

Town of Washington Annual Report – 2012



Annual Report 2012

WASHINGTON, MAINE

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012



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Dedication



The residents of Washington are pleased to dedicate the 2012 Annual Report to the men and women who have served in our Armed Forces. From our earliest settlers who were veterans of the American Revolution to the men and women who have fought the War on Terror, the citizens of Washington have proudly answered the call to duty. Each Memorial Day nearly 250 American flags are placed on veterans' graves across town. Our town monument is adorned with bronze plaques with the names of soldiers who fought in the Civil War and World War I. We have lost citizens in almost every conflict in which our nation has been engaged. Some are buried in graves far from their home. We must ensure none of our veterans is ever forgotten. To each and every citizen who has ever served in a military uniform we offer our sincere gratitude, respect, and admiration. Thank you for your duty and service to our nation.

Town Officers

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Wesley F. Daniel Donald L. Grinnell Duane Vigue

Town Clerk/Tax Collector/Treasurer

Ann Dean

Deputy Town Clerk/ Deputy Tax Collector/Deputy Treasurer

Denise Hylton

Registrar of Voters

Denise Hylton

Deputy Registrar of Voters

Ann Dean

Road Commissioner

*Frank E. Jones Jr.

Jonathan Daniel

Code Enforcement Officer/ Plumbing Inspector

Edward R. Temple

Fire Chief

Emergency Management Director

Thomas Johnston

Deputy Fire Chief

Philip Meunier

Forest Fire Wardens

Donald B. Grinnell

Kenneth Boisse, Deputy

Health Officer

Michelle Robinson

Animal Control Officers

Andrew Dinsmore
Clayton Lanphier, Deputy

Constable

Judson Buttermann

M.S.A.D. #40 School Board Directors

Cynthia Rosen Guy Bourrie

Town Meeting Moderators

Liane Chapman
Victor Oboyski

Deputy Moderator

Tom Ford

Warden

Liane Chapman

Deputy Warden

Zola Coogan

Election Clerks

Republican

Nancy Barker
Howard Good
Judith Good
Elizabeth Grinnell
Rhonda Hamilton
Deborah Hill
Alma Jones
Jacquelyn Metcalf
Walter Metcalf
Barbara Sager

Democrat

Louis Bettcher
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Dorothy Connor
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Linda Luce
Paulette Oboyski
Peter Taylor
Sharon Turner
Marilyn Weiner
Johnnie Searle

Planning Board

Mitchell A. Garnett, Chairman

Henry Aho
James Bowers VICE/SEC
Richard Bouchard, ALT

David Studer
David Williams
Reggie Burns., ALT

Board of Appeals

Norman Casas, Chairman

Henry Chapman, VICE/SEC

George Carlezon

Lowell Freiman

Dorothy Sainio

Christopher Vigue, ALT

James Kearney, ALT

Budget Committee

Henry Aho, Chairperson

James Bowers

Kathleen Ocean

Wendy Carr

Mahlon Linscott

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Dorothy Sainio

Conservation Committee

Charlotte Henderson

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David Heckman

Housing Committee

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Kathleen Ocean

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Liane Chapman

Frank Campbell

Recreation Committee

Steven Ocean, Chairman

Pegg Hobbs

Helen Caddie-Larcenia

Susan Frank

Bryan Gees

Tracie McLain

Valerie Jackson

Dan Jones

Bob Madden

Paulette Oboyski

Tri-County Solid Waste Management Organization

Reggie Burns

Glenice Skelton

Ann Dean, Alt.

Washington Scholarship Committee

Liane Chapman

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Alma Jones

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Selectmen's Report, Discussion, and Analysis

To the Citizens of Washington;

It is our pleasure to present our report for the year ending December 31, 2012. First of all we want to recognize Frank Jones, Jr. who resigned from his position as Road Commissioner at the end of August. Frank was instrumental in the formation of the Road Maintenance Department in 2008. Under his leadership the crew grew from infancy into the dedicated and responsive crew it is now. We wish Frank the best of luck as he pursues greater opportunities in his compost business. Frank was replaced by Jonathan Daniel who was promoted from the road maintenance crew.

We also want to recognize Clayton Lanhier who resigned as Animal Control Officer at the end of October. Clayton worked closely with the town office staff to reduce the number of delinquent dog licenses in the town. He will remain on board as the Deputy ACO assisting the new ACO, Andy Dinsmore.

During the year we moved all of our accounts to Machias Saving Bank. With the diligence of our Treasurer we rolled over the town maintenance mortgage to Machias and will save the town over \$36,000 over the life of the mortgage. We also instituted an automate check capture at the town office window which allows instant deposit of payments received for transactions at the counter. For their convenience citizens are now able to pay by credit card. Those who choose this option must pay the transaction fee.

Our goal for 2012 was to hold flatline the budget so that there would be no increase in property taxes even with increases in the Knox County and MSAD assessments. Through fiscal prudence we were able to meet that goal. Property owners received tax assessments at a tax rate of \$12.55 per thousand dollars of valuation, the same as in 2011. Unfortunately that cannot be done forever.

The foremost issue facing us is the condition of paved roads. The town has 20.31 miles of paved roads. Each year since 2004 the town has appropriated approximately \$26,000 from the state-funded Urban/Rural Initiative (URIP) funds and \$30,000 in the road maintenance portion of the town budget. As the price of asphalt has increased, the amount of paving that can be accomplished has decreased so that the \$56,000 now buys 0.62 miles of road repaving. If we continue to repave at that level, it will take 32 years

to resurface all the town's current paved roads. This is totally unacceptable as repaving will only last about 10 years. The selectmen propose entering into a program whereby we will repave approximately 2.0 miles per year. We will work with the Roads Committee and the Road Commissioner to identify a road to be paved one year ahead. The road crew will do any ditching and culvert replacement necessary in the year preceding the repaving. One-half inch of shim and one and half inch of overlay will be put down. Industry tells us that this program should last 10 years. Estimated cost of this program is \$180,000 per year to repave two (2) miles.

Because of the little distance that could be paved with \$56,000 we, the selectmen, voted not to pave anything in 2012 and in a special town meeting the voters agreed to roll those funds into 2013 repaving. For 2013 we recommend paving the full length of Bill Luce Road. We propose appropriating the \$56,000 unexpended paving money from 2012, \$30,000 from the 2013 URIP funds, \$30,000 from the sale of 2012 tax acquired property, and \$70,000 from the road maintenance appropriation.

The next item of concern is the potential for decreased revenues from the State of Maine in Revenue Sharing, URIP, General Assistance reimbursement, Homestead Exemption reimbursement, municipal loss of trailer truck excise tax which may have to be turned over to the State, and changes to the Business Equipment Tax Exemption reimbursement. With so many unknowns regarding the State budget process we have currently set the proposed budget with essentially the same revenues as in 2012. We will meet with Senator Johnson and Representative Sanderson to voice our concerns regarding the impact the proposed reductions will have on property taxes. Should we see significant reductions in State revenues after the Legislature adjourns, we may have to call a special town meeting to relook at 2013 appropriations before signing the tax commitment.

With the current proposed municipal budget, the 2013 Knox County assessment, and the 2013 MSAD 40 assessment (assuming a 3% increase) in mind, here is a comparison of 2012 and estimated 2013 taxes (not including any new valuation added to the tax rolls which will be calculated as of April 1).

2012 Taxes

2012 Property Tax Commitment	\$1,622,537
2012 Tax Rate	\$12.55 per \$1,000 valuation
Tax on \$150,000 home	\$1,882.50

Estimated 2013 Taxes

2013 Property Tax Commitment (estimated)	\$1,783,909
2013 Tax Rate (estimated)	\$13.70 per \$1,000 valuation
Tax on \$150,000 home (estimated)	\$2,068.00

We are pleased to announce that in our initial discussions with the town auditor, he has found the financial records are in good order. He specifically praised Ann and Denise for their attention to detail in maintaining the day-to-day accounting of revenues and expenses and the reconciliation of monthly reports. He also reported that the Board of Selectmen is more engaged and provides better oversight than many towns of our size that do not have a town manager.

As we close out 2012, we want to thank all of the volunteers who serve on our boards and committees. We could not meet our legal responsibilities were it not for the countless hours these dedicated citizens provide. We encourage you to become knowledgeable about town affairs by attending our weekly selectmen's meeting every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Be sure to check out our website at www.washington.maine.gov.

WESLEY F. DANIEL
DONALD L. GRINNELL
DUANE P. VIGUE
Board of Selectmen

2012 Appropriations and Expenditures

	2012 Appropriation	2012 Expenditures	2012 Credits	Overdraft	To Surplus	Total to Surplus
Knox County Assessments						
Knox County Tax Assessment	129,958.00	127,716.85			2,241.15	
Knox County Communications	38,144.00	37,675.00			469.00	
Total	168,102.00	165,391.85			2,710.15	2,710.15
General Government Operations						
TCSWMO Assessment	29,789.00	29,788.68			0.32	
Legal Fees	5,000.00	2,755.13			2,244.87	
Town Office Administration	35,910.00	32,652.70		687.12	3,934.42	
Total	70,699.00	65,196.51		687.12	3,944.42	3,257.30
Insurance						
MMA Insurance Risk Pool	18,000.00	17,116.00	1,773.00		2,657.00	
Unemployment Insurance	2,233.00	2,233.00				
Worker's Compensation Premium	8,824.00	11,193.00		2,369.00		
Volunteer Insurance	400.00	114.75			285.25	
Accident Coverage - Firefighters	1,000.00	800.00			200.00	
Total	30,457.00	31,456.75	1,773.00	2,369.00	3,142.25	2,546.25
Salaries and Payroll Expenses						
Salaries and Stipends	92,046.00	90,221.05		814.05	2,189.00	
FICA Payroll Expense	16,000.00	14,295.15			1,788.62	
Total	108,046.00	104,516.20		814.05	3,977.62	3,163.57

Maintenance of Town Roads				
Road Maint. Materials & Supplies	12,000.00	15,158.44	3,158.44	
Truck Lease Payment	22,249.00	22,248.39		0.61
Used Truck Payments	7,400.00	7,399.56		0.44
Truck Fuel	14,000.00	13,893.65		106.35
Truck Maintenance				
Blue Int'l P100	1,000.00	463.68		536.32
Red Int'l P200	4,000.00	10,576.46	6,576.46	
Red GMC P300	2,000.00	5,212.42	3,212.42	
Orange Int'l P400	4,000.00	8,438.51	4,438.51	
Blue Sterling P500	3,000.00	3,500.84	500.84	
Cutting Edges and Sander Chains	7,500.00	6,554.52		945.48
Loader and Backhoe Fuel	2,500.00	2,701.09	201.09	
Loader and Backhoe Maintenance	7,500.00	1,828.01		5,671.99
Garage Mortgage	16,578.00	16,336.75		241.25
Garage Utilities	3,000.00	4,343.37	1,343.37	
Garage Maintenance	2,000.00	492.74		1,507.26
Road Maintenance Labor	81,000.00	76,469.99		4,530.01
Equipment Rental	11,500.00	11,907.85	407.85	
Culverts	5,000.00	0.00		5,000.00
Road Salt	50,000.00	34,470.69		15,529.31
E911 Road Signs	1,000.00	401.39		598.61
Paving of Town Roads	30,000.00	30,000.00		
Pavement Crack Sealing	5,000.00	0.00		5,000.00
Driver Drug Testing				
Winter Sand Screening	8,500.00	8,750.00	250.00	
Total	300,727.00	281,148.35	20,088.98	39,667.63
				19,578.65

General Assistance	3,500.00	2,490.75	851.88	1,861.13	1,861.13
General Assistance					
Public Safety					
General Support - Fire Dept	7,500.00	13,294.32		5,794.32	
Equipment - Fire Dept	7,500.00	3,199.21			4,300.79
Training - Fire Dept	2,000.00	988.41			1,011.59
Physicals - Fire Dept	2,500.00	1,587.12			912.88
Fire Truck Loan Payment	20,735.00	21,110.84		375.84	
Hose Testing	2,500.00	2,339.40			160.60
Union Ambulance	9,938.00	7,241.95			2,696.05
Emergency Management	0.00	2,094.61	2,571.27		476.66
ISO Hydrology Survey					
Dredging Fire Pond					
Total	52,673.00	51,855.86	2,571.27	6,170.16	9,558.57
					5,959.68
Utilities and Building Maintenance					
Town Utilities	15,000.00	13,648.47			1,351.53
Building Maintenance	9,500.00	7,864.97			1,635.03
Cemetery Maintenance	9,500.00	10,343.00		843.00	
Street Lights	3,000.00	2,718.69			281.31
Municipal Complex Snow Removal	2,500.00	1,470.00			1,030.00
Total	39,500.00	36,045.13		843.00	4,297.87
					3,454.87

Board and Committees			
Conservation & Parks Committee	500.00	65.00	435.00
Planning Board Expenses	500.00	282.74	281.16
Mid-coast Regional Planning Comm	0.00		
Ordinance Review Committee	500.00	265.70	234.30
Total	1,500.00	613.44	950.46
Appropriated for Town Roll-over Accounts			
Headstone Restoration	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Town Record Preservation	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Recreation Committee	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Plow Truck Replacement	0.00		
Fire Truck Replacement Fund	0.00		
Total	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Miscellaneous Accounts			
Line of Credit Interest & Fees	1,000.00	251.46	758.54
Lincoln Humane Society	1,074.00	1,058.00	16.00
Flags	500.00	293.50	206.50
Damariscotta Lake Watershed Dues	50.00	50.00	
Social Agencies and Concerns			
Kno-Wal-Lin	1,379.00	1,379.00	
Coastal Trans	700.00	700.00	
New Hope for Women	750.00	750.00	
Broadreach	750.00	750.00	
Washington Food Bank	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Pine Tree Chapter Amer Red Cross	1,400.00	1,400.00	

Spectrum Generations	920.00	920.00		
Penquis Community Cap	2,862.00	2,862.00		
Total	12,385.00	11,413.96	971.04	971.04
Total Appropriations/ Expenditures/To Surplus	792,551.00	754,128.80	5,260.05	30,972.31
				71,081.14
				44,453.10
URIP				
Paving	26,168.00	0.00	30,000.00	56,168.00
Capital Improvement	25,000.00	25,569.54	569.54	
Total	51,168.00	25,569.54	30,569.54	56,168.00

Treasurer’s Report

Cash Balance, January 1 654,312.74

ADD: CASH RECEIPTS:

Property Tax Collections:

Current Year	1,383,496.87
Prior Years	249,931.78
Prepayments	<u>4,735.97</u>

Total Property Tax Collections	1,638,164.62
Excise Taxes - Auto	203,627.36
Excise Taxes - Boat	1,700.10
Departmental (Schedule A-4)	174,807.50
Loan Proceeds	122,587.38
State Revenue Sharing	69,711.25
Homestead Reimbursement	24,002.00
State Fees	108,437.53
Accounts Receivable	8,420.00
Due From Trust Funds	<u>2,501.47</u>

Total Cash Receipts	<u>2,353,959.21</u>
Total Cash Available	<u>3,008,271.95</u>

LESS: CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

Departmental (Schedule A-4)	2,142,080.94
State Fees	109,854.93
Due From Trust Funds	<u>2,424.48</u>

Total Cash Disbursements	<u>2,254,360.35</u>
Cash Balance, December 31	<u><u>753,911.60</u></u>

**Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Balance
December 31, 2012**

Cash on Hand		170.00
Machias Savings Bank:		
General Fund Checking:		
Balance Per Bank Statement	756,329.55	
Deduct: Outstanding Checks	(9,758.08)	
Add: Deposits in Transit	7,170.13	
Balance Per Books		753,741.60
Cash Balance, December 31, 2012		<u><u>753,911.60</u></u>

Taxes Receivable — December 31, 2012

	2012	2011
2012	238,608.40	-
2011	188.25	229,110.23
2010	184.50	209.10
2009	165.00	192.50
2008	137.50	1,705.42
	<u><u>239,283.65</u></u>	<u><u>231,217.25</u></u>

Trust Funds — December 31, 2012

Trust Fund Investments

	Unexpended		
	Principal	Income	Total
Davis Daggett Cemetery	3,200.00	1,170.29	4,370.29
Maple Grove Cemetery	2,500.00	2,030.42	4,530.42
Marr Cemetery	9,050.00	4,438.99	13,488.99
McDowell Cemetery	300.00	56.51	356.51
Mountain Cemetery	300.00	256.41	556.41
Overlook Cemetery	800.00	1,491.67	2,291.67
Pierpoint Cemetery	1,450.00	985.90	2,435.90
Skidmore Cemetery	50.00	26.97	76.97
Soldiers Monument	682.98	1,249.26	1,932.24
Billings Scholarship	5,790.00	3,195.36	8,985.36
Community Scholarship	26,619.40	5,424.21	32,043.61
Phillip Scriber Memorial	660.00	1,091.19	1,751.19
Daggett School	1,477.76	2,475.53	3,953.29
Storer Cemetery	50.00	8.25	58.25
Gibbs Library	4,066.00	72.58	4,138.58
	<u><u>56,996.14</u></u>	<u><u>23,973.54</u></u>	<u><u>80,969.68</u></u>

Agency Funds
December 31, 2012

LEVENSALER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION:		
Fund Balance, January 1	8,621.81	
Expense	(2,000.00)	
Interest Earned	45.90	
Fund Balance, December 31		<u><u>6,667.71</u></u>

Town Clerk's Report

2012 Licenses Sold
01/01/2012– 12/31/2012

Dog Licenses Sold

Kennels	2
Males/Females	64
Neutered/Spayed	212

All dogs 6 months and older must have a license. If you become the owner of a dog 6 months or older, the dog must be licensed by January of each year. In order to obtain a license for your dog, the owner must present a current State of Maine Rabies Certificate obtained from a veterinarian. All dog licenses expire December 31 of each year. Renewal of licenses for the following year can be done at the Town Office beginning October 15th. Veterinarian Paula Benner of Lupine Valley Equine provides low cost rabies shots for dogs and cats at the Washington Fire Station on the Saturday morning of hunting opening day and the Town Office is open to register your dog immediately afterwards.

Also, bring with you proof if a veterinarian has issued a written certificate stating the dog(s) is incapable of producing young by spaying or neutering. If you have already shown proof of current rabies or spay/neuter, then additional proof is not necessary.

Dog License Fees:

- \$6.00 per year for spayed/neutered dogs
- \$11.00 per year for dogs not spayed/neutered

Per state law, any dog license that is re-licensed after January 31 will be subject to a \$25.00 late fee plus regular licensing fee. Postcard reminders were mailed this year and again helped to bring the number of unlicensed dogs down.

Fishing and Hunting Licenses Sold

Junior Hunting	8	Apprentice Hunting	2
Fish/Hunt Combo	37	Migratory Waterfowl	2
Hunting	27	Coyote Night Hunting	1
Resident Fish	53	Archery	4
Small Game	1	Archery Combo	1
Non- Resident Fish	4	Expanded Archery	2
2 nd Spring Turkey	2	Bear Hunting Permits	1
Spring/Fall Turkey Permits	6	Resident Muzzleloader	13

RV, Boat, & Snowmobile Registrations Sold

Boats Up to 10 Hsp.	50
Boat 11-50 Hsp.	29
Boat 51-115 Hsp.	21
Boat Over 115 Hsp.	13
PWC	1
Snowmobile	23
ATV	9

Record of Fees Returned to the Town

Record of Motor Vehicle Fees	\$5304.47
Recreational Vehicle Fees	\$235.00
Record of Fish & Wildlife License Fees	\$394.50
Record of Dog License Fees & Fines	\$1237.74
Vital Records Fees	\$1553.60
Building Permit Fees	\$2815.80
Mining Permit Fees	\$4090.00
Weapons Permit Fees	\$225.00
Junkyard Permit Fees	\$300.00
Town Garage Revenue	\$449.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$304.97

Respectfully submitted,
 ANN DEAN
 Town Clerk/Tax Collector/
 Treasurer

2012 Vital Statistics Recorded
01/01/2012 – 12/31/2012

15 Births**10 Marriages****16 Deaths**

Deaths			
Date of Death	Name	Place of Death	Age
01/12/12	Lottie Upham	Damariscotta	84
02/12/12	David French	Washington	63
03/31/12	Erlon Creamer	Washington	55
03/25/12	Dorothy Jackson	Damariscotta	70
05/19/12	Nathan Garnett	Portland	73
06/12/12	Joan McGrath	Washington	68
07/29/12	Paul Connell	Washington	67
08/02/12	Barbara Dunsford	Washington	89
10/01/12	Ruth Light	Camden	89
11/08/12	Peter Melgard	Augusta	73
11/12/12	Paul Nugent	Washington	87
11/29/12	Wayne Taylor	Augusta	58
12/07/12	Robert Small	Portland	79
12/10/12	William Goff	Rockport	80
12/19/12	Ernest Barker	Washington	74
12/25/12	Nettie Turner	Augusta	88

Respectfully submitted,
 ANN DEAN
 Town Clerk

2012 Assessors' Report

The 2012 mill rate is 0.01255 on a total valuation of:	\$129,285,892.00
The 2012 taxable valuation is	
0.58% higher than 2011's of:	\$128,534,795.00
The 2012 county tax is	\$168,102.00
The 2012 county tax is 5.75% higher than 2011's of:	\$158,957.00
The 2012 municipal appropriation is	\$623,482.00
The 2012 municipal appropriation is	
-2.26% lower than 2011's of:	\$637,876.00
The 2012 school appropriation is	\$1,252,537.15
The 2012 school appropriation is	
5.69% higher than 2011's of:	\$1,185,144.73
The 2012 total appropriation is	\$2,044,121.15
The 2012 total appropriation is 3.14% higher than 2011's of:	\$1,981,977.73
The 2012 homestead reimbursement is	\$31,814.25
The 2012 homestead amount is -0.98% lower than 2011's of:	\$32,128.00
The 2012 tax commitment is	\$1,622,537.94
The 2012 tax commitment is 0.58% higher than 2011's of:	\$1,613,111.68
The 2012 need was reduced by revenue sharing,	
excise tax, etc. by	\$369,400.00
The 2012 reduction is 13.66% higher than 2011's of:	\$325,000.00

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION: There were 507 homeowners granted homestead exemptions in 2012; a decrease of 5 from 2011. To qualify for this exemption, you must be a legal resident of Maine, must have owned homestead property in Maine for at least 12 months and declare your homestead as your permanent residence. There is no penalty involved if your exemption status changes. If you have not taken advantage of this program and think you qualify, please contact the town office for an application before April 1st. (Provided the State does not reduce, modify or eliminate the program).

HIGHLIGHTS: The natural gas pipeline added over \$4.4 million to the Town's value and contributed over \$55,000 in taxes.

The Lane hot-top plant is valued more than \$4.1 million and should generate more than \$51,000 but the State's Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE) program allows an exemption that requires the State to pay the taxes; which they did at a reduced rate of 60%; which resulted in a loss of

revenue of more than \$20,000. See BETE information and qualifications at Maine Revenue Services website.

School spending accounted for 61 cents of each tax dollar. 8 cents went to county tax and the remaining 31 cents went to manage the rest of the Town's affairs for the year.

TAXMAPS: In 2012 the Town purchased a computer program that allows electronic processing of mapping and we are currently beginning the work of building the files. The end result will be much better maps that have information about tax parcels as well as roads, 911 info, resource protection and about anything else that can be digitized. We hope to make this information available on the website as we move forward.

WEBSITE: Tree growth, farmland and open space exemptions for land may be of interest as well as exemptions for veterans. Information and applications for these programs and more can be found from links on the Town's website: <http://washington.maine.gov/>

Board of Assessors:
WESLEY DANIEL
DUANE VIGUE
DONALD L. GRINNELL
STANLEY MILLAY,
Assessors' Agent

Tax Collector's Report for 2012

Valuation, Assessment, and Collections for the year ended December 31, 2012

VALUATION:

Real Estate	123,530,248.00
Personal Property	<u>5,755,644.00</u>
	<u>129,285,892.00</u>

ASSESSMENT:

Valuation x Rate	
(129,285,892.00 x .01255)	1,622,537.94
Supplementals	<u>434.66</u>

Total Assessment 1,622,972.60

COLLECTIONS AND CREDITS:

Cash Collections	1,383,496.87
Abatements	147.75
Prepayments	<u>719.58</u>

Total Collections and Credits 1,384,364.20

2012 Taxes Receivable - December 31, 2012 238,608.40

COMPUTATION OF ASSESSMENT

Tax Commitment	1,622,537.94
Surplus	71,000.00
Excise Taxes - Auto and Boat	200,000.00
State Revenue Sharing	65,000.00
Homestead Reimbursement	31,814.25
Tree Growth Reimbursement	3,500.00
Building Permits - Town	2,000.00
Interest	18,000.00
Veterans Reimbursement	1,400.00
BETE Reimbursement	32,241.65
Miscellaneous	<u>8,500.00</u>

2,055,993.84

REQUIREMENTS:

Municipal	623,487.00
MSAD 40	1,252,537.15
County Tax	<u>168,102.00</u>

2,044,126.15

Overlay 11,867.69

Tax Liens – December 31, 2012

2011		Lee, Robert K.	12.46
Adams, Curtis & Joan	1,216.41	Leigh, Alfred & Linda	719.12
Batlis, Dean R., Jr. & Rachel M.	334.11*	Leigh, Alfred & Linda	1,023.88
Batlis, Dean R., Jr. & Rachel M.	119.23*	Lemany, Deborah	1,111.92
Belanger, Linda	984.34	Mank, Timothy A.	349.52
Belcher, Andrew	778.35	Mattingly, Elizabeth F.	738.22
Belcher, Andrew	9.79	Merrill, Jaynee	442.53
Belcher, Ronald A.	308.73	Metzger, Susan	957.61
Bickford, Michael	959.55	Michelson, Anita	903.29
Bickford, Michael	818.26	Miller, Barry	726.21
Blair, Robert & Joni	1,052.47	Miller, Estelle	812.27
Blauvelt, Mark	539.37	Miller, Jared L.	1,144.70
Bognar, Lorraine	284.26	Moores, Harold	1,624.27
Bourgeois, Cynthia L.	1,050.54	Moran, Jeffrey & Melissa	16.32
Bowley, W.A. Heirs	177.58	Moran, Jeffrey & Melissa	1,273.99
Bowman, Alice	952.47	Morgan, Joel W.	833.43
Bradstreet, David	1,970.35	Moscatto, Daniel P. & Cheryl A.	1,809.61
Clement, Julia K.	1,412.46	Pierpont, Willard	156.88
Clifford, Michelle & Stephen	1,211.30	Pierpont, Willard	1,152.70
Dawson, Gordon	491.13	Rideout, John & Tammy	1,007.89**
Dawson, Gordon	861.70	Rideout, John & Tammy	636.16
Dawson, Gordon	398.46	Seavey, Keith A. & Hazel L.	603.27
Day, Pixie A.	1,193.10	Shenett, Theresa & David	833.17
Degreenia, Penny	12.55	Smith, Jonathan B.	81.58
Elliott, Christine L.	479.77	Smith, Jonathan B.	3,074.52
Esancy, Nancy L.	399.80**	Spahr, David L.	1,367.80
Foster, Scott I.	1,123.38	Sukeforth, Larry G. & Wanda	81.58
Fournier, Rebecca J. & Donald E.	1,984.61	Sukeforth, Larry G. & Wanda	81.58
Harrington, David O., Sr. & Annette R.	1,175.67	Taylor, Karen A.	1,778.54
Hawes, Frances	994.47	Thayer, Clayburn F. & Susan R.	1,001.94
Holmes-Smith, Wendy	1,252.53	Thibodeau, Leo & Patty	1,845.62
Howard, Sonja	516.56	Thompson, Andrew L.	576.48**
Huntley, Chris A. & Deborah B.	1,100.99	Thompson, Gary & Barbara	237.94
Jackson, Allen L. & Cathanna L.	707.34	Turffs, Joseph P.	50.20
Johnson, LSE, LLC	1,252.49	Valle, Forrester B.	113.46**
Jones, Frank E., Sr. & Joyce	1,277.97	Vigue, Anthony & Linda	1,185.35
Jones, James C.	609.49	Vigue, Timothy L.	2,696.94
Jones, Steven W.	177.58	Ware, Richard C.	651.42
Jones, Steven W.	111.70		<u><u>64,015.23</u></u>

Tax Acquired Property – December 31, 2012

	2012	2011	2010	2009	TOTAL
<u>Real Estate</u>					
Howard & Debra Rathbun	89.11	89.11	87.33	-	265.55
Washington Prop Trust	3,746.65	3,746.65	3,672.02	3,586.00	14,751.32
	<u>3,835.76</u>	<u>3,835.76</u>	<u>3,759.35</u>	<u>3,586.00</u>	<u>15,016.87</u>

2012 Taxes Receivable – December 31, 2012

<u>Real Estate</u>		Brown, Jeffrey R.	515.81
Adams, Curtis & Joan	1,216.41	Brownell, Robert J.	1,059.33
Ankers, Jennifer L.	308.73	Bryant, Forest O.	102.91
Barbour, John E.	2,991.92	Bryant, Steven D.	609.93
Barker, Ernest & Nancy	1,014.59***	Bryant, Steven D.	37.34*
Batlis, Dean R., Jr. & Rachel M.	326.45*	Burns, William A. & Cathy M.	1,313.18
Batlis, Dean R., Jr. & Rachel M.	119.23*	Carr, Casey L. & Lindsey L.	1,191.50
Bedard, Darius	1,120.95	Casas, Jesse D. & Sherry L.	1,499.93
Belanger, Johnnie N.	1,253.62	Casas, Josiah M. & Tamara L.	1,549.61*
Belanger, Johnnie N.	179.25*	Chavanne, Daniel P. & Carrie A.	392.62***
Belanger, Linda	1,453.68	Clement, Julia K.	1,412.65
Belanger, Mark	384.20***	Clifford, Michelle & Stephen	1,211.30
Belcher, James & Lillian	745.40***	Condon, Arlene	55.22
Belcher, Norman C. & Pamela J.	788.14	Condon, Shannon P.	609.93*
Belcher, Ronald A.	308.73	Connors, Ernest W. & Elizabeth	1,104.93***
Berry, Brigitte A.	1,490.04	Coogan, Zola	779.71
Bickford, Michael	979.84	Cook, Blaine & Terry L.	1,589.48*
Bickford, Michael	818.26	Cooley, Alan & Ramona	1,043.09***
Billing, Clyde Devises	126.76	Cooley, Scott	656.07***
Birk, Robert & Janice	2,104.06	Creamer, Ronald & Alice L.	316.62*
Blair, Robert & Joni	1,052.47	Crummett, Dalton C. Ttee	1,045.92
Blake, Stanley E., Sr.	276.92	Curtis, Matthew J.	1,613.18
Blauvelt, Mark	539.37	Damariscotta Bank & Trust Company	16.32
Bognar, Lorraine	284.26	Davis, Jessica D. & Michael S.	1,000.60*
Bolduc, Paul	18.83	Davis, Scott	37.65
Boucher, Ronald	557.95	Dawson, Gordon Heirs	491.13
Bourgeois, Cynthia L.	1,050.54	Dawson, Gordon Heirs	861.70
Bourrie, Guy & Sandra	960.99***	Dawson, Gordon Heirs	398.46
Bowley, W.A. Heirs	177.58	Dawson, Tisaka A.	385.29
Bowman, Alice	1,284.71	Day, Pixie A.	1,193.10
Bowman, Alice	150.60	Degreenia, Penny	12.55
Bowman, Joseph P.	288.34		
Bowman, Joseph P.	232.80		
Bowman, Joseph P.	122.99		
Bradstreet, David	1,970.35		

Doan, Thuy	777.94	Holz, Alfred	1,553.99
Dufresne, Kevin & Roberta	784.32***	Holzman, Matthew A.	449.92
Elliott, Christine L.	479.77	Hooper, Ernest A. & Ernestine B.	232.88
Esancy, Levi J.	727.81	Hooper, Wayne E.	1,462.15
Esancy, Levi J.	31.25	Howard, Sonja	516.56
Esancy, Nancy L.	402.86	Howell, Ezra	2,061.30
Flagg, Darryl	81.58	Huntley, Chris A. & Deborah B.	1,100.99
Flagg, Darryl	583.66	Jackson, Allen L. & Cathanna L.	707.34
Flagg, Darryl	1,417.66	Jackson, Dorothy L. Devises	2,094.18
Foster, Donald, Sr.	737.06	Jelenfy, Jeffrey C. & Karen	957.55
Foster, Scott I.	1,123.38	Johnson, James	1,095.06
Foster, Walter J. & Susan F.	1,012.04***	Johnson, LSE, LLC	1,252.49
Fournier, Rebecca J. & Donald E.	1,984.61	Jones, Casie R.	1,015.43
Fowler, Eugene & Patricia	150.60	Jones, Frank E., Jr.	158.34***
Frye, James P.	1,042.98***	Jones, Frank E., Jr. & Kathleen H.	519.47***
Gardner, David P.	247.99	Jones, Frank E., Sr. & Joyce	1,338.87
Gardner, David P.	1,207.61	Jones, James C.	688.37
Garnett, Roy & Gail G.	363.95	Jones, Michael C.	16.98
Garnett, Roy & Gail G.	294.93	Jones, Steven W.	177.58
Garnett, Roy & Gail G.	119.23	Jones, Steven W.	273.59
Glidden, Avery & Lisa B.	69.08*	Kearney, James W.	1,443.02
Grinnell, Jeffrey E. & Stephanie L.	1,231.05***	Kearney, James W.	43.23
Hall, George & Sons, Inc.	2,547.65	Keay, George	40.79
Hall, George & Sons, Inc.	709.08	Keay, George	2,133.37
Hall, George & Sons, Inc.	111.70	Keller, Charles W.	173.01**
Hall, George & Sons, Inc.	1,517.30	Kilbreth, Carol A. & John F.	1,432.75
Hall, George & Sons, Inc.	73.42	Knight, Abraham A.	441.13*
Hall, Marion S.	134.29	Knight, Frances et als	657.42***
Hall, Marion S.	170.68	Knowlton, William, II	1,016.35
Hall, Marion S.	81.58	Kroesser, Janice L. Nelson	1,748.82*
Hall, Tina & Ashley	25.10	Lassell, Gerald	892.83*
Halsey, Heather N.	1,693.98***	Lassell, Gerald	1,249.62*
Harrington, David O. , Sr. & Annette R.	1,175.67	Lassell, Gerald	937.15*
Hart, Keith	280.18	Lawton, Howard C. & Deborah	1,414.49
Haslett, Maynard S.	104.35***	Lee, Andrew G.	480.70***
Hastings, Cheryl	1,131.36***	Lee, Sarah	1,108.74*
Hawes, Frances	963.98	Leigh, Alfred & Linda	81.58
Hedberg, Eric	514.86***	Leigh, Alfred & Linda	719.12
Hibbert, Richard E.	21.02	Leigh, Alfred & Linda	149.35
Holmes, Wendell	857.99	Leigh, Alfred & Linda	1,023.88
Holmes, Wendell	81.58		
Holmes, Wendell	3,074.52		

Leigh, Angel	514.55**	Merrill, Jaynee	1,463.61
Leigh, Derek	12.55	Metzger, Susan	1,507.57
Leigh, Earl E., Sr.	736.31	Michelson, Anita	903.29
Leigh, Elmer E., Jr.	570.60	Millar, Cynthia	767.75***
Lemay, Deborah	1,111.92	Miller, Barry	726.21
Lewis, Leonard C. & Cara L.	1,101.02***	Miller, Estelle	1,889.50
Lewis, Michelle J.	1,144.95	Miller, Jared L.	1,166.72
Lewis, Michelle J.	146.86	Miller, Wayne C.	1,711.15
Linscott, Darci A.	310.36	Mole, Ronald	1,287.96
Linscott, Debra A.	1,009.42*	Moore, Ronald I.	471.63
Linscott, Lloyd	47.31	Moore, Ronald I. & Donna L.	1,872.30
Linscott, Lloyd	32.63	Moore, Ryan	365.21
Linscott, Shanna L.	876.56***	Moore, Harold	1,653.24
Little, Jeffrey G.	117.34	Moran, Jeffrey & Melissa	16.32
Luce, Ronald & Linda	1,618.84	Moran, Jeffrey & Melissa	1,273.99
Ludwig, Burton E., Jr. & Barbara A.	2,122.31*	Morgan, Joel W.	833.43
Ludwig, Burton E., Jr. & Barbara A.	1,250.77*	Morse, Mary Ann	1,964.64
Ludwig, Burton E., Jr. & Barbara A.	2,846.35*	Morse, Mary Ann	363.03
Ludwig, Burton E., Jr. & Barbara A.	627.50*	Moscato, Daniel P. & Cheryl A.	1,809.61
Ludwig, Burton E., Jr. & Barbara A.	12.24*	Peabody, Barry	180.72
Ludwig, Burton E., Jr. & Barbara A.	25.10*	Peabody, Barry	186.23
Mank, Philip W., Jr. & Nancy S.	319.75*	Peabody, Bonnie May	829.05***
Mank, Timothy A.	349.52	Percy, Lynn	419.95***
Manley, J. Patrick	30.12	Pierpont, Willard	156.88
Manley, J. Patrick	2,115.75	Pierpont, Willard	2,093.13
Manley, J. Patrick	32.63	Pierpont, Willard	1,152.70
Manley, J. Patrick	77.50	Pitcher, Barry	1,394.23***
Marder, Charles E., & Kathleen E.	3,732.71*	Pitcher, Barry	317.57***
Martucci, David B. & Janet L.	653.62***	Pitcher, Barry	311.88***
Massey, F. Lane	474.	Potter, Brian E.	2,304.59
***		Rau, Tory	288.34
Massey, Franklin L.	1,086.01***	Reddish, Robert T. & Elizabeth M.	520.24***
Mattingly, Elizabeth F.	738.22	Rhodes, Steven E. & Elizabeth	1,021.44***
Medika, Patricia E.	1,804.65***	Rhodes, William A. & Carol M.	914.68
Medika, Patricia E.	1,308.20***	Ribar, Dorothy E.	550.95
Melgard & Menz LLC	951.71***	Rice, Paul D.	960.99
Melgard, Peter & Mildred	797.21***	Rideout, John & Tammy	1,634.10
		Rideout, John & Tammy	636.16
		Robinson, Thomas L.	458.70
		Rubenstein, Russell	465.95***
		Russo, Steven	165.66
		Sanborn, Philip	1,200.57

Sanborn, Philip	8.16	Vigue, Anthony & Linda	1,185.35
Sanborn, Steven	567.89	Vigue, Christopher	1,623.05
Schmitt, Dorothea	1,359.56	Vigue, Timothy L.	2,696.94
Searle, Kenneth E. & Johnnie L.	1,718.60	Vigue, Timothy L.	514.05*
Seavey, Keith A. & Hazel L.	603.27	Vigue, Timothy L.	136.92
Senechal, Norman J. & Sherri J.	872.76***	Vigue, Timothy L.	24.47
Shaggy, Michael & Mary	570.30***	Vogel, Donald E. & Dorothy M.	1,267.90***
Shaggy, Thomas W.	424.81	Wadsworth, Malcolm M.	1,053.10
Shenett, Robert	140.72***	Ware, Richard C.	1,017.37
Shenett, Sonya E.	455.95***	Washington Prop Trust	1,956.85
Shenett, Theresa & David	792.49	Washington Prop Trust	309.55
Silar, Thatcher E.	1,547.51	Werner, Joseph A.	308.73
Snyder, Kurt D.	493.82*	Wescott, Doris	146.21
Sorrentino, Michael	1,924.19	Whelan, Richard H.	284.26
Spahr, David L.	1,367.80	White, Cynthia A.	769.23***
Spahr, David L.	361.44	White, Cynthia A.	237.21***
Spahr, Kenneth L. Heirs	473.69	Williams, James M. & Annie T.	885.04*
Spahr, Kenneth L. Heirs	85.34	Wirtz, Linda	33.13
Spahr, Kenneth L. Heirs	428.58	Wirtz, Linda	1,481.50
Spahr, Kenneth L. Heirs	12.24	Wooster, Elizabeth P.	14.80
Sukeforth, Larry G. & Wanda	81.58	Yoder, Michael J. & Kathy L.	761.20***
Sukeforth, Larry G. & Wanda	81.58		234,446.34
Sukeforth, Larry G. & Wanda	2,887.78	* Paid in full after 12/31/2012	
Talberg, Robert	670.99	** Partial payment after 12/31/2012	
Tammac Holdings Corp	1,149.24	*** Tax Club Participant	
Taylor, Karen A.	1,778.54	<u>Personal Property</u>	
Taylor, Timothy & Dara	810.92***	M&M Excavation	125.50
Taylor, Wayne A.	314.98	Medomak Campground	
Thayer, Clayburn F. & Susan R.	1,001.94	Limited Liability	75.30
Thibodeau, Leo & Patty	1,845.62	Pierpont, Willard	125.50
Thibodeau, Leo & Patty	49.43		326.30
Thompson, Andrew L.	576.48		<u>234,772.64</u>
Thompson, Gary & Barbara	1,105.24		
Timberlake, Ronald, Jr.	8.28		
Turffs, Joseph P.	50.20		
Turffs, Kim L.	8.16		
Turffs, Kim L.	1,197.36		
Turffs, Kim L.	308.73		
Turner, Steven & Rebecca	46.50		
Valle, Forrester B.	1,021.56**		

Prior Years Taxes Receivable — December 31, 2012

<u>Personal Property</u>		<u>2009</u>	
<u>2011</u>			
Luce, Ronald & Linda	37.65	Peaslee, Teri W.	27.50
Pierpont, Willard	125.50	Pierpont, Willard	<u>137.50</u>
Vigue, Timothy	<u>25.10</u>		165.00
	188.25	<u>2008</u>	
		Pierpont, Willard	<u>137.50</u>
<u>2010</u>			<u><u>675.25</u></u>
Luce, Ronald & Linda	36.90		
Pierpont, Willard	123.00		
Vigue, Timothy	<u>24.60</u>		
	184.50		

Abatements and Supplementals – December 31, 2012

ABATEMENTS		<u>2010</u>	
<u>Real Estate</u>			
<u>2011</u>			
Lake Parking Corp.	349.52	Brown, Albert & Diane	24.60
Harrington, David & Annette	<u>539.65</u>	<u>2009</u>	
	889.17	Brown, Albert & Diane	27.50
		Poverty	110.00
<u>2010</u>			137.50
Harrington, David & Annette	528.90	<u>2008</u>	
Lake Parking Corp.	<u>342.56</u>	Poverty	<u>27.50</u>
	871.46		<u><u>3,926.60</u></u>
<u>2009</u>		SUPPLEMENTALS	
Harrington, David & Annette	736.59	<u>Real Estate</u>	
Lake Parking Corp.	<u>355.44</u>	<u>2012</u>	
	1,092.03	Mount Oliver Lodge Building Corporation	309.16
<u>2008</u>		<u>Personal Property</u>	
Harrington, David & Annette	736.59	<u>2010</u>	
		Willard Pierpont	<u>125.50</u>
<u>Personal Property</u>			<u><u>434.66</u></u>
<u>2012</u>			
Pierpont, Willard & Clinton	125.50		
CIT Group, Inc.	<u>22.25</u>		
	147.75		

Registrar of Voters Report

2012 was a very busy voting year. We had a Special Legislative Election in February to fill the District 20 Senator position when Senator David Trahan resigned. Town Elections and Town Meeting followed in March. Donald Grinnell was elected for a three-year term. We had a Primary Election in June. A new party called the American Elect party was created but did not return the required number of voters to retain party status for the General Election in November. This was Presidential Election year and we also voted for one U. S. Senate seat and for representatives to the U. S. House, one in each of our two Congressional districts.

We had a record turnout for the General Election in November, with nearly 60 new people registering to vote. Out of a total of 1206 registered voters, we had 889 turn out to vote. November 6th was a very busy day at the Town Office. A re-count was called by the state due to many closely contested races. Washington was among the list of towns participating in the re-count. We turned our ballot boxes over to the Maine State Police who delivered the ballots to Augusta for the official re-count.

Voting is the backbone of the democratic process and we are very lucky and grateful to have so many residents volunteer to serve our community. The General Election proved a late night for many of our dedicated counters. We had 30 people over this past year who served as ballot clerks, moderators, or wardens. Thank you again.



Respectfully submitted,
DENISE HYLTON
Registrar of Voters

State trooper picking up ballots for the District 20 Senate race recount in November.

Washington Planning Board

The Washington Planning Board met eleven times during 2012. They elected the same slate of officers as in 2011. Reggie Burns replaced Jud Butterman, who resigned as an alternate member.

The Board considered an application which they determined to be for a materials recovery facility rather than a specifically prohibited junkyard. The Board also held a public hearing, and subsequently gave Tim Jackson a permit for a new junkyard and recycling facility in a different spot from that which he had on Route 17. David St. Clair applied for and was given a mining permit to reopen the old Billings Pit on Route 105. The Board held a pre-application hearing for a pit on McDowell Road requested by Nancy and Berkley Linscott. They debated issues such as the project size, how long a crusher could be present on the project in that district, and violations of a stop-work order on work already being done on an existing pit. After extended deliberation, the Board determined that the application be considered incomplete. A request to table the application was not accepted since the application had not been deemed complete. The Board also discussed, but did not move on, an application for a small repairs project in a home garage. The final business of the year was consideration of a pre-application for a minor subdivision of the Schroyer estate on Razorville Road.

The Planning Board usually meets the second Tuesday of each month, unless there is no business to transact. Several times last year the Board met at other times to accommodate applicants. The Board appreciates the work our Code Enforcement Officer, Bob Temple, does in explaining the ordinances to applicants, and assisting the Board in its work.

Respectfully submitted,
Chairman: MITCH GARNETT
Secretary/Treasurer:
JIM BOWERS
Members; HANK AHO,
DAVE WILLIAMS,
DAVE STUDER
Alternates: RICH BOUCHARD,
REGGIE BURNS

Washington Appeals Board

The Town of Washington Board of Appeals met five times in 2012. A couple of the Board's bimonthly meetings were canceled or postponed by weather events. The Board elected the same slate of officers from 2011.

The Board considered a request for a setback variance to place a recreational vehicle (RV) on a non-conforming lot in the shoreland zone. At the public hearing which followed, the Board denied the variance. The applicant decided to move the proposed location of his RV and subsequently withdrew his request for a variance. The following meeting involved discussion about the neighbor's property as the neighbor had not received notice of the variance request. The questions involved were a civil matter for discussions between the neighbors. The Board established a more certain method of notification and learned that all public hearings would be posted on the Town website in the future.

The following meetings were devoted to discussion of the Appeals Board section of the Land Use Ordinance. The CEO had advised that the procedures for various functions of the Board, appeals, variances and interpretations, be coordinated to avoid confusion. By year's end, he had created a preliminary draft to be approved by the Board and presented for a vote on the Town Meeting warrant.

Respectfully submitted,
Chairman: NORMAN CASAS
Secretary/Treasurer:
HENRY CHAPMAN
Members: DOROTHY SAINIO,
LOWELL FREIMAN,
GEORGE CARLEZON
Alternates: JIM KEARNEY,
CHRIS VIGUE

Washington Budget Committee

Fellow Citizens of Washington:

At the 2012 annual town meeting citizens elected members to the Washington Budget Committee. In July 2012, a meeting between the budget committee and town officials was held to review the then current state of town finances. In January 2013, budget packages containing the proposed 2013 municipal budget, a line by line breakdown of expenses, and a recommendation on each item were provided to committee members. On January 29, the committee met with Selectmen Wesley Daniel, Donald L. Grinnell, and Duane Vigue and Town Clerk/Tax Collector/Treasurer, Ann Dean to review the budget. Budget Committee members attending were: Hank Aho, Dorothy Sainio, Kathy Ocean, David Williams, and Mahlon Linscott. Hank Aho was elected Chairman for the meeting.

A review of the 2012 budget showed that expenditures were generally in line with estimated appropriations. The Budget Committee reviewed the proposed 2013 budget item by item. The town officials explained how anticipated costs were developed and answered budget related questions. Significant budget items include:

Salaries and Payroll Expenses: Modest salary and stipend increases were recommended by the selectmen. These increases were questioned by the committee. Selectmen explained that several factors entered into their recommendation, among them: it is important to retain experienced people, Washington's salaries lag behind other municipalities, and doing more with less requires creative thinking (which comes from experience). The vote in favor of the recommendations was made by a majority of committee members. A factor weighed by the committee in accepting recommendation is that the recommended selectmens' total salary of \$19,500 is far less than a town manager would cost the Town.

Paving: Town roads are deteriorating faster than they can be maintained. The town has 20.6 miles of paved roads. Re-paving lasts for approximately ten years, requiring two miles of re-paving per year. Re-paving roads is costly. The present budget includes approximately \$186,000 for paving the Bill Luce Road (approximately two miles). This funding includes

money from several sources. The selectmen presented a plan that would re-pave approximately two miles of town road per year. In the near future, townspeople will make a decision regarding what to pave and how to fund it.

ISO Hydrology Study: This study will document and evaluate local fire control water resources. Selectmen explained that this information should lower homeowner fire insurance rates by approximately 25%.

Other budget considerations: This year the uncertainty of the SAD 40 assessment and the uncertainty of the state revenue sharing level are items having the potential to significantly impact the budget. The MSAD40 assessment is currently unknown and will not be voted on until June 2013. Selectmen anticipate the town receiving \$65,000 in revenue sharing funds (approximately 18% of the town's anticipated revenue). Cuts in state funding to education and to revenue sharing will require an increase in local funding to maintain the current level of service. The selectmen plan to have an article in the town warrant to be voted on at the 2013 town meeting asking the townspeople to allow the use of a portion of any unexpended previous year appropriation (formerly known as "surplus") to offset the unknown, but anticipated, increased school tax assessment.

In closing, the budget committee wishes to thank Liane Chapman for taking notes at the budget meeting and to acknowledge our town officials for their fiscal diligence. The Town is fortunate to have such dedicated and knowledgeable people working on its behalf.

Respectfully submitted,
HANK AHO, Chairperson
KATHY OCEAN
JIM BOWERS
WENDY CARR
MAHLON LINSKOTT
DOROTHY SAINIO
DAVID WILLIAMS

Code Enforcement Officer

To the Citizens and Officials of the Town of Washington:

The Permits issued for 2012 are as follows:

• New stick built homes	6
• Modular homes	2
• Mobile homes	3
• Duplex homes	0
• Garages/sheds/barns	7
• Commercial buildings	1
• Home addition/decks	1
• Greenhouse	1
• Cabins	1
• Accessory	1
• Addition to existing home	5
• Demo	0
• Foundation under existing home	0
• Permit renewal	0

Enforcement actions

• Land Use Violations	9
• Shoreland Zoning Violation	3

It has been my pleasure working with the selectmen, planning board, appeals board and Washington town office staff.

Respectfully submitted,
BOB TEMPLE
Code Enforcement Officer

Code Enforcement Officer's Plumbing Report

To the Citizens and Officials of the Town of Washington

The Plumbing Permits issued for 2012 are as follows:

- Subsurface Wastewater Permits 14
- Internal Plumbing Permits 10

It has been my pleasure working with the selectmen, planning board, appeals board and Washington town office staff.

Respectfully submitted,
BOB TEMPLE
Plumbing Inspector

Mining Ordinance Review Committee

The Mining Ordinance Review Committee met quarterly during the year 2012. All meetings were open to the public. There were several changes proposed and discussed by the committee.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK CAMPBELL
JUD BUTTERMAN
LIANE CHAPMAN
DAVE MARTUCCI

Washington Community Scholarship Committee Report 2012

The Washington Community Scholarship Committee is responsible for granting scholarship aid to Washington students who have lived in the Town for at least one year, and who send in the required submissions on time. Students do not receive scholarships until they have successfully completed the first semester at a post high school institution. Only one student applied in 2012, and he was accepted for scholarship aid. We also oversee the Jimmy E. Billings scholarship for which the same student received scholarship aid. Parents should encourage their children to apply for both scholarships, and to do it by the required date of May 1.

Our committee again sent a yearly funding appeal to members of the Washington and surrounding area business community as other efforts to raise money in the past have had limited success. Our students need financial aid more than ever in order to achieve their educational goals, and we on the committee hope that members of the community will keep our students in mind by responding generously to our present and future fund raising efforts.

The Committee members wish to thank the community for its continuing support.

Respectfully submitted,
ALMA JONES
BETTE PELLETIER
JAN BIRK
LIANE CHAPMAN
JUDY GOOD
MILDRED MELGARD

Washington Fire Department

PO Box 244, Washington, ME 04574 ~ Established 1950

Fire Station – 845-2245

Tom Johnston, Chief - 845-2576 Phil Meunier, Deputy Chief - 845-2899

Emergency: Dial 911

The Washington Fire Department responded to the following calls in 2012.

Fires:

Building Fires:	2	in Town, 1 as mutual aid given. Fire loss in Town, \$50,000 estimated.
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Cooking fire, confined to container	1
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Chimney Fires:	4
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Motor Vehicle Fire	1
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Heavy Equipment Fire	1
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Forest / Woods Fire	1
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Grass/Brush	3
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Outside Rubbish, Waste:	1
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EMS/Rescue:

Medical assist, assist EMS Crew	1
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Vehicle Accidents with Injuries:	3
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Extrication of Victim, Vehicle	1
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Hazardous Conditions:

Oil / Combustible Liquid Spill	1
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Vehicle accident, general cleanup	14
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Line down, Tree in Power Lines	3
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Accident, potential accident, other	1
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Hazardous Conditions, other	2
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Service Call:

Person in distress	1
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Smoke or odor removal	2
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Cover assignment, standby	1
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Good Intent:

Dispatched and cancelled in route	10
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Good Intent, other	1
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False Call:

Heat Detector Activation - malfunction	1
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Severe Weather:

Wind storm, tornado/hurricane assessment 1

Responded to Total Calls 58

The total number of calls this year is around our average level, with a high number of vehicle accident calls. Dollar loss for structure fires is down, on a total value loss basis, but any fire can cause a personal loss that cannot be valued in dollars. Calls that were 'Cancelled In Route' were for Automatic Mutual Aid to our surrounding towns, which were controlled by the requesting town prior to our arrival.

Last year the Fire Department received an initial bequest from the estate of Francis Schroyer. We have used this money to set up a 'Smoke Detector Fund'. This fund will be used to provide smoke detectors to anyone in Washington. Smoke detectors can be requested at the Town Office, and a firefighter will install the detectors at NO CHARGE. Currently we have battery operated detectors, but will order for hardwire systems if there is a request. Properly maintained smoke detectors should last 10 years, and should be replaced when that old or when malfunctioning. There were several calls this year where there were NO working smoke detectors.

Again this year, we have kept funding for fire department operations at the same level as last year. With the exception of adding money for Hose Testing two years ago, we have held the same operating budget since 2006. The budget was strained this year, due to problems with the transmission on Rescue 1. We were able to defer equipment expenditures to 2013 and stay within our budget. Equipment is getting older, maintenance expenses go up. The 'new' Engine 3 is 9 years old now, and Engine 1 is 31 years old this year. The Executive Board is exploring options for Engine 1 replacement, with a plan to be presented to the Town in 2014.

Active member numbers fluctuate up and down. The number of firefighters available to respond during a weekday is limited, and we could always use more men and women who have an interest in the Fire Service. Members meet at the Fire Station Monday evenings, with regular training on the Fourth Monday of the month. If you see us out training, stop and watch if you want!

I am always willing to answer questions, and provide fire safety information. If you don't reach me, please leave a message, either at home or at the station.

The Fire Department members wish to thank all the citizens of Washington for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted

TOM JOHNSTON, Fire Chief

Emergency Management Agency

Members of the Board of Selectmen, Town of Washington:

It is my pleasure to submit the annual report on the activities of your Emergency Management Agency program.

Activities for 2012 included:

- Upgrading of the Washington Emergency Action Plan: This includes planning for natural and man made disasters. General planning gives a guide to responders if a disaster occurs.
- Participation in the EMPG program: This is a federal emergency management program that provides matching funding for local emergency planning. This year we upgraded the meeting room for use as an emergency management center, with resources that we can use for training of our firefighters and other groups. Local match was provided by volunteer response hours, and local expenditures designed to properly secure the fire fighting equipment.
- Participating in local disaster drills, including a multi-town winter disaster drill.

On behalf of the EMA program, I would like to thank the municipal officials and their staff, the county staff for their support and assistance, and all in Washington who support this effort.

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS JOHNSTON, Director
Washington, EMA

Road Foreman's Report

To The Citizens of The Town of Washington:

With a light winter we started 2012 with chainsaws in hand. We brushed and chipped many of the roads in town, getting ready for the 2012-2013 winter season. Roads were cleared several feet back to make a better plowing experience for the roads crew.

We continued road maintenance on several roads in town and replaced culverts on the mountain along with the Hopkins Road. More ditching was done this year also.

We worked directly with the Selectmen and Roads Committee selecting roads that needed attention. Gartley and Dorsky, an engineering firm, was hired to design and help get the permitting, cost findings, and any grants that may be available to replace a single culvert on the Vanner Road near the Town Pit and the double culvert on the Youngs Hill Road.

The roads crew built an economical grizzly, or sand screen, for the screening of winter sand that gets frozen and clumpy during the winter months. This piece of equipment was previously rented and we have replaced that need.



The P-400

Truck maintenance has been approached with a new focus and we are fixing and repairing items as they are wearing or before they expand into larger problems. The P-400 now has a completely rebuilt engine that should last us for some time. There was also extensive work done on the P-200 and the P-500 body was completely rebuilt. We also painted the bodies on three trucks to help aid in protection from the severe contact with sand and salt.

We have finally corrected the heavy humidity situation in the Town Garage that was becoming a problem for the structure. With in-floor heating, the melting snow and ice was evaporating and causing severe moisture build-up inside the garage. After lowering the heat to a standard 55 degrees and keeping ceiling fans turned off, the problem has disappeared. The de-humidifiers run at less than half of previous years.

This year we combined needs with the Town of Union and hired their equipment to grade our roads. The result was very acceptable and was a huge cost savings to the town from previous years.

Many new hand tools and safety equipment were purchased during the year to replace needed or worn out equipment. The Town Garage is now nicely equipped to help us deliver a better product in all areas. New safety chaps were purchased for cutting and brushing with chainsaws for the protection of workers

Drug testing for all drivers was initiated this year and will be an ongoing item. This is required by Federal law and advantageous to the town.

We do hope that the Citizens of Washington were happy with the plowing, brushing, grading and general maintenance results for the year as we try our very best to keep roads passable for you on a continued basis.

Respectfully,
JON DANIEL
Road Foreman

Damariscotta Lake Watershed Association

Land Protection

DLWA staff and volunteers continued to maintain public trails on the West Branch and Davis Stream Preserves in 2012. On the former, in particular, significant beaver activity combined with aging bridgework led to a trail work initiative this fall which resulted in four new bog bridges, new erosion control steps on steep grades, and several trail re-routes around areas which are now flooded. DLWA joined the regional Wednesday Walkers group in leading public nature walks on these trails, which are open for many uses in various seasons, ranging from hunting to skiing to hiking. Trail maps are available at DLWA's lakefront office at 38 Lake Farm Circle in Jefferson and on our website: www.dlwa.org.

DLWA completed one conservation easement in 2012, protecting a small parcel with lakefront shoreline as well as shoreline along a small tributary feeding into the lake in the West Narrows area. This land will remain undeveloped as a buffer to protect lake water quality. Donors of conservation easements give up certain development rights while maintaining ownership of their properties. DLWA currently owns almost 500 acres of undeveloped land and holds conservation easements on over 600 acres in the watershed.

Educational Programs

Classroom presentations at both the Nobleboro Central School and Washington's Prescott Elementary about watershed protection culminated in 6th grade students from these schools participating in a Water Wonder Day ecology field trip at Wavus Camp in Jefferson.

DLWA also hosted educational presentations and programs throughout the year for the general public at its office and in the field, on topics ranging from native pollinator conservation to timber harvesting to animal observation and tracking.

DLWA also ran a third summer of youth sailing camp in collaboration with the CLC YMCA, offering week-long sailing instruction and games to about 30 students.

Hooked on Fishing

At the Damariscotta Lake State Park in early June, DLWA hosted its third annual youth fishing event in collaboration with many local and regional partners. Around 40 children came out for the event, despite an

impending rainstorm in the afternoon, joining experienced local fishermen in hour-long outings on the lake and enjoying lunch provided by the Whitefield Lions Club.

Water Quality Monitoring

The regular bi-weekly volunteer program of water clarity and dissolved oxygen measurement was continued during the 2012 season in all three of the Damariscotta Lake's basins. Oxygen levels in the Great Bay continued to become depressed in the late summer and were severely depleted in both Muscongus Bay and the South Arm, but were within historical norms. Water quality of Damariscotta Lake remains about average when compared to other Maine lakes.

Invasive Plants

DLWA continued to rely heavily on volunteer efforts in a three-pronged defense against invasive aquatic weeds. In 2009 and again in 2011, the Damariscotta Lake was threatened by infestations of the invasive aquatic plant hydrilla, an aggressive weed which can reduce property values, boating/swimming opportunities, and native wildlife habitat. Every year since, DLWA has coordinated a shoreline survey for additional infestation sites. This year, volunteers and staff were able to cover about 58% of the lake shoreline, finding no new locations of plants.

In the late winter, the DEP successfully finished a rip-rap wall which has isolated the Cranberry Cove infestation site from the rest of the lake, making it much less likely to spread from this location. Treatment and removal at this site is on-going.

DLWA, in conjunction with the DEP, began an aggressive weekly monitoring and hand removal effort at the second infestation site on the Davis Stream tributary, keeping the plant growth at this location in check.

Meanwhile, Courtesy Boat Inspectors at the Route 213 public boat launch inspected close to 1,100 boats entering and leaving the Damariscotta Lake, making sure that no invasive plants were being carried out or carried in on propellers, trailers or fishing gear. No invasive plant fragments were found this year.

DLWA also held regular identification workshops and trainings to help teach residents what to look for in their own areas.

Much of this work was made possible by grants from the DEP, contributions from individual members and municipalities and, of course, is contingent upon the many volunteer hours put in by watershed residents. Thank you to everyone who helped out!

Respectfully submitted,
AL RAILSBACK
ROB STENGER
NANCY HOLMES

Medomak Valley Land Trust

Medomak Valley Land Trust has been providing conservation services to Washington and other communities in the Medomak River watershed for 22 years. Founded in 1991, MVLT works to promote and preserve the natural, recreational and scenic character and the traditional land uses of the Medomak River watershed for the benefit of the Medomak Valley and Muscongus Bay community. The Medomak River and estuary extend for more than 40 miles, draining portions of 13 towns including Washington. The watershed stretches from the Friendship and Pemaquid peninsulas to the headwaters in Washington and Appleton and encompasses more than 140 square miles.

To date, MVLT has worked with local landowners to protect 3,355 acres of farms, fields, woods, ponds, streams and islands. Because of this protection more wildlife habitat is maintained, water sources are kept cleaner, public access to waterways, paths and snowmobile trails continues and our natural environment remains at its scenic best. Almost all of MVLT's 900 acres in Preserves are open to the public for hiking, hunting, fishing, swimming, skiing and snowmobiling.

This past November, Lance and Yvonne Taylor protected approximately 90 acres of fields and wooded land on Old County Road in Washington through the donation of a conservation easement to Medomak Valley Land Trust. The Taylors purchased their land in 1973 and added to it over the years to create Black Locust Farm. Black Locust Farm is known for its cashmere goats, which are bred on the farm. The Taylors sustainably manage their woods with wildlife habitat in mind, logging primarily with oxen using low-impact forestry techniques. "MVLT is extremely grateful to Lance and Yvonne for their generosity and foresight in conserving this important place," says Liz Petruska, MVLT's executive director. "It is wonderful to be able to permanently protect a working farm, ensuring that our agricultural lands and the associated forest are not lost to development in the future."

Throughout the year, the land trust hosts workshops, talks and treks throughout the watershed in order to connect people to the landscape and provide information on its important resources. Residents can support conservation in Washington by becoming a member, volunteering or conserving their own land. For more information about events, volunteer opportunities, conservation options or MVLT's services to landowners, contact the land trust's Waldoboro office at 832-5570, by email at mvlt@midcoast.com, or visit us on the web at www.medomakvalley.org.

Washington Lakes Watershed Association

The Washington Lakes Watershed Association (WLWA) continued to focus on maintaining the pristine quality of our town's waterways in 2012.

To ensure we have up-to-date information on the quality of the water in Washington Pond and Crystal Lake, WLWA pays for - with help from the Town of Washington - a professional evaluation every few years. In August 2012 samples of water from both our "big lakes" were taken by aquatic biologist Scott Williams Lake & Watershed Resource Management Associates of Turner, Maine. The test reports will be available in spring 2013.

Our guest speaker at the WLWA August 2012 Annual Meeting was David Wilkins, President of the Muscongus Pond Association and a trustee of the Lloyd S. Davis Anadromous Fish Trust, an advocacy group based in Waldoboro. His slide show and talk focused on the barriers for alewife migration to ponds in the Medomak River watershed. He described the sea to fresh water migration cycle, problems facing the species, and the ecological and economic value of these amazing fish. WLWA supports the goal of restoring alewife access routes to Washington Pond.

We continued our work to educate local residents on the importance of boat inspections to ensure invasive plants do not enter our lakes. This work continues in 2013 with the erection of milfoil signs at the public boat launch areas and educational brochures targeting lakefront land owners.

WLWA continued its relationship with Prescott Memorial Elementary School. The next enrichment event is planned for spring 2013. The programs will include two presentations - alewife restoration and pond life.

The 2012 Maine Congress of Lake Associations Annual Conference theme was *The Real Value of Our Lakes*. WLWA was represented at the Conference by Charlotte Henderson.

New officers elected were Sharon Turner, President; Roger Cady, Vice



President; Charlotte Henderson, Treasurer; Leann Diehl, Secretary. Board members are David Allen, Linda Luce, Davis Taylor, Frank Braun, Susan Frank and Madelon Kelly.

Respectfully submitted,

LEANN DIEHL

CHARLOTTE HENDERSON

Recreation Committee Report

The Recreation Committee was not quite as active as in previous years, nevertheless it continued to work with the community to support youth and adult programs for the citizens of Washington.

Baseball/Softball

We had another great year with youth baseball. A t-ball team 2 farm teams and a little league team, about 55 boys and girls played. More field improvements were made and the field is looking great.

Youth Basketball

Washington youngsters, both girls and boys, continue to have the opportunity to participate in the basketball programs sponsored by the Booster's Club. Many of these young players also had the opportunity to play on travel teams.

Bike Rally

The Washington Family Bike Ride was held June 10, 2012. It was a good turn out for our first biking event. The participants:

Nine Prescott Memorial School students

One toddler (on back of parent's bike)

Seven adults

Peg Hobbs had been in touch with Prescott School and the Bike Coalition (that provides Biking Safety Education every spring at Prescott Memorial School). Non-compliance with wearing helmets with our elementary students was deemed to be greater than 50%. It was felt that access to helmets was a piece of this unsafe practice. Recognizing this, the Washington Recreation Committee donated \$100 for biking helmets. Twelve adjustable helmets were purchased thru ProRider.com as these were recommended by the Bike Coalition of Maine. Six helmets were given out to children that needed them leaving us with a surplus of six helmets.

Lacrosse

Lacrosse continued to grow as a youth sport in Washington. To help out or if you have any questions please get in touch with Sue Frank.

If you have an idea to start a recreational activity contact someone on the committee, we can help get it started.

The Washington Recreation Committee salutes the many volunteers in town who help make things work for children and create opportunities for adults. The Committee continues to seek new members with ideas and energy. Get in touch with one of us to find out when we meet.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Caddie-Larcenia

Sue Frank

Bryan Gess

Peg Hobbs

Dan Horovitz

Valerie Jackson

Dan Jones

Bob Madden

Paulette Oboyski

Steve Ocean

Joanie Rhoda

Hill & Gully Riders Snowmobile Club

Our club presently has a membership of 20. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at the fire dept. If you would like to join us, please feel free to do so. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm. We do need more able bodies to help maintain the trails.

Our activities include trail maintenance, snow packing, and snow grooming as well as picnics and club rides. We have four club Bearcat snowmobiles that haul our packers and groomers.

Last year the bridge across Davis Stream south of Rte. 17 was totally replanked. This year the bridge near the “so-called” Onion Flats was totally replaced. The trail from Rte. 17 north to the discontinued section of the Nelson Ridge Road was also relocated due to a landowner’s request. Also the “so-called” Moody trail from Nelson Ridge Road to Rte. 220 has had major improvements.

Our annual Snowfest & Fishing Derby on Washington Pond was postponed due to the blizzard. It will be held on Feb. 23rd this year. The money raised from this helps support our small scholarship to a Washington high school graduate who is continuing on to higher education.

We are volunteer members of the Knox County Emergency Management Agency. This enables us to be utilized by the Fire Dept., EMS and/or any governmental agency should there be an emergency/disaster during the winter.

Our wintertime trails are also open to snowshoers, cross-country skiers and hikers.



To our landowners who support our trails, we cannot thank you enough. Your generosity is appreciated by our club members as well as all who use the trails.

Sincerely,
Jud Buttermann, President
Hill & Gully Riders
Snowmobile Club

Washington Library Association Report for Gibbs Library

2012 Washington Library Association Board of Trustees

Washington Library Association Officers and Trustees

President	Paulette Oboyski	
Vice President	Kathleen Ocean	
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Joan Dean	Robert Marks	Dorothy Sainio
Leann Diehl	Cheryl McKeary	<u>Teen Trustees</u>
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Debbie Hill	Amy Micklich	Antyna Gould
Alma Jones	Susan Richardson	Jane Horovitz

Highlights of 2012:

Technology: Maine State Library's Patrick Therrien came to the library to teach a computer class about MSL Learning Express to the library community. Kindle eReaders and eBooks were purchased through a grant from the Davis Family Foundation. Library patrons can now borrow books for their eReaders, iPods and MP3 type players through the library's subscription to Download Books. Various Tech classes were taught by Tech Committee members.

Art Exhibits were outstanding this year including the continuation of the Washington Bicentennial Photo Show curated by Cheryl McKeary; the prolific Student Art Show which included art from students of the Prescott School; the Paula Green Retrospective which displayed the extremely creative talents of the late and beautiful Paula Green; Linda Gallion's landscapes and pastels were stunning, multimedia artist Barbara Loken's work was unique and memorable, and Washingtonian Hank Aho's drawings, cartoons and watercolors made us smile.

Literacy Programs continue to attract all ages to the library. The Adult Book Discussion Group has met for over 12 years now. Maine Student

Book Awards discussion group has met for three years and offers book-related meals made by Kate & Nick Nichols. Children's Chickadee Book Awards group after school program is mentored by Teen Board Trustees and adult educators and brings over 30 Prescott School children to the library. Summer Reading Bikes for Books Program sponsored by Mt. Olivet Lodge of Masons and Sweet Seasons Café attracted 55 children readers to the library. The Monday Morning Writers group has been meeting for over two years and now meets the first Monday of every month.

Patron Programs included preschool Puppet Show & Music with Joanie Dean, Coyote presentation, grant writing class, self-publishing class, Alewives presentation, Poetry reading, Permaculture Landscaping, Senior Driver Safety Class, Mad Science Holiday Extravaganza, and Gingerbread Festival and finally, the four seasons of Sacred Drumming culminated in the Winter Solstice drumming which celebrated the end of the Mayan calendar and "a new dawn of consciousness". Washington Handcrafters meet every Thursday morning in the Bryant Room.

Fundraising and grants helped cover the library's annual budget for 2012. The Planned Giving Committee held a reception for the Joseph Lalli Clock installation. The Giant Garage, Plant and Book sale was very successful and is now co-chaired by Beth Connor and Rhonda Hamilton. The Paula Green Art Fund holds its fundraising nickel count on Paula's birthday, February 1st. Thank you to the many volunteers, donors and grantors for being so generous to Gibbs Library.



Giant Garage Sale planning meeting held in October 2012.

Building & Grounds: Air conditioning was a welcome addition to the library this year. This summer the Ray Kelly Memorial Garden was dedicated and former library President Ray Kelly's life was celebrated by his family, friends and library patrons with a great party that included over 90 attendees.

Special thanks to:

- The Town of Washington Selectmen and Office Personnel for always pleasantly working hand-in-hand with the library community.
- WLA Executive Board, Trustees and Emeritus members who meet monthly and take an active role in all aspects of governing Gibbs Library.
- VP Kathleen Ocean for always taking an active part in making everything run smoothly.
- Treasurer Susan D'Amore for transparent, accurate and prompt library accounting.
- Secretary Toni Kayser Weiner for accurately recording the minutes and to Joan Freiman and Mary Anderson who stand in when needed.
- Head Librarian Maddy Kelly, Assistant Librarian Liane Chapman and the library desk volunteers for giving such loving care to the everyday workings of the library, helping to create such a great collection of reading material, helping with Interlibrary Loans and assisting the desk volunteers and patrons.
- Trustee Susan Richardson who is stepping down from the Board this year. As the Chair of the Program Committee, she brought many interesting programs to library patrons. She helped create the prestigious Monday Morning Writers Group that still meets.
- Amy Micklich who has graciously accepted the nomination as the new WLA President.
- John Christie, Scott Gould and Len Lewis for accepting the nomination as WLA Trustees.
- Kaylee Casas, Antyna Gould and Jane Horovitz for accepting the nomination as WLA Teen Board Members.
- Carol Sloane for chairing the Giant Garage Sale for over 18 years.
- Leann Diehl for library publicity, Mary Fernandes for Facebook & Cheryl McKeary, webmaster.
- Desk Volunteers who assist patrons and make the library a welcome place for everyone.
- Over 50 volunteers and donors who help with fundraising, gardening, library programs, donate books, and keep the grounds beautiful.
- Cheryl McKeary and Bo Marks for their great mentoring skills and for always paying attention to the important details.

- The Washington Fire Department for generously sharing the Fire Station space and helping the Gibbs Library every year with its biggest fundraiser: The Giant Garage, Plant & Book Sale which is next planned for Saturday, May 18, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
PAULETTE OBOYSKI,
Immediate Past President

January 7, 2013

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Trust Under Deed of Madge H. Walker

The Trust Under Deed of Madge H. Walker provides for either free or reduced rate medical care at Waldo County General Hospital in Belfast and MaineGeneral Medical Center in Waterville for residents of the townships of Appleton, Liberty, Montville, Palermo, Searsmont and Washington. Scholarship aid is also provided to residents of the above townships attending the University of Maine.

Enclosed are reports from Waldo County Hospital, the University of Maine and MaineGeneral Medical Center outlining payments made to these institutions from the trust for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2012. Each report itemizes the number of residents served in each of the specified towns.

Best regards,
ANNE B. HENNESSY, CAP
Vice President, Senior Philanthropic
Relationship Manager, U.S. Trust

Charity: Waldo County General Hospital, Belfast, ME

Period: June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012

Opening Balance: \$0.00

Distributions: \$45,335.08

Allocations:

<u>Town</u>	<u>Recipients</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Appleton	7	7,491.39
Liberty	7	10,284.75
Montville	9	2,547.70
Palermo	3	6,735.02
Searsmont	16	18,126.22
Washington	0	0.00
Total	42	\$45,185.08
Cemetery Care		150.00

Total Allocated: \$45,335.08

Closing Balance: \$0.00

Charity: MaineGeneral Medical Center, Waterville, ME

Period: June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012

Opening Balance: \$54,919.47

Distributions: \$45,335.08

Total: \$100,254.55

Allocations:

<u>Town</u>	<u>Recipients</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Appleton	2	7,300.34
Liberty	2	1,589.75
Montville	0	0.00
Palermo	10	17,319.58
Searsmont	0	0.00
Washington	3	69,638.19
Total	17	\$95,847.86

Total Allocated: \$95,847.86

Closing Balance: \$4,406.69

Charity: University of Maine, Orono, ME

Period: June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012

Opening Balance: \$76,192.06

Distributions: \$90,703.97

Total: \$166,896.03

Allocations:

<u>Town</u>	<u>Recipients</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Appleton	6	10,300.00
Liberty	9	13,900.00
Montville	8	15,800.00
Palermo	13	29,500.00
Searsmont	14	29,550.00
Washington	3	4,400.00
Total	53	\$103,450.00

Total Allocated: \$103,450.00

Closing Balance: \$63,446.03

Tri County Solid Waste Management Organization

P.O. Box 96, Union, Maine 04862

Providing solid waste management services for the communities of Union, Appleton, Liberty, Washington, Palermo & Somerville

February 24, 2013

Dear Residents,

It has been an honor for me to manage the TCSWMO Transfer and Recycling facility for the past 20 years. During this time, with the continued guidance of a dedicated Board of Directors, TCSW has established itself as both forward thinking and fiscally prudent. Our recycling rate, for the most part, has remained over 40% since we opened in '92. We have more often than not been among the first to recycle difficult items such as computers, televisions, fluorescent lamps, poly-coated papers, & 1 and 3-7 plastics. This has all been accomplished while managing a budget over all these years with no shocking peaks and valleys in assessment to the tax base and only one increase in bag fees.

As I mentioned last year, the PERC incinerator, where we send our trash, is preparing for the end of a very beneficial electricity sales contract with Bangor Hydro in 2018. Along with the usual tipping fee increases (this year we will see \$78 per ton), we will also begin to see the results of diminishing returns on our performance credits. Up until now, these credits amounted to about \$25,000 to us. By no later than 2018, that value will be zero. Coupled with increased hauling costs, the need for a new trailer as well as the need to be able to participate fully in the next long term solution for our waste disposal needs, it is unavoidable that we increase revenue to meet increased costs. Rather than increasing our assessment on the tax base, which has been held steady for many years, it is the philosophy of the Board of Directors to put this modest increase where people can still affect it the most:



on the bag fee. As of April 1, 2013, the bag price at TCSW will rise to \$1.50. While this may seem high to some, it is still at the low end for pay-as-you-throw programs around the State.

You can still very much minimize your costs at Tri County by recycling. Numbers aren't in yet but it appears that this year, our recycling rate as a community has dropped below 40% for the first time. It isn't as though our recycling opportunities have diminished; in fact, they have grown with the introduction of a fuller spectrum of plastics including rigid and bulky plastics. Opportunity exists for most people to recycle another 20%. If this is achieved, overall costs for trash disposal would actually drop. Please pick up a listing of recyclable material at our facility or your Town Office and please ask staff for any further clarification.

Lastly, please remember our annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Day on the third Saturday of June. This is a good opportunity to be rid of the partially used hazardous chemicals so many of us keep in our basements and garages. Keep your eyes peeled for posters and fliers at the transfer station and Town Office well in advance of the collection day.

As is always the case, please feel free to address any questions regarding general transfer station operations to myself or to our well-seasoned and perhaps overly salted crew: Hank, Russ, David and Jeff. Thank you for your time, care and consideration.

Please continue to recycle as it truly saves all of us money, energy, natural resources and more!

Respectfully,
JIM GUERRA, Facility Manager,
785-2261

Penquis

Penquis is requesting that the Town of Washington allocate \$1,225.00 at its 2013 meeting to support Penquis' work.

This amount is equal to 1.3% of the services received. Penquis is maintaining this percentage – half of the 2.6% requested historically – for a fourth year in recognition of the many demands on town and city budgets and the continued impact of the poor economy on our local communities.

During the year ending May 31, 2012, Penquis assisted residents of Washington with services valued at \$94,264.00. A summary of services provided to residents and the value of those services follows.

Sincerely,
Charles Newton
Chief Executive Officer

Penquis provides health, human services and other support to low-income people throughout Knox, Penobscot and Piscataquis counties. During the past year, the following services were provided to residents:

SERVICE	NUMBER SERVED	VALUE*
AST (Above Ground Storage Tank)	2 Households	\$3,357
Central Heating Improvement Program	4 Clients	6,418
Emergency Crisis Intervention Program	8 Households	2,890
Good Neighbor Heating Assistance	3 Households	1,349
Head Start	2 Children	15,732
Home Buyer Education	2 Clients	270
Low-Income Home Energy Assist. Program	84 Households	43,328
SERC (Sustainable Energy Resources for Consumers)	2 Households	10,810
USDA Food Program	1 Provider	5,687
Weatherization	1 Household	4,424
Total Value:		\$94,264
Total Value Less Business and Mortgage Loans		\$94,264
This year we are requesting: \$1,225		

*Value includes leveraged funds

Municipal support is greatly appreciated, as it provides flexible funds to meet important needs that specific, earmarked Federal and State funding does not allow.

Thank you for your continued interest and support!

Coastal Trans

**Annual Service Provided to Residents of Washington
Fiscal Year 10/1/11-9/30/12**

<u>TRIPS</u>		<u>MILES</u>	
Van:	152	Van:	2,907
Volunteer:	682	Volunteer:	17,987
TOTAL TRIPS:	834	TOTAL MILES:	20,894

VALUE OF SERVICE

Total value of service provided to your town is **\$16,616**

INDIVIDUALS SERVED

Number of Individuals Served: **37**

Agency Mission To provide non-emergency transportation for low-income, disabled, elderly, and the general population residents of Knox, Lincoln and Sagadahoc Counties, as well as the towns of Brunswick and Harpswell.

Services Provided During the fiscal year, which ended on September 30, 2012 Coastal Trans provided 2,831,916 passenger miles of service to 2,212 people in our service area. We provide service to almost every town in our region at least one day a week.

Use of Requested Funds Funds received from towns are used to provide local match for federal funds to purchase new vehicles and other capital equipment. Funds are also used to subsidize fares for clients who are not eligible for MaineCare or other assistance.

Other Funding Sources Coastal Trans provides transportation for MaineCare clients in our service area, which we are reimbursed with federal funds through the Department of Human Services (68% of our income). We also have a contract with the Department of Human Services to provide transportation for clients of the Bureau of Child and Family Services, and other income-eligible passengers (2%). We receive additional federal and state funding from the Department of Transportation to provide rural transportation in our region (17%), and the balance of our funds come from town support, United Way, some small private contracts, passenger fares, and our annual appeal.

United States Senate

Washington, DC

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to represent Maine in the United States Senate, and I am deeply grateful for the trust the people of Maine have placed in me. Public service is a responsibility I take seriously. In 2012, I reached a milestone by casting my 5,000th consecutive roll-call vote. I have never missed a single roll-call vote, a record unique among current Senators.

As we enter 2013, the economy and jobs remain my top priorities. As a senior member of the Defense Appropriations subcommittee, I am committed to keeping our nation secure and our skilled defense workers on the job. I secured funding to increase the shipbuilding programs at Bath Iron Works and advance essential modernization projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. I was honored to receive the Navy League's Congressional Sea Services Award for 2012 as the leading advocate for our maritime services and US shipbuilding.

Maine's economic future recently received a boost with significant federal funds for deep-water, offshore wind energy research and development at the University of Maine and in private sector firms. Maine has some of the strongest and most consistent winds off our coast, and we have some of the world's leading researchers. These funds will help Maine be a world leader in developing this clean, renewable energy source, ultimately resulting in the creation of thousands of good-paying jobs for our state.

As a leader on the Transportation Appropriations Subcommittee, I am also working to ensure that investments are made in our transportation infrastructure. Early last year, construction began on a modern, safe, and efficient replacement for the Memorial Bridge at Kittery, a project for which I worked to secure funding. Working with the State Department of Transportation, I also secured federal funding to replace the aging Martin Memorial Bridge in Rumford and the decrepit Richmond-Dresden Bridge. In 2013, I will continue to seek funding for improvements in our roads and bridges to make traveling safer and more efficient for our citizens and to facilitate commerce. It is also gratifying to see the heaviest trucks on the Interstates where they belong rather than on our downtown streets and country roads. This is the result of a law I authored in 2011.

Maine's environment is critical to our economy and the health of our

residents. I opposed efforts in 2012 that would have weakened the landmark Clean Air Act and would have exposed our state to emissions from coal-fired power plants elsewhere. At the same time, I have continued to work with a bipartisan group of Senators to ensure that federal regulations on industrial boilers protect our environment without imposing onerous burdens on our forest-products industry and other manufacturers.

Many Mainers contacted me last year to express concern about the Postal Service, which is essential to our economy and our way of life. Last year, the Senate approved legislation I co-authored to help put the Postal Service on a sound financial footing since it has been losing billions of dollars. Although the House failed to act on our bill, the Postal Service has heeded my requests to keep open the vital mail processing center in Hampden. I will continue to work to ensure that all Mainers, regardless of the size of their communities, have access to the postal services upon which they rely.

As the daughter of a World War II veteran wounded in combat, I know how important quality, accessible health care is for our veterans. This past year, I worked to ensure that our rural veterans' health care facilities are fully staffed and to strengthen our Veterans' Homes. Federal health agencies also began an investigation into whether Maine veterans were exposed to toxic defoliant chemicals while training at Gagetown, New Brunswick,

With shortages of medications putting patients at risk, I co-sponsored legislation to encourage manufacturers to report anticipated production problems to help avert shortages. Through this voluntary approach, more than 200 potentially life-threatening shortages were prevented last year.

While Congress averted a huge increase in tax rates for middle-income American families and small businesses, there remains a lot of work to be done to reduce our unsustainable \$16.4 trillion debt. It is essential that we do so in a responsible way, but that Washington stop delaying decisions that will help shape our economy and future prosperity.

I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2013. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact my state office in your area.

Sincerely,
SUSAN COLLINS
United States Senator

United States House of Representatives

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. It continues to be an honor to represent you, and I wanted to take a moment to share with you some of the work I've done in Washington and Maine over the last year and look ahead to the rest of this year.

Given the partisan environment and lack of compromise in Washington, I have been looking for ways to help Maine people and the Maine economy that rise above those partisan differences.

One issue I worked hard on last year was local food and local farming. Farming—particularly smaller, sustainable farms—is a growing part of Maine's economy. For too long national farm policy has primarily benefitted giant agribusinesses in other parts of the country. So I introduced the Local Farms, Food and Jobs Act to bring local farmers the resources they need to keep growing.

Every five years, Congress is supposed to pass a farm bill, which sets the nation's farm policy. As we debated a farm bill last year, we were able to get most of the provisions in the Local Farms, Food and Jobs Act included in the legislation. Congress has yet to pass that farm bill, however, but we are working to make sure those important provisions that will help local farms in Maine remain included when they do.

Sometimes the most practical solutions don't even involve legislation or Washington. For example, as the lobster industry struggled with low prices and an oversupply of lobster last summer, I wrote to the heads of all the cruise ship companies that visit Maine. I was surprised to learn that none of them were buying local, fresh lobster for their passengers and I asked the CEOs of each company to consider doing so. I'm happy to say that a number of them agreed to buy lobster locally when their cruise ships made stops in Portland, and ordered thousands of pounds of Maine lobster for their passengers.

I am beginning this year with a new assignment to the House Appropriations Committee. This is a big responsibility, since it is the committee where virtually all the spending decisions are made. These decisions can have a real impact on Maine, from how much funding is available to shipbuilding to things like funding for first responders and schools.

Everyone agrees we need to reduce the deficit, but how we go about that is a matter of great debate. I believe we need to cut unnecessary spending but at the same time keep investing in the things that will grow our economy and provide a bright future for our children. And I'm sure we will debate those issues on the Appropriations Committee.

I want to also take this opportunity to remind you that I am always ready and willing to help you out if you are having an issue with a federal agency. My office can make inquiries to a federal agency on your behalf; connect you with resources and more. No question is too small and we are always happy to hear from you. If there is anything I can do, please don't hesitate to contact me at (888) 862-6500 or www.pingree.house.gov.

Hope to see you in Maine soon,
CHELLIE PINGREE
Member of Congress

State Senator's Report

Dear Residents of Washington,

It is my great pleasure and honor to represent you in the State Senate for the 126th session of the Maine Legislature. We have many challenges facing us, especially balancing the budget for the next two years and taking action to get the economy moving again. We need to make critical investments in Maine's future - quality education, research and development, and thriving communities. In meeting the constitutional obligation to balance the state budget all options need to be considered, including greater efficiencies, revenue sources and spending cuts. However cuts must be examined realistically, with the understanding that a cut in state funding which pushes costs onto local property taxes is not really helping Maine people make ends meet. Some cuts actually undermine cost avoidance measures, leading to increased costs in other budget lines. Being realistic, not penny wise and pound foolish, will be vital to a successful budget process.

The challenges will not be easily met, but we must meet them, and we will by working together across party lines and placing all options on the table. Along with the challenges, many opportunities face our state. We are fortunate to live in one of the most beautiful places in the world. Maine workers are some of the best, with a work ethic, ingenuity, and pride in quality that are second to none. I believe if we all work together Maine will have a very bright future.

As your State Senator, I am here to listen to your legislative needs and concerns, and be a liaison between you and our State government. I can be reached by phone at the State Capital at 287-1515 or by e-mail at chris@dirigo.net. Please feel free to contact me with your questions or concerns.

I am honored and grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,
Senator Chris Johnson
Maine Senate District 20

State Representative's Report

January 2013

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

First and foremost, I would like to thank the residents of Washington for electing me to serve a second term in the Maine House of Representatives. I am eager to return to the Capitol and get back to work.

Regardless of the fact that the makeup of this Legislature is much different than it was during my first term, collaboration between both parties will continue to be of utmost importance. There are a number of serious issues our state must address and I am confident that, as in the last legislative session, we will be able to work together to effectively do so.

I have been reappointed to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and will lead the four Republican House members on the committee. This committee will have its work cut out for it as one of the first items to be addressed is the roughly \$100 million shortfall within the Department of Health and Human Services. This will be a difficult task; however, our committee worked well together during the last legislative session and I have every expectation this cooperation will continue so that we may once again find responsible solutions.

I will continue to send legislative updates via regular mail and e-mail throughout the year to all who would like to stay informed on state news. If you wish to receive these updates, please contact me at RepDeb. Sanderson@legislature.maine.gov and ask to be added to my update list. Please provide the applicable postal and e-mail addresses to which these updates should be sent.

I will continue to work hard to represent your interests. Please do not hesitate to contact me whenever you have questions, thoughts or concerns you wish to share regarding state government.

Again, thank you very much for the privilege of serving as your state representative. Best wishes for a happy and healthy year!

Sincerely,
DEBORAH J. SANDERSON
State Representative

*Proudly Serving the Citizens of District 52 – Chelsea, Jefferson (part), Somerville,
Washington, Whitefield and the unorganized territory of Hibberts Gore*

Town Meeting Results

Warrant for 2012 Annual Town Meeting

TO: Judson Butterman, Constable, Town of Washington.

GREETINGS

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Washington, Knox County, Maine, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Bryant Community Room of the Gibbs Library, 40 Old Union Road, Washington, on Friday, March 30, 2012, at 8:00 a.m., then and there to act on Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 through Article 8, as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.;

And to notify and warn said voters to meet at the Prescott Memorial School, 100 Waldoboro Road, Washington, on Saturday, March 31, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., then and there to act on Articles 9 through 40 as set out below, to wit:

Article 1: To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Liane Chapman was nominated and elected by ballot to the position of Moderator for the meeting. The town clerk duly swore her into office. Liane appointed Thomas Ford as deputy moderator.

Article 2: To elect all necessary town officers and school board members as are required to be elected.

The polls were closed at 8:00 by moderator Liane Chapman. Ballot Clerks, Paulette Oboyski, Walter Metcalf, Deborah Hill and Dorothy Connor sorted and tallied the ballots. The meeting was then adjourned to 10:00 AM Saturday, March 31, 2012 at the Prescott School.

The following is list of ballots cast:

TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST: 112

FOR SELECTMAN/ASSESSOR/OVERSEER

OF THE POOR (three year term) 97

WRITE-INS 4

BLANKS 11

FOR MSAD 40 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER (3 YEAR TERM)

CYNTHIA ROSEN 70

WRITE-INS 17

BLANKS 25

FOR MSDA 40 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER (2 YEAR TERM)	
GUY BOURRIE	102
WRITE-INS	1
BLANK	9

Article 3: Shall an Ordinance entitled “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) ORDINANCE” be adopted.

Note: Adoption of this Ordinance will allow Washington residents to apply for low interest loans for winterization of their home and is administered by “Efficiency Maine”.

YES: 85 NO: 26 Blank: 1 Article 3 passes.

Article 4: Shall an Ordinance entitled “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE” be adopted.

Note: Adoption of this Ordinance will allow the Town to qualify for Emergency Management grants and gives better authority for local control during emergencies and disasters.

YES: 95 NO: 17 Article 4 passes.

Article 5: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, PLANNING BOARD ORDINANCE” paragraph 3 E be amended to delete the following sentence.

The board shall meet at least eight times within one calendar year.
Note: This amendment is requested by the Planning Board and eliminates the requirement to meet at least eight times a year even if there is no business to come before the Planning Board.

YES: 99 NO: 13 Article 5 passes.

Article 6: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” be amended to delete all numerical references to set fees in the Ordinance and to replace those references with the following:

“A fee or fees in accordance with a fee schedule determined by the Board of Selectmen.”

Note: This amendment is recommended by the Selectmen and eliminates the requirement to amend the Ordinance whenever a fee change is recommended.

YES: 79 NO: 31 Blanks: 2 Article 6 passes.

Article 7: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MOBILE HOME PARK ORDINANCE” be amended to delete all numerical references to set fees in the Ordinance and replace those references with the following:

“A fee or fees in accordance with a fee schedule determined by the Board of Selectmen.”

Note: This amendment is recommended by the Selectmen and eliminates the requirement to amend the Ordinance whenever a fee change is recommended.

YES: 84 NO: 26 Blanks: 2

Article 7 passes.

Article 8: Shall the “Town of Washington Trailer or Mobile Home Ordinance” enacted 20 March 1971 be repealed.

Note: This Article is recommended by the Selectmen and repeals a 1971 one-line Ordinance which is unenforceable.

YES: 86 NO: 23 Blanks: 3

Article 8 passes.

Article 9: To elect seven citizens of the Town of Washington to serve on the Budget Committee.

Thomas Ford was sworn in as Deputy Moderator and requested nomination for seven (7) members to serve on the Budget Committee.

The nominations were as follows:

Motion made and seconded. Dave Williams, Jim Bowers, Kathy Ocean, Hank Aho, Mahlon Linscott, Dorothy Sainio, Wendy Carr. Motion carries unanimously.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint all necessary town officials.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to appoint all necessary town officials. .

YES: 41

Article 10 passes by majority

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize that the Plumbing Inspector be paid from fees collected from plumbing permits; the E911 Coordinator be paid from E911 applications; and the Driveway Entrance Coordinator be paid from driveway entrance applications.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize that the Plumbing Inspector be paid from fees collected from plumbing permits; the E911 Coordinator be paid from E911 applications; and the Driveway Entrance Coordinator be paid from driveway entrance applications.

YES: 33

Article 11 passes by majority

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to pay up to the State wages pay rate for compensation of personnel and labor costs, and to allow the selectmen to negotiate the rate per hour cost for equipment used in maintaining public roads for the ensuing year.

A motion was made and seconded to pay up to the State wages pay rate for compensation of personnel and labor costs, and to allow the selectmen to negotiate the rate per hour cost for equipment used in maintaining public roads for the ensuing year.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 12 passes.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budgeted category of the 2012 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2013, to the date of the 2013 Annual Town Meeting.

Explanation: This article legalizes municipal expenditures made after the fiscal year ends, but before the next Annual Town Meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budgeted category of the 2012 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2013, to the date of the 2013 Annual Town Meeting.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 13 passes.

Article 14: To see if the Town will fix a date when taxes will be due and payable, and fix a rate of interest to be charged on unpaid taxes after said date.

(Selectmen and Tax Collector recommend 2012 taxes will be due and payable on October 1st) (Maximum allowed by State Law: 7.0%)

A motion was made and seconded to fix the date of taxes due to October 1st at a rate of interest to be 7%. Motion carries unanimously.

3 dissenting votes.

Article 14 passes.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 8%.

Explanation: If taxes are paid and later abated, the Town must refund the abated taxes and pay interest on them. 36 MRSa, Sub. Sect. 506A calls for interest of 12% on abated taxes if the Town fails to set a rate. The rate set by the Town cannot be less than 8%.

A motion was made and seconded to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 8%. Motion carries unanimously.

Article 15 passes.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to make a determination regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 MRSA Section 2953.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Municipal Officers to make a determination regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 MRSA Section 2953. Motion carries unanimously. Article 16 passes.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and dispose of property acquired by tax liens, other liens or other processes, and to issue quitclaim deeds for same. Before going to public auction, Selectmen are authorized to offer the sale of the property to the former owner and to negotiate the sale to the former owner at a price that the Selectmen deem most advantageous to the Town. If offer is not accepted in 60 days, the Selectmen may begin the auctioning process. All net proceeds from any auction shall be placed in the Town's Road Reserve account.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to sell and dispose of property acquired by tax liens, other liens or other processes, and to issue quitclaim deeds for same. Before going to public auction, Selectmen are authorized to offer the sale of the property to the former owner and to negotiate the sale to the former owner at a price that the Selectmen deem most advantageous to the Town. If offer is not accepted in 60 days, the Selectmen may begin the auctioning process. All net proceeds from any auction shall be placed in the Town's Road Reserve account.

Amendment suggested to add the word 'must' in front of "offer the sale of the property to former owner." Amendment defeated by majority vote.

8 opposed.

Article 17 carries by a majority.

Article 18: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appropriate money from the sale of any Town acquired lands to pay the costs of said sale.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize Selectmen to appropriate money from the sale of any Town acquired lands to pay the costs of said sale.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 18 passes.

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of town-owned items with a value of \$1,000.00 or less under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of town-owned items with a value of \$1,000.00 or less under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 19 passes.

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to sign quitclaim property deeds to property that the Town does not claim as tax acquired property, but on which there are old undischarged liens which have been paid but not discharged. The purpose of said quitclaim deeds would be for clearing of title only.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the municipal officers to sign quitclaim property deeds to property that the Town does not claim as tax acquired property, but on which there are old undischarged liens which have been paid but not discharged. The purpose of said quitclaim deeds would be for clearing of title only. Motion carries unanimously. Article 20 passes.

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the 2011 Snowmobile Refund to the Washington Hill & Gully Riders for the sole purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails, to be open to the use of the public from November 15 until April 1 and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the club, under such terms and conditions as the municipal officers may deem advisable, for that purpose, or see what action the Town will take.

Explanation: The snowmobile registration money must be appropriated annually by the Town for whatever purpose it desires. If all or part of it is appropriated to the snowmobile club, one of the conditions of that appropriation must be that the club's trails are open to public use. Otherwise, it would be an illegal appropriation of public funds for a private group.

A motion was made and seconded to appropriate the 2011 Snowmobile Refund to the Washington Hill & Gully Riders for the sole purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails, to be open to the use of the public from November 15 until April 1 and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the club, under such terms and conditions as the municipal officers may deem advisable, for that purpose, or see what action the Town will take. Motion carries unanimously. Article 21 passes.

Article 22: To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes for the years 2012 and 2013 for taxes not yet due or assessed.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes for the years 2012 and 2013 for taxes not yet due or assessed. Motion carries unanimously. Article 22 passes.

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a Tax Club Payment Plan and to waive interest on taxes for those accounts that are kept current.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a Tax Club Payment Plan and to waive interest on taxes for those accounts that are kept current.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 23 passes.

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to spend any grant money received, not to exceed the amount of the grant, for the stated purposes of the grant only.

A motion was made and seconded to spend any grant money received, not to exceed the amount of the grant, for the stated purposes of the grant only.

Motion carries unanimously. Article 24 passes.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to establish a long term \$250,000 municipal line-of-credit with Machias Savings Bank in lieu of a Tax Anticipation Note.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to establish a long term \$250,000 municipal line-of-credit with Machias Savings Bank in lieu of a Tax Anticipation Note.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 25 passes.

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following General Fund revenues to be applied toward the 2012 property tax commitment, thereby decreasing the 2012 tax commitment by \$359,400.00.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend:

Excise Tax Revenue	200,000.00
State Revenue Sharing	65,000.00
Tree Growth Reimbursement	3,500.00
Building and Plumbing Permits	2,000.00
Interest on Overdue Taxes	18,000.00
Veterans Reimbursement	1,400.00
Other Town Fees Collected	8,500.00
2008 Property Tax Collections	40,000.00
Unexpended 2011 Appropriations	<u>21,000.00</u>
Total	359,400.00

A motion was made and seconded to appropriate the following General Fund revenues to be applied toward the 2012 property tax commitment, thereby decreasing the 2012 tax commitment by \$359,400.00. Motion carries unanimously.

Article 26 passes.

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$168,102.00 from property taxation for 2012 Knox County assessment.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Knox County Tax Assessment	129,958.00
Knox County Communications Assessment	<u>38,144.00</u>
Total	168,102.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$168,102.00 from property taxation for 2012 Knox County assessment. Motion carries unanimously. Article 27 passes.

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$70,699.00 from property taxation for General Government Operations.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Tri-county Solid Waste Management Organization	29,789.00
Legal Fees	5,000.00
Administration	35,910.00
Advertising	500.00
Audit of Town Books	4,600.00
Computer Annual Fees	7,900.00
Computer Tech Support	2,000.00
MMA Dues	2,400.00
Mileage	1,600.00
Office Equipment	3,000.00
Office Supplies	2,250.00
Postage	1,700.00
Printing and Photocopies	400.00
Selectmen Discretionary Fund	500.00
Tax Maps	500.00
Tax Billing	1,200.00
Town Report Printing	3,200.00
Workshops and Training	2,000.00
Credit Card Equipment and Program	660.00
New Tax Map Program	<u>1,500.00</u>
Subtotal	35,910.00

Total 70,699.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$70,699.00 from property taxation for General Government Operations. Motion carries unanimously. Article 28 passes.

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,457.00 from property taxation for Insurance.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

MMA Insurance Risk Pool	18,000.00
Unemployment Insurance	2,233.00
Worker's Compensation Premium	8,824.00
Volunteer Insurance	400.00
Firefighter Accident Insurance	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	30,457.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$30,457.00 from property taxation for Insurance. Motion carries unanimously. Article 29 passes.

Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$108,046.00 from property taxation for Salaries, Stipends, and Payroll Expenses.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Salaries and Stipends	92,046.00
Selectmen (3)	18,000.00
Secretary - Selectmen	250.00
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	20,725.00
Treasurer	10,000.00
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector/Treasurer	18,021.00
Registrar of Voters	750.00
Ballot Clerks	1,500.00
EMA Director	500.00
Health Officer	200.00
Fire Warden (2)	300.00
Fire Chief	2,500.00
Deputy Fire Chief	2,000.00
Secretary - Planning Board	500.00
Secretary – Appeals Board	250.00
Assessor's Agent	4,500.00
Animal Control Officer	2,500.00
Deputy Animal Control Officer	250.00
Code Enforcement Officer	8,000.00
Constable	100.00
Moderator of March town meeting	200.00
School Board Member Stipend (2)	<u>1,000.00</u>
Sub-total	92,046.00
FICA Payroll Expenses	<u>16,000.00</u>
Total	108,046.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$108,046.00 from property taxation for Salaries, Stipends, and Payroll Expenses. Motion carries unanimously. Article 30 passes.

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300,727.00 from property taxation for Maintenance of Town Roads and related operations.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Road Maintenance Materials & Supplies	12,000.00
Truck Lease Payment	22,249.00
Used Truck Payments	7,400.00
Truck Fuel	14,000.00
Truck Maintenance	
P100	1,000.00
P200	4,000.00
P300	2,000.00
P400	4,000.00
P500	3,000.00
Cutting Edges and Sander Chains	7,500.00
Culverts	5,000.00
Loader and Backhoe Fuel	2,500.00
Loader and Backhoe Maintenance	7,500.00
Garage Mortgage	16,578.00
Garage Utilities	3,000.00
Garage Maintenance	2,000.00
Road Maintenance and Plowing Labor	81,000.00
Equipment Rental	11,500.00
Screening Winter Sand	8,500.00
Road Salt	50,000.00
E911 and Road Signs	1,000.00
Paving of Town Roads	30,000.00
Pavement Crack Sealing	5,000.00
Total	300,727.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$300,727.00 from property taxation for Maintenance of Town Roads and related operations.

Motion carries unanimously. Article 31 passes.

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,500.00 from property taxation for General Assistance.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

General Assistance	3,500.00
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A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$3,500.00 from property taxation for General Assistance.

Motion carries unanimously. Article 32 passes.

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$53,635.00 from property taxation for Public Safety.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Fire Department General Support	7,500.00
Fire Department Equipment	7,500.00
Firefighter Training	2,000.00
Firefighter Physicals	2,500.00
Fire Truck Loan Payment	20,735.00
Hose Testing	2,500.00
Union Ambulance	<u>10,900.00</u>
Total	53,635.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$53,635.00 from property taxation for Public Safety. Union Ambulance line amended to \$9,938.00, reducing total to \$52,673.00. Amendment carries unanimously. Revised vote carries unanimously.

Article 33 passes.

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$39,500.00 from property taxation for Utilities and Maintenance.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Town Utilities	15,000.00
Building Maintenance	9,500.00
Cemetery Maintenance	9,500.00
Street Lights	3,000.00
Municipal Complex Snow Removal	<u>2,500.00</u>
Total	39,500.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$39,500.00 from property taxation for Utilities and Maintenance. Motion carries unanimously.

Article 34 passes.

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 from property taxation for Boards and Committees.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Conservation and Parks Committee	500.00
Planning Board Expense	500.00
Midcoast Regional Planning Commission	0.00
Ordinance Review Committees	<u>500.00</u>
Total	1,500.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 from property taxation for Boards and Committees.

One dissenting vote.

Article 35 passes.

Article 36: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 from property taxation for Town Carry-over Accounts.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Cemetery Headstone Restoration Fund	1,000.00
Town Record Preservation Fund	1,000.00
Recreation Committee Fund	2,000.00
Fire Truck Replacement Fund	0 .00
Plow Truck Replacement Fund	<u>0 .00</u>
Total	4,000.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 from property taxation for Town Carry-over Accounts.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 36 passes.

Article 37: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$12,385.00 from property taxation for Miscellaneous Accounts.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Line-of-credit Interest and Bank Fees	1,000.00
Lincoln County Humane Society	1,074.00
Flags for Veterans Graves and Town Parks	500.00
Damariscotta Lake Watershed Dues	50.00
Social Agencies and Concerns	9,761.00
Kno-Wal-Lin	1,379.00
Coastal Trans	700.00
New Hope for Women	750.00
Broadreach Services	750.00
Washington Food Bank	1,000.00
Pine Tree Chapter American Red Cross	1,400.00
Spectrum Generations	920.00
Penquis Community Action Program	<u>2,862.00</u>
Sub-total	9,761.00

Total 12,385.00

A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate \$12,385.00 from property taxation for Miscellaneous Accounts.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 37 passes.

Article 38: To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$51,168.00 from the 2012 Urban/Rural Initiative Program for road improvement.

Selectmen recommend as advisory lines:

Capital Improvement of Town Roads	25,000.00
Paving of Town Roads	<u>26,168.00</u>
Total	51,168.00

A motion was made and seconded to appropriate \$51,168.00 from the 2012 Urban/Rural Initiative Program for road improvement.

Motion carries unanimously.

Article 38 passes.

Article 39: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$10,000.00 from the Road Maintenance Reserve Account to design and engineer culvert replacement projects on Vanner Road near the town pit and on Youngs Hill Road at Davis Stream.

A motion was made and seconded to appropriate up to \$10,000.00 from the Road Maintenance Reserve Account to design and engineer culvert replacement projects on Vanner Road near the town pit and on Youngs Hill Road at Davis Stream.

One dissenting vote. Article 39 passes with a majority vote.

Article 40: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate an additional amount that they deem reasonable from Undesignated Fund Balance (Surplus) and apply that amount to reduce property taxes, so as to maintain the 2012 annual commitment at the 2011 level.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend approval.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate an additional amount that they deem reasonable from Undesignated Fund Balance (Surplus) and apply that amount to reduce property taxes, so as to maintain the 2012 annual commitment at the 2011 level. Motion Carries unanimously. Article 40 passes.

Given under our hands on this 7th day of March, 2012:

Wesley F. Daniel
Chairman

Donald L. Grinnell
Selectman

Duane P. Vigue
Selectman

Attest:

Ann Dean, Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting Results

August 8, 2012

TO: Judson Butterman, Constable, Town of Washington.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Washington, Knox County, Maine qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Bryant Room in the Gibbs Library, 40 Old Union Road, Washington, on Wednesday, August 8, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on Articles 1 through 3, as set out below:

Article 1: To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting. **Victor Oboyski was nominated and elected by ballot to the position of Moderator for the meeting. The town clerk duly swore him into office.**

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to move the paving sub-appropriation in the Road Maintenance Account, (30,000), to the Urban/Rural Initiative Program (URIP) to be used for the 2013 town paving program.

Note: The selectmen voted not to pave any roads in 2012 after determining that it would be more cost effective to roll the funds over to 2013 so a larger paving project could be completed.

A motion was made and seconded to move the paving sub-appropriation in the Road Maintenance Account (\$30,000), to the Urban /Rural Initiative Program (URIP) to be used for the 2013 town paving program. One dissenting vote. Motion carries. Article 2 passes.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an additional \$4,600 from the Road Reserve Account to pay for engineer and design of two culvert projects on the Vanner Road and Youngs Hill Road.

Note: The low bid for the design and engineering of the project was \$4,600 more than the \$10,000 appropriated from the Road Reserve Account at the 2012 annual town meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to appropriate an additional \$4,600 from the Road Reserve Account to pay for engineer and design of two culvert projects projects on the Vanner Road and Youngs Hill Road. Motion carries unanimously. Article 3 passes.

Given under our hands this 25th day of July, 2012:

Wesley F. Daniel
Selectman

Donald L. Grinnell
Selectman

Duane P. Vigue
Selectman

Attest: Ann Dean, Town Clerk

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Selectmen
Town of Washington

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Washington, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Washington's management. 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Washington as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on Schedule A-1 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 be 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.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Washington's financial statements as a whole. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole. The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

WILLIAM H. BREWER, C.P.A.

February 5, 2013

Exhibit A

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Statements of Net Position — December 31, 2012 and 2011

	Governmental Activities	
	2012	2011
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash (Note B)	753,911.60	654,312.74
Taxes Receivable	239,283.65	231,215.17
Tax Liens	75,196.34	98,367.05
Accounts Receivable	7,812.25	8,420.00
Due From Other Funds	2,424.48	7,512.51
Total Current Assets	1,078,628.32	999,827.47
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT (NOTE L):		
Land and Improvements	20,600.00	20,600.00
Buildings	745,905.00	745,905.00
Equipment	151,340.00	148,624.00
Motor Vehicles	606,528.00	599,047.00
Infrastructure	11,941,660.00	11,941,660.00
Total Property, Plant, and Equipment	13,466,033.00	13,455,836.00
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	10,056,384.00	9,663,445.00
Net Property, Plant, and Equipment	3,409,649.00	3,792,391.00
Total Assets	4,488,277.32	4,792,218.47
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Notes Payable (Note D)	56,095.83	56,328.42
Accounts Payable - Trade	1,366.50	2,783.90
Due To Other Funds		5,011.04
Deferred Revenue (Note G)	16,875.14	8,147.50
Total Current Liabilities	74,337.47	72,270.86
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:		
Notes Payable - Net of Current Portion (Note D)	173,968.80	229,977.78
Total Liabilities	248,306.27	302,248.64
NET POSITION:		
Net Invested in Capital Assets	3,179,584.37	3,506,084.80
Assigned for Other Purposes (Note F)	236,026.97	144,246.60
Unassigned	824,359.71	839,638.43
Total Net Position	4,239,971.05	4,489,969.83
Total Liabilities and Net Position	4,488,277.32	4,792,218.47

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Statements of Activities
for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

Functions/programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Change In Net Assets	
		Charges For Services	Operating Grants And Contributions	Governmental Activities	
				2012	2011
				Totals	Totals
Primary Government:					
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	225,474.57	54,504.82	33,706.00	(137,263.75)	(204,815.22)
Public Assistance	2,490.75		851.88	(1,638.87)	(1,138.11)
Public Works	570,629.23	320.50	51,168.00	(519,140.73)	(533,811.49)
Education	1,252,539.14			(1,252,539.14)	(1,185,144.72)
Knox Communication	37,675.00			(37,675.00)	(31,310.00)
Debt Interest	10,853.97			(10,853.97)	
County Tax Assessment	127,716.85			(127,716.85)	(127,646.26)
Public Safety	71,630.12	2,571.27		(69,058.85)	(51,320.19)
Unclassified	14,213.68			(14,213.68)	(30,755.42)
TCSWMO	29,788.68			(29,788.68)	(28,935.56)
Total Primary Government	2,343,011.99	57,396.59	85,725.88	(2,199,889.52)	(2,194,876.97)

General Revenues:

Taxes:

Property Taxes	1,619,046.00	1,646,319.78
Homestead Reimbursement	31,814.25	32,128.50
Excise Taxes	205,327.46	205,222.48
Intergovernmental - State Revenue	65,000.00	65,000.00
Interest	26,580.96	36,055.47
Tree Growth	3,104.07	3,759.94
Total General Revenues	1,950,872.74	1,988,486.17
Loss on Sale of Fire Truck	(982.00)	
Decrease in Net Position	(249,998.78)	(206,390.80)
Net Position, January 1	4,489,969.83	4,696,360.63
Net Position, December 31	4,239,971.05	4,489,969.83

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

Exhibit C

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances
to Net Position of Governmental Activities
for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES:		
Unassigned (Schedule A-3)	568,111.98	585,534.29
Restricted:		
Assigned For Other Purposes (Sch. A-4)	236,026.97	144,246.60
Total Governmental Fund Balances	804,138.95	729,780.89

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the

Statements of Net Position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not

financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds

3,409,649.00 3,792,391.00

Notes payable are not due and payable in the current

period and therefore are not reported in the funds

(230,064.63) (286,306.20)

Property taxes not collected within the 60 days after year end are

deferred as revenue in the fund financial statements. In the government-wide financial statement the revenue is income in the year assessed

256,247.73 254,104.14

Net Position of Gov. Activities (Exh A)	4,239,971.05	4,489,969.83
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

Exhibit D

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Reconciliation of the Statements of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
to the Statements of Activities
for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances -		
Total Governmental Funds (Exhibit F)	74,358.06	1,616.37
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statements of Activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statements of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeds capital outlays.		
	(379,760.00)	(145,243.00)
Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces liabilities in the Statements of Net Position.		
	178,828.95	71,021.29
Loan Proceeds is recorded as revenue in the governmental funds, but the proceeds increase liabilities in the Statements of Net Position.		
	(122,587.38)	(111,072.00)
Property taxes are deferred in the fund financial statements, but in the Government-Wide Financial Statements they are recorded as income the year they are assessed.		
	2,143.59	(22,713.46)
Net book value of assets disposed	<u>(2,982.00)</u>	
Change in Net Position of		
Governmental Activities (Exhibit B)	<u>(249,998.78)</u>	<u>(206,390.80)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

Exhibit E

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Balance Sheets - Governmental Funds
December 31, 2012 and 2011

	2012	2011
ASSETS:		
Cash	753,911.60	654,312.74
Taxes Receivable	239,283.65	231,215.17
Tax Liens	75,196.34	98,367.05
Accounts Receivable	7,812.25	8,420.00
Due From Other Funds	2,424.48	7,512.51
Total Assets	<u>1,078,628.32</u>	<u>999,827.47</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES, AND FUND EQUITY:		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	1,366.50	2,783.90
Due To Other Funds		5,011.04
Total Liabilities	<u>1,366.50</u>	<u>7,794.94</u>
Reserves:		
Deferred Revenue	16,875.14	8,147.50
Deferred Tax Revenue	256,247.73	254,104.14
Total Reserves	<u>273,122.87</u>	<u>262,251.64</u>
Fund Equity:		
Assigned for Subsequent Years'		
Expenditure	236,026.97	144,246.60
Unassigned	568,111.98	585,534.29
Total Fund Equity	<u>804,138.95</u>	<u>729,780.89</u>
Total Liabilities, Reserves, and		
Fund Equity	<u>1,078,628.32</u>	<u>999,827.47</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

Exhibit F

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

REVENUES:	2012	2011
Property Taxes	1,616,902.41	1,633,303.24
Excise Taxes	205,327.46	205,222.48
Intergovernmental Revenues	65,000.00	65,000.00
Homestead Reimbursement	31,814.25	32,128.50
Public Assistance	851.88	1,541.93
Public Works	320.50	3,537.85
Miscellaneous	14,827.80	11,157.81
Interest	26,580.96	36,055.47
Building Permits - Town	2,815.80	2,450.00
Tree Growth Reimbursement	3,104.07	3,759.94
Veterans Reimbursement	1,464.00	1,435.00
Urban Rural Initiative	51,168.00	51,168.00
Unclassified		10,896.01
BETE Reimbursement	32,242.00	35,730.00
Public Safety	2,571.27	3,715.00
Sale of Fire Truck	2,000.00	
General Government	36,861.22	5,892.10
Donations		15,116.80
Total Revenues	2,093,851.62	2,118,110.13
EXPENDITURES:		
Education - MSAD 40	1,252,539.14	1,185,144.72
Knox County Tax	127,716.85	127,646.26
General Government	221,098.57	219,589.93
Public Works	234,130.23	323,352.40
Public Safety	32,745.12	38,993.74
Public Assistance	2,490.75	2,680.04
Unclassified	14,213.68	41,651.43
TCSWMO	29,788.68	28,935.56
Knox Communication	37,675.00	31,310.00
Fire Truck Purchase		104,720.00
Plow Truck Purchase		41,072.00
Debt Principal	178,828.95	71,021.29
Debt Interest	10,853.97	11,448.39
Total Expenditures	2,142,080.94	2,227,565.76
Excess of Expenditures over Revenues	(48,229.32)	(109,455.63)

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):

Loan Proceeds	122,587.38	111,072.00
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over		
Expenditures and Other Uses	74,358.06	1,616.37
Fund Balance, January 1	729,780.89	728,164.52
Fund Balance, December 31	804,138.95	729,780.89

TOWN OF WASHINGTON Exhibit G
Statements of Fiduciary Net Assets — Agency Funds
December 31, 2012 and 2011

ASSETS

ASSETS:	2012	2011
Cash	90,061.87	92,086.25
Total Assets	90,061.87	92,086.25

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

LIABILITIES:

Due To Other Funds	9,092.19	11,123.29
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FUND BALANCE:

Restricted for Principal	56,996.14	55,496.14
Unassigned	23,973.54	25,466.82
Total Fund Balance	80,969.68	80,962.96
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	90,061.87	92,086.25

TOWN OF WASHINGTON Exhibit H
Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund
Balances - Fiduciary Fund Type - Nonexpendable Trust Funds
for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

REVENUES:	2012	2011
Interest	431.20	436.95
Contributions	2,275.00	5,011.04
Total Revenues	2,706.20	5,447.99
EXPENSES:		
Scholarships	1,599.48	3,612.51
Cemeteries	1,100.00	1,900.00
Total Expenses	2,699.48	5,512.51
Net Income (Loss)	6.72	(64.52)
Fund Balance, January 1	80,962.96	81,027.48
Fund Balance, December 31	80,969.68	80,962.96

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF WASHINGTON

Exhibit I

Statements of Cash Flows**Fiduciary Fund Type - Nonexpendable Trust Funds****for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011**

CASH FLOWS	2012	2011
FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Interest	431.20	436.95
Cash Received from Trust Funds	2,275.00	5,011.04
Cash Paid for Scholarships	(1,599.48)	(3,612.51)
Cash Paid for Cemetery Expenses	(1,100.00)	(1,900.00)
Due To Other Funds	(2,031.10)	
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	(2,024.38)	(64.52)
Decrease in Cash	(2,024.38)	(64.52)
Cash Balance, January 1	92,086.25	92,150.77
Cash Balance, December 31	90,061.87	92,086.25

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2012**NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

The accounting policies of the Town of Washington conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units.

1. Financial Reporting Entity

The Town of Washington was incorporated in 1811. The Town operates under a town meeting form of government.

In evaluating the Town of Washington as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units. The primary criteria for including a component reporting entity are the exercise of financial accountability by the Town of Washington's municipal officials.

The Town's financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP are used by the Town as discussed below.

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. Certain significant changes in the Statements include the following:

1.) The financial statements now include:

- A Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Town's overall financial position and results of operations.
- Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the Town's activities, including infrastructure (roads, bridges, etc.).

2.) A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

2. Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Statements

The Town's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Town as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Town's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as governmental. The Town's fire protection, recreation, public works, and general administrative services are classified as governmental activities.

In the government-wide Statements of Net Position, the governmental column is presented on a consolidated basis by column, and is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Town's net position is reported in three parts - net invested in capital assets; assigned for other purposes; and unassigned. The Town first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statements of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Town's functions and business-type activities (fire, public works, administrative, etc.). The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits, and charges, etc.). The Statements of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, and operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function (fire, public works, etc.). Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants.

The net costs (by function or business-type activity) are normally covered by general revenue (property, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.).

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Town as an entity and the change in the Town's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

3. Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the Town are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Town:

a. Governmental Funds:

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Town:

1. General Fund:

General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Fiduciary Funds:

Fiduciary Funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support Town programs. The reporting focus is on net assets and changes in net assets and is reported using accounting principles similar to proprietary funds.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either the governmental or business-type activities categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASB No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of either fund category) for the determination of major funds.

The Town's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

4. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied:

- a. Accrual:

Governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements and fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

- b. Modified Accrual:

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e. both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days after year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due.

5. Financial Statement Amounts

- a. Cash and Cash Equivalents:

The Town has defined cash and cash equivalents to include cash on hand, demand deposits, and cash with fiscal agents. Statutes authorize the Treasurer of the Town, as directed by the municipal officers, to invest all municipal funds, including reserve and trust funds, to the extent that the terms of the instrument, order, or article creating the fund do not prohibit the investment in financial institutions as described in Section 5706 MRSA and securities as described in Sections 5711 through 5717 MRSA.

b. Investments:

Investments, including deferred compensation and pension funds, are stated at fair value (quoted market price or the best available estimate).

c. Capital Assets:

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$1,000.00 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	20-50 Years
Machinery and Equipment	5-10 Years
Improvements	10-20 Years
Infrastructure	10-50 Years

d. Revenues:

Substantially, all governmental fund revenues are accrued. Property taxes are billed and collected within the same period in which the taxes are levied. In applying GASB No. 33 to grant revenues the provider recognizes liabilities and expenses and the recipient recognizes receivables and revenue when the applicable eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met. Resources transmitted before the eligibility requirements are met are reported as advances by the provider and deferred revenue by the recipient.

e. Expenditures:

Expenditures are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred.

f. Use of Estimates:

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

g. Fund Balance:

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 54, the Town employs terminology and classifications for fund balance items as follows:

Non-spendable fund balances include amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash, or that are legally required to be maintained intact. The fund balance of the Town's Cemetery Trust Fund is classified as non-spendable.

Restricted fund balances are amounts that can be used only for specific purposes because of legislation or restrictions imposed by donors. The fund balances of the Agency Funds are classified as restricted.

Committed fund balances are amounts that can be used only for specific purposes because of a formal action taken by town government. Budget carryforward amounts (other than the school budget) and the fund balances in the Cemetery Trust Fund are in this category.

Unassigned fund balance are all amounts in the General Fund that are not assigned to another category. Only the General Fund can have an unassigned fund balance.

NOTE B - CASH:

Cash

The Town's cash is categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Town at year end. These Categories are defined as follows:

Category #1 - Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Town or by its agent in the Town's name.

Category #2 - Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name.

Category #3 - Uncollateralized (This includes any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.)

ACCOUNT TYPE	CARRYING AMOUNT	BANK BALANCE	CATEGORY		
			#1	#2	#3
Interest Bearing					
Accounts	753,911.60	756,329.55	756,329.55	—	—

NOTE C - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES:

Due to and due from other funds consist of the following:

Due From Agency	2,000.00
Due From Trust Funds	424.48
	<u>2,424.48</u>

NOTE D - GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT:

The following is a summary of note and lease transactions of the Town of Washington for the year ended December 31, 2012:

	BALANCE 1/1/12	ADDITIONS	REDUCTIONS	BALANCE 12/31/12
Camden National Bank - Municipal Garage	133,600.01	—	133,600.01	—
Bank of America - 2008 GMC Truck	41,634.19		20,354.04	21,280.15
Machias Savings Bank - Fire Truck	90,000.00		18,000.00	72,000.00
Machias Savings Bank - Public Works Truck	21,072.00		6,874.90	14,197.10
Machias Savings Bank - Municipal Garage		122,587.38		122,587.38
	<u>286,306.20</u>	<u>122,587.38</u>	<u>178,828.95</u>	<u>230,064.63</u>

Long-Term Debt as of December 31, 2012 is as follows:

General Fund:

Bank of America - 2008 GMC Truck:

The lease dated May 30, 2008 is for \$97,534.00 payable over five years with annual principal and interest payments of \$22,248.39. The interest rate is 4.55%. 21,280.15

Machias Savings Bank - Fire Truck:

The note dated June 16, 2011 is for \$80,000.00 payable over five years with annual principal payments of \$18,000.00. The interest rate is 2.99%. 72,000.00

Machias Savings Bank - Public Works Truck:

The note dated November 22, 2011 is for \$21,072.00 payable over three years with annual principal and interest

payments of \$7,398.05. The interest rate is 2.6%.	14,197.10
Machias Savings Bank - Municipal Garage:	
The note dated July 31, 2012 paid off the Camden National Bank for \$122,466.68. It is payable over eleven years with annual principal and interest payments of \$12,967.78. The interest Rate is fixed at 2.59%.	
	122,587.38
	<u>230,064.63</u>

The annual requirements to amortize notes and leases payable as of December 31, 2012 follows:

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	TOTAL
2013	56,095.83	6,701.10	62,796.93
2014	35,220.59	4,748.42	39,969.01
2015	28,306.60	3,752.53	32,059.13
2016	28,573.54	2,394.24	30,967.78
2017-2021	57,120.18	7,718.72	64,838.90
2022-2024	24,747.89	962.68	25,710.57
	<u>230,064.63</u>	<u>26,277.69</u>	<u>256,342.32</u>

NOTE E - GENERAL FUND BUDGET:

The Town operates on a net budget as compared with a gross budget. All revenues are not estimated, but are credited to the particular operating account. Certain revenues are dedicated for particular purposes by vote of the townspeople at the annual town meeting or at special town meetings.

At the annual town meeting, held in March of each year, the townspeople vote on various articles on which amounts for appropriations have been recommended by the Board of Selectmen and/or the Budget Committee.

NOTE F - FUND BALANCE DESIGNATED FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS' EXPENDITURE:

Historically, the townspeople vote to carry certain departmental unexpended balances forward to the following year for expenditure. This is usually in lieu of additional appropriations in any particular account.

Public Safety	476.66
Public Works	230,367.77
Unclassified	5,182.54
	<u>236,026.97</u>

NOTE G - DEFERRED REVENUE:

Deferred Revenue consists of the following:

Prepaid 2013 Taxes	4,735.97
Suspense	12,139.17
	<u>16,875.14</u>

NOTE H - EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS:

During the year expenditures exceeded total revenue and appropriations in the following general fund categories:

FUNCTION	REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION	EXPENDITURES	
		AND OTHER CHARGES	VARIANCE
Education	1,252,537.15	1,252,539.14	(1.99)
Interest and Lien Costs	24,086.35	24,435.79	(349.44)
Animal Control	1,273.74	1,290.54	(16.80)
Fire Truck Loan	20,735.00	21,110.84	(375.84)
Abatements	—	3,926.60	(3,926.60)
State Tree Growth	3,104.07	3,500.00	(395.93)

Abatements are funded through overlay. The overdraft in other accounts was due to revenues not meeting budgeted expectations.

NOTE I - REVENUE RECOGNITION - PROPERTY TAXES:

The Town's property tax for the current year was levied June 26, 2012 on the assessed value listed as of April 1, 2012 for all taxable real and personal property located in the town. Taxes were due on October 2, 2012 with interest at 7% per annum or part thereof commencing October 2, 2012. Liens are filed on any real property where taxes remain unpaid between eight and twelve months after the levy date.

The National Council on Governmental Accounting (N.C.G.A.) Interpretation No. 3 requires that property tax revenue be recognized only to the extent it will be collected within 60 days following the year end. The deferred tax revenue shown on the balance sheet represents property taxes not expected to be collected within 60 days after the year end.

Property taxes are recognized when they become available. Available includes those taxes expected to be collected within 60 days after year end as stated above. Delinquent taxes are considered fully collectible and therefore no allowance for uncollectible taxes is provided.

NOTE J - INTEREST COST INCURRED:

During the current year, the Town incurred interest costs totaling \$10,853.97 which was charged as an expense to various operating accounts.

NOTE K - RISK MANAGEMENT:

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. All significant losses are covered by commercial insurance. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

NOTE L - PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:

The following is a summary of changes in fixed assets at December 31, 2012:

	BALANCE JAN 1, 2012	ADDITIONS	DISPOSALS	BALANCE DEC 31, 2012
Land and Improvements	20,600.00	—	—	20,600.00
Buildings	745,905.00			745,905.00
Equipment	148,624.00	2,716.00		151,340.00
Motor Vehicles	599,047.00	13,967.00	(6,486.00)	606,528.00
Infrastructure	11,941,660.00			11,941,660.00
	13,455,836.00	16,683.00	(6,486.00)	13,466,033.00
Accumulated Depreciation	(9,663,445.00)	(396,443.00)	3,504.00	(10,056,384.00)
Net Property, Plant, and Equipment	3,792,391.00	(379,760.00)	(3,082.00)	3,409,649.00

Depreciation expense for the period totaled \$396,443.00. Of that amount, \$7,092.00 was for General Government, \$350,466.00 was for Public Works, and \$38,885.00 was for Public Safety.

NOTE M - OVERLAPPING DEBT:

The Town of Washington is a participant in MSAD #40 and is subject to annual assessment of its proportional share of school expenses. Long-term debt outstanding in MSAD #40 for which the Town of Washington would be proportionally responsible in the event the School defaulted is approximately \$13,484,356.00 at June 30, 2012. The Town of Washington's share would be approximately 10.04% of the debt or \$1,353,896.00.

The Town of Washington is situated in Knox County and is therefore subject to annual assessment of its proportional share of county taxes. Long-term debt outstanding in Knox County for which the Town of Washington would be proportionally responsible in the event the County defaulted was \$2,500,000.00 at December 31, 2012. The Town of Washington's share would be approximately 1.96647% or \$49,161.00.

NOTE N - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

Management has made an evaluation of subsequent events to and including the audit report date, which was the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that any subsequent events that would require recognition or disclosure have been considered in the preparation of the financial statements.

Schedule A-1

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund
for the year ended December 31, 2012

	ORIGINAL AND FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL
REVENUES:		
Property Taxes	1,622,537.94	1,616,902.41
Excise Taxes	200,000.00	205,327.46
Intergovernmental Revenues	65,000.00	65,000.00
Homestead Reimbursement	31,814.25	31,814.25
Building Permits - Town	2,000.00	2,815.80
Tree Growth Reimbursement	3,500.00	3,104.07
Veterans Reimbursement	1,400.00	1,464.00
Miscellaneous	8,500.00	14,827.80
Interest	18,000.00	26,580.96
Public Works		51,488.50
Public Assistance		851.88
General Government		36,861.22
BETE Reimbursement		32,242.00
Public Safety	32,241.65	4,571.27
Total Revenues	<u>1,984,993.84</u>	<u>2,093,851.62</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Education - MSAD #40	1,252,537.15	1,252,539.14
Knox County Tax	129,958.00	127,716.85
General Government	220,413.00	221,098.57
Public Works	300,727.00	234,130.23
Public Safety	52,673.00	32,745.12
Public Assistance	3,500.00	2,490.75
Unclassified	16,385.00	14,213.68
TCSWMO	29,789.00	29,788.68
Knox Communication	38,144.00	37,675.00
Debt Principal		178,828.95
Debt Interest		10,853.97
Total Expenditures	<u>2,044,126.15</u>	<u>2,142,080.94</u>

Excess of Expenditures over Revenues	(59,132.31)	(48,229.32)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):		
Loan Proceeds		<u>122,587.38</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over		
(under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(59,132.31)	74,358.06
Fund Balance, January 1	<u>729,780.89</u>	<u>729,780.89</u>
Fund Balance, December 31	<u>670,648.58</u>	<u>804,138.95</u>

Schedule A-3

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Statement of Changes in Unappropriated Surplus
for the year ended December 31, 2012

Unappropriated Surplus, January 1		585,534.29
INCREASES:		
Operating Account Balances Lapsed - Net (Schedule A-4)		<u>55,721.28</u>
Total Available		<u>641,255.57</u>
DECREASES:		
Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	71,000.00	
Increase in Deferred Taxes	<u>2,143.59</u>	
		<u>73,143.59</u>
Unappropriated Surplus, December 31		<u>568,111.98</u>

Schedule A-4

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Statement of Departmental Operations for the year ended December 31, 2012

	BALANCE FORWARD 1/1/12	APPRO- PRIATIONS	CASH RECEIPTS	OTHER CREDITS	TOTAL	CASH DISBURSED	OTHER CHARGES (OVERDRAFT)	BALANCE FORWARD 12/31/12
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:								
Education - MSAD #40	-	1,252,537.15	-	-	1,252,537.15	1,252,539.14	-	(1.99)
Knox County Tax		129,958.00			129,958.00	127,716.85		2,241.15
Overlay		11,867.69			11,867.69		7,941.09	3,926.60
TCSWMO		29,789.00			29,789.00	29,788.68		0.32
Knox Communication		38,144.00			38,144.00	37,675.00		469.00
	-	1,462,295.84	-	-	1,462,295.84	1,447,719.67	7,941.09	6,635.08
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:								
Salaries	-	108,046.00	2,625.00	-	110,671.00	108,117.44	-	2,553.56
Administration		40,910.00			40,910.00	35,389.03		5,520.97
Insurance		30,457.00	1,773.00		32,230.00	31,456.75		773.25
Building Permits			2,815.80		2,815.80		2,000.00	815.80
Interest Income			2,494.61		2,494.61	151.39		2,343.22
Interest and Lien Costs on Taxes			24,086.35		24,086.35	6,435.79	18,000.00	(349.44)
State Tree Growth			3,104.07		3,104.07		3,500.00	(395.93)
State Snowmobile			536.22		536.22	536.22		
State Veterans Reimbursement			1,464.00		1,464.00		1,400.00	64.00
State BETE			32,242.00		32,242.00		32,241.65	0.35
Excise Taxes - Auto				203,627.36	203,627.36		200,000.00	3,627.36
Excise Taxes - Boat				1,700.10	1,700.10			1,700.10
Abatements							3,926.60	(3,926.60)
Miscellaneous Revenue			14,827.80		14,827.80	50.00	8,500.00	6,277.80
Supplemental Taxes				434.66	434.66			434.66
Utilities/Maintenance		39,500.00			39,500.00	36,045.13		3,454.87

Boards and Committees		1,500.00				1,500.00	613.44		886.56
Animal Control	246.74		1,027.00			1,273.74	1,290.54		(16.80)
Homestead Reimbursement				31,814.25	31,814.25	30,900.00	31,814.25		
Sale of Tax Acquired Property	246.74	220,413.00	117,895.85	237,576.37	576,131.96	221,098.57	331,269.66	23,763.73	-
PUBLIC SAFETY:									
Fire Truck Loan	-	20,735.00	-			20,735.00	21,110.84	(375.84)	
Fire Department Operations		22,000.00	2,000.00			24,000.00	23,408.56	591.44	
EMA Grant			2,571.27			2,571.27	2,094.61		476.66
Union Ambulance	-	9,938.00				9,938.00	7,241.95	2,696.05	
		52,673.00	4,571.27	-		57,244.27	53,855.96	-	2,911.65
PUBLIC WORKS:									
General Roads	-	224,500.00	320.50	-		224,820.50	205,484.15	-	-
Urban/Rural Initiative			51,168.00	30,000.00	81,168.00			25,000.00	56,168.00
Capital Improvements	569.54			25,153.74	25,723.28		25,723.28		
Paving		30,000.00			30,000.00			30,000.00	
Debt		46,227.00			122,587.38	168,814.38	168,572.08	242.30	
Road Maintenance Reserve	139,448.06		37,828.25	177,276.31		2,922.80	153.74		174,199.77
	140,017.60	300,727.00	51,488.50	215,569.37	707,802.47	402,702.31	55,153.74	19,578.65	230,367.77
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:									
General Assistance	-	3,500.00	851.88	-	4,351.88	2,490.75	-	1,861.13	-
UNCLASSIFIED:									
Town Record Preservation	80.13	1,000.00	-	-	1,080.13		-	-	1,080.13
Recreation Committee	3,502.13	2,000.00			5,502.13	1,839.72		3,662.41	
Cem Headstone Restoration	400.00	1,000.00			1,400.00	960.00			440.00
TAN Interest		1,000.00			1,000.00	251.46		748.54	
Lin County Humane Society		1,074.00			1,074.00	1,058.00		16.00	
Flags for Veterans Graves		500.00			500.00	293.50		206.50	
KNO-WAL-LIN		1,379.00			1,379.00	1,379.00	700.00		
Coastal Transportation		700.00			700.00				

New Hope for Women	750.00				750.00	750.00			
Mid-Coast Children's Services	750.00				750.00	750.00			
Washington Food Bank	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,000.00			
Pine Tree Chap Am Red Cross	1,400.00				1,400.00	1,400.00			
Spectrum Generations	920.00				920.00	920.00			
Penquis Com Action Program	2,862.00				2,862.00	2,862.00			
Damariscotta Lake Watershed Dues	50.00				50.00	50.00			
	3,982.26	16,385.00	-	-	20,367.26	14,213.68	-	971.04	5,182.54
	144,246.60	2,055,993.84	174,807.50	453,145.74	2,828,193.68	2,142,080.94	394,364.49	55,721.28	236,026.97

Warrant for 2013 Annual Town Meeting

TO: Judson Butterman, Constable, Town of Washington.

GREETINGS

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Washington, Knox County, Maine, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Bryant Community Room of the Gibbs Library, 40 Old Union Road, Washington, on Friday, March 29, 2013, at 10:00 a.m., then and there to act on Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 through Article 21, as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.;

And to notify and warn said voters to meet at the Prescott Memorial School, 100 Waldoboro Road, Washington, on Saturday, March 30, 2013, at 10:00 a.m., then and there to act on Articles 22 through 51 as set out below, to wit:

Article 1: To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Article 2: To elect all necessary town officers and school board members as are required to be elected.

Article 3: Shall an Ordinance entitled "TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE ORDINANCE EXEMPTING ELIGIBLE ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM VEHICLE EXCISE TAX" be adopted.

Explanation: Adoption of this Ordinance will exempt military members serving on active duty overseas or deployed for more than 180 days from paying excise tax on vehicles.

- Article 4: Shall an Ordinance entitled “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, BOARD OF APPEALS ORDINANCE” be adopted.

Explanation: Adoption of this Ordinance will establish Board of Appeals procedures and guidelines in a single ordinance and supersedes all Board of Appeals procedures in other ordinances, many of which provided inconsistent procedures and guidelines.

- Article 5: Shall the Town of Washington Voting Method Ordinance adopted November 5, 2002, be repealed?

Explanation: In August 2012 The Maine Supreme Judicial Court determined in the case of Dennis Blanchet et al. vs. the Town of Waldoboro that the municipal voting process is controlled under the provisions of Titles 21-A and 30-A unless a town charter provides otherwise. The town ordinance adopted in 2002 was therefore illegally enacted.

- Article 6: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, LAND USE ORDINANCE” Article IV, Section 8, Violations, 3rd sentence be amended to the phrase underlined below:

Any person, firm or corporation owning or having control of any building or premises or part thereof violating any provision of this Ordinance, or failing to take the required corrective measures, or complying with a stop work order after receiving written notice of violation, shall be guilty of a civil violation and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine in accordance with 30-A M.R.S.A. §4452

Explanation: This amendment is requested by the Selectmen and Code Enforcement Officer and makes failure to comply with a Stop Work Order a violation of the ordinance.

- Article 7: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article II, Sec 1 [Note] be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

Mineral extraction activities which are exempt from this Ordinance may need ~~a conditional use permit under provisions~~

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of the Land Use Ordinance of the Town of Washington, Planning Board approval, as well as the provisions of Article XI of the Site Plan review required by the Land Use Ordinance, and must comply with other rules and regulations of the Town.];

Explanation: Conditional use permits are no longer an option from the Planning Board

- Article 8: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article II, Sec 1, Paragraph A be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

Permits are not required for mineral extraction activities not exceeding 20,000 square feet of surface area, or the removal or handling of less than 1,000 cubic yards of material, if for the owner’s personal use and not sold. All sites which offer extraction material for sale shall obtain a permit from the planning board. in twelve consecutive months per parcel or parcels in common scheme of development (see definitions). [Amended from 5,000 square feet and less than 200 cubic yards March 25, 2004]

Explanation: This amendment is recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee, exempts gravel operations from requiring permits if for the owner’s personal use, but requires planning board approval for all mineral extractions for materials which are to be sold.

- Article 9: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article III, Section 5-E Definitions, be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

Small mineral extraction operations: {S} Excavations that are less than 1 acre in size but more than 20,000 square feet; or extract more than 1,000 cubic yards within any 12 consecutive month period ~~Excavation projects (20,000 square feet-1 acre) and extract 1,000 cubic yards within any 12 consecutive month period.~~

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Explanation: This amendment is recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee and sets a new definition for a small mineral extraction operation.

Article 10: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article IV, Sec 4, Permit Required, be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

B. Conditional use permits-Planning Board approval, as well as the provisions of Article XI of the Site Plan review required by the Land Use Ordinance, if applicable, must be obtained prior to making application under this ordinance.

Explanation: This amendment is recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee and requires Planning Board approval under the provisions of both the Land Use Ordinance and Site Plan Review before making a mineral extraction application. In addition, Conditional use permits are no longer an option from the Planning Board

Article 11: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article IV, Sec 4, Permit Required, be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

E-1 Any operation that was in active and legal existence as of the adoption of the Washington Land Use Ordinance in April 1988 and subsequently recognized as not requiring a permit under said ordinance and that has not undergone any expansion in area since said date may apply to the Washington Planning Board for a Certificate of Legal Operation that shall document the operation’s footprint of up to 5 acres and its operations and shall require annual compliance inspection. Said Certificate shall be the permit for said operation. Said permit is not transferable as defined in Article V, Section 5 (H) with the exception of the transfer of the permit to a member of the immediate family. Any operation that did not obtain a Certificate of Legal operation or a permit from the Planning Board after March 23, 2002 must obtain a permit from the Planning Board based on a review of the provisions of this ordinance and the Town of Washington

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Land Use Ordinance as adopted and amended to date.

Explanation: This amendment is recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee and requires that any mineral extraction that does not have a Certificated of Legal Operation dated prior to March 23, 2002 must obtain and mineral extraction permit from the Planning Board.

- Article 12: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article V, Sec 2, Paragraph C-5 be amended to read as follows: (Underlined text will be added)

Location of existing, inactive, reclaimed areas, and proposed mineral extraction activities and structures on the property.

Explanation: This amendment is recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee and requires the applicant to provide the location of any inactive and reclaimed areas.

- Article 13: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article V, Sec 2, be amended to add as Paragraphs X and Y as follows:

X. Reclamation Plan which includes enough detail to address the provisions of Article VI, §2 Performance Standards, B and compliance with Maine Erosion and Sediment Control BMPS Section I, 1

Y. Erosion Control plan for all portions of the proposed operation which are not internally drained

Explanation: This amendment is recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee and adds new requirements to the application for a mineral extraction permit.

- Article 14: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article V, Sec 2, be amended to add as Subparagraph f as follows:

f. CEO shall advise the Planning Board regarding the classification of the proposed pit and application fee to be paid.

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Explanation: Recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee.

Article 15: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article V, Sec 5, Paragraph B-3 be amended to add as the last sentence as follows:

The list of abutters shall be verified by the Code Enforcement Officer

Explanation: Recommended by the Mining Ordinance Review Committee and requires the Code Enforcement to ensure all abutters are notified.

Article 16: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article V, Sec 5, Paragraph C-1 be amended to allow the Planning Board 60 days after completion of the public hearing process to issue its decision on an application.

Article 17: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article V, Sec 5, Paragraph D Required, be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

D. Operation Conditions and Limitations

Before any mineral extraction activity begins, and as a condition of the permit, the applicant shall apply for and receive all applicable permits as may be required by Town, state or federal regulations, laws or ordinances regulating such developments, including a Conditional Use Planning Board approval, as well as the provisions of Article XI of the Site Plan review required by the Land Use Ordinance.

Explanation: Conditional use permits are no longer an option from the Planning Board

Article 18: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article VI, Sec 1, Paragraph A, be amended to read as follows: (Underlined text will be added)

A. Mineral extraction activities shall conform to all applicable State laws and local ordinances or regulations. Where the

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provisions of this section conflict with specific provisions of the Land Use Ordinance, the more restrictive standards shall prevail. It is anticipated that the application will be reviewed concurrently with this Ordinance and the requirements of the Land Use Ordinance.

Article 19: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article VII, Sec 2, Paragraph K, be amended to delete any and all requirement for an application limit of 7 years and any and all requirements for reapplication after 7 years.

Article 20: Shall the “TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE” Article VIII, Sec I, Paragraphs B and C, be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

B. The annual compliance Inspection (ACI) shall be conducted by the CEO ~~prior to the anniversary date of the permit:~~ yearly during the months June thru October

1. The CEO shall ~~issue a *Report of Inspection Compliance* (RIC);~~ provided he determines that the permit holder has not deviated from the approved plan. ~~If the CEO determines that the permit holder has substantially deviated from the approved plan, the CEO shall issue a *Report of Inspection Non-compliance* (RIN). Reports shall be written and provided to the Planning Board, the Selectmen, and permit holder. The CEO shall issue an *IMMEDIATE STOP WORK ORDER FOR A SPECIFIC VIOLATION, EXCEPT FOR REMEDIAL ACTION*, until such time as compliance is achieved.~~ provide the selectmen, site owner and site operator with a report outlining any violations of this ordinance and remediation required.
2. The CEO shall thereafter re-inspect the site to determine if compliance has been achieved. If he determines compliance has been achieved, he shall issue a RIC, as above. If he determines that compliance has not been achieved, he shall issue a *Second Step Report of Non-compliance* (SSRN). The permit holder shall again pay the fees, as required by this subsection for this second compliance inspection.

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3. ~~The Planning Board, after receipt of the SSRN, shall provide notice and hearing pursuant to Article V §5-B(2) and (3), to determine whether the permit holder is in compliance with his approved permit; and if not, the Planning Board shall revoke the permit, and request that the Selectmen take remedial action, as is permitted by town ordinance or State law.~~
4. ~~The applicant can terminate the process above at any time prior to revocation by demonstrating compliance with his approved permit at a subsequent compliance inspection, which he requests, and payment of inspection fees, followed by the issuance of a RIC by the CEO.~~
5. ~~Mineral extraction may not be resumed until such time as compliance is achieved. After ninety days, if compliance is not achieved, the mineral extraction permit automatically expires.~~
6. ~~Any appeal of the action of the Code Enforcement Officer or of the Planning Board shall be taken to the Board of Appeals within 30 days.~~
7. ~~Any decision of the Planning Board to revoke a mineral extraction Town permit shall be recorded in the Knox County Registry of Deeds within 30 days of the date such decision becomes final.~~

C. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to see that the inspection is ~~done~~ conducted as required by this section and ensure payment of the annual mineral extraction inspection fee as established by the Board of Selectmen. Failure to pay the annual inspection fee may result in a "Stop Work Order" being issued.

Explanation: Recommended by the Mining Ordinance and CEO and streamlines the inspection process.

Article 21: Shall the "TOWN OF WASHINGTON, MAINE, MINING ORDINANCE" Article VIII, Sec 3, Paragraph C, be amended to read as follows: (Lined through text will be deleted and underlined added)

C. ~~The Washington Planning Board may after notice and~~
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~~hearing, withhold approval or revoke any previous approvals, given to any applicant, owner or operator who is found in violation of this ordinance. The Code Enforcement officer shall issue a "Notice of Violation" outlining any violations and if the order is not complied with, the Code Enforcement officer shall refer the violation(s) to the Board of Selectmen for legal action~~

Explanation: Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and removes the ability of the Planning Board from any enforcement by relieving the Planning Board of the ability to revoke permits. The enforcement will now rest with the Board of Selectmen.

Article 22: To elect seven citizens of the Town of Washington to serve on the Budget Committee.

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint all necessary town officials.

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to authorize that the Plumbing Inspector be paid from fees collected from plumbing permits; the E911 Coordinator be paid from E911 application fees; the Driveway Entrance Coordinator be paid from driveway entrance application fees; and the Code Enforcement Officer be paid one-half of any permit application fees and one-half of any inspection fees collected in addition to his/her annual stipend.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to pay up to the State wages pay rate for compensation of personnel and labor costs, and to allow the selectmen to negotiate the rate per hour cost for equipment used in maintaining public roads for the ensuing year.

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budgeted category of the 2013 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2014 to the date of the 2014 Annual Town Meeting.

Explanation: This article legalizes municipal expenditures made after the fiscal year ends, but before the next Annual Town Meeting.

- Article 27: To see if the Town will fix a date when taxes will be due and payable, and fix a rate of interest to be charged on unpaid taxes after said date.

(Selectmen and Tax Collector recommend 2013 taxes will be due and payable on October 1st) (Maximum allowed by State Law: 7.0%)

- Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 8%.

Explanation: If taxes are paid and later abated, the Town must refund the abated taxes and pay interest on them. 36 MRSA, Sub. Sect. 506A calls for interest of 12% on abated taxes if the Town fails to set a rate. The rate set by the Town cannot be less than 8%.

- Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to make a determination regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 MRSA Section 2953.

- Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and dispose of property acquired by tax liens, other liens or other processes, and to issue quitclaim deeds for same. Before going to public auction, Selectmen are authorized to offer the sale of the property to the former owner and to negotiate the sale to the former owner at a price that the Selectmen deem most advantageous to the Town. If offer is not accepted in 60 days, the Selectmen may begin the auctioning process. All net proceeds from any auction shall be placed in the Town's Road Reserve account.

- Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sign a quitclaim deed on behalf of the Town to convey the parcel of real estate described below to John F. Medeika, a former owner of the said real estate, in exchange for the sum of sixteen thousand five hundred fifty and 83/100 dollars (\$16,550.83) which is the amount that is owed and would have been owed to the Town for unpaid property taxes assessed on this real estate since 2009:

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Beginning at a stake on the shore of Medomak Lake (also known as Washington Pond) on a point of land which is the first point westerly of the dam; then South 30° East one hundred (100) feet to an iron stake; then South 37° West one hundred (100) feet to an iron stake at an angle; then South 50° West one hundred (100) feet to an iron post at a corner; then North 32° West ninety-five (95) feet, more or less, to an iron post on the shore of said Medomak Lake; then easterly two hundred (200) feet, more or less, by the lake, to the point of beginning.

Also conveying a right of way from Route 105 to said lot over other land now or formerly of Louise L. Ames.

Reference is made to the deed from John F. Medeika to the CONN ASSET PRESERVATION TRUST, dated December 31, 1997, and recorded in the Knox County Registry of Deeds in Book 2190, Page 259.

- Article 32: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appropriate money from the sale of any Town acquired lands to pay the costs of said sale.
- Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of town-owned items with a value of \$1,000.00 or less under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.
- Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the 2012 Snowmobile Refund to the Washington Hill & Gully Riders for the sole purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails, to be open to the use of the public from November 15 until April 1 and to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the club, under such terms and conditions as the municipal officers may deem advisable, for that purpose, or see what action the Town will take.

Explanation: The snowmobile registration money must be appropriated annually by the Town for whatever purpose it desires. If all or part of it is appropriated to the snowmobile club, one of the conditions of that appropriation must be that the club's trails are open to public use. Otherwise, it would be an illegal appropriation of public funds for a private group.

- Article 35: To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes for the years 2013 and 2014 for taxes not yet due or assessed.
- Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a Tax Club Payment Plan and to waive interest on taxes for those accounts that are kept current.
- Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to spend any grant money received, not to exceed the amount of the grant, for the stated purposes of the grant only.
- Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to renew a long term \$250,000 municipal line-of-credit with Machias Savings Bank in lieu of a Tax Anticipation Note.
- Article 39: To see if the Town will vote to approve of Veterans Way as the road name for the road leading to Map 9/Lot 9, just west of Davis Stream Bridge on Augusta Road.
- Article 40: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following General Fund revenues to be applied toward the 2013 property tax commitment, thereby decreasing the 2013 tax commitment by \$359,400.00.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend:

Excise Tax Revenue	200,000.00
State Revenue Sharing	65,000.00
Tree Growth Reimbursement	3,000.00
Building and Plumbing Permits	1,250.00
Mining Permits and Inspections	1,000.00
Interest on Overdue Taxes	18,000.00
Veterans Reimbursement	1,400.00
Other Town Fees Collected	8,000.00
Unexpended 2012 Appropriations	44,000.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	15,000.00
General Fund Interest	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total	358,650.00

Article 41: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$71,484.00 from property taxation for General Government Operations.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Tri-county Solid Waste Management Organization	29,934.00
Legal Fees	5,000.00
Administration	36,550.00
Advertising	500.00
Audit of Town Books	4,600.00
Computer Annual Fees	8,500.00
Computer Tech Support	1,000.00
MMA Dues	2,400.00
Mileage	1,600.00
Office Equipment	3,000.00
Office Supplies	1,750.00
Postage	2,000.00
Printing and Photocopies	400.00
Selectmen Discretionary Fund	500.00
Tax Billing	1,300.00
Town Report Printing	3,000.00
Workshops and Training	2,500.00
Tax Map Interface Program	1,000.00
Lien Costs	<u>2,500.00</u>
Subtotal	36,550.00
Total	71,484.00

Article 42: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$27,786.00 from property taxation for Insurance.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

MMA Insurance Risk Pool	16,670.00
Unemployment Insurance	1,833.00
Worker's Compensation Premium	7,883.00
Volunteer Insurance	400.00
Firefighter Accident Insurance	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	27,786.00

Article 43: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$115,400.00 from property taxation for Salaries, Stipends, and Payroll Expenses.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Salaries and Stipends		99,400.00
Selectmen (3)	19,500.00	
Secretary - Selectmen	250.00	
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	21,500.00	
Treasurer	12,000.00	
Deputy Town Clerk/ Tax Collector/Treasurer	18,600.00	
Registrar of Voters	1,000.00	
Ballot Clerks	1,000.00	
EMA Director	500.00	
Health Officer	200.00	
Fire Warden (2)	300.00	
Fire Chief	2,750.00	
Deputy Fire Chief	2,250.00	
Secretary - Planning Board	1,000.00	
Secretary – Appeals Board	250.00	
Assessor’s Agent	4,500.00	
Animal Control Officer	3,000.00	
Deputy Animal Control Officer	500.00	
Code Enforcement Officer	8,000.00	
Constable	100.00	
Moderator of March town meeting	200.00	
School Board Member Stipend (2)	1,000.00	
Custodial Services	<u>1,000.00</u>	
Sub-total	99,400.00	
FICA Payroll Expenses		<u>16,000.00</u>
	Total	115,400.00

Article 44: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$346,868.00 from property taxation for Maintenance of Town Roads and related operations.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Road Maintenance Materials & Supplies	12,000.00
Truck Lease Payment	22,249.00
Used Truck Payments	7,400.00
Truck Fuel	16,000.00
Truck Maintenance	
P100	1,000.00
P200	4,000.00
P300	3,000.00
P400	11,000.00
P500	3,500.00
Cutting Edges and Sander Chains	7,500.00
Culverts	5,000.00
Loader and Backhoe Fuel	2,750.00
Loader and Backhoe Maintenance	7,500.00
Garage Mortgage	12,969.00
Garage Utilities	3,500.00
Garage Maintenance	2,000.00
Road Maintenance and Plowing Labor	81,000.00
Equipment Rental	13,000.00
Screening Winter Sand	10,000.00
Road Salt	50,000.00
E911 and Road Signs	1,000.00
Paving of Town Roads	70,000.00
Driver Drug Testing	<u>500.00</u>
Total	346,868.00

Article 45: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,500.00 from property taxation for General Assistance.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

General Assistance	3,500.00
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Article 46: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$57,933.00 from property taxation for Public Safety.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Fire Department General Support	7,500.00
Fire Department Equipment	7,500.00
Firefighter Training	2,000.00
Firefighter Physicals	2,500.00
Fire Truck Loan Payment	18,000.00
Hose Testing	2,500.00
Union Ambulance	9,733.00
ISO Hydrology Survey	5,000.00
Dredging Fire Pond	<u>3,200.00</u>
Total	57,933.00

Article 47: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$40,000.00 from property taxation for Utilities and Maintenance.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Town Utilities	15,000.00
Building Maintenance	9,500.00
Cemetery Maintenance	10,000.00
Street Lights	3,000.00
Municipal Complex Snow Removal	<u>2,500.00</u>
Total	40,000.00

Article 48: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 from property taxation for Boards and Committees.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Conservation and Parks Committee	500.00
Planning Board Expense	500.00
Midcoast Regional Planning Commission	0.00
Ordinance Review Committees	<u>500.00</u>
Total	1,500.00

Article 49: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 from property taxation for Town Carry-over Accounts.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Cemetery Headstone Restoration Fund	1,000.00
Town Record Preservation Fund	1,000.00
Recreation Committee Fund	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total	4,000.00

Article 50: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,607.00 from property taxation for Miscellaneous Accounts.

Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend as advisory lines:

Line-of-credit Interest and Bank Fees	250.00
Lincoln County Humane Society	1,062.00
Flags for Veterans Graves and Town Parks	500.00
Damariscotta Lake Watershed Dues	50.00
Social Agencies and Concerns	7,445.00
Coastal Trans	700.00
New Hope for Women	750.00
Broadreach Services	750.00
Washington Food Bank	2,000.00
Pine Tree Chapter Am. Red Cross	1,400.00
Spectrum Generations	920.00
Penquis Community Action Program	<u>1,225.00</u>
Sub-total	7,445.00
Total	9,607.00

Article 51: To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$56,168.00 from the 2012 Urban/Rural Initiative Program for road improvement.

Selectmen recommend as advisory lines:

Capital Improvement of Town Roads	26,168.00
Paving of Town Roads	<u>30,000.00</u>
Total	56,168.00

Given under our hands on this 6th day of March, 2012:

Wesley F. Daniel
Chairman

Donald L. Grinnell
Selectman

Duane P. Vigue
Selectman

Attest: Ann Dean, Town Clerk



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Monday 9-1 & 4-7

Tuesday 9-1

Wednesday 2-7

Thursday & Friday 9-1

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EMERGENCY FIRE & AMBULANCE

911

STATE POLICE	1-800-452-4664
KNOX COUNTY SHERIFF	593-9132
CENTRAL MAINE POWER (OUTAGES)	1-800-696-1000
MAINE POISON CONTROL CENTER	1-800-222-1222
PENQUIS	596-0361
TOWN OFFICE	845-2897
	845-2131 FAX
ASSESSOR'S AGENT, STAN MILLAY	845-2767
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, BOB TEMPLE	993-2512
	632-4741 CELL
FIRE CHIEF & CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR, TOM JOHNSTON	845-2576
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, ANDREW DINSMORE	851-0027 PAGER
WASHINGTON FOOD BANK, PASTOR TIM LEWIS	845-2623
WASHINGTON POST OFFICE	845-2412
TRANSFER STATION	785-2261
PRESCOTT SCHOOL	845-2424
GIBBS LIBRARY	845-2663
FIRE WARDEN/BURN PERMITS DON B. GRINNELL	845-2226
KEN BOISSE, WASHINGTON AUTO	845-2525
MAINE FOREST SERVICE	1-800-367-0223
GAME WARDEN	1-800-452-4664
TO REPORT WILDFIRE OR ARSON	1-800-987-0257

Board of Selectmen meet Wednesdays @ 7:00pm in the Bryant Room of Gibbs Library
Planning Board meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Bryant Room
Appeals Board meets the second Thursday every other month in the Bryant Room



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