.04 in cost savings was achieved in 2018 with a reduction in trucking costs due to our contract with Fiberright, and the efforts of our Town Engineer, Boyd Snowden, have resulted in a whopping \$20,450.00 in cost savings, exceeding my conservative expectations by almost 25%.

As many of you are aware, we targeted quite heavily the recovery of cardboard from our waste stream in 2018. We began in April to actively engage customers while they threw their rubbish, educating and encouraging them to recycle their cardboard. This campaign resulted in a 78% increase in our recovery rate of cardboard alone, not including the positive impact it had on the recovery of other materials as well.

I know there has been some considerable concern regarding the stability of recycling markets and even recycling itself, and rightly so. The evidence and forewarnings are all over both local and national news forums, but I can happily assure you that at this time, because of solid choices in recycling strategies and the hard work of our staff and customers, Oakland's recycling program is as strong as ever, and is still improving. Keep up the good work. We can be the example, because we are the exception.

	2017	2018
Tons of Electronics	21.00	20.49
Tons of Architectural Paint	6.41	6.43
Tons of Material Recycled	246.90	263.42
Savings Value of Recyclables*	\$12,886.98	\$12,712.02
<i>*Cost reduced from Trash Disposal</i>		
Revenue from Recyclables	\$23,067.19	\$19,489.53
Plus Other Revenue	\$82,310.35	\$60,777.36
Total Revenue	\$105,377.54	\$80,266.89

I would like to thank my crew, who I owe much of our success to for turning ideas into reality. I thank Public Works, Buildings and Grounds, and Boyd Snowden for their contributions to our facility. I would also like to thank those special customers that make our hard efforts worthwhile.

Thank You, and PLEASE RECYCLE and PLEASE Promote Recycling
Help us build a Recycling Culture that Oakland can be proud of.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel J. Hapgood
Transfer Station Manager

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

The Buildings & Grounds Department had quite a productive year for the Town of Oakland. At the start of the fiscal year, we installed 750' of new water line in Lewis Cemetery, allowing us to add four new water spigots in Plan 5 and two additional spigots in Plan 4. Other work performed in the cemeteries consisted of the removal of two large trees & the straightening of several large grave stones in Lakeview Cemetery. Once again, all three town cemeteries were in excellent shape for Memorial Day weekend, along with all other town properties.

In the past year, the town has also taken on the new task of plotting, selling, and record keeping of all the three cemeteries in Oakland, since the sale of Wheelers Funeral Home to Gallants Funeral Home. These are some responsibilities that will definitely take some adjusting, but we will do our best to make this transition as smooth as possible. Inquiries about lot sales or burials can be made by contacting the Town Office or the Buildings and Grounds Department.

Through out the summer, the building & grounds department assisted in multiple functions throughout the town. We helped with the preparation of the 4th annual Oakfest, building stages, setting up multiple tents, marking the layout for all the vendors at Williams Elementary, and once again, having another very successful turn out. We also assisted in the 1st annual Waterfront Park Summer Music Series that seemed to have a great following. We look forward to this coming summer to again help out with both of these great community events.

An idea of using antique bicycles as flower planters on Main Street was brought to reality with the help of private donations of bikes and the fabrication skills of Wayne Knox of the Public Works Department. We were able to fabricate and paint several antique bicycles and place them throughout town. The flower committee added the final touches with some beautiful plants and flowers, as they do on all the islands and planters around the town. This was a true collaborative effort to bring fun to our downtown.

In the fall, we added a nice post and beam awning to the main entrance of the Town Office with the assistance of the Public Works Department. We also installed approximately 700sqft of vinyl click flooring in the Oakland Pump Station office area and in an employee bathroom at the Town Office.

Without mentioning all of the unseen tasks and chores that we faced throughout the year, I would like to thank the following people for all their hard work, day in and day out.

Buildings & Grounds Crew

Gary Bowman – Grounds Assistant

Bryan LaPointe – Buildings Assistant

I would also like thank the following people for all their hard work for keeping all town buildings neat and tidy all year long, especially through the tough Maine winter months.

Janitorial Staff

Sue Hubert

Donna Littlefield

Heather Wood

I'd like to make mention of the man, who, if not for him, I would not be where I am today. Since April 28, 1992, Dick Lord has done nothing but guide, lend advice, and literally work hands on with me in the cemeteries of Oakland. He will be sadly missed, not only by myself, but also by the entire Town of Oakland and its' residents.

In closing, I would like to thank the following: The Public Works Department for all the assistance they give throughout the year, Recreation Director, Eric Seekins, for all he does for this department, especially at Pleasant Point Park, & Jeff Sheive and his crew from RSU 18 for all the beneficial shared services.

I would also like to thank Town Manager Gary Bowman, the Town Council, the Town Office Staff, all department heads and their staffs, and the citizens of Oakland for their continued support, year after year.

Respectfully submitted,

A.J. Cain
Buildings & Grounds Supervisor

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

Animal Control responded to 532 calls this past year broken down by domestic and wildlife complaints.

There were 394 domestic calls and 138 wildlife calls. The most frequent domestic calls were related to dog at large complaints. In August of 2018, the Legislature enacted new language related to dog at large complaints stating that dangerous dogs will be determined by a court and nuisance dogs (considered as repeat incidents with same dog) will result in a \$30.00 licensing fee.

Health issues continue to arise regarding rat infestations. Animal Control will respond to rat complaints, however, due to liability concerns, we can only provide advice and assistance on how to correct rat problems. The major contributor to rat problems is garbage left to accumulate around homes and yards. Bird feeders also attract these critters along with skunks and raccoons. Rabies is still present in our town with seven (7) possible incidents reported. It is very important for our residents to take advantage of our free rabies clinic every December to protect your cats and dogs.

March is mating season for most wildlife in our area and you can expect to see these critters moving around our neighborhoods. Most common areas to spot them will be around out buildings, barns, under porches and wood piles. Do not approach wild animals-give us a call!

Finally, unlicensed dogs top the list of failure by residents to comply with State Law. It's an annual requirement due by January 31st of each calendar year. After that date, there is an automatic late fee of \$25.00 in addition to regular licensing fee. Failure to get it done can result in a court summons requiring a day in court along with an additional fine.

Many people do not realize that Oakland is one of very few towns that handle both wildlife and domestic complaints. The Town Council and Police Department chose to keep our roads and neighbors free of road kills which directly results in reducing health hazards to both people and pets. Our department is especially thankful for the assistance and reporting of animal complaints. We look forward to helping keep Oakland a great place to live.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Faucher
Animal Control Officer

PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

Our library patron count for 2018 averaged out to 5,326. Our system Atrium is a cloud based book-system, where information about books and library news can be found at: oaklandpubliclibrarymaine.org and email us at: staff@oaklandpubliclibrarymaine.org our library phone number is: 207-465-7533.

Storytime at 10:30am on Fridays, continue to do well. Thank you to Cheryl Godfrey, Jackie Fortunato, and Avis Grant, with Gene Roy, our principal readers. Alysan Rancourt, our volunteer from Messalonskee High School, comes once a week, thank you! ☺ We have telescopes ready for borrowing; Lego Club meets the first Thursday of the month at 3:30-4:30, and books ready to be checked out here at your public library!

LIBRARIES ROCK! Summer Reading program in 2018, started off with Judy Pancoast. In 2019, A UNIVERSE OF STORIES! starts on Friday, the 12th of July with Mad Science of Maine at 10:30, Conjuring Carroll, a magician, Gene Roy Doing STEM science rocketry, Jerry Schneider presents Butterflies on August 2nd, and lastly, our Party! Our Storytime will co-exist with Summer Reading Programs for 5 weeks this coming summer. Thanks again to our Oakland Lions Club for their support of children's programming here at the Oakland Public Library, and the Waterville Area Women's Club for supporting Chewonki Programs during last year's Libraries Rock! ☺

Thank-you goes out to our processing group, Wednesday – Claudette Cote and Sandra Caret. Our new books are ready faster with their help.

Gene Roy's notes: 2018-2019 -Frank Morton, a local artist and instructor, displayed artwork done by his students as well as his own work. Also, Glenn LeBlanc, a local photographer, had an exhibit here at the library. The students from all over RSU 18 schools showed their artwork during March - really brightens up the library! Sandra Neily, a Maine mystery writer, will be speaking at the library on April 17th at 4:00pm. Earl Smith, former Colby professor, spoke on his book Head of Falls. He is coming on June 12th at 4pm to speak about his new book Water Village, the history of Waterville and West Waterville.

Thank you to Christie Souza, Stephanie Cheevers, Linda Holmsen, Lesley Palmer, Howard Hardy, Peter Godfrey, Patricia Stevens, Marilyn Stevens and Bert Brewster, our Library Advisory Board members.

Please come in and visit, read the Morning Sentinel or, one of our magazines. Enjoy reading a new book in comfort, while the sun rests upon your shoulders, here at the Oakland Public Library. ☺

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah p. Roy
Librarian



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Gary Smith
Chief Operations Officer

Residents of RSU 18,

We are so fortunate to live in this great state of Maine; and right here in Central Maine we have an amazing school system in a community that is a great place to live and raise a family. I am honored to be the Superintendent of Schools for RSU 18, and so happy that every day I get the opportunity to see great things happening in our schools.

Throughout this year you may have seen on our Facebook page a series of “stories” celebrating our unsung heroes. We have tried to use this tool to thank people for their tireless work on behalf of students, and to let parents and community members know how dedicated we are to ensure that every student is successful every day in every school. Our teachers, administrators, educational technicians, coaches, bus drivers... and the list goes on; they are all incredible. To put it simply, we take care of the students, and we care deeply about their well-being and academic success. To our entire staff who go above and beyond daily on behalf of students, please join me in saying thank you.

After participating in our Comprehensive Needs Assessment last year, one of our district goals this year has been to improve student attendance. Our teachers, administrators and school board members all recognize the importance of having students come to school on a regular basis. We are trying a host of strategies to meet this goal, and so far, we are seeing great results. We want our students in school, and we appreciate the cooperation and support we have received from everyone as we work to meet this goal together.

As you may know, our facilities improvement work has been moving forward aggressively. The new athletic complex at our high school is very close to completion. Because the weather did not cooperate last fall there are a few small things to finish up this coming summer, but the complex is ready for use and wow is it exciting that our athletic teams will be using this facility as we go into springtime. The athletic complex is just a small part of the work we are doing. From the long overdue addition to the multi-purpose room in China to the updated science classrooms at the high school to the energy improvement projects happening in all our schools, there is an incredible amount of work scheduled to improve our facilities. We are focusing our efforts on finishing the safety issues raised in our fire-marshall report and also focusing on air and climate quality improvements. Our students and staff deserve safe and comfortable facilities to spend their days.

While there are many positive things I can report about our schools, the easiest and most important thing I can tell you about is what I see in our classrooms. Students are performing well on all our academic indicators and we are proud of them, but that is not what I am most excited about. I was visiting classrooms a few weeks before writing this letter and I observed students working on a problem. The teacher had delivered his lesson to the entire class to share knowledge and to give guidance; then he gave them tools and time. The students took over. Their first attempt was anything but successful, but they did not quit. They stopped, discussed, came up with a new strategy, and tried again. I had to leave the



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classroom before seeing if they were successful in attempt number two, but honestly that is not the point. This interaction I witnessed epitomizes the education in our schools. Teachers deliver interesting and relevant lessons, but they do so much more. Failure is just a step in the learning process. Students who are afraid to fail or are nervous that they will be judged would not try again. Instead they would simply raise a hand and ask for an answer, but that is not what happened. I hope the students I was watching got the right answer, yes that is important. However, I cannot express how proud I was to be part of this district. None of this would have happened without the right climate in the classroom. It was safe, supportive and rich in learning. It doesn't get any better than that.

Thank you to everyone in our communities for your continued support of the students and our schools.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carl Gartley
Superintendent of Schools, RSU 18

RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Town Council and Citizens of Oakland:

It is with great pleasure that I am able to address the citizens of Oakland in this manner each year.

Oakland has grown leaps and bounds in the last few years thanks to the work of our municipal and school leaders and support of our residents. Our new police building is working well and it looks like construction to the new fire department will begin this year after countless hours of planning and preparation. At the High School, the very first games will be played on the new turf complex this spring as well. For upgrades to existing facilities the Messalonskee Lake Swim Area received some attention in 2018 and the Pleasant Point ball field got a complete face lift in the fall. I am so proud that we are able to create new facilities while at the same time maintaining the existing ones to a quality standard. Oakland certainly is on the go and on the grow! Be proud!

This ties in nicely where I mentioned to you in last year's report that we would be creating a summer music series at the new gazebo. Thanks to the generosity of Kennebec Savings Bank, Higgins and Bolduc Agency, Korner Store, Fabian Oil, and Camp Manitou it happened and happened in a big way! Hopefully you were able to take in some of the Thursday night concerts but if you didn't, make it happen in 2019, you won't regret it! All five sponsors are back and work has already begun to bring you another exciting lineup of entertainers. Complete schedule posted very soon.

I look with great anticipation at what the next decade has in store for our wonderful community. Working together we can and will accomplish great things.

Special thanks as always to every member of the Town Employee Family. Everyone here works hard for the common goal of serving our citizens regardless of department. Thanks also to RSU #18 for another great year of cooperation, co-existence, and facility usage.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Seekins
Recreation Director

OAKLAND FOOD PANTRY REPORT

To the Town Council and the Citizens of Oakland:

This has been an exciting year for the Oakland Food Pantry. Because of a grant from a local foundation we were able to purchase a computer and software providing us a faster and easier way to keep track of our distribution of food and necessary personal items that we provide to our clients. We are still in the learning stage but are fortunate to have a volunteer who has experience and is currently helping to train other volunteers on the software.

Our projects consisted of the following:

Participation in the Empty Bowls event at Messalonskee High School and the Credit Union's Walk for Ending Hunger Campaign. Food drives including: The Oakland Post Office, Elementary School, Boy Scout Troop, Messalonskee High School, ShineOnCass and at Shaw's Market by pantry volunteers assisted by the Oakland Lions Club. If you made bowls, brought soup or dessert, came and ate, helped with a food drive or walked or supported someone who participated in the Credit Union's walk you have helped us with our mission.

Corporate donations of food have been received from Sappi, TD Bank, and B & M Beans. In the month of November 2018 we were the recipient of the Hannaford boxes (223 boxes of food which were purchased by shoppers) at the Elm Plaza store. We also received 2 grants for the purchase of food and other required items for the pantry.

In 2019 we will be receiving Hannaford Fresh Cookbooks, to sell, at no cost to us. These will make great gifts for your family and friends, and a great opportunity to support our food bank.

The food pantry is a completely volunteer organization. We have no paid employees and more than 95% of our annual expenditures are for food and other necessary items for our clients.

Without our group of dedicated volunteers and the monetary donations we receive from the Town of Oakland and the many local individuals and businesses, we would not be able to provide these necessary items for the people of Oakland. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**

Respectfully submitted,

Clara Watson, Treasurer
Oakland Food Pantry

March 7, 2019
Town of Oakland
6 Cascade Mill Road
Oakland, ME 04963



Dear Town of Oakland Citizens,

I am pleased to share with you Central Maine Growth Council's 2018-19 overview of work for the Town of Oakland's 2019 Annual Town Report. As a regional public-private economic development corporation, Central Maine Growth Council (CMGC) prides itself as being a leader in economic development that understands large and small business development projects, the needs of communities through commercial and community revitalization, and the importance of the innovation and technology economy. Currently, CMGC is assisting in guiding the Town's economic development initiatives to create a stronger economic future with the following efforts:

1. Planning and Development of the Town's Comprehensive Plan
2. Focusing on Business Recruitment, Retention, and Attraction
3. Incentives and Public-Private Grants & Finance Tools for Businesses
4. Developing Apprenticeship Programs and Workforce Development Initiatives
5. Expanding Support for Small and Mid-Size Companies
6. Focusing Economic Development Efforts on Seven (7) Key Industry Clusters
7. Working Strategically to Position Oakland Regionally and Statewide as a Premier Place to do Business and Invest



In serving as lead facilitators and planning staff for the Town's two (2) year comprehensive plan process, some recent updates include:

- Oakland Comprehensive Planning Committee (OCPC) has met twenty-five (25) plus times over the course of the last twelve (12) months.
- OCPC has convened several subcommittees, including (i.) S.W.O.T. and Stakeholder Analysis Subcommittee, (ii.) CompPlan Drafting/Writing Subcommittee, (iii.) Survey & Public Input Subcommittee, and (iv.) Natural Resources Subcommittee.
- OCPC facilitated two (2) public forums; the first to educate the community on the comprehensive plan process, and the second to focus on Oakland's downtown district as it relates to the comprehensive plan.
- The Oakland Community Survey was circulated throughout the community from June through October, achieving a 13% response rate.
- Data and information gathering phases have been completed. Drafting of the new comprehensive plan began in the winter of 2018.
- The Town of Oakland has received a \$15,000 grant from the Maine Community Foundation to explore broadband expansion in the downtown district. The Oakland Broadband & Technology Committee has formed to oversee this project. Portions of their work will be reflected in the comprehensive plan.
- Fall (2019): a draft comprehensive plan will be presented to the Oakland Town Council for approval. Various forms of community input, including public workshops, will precede the presentation to the Council.

Best regards,
Garvan D. Donegan
Director of Planning and Economic Development, Central Maine Growth Council

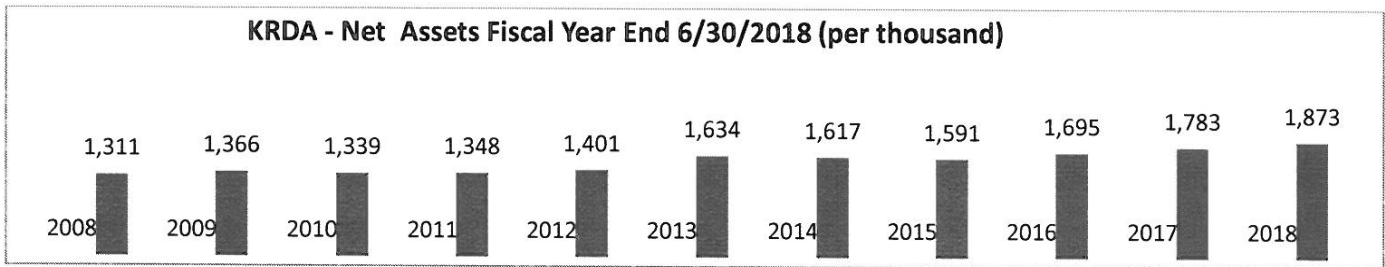


Kennebec Regional Development Authority - Annual Report: 2017-2018

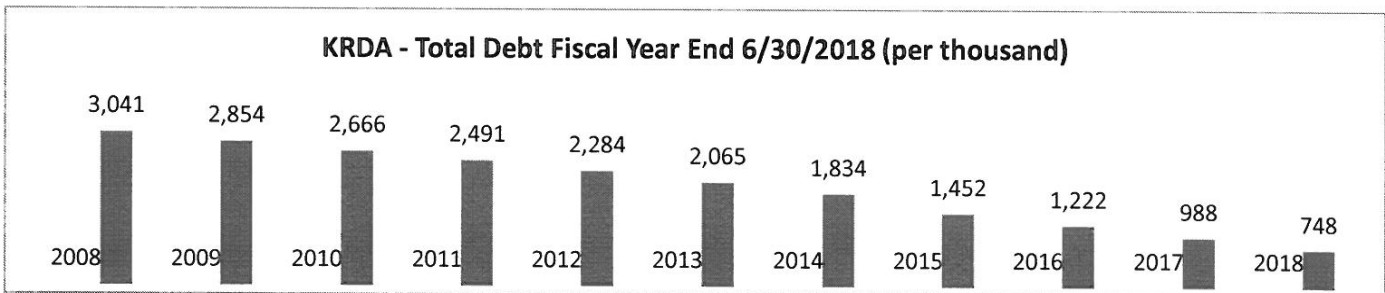
The Staff, General Assembly, and the 24 member communities of the Kennebec Regional Development Authority are pleased to present this annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

KRDA has grown what we own by sound fiscal management, including level budgeting and reduction of debt. Assessments to municipal members have remained unchanged since 2007.

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KRDA was formed, by special Maine State legislation, for the specific purpose of bringing economic development and jobs to our region. FirstPark was created on approximately three hundred acres, adjacent to I-95 in Oakland, and was supported by twenty-four towns and cities. The purchase and the subsequent build out of the infrastructure were financed with a \$3,000,000 twenty year bond. This bond was refinanced, at significantly lower interest rates, in 2010 and will be paid off in November 2020. The balance of the bond is \$748,000 plus \$15,000 of associated interest.



Currently there are almost 1,000 people employed by the businesses in FirstPark. The Park’s property valuation amounts to \$28,900,000, which is comprised of \$7,600,000 of personal property and \$21,300,000 of real estate. Total real estate taxes collected in 2018 totaled \$471,000.

For more detailed financial information please refer to our annual audited financial report. An electronic copy can be emailed upon request. KRDA/FirstPark can be contacted at either (207) 859-9716 or exdirector@firstpark.com

Respectfully Submitted,
James W. Dinkle
Executive Director, KRDA/FirstPark



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

Dear Friends:

It was the highest honor of my life to take the oath of office to become Maine's 75th governor. Over the next four years, I will do everything in my power to make Maine the safe, beautiful, prosperous state we all want for our children and grandchildren.

That is why on my first day in office I directed the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to implement Medicaid expansion as quickly and efficiently as possible. My Administration will ensure that it is paid for sustainably; that the cost of health insurance is controlled; and that the cost of prescription drugs is reined in. In addition to creating a Director of Opiate Response to marshal the collective power and resources of state government to stem the tide of the opioid epidemic, we will make Narcan widely available, increase access to medication assisted treatment and recovery coaches, and expand drug courts.

We also need a healthy environment. My Administration will embrace clean energy; change our modes of transportation; weatherize homes and businesses; and reach a goal of 50 percent of our energy coming from Maine renewable resources. By reducing the impacts of climate change, we will create good-paying jobs, preserve our environment, and protect our state's farming, fishing, and forestry industries.

We will also develop a world-class workforce starting with Pre-K for every 4-year-old in Maine and more post-high school options that result in a valued credential. Attracting talented young people to move here and make Maine their home will be top priorities of my Administration.

Maine communities, especially rural communities, are confronting a severe workforce shortage and an aging and declining population. It is time for bold, dynamic ideas that will change Maine for the better. That is why I, along with people ranging from small business owners, innovators and entrepreneurs, to economists and every day, hard-working Mainers, developed an economic plan designed to make it easier for small businesses to grow, for people to come and stay, and for Maine to thrive.

I welcome your ideas. We are all in this together. We all want Maine to have a beautiful environment, happy people, and prosperous communities

Thank you,

Janet T. Mills
Governor

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Senator Matthew Pouliot
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0003
(207) 287-1505

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

First, let me thank you for electing me to represent you in Augusta. I am honored to serve you in the Maine Senate. It has been a privilege serving as a State Representative over the last six years. I will continue to work tirelessly on your behalf, making sure your interests are heard and well represented in the Maine Legislature.

This past legislative session proved to be the longest in recent memory. After dealing with a number of major policy matters, we finally adjourned September 13th.

Perhaps the most significant action the Legislature took last year was the passage of tax conformity. Failing to conform would have been a nightmare for small businesses as well as low-income and elderly Mainers. Maine would have also lost \$37 million in one-time repatriated revenue. Due to the Legislature's actions and willingness to work together on the passage of tax conformity, Maine tax filers were unharmed by this policy change.

The 129th Legislature has many challenges of its own. The top priorities this session include finding a way to provide affordable and accessible healthcare to all Mainers, tackling the opioid crisis, education reform and funding, and lowering property taxes.

Thank you again for trusting me to represent you in Augusta. I hope the Legislature can come together to tackle the hard issues facing our state, and I am ready to help. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or matthew.pouliot@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating state government.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew G. Pouliot".

Matthew Pouliot
State Senator



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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March 2019

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

It is an ongoing honor and pleasure serving the good people of Oakland at the State House, and I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to be your voice in Augusta. With record-low unemployment, record-high State revenues, a record-high number of employers, and the fastest net-earning growth in New England, my colleagues and I are optimistic about 2019. We are likewise maintaining an open mind with a thoughtful and cautious approach to working with the new Governor as she lays out her plan for moving Maine forward. The path being proposed certainly strays from our tested successes; however, the weeks and months of negotiations to come will hopefully mold her presented biennial budget into a more palatable product.

Currently in my second term in Maine’s House of Representatives, I am now the ranking member of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. This panel’s jurisdiction includes the Department of Transportation; Bureau of Motor Vehicles; motor vehicle registration and license plates; drivers’ licenses; driver education; the Maine Turnpike Authority; the Highway Fund; transportation policy; public transportation; aeronautics; highway and bridge construction and maintenance; highway safety; traffic regulation; waterways; railroads; the Department of Public Safety, State Police; and motor vehicles and motor carriers.

With over 2,000 legislative requests filed for consideration during the 129th Legislature’s First Regular Session, I encourage you to take an active interest in the events unfolding under the capitol dome. You can always monitor committee proceedings and floor debate in the House and Senate via the Web, <http://legislature.maine.gov/>, while my regular e-newsletter contains beneficial administrative insight and public service announcements. If you have not yet signed up to receive this publication, please send me your e-mail address.

Again, the faith and trust you have placed in me to serve you is appreciated. Should you have questions or concerns about State Government, or if I can be of assistance in navigating the oftentimes overwhelming State bureaucracy, feel free to contact my mobile phone, 716-6968.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Perkins
 State Representative

District 77 Oakland (part) and Sidney

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510
January 3, 2019

COMMITTEES:
ARMED SERVICES
BUDGET
ENERGY AND
NATURAL RESOURCES
INTELLIGENCE
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Dear Friends,

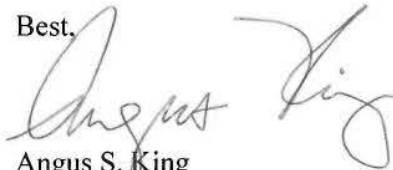
As I travel Maine, I hear from people who live in every corner of our state. I hear about their achievements, their successes, their work to improve their communities – I hear about the hope they have for our state. I also hear about our challenges, and all the work we have left to do. As I see it, that's my job: to listen to you, act where I can to build on what's good, and work on the tough parts. As 2018 comes to a close, I wanted to take a moment to share an update on some of the work we're doing in Washington to lift up the accomplishments of Maine people and make progress on the challenges they face.

From Portland to Presque Isle, from Milo to Camden, I hear about the pain that the opioid epidemic is inflicting on Maine communities. I've met with Maine people in recovery, family members of those struggling with substance use disorders, treatment providers, and law enforcement officials to learn about their experiences with this terrible disease, and everyone agrees that in order to fully respond to these problems, we need a stronger federal effort to end the opioid epidemic. Fortunately, some help is on the way – in October, we overwhelmingly passed a sweeping, bipartisan opioids bill. I've pushed hard for this type of legislation and was proud to have provisions I've advocated for included in the bill. These priorities have been guided by the voices of Maine people, and we'll keep working to confront this tragic problem.

I've also worked to strengthen the future of our forest economy. Maine's forests have powered our state's economy for generations, especially in our rural communities. So, when rapid shifts in the market led to the closure of many pulp and paper mills and biomass power plants, it required a collaborative approach to support future growth in this important industry. That's why, together with the other members of the state's Congressional delegation, I pushed to establish the Economic Development Assessment Team (EDAT). This integrated, multiagency effort aims to foster innovation and commercialization in Maine's forest economy, and we're already seeing the benefits: in recent months, several forest industry businesses have announced significant investments into Maine operations, and in September 2018, the Forest Opportunity Roadmap (FOR)/Maine released an action plan to make sure this industry, and the rural communities it supports, can continue to thrive for generations to come.

As I close this letter, please allow me to express my gratitude to each of you – for your dedication to our state, and to one another. It's often said that Maine is like a big small town (with very long streets)— that's because at our heart, we're one big community. It's not only a pleasure to serve you— it's a pleasure to know you. Thank you for being the reason Maine is so special. Mary and I hope that 2019 will be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our great State.

Best,



Angus S. King
United States Senator

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1902

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well. As I am settling into my new role as your representative, I wanted to give you an update on what we are doing in D.C. and in Maine this year.

My first priority is to be accessible to you and to our communities, which is why I have opened offices throughout the Second District at the following locations:

- **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, Bangor ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

My team and I are here to serve you, so please come meet my staff, voice an opinion, inform us of local events, or seek assistance with federal benefits. I come home to Maine every weekend to hear from you and see what's happening in our communities. I appreciate you keeping us informed.

This year, I was proud to be appointed to the House Armed Services and Small Business Committees. On Armed Services, I'm using my experience serving in Iraq and Afghanistan to make sure our servicemembers have the resources and training they need to succeed and keep us safe. Within Armed Services, I was assigned to the Seapower Subcommittee, where I am fighting for our shipyard jobs and making sure our military can count on Bath-built ships for generations to come. Beyond Bath, I will advocate for the entire network of good Maine jobs that support our troops, equipping them to carry out their duties reliably and safely.

Maine would just not be the same without our small, family-owned businesses. On the Small Business Committee, I am working to ensure our small businesses have the tools to grow, look out for their workers, and provide more good jobs to people all over Maine. Within the Small Business Committee, I was honored to be appointed Chairman of the Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure. With this position, I am highlighting the need for infrastructure investment and fighting to level the playing field when small businesses compete for federal contracts.

One thing I love about Maine is that we help each other out. Whether it's ensuring a job well done or lending a hand to a neighbor, I know you are strengthening our communities every day. I am proud to serve alongside you and look forward to all that we will accomplish together.

My wife Isobel and I wish you and your family happiness, health, and success in the year to come.

Sincerely,



Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Selectmen
Town of Oakland, Maine

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Oakland, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Oakland, Maine, as of June 30, 2018 and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, and OPEB information on pages 6 through 12 and pages 41 through 42 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

The other supplementary information on Schedule 1 is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, Schedule 1 is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 6, 2018, on our consideration of the Town of Oakland, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Oakland, Maine's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Oakland, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Brenton Shibodeau & Associates

December 6, 2018

**Town of Oakland, Maine
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2018**

	General Fund
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,547,455
Investments	1,383,229
Taxes receivable, net	333,069
Due from other governmental agencies	76,824
Prepaid expenses	7,852
Total assets	\$ 3,348,429
 LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 55,691
Payable to other governments	26,227
Accrued payroll	43,297
Accrued compensated absences	17,500
Other accrued liabilities	6,864
Total liabilities	149,579
Deferred inflows of resources	
Prepaid taxes	74,875
Unavailable property taxes	292,093
Total deferred inflows of resources	366,968
Fund balances	
Nonspendable for	
Prepaid expenses	7,852
Committed for	
Other purposes	1,286,798
Assigned for	
Other purposes	363,631
Unassigned	1,173,601
Total fund balances	2,831,882
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 3,348,429

See accompanying notes to
basic financial statements.

Town of Oakland, Maine
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

Functions/Programs	Program Revenue				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
Primary government							
Governmental activities							
General government	\$ 683,789	\$ 78,361	\$ 4,221	\$ -	\$ (601,207)	\$ -	\$ (601,207)
Town properties	260,190	40,190	-	-	(220,000)	-	(220,000)
Public safety	1,834,327	120,261	-	158,515	(1,555,551)	-	(1,555,551)
Public works	818,671	-	-	42,368	(776,303)	-	(776,303)
Sanitation	397,588	97,983	-	-	(299,605)	-	(299,605)
Education	5,470,645	-	-	-	(5,470,645)	-	(5,470,645)
Leisure services	145,582	7,339	28,550	-	(109,693)	-	(109,693)
County tax	505,760	-	-	-	(505,760)	-	(505,760)
Cemeteries	-	9,320	-	-	9,320	-	9,320
Special appropriations	898,198	403	49,592	-	(848,203)	-	(848,203)
Interest and other charges on long-term debt	26,040	-	-	-	(26,040)	-	(26,040)
Total governmental activities	11,040,790	353,857	82,363	200,883	(10,403,687)	-	(10,403,687)
Business-type activities							
Sewer fund	630,756	554,499	-	-	-	(76,257)	(76,257)
Total primary government	\$ 11,040,790	\$ 353,857	\$ 82,363	\$ 200,883	(10,403,687)	-	(10,479,944)
General revenues							
Taxes							
Property taxes					8,713,742		8,713,742
Excise taxes, permits, licenses and other fees					1,329,177		1,329,177
Interest and lien costs					34,206		34,206
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					596,486		596,486
Unrestricted investment earnings and interest					2,610	535	3,145
Miscellaneous					110,563		110,563
Contributions to permanent fund principal					1,500		1,500
Special item - loss on disposal of assets					(35,209)		(35,209)
Total general revenues and special item					10,753,075	(75,722)	10,753,610
Change in net position					349,388	(75,722)	273,666
NET POSITION - BEGINNING					9,492,217	6,397,554	15,889,771
Restatement of beginning balance (Note 6)					(238,344)	-	(238,344)
NET POSITION - BEGINNING, RESTATED					9,253,873	6,397,554	15,651,427
NET POSITION - ENDING					\$ 9,603,261	\$ 6,321,832	\$ 15,925,093

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

Cemetery Trust Fund

General	\$ 56,219.61
Lakeview Cemetery	22,149.12
George H. Bryant	<u>5,337.72</u>
Total	\$ 83,706.45
Interest	<u>112,437.25</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 196,143.70

Clarissa Greenough Library Fund

Principal	\$ 50,000.00
Interest	<u>312.65</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 50,312.65

Distressed Persons Trust Fund

Stella Bartlett	\$ 7,500.00
Interest	<u>17,906.52</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 25,406.52

Library Trust Fund

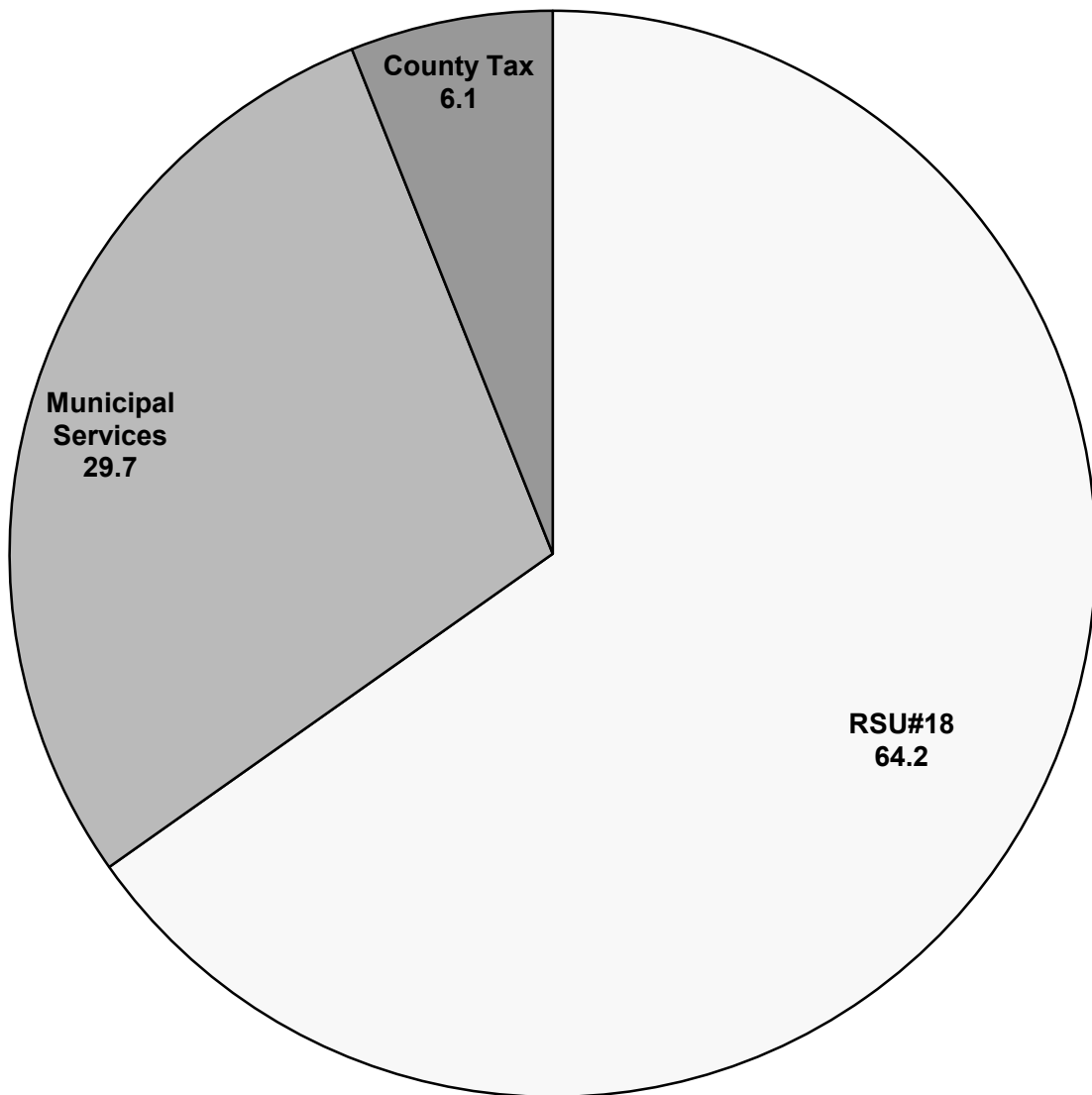
Stella Bartlett	\$ 1,000.00
Cecile Campbell	2,000.00
Don C. Stevens	2,000.00
Myra L. Wells	<u>800.00</u>
Total	\$ 5,800.00
Interest	<u>148.26</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 5,948.26

Library Improvement Fund

Book Sale	\$ 15,522.43
Colby Craft Fair	4,761.54
Cookbooks	309.00
Donation Jar	2,553.91
Fines & Copier	41,042.63
Gifts	50.00
Mary Jo Grant	671.80
Miscellaneous	5,330.14
Art Prints	177.00
Better World Books	1,059.10
Holiday Bookland	1,267.76
Barnes & Noble Gift Wrap	7.75
Dr. Mark Varnum	60.00
Book Umbrella	<u>321.67</u>
	73,134.73
Transfer From Library Building Fund	<u>1,080.30</u>
	\$ 74,215.03
Purchases	<u>49,348.72</u>
Fund Balance	\$ 24,866.31

HOW YOUR 2018-2019

TAX DOLLAR WAS APPROPRIATED



Expenditures

	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	
<u>General Government</u>	<u>Appropriated</u>	<u>Appropriated</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	\$ 446,402	\$ 474,211	\$ 517,654	9.2%
Assessor	141,103	143,795	151,506	5.4%
General Assistance	14,000	14,000	14,000	0.0%
Insurance	14,713	16,534	18,252	10.4%
Debt Service	143,563	83,947	232,421	176.9%
Contingency	<u>12,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>	0.0%
Total	\$ 771,781	\$ 744,487	\$ 945,833	27.0%
<u>Protection</u>				
Fire Department	\$ 247,811	\$ 260,327	\$ 285,048	9.5%
Rescue	49,377	50,668	52,402	3.4%
Police Department	966,854	1,009,646	1,011,866	0.2%
Code Enforcement	74,178	80,466	100,293	24.6%
Public Safety Services	322,680	322,362	338,671	5.1%
Transfer Station	<u>417,629</u>	<u>410,222</u>	<u>428,528</u>	4.5%
Total	\$ 2,078,529	\$ 2,133,691	\$ 2,216,808	3.9%
<u>Public Works</u>				
Public Works Department	\$ 762,136	\$ 811,365	\$ 845,733	4.2%
Road Improvements	228,818	227,790	222,820	-2.2%
Property Maintenance	<u>241,379</u>	<u>255,172</u>	<u>276,460</u>	8.3%
Total	\$ 1,232,333	\$ 1,294,327	\$ 1,345,013	3.9%
<u>Recreational/Cultural Services</u>				
Public Library	\$ 136,622	\$ 134,936	\$ 141,434	4.8%
Recreation	<u>148,633</u>	<u>155,839</u>	<u>164,104</u>	5.3%
Total	\$ 285,255	\$ 290,775	\$ 305,538	5.1%
<u>Miscellaneous Requests</u>				
Optional Appropriations	\$ 42,553	\$ 42,643	\$ 55,004	29.0%
<u>Community Service Organizations</u>				
Agency Requests	\$ 12,950	\$ 13,000	\$ 17,700	36.2%
<u>Conservation Organizations</u>				
Agency Requests	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,600	\$ 14,100	3.7%
<u>Capital Improvements</u>				
Proposed Projects	\$ 270,000	\$ 223,000	\$ 205,000	-8.1%
Grand Total	\$ 4,706,401	\$ 4,755,523	\$ 5,104,996	7.3%

ESTIMATED REVENUES 2019 - 2020

	<u>Collected</u> <u>2017-2018</u>	<u>Budgeted</u> <u>2018-2019</u>	<u>Received</u> <u>12/31/2018</u>	<u>Estimated</u> <u>2019-2020</u>
<u>TAXES</u>				
Excise Tax	\$ 1,316,372	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 708,275	\$ 1,250,000
Boat Excise	12,805	12,500	1,721	12,500
Interest Penalties	31,105	37,000	20,193	35,000
Subtotal	\$ 1,360,282	\$ 1,249,500	\$ 730,189	\$ 1,297,500
<u>LICENSES & PERMITS</u>				
Town Clerk	\$ 7,855	\$ 9,000	\$ 4,738	\$ 8,000
Dog Licenses	5,858	9,500	1,485	9,500
Transfer Station - Stickers	821	1,500	553	1,200
Plumbing Permits	7,420	5,500	2,980	5,500
Letter of Intent	12,670	6,500	1,240	7,500
Commercial Hauling Fees	-	300	-	300
Subtotal	\$ 34,624	\$ 32,300	\$ 10,996	\$ 32,000
<u>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE</u>				
Police Special Details	\$ 12,972	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,507	\$ 10,000
School Resource Officer Reim.	101,430	107,974	35,604	110,312
State Revenue Sharing	285,138	299,654	154,442	300,000
Tree Growth	12,386	12,000	12,145	12,000
State Park Reimbursement	-	500	-	500
Local Roads Assistance Program	42,368	42,000	42,000	42,000
General Assistance Reimbursement	2,172	9,800	1,613	9,800
Snowmobile Fees	2,701	2,700	-	2,700
FirstPark Admin Fees	41,012	39,000	-	41,000
Subtotal	\$ 500,179	\$ 528,628	\$ 251,311	\$ 528,312
<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>				
Photocopier	\$ 41	\$ 150	\$ 81	\$ 150
Cemeteries(Burials\Lot Sales)	9,320	4,500	5,925	4,500
Vehicle Registration Fees	21,369	22,000	10,202	21,000
Fines & Fees	664	400	65	400
Memorial Hall Rental	12,800	12,000	5,600	12,000
Lien Collections	3,102	5,000	4,621	5,000
Transfer Station Revenues	55,761	45,000	32,059	48,000
Subtotals	\$ 103,057	\$ 89,050	\$ 58,553	\$ 91,050
<u>REVENUE</u>				
Investment Income	\$ 11,647	\$ 22,000	\$ 9,061	\$ 50,000
Cemetery Trust Income	1,500	1,500	-	2,000
Clarissa Greenough Lib. Book Inc	403	-	-	500
Library Trust Fund Income	100	100	-	100
Subtotal	\$ 13,650	\$ 23,600	\$ 9,061	\$ 52,600

	<u>Collected</u> <u>2017-2018</u>	<u>Budgeted</u> <u>2018-2019</u>	<u>Received</u> <u>12/31/2018</u>	<u>Estimated</u> <u>2019-2020</u>
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
Miscellaneous	\$ 12,807	\$ 14,000	\$ 12,074	\$ 14,000
Cable TV	70,530	70,000	-	70,000
Recreation Fees	7,339	8,000	2,004	8,000
Wtvl/Winslow Solid Waste	24,521	-		-
SW Recycling Revenues	15,675	22,000	10,680	16,000
Retirement Forfeiture	4,221	-		7,258
Police Station Construction Funds	57,522	-		-
TIF Revenues	43,085	47,320	47,320	45,893
Digital Mapping Reserve				4,400
Commercial Tipping Fees	1,205	2,000	829	1,500
Subtotal	\$ 236,905	\$ 163,320	\$ 72,907	\$ 167,051
SUBTOTAL	\$ 2,248,697	\$ 2,086,398	\$ 1,133,017	\$ 2,168,513
<u>OTHER REVENUE SOURCES</u>				
Trans From Fund Equity	160,000	160,000	160,000	210,000
Trans from Cap. Imp. Res.	45,000	45,000	45,000	55,000
Subtotal	205,000	205,000	205,000	265,000
TOTAL	<u>2,453,697</u>	<u>2,291,398</u>	<u>1,338,017</u>	<u>2,433,513</u>

January & April 2017 Sewer Liens

AVEAU, RICHARD G.	\$201.67
BICKFORD, DONNA L.	220.99
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	403.21
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	622.22
GLOVER, DAVID L.	333.57
GLOVER, DAVID L.	171.03
GOODWIN, KARLA S.	200.81
HARVILLE, THOMAS W.	1,095.11
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOC	357.69
LADD, CATHERINE J.	362.20
MARQUIS ENTERPRISES, LLC	797.42
MAXWELL, THELMA	391.47
MCDANIEL, STARR	453.17
MUZEROLLE, JASON R.	347.40
PARENT, MICHELLE L.	230.59
ROY, DREW	206.85
UEBELHACK, RUSSELL	671.23
WHEELER, BRIAN	<u>333.12</u>
	\$7,399.75

July & October 2017 Sewer Liens

SAINT STEPHEN THE MARTYR TR/	\$479.58
BICKFORD, DONNA L., DEV. OF	387.88
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	312.38
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	387.04
GLOVER, DAVID L.	399.65
GLOVER, DAVID L.	167.64
GOODWIN, KARLA S.	295.50
HARTIGAN, GERARD	199.78
HARVILLE, THOMAS W.	981.65
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOC	2,136.03
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	114.84
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	110.79
LADD, CATHERINE J.	387.77
MARQUIS ENTERPRISES, LLC	804.14
MAXWELL, THELMA	392.87
MCDANIEL, STARR	625.10
MORTON, WILLIAM FRANK	915.86
MULLEN, RICHARD A., JR.	482.17
MUZEROLLE, JASON R.	365.57
PARENT, MICHELLE L.	213.72
ROY, DREW	173.48
SAINT STEPHEN THE MARTYR TR/	270.37
UEBELHACK, RUSSELL	629.64
WHEELER, BRIAN	<u>421.68</u>
	\$11,655.13

January & April 2018 Sewer Liens

AVEAU, RICHARD G.	\$371.88
BICKFORD, DONNA L., DEV. OF	288.27
BRANN, LOUISE H., DEV. OF	131.60
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	381.93
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	421.53
BROWNELL, KIM M.	79.00
GLOVER, DAVID L.	299.19
GLOVER, DAVID L.	164.11
GOODWIN, KARLA S.	305.00
HARTIGAN, GERARD	395.53
HARVILLE, THOMAS W.	969.45
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOC	414.07
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	32.64
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	375.35
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	290.89
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	275.97
HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	178.15
LADD, CATHERINE J.	388.95
MARQUIS ENTERPRISES, LLC	846.97
MAXWELL, THELMA	365.30
MCDANIEL, STARR	717.05
MORTON, WILLIAM FRANK	568.90
MULLEN, RICHARD A., JR.	310.71
MUZEROLLE, JASON R.	344.38
PARENT, MICHELLE L.	231.18
ROBBINS, MICHAEL L.	167.01
ROY, DREW	164.11
SAINT STEPHEN THE MARTYR TRAI	281.74
SHUMAN, LAINA	235.37
SILVERMAN, PAUL J.	301.71
SMITH, ROBERT M.	67.85
TRACY, JEREMY M.	124.83
UEBELHACK, RUSSELL	611.44
VERRILL, DENNIS C.	212.40
WHEELER, BRIAN	<u>410.01</u>
	\$11,724.47

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July & October 2018 Sewer Bills

26 OAKLAND LLC	\$159.03	GIGUERE, BRETT S.	242.85
AMERICAN LEGION HOME	426.84	GIGUERE, MELANIE S.	110.37
ARNET EQUIPMENT LEASE, LLC	67.35	GLOVER, DAVID L.	211.28
ATHANUS, BRENDA A.	84.26	GLOVER, DAVID L.	103.10
AUSTIN-BENTLEY, AMBER W. (Silsbee)	0.87	GOODWIN, KARLA S.	211.28
AVEAU, RICHARD G.	352.01	HALL, CLAYTON R.	427.50
BAILEY, GEORGE	690.54	HARTIGAN, GERARD	265.55
BARNES, JAY R.	64.08	HARVILLE, THOMAS W.	877.02
BARRY, KEVIN A.	334.17	HAYES, THOMAS D.	384.93
BICKFORD, DIANE H.	37.22	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOC	331.26
BICKFORD, DONNA L., DEV. OF	357.31	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	261.17
BLAKE, STEVEN C.	1.33	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	108.55
BLAKE, STEVEN C.	446.43	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	401.10
BLAKE, STEVEN C.	236.15	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	46.32
BOAG, DAVID R.	253.02	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	370.84
BOLDUC, DANIEL G.	254.51	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	319.81
BRANN, LOUISE H., DEV. OF	276.59	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	183.77
BREGER, CONSTANCE M.	109.91	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	179.83
BROMBERG, KATHLEEN R.	157.16	HIGH STREET PARK ASSOCIATES	222.04
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	469.91	HIX, SUZANNE M.	122.35
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	238.17	HUDSON, MAXIMILLIAN M.	216.55
BROWN, DENVER C. SR.	330.50	JACKSON, SUZANNE M.	384.78
BROWNELL, KIM M.	335.95	JAMES, JESSE M.	102.79
BUCKNAM, DAVID A., JR.	228.69	JOHNSTON, LURA P.	578.65
C.V. DIAGNOSTICS, INC.	51.90	KLEINSCHMIDT, MARK F.	492.05
CHARLES, MATTHEW M.	303.11	KNIGHT, DENNY L.	335.67
COCO, LLC	177.99	KUMM, NICHOLAS T.D.	206.76
CUARES, JEFFREY	436.73	LADD, CATHERINE J.	265.68
DAVIDSON, KEVIN G.	269.03	LAMBERT, SHARON L.	26.89
DIONNE, JULIE R.	88.86	LANDRY, MEGAN K.	260.84
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	324.70	LAVERDIERE, BRUCE C.	446.40
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	126.51	LEARY, SHANNON	203.27
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	200.74	LINDQUIST, DAVID & LISA	132.87
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	88.86	LINEHAN, PATRICK R.	115.75
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	88.86	LOUCKS, BRIAN	313.41
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	191.04	LUCE, MARY O.	238.38
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	105.00	LUCE, MARY O.	110.51
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	184.32	MARQUIS ENTERPRISES, LLC	779.73
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	131.89	MAXWELL, THELMA	308.71
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	76.87	MAXWELL, THELMA H.	130.78
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	319.61	MCDANIEL, STARR	719.99
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	55.04	MITCHELL, ANDREW S.	83.49
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	180.29	MORTON, WILLIAM FRANK	330.14
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	178.95	MULLEN, RICHARD A., JR.	216.59
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	143.15	MULLEN, RUBY M.	67.35
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	184.46	MULLEN, SCOTT, JR.	108.52
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	129.12	MUZEROLLE, JASON R.	249.43
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	238.31	NELSON, LISA STEVENS	178.52
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	184.63	PACKARD, MICHAEL	102.97
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	80.73	PARENT, MICHELLE L.	178.87
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	254.65	PARKER, TANYA	205.91
DOUBLE EAGLE PARKS LLC	115.75	PATTEN, JANA M.	102.69
DOUGLASS, DEAN G.	113.76	PENTTILA, PENTTI	298.02
EVERETT'S PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC	51.22	PHILLIPS, PAIGE M.	228.69
GEHRLING, FRANCIS C.	1.43	PRESSEY, MARY F.	2.92

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July & October 2018 Sewer Bills

QUIRION, KENNETH G.	126.51
RATTENNI, WILLIAM	172.35
REDLEVSKE, AMY J.	281.62
ROBBINS, MICHAEL L.	184.32
ROY, DREW	103.10
SAINT STEPHEN THE MARTYR TRADITIONAL	216.95
SALBERG, THOMAS G.	253.02
VAUGHN, SALLY RIO	1.14
SHUMAN, LAINA	341.48
SILVERMAN, PAUL J.	265.48
SMITH, LISA B.	121.13
SMITH, MELISSA J.	99.62
SMITH, ROBERT M.	276.30
SPEAR, DONNA L.	126.51
SPRAGUE, JONI A.	131.89
STALILONIS, PETER J.	211.28
STEVENS, MARK J. SR	259.82
STEWART, MARK R.	153.40
TAYLOR, HARLAND	83.49
TAYLOR, HARLAND	56.60
TRACY, JEREMY M.	314.23
UEBELHACK, RUSSELL	503.63
VEILLEUX, JENNIFER R.	149.78
VERRILL, DENNIS C.	416.96
WARD, JAMES L.	110.37
WHEELER, BRIAN	341.25
WING, MISTY R.	153.40
YORK, BRENDA GALE	105.00
YOTIDES, AUDREY L.	<u>164.15</u>

\$30,819.78

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2009 Personal Property

LAPLANTE, KATHY \$36.60

2010 Personal Property

HOLMES, DWAYNE \$186.69

LAPLANTE, KATHY 38.10

\$224.79

2011 Personal Property

ABBOTT, LORI \$78.30

HOLMES, DWAYNE 155.30

LAPLANTE, KATHY 13.05

PETERS, RUSTY 91.35

\$338.00

2012 Personal Property

ABBOTT, LORI \$76.95

HOLMES, DWAYNE 126.90

LAPLANTE, KATHY 13.50

\$217.35

2013 Personal Property

ABBOTT, LORI \$84.18

HOLMES, DWAYNE 129.72

LAPLANTE, KATHY 13.80

\$227.70

2014 Personal Property

ABBOTT, LORI \$87.03

BENNER, ROBERT P.T. 318.60

HOLMES, DWAYNE 138.65

LAPLANTE, KATHY 14.75

\$559.03

2015 Personal Property

ABBOTT, LORI \$87.58

BENNER, ROBERT P.T. 326.16

HOLMES, DWAYNE 141.94

LAPLANTE, KATHY 15.10

\$570.78

2016 Personal Property

ABBOTT, LORI \$88.35

BENNER, ROBERT P.T. 334.80

GIBSON, MICHAEL 52.70

HOLMES, DWAYNE 145.70

LAPLANTE, KATHY 15.50

MARSTON CAMPS INC. 283.65

\$920.70

2017 Personal Property

BROWN, JEAN \$106.60

COUTURE, MAILA 114.80

DAVIDSON, KEVIN G. 0.12

DECAL FITNESS, LLC 303.40

DIONNE, SHELBY 77.08

FISHER, MERLE A. 167.28

GILLIS, BRIAN 126.28

HEIDI LEIGH & COMPANY 44.28

LAPLANTE, KATHY 16.40

LINEHAN, PATRICK FIC 41.00

MARQUIS, SHAWN 83.64

MARSTON CAMPS INC. 300.12

OAKLAND SHEET METAL INC. 544.48

PERKINS, MICHAEL 126.28

PERKINS, MICHAEL 164.00

POOLE, DANIEL M., D.C. 1,131.60

SMITH, ALEXANDRIA 93.48

SUTTIE, THOMAS 82.00

\$3,522.84

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<u>2015 Tax Liens</u>	
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	\$2,361.86
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,719.13
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,825.27
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,003.86
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,232.11
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,536.49
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,224.62
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,109.44
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,515.89
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	<u>634.47</u>
	\$16,163.14

<u>2016 Tax Liens</u>	
AMES, ERNEST W.	\$1,979.76
COTTRELL, JACQUELINE	409.07
COTTRELL, JACQUELINE	445.06
COTTRELL, JACQUELINE	149.60
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,817.00
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,194.49
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,297.04
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,505.41
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,724.91
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,018.17
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,717.70
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,572.31
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,966.34
MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,149.17
O'CLAIR, BRUCE	936.22
REYNOLDS, LILLIAN A., DEV. OF	1,341.04
ROCKWOOD ESTATES OWNERS ASSN	<u>120.31</u>
	\$26,343.60

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2017 Tax Liens

ADAMSON, BRIAN DAVID	\$172.07	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,783.23
ADAMSON, BRIAN DAVID	420.54	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,164.74
ADAMSON, SHIRLEY E., DEV. OF	878.15	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,266.62
AMES REAL ESTATE ENTERPRISES, IN	374.07	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,480.10
BARD, JAMES R.	3,949.45	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,698.19
BEAULIEU, KAREN M.	950.59	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,989.55
BELANGER, BENJAMIN	3,357.52	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,691.03
BELANGER, JONATHAN	563.55	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,540.12
BLANCHARD, VIRGINIA M., DEV. OF	1,711.16	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	2,931.60
BRANN, LOUISE H., DEV. OF	952.66	MARSTON'S CAMPS INC.	1,126.14
BRODEUR, RANDY E.	8,131.74	MCEWEN, JASON	1,008.17
BROOKS, BEVERLY JEAN	384.80	MCEWEN, JASON	659.59
BROWN, SELENA M., TRUSTEE,	537.14	MILLER, ROBIN P., HEIRS OF	229.28
BUCKNAM, CYNTHIA	3,305.20	MILLS, STEPHEN A.	2,507.69
BURTON, MARK E.	952.48	MILLS, STEPHEN A.	589.89
CARON, KAREN C.	188.16	MORIN, MICHAEL R., DEV. OF	1,012.22
CIVIELLO, TANYA	415.19	MORRISON, RICHARD T.	1,232.10
COCHRAN, ALFRED M., HEIRS OF	320.99	MUZEROLLE, JASON R.	1,017.11
COLE, CHRISTOPHER C.	5,881.08	NUTTER, WILLIAM C.	803.08
COTTRELL, JACQUELINE	397.31	O'CLAIR, BRUCE	921.06
COTTRELL, JACQUELINE	433.07	O'CLAIR, KEITH	1,586.03
COTTRELL, JACQUELINE	139.59	PARENT, MICHELLE L.	976.48
COYNE, DENISE E.	1,185.15	PECKHAM, ROBERT E.	751.25
CUMMINGS, ROBERT	768.74	PELLETIER, KATE L.	1,065.38
DANFORTH, BRIAN, HEIRS OF	1,716.53	PELLETIER, KATE L.	366.91
DAVIS, CYNTHIA L.	645.78	PINE VIEW HOMES, INC.	245.49
DESROSIERS, JOSHUA	484.90	PLACE, CARLETTE, TRUSTEE	927.73
DESROSIERS, JOSHUA	227.49	PLACE, CARLETTE, TRUSTEE	2,935.65
DESROSIERS, JOSHUA	3,144.81	RACKLEFF, JAMES M.	151.53
DODGE, AARON	1,220.80	RASMUSSEN, SHANNON	225.69
DONAHUE, GERALD W.	380.74	REYNOLDS, LILLIAN A., DEV. OF	1,006.87
DONAHUE, GERALD W.	1,524.79	REYNOLDS, RUSSELL	297.20
DROUIN, GILBERT, HEIRS OF	863.87	RING, ANITA	468.33
EASTON, JANET B., DEV. OF	3,418.29	ROCKWOOD ESTATES OWNERS A	110.46
EHRENZELLER, PATRICIA	1,419.31	ROY, DREW	919.27
ESTABROOK, DARRYL	845.89	ST. AMAND, TAMERA M.	736.95
FARMER, ELIZABETH ELKINS	231.07	THOMPSON, PATRICIA G.	1,211.96
GERALD, STEPHEN A.	1,651.73	TRASK, PAUL	429.01
GIFFORD, ELDRED C. & LOUISE W., DEV	4,294.21	TURCOTTE, ERIC	2,511.52
GIFFORD, ELDRED C. & LOUISE W., DEV	513.49	UEBELHACK, RUSSELL	1,568.16
GLOVER, DAVID L.	806.67	VEILLEUX, VICKIE FURBUSH	1,683.89
GREENE, JENNIFER	586.32	VIOLETTE, STEVE	277.56
HAFFORD, DONALD	847.77	WENTWORTH, LINDA S.	3,160.76
HALL, CLAYTON R.	1,627.06	WHEELER, BRIAN	965.75
HARDY, HOWARD C.	2,533.45	WHITMORE, NIKE REY	409.15
HARRIS, KIMBERLY M.	130.49	WHITNEY, BRENDA J.	952.75
HARTIGAN, GERARD	2,105.25	WILKIE, SHAWN E.	1,195.86
HARVILLE, THOMAS W.	2,220.63	WORKMAN, LISA A.	<u>3,779.71</u>
HAWES, MADOLYN & PAUL D., HEIRS	459.87		
HENTSCHEL, MICHAEL C.	1,447.91		
HOTHAM, TRACY	3,323.06		\$144,602.09
LADD, CATHERINE J.	1,170.85		
LAFRENIERE, CYNTHIA J.	1,526.58		
LAFRENIERE, CYNTHIA J.	1,165.96		
LAPLANTE, CORY S.	1,410.86		
LORD, MARIE E., DEV. OF	578.53		
MARQUIS ENTERPRISES, LLC	2,137.92		

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TOWN OF OAKLAND
WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019

To: Michael Tracy, a resident of the Town of Oakland in the 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 inhabitants of the Town of Oakland, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Messalonskee High School - Performing Arts Center on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., to act on Articles 1 - 23 , all said articles set out below to wit:

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

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to pay any and all overdrafts from the 2018-2019 fiscal year that exceed the \$10,001 limit authorized by Section 303 in the Oakland Town Charter.

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to fix dates upon which 2019-2020 taxes shall become payable and to charge interest on same.

Recommendation: Taxes shall be payable in full, or installments, due on August 16, 2019, October 18, 2019, January 17, 2020, and March 13, 2020. Taxes not paid in full on or before due dates shall be charged interest at a rate of 9% per annum. A tax bill of less than \$100.00 shall be payable in full on August 16, 2019 with interest to accrue at a rate of 9% per annum on those taxes unpaid after said date. Any tax refunds granted will have interest computed at the same rate as it originally accrued and was approved at the appropriate Annual Town Meeting.

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Administration	\$ 474,211	\$ 517,654
General Assistance	14,000	14,000
Assessor	143,795	151,506
Insurance	16,534	18,252
Total	\$ 648,540	\$ 701,412
From Tree Growth Revenue	\$ (12,000)	\$ (12,000)
Tax Increment Financing Revenue	(7,279)	(6,850)
General Assistance Reim.	(9,800)	(9,800)
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 619,461	\$ 672,762

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Debt Service and Contingency as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Debt Service	\$ 83,947	\$ 232,421
Contingency	<u>12,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>
	95,947	244,421
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 95,947	\$ 244,421

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Library as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Public Library	\$ 134,936	\$ 141,434
From Library Trust Fund Inc	\$ (100)	\$ (100)
From Clarissa Greenough Trust Fund Inc.	0	(500)
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 134,836	\$ 140,834

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Recreation as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Recreation	\$ 155,839	\$ 164,104
Recreation Revenue	(8,000)	(8,000)
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 147,839	\$ 156,104

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire and Rescue as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Fire Department	\$ 260,327	\$ 285,048
Rescue	<u>50,668</u>	<u>52,402</u>
Total	\$ 310,995	\$ 337,450
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 310,995	\$ 337,450

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Police Department as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Police Department	\$ 850,681	\$ 854,783
School Resource Officers	143,965	147,083
Special Details	<u>15,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Total	\$ 1,009,646	\$ 1,011,866
School Resource Officer Reimbursement	\$ (107,974)	\$ (110,312)
Police Department Special Details	(15,000)	(10,000)
Tax Increment Financing Revenue	(1,300)	0
Transfer from Fund Equity	<u>(120,000)</u>	<u>(120,000)</u>
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 765,372	\$ 771,554

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Protection Services as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Public Safety Services	\$ 305,362	\$ 321,671
Code Enforcement Services	<u>80,466</u>	<u>100,293</u>
Total	\$ 385,828	\$ 421,964
Tax Increment Financing Revenue	\$ (7,280)	\$ (6,849)
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 378,548	\$ 415,115

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes 12-0)

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Animal Control as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Animal Control	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000
From Dog License Fees	(9,500)	(9,500)
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Transfer Station and Recycling Services as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Transfer Station & Recycling Services	\$ 410,222	\$ 428,528
Commercial Tipping Fees	\$ (2,000)	\$ (1,500)
Transfer Station Revenue	(45,000)	(48,000)
Recycling Revenues	<u>(22,000)</u>	<u>(16,000)</u>
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 341,222	\$ 363,028

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Works and Road Improvements as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Public Works	\$ 811,365	\$ 845,733
Town Road Improvements	<u>227,790</u>	<u>222,820</u>
Total	\$ 1,039,155	\$ 1,068,553
Excise Tax	\$ (997,155)	\$ (1,026,553)
LRAP Funds	(42,000)	(42,000)
To be raised by Taxation	\$0	\$0

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Property Maintenance as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Town Property Maintenance	\$ 255,172	\$ 276,460
Tax Increment Financing Revenue	\$ (1,300)	0
To be raised by Taxation	\$ 253,872	\$ 276,460

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Capitol Improvements as follows:

	Last Year	This Year
Fire Truck	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000
Property Maint. Truck	0	45,000
Public Works Vehicle	83,000	60,000
Transfer Station Scale	0	10,000
Police Cruiser	30,000	35,000
Public Works Bobcat	<u>55,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	\$ 223,000	\$ 205,000
Transfer From Capital Improvement Resv.	\$ (45,000)	\$ (55,000)
From Fund Equity	(40,000)	(55,000)
Excise Tax	<u>(138,000)</u>	<u>(95,000)</u>
To be raised from Taxation	\$0	\$0

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Community Service Organization requests as follows:

	Last Year Approved Amount	This Year Council Recommends
Child & Family Services/KVCAP	\$ 500	\$ 500
Family Violence Project	500	500
Oakland Flower Project	1,500	1,500
Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area	500	500
KVCAP Transportation	500	500
Kennebec Behavioral Health	500	500
Memorial Day	500	500
Mid Maine Homeless Shelter	1,500	1,500
Oakland Food Bank	5,000	5,000
Sexual Assault Crisis & Support	500	500
Spectrum Generations	500	500
Oakland Historical Society	500	500
Snow Pond Seniors	-	4,700
Literacy Volunteers	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
Total	\$ 13,000	\$ 17,700
To be raised from Taxation	\$ 13,000	\$ 17,700

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following Miscellaneous requests:

	Last Year Approved Amount	This Year Council Recommends
Dams Committee	\$ 3,400	\$ 13,600
KVCOG	9,290	9,290
Maine Municipal Association	6,382	6,510
Mid Me Chamber of Commerce	775	798
Snowmobile Club	2,700	2,700
Central Maine Growth Council	20,096	22,106
Total	\$ 42,643	\$ 55,004
Transfer From Snowmobile Registration Fees	\$ (2,700)	\$ (2,700)
Tax Increment Financing Revenue	(30,161)	(32,194)
To be raised from Taxation	\$ 9,782	\$ 20,110

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (11-1)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following Conservation Organization requests as follows:

	Last Year Approved Amount	This Year Council Recommends
7 Lakes Alliance - Youth Con. Corps	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
East Pond Association	1,100	1,100
Messalonskee/Snow Pond Lake Assoc.	8,500	8,500
McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Assn	1,500	2,000
Total	\$ 13,600	\$ 14,100
To be raised from Taxation	\$ 13,600	\$ 14,100

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (11-1)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to apply estimated General Fund Revenues in the amount of **\$765,655** towards appropriations to reduce taxation. (Last year - \$627,849)

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to sell or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes. Except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s).

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to accept any and all donations, gifts, reserves or grants and to expend such monies for the purposes stated.

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town of Oakland vote to approve a Community Development program and a possible Community Development Block Grant application and to submit same to the Department of Economic and Community Development? If said program is approved, to authorize the municipal officers to accept said grant funds, to make such assurances, further assume such responsibilities, and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such program.

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector and Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S. Sec 506, with no payment of interest by the Town.

Council Recommendation: Yes (5-0)

Budget and Advisory Committee Recommendation: Yes (12-0)

The Registrar will be available to accept names of new voters in person prior to the commencement of the meeting on Tuesday, May 7th, 2019, from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The Warrant shall be posted in the following conspicuous places on Wednesday, April 24th, 2019 which is at least seven (7) days prior to the Town Meeting date.

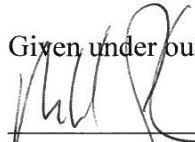
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D&L Country Store

Korner Store

Hereof, fail not to make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Clerk of the Town of Oakland on or before said meeting.

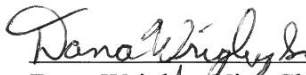
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Michael Perkins, Chairman



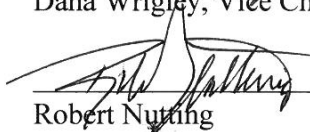
Harold Buzzell



Dana Wrigley, Vice Chairman




Donald Borman



Robert Nutting

The Town of Oakland complies with Federal regulations in accomodating persons with special needs. Voters planning to attend this public meeting in need of special services should contact the Town Office by Friday, April 26, 2019.

Attest:



Janice E. Porter, Town Clerk

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