

Town of Skowhegan



*Paying tribute to the current Fire Station and Police Station.
They have served us well. Time for a change. Moving forward.*

*July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020
Annual Report*

The Town of Skowhegan dedicates this year's annual report to Tom Keene, Dale Watson, and Carl McKenney.

Our community lost these three great people in 2020. They were dedicated employees of the Town, who served their community and did more than just their jobs. Our hearts go out to their families.



**IN MEMORIAM
WINTON T. "TOM" KEENE, JR.
1954 – 2020**

Tom Keene was hired as a fulltime firefighter for the Town of Skowhegan in 1976. He was promoted to Deputy Chief in 1978. He was promoted to Chief in 1992, serving until his retirement in 2001. Following a brief retirement, Tom served as Chief again from 2008 until the end of 2013.

Tom coordinated post incident reviews and led a 911 committee that was in charge of street numbering. He created the high angle rescue team which is now called the technical rescue team. He was Deputy Chief during the flood of 1987 and Fire Chief during the ice storm of 1998. Tom was instrumental in developing and teaching the Incident Command System within the State of Maine.

Tom was a proud member and trustee of the Skowhegan-Madison Elks Lodge. He also coached youth basketball teams and was a spotter at high school football games.

With more than 30 years of service, Tom Keene will surely be missed for his dedication. We thank Tom for his valuable contributions to this community.





**IN MEMORIAM
DALE S. WATSON
1935 – 2020**

Dale Watson was hired as the Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Skowhegan in 1974. He served in this role until 1980. In 1981, Dale was elected to serve on the Board of Selectmen, where he served as Chairman until 1984.

He had other fulfilling careers. Dale was owner of Watson Hardware in Norridgewock and Western Auto in Skowhegan. For many years he worked for the Hight family overseeing their parts store and many of their real estate endeavors.

Dale also played a role in many community organizations. He served as Chairman of the Board at Skowhegan Savings Bank, Treasurer of Skowhegan State Fair, member of the Smithfield Grange, the North Pond Association, a 50-year member of the Kora Shriners, Masons, a life member of the Skowhegan History House, Coburn Park Commissioner, and many antique car club affiliations. He was especially fond of the Antique Automobile Club of America and recently received recognition for his 50-year membership.

We thank Dale for his many valuable contributions to this community.



Left to Right: Lynda Quinn, Jean Carrigan, Patricia Dickey, Administrative Assistant, Dale Watson, Chairman, C. Everett Dam, Warren Shay. Photo from the 1983 Town Report



**IN MEMORIAM
CARL ALAN MCKENNEY
1941 – 2020**

Carl McKenney was hired as a reserve police officer and a call firefighter for the Town of Skowhegan in 1965. He was hired as a fulltime firefighter in 1966 and was promoted to Chief in 1973. While serving as Chief, he also served as the

Skowhegan Emergency Management Director and the Somerset County EMA Director. Carl served as Fire Chief until his retirement in 1992.

After retirement, Carl continued to serve both the Town and County in several positions with the following boards, committees and organizations:

- Skowhegan Planning Board
- Skowhegan Heritage Council
- Skowhegan Cemetery Committee
- Skowhegan Budget and Finance Committee
- Skowhegan Election Warden/Ballot Clerk
- Somerset Triad, Member and Chairman
- Somerset County Local Emergency Planning Committee
- Maine Old Cemeteries Association
- Maine Genealogical Society

Carl was a life member and former president of the Maine Fire Chief's Association and life member of the International Fire Chief's Association.

With more than 50 years of service, Carl McKenney will surely be missed for his passion and devotion. We thank Carl for his valuable contributions to this community.



The 2021 Town of Skowhegan
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honors the
Hight Family of Dealerships
for commendable community service.



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*The Spirit of America Award will be presented
at the Annual Town Meeting on June 5, 2021.*



Annual Report
of the
Municipal Departments

Skowhegan, Maine

Shire town of Somerset County. One hundred two miles from Portland, on the Kennebec River. Originally part of Canaan. Separated in 1823, and incorporated under the name of Milburn. The name was changed on March 25, 1863, to the Indian name of Skowhegan, which signifies, “a place to watch”. “Skowhegan Falls” was an ancient name, having been a noted locality for the Indians to “watch” for and catch salmon. Bloomfield annexed in 1861. Population in 1940 was 7,097. Population in 2008 was 8,742.

Covering July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

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Town Manager, Christine Almand

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Town of Skowhegan

Town Manager

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Skowhegan, Maine 04976



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2020

The following pages include draft financial reports from the 2020 Audit Report. Complete Audit Reports are expected to be available soon for public viewing in the Town Clerk's Office and the Town Manager's Office at the Municipal Building.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Almand", is written over a horizontal line.

Christine Almand
Town Manager



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May 11, 2021

Board of Selectmen
Town of Skowhegan

Dear Board members:

I am writing to you all regarding the audit report for the year ended June 30, 2020. As a result of timing of the audit, the report on the basic financial statements of the Town is not available for the Town report. The report on the basic financial statements for June 30, 2020 will be available at a later time at the Town office.

Yours truly,

Brantner Thibodeau & Associates

Brantner, Thibodeau & Associates

**Town of Skowhegan, Maine
Balance Sheet - DRAFT
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2020**

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Permanent Fund	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,774	\$ 356,773	\$ 153,461	\$ -	\$ 512,008
Investments	5,419,441	-	7,300,304	1,058,972	13,778,717
Taxes receivable, net	844,053	-	-	-	844,053
Accounts receivable	46,190	10,567	-	-	56,757
Due from other governmental agencies	90,438	11,246	-	-	101,684
Due from Maine Bond Bank	-	-	1,079,103	-	1,079,103
Interfund receivables	-	695,017	-	-	695,017
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Due from Skowhegan Economic Development	52,944	-	-	-	52,944
Loans receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$33,568	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>529,807</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>529,807</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,454,840</u>	<u>\$ 1,603,410</u>	<u>\$ 8,532,868</u>	<u>\$ 1,058,972</u>	<u>\$ 17,650,090</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 236,855	\$ 10,107	\$ 70,544	\$ -	\$ 317,506
Interfund payables	256,106	-	438,876	-	694,982
Payable to other governments	54,777	-	-	-	54,777
Due to pension plan	41,238	-	-	-	41,238
Unearned revenue	-	751	-	-	751
Other accrued expenses	18,661	-	-	-	18,661
	<u>607,637</u>	<u>10,858</u>	<u>509,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,127,915</u>
Total liabilities	<u>607,637</u>	<u>10,858</u>	<u>509,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,127,915</u>
Deferred inflows of resources					
Prepaid taxes	23,332	-	-	-	23,332
Deferred insurance proceeds	29,613	-	-	-	29,613
Unavailable property taxes	535,847	-	-	-	535,847
	<u>588,792</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>588,792</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>588,792</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>588,792</u>
Fund balances					
Nonspendable for					
Trust fund principal	-	-	-	701,069	701,069
Loans receivable	-	529,807	-	-	529,807
Restricted for					
Trust fund income	-	-	-	357,903	357,903
Capital projects	-	-	1,315,400	-	1,315,400
Special revenue funds	-	1,062,745	-	-	1,062,745
Committed for					
Capital projects	-	-	6,708,048	-	6,708,048
Other purposes	151,060	-	-	-	151,060
Assigned for					
Other purposes	61,980	-	-	-	61,980
Unassigned	5,045,371	-	-	-	5,045,371
	<u>5,258,411</u>	<u>1,592,552</u>	<u>8,023,448</u>	<u>1,058,972</u>	<u>15,933,383</u>
Total fund balances	<u>5,258,411</u>	<u>1,592,552</u>	<u>8,023,448</u>	<u>1,058,972</u>	<u>15,933,383</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 6,454,840</u>	<u>\$ 1,603,410</u>	<u>\$ 8,532,868</u>	<u>\$ 1,058,972</u>	<u>\$ 17,650,090</u>

Town of Skowhegan, Maine
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -DRAFT
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Permanent Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES					
Property taxes	\$ 14,928,045	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,928,045
Excise and miscellaneous taxes	1,513,334	-	-	-	1,513,334
Fees and fines	71,819	-	-	-	71,819
Licenses and permits	32,011	-	-	-	32,011
Intergovernmental	6,541,050	291,690	156,218	-	6,988,958
Charges for services	348,547	650	-	-	349,197
Investment and interest earnings	43,210	35,919	226,287	38,497	343,913
Contributions and reimbursements	44,198	18,701	-	-	62,899
Miscellaneous	76,694	-	-	10,866	87,560
Total revenues	23,598,908	346,960	382,505	49,363	24,377,736
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government	1,523,935	-	-	-	1,523,935
Protection	2,732,373	-	-	-	2,732,373
Public works	1,250,176	-	-	-	1,250,176
Waste water and pollution control	514,372	-	-	-	514,372
Solid waste management	826,909	-	-	-	826,909
Health and human services	153,145	-	-	-	153,145
Education	9,083,051	-	-	-	9,083,051
Parks and recreation	408,582	-	-	-	408,582
County tax	2,381,162	-	-	-	2,381,162
Cemeteries	102,943	-	-	6,484	109,427
Community services	241,294	-	-	-	241,294
Grant program expenses	-	255,311	-	-	255,311
Bad debt	-	19,730	-	-	19,730
Debt service					
Principal	1,356,754	-	55,600	-	1,412,354
Interest and loan fees	358,676	-	515	-	359,191
Capital outlay- leased assets	162,639	-	-	-	162,639
Capital outlay	-	-	2,497,291	-	2,497,291
Total expenditures	21,096,011	275,041	2,553,406	6,484	23,930,942
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	2,502,897	71,919	(2,170,901)	42,879	446,794
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Proceeds from capital lease	162,639	-	-	-	162,639
Transfers in	19,609	-	2,380,774	-	2,400,383
Transfers out	(2,380,774)	-	-	(19,609)	(2,400,383)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(2,198,526)	-	2,380,774	(19,609)	162,639
SPECIAL ITEM					
Proceeds from sale of property	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	304,371	71,919	209,873	23,270	609,433
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	4,954,040	1,520,633	7,813,575	1,035,702	15,323,950
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 5,258,411	\$ 1,592,552	\$ 8,023,448	\$ 1,058,972	\$ 15,933,383

Town of Skowhegan, Maine
Budgetary Comparison Schedule- DRAFT
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts			Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
	Original	Changes**	Final*		
REVENUES					
Property taxes	\$ 14,845,941	\$ -	\$ 14,845,941	\$ 14,928,045	\$ 82,104
Excise and miscellaneous taxes	1,305,000	-	1,305,000	1,513,334	208,334
Fees and fines	53,820	-	53,820	71,819	17,999
Licenses and permits	34,650	-	34,650	32,011	(2,639)
Intergovernmental	6,507,199	4,076	6,511,275	6,541,050	29,775
Charges for services	297,656	-	297,656	348,547	50,891
Investment and interest earnings	30,000	-	30,000	43,210	13,210
Contributions and reimbursements	55,832	-	55,832	44,198	(11,634)
Miscellaneous	33,679	-	33,679	76,694	43,015
Total revenues	23,163,777	4,076	23,167,853	23,598,908	431,055
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government	1,946,084	-	1,946,084	1,523,935	422,149
Protection	2,892,008	-	2,892,008	2,732,373	159,635
Public works	1,369,163	-	1,369,163	1,250,176	118,987
Waste water and pollution control	585,238	-	585,238	514,372	70,866
Solid waste management	866,027	-	866,027	826,909	39,118
Health and human services	221,467	-	221,467	153,145	68,322
Education	9,083,051	-	9,083,051	9,083,051	-
Parks and recreation	474,367	-	474,367	408,582	65,785
County tax	2,381,162	-	2,381,162	2,381,162	-
Cemeteries	105,308	-	105,308	102,943	2,365
Community services	241,294	-	241,294	241,294	-
Debt service					
Principal	1,387,260	-	1,387,260	1,387,260	-
Interest and other charges	348,179	-	348,179	328,170	20,009
Total expenditures	21,900,608	-	21,900,608	20,933,372	967,236
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	1,263,169	4,076	1,267,245	2,665,536	1,398,291
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Use of carryover fund balances	1,182,071	-	1,182,071	-	(1,182,071)
Overlay	(71,042)	-	(71,042)	-	71,042
Proceeds from capital lease	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers in	17,500	-	17,500	19,609	2,109
Transfers out	(2,391,698)	(4,076)	(2,395,774)	(2,380,774)	15,000
Total other financing sources (uses)	(1,263,169)	(4,076)	(1,267,245)	(2,361,165)	(1,093,920)
SPECIAL ITEM					
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	304,371	\$ 304,371
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING				4,954,040	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING				\$ 5,258,411	

* includes use of assigned carryover accounts

** reclassification of budget, use of assigned carryovers and additional revenues, and transfers between budget articles as allowed by budget

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Town of Skowhegan

Town Manager

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To: Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan

As your Town Manager, it is my pleasure and privilege to submit a report of the municipal activities by the various department heads, committees and organizations. The Town Report is a valuable resource of information and insight as to what is taking place in our community. You will find the June 2021 Annual Town Meeting Warrant located at the end of this Town Report.

2020 was a year that will always be synonymous with the Coronavirus pandemic, and I don't believe any of us would have been able to anticipate how this year would go. We have seen significant social and economic disruption. However, we have also seen resilience and a community that has come together to help those in need.

Many businesses and industries have struggled, but home sales and building materials are soaring. The Town has surprisingly had high tax collection rates. We sent out less tax liens and tax foreclosure notices in 2020 than any other year that I've been in this office. This is likely due to federal stimulus funds received by our taxpayers.

Going into this year, we decided to put off some of the Town departments' needs not knowing how the pandemic would affect our taxpayers. Therefore, you will see increases in this coming year's funding requests. The budget also includes the first interest payments on the bond for the new Public Safety Building that was passed by referendum vote on November 3, 2020.

Despite the challenges of this past year, there are many large building projects in the works, both private and public. We are still working with Maine DOT on a feasibility study for a new bridge. We expect to submit permits for the Run of River whitewater park to state and federal agencies by Summer of 2021. And we hope to have the police and fire departments moved into the new Public Safety Building in December 2022. I hope that you share my appreciation for this community and vision of a bright future. Town of Skowhegan is definitely a "Place to Watch".

Last but not least, I must thank our amazing team. *Board of Selectmen:* Paul York, Chairman; Betty Austin, Vice Chairman; Charles Robbins, Todd Smith, and Roger Staples. *Department Heads:* Trisha Austin, Finance/Human Resource Director; Bryan Belliveau, Code Enforcement Officer/Transfer Station Supervisor; David Bucknam, Police Chief; Brent Dickey, Pollution Control Plant Superintendent; Gregory Dore, Road Commissioner; Jeffrey Hewett, Economic and Community Development Director; Shawn Howard, Fire Chief; Denise LeBlanc, Parks and Recreation Director; Gail Pelotte, Town Clerk/Treasurer and William Van Tuinen, Contracted Assessor. *My assistant:* Cara Mason, Executive Secretary/Opera House Manager and *all of the staff in each of our departments.* It's your dedication that contributes to our success. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine Almand".

Christine Almand
Town Manager

Paul York, Chairman
Betty Austin, Vice Chairman
Charles Robbins
Todd Smith
Roger Staples

Town of Skowhegan

Board of Selectmen

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To all Citizens of Skowhegan,

This past year certainly has been a challenging one. People have struggled in the business world as well as on a personal level. Businesses have had to change how they operate with lower capacity and some businesses not even able to open. People have been working from home or not working at all. Moving forward things seem to be getting better. People have been getting vaccinated and the Governor is starting to open things up. Maine people are strong and caring. You hear stories every day of people stepping up to lend a helping hand. We will get thru this.

Moving into 2021 is looking good for Skowhegan. We have several projects taking place and even more in the talking phase at this point. We have narrowed down the Location of the new Public Safety building and moving forward on getting it built. This is a much-needed facility and certainly very exciting. Main Street is continuing to work on the Run of River project and moving forward nicely. Lake George is doing many improvements to their facility which will be a big asset to the area. We have several new businesses in town which is exciting to see. People seem to be investing in Skowhegan.

I would like to take the time to thank all town employees for the extra work they have put in during this pandemic. It certainly has been trying at times but you all have pushed thru and got it done. We have been able to continue all services with all the hard work so again thank you all.

Sincerely,

Paul York

Paul York
Chairman, Board of selectman

TOWN OF SKOWHEGAN

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Elected and Appointed Officials

Departments and Committees

By:

Gail R. Pelotte, Town Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

SELECTMEN – 3 YEAR TERMS

Terms Expiring 2020

E. Gene Rouse, Vice Chairman

Terms Expiring 2021

Roger Staples

Dennis Willette (Elected 6/11/2019)

Terms Expiring 2022

Betty Austin

Paul York, Chairman

ASSESSORS – 3 YEAR TERMS

Bonnie Baker – Vice Chairman-2020

John Grohs, Chairman - 2021

Harvey Austin Jr.- 2022

**OVERSEERS OF THE POOR –
3 YEAR TERMS**

Lisa Toles – 2020

Jennifer Olsen - 2021

Vacant – 2022

**TOWN CLERK & TREASURER –
3 YEAR TERMS**

Gail R. Pelotte – 2021

**ROAD COMMISSIONER –
3 YEAR TERM**

Gregory Dore – 2021

**PARK COMMISSIONERS –
5 YEAR TERMS**

Michael Lambke-2020

Peter Foxwell – 2021

Robert Haynes - 2021

David Barter, Treasurer/Secretary – 2022

Jeanne Shay - 2024

**DIRECTORS OF SAD #54 –
3 YEAR TERMS**

Terms Expiring 2020:

Mark Bedard

Jeannine Conley

Derek Ellis

Margaret Lovejoy

Terms Expiring 2021:

Harold Bigelow

Lynda Quinn

Amy Rouse

Todd Smith

Terms Expiring 2022

Michael Lambke

Jennifer Poirier

Karen Smith

APPOINTED OFFICIALS, COMMITTEES & DEPARTMENTS
July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE

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Christine Almand- Town Manager /
Tax Collector / Emergency Mgmt
Director / Safety Commissioner /
Purchasing Agent / Agent to
Overseer of the Poor / General
Assistance Director
Cara Mason, Executive Secretary /
Opera House Manager

SELECTMEN – FINANCE OFFICERS

Paul York, Finance Officer
Gene Rouse, Deputy Finance Officer

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Telephone: 474-6903

William VanTuinen, Contract Assessor
Leisa Porter, Assessor's Clerk

**MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SUPERINTENDENT**

Dayson Davis

**CODE ENFORCEMENT / PLUMBING
INSPECTOR / BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Telephone: 474-6904

Bryan Belliveau (A 7/22/19)
Cynthia Kirk, Secretary
Leo Mayo, Alternate Plumbing Inspector /
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer /
Alternate Building Inspector

TREE WARDEN-1 YEAR TERM

Christine Almand

FINANCE OFFICER / HUMAN RESOURCE

Telephone: 474-6900

Trisha Austin

TOWN CLERK / TREASURER

Telephone: 474-6900 or 474-6902

Gail R. Pelotte, Town Clerk / Treasurer
Deputy Tax Collector, Municipal
Agent
Tonja Lary, Collections Clerk
Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy
Treasurer
Larry Bonneau, Collections Clerk
Jennifer Tenan, Collections Clerk,
Deputy Tax Collector
Chelsea Gardiner, Collections Clerk

PUBLIC ACCESS OFFICER

Gail R. Pelotte

GENERAL ASSISTANCE CASEWORKER

Telephone: 474-6900

Chelsea Gardiner (3/25/19)

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Telephone: 474-6911

Gregory Dore, Road Commissioner
Charles Bess III
Randy Bowden
Jason Finley (A 8/25/20)
Chad Folsom (L 4/27/20)
William George (A 5/11/20)
Michael Gordon (A 7/1/19)
Corey Johnson
Robert Lawson (A 8/10/20)
Bruce Madore (A 11/4/19) (L 1/25/21)
William Marsh, Jr.
Walter Powell
Casey Quimby (A 10/9/19) (L 4/9/20)
Matthew Quimby (A 10/5/20)
Heath Whitney (A 2/11/19) (R 5/6/20)
Duane Whitemore (T to SWMF 10/8/19)

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Telephone: 474-6905

Jeffrey Hewett, Director
Dena Rich, Secretary

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT-

Telephone: 474-6901

Denise LeBlanc, Director
Michael Hoyt, Program Assistant
Stephen McDaniel, Maintenance Supervisor
Brent Cook, Staff Assistant
Paris Duhamel, Staff Assistant (R 11/6/19)
(A 6/15/20)

TRANSFER STATION / RECYCLING CENTER

Telephone: 474-6918

Bryan Belliveau, Supervisor (A 7/22/19)
Steven Foss, Attendant
Thomas Smith, Attendant (Ret. 10/30/20)
James Travers, Attendant
Furnie White, Attendant

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Telephone: 474-6904

Cynthia Kirk, Recording Secretary

BOARD MEMBERS – 5 YR TERMS

Terms Expiring 2020:
Steve Conley, Chairman

Terms Expiring 2021:
Stephen Gould
Brady Chapman

Terms Expiring 2022:
Kris Laney

Terms Expiring 2023:
Steve St. Pierre

Term Expiring 2024:
Harvey Austin, Jr.
Todd Smith, Vice Chairman

Note: Planning Board Members are also Comprehensive Planning members

POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT

Telephone: 474-6909

Brent Dickey, Superintendent
Gary Cowan II, Operator
Michael Nelson, Mechnic
Kelly Dore, Asst. Operator

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Shawn Howard, Fire Chief
Richard Caldwell, Captain
Joseph Almand (A 5/11/20)
Linwood Corson (Ret. 12/4/19)
Jason Frost, Captain
Scott Libby
Matthew Quinn
Michael S. Savage, Captain
Ty Strout
Matthew Winters (A 11/4/19) (L 4/22/20)
Daryl Wyman

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAINE-1 YEAR

Rev. Mark Tanner

CALL FIREFIGHTERS

Joseph Almand (FT 5/11/20)
Jimmy Bigelow
Kristi Billington (A 8/14/19)
Bradley Bosworth
Danny Bosworth
Jordan Burdet
Josh Corson (R 12/16/19)
Shawn Enright
Ashley Higgins
Ryan Johnston
Jason Kirk (A 9/15/19)
Bryan LaPointe
Thomas Lyons, Jr
Alan Nickerson (R 12/16/19)
Timothy Pomelow
Devin Provencal
Nicholas Quimby
Tyler Savage
Josh Stewart
Scott Washburn
Matthew Winters (A 4/23/20)
Eric Witham

FIRE WARDEN

Shawn Howard, Fire Chief

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Richard Caldwell
Joseph Almand (FT 5/11/20)
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

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Christine Almand

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD MEMBERS – 1 YEAR TERMS

Karol Youney, Chairman
Joy Mase, Vice Chairman
Evalyn Bowman
Randall Gray
June Lowe

SKOWHEGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD MEMBERS – 1 YEAR TERMS

Kurt Maynard, Chairman
Bill Finley, Vice Chairman
Kristina Cannon
Cole Clement (A 6/9/20)
Matt Dubois
Sally Dwyer
Jason Gayne
Reid Gibson
Todd Smith

HEALTH OFFICER – 5 YR TERM

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Timothy Malyk- 2024

2015 FAÇADE COMMITTEE 1 YEAR TERMS

Steve Gould
Christopher Perkins
Donna Russakoff

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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David Bucknam, Chief
Brian Gardiner, Dep. Chief
Kris McKenna (FT 10/28/19 Prom to
Sgt 6/23/20)
Timothy Williams (Prom 7/18/19 Corp
Corp to Sgt 12/23/19)
Michael Bachelder, Detective
Kelly Hooper, Detective Sgt.
Hebert Oliver, Sergeant (R 9/15/19)
Katelyn Nichols, Detective
Nancy Weis, Admin. Asst.

Police Officers

Jacob Boudreau (FT R 12/1/19)
(FT A 4/1/20)
Andrew Bowman
Alex Burns
Joel Cummings
David Daigneault, School Resource Officer
Amber Damon (R 3/29/20)
Jacob Pierce (A 2/12/20)
Isaac Wacome (A 2/12/20 R 5/28/20)
Tifani P.V. Warren
Joshua York

Reserve Police Officers

Jacob Boudreau (A 12/2/19 R 3/31/20)
Teresa Brown (R 8/30/19)
Garrett Buzzell
Emily Dix (A 6/23/20)
Billie Hatfield (FT 1/14/20)
Kris McKenna (A 9/14/18)
Ashley Smith (A 6/23/20)
Matthew Winters (A 2/12/19)

Constables

David Bucknam
Joel Cummings
Brian Gardiner
Herbert Oliver (R 9/15/19)

**PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE
TERMS EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2020
(New committee formed 7/22/14)**

Voting Members

Fire Chief: Shawn Howard
Police Chief: David Bucknam
CEO: Bryan Belliveau, (A 7/22/19)

Road Commissioner: Greg Dore
Selectman: Gene Rouse and Paul York
Primary Citizens:

Steven Conley
Beverly Fitzsimmons
Stephen Gould
Warren Shay
Steven Spaulding

Alternate Citizens:
Todd Smith
Newell Graf

Non-voting Members

Town Manager: Christine Almand

Fire Captains:

Michael Savage
Vacant

Deputy Police Chief: Brian Gardiner

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER –
1 YEAR TERMS**

Sharon Kinney
Cara Mason, Alternate Animal Control
Officer (A 2/11/20)

FENCE VIEWERS – 1 YEAR TERMS

Gene Rouse
Dennis Willette

**SURVEYOR OF LUMBER –
1 YEAR TERM**

Felix Quirion

**RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
1 YEAR TERMS**

Paula Doughty
Beverly Fitzsimmons
Shawn Howard
Colin Quinn
Carlene Sirois
Soren Siren

CEMETERY SEXTON – 1 YEAR TERM
Telephone: 474-9316

Mark Bossie

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Mark Bossie, Sexton
Melvin Burnham, Vice Chairman
David James, Chairman
Mary Lou Holden Mollerus
Gene Rouse, Selectman's Rep.
Donald Young (A 12/23/19)
Felix Quirion, Honorary Member
Gail R. Pelotte, Secretary

**BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW-
3 YEAR TERMS**

Bill Finley - 2020
Warren Shay – 2021, Chairman
Christopher Perkins – 2022
Cara Mason, Secretary

.ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Bradley Corson - 2022
Mayron Corson - 2021
Howard Sevey, Secretary – 2020

TOWN ATTORNEYS – 1 YEAR TERMS

Kenneth Lexier
Warren Shay

HERITAGE COUNCIL – 5 YEAR TERMS

Terms Expiring 2023:

Gail Kay
Katie Quilette
Barry Sites, Vice Chairman
Robert Washburn, Chairman
Shirley Whittemore

Term Expiring 2024:

Evalyn Bowman

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION –
5 YEAR TERMS**

Term Expiring 2020:

Corey Hinkle
Tristen Hinkle
Sherri Vigue (R 3/10/20)

Terms Expiring 2023:

Corey Johnson

Terms Expiring 2024:

Kate Drummond
Dylan Engler
Kevin McFadden
Barry Sites

**CHANNEL 11 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
(Staggered expiration dates
implemented)**

Term Expiring 2020:

Bonnie Young

Term Expiring 2021:

Jeff Evans

**BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE
3 YEAR TERMS**

Terms Expiring 2020:

Rebekah Shankar
Judi York

Terms Expiring 2021:

Michelle Cummings
Patrick Dore
Ida Earle
John Grohs

Terms Expiring 2022:

David James
Christian Savage

**LAKE GEORGE COMMITTEE –
3 YEAR TERMS EXPIRING 2024**

Ganna Chugay
Daniel Dickey (A 11/26/19)
J P Kennedy
Warren Shay
Michael Spooner (A 3/10/2)

**RUN OF RIVER COMMITTEE
1 YEAR TERMS**

Betty Austin
Kristina Cannon
Clayton Cole
Jason Cooke
Gregory Dore
Bill Finley
Jason Gayne
Karen Hart
Jeff Hewett
Shawn Howard
Denise LeBlanc
Jeff McCabe
Craig Taylor
Taylor Walker
Anna Staehli Wiser

**DOWNTOWN TIF OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE – 1 YEAR TERM**

Vicki Alward
Billy Finley
Sam Hight
Christine Almand
Amber Lambke
Travis Works

**OPERA HOUSE COMMITTEE
1 YEAR TERMS**

Cara Mason
Jeff Hewett
Jon Kimbell
Fred Liebfried
Jim Preble

**FACADE COMMITTEE
1 YEAR TERMS**

Steve Gould
Christopher Perkins
Donna Russakoff

**SIDEWALK COMMITTEE
1 YEAR TERMS**

Gregory Dore
Steven Govoni
Richard Irwin
Denise LeBlanc
Richard Smith

**SECOND BRIDGE COMMITTEE
1 YEAR TERMS**

Christine Almand
Betty Austin
Greg Dore
Jason Gayne
Steve Govoni
Joel Greenwood
Sam Hight
Christian Savage
Roger Staples
Rodney Whittemore
Mark Wilson

**AGE FRIENDLY STEERING COMMITTEE
1 YEAR TERMS (New Committee
8/13/2019)**

Deb Casey
Jeff Hewett
Bill Laney
Jennifer Olsen
Roger Renfrew
Dena Rich
Elaine Wallace
Gary Wallace

ELECTION OFFICIALS

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS TWO YEAR TERMS EXPIRING 1/1/2021

Gail Pelotte, Town Clerk/Registrar of Voters
Tonja Lary, Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy Registrar of Voters
Jennifer Tenan, Deputy Registrar of Voters
Larry Bonneau, Deputy Registrar of Voters
Chelsea Gardiner, Deputy Registrar of Voters

VOTER REGISTRATION APPEALS BOARD

Laurie Greenleaf, Chair-Term Expiring 3/10/2024 – 4 Year Term
Linda Smith, Democrat – Term Expiring 3/27/2021 – 3 Year Term
Christopher Perkins, Republican – Term Expiring 3/27/2021 – 3 Year Term

ELECTION/BALLOT CLERKS TERMS EXPIRING May 1, 2020 2 YEAR TERMS

Democrats

Jane Arthur
Melvin Burnham
Kathleen Corcoran
Kathryn Evans
Edythe Gervais
Jason Giacomazzo
Olivia Gray
Rose Gray
Laurie Greenleaf
Bertha Irwin
Richard Irwin, Sr.
Janet McGowan
Theresa Norman
Sharon Provost
Margaret Reid
Michelle Robbins
Linda Smith
Richard Smith

Republicans

Shirley Aube
Sheila Beauford
Judy Clark
Angela Demo
Barbara Demo
Violet Ferland
June Lowe
Patricia Maynard
Gail McKenney
Mary Lou Holden Mollerus
Beverly Noonan
Rebecca Poulin
Frances Savage
Mary Simonoff
Ann Spaulding
Cheryl Staples
Jeannean Taylor

Voter Registration Report

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Skowhegan

The following meetings and elections were held during this period:

Statewide Referendum Election, November 5, 2019

Presidential Primary/Special Referendum, March 3, 2020

The number of voters presently registered is:

Democrats 2013

Republicans 1924

Green Independents 190

Unenrolled 2116

Total 6243

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail R. Pelotte

Gail R. Pelotte

Registrar of Voters

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Senator Angus King
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or

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Jennifer L. Poirier

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February 15, 2021

Skowhegan Town Clerk
255 Water Street
Skowhegan, ME 04976

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you for electing me to serve as your State Representative. Serving the residents of House District 107 in the Maine Legislature is a responsibility that I take seriously and I am honored that you have entrusted me to be your voice at our State Capitol.

On December 2nd, the 130th Legislature was sworn-in at the Augusta Civic Center instead of the chambers at the State House as a safety precaution due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

This session, our biggest priority is addressing the next biennial budget with which we're facing a serious budget shortfall over the next three years. Difficult decisions will have to be made for prioritizing resources to make ends meet.

I encourage you to actively participate in your state government. Phone calls and letters are always a welcomed avenue for providing feedback. This session, with the increased utilization in remote meetings and hearings, happenings in Augusta are now even more accessible. Using the homepage of the Maine Legislature: **Legislature.Maine.Gov**, you will find access to Zoom meetings, public hearings, and YouTube videos providing updates on the latest at our State Capitol.

To join my weekly eNewsletter featuring current state news, please contact me at Jennifer.Poirier@legislature.maine.gov and I will happily add you to my distribution.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Poirier".

Jennifer L. Poirier
State Representative



Brad Farrin
Senator, District 3

130th MAINE SENATE

3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

An Update from Senator Brad Farrin

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

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

Brad Farrin
State Senator

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CHAIRMAN
APPROPRIATIONS
HEALTH, EDUCATION,
LABOR, AND PENSIONS
SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE

Dear Friends:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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WASHINGTON, DC 20510

COMMITTEES:
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INTELLIGENCE
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

January 1, 2021

Dear Friends,

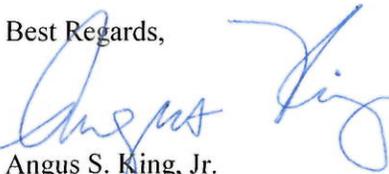
2020 was a year unlike any in our lifetimes. Our state and nation dealt with unprecedented challenges--the coronavirus pandemic, ensuing economic fallout, and a prolonged, heavily divisive campaign season each took a significant toll on all of us. The worst part? In order to protect each other, we had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

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

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

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

Best Regards,



Angus S. King, Jr.
United States Senator

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

Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

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

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

Respectfully,

Jared Golden
Member of Congress



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

Dear Friends:

When I took the oath of office as Maine's 75th governor, I never imagined that we would face a deadly pandemic. But that is our reality, and it is my responsibility to guide our state through this time, to keep Maine people safe and healthy, and to put our economy on a path to recovery.

COVID-19 has wreaked havoc on our national economy, dealing heavy losses to businesses of all sizes, and leaving millions of people unemployed. Here in Maine it has taken the lives of hundreds of people and sickened many more. Since the arrival of the first vaccines in December 2020, we have been working to get as many shots into the arms of Maine people as quickly and efficiently as possible.

While our spirits are lifted and we share in a collective sense of relief, particularly for frontline health care workers who are exhausted and have been working around the clock to save lives, it will take months to administer the vaccine to all Maine people and we must keep our guard up. In the coming months, I look forward to working with you in fully opening our schools and businesses across the state. We will hasten our state's recovery if we wear our masks, watch our distance, avoid gatherings, and wash our hands.

My Administration, in collaboration with public health experts and business leaders across the state, developed a plan to gradually and safely restart Maine's economy. We also formed an Economic Recovery Committee charged with assessing the economic impacts of the pandemic on Maine's economy and providing recommendations for policy changes to deal with these impacts. Together, drawing on the hard work and resilience of Maine people, we will rebuild and strengthen our economy and rise from this unprecedented challenge to be a stronger, better state than ever.

I continue to be amazed by the strength and courage of the Maine people and businesses who have found different ways to do business and the brave first responders in your town and in our health care facilities. Thank you to the people of Maine who have demonstrated patience, kindness, and compassion during this difficult time.

Please take care,

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

Janet T. Mills
Governor

P.S. For the latest information and guidance on Maine's response to COVID-19, as well as resources for assistance during this time, please visit www.maine.gov/covid19/.

Town Manager, Christine Almand

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Town of Skowhegan

Town Manager

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT 2020

As Tax Collector, I am responsible for the collection and administration of property taxes for the Town of Skowhegan. Property tax is defined as any tax, fee, charge, or assessment imposed by any government entity upon property or a property owner as a direct consequence of being owner of that property. There are three types of property subject to taxes: real estate, personal property, and motor vehicle. All real estate within Maine, not exempted from taxation by Maine law, and most business personal property of Maine, is subject to taxation according to its status on the first day of April.

I would like to remind all tax payers that real estate and personal property taxes are paid twice a year, typically due on September 15th and March 15th. The installment dates for taxes to be due and the interest rate for delinquent taxes are determined by the voters at annual town meeting. It is the responsibility of the taxpayer to ensure that payment is made on time. Late payments will result in interest penalties.

The tax lien process for delinquent taxes must be commenced no later than one year from the date of commitment. A 30-day notice commences the tax lien mortgage process. The notice must be served after the expiration of eight months and within one year of the date of commitment. The tax lien could ultimately result in foreclosure if the taxes are not paid before the lien matures.

The Town of Skowhegan continues to offer a "Tax Club", and we hope that more people will take advantage of the club each year. The Tax Club allows several monthly, interest-free payments for a taxpayer's primary and legal residence. All previous years' taxes must be paid in full before enrolling. Please note that late payments will cancel enrollment, and interest will be applied to the unpaid balance. The enrollment period begins after tax commitment which is typically in August or early September and ends a month later. Please contact the Clerk's Office located at 225 Water Street or by calling 474-6900 to enroll or for more information.

In closing, I'd like to thank all of the staff in the Clerk's Office for the often thankless work that they do to collect taxes. Special thanks and recognition go to the Town Clerk/Treasurer, Gail Pelotte for going above and beyond to work with taxpayers to get their accounts current.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Christine Almand".

Christine Almand
Town Manager

Office of Assessors
Town of Skowhegan
225 Water Street
Skowhegan, Maine 04976
(207) 474-6903 email: lemery@skowhegan.org

TAXPAYER'S NOTICE

REAL ESTATE:

If you have constructed, altered or removed any buildings since April 1, 2020 and on or before April 1, 2021, please notify the Assessors' Office at 474-6903.

BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY:

If you have started a new business, you need to notify the Assessors' Office to obtain forms for filing a list of your business furniture and equipment.

In accordance with Title 36, Section 706A of the Maine Revised Statutes, failure to furnish lists of taxable property or any of the aforementioned changes on or before the dates requested will bar one's right of an abatement of taxes.

EXEMPTIONS:

Taxation is the rule and exemption is the exception. If you think your property should have an exemption, and you are not already receiving it, you have an obligation to make the Assessors aware of the legal category of exemption the property may qualify for. All notifications and applications for exemption shall be made no later than April 1, 2022, for the 2022-2023 tax year. In the case of property owned by individuals, possible exemptions are for certain veterans, blind persons, and homestead owners as described below.

VETERANS:

All veterans who will be 62 years of age on or before April 1, 2022, any widow or minor children of veterans who would have been 62 years of age as of April 1, 2022 should contact the Assessors' office to see if they are eligible for a tax exemption. Any veteran who is receiving a 100% disability pension from the Veterans Administration should call to see if they are eligible for an exemption. Applications for veteran's exemption must be made with this office on or before April 1, 2022. If you are currently receiving a veteran's exemption, you do not need to reapply.

BLIND:

Any person who is declared blind by a Licensed Doctor should notify the Assessors' Office on or before April 1, 2022 to see if he or she is eligible for a tax exemption. If you are already receiving such an exemption, you do not need to reapply.

HOMESTEAD:

A person who owns his or her own home and has owned a home in Maine for at least 12 months prior to April 1, 2022 can apply for a Homestead Exemption. The application needs to be received by April 1, 2022. This exemption from taxation went into effect in 1998. We are assuming that it will be available in 2022 as well. One can only receive this exemption on the home that is his or her residence. If you are currently receiving this exemption, and you still reside in the same home, you do not need to reapply.

Respectfully submitted,

William Van Tuinen, Agent to the Board of Assessors

Leisa D. Emery-Burns, Assistant Assessor

2020 Uncollected Real Estate Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

ARCHER, AMBER	\$	317.84
ARCHER, LINDA J	\$	672.68
BAIKO, PAUL	\$	1,206.71
BEANE, STEVEN	\$	174.24
BEANE, STEVEN A SR	\$	766.82
BELANGER, DUSTIN	\$	2,436.58
BICKFORD, WILLIAM	\$	2,545.40
BLODGETT, KERT	\$	585.05
BOWMAN, DENNIS L JR	\$	1,226.34
BRAGDON, PETER	\$	2,912.83
BUSHEY, SCOTT	\$	226.21
BUSSELL, APRIL	\$	143.34
BUSSELL, ERIC	\$	385.10
CASSIDY, DANA	\$	19,129.66
CASSIDY, DANA	\$	3,353.46
CASSIDY, DANA	\$	1,413.93
CASSIDY, DANA	\$	1,957.44
CHAPMAN, BRENDA L (POTTLE)	\$	257.85
CHAPMAN, JUANITA D	\$	635.94
CHESLEY, GEORGE PAUL	\$	1,166.84
CIPRIANO, ANTHONY	\$	2,133.77
CLEMENTS, ANNE L - EST OF	\$	1,470.29
COOLEY, DEVIN S	\$	595.58
CORSON, RENEE A	\$	748.64
CUTTEN, GEORGE	\$	568.68
DAUPHINEE, TY E	\$	606.64
DAVIS, CELESTE A	\$	904.96
DEMMONS, CARLTON	\$	70.74
DERBYSHIRE, JAMES A	\$	1,010.40
DERBYSHIRE, JAMES A	\$	1,023.12
DERBYSHIRE, JAMES A	\$	1,037.29
DERBYSHIRE, JAMES A	\$	1,226.34
DERBYSHIRE, JAMES A	\$	851.88
DOIRON, AARON A	\$	446.90
DORE, CONSTANCE J	\$	99.30
DUMAS, BOBBI-JO A	\$	769.48
EAST COAST MERCHANT SERVICES INC	\$	1,365.93
ELLIOTT, SHAWNA A	\$	680.65
ENAIRE, CHAD	\$	766.82
EVERETT, RYAN	\$	1,323.05
EVERETT, RICKY	\$	1,168.18
EVERETT, RICKY B	\$	299.66
FLETCHER, ALICIA L	\$	2,069.40
FOLSOM, CHRISTOPHER	\$	2,862.31
FREDERICK, RYAN M	\$	726.53
GEHRKE, ANGELINA M	\$	392.37
GENNESS, ALEXANDER M	\$	60.86
GILBERT, BRIAN A	\$	2,906.31
GOLD, NANCY LEIGH - PR	\$	1,048.20
GRAF, RAYMOND N SR	\$	33.03
GRAF, ROBERT M	\$	1,916.57
GRANT, JAMES	\$	350.19

2020 Uncollected Real Estate Taxes (continued)

GRAY, JOHNNY A	\$	388.73
GRAY, JOHNNY A	\$	933.74
HARTLEY, STACEY C	\$	575.95
HARVILLE, THOMAS W	\$	1,833.84
HARVILLE, THOMAS W	\$	670.48
HARVILLE, THOMAS W	\$	986.76
HARVILLE, THOMAS W	\$	1,452.11
HARVILLE, THOMAS W	\$	1,192.17
HARVILLE, THOMAS W	\$	912.24
HARVILLE, THOMAS W	\$	937.69
HAYDEN, HEIDI	\$	610.49
HEWETT, LORI	\$	1,112.19
HILTON, KENNETH ARTHUR JR	\$	1,013.67
HORSIN' AROUND HOLDING COMPANY LLC	\$	1,333.99
HYDE, CYNTHIA	\$	582.24
JEWELL, GREGORY W	\$	1,144.91
JOHNSON, BRIAN L	\$	761.22
JOHNSON, CYPRIEN J	\$	2,728.17
JOHNSON, JACOBY R	\$	995.85
JOHNSON, NICHOLE M	\$	89.41
JONES, JORDAN M	\$	640.94
JOYCE, RAYMOND A - ESTATE OF	\$	2,177.38
KEANE, MANDI	\$	121.52
KEENE, MARTHA S	\$	91.14
KEITHAN, JAMES A - LIFE ESTATE	\$	844.98
KENNEDY, ROY H	\$	794.09
KING, ROXANN	\$	450.53
KINGSBURY, DAVID L	\$	2,567.83
KNIGHT, HEATHER L	\$	826.81
KRAMER, KENT D	\$	1,433.93
LACASSE, KAREN J	\$	963.13
LACASSE, MARK J & KELLY M - 2/3 INT	\$	2,542.38
LACASSE, RICHARD	\$	1,101.29
LACASSE, RICHARD	\$	530.51
LACASSE, RICHARD	\$	859.15
LACASSE, RICHARD A	\$	1,000.94
LACASSE, RICHARD A	\$	2,004.33
LACASSE, RICHARD A	\$	1,489.92
LACASSE, RICHARD A	\$	2,768.15
LACASSE, RICHARD A	\$	1,001.32
LACASSE, RICHARD A	\$	1,152.18
LAWLER, KEITH - PERS REP	\$	1,188.54
LOCKE, ROLAND H	\$	634.13
LUCE, SARAH JANE - PERS REP	\$	1,337.60
LUCE, SARAH JANE - PERS REP	\$	552.33
MALBON, RYAN	\$	952.23
MALLARD, ROBERT JR	\$	548.01
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE	\$	3,687.19
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	2,384.24
MCGOWAN, ROBERT W	\$	510.53
MERROW, TIMOTHY J	\$	1,246.33
MILLETT, MONYA R - HEIRS OF	\$	2,362.80
PATURZO, RONALD	\$	1,353.98

2020 Uncollected Real Estate Taxes (continued)

PERKINS, BRUCE A JR	\$	528.70
PERKINS, BRUCE L	\$	403.28
PERKINS, JARED M	\$	1,390.31
PETERS, JAMES J	\$	1,716.70
PICARDI, MIRA	\$	1,486.64
PICARDI, PETER J	\$	820.62
PICARDI, PETER J	\$	2,275.55
PIERCE, KIM D	\$	92.94
POMELOW, JEREMY	\$	495.60
PRENTISS, GORDON	\$	1,568.44
PUGSLEY, LEE	\$	1,684.40
PUGSLEY, LEE	\$	1,076.91
ROLLINS, ARNOLD S	\$	1,269.96
ROODE, MARY O	\$	550.50
ROONEY, ANNABELLE - LIFE EST	\$	1,351.76
S & P AMES LLC	\$	15,977.03
SALISBURY, GREGORY J	\$	3,107.71
SALISBURY, PETER A	\$	1,031.46
SANBORN, VALERIE - PR	\$	559.23
SANBORN, VALERIE - PR	\$	551.96
SANBORN, VALERIE - PR	\$	1,951.61
SAWYER, HERBERT - HEIRS OF	\$	479.62
SHAW, NORMAN	\$	510.53
SHAW, NORMAN	\$	1,397.58
SHAW, NORMAN R	\$	2,193.74
SHAW, NORMAN R	\$	708.65
SHAW, NORMAN R	\$	1,179.45
SIMPSON, JOEL ANDREW	\$	895.14
SINCYR, CHESTER W	\$	548.69
SIROIS, GLORIA F - LIFE ESTATES	\$	1,052.20
SMITH, KIMBERLY	\$	112.43
SMITH, RICHARD K	\$	2,129.75
SULLIVAN, GERALD - ESTATE OF	\$	862.92
TANNER, MARK K	\$	2,271.91
TANNER, MARK K	\$	2,377.34
TOZIER, DAVID L	\$	358.85
TRINITY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH	\$	470.53
WASHBURN, TIMOTHY M JR	\$	1,006.77
WATERVILLE OAKS, LLC	\$	3,457.08
WEEKS, DANA	\$	151.79
WHITE, CHRISTOPHER	\$	286.93
WHITE, CHRISTOPHER D	\$	817.71
WHITE, CHRISTOPHER D	\$	757.35
WHITE, CHRISTOPHER D - PERS REP	\$	97.89
WHITE, JOSHUA	\$	1,070.01
WITHAM, JENNIE	\$	81.82
TOTAL	\$	200,592.53

2008 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

FRENCHYS DINER	\$	162.39
JAMES DERBYSHIRE LLC	\$	2,401.60
M & D LP GAS SERVICE	\$	80.00
MISNER, DANIEL	\$	707.20
NORTH AVE CAR WASH	\$	83.20
SKOWHEGAN VILLAGE PIZZA	\$	160.00

TOTAL \$ 3,594.39

2009 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

FRENCHYS DINER	\$	192.60
JAMES DERBYSHIRE LLC	\$	2,409.11
M & D LP GAS SERVICE	\$	80.25
MISNER, DANIEL	\$	709.41
SKOWHEGAN VILLAGE PIZZA	\$	160.50

TOTAL \$ 3,551.87

2010 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

EMPIRE GRILL	\$	105.67
FRENCHYS DINER	\$	186.48
JAMES DERBYSHIRE LLC	\$	2,332.55
M & D LP GAS SERVICE	\$	83.45
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	4.50
MISNER, DANIEL	\$	686.87
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	46.62
WILL FOSTER BUILDERS	\$	8.26

TOTAL \$ 3,454.40

2011 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	1.15
CHARRIERS RESTAURANT & LOUNGE	\$	627.75
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	1,718.95
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	62.00
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	621.46
MISNER LAWN CARE	\$	499.10
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	46.50
WASHBURN & CO, LLC CONSTRUCTION	\$	62.00
WILL FOSTER BUILDERS	\$	62.00

TOTAL \$ 3,700.91

2012 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	153.84
CIT GROUP INC	\$	545.40
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	1,582.83
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	63.44
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	951.60
MISNER LAWN CARE	\$	466.28
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	47.58
WASHBURN & CO, LLC CONSTRUCTION	\$	63.44
WILL FOSTER BUILDERS	\$	63.44

TOTAL \$ 3,937.85

2013 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	163.62
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	1,411.02
GILBLAIR & SON TRUCKING	\$	162.59
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	64.80
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	972.00
MISNER LAWN CARE	\$	429.30
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	48.60
SUN RAYZ	\$	306.18
WASHBURN & CO, LLC CONSTRUCTION	\$	64.80
WILL FOSTER BUILDERS	\$	64.80
TOTAL	\$	3,687.71

2014 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	167.28
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	1,193.92
GILBLAIR & SON TRUCKING	\$	628.12
K & S GARAGE	\$	130.20
KID FRIENDLY	\$	8.20
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	65.60
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	984.00
MISNER LAWN CARE	\$	375.56
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	49.20
SUN RAYZ	\$	313.24
WASHBURN & CO, LLC CONSTRUCTION	\$	65.60
WILL FOSTER BUILDERS	\$	65.60
TOTAL	\$	4,046.52

2015 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	174.93
CUSTOM STRUCTURES	\$	68.60
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	977.55
GILBLAIR & SON TRUCKING	\$	51.45
HURRICANE CLEANERS	\$	32.58
LACASSE SHOE REPAIR	\$	186.93
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	68.60
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	1,029.00
MISNER LAWN CARE	\$	327.57
O.S.K. ALL IN ONE CONSIGNMENT	\$	15.43
ORA SALON	\$	15.43
SANDY & DAUGHTER, INC.	\$	730.59
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	51.45
SPENCER AUTO BODY	\$	85.75
SUN RAYZ	\$	329.28
TADPOLE ACADEMY - DAYCARE FACILITY	\$	5.15
TROPICAL SUNSATIONS -IND SUMMR	\$	10.29
WASHBURN & CO, LLC CONSTRUCTION	\$	68.60
TOTAL	\$	4,229.18

2016 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	190.32
COMMUNITY DRIVING SCHOOL	\$	14.64
CRAZY CUZIN'S QUALITY THRIFT SHOP	\$	18.30
CUSTOM STRUCTURES	\$	73.20
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	1,072.38
GILBLAIR & SON TRUCKING	\$	54.90
HORSIN' AROUND CHILDCARE	\$	32.60
HURRICANE CLEANERS	\$	124.44
KAREN'S KLOSET	\$	5.49
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$	60.39
LACASSE SHOE REPAIR	\$	203.13
M & D LP GAS SERVICE	\$	36.60
MAINELY MEALS	\$	54.90
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	73.20
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	1,098.00
MISNER LAWN CARE	\$	301.95
MISS KELLY'S LEARNING LOFT	\$	69.54
O.S.K. ALL IN ONE CONSIGNMENT	\$	16.47
ORA SALON	\$	12.81
SANDY & DAUGHTER, INC.	\$	786.90
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	54.90
SENTRY FINANCIAL CORP	\$	9.15
SKOWHEGAN CHIROPRACTIC	\$	431.80
SPENCER AUTO BODY	\$	91.50
SPICE OF LIFE	\$	151.89
TADPOLE ACADEMY - DAYCARE FACILITY	\$	5.49
TROPICAL SUNSATIIONS -IND SUMMR	\$	10.98
TOTAL	\$	5,055.87

2017 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	152.32
COMMUNITY DRIVING SCHOOL	\$	13.33
CRAZY CUZIN'S QUALITY THRIFT SHOP	\$	19.04
CUSTOM STRUCTURES	\$	76.16
EATON MOUNTAIN INC	\$	772.07
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	1,085.28
GILBLAIR & SON TRUCKING	\$	57.12
HORSIN' AROUND CHILDCARE	\$	85.68
HURRICANE CLEANERS	\$	118.05
JEN'S HAIR STUDIO	\$	59.02
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$	55.22
LACASSE SHOE REPAIR	\$	207.54
M & D LP GAS SERVICE	\$	38.08
MAINELY MEALS	\$	57.12
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	76.16
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	476.00
MISNER LAWN CARE	\$	310.35
MISS KELLY'S LEARNING LOFT	\$	57.12
O.S.K. ALL IN ONE CONSIGNMENT	\$	17.14
ORA SALON	\$	13.33
PERKINS,TOWNSEND,SHAY & TALBOT	\$	479.81
REJUVENATE SALON	\$	59.02
SANDY & DAUGHTER, INC.	\$	811.10
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	57.12
SKOWHEGAN CHIROPRACTIC	\$	190.40
SPICE OF LIFE	\$	158.03
SPRING HOUSE GARDENS ASSOC.	\$	297.02
TADPOLE ACADEMY - DAYCARE FACILITY	\$	5.71
THE NEW LOOK SALON	\$	19.04
TROPICAL SUNSATIIONS -IND SUMMR	\$	11.42
TOTAL	\$	5,834.80

2018 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

AKEENI RECOVERY AN D SERVICES	\$ 150.00
CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$ 164.00
COMMUNITY DRIVING SCHOOL	\$ 16.00
CUSTOM STRUCTURES	\$ 80.00
EATON MOUNTAIN INC	\$ 1650.00
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$ 1,172.00
HILL TOP ANTIQUES	\$ 10.00
HORSIN' AROUND CHILDCARE	\$ 90.00
HURRICANE CLEANERS	\$ 116.00
JEN'S HAIR STUDIO	\$ 62.00
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$ 50.00
LACASSE SHOE REPAIR	\$ 222.00
LYNETTE'S GIFTS N CARDS	\$ 18.00
MAGOON, MAURICE JR	\$ 700.00
MAINELY MEALS	\$ 60.00
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$ 80.00
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$ 500.00
NEW IMAGE HAIR & NAIL SALON	\$ 28.00
ORA SALON	\$ 14.00
RICK'S PIT STOP	\$ 10.00
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$ 60.00
SPRING HOUSE GARDENS ASSOC.	\$ 318.00
THE NEW LOOK SALON	\$ 20.00
TROPICAL SUNSATIIONS -IND SUMMR	\$ 12.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,602.00

2019 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

AKEENI RECOVERY AN D SERVICES	\$ 136.50
BLACKMAN'S KENNELS	\$ 3.64
BLOOM, LAWRENCE P , ATTORNEY	\$ 30.94
CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$ 152.88
COMMUNITY DRIVING SCHOOL	\$ 14.56
CUSTOM STRUCTURES	\$ 72.80
EATON MOUNTAIN INC	\$ 1539.72
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$ 1,095.64
HILL TOP ANTIQUES	\$ 9.10
HORSIN' AROUND CHILDCARE	\$ 81.90
HURRICANE CLEANERS	\$ 98.28
ISLAND DAIRY TREAT	\$ 209.30
JEN'S HAIR STUDIO	\$ 56.42
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$ 38.22
LACASSE SHOE REPAIR	\$ 207.48
LYNETTE'S GIFTS N CARDS	\$ 16.38
MAGOON, MAURICE JR	\$ 637.00
MAINELY MEALS	\$ 54.60
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$ 72.80
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$ 455.00
NEW IMAGE HAIR & NAIL SALON	\$ 25.48
PAUL'S AUTO REPAIR	\$ 74.62
REJUVENATE SALON	\$ 56.42
RICK'S PIT STOP	\$ 9.10
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$ 54.60
SPRING HOUSE GARDENS ASSOC.	\$ 296.66
STONY BROOK MARKET	\$ 728.00
THE NEW LOOK SALON	\$ 18.20
TROPICAL SUNSATIIONS -IND SUMMR	\$ 10.92
TOTAL	\$ 6,257.16

2020 Uncollected Personal Property Taxes
As of April 1, 2021

CENTRAL MAINE WREATH	\$	65.51
CONSOLIDATED COMM OF NNE CO LLC	\$	9.51
CUSTOM STRUCTURES	\$	68.96
EATON MOUNTAIN INC	\$	1,511.95
FEDERAL EXPRESS CORPORATION	\$	0.80
GARDEN ISLAND OF SKOWHEGAN	\$	1,091.29
GENPLEX INC.	\$	15.88
GROHEGAN HYDROPONICS	\$	34.48
HILL TOP ANTIQUES	\$	10.34
HORSIN' AROUND CHILDCARE	\$	77.58
HURRICANE CLEANERS	\$	87.92
ISLAND DAIRY TREAT	\$	194.81
JEN'S HAIR STUDIO	\$	53.44
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$	29.31
KNUCKLE BUSTERS GARAGE	\$	86.20
LACASSE SHOE REPAIR	\$	203.43
LYNETTE'S GIFTS N CARDS	\$	17.24
MAGOON, MAURICE JR	\$	603.40
MAINELY MEALS	\$	51.72
MATT POWERS BUILDERS	\$	68.96
MCCARTHY, AMBROSE G JR	\$	236.19
MTM ACQUISITION INC.	\$	5.76
NEW IMAGE HAIR & NAIL SALON	\$	24.14
NUGGIES, LLC	\$	17.24
PARKING LOT & LAWN MAINTENANCE	\$	305.15
PAUL'S AUTO REPAIR	\$	143.09
REISNER, ROBERT A JR.	\$	341.35
REJUVENATE SALON	\$	53.44
RENEW COUNSELING LLC	\$	3.45
RICK'S PIT STOP	\$	8.62
SCOTT SIROIS CONSTRUCTION	\$	51.72
SPRING HOUSE GARDENS ASSOC.	\$	293.08
THE CHILDRENS CENTER	\$	25.86
TOYOTA INDUSTRIES COMM. FINANCE INC	\$	145.10
TROPICAL SUNSATIIONS -IND SUMMR	\$	10.34
WHITE'S AUTO BODY	\$	86.20
WICKED MAINAH HAIR SALON	\$	51.72
WOODLAWN REHAB. & NURSING CTR.	\$	70.28
TOTAL	\$	6,155.46

SKOWHEGAN BOARD OF ASSESSORS REPORT

To the Citizens and Taxpayers of Skowhegan:

The tax rate for the fiscal year 2021, beginning 7/1/2020 and ending 6/30/2021, was \$18.00 per thousand.

Our official commitment of taxes was made on September 10, 2020.

Skowhegan has a considerable industrial tax base. Major industrial accounts include the SAPPI paper mill, the Weston Hydroelectric plant in the center of the Town, and the Imerys precipitated calcium carbonate plant located at the paper mill.

As we stated in previous reports the graphic paper industry, the segment of the paper industry making paper for publishing, has experienced less demand for its paper products.

A great deal of new manufacturing equipment is exempt from taxation under the Business Equipment Taxation Exemption. That exemption involves substantial reimbursement from the State of Maine to the Town for the loss in value of this exemption. So increases in this exempt valuation does still contribute to the tax base of the Town.

It was a pleasure to serve the Town of Skowhegan and we wish to thank the community for its cooperation and support.

As you are aware, your Skowhegan tax bill raises revenue for three levels of government. In the 2021 fiscal year the tax commitment in Skowhegan raised the following net amounts:

1. The Town of Skowhegan raised a net amount of \$9,259,559.11. Included in this town amount is a Downtown TIF appropriation. This was about 24.6 % of the tax.
2. SAD 54 raised a net amount of \$8,892.737 which comprises 58.6% of the total tax.
3. Somerset County raised a net amount of \$2,556,947.12 which comprises 16.8% of the total tax.

The growth in the Skowhegan tax base over the past year included 5 new homes valued at \$543,500 and four mobile homes valued at \$221,700, plus numerous other changes.

Qualifying taxpayers who reside in a home as their primary residence and who have an application on record with this office continued to receive homestead exemption from their taxable valuation. Last year this exemption value was increased to \$25,000. New property owners who reside in homes in Skowhegan need to file a homestead exemption by April 1 in general. That due date is extended for 2021 for the pandemic. If you move from one home in Skowhegan to another, please call our office at 474-6903 to insure that we transfer your exemption to the new home.

Taxpayers are reminded that they have 185 days from the date of commitment of taxes to request an abatement of taxes in writing, if they believe that the valuation of their property is too high.

Respectfully submitted,

John Grohs

John Grohs, Chairman

Bonnie A. Baker

Bonnie A. Baker

Harvey Austin

Harvey Austin, Jr.

**Town Clerk's Report
July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020**

	No. Issued	Paid to Town	Paid to State of Maine
INLAND FISHERIES & WILDLIFE			
Boat/Snowmobile/ATV			\$ 43,394.00
Hunting/Fishing Licenses			\$ 17,777.25
Sales Tax			\$ 18,698.39
Town Fees		\$3,652.10	
Totals		\$3,652.10	\$ 79,869.64
DOG LICENSES			
Male & Female	328	\$328.00	\$ 3,280.00
Neutered & Spayed	1190	\$1,190.00	\$ 3,570.00
Kennel Licenses	5	\$10.00	\$ 150.00
Totals	1523	\$1,528.00	\$ 7,000.00
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER FUND		\$3,730.00	
MUNICIPAL LICENSES			
Victualer Licenses	50	\$1,470.00	
Pool Table/Bowling/Licenses	4	\$120.00	
Innkeeper Licenses	1	\$30.00	
Totals	55	\$1,620.00	
OTHER SERVICES			
Marriage Intentions Files	60	\$2,160.00	
Record Search	2	\$2.00	
Partnership	1	\$10.00	
Certified Copies	735	\$9,555.00	\$ 1,470.00
Add'l Certified Copies	480	\$2,688.00	\$ 192.00
Burial Permits	397	\$5,558.00	\$ 2,382.00
Business Names Recorded	4	\$40.00	
Non-resident Notary Fees	46	\$230.00	
Totals	1,725	\$20,243.00	\$ 4,044.00

Local Deaths Recorded	178
Marriage Returns Recorded & Reported to State	70
Births Reported to State	184
Oaths Administered	102
Totals	534

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail R. Pelotte

Gail R. Pelotte
Town Clerk

*Town Clerk - Treasurer
Tax Collector
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Fax (207) 474-9413*



*Human Resource – Finance Director
Telephone (207) 474-6900
Fax (207) 858-0320*

*Town of Skowhegan
Department of Finance
225 Water Street
Skowhegan, ME 04976*

**TOWN CLERK/TREASURER REPORT
July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020**

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Skowhegan:

I would like to thank the citizens of Skowhegan for electing me to serve as Town Clerk and Treasurer.

The town's appropriation to S.A.D. #54 was nine million eight-three thousand fifty-one dollars (\$9,083,051.00). The town's appropriation to Somerset County was two million three hundred eighty-one thousand one hundred sixty-two dollars and forty-six cents (\$2,381,162.46).

Higgins educational loans totaling ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) were issued to two graduates of Skowhegan Area High School's Class of 2019. Before making payments on their interest-free loans, recipients receive a one-year grace period upon completion of their education. Each year high school seniors have the opportunity to apply for a loan. A senior must contact the high school guidance office for an application between January and April 30 of their senior year. The application deadline is May 1.

I would like to take this opportunity to ask recipients of Higgins Loans that have not been making payments towards their loans to please begin making monthly payments. I have sent out several letters regarding repayment of these loans and several go unanswered. Please make payments so that future students can have the same opportunity as you and receive an interest free loan.

I would like to thank the individuals that continue to make monthly payments and also those who have paid their Higgins Loans in full within this past year. Through your efforts this great program can continue.

Thank you, the citizens of Skowhegan for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail R. Pelotte

**Gail R. Pelotte
Town Clerk/Treasurer**

Skowhegan Fire Department
16 Island Avenue
Skowhegan, ME 04976
Annual Report

To: Christine Almand, Town Manager
Board of Selectman
Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan

2020 has certainly been a challenging year for all of us. COVID-19 has changed the fire service in unprecedented ways. Suddenly we needed to find a way to operate a fire department in the wake of a worldwide pandemic.

As we learned about COVID-19, we made many adjustments to how we conducted our business. In the first month of the pandemic we were literally changing plans hourly as new information came in from both state and federal agencies.

Our two main objectives was keeping our community safe and keeping our firefighters safe. Working with the other Town departments, Somerset County EMA, Maine DHHS, Maine CDC and Maine EMA, we developed response plans, acquired PPE, cleaning supplies, and set up testing protocols.

We have continued to train our firefighters by offering multiple training sessions with 4-6 firefighters at each session to maintain social distancing. We have monitored our firefighter's health by taking temperatures and checking for signs and symptoms daily.

The fire station gets cleaned and disinfected multiple times per day and access to the station has been limited.

The members of the fire department recognize that an outbreak of COVID-19 among your first responders could put our citizens at great risk. Because of this, we have worked diligently at preventing the spread of COVID-19.

As you can imagine, this has been an extremely tough year on first responders. As a fire chief, it is my job to educate firefighters about the dangers

that they may face, train them how to mitigate those dangers, and provide them the proper tools and protective equipment to keep themselves safe.

COVID-19 brought us a new danger and in the beginning I did not have the information, the training or the protective equipment to give to the firefighters. Yet, they continued to show up ready to respond.

Throughout all of this, the members of the Skowhegan Fire Department have remained committed to serve you, the citizens of Skowhegan.

In closing, I would like to thank the Town Manager, the Select Board and fellow department heads for their support. To the citizens of Skowhegan; thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Fire Chief. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 474-3400.

Respectfully,

Shawn P. Howard

Fire Chief

Skowhegan Police Department
225 Water Street
Skowhegan, Maine 04976
207-474-6908

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David A. Bucknam, Chief

Brian A. Gardiner, Deputy Chief

**To: Town Manager Christine Almand
Board of Selectman
Residents of Skowhegan**

To say this year has been a challenging one is an understatement. I can say we; as Police Officers have learned a lot about working with this great community during these trying times. I would like to quote President Ronald Reagan "Evil is powerless if the good are unafraid".

In my humble opinion, this quote represents Skowhegan as I have seen this community rise to the challenge in the face of adversity. Neighbors helping neighbors, businesses helping businesses. As I watch across this great Nation, I have seen communities divided as they fail to face the challenges of the pandemic. What I have seen in Skowhegan, is a community joining as one and facing those same challenges together.

Numerous groups comprising of teachers, business owners, law enforcement, firefighters and the general public ensuring our kids have food when schools were closed. Kids continuing education online and families organizing parades for birthdays to name a few.

While not minimizing the challenges, the personality of this community has shown the power to move forward as we learn about who we are and what our values and commitment to the success of this town is. I have said this before and I will continue to say it "It is an honor to be your Chief".

Every day, the officers sworn to protect and serve this community come to work with a smile on their faces. They are a caring and compassionate team of officers who like this community, are willing to face life's challenges head-on. The relationship between the community and the officers contributes to their ability to make things right when they see things are wrong and giving a helping hand when those are in need. I am proud to introduce this team of diverse men and women who have sworn to protect our community.

Chief David Bucknam

**Deputy Chief Brian Gardiner
Sgt. Kris McKenna
Sgt. Timothy Williams
Det. Sgt. Kelly Hooper
Cpl. Jacob Pierce
Det. Michael Bachelder**

**Officer Joshua York
Officer Billie Hatfield
Officer Richard Pierce
Officer Michael Grady
Officer Stefanie Jones
Officer Jacob Boudreau**

**Skowhegan Police Department
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David A. Bucknam, Chief

Brian A. Gardiner, Deputy Chief

**Officer Joel Cummings
Officer David Daigneault
Officer Katelyn Nichols
Officer Tifani Warren
Officer Andrew Bowman
Officer Alex Burns**

**Reserve Officer Garret Buzzell
Reserve Officer Emily Fox
Reserve Officer Benaiah Willhoite
Administrative Assistant Nancy Weis
ACO Sharon Kinney
ACO Cara Mason**

As we all move forward as a community, you can count on your Police Department to continue to make our relationship stronger and bring positive change by keeping Skowhegan a safe place to live, work, and visit.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. A. Bucknam".

**Chief David Bucknam
Skowhegan Police Department**

Skowhegan Police Department
225 Water Street
Skowhegan, Maine 04976
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David A. Bucknam, Chief

Brian Gardiner, Deputy Chief

School Resource Officer

2020-2021

To: Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan

The School Resource Officer (SRO) position is filled by Officer David Daigneault. Officer Daigneault has held this position for eighteen years and has been with the Skowhegan Police Department for approximately 20 years.

The goal of the School Resource Officer is to establish a positive relationship with the students and school administration of MSAD#54, by building trust and respect between the community, youth and law enforcement, and help parents and students resolve conflict. The program also strives to reduce the potential for criminal behavior in school while promoting a safe learning and teaching environment.

The officer provides a visible police presence in the high school, middle school and Marti Stevens Learning Center.

I concentrate my efforts in three primary roles:

1. Law Enforcement: promote and maintain a safe and drug free environment.
2. Education: the officer frequently involved in school curriculum focusing on such topics as the effects of drugs on the body, search and seizure and current events.
3. Counseling: the school resource officer is at the school to answer student's questions and to help them with some of their concerns.

SRO's serve as a role model, mentor, and positive image of law enforcement in our community.

I normally participate in Camp POSTCARD (**P**olice **O**fficers **S**triving **T**o **C**reate **A**nd **R**einforce **D**reams) but this year it was cancelled due to Covid-19. Camp POSTCARD is an amazing partnership with law enforcement agencies throughout Maine to provide a free summer camp experience to deserving 5th and 6th graders from every county in the state. I hope to participate in this program this coming year.

This camp has proven to be an important opportunity to build strong relationships and valuable life skills that stay with the campers their entire life. This would have been my sixteenth year as a camp leader.

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David A. Bucknam, Chief

Brian Gardiner, Deputy Chief

The struggles have been real this year due to Covid-19. School year 2019-2020 was cut short in March of 2020. Schools were closed for the rest of the school year due to Covid-19. I was reassigned to Redington Fairview General Hospital as a Hospital Resource Officer (HRO) until school convened in September of 2020.

During the closure of school, I still maintained communications with MSAD#54 staff, and I assisted staff with follow-up on remote learners for maximum participation.

I maintained my connections with students by conducting home visits with district staff to check on student's well-being, encourage participation in school programming and attendance of in-person and remote learning.

Furthermore, I participated in the delivery of bi-monthly food boxes to students and their families through the Skowhegan Food Back Pack Program. This not only met a community need but assisted me in keeping a connection with students and their families.

Sincerely,

David H. Daigneault
School Resource Officer



Skowhegan Highway Department
Skowhegan, Maine 04976

Gregory A. Dore
Road Commissioner
474-6911

“Public Works providing prompt courteous service at the lowest possible cost”

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Skowhegan:

Our paving program for the 2020 season included first course overlay on the Parkman Hill Road and Notch Road the finish coat will be applied in May of 2021. Adams, Waye, Dawes Streets, Timberview Drive, Robin Court and Wallace Farm Road were milled 2” and the overlaid. Crescent Street was rebuilt and applied the base course. We replaced over 700’ of guardrail on the East River Road. We also completed the left turn lane from West Front Street on to Main Street and the left turn lane onto the Community Center. This was another Municipal Partnership Initiative where the Maine Department of Transportation pays 50% of the cost.

We replaced the 2012 Liebherr loader this year and the bid was awarded to Frank Martin & Sons with a 2020 Hitachi ZW 180-6 loader. We replaced the 1957 Ingersoll Rand trailer mounted air compressor with a 2020 CP Atlas Copco model CPS 185 KO trailer mounted air compressor including the jack hammer and hoses.

Paint it Right painters put a fresh coat of paint on our building and included some minor repairs. We also installed three new heat pumps in hopes to help with reducing our heating and cooling costs.

It saddens me to say this will be the final report to you. I am retiring as of the end of this term of office. I have truly enjoyed being Skowhegan's Road Commissioner for the past 29 years. I am proud of the many accomplishments that we have attained during my tenure. I would like to thank the highway department team for the hard work and diligence to get the job done, fellow department heads for their support, the Town Manager and Executive Secretary, the selectmen, and the citizens/friends that have supported me throughout the years.

In summary, we have had a very productive and exciting year maintaining the infrastructure for the citizens of Skowhegan. We continuously strive diligently to meet your needs and complaints in a timely professional manner. If you have a question about your road or sewer line, please call the office at 207-474-6911. Please leave a message so someone can return your call. I would like to thank the many people who made cookies, baked cakes, phone calls, sent cards and letters of appreciation for the work we have done. These acknowledgements help to motivate the crew to strive to do even more for you. We continue to fulfill our mission statement as shown in the beginning of this letter.

Sincerely,

Gregory A. Dore

Gregory A. Dore
Road Commissioner



2020 Hitachi Loader

Highway Department newly painted garage and sign!

Town of Skowhegan

Municipal Building

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Bryan Belliveau

Code Enforcement Officer

Building Inspector-Plumbing Inspector

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CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

To: The Board of Selectman and the Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan

From July 2019 through the end of June 2020, the Code Enforcement Department issued One hundred and thirty(130) building permits, sixty (60) interior plumbing permits, twenty-three (23) septic system permits, twenty-three (23) Central Maine Power electrical forms, ten (10) Shoreland Zone permits and four (4) Floodplain permits. The Town also issued eight (5) sewer capacity reserve permits.

The Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC) has been in effect for 9 years now. We are expecting some changes in some of these codes in the summer of 2021. Keep an eye on our Facebook page, Skowhegan Code Enforcement, for education and updates of the code and for other information regarding development in our community. Make sure that if you are planning any new construction, renovations, additions or plumbing you contact the Code Enforcement Office before you start any work.

Our current Codes consists of a compilation of the following editions of the following codes:

2015 International Building Code (IBC); 2015 International Existing Building Code (IEBC); 2015 International Residential Code (IRC); 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC); ASHRAE 62.1-2013 (Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality); ASHRAE 62.2-2013 (Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings); and ASHRAE 90.1-2013 (Energy Standard for Buildings except Low-Rise Residential Buildings).

Every year the Code Enforcement Office works with Department of Environmental Protection on land use violations. In some cases when violations are found, fines will need to be paid and consent agreements completed. Please remember to contact our office prior to the start of any land use construction and we will be glad to assist you with any and all permits needed for your project. I also want to remind everyone that if you are going to move any earth within 250 feet of any water body you are required to use an individual who is certified in erosion and sedimentation control.

The Fire Department and Code Enforcement Department continue to work together to inspect existing apartment buildings and businesses. We will be looking to expand this program in 2021 to ensure that our structures and residents are safe.

The Code Enforcement Department is responsible for the enforcement of the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC), State of Maine Plumbing Code, Shoreland Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Standards, Floodplain Management Ordinance, Building Safety Ordinance, Site Plan Review Ordinance, Property Maintenance Ordinance and all State codes pertaining to unsafe buildings, building construction, and the Automobile Junkyard/Graveyard law.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bryan Belliveau

Bryan Belliveau

Code Enforcement Officer

Building – Plumbing Inspector

Town of Skowhegan

225 Water Street
Skowhegan, Maine 04976



Water Pollution Control Plant
53 Joyce Street
TEL (207) 474-6909

Brent Dickey
Superintendent
e-mail skowpoll@skowhegan.org

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT 2019 - 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

To: The Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Skowhegan

Sewer rehabilitation and replacement projects to reduce Combined Sewer Overflows to the Kennebec River paused briefly in 2019 and 2020 to assess the progress made to date and plan for future improvements. The final planned Phase 3 project was completed in December 2018 with approximately \$1,000,000 remaining from the \$11,800,000 bond issued by the State of Maine Revolving Loan Fund.

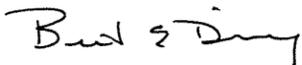
In 2019 the Town's engineering firm, Olver Associates of Winterport, Maine, collected data to update our CSO Master Plan required by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. The Plan, approved by DEP in 2020, requires that we do additional sewer improvements over the next five years. Bids will be solicited in early 2021 for Phase 3.6 of construction. This work will primarily address sewers in poor condition on Michael Street, Water Street, Milburn Street and Mary Street.

The volume of CSO discharges has decreased from an average of 35 million gallons per year between 2004 and 2008 to less than 6 million gallons per year from 2009 to 2018. The total cost of the Town's CSO reduction efforts since 1990 has exceeded 20 million dollars.

I would like to thank all the municipal departments for their assistance and support this year.

Any interested groups or individuals are encouraged to call us to arrange a tour of the wastewater treatment facility on Joyce Street.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brent Dickey
Superintendent

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Bryan Belliveau

Solid Waste Management Supervisor

CEO / Building-Plumbing Inspector

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Skowhegan Solid Waste Management Facility & Recycling Center Report

July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

To: The Board of Selectman and the Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan

Our existing composting and food scraps program is continuing to grow and be a success. We have now partnered with the Cornville Charter Schools here in Skowhegan. They are collecting their food scraps which we in turn add to our compost. The food scraps have made a big improvement to our already impressive composting program. We also encourage all residents to sign up for the food scrap program. We will even provide you with a bucket for your food scraps collecting. By continuing to grow this program it has the potential to save the taxpayers even more **thousands** of dollars per year. Since we have continued to be able to produce such a large amount of compost over the years, we are going to be able to sell around 500 cubic yards of compost to contractors this coming year and still have plenty of free compost for our residents!

With the rising costs of trash disposal and the decrease in revenues being paid for recyclables, it is imperative now more than ever that the Town of Skowhegan increases its efforts to recycle in 2021. Increased recycling efforts will help to keep disposal costs down which in turn will help keep our local taxes down. The Town continues to work with all the local schools to increase their recycling efforts. We also offer and conduct recycling education instruction to area schools, groups and small businesses as well as at our annual Open House. Anyone interested in this recycling education program should contact Cynthia Kirk at 474-6904. The Solid Waste Management Facility is open daily Tuesday through Saturday from 7am to 3:45 pm, with extended summer hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 4:45pm.

From July 2019 to June 2020, the Transfer Station handled over 7,618.30 tons of municipal solid waste (MSW), construction demolition debris and other materials disposed of through our transfer station and by commercial haulers. Of that total tonnage was 6,224.33 tons of MSW, 797.60 tons of construction debris and 422.50 tons of wood waste.

We are continuing to offset costs of disposal through our great recycling program. By June 2020 we processed 420.83 tons of cardboard, 63.83 tons of mixed paper, 31 tons of newspaper, 186.70 tons of metal and 14.59 tons of plastics. We have the ability to improve our recycling program and generate more revenues but it is going to take more dedication to our existing programs and continued efforts to recognize, eliminate or reduce other recyclables in our waste stream. As part of this effort we are researching and investigating ways to remove more textiles and other recyclables from our waste stream. We are happy to report that, through our textile recycling program, we have removed 11.25 tons of material. We should be able to quadruple that amount in 2021. **Have you recycled today?**

It is extremely important for all households to recycle more to help do their part to reduce the cost of trash disposal landfill tipping fees.

Our department is now on Facebook. Check us out at Skowhegan Transfer Station & Recycling Center.

Our newest permit stickers are available for sale. They are valid from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021. The cost of a permit sticker is \$10 each and are available at the Town Office and the Solid Waste Facility. Please refer to our Solid Waste Ordinance or give us a call with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan Belliveau

Bryan Belliveau,

Solid Waste Management Supervisor/Code Enforcement Officer

Planning Office
Town of Skowhegan
225 Water Street
Skowhegan, ME 04976



Planning Board
Phone: (207) 474-6904

Annual Report for 2021

Dear Citizens of Skowhegan:

We, as a Planning Board, are committed to the Economic Growth of our Town, and to that end we are trying to facilitate a friendly business environment. We welcome new business, but at the same time seek to safeguard the Town and its residents from interests which are contrary to the prosperity and general welfare of our community. We continually strive to provide wise guidance to the Selectmen, concerning needed ordinances and policies, while at the same time recognizing the various rights and freedoms, especially the property rights, of the Town's residents. We seek to find a balance of the common good, to the inevitable loss of freedoms, which occurs with the passage of each new ordinance. We recognize the great responsibility we hold and thank you for your trust in us.

The Planning Board has been meeting twice a month, the second meeting being necessary for the work on the comprehensive plan. We expect work on the new Comprehensive Plan to continue into 2022, requiring at least the same level of funding that we have at present.

While navigating the difficulties imposed upon meetings due to Covid 19, the Planning Board has continued to work hard in putting together recommendations to the Selectmen, concerning policy, new ordinances, changes in ordinances, and updates to ordinances. These are advisements, proposed policies, ordinances, changes, and updates that we believed are in the best interest of the town. Among these were:

- Ongoing Victualer's Ordinance Review.
- Updates to the Floodplain and Shoreland Zoning Ordinances.
- Needle Exchange Ordinance.
- Updates to the Building Safety Ordinance.
- Recommendation of a temporary moratorium on Utility Scale Solar Energy Facilities.
- Zoning in general considered.
- Guidance on the Fireworks Ordinance.
- Consideration of a Noise Ordinance.

A few projects have come before the Planning Board over this past year, including, but not limited to:

- Various Flood Hazard and Shoreland Zoning Permits.
- Various complaints and letters of compliance.
- A handful of solar array projects.
- Various subdivision amendments.
- Redington Fairview Hospital Addition.
- Working through the various sections of the new Comprehensive plan.
- Extensions for the KVCAP Mary Street Project.
- The Charter School Parking Plan for Downtown.

This year, as in the past, the Planning Board worked closely with Code Enforcement Officer Bryan Belliveau, Joel Greenwood, the contracted Town Planner from KVCOG, and Cynthia Kirk, Secretary, all of whom provide vital service to the people of Skowhegan and provide logistics for the Planning Board. We want to thank them for their dedication and service to the Town of Skowhegan.

Planning Board Members included: Steve Conley (Chairman), Todd Smith (Vice Chairman, who resigned having been elected to the Board of Selectmen), Steve St. Pierre (Vice Chairman), Stephen Gould (Secretary), Harvey Austin, Brady Chapman, and New member Matt Smith. Kris Laney moved his place of residence outside of Skowhegan thereby resigning near the end of this period.

Skowhegan continues to face both challenges and opportunities; however, working together we can provide a bright future for Skowhegan. Please feel free to contact me to share your thoughts on Planning Board issues. I can be reached at (cell) 1-937-205-1860 or email 4pastorconley@gmail.com

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Conley

Steve Conley
Skowhegan Planning Board Chairman

SKOWHEGAN PARKS & RECREATION & SKOWHEGAN COMMUNITY CENTER

July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021



To the Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan

It is with great pleasure to present a 2020 report for the Skowhegan Parks & Recreation Department. We are proud of and committed to our vision statement: To provide quality programs, parks, facilities, and a variety of enrichment opportunities with a professional standard of excellence that enhances the quality of life for all citizens and visitors in our community.

At no other time in our department's history has our team worked harder, smarter and more innovatively than in 2020 to deliver programs and services to our citizens during uncharted territories of a global pandemic. Connecting people through opportunities to recreate, socialize, gather and play was riddled with obstacles as our team modified, adapted and pivoted to remain in compliance with state and county health orders related to COVID-19.

The message from 2020 in our department became one of genuine resilience, as we weathered every storm with a renewed sense of determination to offer our residents the best possible recreational options in times of uncertainty. Our pillar of health and wellness remained strong and sturdy, when it was more important than ever to be so. As always, I would sincerely like to thank the Skowhegan administration and the citizens of Skowhegan for their continued support.

This year I would especially like to thank the Parks & Recreation Department staff, for in the spirit of a phoenix, they rose above adversity and challenge to deliver on their professional promise to improve the quality of life for all people in the Town of Skowhegan. To our volunteer coaches, parents, kids and the community supporters thank you for a great fall, winter & spring season. It has not been what any of us planned for but together we have responded to the best of our ability and in the best interest of the community. I am beyond grateful to all of you.

Let's keep recreating, playing safe while having fun and making Skowhegan the best community that it can be!

Denise LeBlanc, Director


Skowhegan Parks & Recreation
Skowhegan Community Center



WE ARE PARKS AND RECREATION

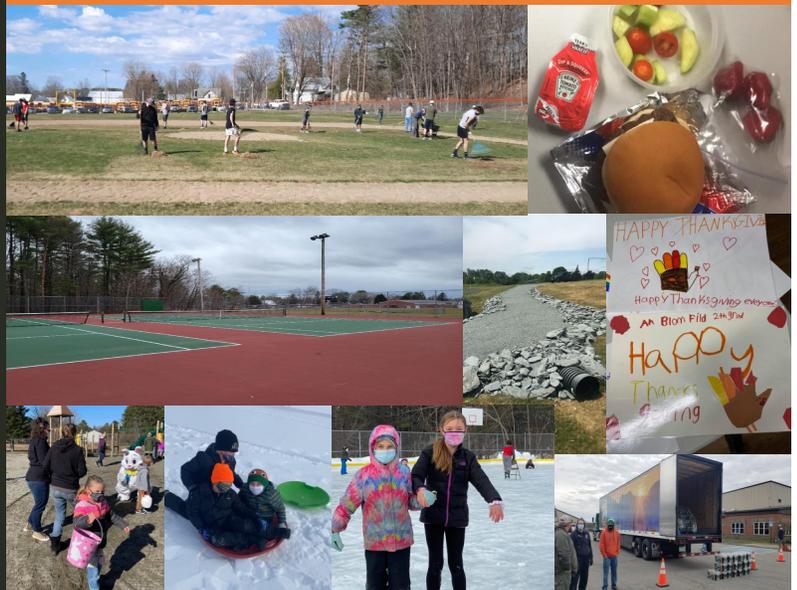
BUILD COMMUNITIES
CONSERVATION
PREMIER PARKS
SOCIAL EQUITY
DIVERSE ESSENTIAL
HEALTH & WELLNESS
INCLUSION



2020-21 HIGHLIGHTS

- * Rt. 2 By-Pass Lane Constructed
- * Community Thanksgiving Grab & Go Dinner- Served Over 400 meals.
- * 6,800 Youth Meals Served, Summer Food Program
- * Live Streamed all Youth Basketball Games- 600-900 views per game (19 Teams)
- * New Fitness Equipment for Exercise Room
- * Installed a New Water Bottle Filling Station
- * Tennis Courts Surface Maintenance & Re-Painted
- * Skatepark Sealed and Repainted; Pease Construction Service Donation
- * Town Water Distribution Assistance
- * Fall Programs; Football/Soccer & Field Hockey (20 Teams)
- * Kid & Pet Virtual Halloween Contest
- * Youth School Vacation Fun Camps: February & April
- * Indoor/Afterschool Adult & Youth Programs: Field Hockey, Pickleball, Adult & Youth Open Gym & Exercise Room

- * Skowhegan High School Baseball Team Field Day @ Memorial Field to help get ready for the season.
- * Special Easter Bunny/Bus Route Visits to Skowhegan Youths; over 3,000 items delivered to kids.
- * Constructed New ADA Trail @ Carl Wright Baseball Complex.
- * Student Drivers Ed Site for Beal's Driving School
- * ATV/Snowmobile Safety Course w/ Maine IF & W
- * Teamed up with Maine Winter Kids; Free & discounted winter opportunities
- * Teamed up w/Saddleback Mt.; Discounted Ski Tickets.
- * Virtual & Community Interactive Program: Chalk-walk event, fun family activities and programs.
- * Rec. Ice Fishing Family Day @ Lake George Regional Park
- * Grant Recipient: Municipal Snowmobile grant for Skowhegan Sno-Hawks & Norridgewock Snowmobile Clubs, USDA Summer Food Program Grant, Good Shepard Food Bank Grant.
- * Collaborations, Partnership & Support for programs over the year from local businesses. University of Maine Cooperative Extension, Education Program, New Balance, Central Maine Family Bowling Center/ T & B's, Gifford's Famous Ice Cream/Mini Golf, York Landscaping, Family Pet Connection, etc..
- * Business Support and Sponsors for all youth teams.
- * SAD #54 Support & Collaboration efforts thru pandemic.
- * Skowhegan Federated Church Food Distribution Site



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Secretary, Renee Belliveau
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To the Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan:

2020 has been a very busy year for the office. With the pandemic, we have been working on finding new and better ways to work with local businesses. We joined with Skowhegan Economic Development Corp, Somerset Economic Development Corp, Main Street, and Skowhegan Regional Chamber of Commerce to create the Community Economic Resource Council (CERC). As a joint effort, we raised \$100,000 that was given as grants to businesses to help offset the major losses they have had with the pandemic.

We continue to meet to discuss where we can have a positive impact on businesses. Take a second to check out the website that was created to provide resources to businesses: <https://somersetbusinessresources.org/>

Some of the other projects that we have been working with range from 2020 local Façade Grant to the finalizing of the Energy reduction project, but we are always looking for different projects to help improve our Town and welcome any input from the public.

One of the projects we worked on was the 2020 Town-wide local Façade Grant Program; which the Selectmen dedicated \$100,000 from the Tif account. We finished with the first 3 projects that helped them improve their business building facades. For every dollar that is granted to the business, the business has to match at a minimum of one dollar. We are working with businesses for the next round of funding, which we hope to apply to the state in 2021.

The office has been working on finalizing the energy reduction project. We finished the streetlight conversions, energy reductions for the Municipal Building, Community Center, Pollution Control, and the Highway Building.

The Skowhegan Economic Development Corp (SEDC) has been able to finalize the sale of the old KVI property to Land & Furrow, LLC. We continue to work with Land & Furrow on the future development of the property for the betterment of the area. SEDC also worked with a local, anonymous donator to provide local businesses with grants to thank them for their investment into the Community. Those businesses were extremely happy to be recognized for their community involvement.

If any business would like information regarding one of our loan programs, please contact the office at (207) 474-6905 or by email to jhewett@skowhegan.org.

The Economic and Community Development office has also taken over the handling the Municipal Building maintenance. This has included last year in repair of the front granite steps to the building, and installing new flooring in the admin section of the Police department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Hewett

Director of Economic & Community Development

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**Cemetery Report
July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020**

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Skowhegan:

The Cemetery Committee met eight times: July 18, 2019; August 7, 2019; September 19, 2019; October 17, 2019; November 14, 2019; January 15, 2020; February 27, 2020 and June 2, 2020.

The Committee members during this period of time consisted of David James, Chairman; Gene Rouse, Selectmen’s Representative; Mary Lou Holden-Mollerus; Melvin Burnham; Gail Pelotte; Mark Bossie, Cemetery Sexton. Donald Young joined the committee in December 2019. Carl McKenney became an Honorary Member of the committee in June 2019. Felix Quirion has been an Honorary Member of the committee since September 1995.

Cemetery Expenditures 2020

Water	\$ 596.13
Electricity	\$ 185.81
Sexton Salary	\$ 82,353.00
Tree Cutting	\$ 3,150.00
Repair & Maint.	\$ 1,785.82
Catholic Cemetery	\$ 939.30
Cemetery Web Site	\$ 1,980.00
Monument Recons.	\$ 11,952.50

Cemetery record books, burial cards and maps of the cemeteries are available on the Town’s Website for research.

Respectfully,

Gail R. Pelotte

**Gail R. Pelotte
Town Clerk/Treasurer
Cemetery Committee Secretary**

JULY 1, 2019 – JUNE 30, 2020

Receipts

Town of Skowhegan	96,647.00
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Expenditures

Wages paid	21,297.65
FICA, State, Federal, and Unemployment On Employees	2,084.37
Gas and oil	5,266.40
Supplies, parts and repairs	5,494.95
Insurance	4,074.67
Registration and Excise Tax on vehicles	1,792.28
Office supplies	3,704.26
Equipment (lawn mowers, trimmers, etc.)	22,188.98
Loam/Cement	<u>1,493.47</u>
	67,397.03

Total Receipts	96,647.00
Total Expenditures	<u>67,397.03</u>
	29,249.97

Mark D. Bossie

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Town of Skowhegan
Wellness Works Program

Walter Powell, Highway Department
Leisa Emery- Burns, Municipal Building
Paris Baxter, Fire Department
David Bucknam, Police Department
Denise Leblanc, Recreation Department
Brent Dickey, Pollution Control
Al White, Solid Waste Management Facility

To the Skowhegan Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Skowhegan:

The Wellness Program is funded by the Maine Municipal Association Employees Health Trust.
The program is available to any full-time employee who wishes to participate.

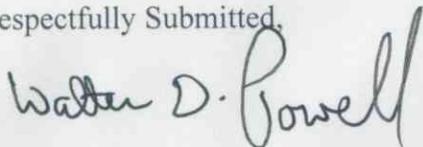
The Wellness Program offered the following activities in 2019-2020

January Workshop – Laughter Is The Best Medicine
February Workshop – How Full Is Your Bucket
March Workshop – Alzheimer’s 101
April Workshop – Be Summer Smart
May Workshop – Wellness Breakfast/Employee of the Year Award
June Workshop – Summer Smart Classes Cancelled due to COVID 19
July Workshop – No Class
August Workshop – No Class
September Workshop – No Class
October Workshop- What Are You Grateful For Today
November Workshop – Recipe Roundup
December Workshop – Skip the Salt

I would like to welcome Paris Baxter to the Wellness Committee. I would like to thank Ty Strout for many years of service to the Committee.

Congratulations to Rick Caldwell who was chosen as Wellness Employee of the Year. I would like to thank the Committee Members for their dedication and support. This program wouldn't be possible without them. We have a full schedule for 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,



Walter Powell, Chairman

Town of Skowhegan, Wellness Committee



To: Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Skowhegan

From: Run of River Committee

Re: Run of River update, July 2019 – June 2020

The Run of River Whitewater Recreation Area will include a whitewater paddling and surfing park and enhanced trails network in and around Skowhegan's downtown river gorge. The whitewater park will consist of in-river wave features for kayaking, surfing, stand-up paddle boarding, bodyboarding, and tubing, as well as terraced seating and river access trails. The recreation area will also feature an estimated 50 miles of four-season trails for walking, mountain biking, cross-country skiing, and snowshoeing—all accessible via downtown.

From July 2019 to June 2020, the Run of River Committee accomplished the following:

- Traveled to Bend, Oregon, Boise, Idaho, and Columbus, Georgia to learn more about WaveShaper technology and adjustable surf waves. River surfing has become more popular than kayaking in the Western U.S. To capitalize on this growing popularity, we updated the design of our wave feature at the middle rapid to accommodate river surfing. In the future, Skowhegan will be home to the Northeast's only adjustable surf wave!
- Reviewed proposals for a new engineer and selected VHB, a firm that led New Hampshire's whitewater park through the permitting process. VHB has the knowledge and experience to help us move this project forward.
- Finalized new project renderings and two videos. Check out runofriver.org!
- Cultivated relationships with donors, met with state leaders, and gave several presentations around Maine to raise awareness for the project.
- In collaboration with partner Main Street Skowhegan, submitted several grant applications for project funding.
- Hosted the 2019 River Festival, an event that celebrates recreation and life on the river while showcasing the potential for the Run of River Whitewater Recreation Area.

The Run of River Committee would like to thank the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the Town of Skowhegan for continued support of Run of River.

Run of River Committee

>>Greg Dore, Skowhegan Road Commissioner (Chair)

>>Betty Austin, Town of Skowhegan Select Board and State House Representative

>>Kristina Cannon, Main Street Skowhegan Executive Director (Fundraising Director)

>>Clayton Cole, ACA-New England President, Solartech Contractors Owner

>>Jason Cooke, business owner and former Maine Huts & Trails Trail Manager

>>William Wallace Finley, RSU#54 Alpine Ski Coach

>>Jason Gayne, Skowhegan Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director

>>Karen Hart, community member

>>Jeff Hewett, Skowhegan Economic and Community Development Director

>>Shawn Howard, Skowhegan Fire Department Chief

>>Denise LeBlanc, Skowhegan Parks and Recreation Department Director

>>Jeff McCabe, Maine State Employees Association Director of Politics and Legislation

>>Taylor Walker, whitewater paddler, freelance filmmaker

>>Anna Staehli Wiser, whitewater paddler, Redington-Fairview General Hospital Physical Therapist



Gregory A. Dore
Chairman
207-474-6911

Skowhegan Sidewalk Committee
Established 1994

Committee Members:

Gregory Dore

Chairman

Betty Austin

Vice
Chairman

Roger Staples

Selectman

**Denise
LeBlanc**

Recreation
Department

Richard Smith

Richard Irwin

Steve Govoni

Public Members

"Our mission is to provide the citizens of Skowhegan with safe, reliable paved pathways to schools, parks, and other important points of interest."

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Skowhegan:

During the summer of 2020, we rebuilt the sidewalk on West Front Street from Alder Street to the High School. This sidewalk has enhanced the safety of the children walking to and from school. This sidewalk has also united the Community Center to the Downtown walking system for extra outdoor recreational activities throughout the year.

Norridgewock Avenue sidewalk engineering is a project we are working on this year to improve and install a sidewalk from the intersection of Madison Avenue following Elm Street to the entrance of Margaret Chase Smith Library. This project will give access from the Historical Downtown to the Library. The Norridgewock Avenue sidewalk project along with Jewett Street will be part of the Safe Routes to School program.

	Priority	Name	Length	Paving year
	3	Jones Street	970	2021
	3	Bridge Street	370	2021
	1	East Dyer Street	400	2021
	4	Main Street	2,900	2021
	2	Spring Street	660	2022
	5	Olive Street	550	2022
	4	South Factory	970	2022
	3	French Street	730	2023
	5	Fairview Avenue	3,130	2024
	3	South Street	1,015	2025

The committee has identified the following streets as needing sidewalks –Joyce Street from Milburn Street to Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Heselton Street from Cardinal to Malbon’s Mills Road, Cardinal Street, McClellan Street from Willow street to West Front Street, South Factory Street from Jones street to Fairview Avenue and Russell Road from Spring Street to Bech Street.

On behalf of the committee, I want to thank the taxpayers for their input. Your assistance makes it possible for us to better serve you and meet the needs of the people of the Town of Skowhegan. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 207-474-6911 or any Sidewalk Committee Member.

Sincerely,
Gregory A. Dore
Gregory A. Dore
Chairman



Skowhegan Conservation Commission

Annual report to the selectmen and citizens of the town of Skowhegan:

This past year has been a year of growth for the Conservation Commission. Building from the previous year's goal of supporting students and our community, we explored the world of bees and sponsored the creation of two hives at the Apiary for MSAD 54 students. The conservation Commission were mentors for this collaborative project with the students of The EcoTeam at SAHS and Marti Stevens Learning Center. With the hard work of our members and MSAD 54 students we were able to successfully over winter our bees and harvest 60 pounds of honey used to fundraise for the Skowhegan EcoTeam. We have continued to work with Skowhegan MainStreet, Lake George Regional Park, and the Skowhegan Trail's Committee, and several projects are looking to re-commence this spring, including the creation of a green space along the river. We have met with the Department of Environmental Protection and are beginning the process of writing a grant to work on phase 2 of the Whitten Brook project. We are very excited as many projects are coming to fruition this spring and summer.

Resuming after the COVID restrictions were lifted, we have continued to meet monthly. We have maintained the previous seven-member commission from last year with Tristen Hinkle, remaining as Chairman and Kate Drummond moving into the Vice-Chairman position.

The Conservation Commission is still looking for additional members and volunteers willing to help with water monitoring or trail work. If you are interested in the natural spaces in our town, please come and join us on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. If you are interested, please contact one of our members or Cynthia Kirk in the town office.

Members serving on the Skowhegan Conservation Commission in 2020-2021 are listed below:

Tristen Hinkle (*Chairman*), Kate Drummond (*Vice-Chairman*), Corey Hinkle, Barry Sites, Kevin McFadden, Corey Johnson, and Dylan Engler.

Respectfully Submitted

Tristen J. Hinkle

Tristen J. Hinkle
Chairman



Integrity Respect Fairness Dedication

SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2020 Sheriff's Office Annual Report



Dale P. Lancaster
Sheriff

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

Covid-19 has had a direct impact on our enforcement, Courts, civil processing, and Jail. Considerable time and resources has been spent purchasing PPE gear and developing and implementing Covid-19 safety measures to protect Deputies and Corrections Officers. The service of civil paperwork was suspended for approximately 3 months. We stopped in-person visits at the Jail. We negotiated with our telephone provider to reduce costs so

that inmates could stay in contact with their loved ones. Administrative staff worked remotely for a number of weeks. We are constantly re-evaluating and modifying our safety measures as the pandemic continues to affect our daily operations.

Law Enforcement

The patrol division is comprised of 11 rural patrol Deputies. Through funding from the State of Maine, we have one Deputy dedicated to patrolling the unorganized townships. The patrol division is overseen by a Lieutenant. The Detective division is comprised of three Detectives and is overseen by a Lieutenant. The Sheriff's Office continues to partner with MDEA (Maine Drug Enforcement Agency) to have an agent assigned to the Detective division. The patrol division now has a trained drug recognition expert, a State certified accident reconstructionist, and 2 forensic mappers.

The Sheriff's Office has 4 Deputies assigned to Madison along with a Secretary/Dispatcher. In 2020, the Sheriff's Office had 1 Deputy graduate from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy, Deputy Hunter Howard. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a portion of his training was done remotely, and it took a substantial amount of additional time for him to complete the course studies. Throughout 2020, the Sheriff's Office Criminal Division investigated a large volume of illicit drug trafficking activities and obtained and executed numerous drug search warrants, which subsequently led to the arrest and conviction of numerous people from Maine and out of State on various Federal and State level drug trafficking charges. Large amounts of illicit drugs, to include heroin, fentanyl, crack cocaine, cocaine, crystal methamphetamine, and controlled pills were seized, along with thousands of dollars in illicit drug proceeds, several motor vehicles and firearms. The Criminal Division investigated numerous serious felony level cases to include robberies, burglaries, thefts, scams, aggravated assaults, unattended deaths and sexual abuse cases. In 2020, the Crimes Against Persons Detective investigated 30 sex crimes. 13 of those cases involved child sexual abuse where forensic interviewing was utilized. Detective Jeremy Leal is a Children's Advocacy Center forensic interviewer. The Sheriff's Office Criminal Division tracked 54 individuals who are required by law to register as sex offenders, and 3 individuals were arrested for failing to register with the Sex Offender Registry.

Jail

The Somerset County Jail, when operating at full capacity, operates with 36 budgeted Correctional Officers, 8 Shift Supervisors, 2 cooks, 12 program and support staff, and 9 administrative staff to include Major Cory Swope, who is the Jail Administrator. The County Jail is now 13 years old. We are projecting the Jail bond will be paid off in 2028. The County Jail is nationally accredited through the American Correctional Association and is operating under nationally accepted best practice standards. The County Jail is also PREA (Prison Rape Elimination Act) certified. In 2020, the Somerset County Jail processed 1,193 bookings, a 23.8% decrease from 2019. In 2020, a significant amount of time and resources has been dedicated to extensive modification of operations related to the Covid-19 pandemic. Our federal inmate boarding contract was renegotiated to include an increase in our per-day reimbursement rate to house federal inmates. Our partnership with Redington-Fairview General Hospital and their Rural Communities Opioid Response Planning grant consortium has led to Redington-Fairview General Hospital being awarded a 3-year implementation grant. Through this grant, the Jail will receive funding to contract for the services of a Case Manager to work specifically with our inmate population that identifies as having a substance use disorder in an effort to combat recidivism. The Case manager will work closely with Redington-Fairview General Hospital and other care providers to continue to provide treatment and programming initiated in the Jail for offenders after release. The County Jail continues to actively recruit qualified Corrections Officers to join our professional and dedicated team.

Civil Process

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

Calls for Service

In 2020, the Sheriff's Office received 14,521 calls for service from our residents. This represents a 3.8% decrease from 2019.



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To: Members of the Select Board and Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan
From: Main Street Skowhegan; Kristina Cannon, Executive Director
RE: 2019-20 Annual Report (Reporting Period: July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020)

Main Street Skowhegan (MSS) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit focused on the ongoing revitalization of Skowhegan. In 2015 we expanded our purview to include the entire town—not just the downtown—enabling us to serve all Skowhegan businesses and implement town-wide projects derived from the Skowhegan Strategic Plan for Community Transformation, a plan that was adopted by residents at the Skowhegan town meeting in June 2016.

Our mission is to celebrate Skowhegan's rich heritage while achieving our brightest future as a thriving economic, cultural, and recreational community where residents enjoy a high quality of life.

We are proud to share success stories, new initiatives, updates, and data from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020:

Supported Skowhegan Businesses with COVID-Relief Grant Funding

We awarded \$20,000 in varying amounts to 23 Skowhegan businesses through our Technical Assistance / COVID-Relief Grant Program in May 2020—at the height of pandemic-related business closures. Many thanks to our donors for making this happen. We anticipate a 2021 round of grant funding! Visit MainStreetSkowhegan.org/TA for more.

As a member of the Community Economic Resource Council, we worked with other economic development partners to raise and award \$100,000 in funding to 50 Somerset County businesses negatively impacted by the pandemic.

Helped to Coordinate and Promote Two Grant Programs for Main Street Communities

We were pleased to promote two funding opportunities for local businesses—available only to select Main Street communities in the state. Bigelow Brewing was a proud recipient of a Historic Revitalization Subgrant!

- Historic Commercial District Revolving Fund: No-interest loans of \$4,000 to \$10,000 for commercial properties located in the Skowhegan Downtown TIF District. **Funding is still available through this program!
- Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program: \$50,000 to \$100,000 grants for preconstruction or brick-and-mortar projects on buildings in the Skowhegan Historic District or on the National Historic Register.

Launched Skowhegan's Entrepreneurial Ecosystems Project

We were awarded funding from the Maine Community Foundation to lead an initiative to bolster Skowhegan's business ecosystem. This is a multi-year endeavor that will provide us with information for better supporting our local entrepreneurs and business owners and funding to implement relevant projects. We are excited to dig into this initiative with the help of a committee of community leaders.

Coordinated a Shop Local Event on Small Business Saturday

MSS planned and executed the fifth annual Passport to Savings Program on November 30, 2019, Small Business Saturday. Incentivized by merchant discounts and giveaways, shoppers made hundreds of purchases at 42 participating businesses located all over Skowhegan. Several merchants regularly claim this is their best sales day of the year.

Celebrated Shopping Local with the #ShopSkowhegan Incentive Program

Continued to promote shopping locally via a year-round program that is free and open to any Skowhegan business. For each purchase made at a participating local business, patrons can sign up to win a \$25 gift card.

Continued to Promote and Support Locally Owned Skowhegan Businesses

- Monthly profiles to help promote our locally owned businesses. These profiles can be found on MainStreetSkowhegan.org and our Facebook page. According to Google Analytics reports, these profiles are very popular, garnering hundreds of unique page views.



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- Monthly business news emails to our contact list of more than 2,000 people. To have your business news, sales, or announcements included, please email details to info@mainstreetskowhegan.org.

Led Project Management and Fundraising Efforts for Run of River

In partnership with the Town of Skowhegan, we are working behind the scenes to make Run of River a reality. In 2019-20 we met with regulatory agencies to kick-off the environmental permitting process, worked with a designer to create new renderings and a video to help people visualize the project, and strengthened relations with Maine's whitewater community to bring future in-river events to Skowhegan. We continue to cultivate donors and seek grant funding to cover remaining costs. For more details, check out RunofRiver.org.

Led FREE Outdoor Programming through Skowhegan Outdoors Initiative

Our AmeriCorps members, serving as Outdoor Rec Facilitators, lead free outdoor programs, clinics, and activities every week, including guided hikes, cross-country ski clinics, forest scavenger hunts, and more. We're also building a gear library for residents to borrow the equipment they need to get out and enjoy this beautiful region we call home. For more information or to participate in activities, check out SkowheganOutdoors.com.

Commissioned First Kennebec on Fire Sculpture

Our Kennebec on Fire jury selected a prototype sculpture from submitted proposals, and we commissioned Norridgewock artist Steve Anderson to fabric it. We also worked with local business Maine Wood Heat to craft the metal base for the sculpture, and prepared to launch the prototype sculpture and base in the Big Eddy by submitting permit applications to the Army Corps of Engineers. Through this project, we've funneled more than \$11,000 in Maine Arts Commission grant funding directly into our local economy. We'll invest an additional \$75,000+ in the coming years as we employ local businesses and artists in the creation of additional sculptures.

Brought Visitors to Town with Annual Events

Main Street successfully planned and implemented the following community events:

- River Fest, July 31-August 3, 2019
 - Partnership with the Run of River Committee, the Skowhegan Recreation Department, and the Skowhegan Area Chamber of Commerce.
- Skowhegan Craft Brew Fest, August 31, 2019
 - Twenty percent of advanced ticket sales were to non-Maine residents! Attendees came from 14 other states and the province of Quebec. People also came from an astounding 97 different Maine towns!
- Holiday Stroll, December 6-7, 2019
 - Hosted the Whoville Stroll, Skowhegan's very own grinch-themed holiday celebration along the Debe River Walk. This event brought more than 1,000 people from all over Maine to Skowhegan's downtown.
- Somerset SnowFest, February 28-March 1, 2020
 - Collaborated with Lake George Regional Park to host this second-annual event which featured New England's only and Maine's first equestrian skijoring competition at the Skowhegan fairgrounds— attracting 80 competitors and more than 1,000 spectators from all over Maine and New England.

Promoted Skowhegan via Marketing Initiatives

- Spent more than \$48,000 in marketing, promoting Skowhegan and our local businesses in 2019.
- Designed and printed an updated version of the Skowhegan Visitors' Guide to be distributed around the state and mailed to prospective visitors by request. In 2019, the website yielded 60+ requests from 19 states and three Canadian provinces.
- Continue to manage and update VisitSkowhegan.com, a website promoting visits to Skowhegan.
- Collaborated with the Maine Downtown Center and others to fund MainStreetMaine.org, a tourist-focused website that offers information about the state's historic Main Street communities, including Skowhegan.

Please visit MainStreetSkowhegan.org for more information or to get involved.



Skowhegan Free Public Library

It is hard to evaluate 2020, as the COVID pandemic altered so many things for us at the public library; but while the building itself was closed for a period, the librarians, collection, and many services remained available. Free wireless internet has always been available at the library during library operating hours, but in light of the closure and many people working and schooling from home the library Wi-Fi became available 24/7. While the physical collection was not able to be browsed, the library offered curbside delivery of materials as well as bolstered our online e-book and audiobook download options. In-person programs were halted, but the library turned to virtual programming and was still able to run a successful summer reading program for area children.

During the library's "closed" period, staff were able to conduct a library-wide inventory of over 25,000 items, and were awarded a grant from the Maine Audubon to add 3 Nature Explorer Backpacks to the collection. The library also had some deep cleaning done, the support columns on the main floor finished, a custom-built ADA-compliant circulation desk installed, and most recently new tables and chairs in our Memorial Room. Our upcoming projects include adding a 3-D printer for patrons, repointing the exterior bricks, adding a drive-through area for our book drop-box, and redoing the library flooring.

We have been through multiple stages of re-opening and hope that by the end of summer we will be back to pre-COVID operating. In the meantime we continue to plan for a future where the library can offer much needed resources, both physically and remotely.

A snapshot of our 2020 library statistics:

Library Visits	4896	Reference Questions	360
Active Card Holders	3200	Programs	62
Total Circulation	14522	Program Attendance	659
Computer Usage	1002	Visits to our Website and FB Page	26,585

Respectfully Submitted,
Angie Herrick
Director, Skowhegan Free Public Library

COBURN PARK COMMISSION

TREASURER'S REPORT

December 28, 2020

Balance checking account as of 12/31/19 \$259.48

Receipts

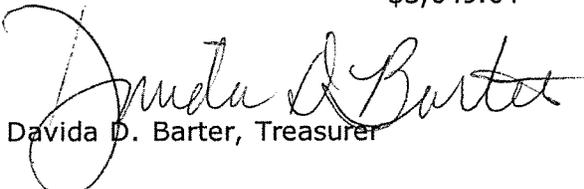
Town of Skowhegan	10,000.00	
Skowhegan Savings Bank CD w/d	652.19	
SSB interest	1.29	
Wm. Philbrick trust account	6,500.00	
Gazebo rental	475.00	
Concerts in the Park		
Skowhegan Savings Bank Grant ***	1,000.00	<u>18,628.48</u>

Total receipts 18,887.96

Expenditures

Care of grounds/Mowing/Spring Cleanup	6,000.00	
Care of grounds/Caretaker	4,500.00	
Concerts in the Park	150.00	
Equipment rental	800.00	
Insurance	652.00	
Maintenance		
Fountain	160.00	
Tree cutting	1,800.00	
Fence repair	<u>235.00</u>	2,195.00
Materials		248.98
Miscellaneous		
Secretary of State	35.00	
Postage	11.00	
Bank fees/checks	<u>61.39</u>	107.39
Utilities		<u>1,185.55</u>

Balance checking account as of 12/28/20 \$3,049.04


Davida D. Barter, Treasurer

**No concerts in 2020 due to Covid -
To be used for 2021

HISTORY HOUSE MUSEUM, Inc.
(DBA: Skowhegan History House Museum & Research Center)

To the Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan,

History House staff, volunteers, Board members, and guest presenters strive to highlight our community's cultural heritage. Until stopped in 2020 by COVID restrictions, we showcased an historic House with an attached Museum and offered on-site and community-based programs, activities, and exhibits.

Despite being closed to the public we managed to carry on. Curator Kim Wilson assisted researchers by phone, helped create our History House Society newsletter, and performed other duties consistent with operating a museum and research center. Through our face book page we encouraged community members and others to visit our website to view virtual History House tours and peruse our newsletters; we also invited our community to visit HH outdoor exhibits which include a Kennebec River overlook with two historic 1800s panels, a 13' Bateau model with historic river related signage, and the Wabanaki wigwam. We appreciated the volunteers who maintained our Heirloom gardens/landscape and helped with special collections processing.

We are grateful for support from Skowhegan citizens, dedicated funds from the Bloomfield Academy Trust, revenues generated from our Society memberships, private donations, and door receipts. With the town's financial support, we have made significant repairs to the historic 1839 building and ongoing progress with protecting and cataloging our collections.

The expenses for operating History House with part time curatorial staff and a student intern continues to increase, like those of other institutions and businesses. The Board continually searches for dedicated volunteers, partnerships, and grants, and as well as additional memberships and donations to fund its Student Intern Program and program development.

We appreciate financial support from Hight Chevrolet Buick, Bangor Savings Bank, Franklin Savings Bank, and other private citizens and businesses who wish to remain anonymous. All of our donors enable the Board to help pay for new exhibits, improve programming, fund the Student Intern program, and meet goals to renew and refresh the appeal of History House in this ever-changing world.

We are blessed with a loyal core of supporters who volunteer at History House. Their invaluable help include collection protection measures, special project tasks, technology support, cataloguing, as well as landscape and garden maintenance, and more.

We plan to open to the public during early June/2021 with guidelines based on CDC recommendations to keep staff and visitors safe. We will post details on our website (skowheganhistoryhouse.org) and face book page.

As always, we invite you to visit the History House when we reopen in June/2021 where you can research your family history in person, participate in our Oral History Program, enjoy a tour, and attend a program or Speaker Event.

We also extend an invitation to anyone who enjoys preserving history to explore the benefits of membership or to join our team of committed volunteers.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Skowhegan History House Museum & Research Center, thank you Skowhegan citizens for your financial support for the work we do.

Sincerely,

Patrica Horine, President

History House Board of Trustees

2020 Projects & Events

A 2019 Maine Community Foundation awarded HH grants totaling \$5,000 for a *Native Voices* exhibit. In July/2020 that grant money funded construction of a 10' wigwam displaying the skills of traditional Wabanaki builders. Nine local high school students helped with its construction. The wigwam located on the west side HH lawn will host presentations and exhibit-related activities during the 2021-22 HH seasons.

UMO videographer Ellie Markovitch filmed the Wigwam project and Rolf Richter, native Passamaquoddy musician donated the use of his *Dreamwalk Bear...Muwin* flute music for the video background. A professional sound engineer edited the video (pro bono). The video has been posted on the HH website (skowheganhistoryhouse.org).

The David Family Foundation awarded HH a \$7,000 grant for a Wabanaki Voices: Connecting Past, Present, Future exhibit to include an Indigenous Peoples Lecture Series, Children's programming, a three panel mural (each 4x6 oil on canvas) depicting Wabanaki history and culture, and an interior pictorial Wabanaki exhibit - all tentatively scheduled for the 2021-2022 seasons.

HH applied for a town sponsored \$10,000 Façade Grant for brickwork repair. Mason Jeremy Buzzard thought our 1837 building was "in remarkably good shape considering its age". He recommended brick repair work needed around doors, windows, two chimneys, and a broad area on the front side of HH.

HH and Maine Street Skowhegan staff coordinated a *Paddlethon Canoe Event* in October. Forty five participants met at the Norridgewock Pines, site of the 1724 British massacre of an Abanaki Indian village. From there canoeists paddled to the take-out site at the former Moore's Ferry Landing on Elm Street and walked to HH for a tour of the Wigwam and other outdoor exhibits.

We were thankful for the Maine Community Foundation decision to feature the History House Wigwam project in their Autumn *Maine Ties* newsletter. We were also appreciative of the two History House articles featured in the Maine Archives and Museum (MAM) 2020 fall newsletter.

Consolidated Annual Summary Report (2020) and Goals (2021)



April 30, 2020

Dear Citizens of Skowhegan and Canaan,

With an eye on improved programming, new and improved supporting facilities, increasing Park use in the winter and shoulder seasons, addressing deferred maintenance and operational self sufficiency, the Park has performed both significant fundraising and planning in 2020. The Park has also further strengthened community ties through strategic alliances with key partner organizations and individuals.

Starting in 2021, the permit process for facility construction will begin and requests for proposals will be issued for the various projects in the Park's plan designated for "Phase 1". "Phase 2" projects will be dependant on future fundraising.

Lake George Regional Park

1992-2019

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Plan of Operation

- Lake George Corporation (LGRP); 501C-3 #FEIN #01-0477896
- Board of Directors ; Director; Park Resource Manager; Staff
- Insurance: Maine Municipal Association Certif# P01150PC2017

Utilization of the property

- Group use picnics and gatherings, scenic natural areas, swimming, boating, hiking, mountain biking, skiing, snowshoeing, ice fishing, building rental (west social hall), weddings (west island)
- Somerset Snowfest; Box Sled/Kayak & Ice Fishing Derbys, Winter Triathlon, Chili Cookoff, Ice Hole, Pinnacle Dog Walk
- Children's day camps -
 - Camp Podooc; (2 two-week sessions); Canaan residents: paid for by town; Skowhegan area residents: \$145 (\$155 in 2019); Non-residents \$180 (\$185 in 2019)
 - Rec Camp, 6th - 8th grade, \$150 per camper (New in 2020)
- Maine's Garlic Festival; live music, food vendors, garlic education, activities for adults and children
- Concession "East Side Eats", Campground Store, Permit #2-33268
- Paddle equipment rentals
- Public Access to Boat Launch
- 40,000 visitors/year

Fees

- Building rental: \$700/per reservation (suspended due to forthcoming construction)
- Grounds "reserved" rental: Lake George West Is: \$1,000; Lake George West Field: \$500; Lake George West: \$2,500
- Group Use \$4/person (if over 20 people); School groups \$1 per person
- Seasonal Park passes (Jan 1-Dec. 31): Indiv. Resident \$50; Indiv. Non-resident \$55; Resident Family \$75; Non-Res Family \$85
- Day Use Gate fees:
- Adults \$7/day; Children(5- 11) \$3/day; Children (under 5) FREE; Senior Citizens, (65+) FREE; Disabled Veterans FREE

Key Projects/Maintenance Completed in 2020 with name of funding supporter:

- Plan for parkwide facility renovations and corresponding fundraising; Somerset County Commissioners TIFF grant \$30K, Tree of Life Campaign, raised \$360K, Town of Skowhegan \$30K; Total funds raised \$420K
- Trail Improvements, 2,000 feet extension of "showcase trail" / "kids loop", (THE MODIN TRAIL) handwork completed in Summer 2020; (machine work will complete in 2021) Somerset Public Health Grant \$2000, Balance Bike Trail ("Tiny Tots") private donation
- New signs, website revision, soil testing and design - new septic system for Social Hall addition, Skowhegan Savings - Challenge Grant \$5K
- Received 24 ft wooden sailboat for future playground centerpiece, private donation
- Received hand built row boat for rental fleet, private donation
- Full park winter grooming due to \$5K private donation for a single track snow groomer
- Regular park operation fully operational with Covid Protocols; served record attendance

Please Note: The Margaret Chase Smith Social Hall construction was delayed in 2020 in order that the Park pursue matching funds via the 2021 LWCF grant.

Interaction with Bureau of Parks and Lands

Annual meeting with BPL occurred in October 2020; LWCF grant site visit October 2020; BPL encouraged LGRP to apply for 2021 LWCF grant; BPL representative is assisting with Social Hall

construction committee; BPL will be the sponsor and applicant on behalf of LGRP for a 2021 LWCF grant application

Key Goals for 2021 (and beyond)

- Master Recreation Plan - roadmap for facility and site design and development
 - Phased approach; Phase 1 begins 2021; Phase 2 tbd
- 2021 LWCF grant application
- Facilitate projects relative to LWCF plan, Phases 1 & 2 (tbd)
 - Social Hall Renovation
 - Social Hall Addition
 - Sitework Social Hall drive, grounds, drainage
 - Upper Field drainage
 - New courts - pickleball, basketball, sand volleyball
 - Knotweed eradication
 - Renovate lakeside cabins
 - Instal ADA access lakeside cabins
 - Improve Park entrance areas
 - Improve wayfinding and information signs
 - Resolve drainage in picnic area field
 - New "Nautical Playground" and Forest Trail
 - Trail Improvements and additions
 - Renovate the Octagon Building - repurpose as playhouse for new playground
 - Resolve failing erosion barrier on north side of East Beach
- Continue collaboration with Main Street Skowhegan - Skowhegan Outdoors to bring recreation activity programming to the Park
- Implement new activity programming as a part of the Park's Progressional Programming plan.
- Build in-house recreation activity programs
- Work with Somerset Public Health to bring health awareness and health activity opportunities to Park goers and campers
- Expansion of Rec Camp for 6th, 7th and 8th graders featuring introduction to various outdoor recreation activities
- Continue aggressive policing with assistance from local law enforcement, of the "Park's East Entrance": (parking, littering, substance abuse issues)
- Increase milfoil monitoring and public awareness campaign at boat launch and water access points.
- Continue boat rental program (non-motorized) via Down River Expeditions
- Add another 2,000 linear feet to the Modin mt bike trail
- Initiate operation of handicap fishing platform - requires final path grading
- Facilitate selective forest harvesting of hazardous trees
- Facilitate Somerset Snowfest and Maine's Garlic Festival
- Potential return of Triathlon in partnership with Somerset Sports and Fitness

The Park has committed to increased activity programming as a part of it's alliance with Main Street Skowhegan - Skowhegan Outdoors; in an effort to help bring about positive change relative to the health and vibrancy of the regional community. The Park is also collaborating with Somerset Public Health, Parks & Rec, KVCAP, REACH, SCTC and other organizations in order to improve programming for the public benefit. A great deal of time has been allocated to the planning of new and renovated facilities. All of these efforts are geared towards new strategic programming of outdoor recreation activity, enhancing community collaboration, improving revenue potential for the Park and optimizing the park experience for users.

We appreciate the commitment of both towns in historically sharing the state's payment in lieu of taxes (rescinded by the state), and hope that if reinstated in 2021, voters will agree to remit those funds again to LGRP. We are open to your feedback about how we can improve, and look forward to continually strengthening the community collaborations that preserve Lake George as an exceptional natural resource for all to enjoy.

For a more detailed report please contact the town offices of Canaan and Skowhegan.

In service,



Darryll White, Director



JP Kennedy, President, Board of Directors



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To: Members of the Select Board and Citizens of the Town of Skowhegan

From: Skowhegan Regional Chamber of Commerce, Jason S. Gayne, President & CEO

The Skowhegan Regional Chamber of Commerce (SRCC) is a 501(c)(6) non-for profit focused on promoting a healthy business climate through communication, education, and advocacy for its members and the community, in the Skowhegan region. The Chamber focuses on four key elements: Advocacy & Communication, Economic Development, Tourism Development, and Events & programs. With this we have created the Skowhegan Welcome and Business Center (SWBC) which is a 501(c)(6) nonprofit organization that is housed with the Chamber in downtown Skowhegan.

This year we are doing something different when it comes to town funding, The Chamber of Commerce is not asking for the funding as we are a regional Chamber and do a lot of advocacy for our member businesses. So, this year and going forward we are asking for funding for the Skowhegan Welcome and Business Center (Skowhegan Information Center) for our location located in downtown Skowhegan.

This past year has been an interesting one for us. We have done a complete renovation to the Skowhegan Welcome and Business office and updated it to include two different spaces. In the front of the building you will find, a welcome desk, a space representing our members, a space representing information for the region and state, and you will now find a small gift shop for all our visitors stopping by the office. In the rear of the building, you will find a small private office, a conference room, and a bathroom. We have also updated the way that we are putting community information out, by the two TV screens that we have in the windows, one facing NAPA and one facing Kyes Insurance Company. If anyone has information that they would like to share with the community you can email it to us at admin@skowheganregion.com, or you can bring the flyer into the office and we will make it a picture so that we can put it onto the screens. We try our best to update the screens every Friday for the newest and latest information for the community. We encourage you to stop by and visit if you have not had the chance to do so.

Economic Development

Over the last several months, we have been dealing with COVID-19, and with this we created a COVID Bucks stimulus program. We have a Chamber Bucks program in general, where you can come to the office and purchase gift certificates for any of our member's businesses for any amount, and this is something that we offer in general. With COVID we opened it up to any business member or not in the community. With this program at this current time, we have issued checks to over 80 different businesses in the region, and over \$38,000.00 back to them. The way that it worked is that you would call the office on a certain day and tell us where you wanted to purchase them for, you would pay for it, and then from donations that we had raised from our community, we would match it and then the customer would pick them up, or have the gift certificate mailed to them, and then that afternoon the Chamber would deliver the checks to the businesses. We heard a lot of great feedback from doing this.

We have worked with many different organizations over the past year to include Main Street Skowhegan, Skowhegan Economic and Community Development, Somerset Economic and Community Development, Kennebec Valley Council of Governments, Madison Business Alliance, and many others to work on bringing new businesses to the region and working with existing businesses and the needs that they have. We have also created the Community Economic Resource Council (CERC). The CERC was created recognizing the need for collaboration, that strengthens economic development initiatives, promotes

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Somerset County as the ideal rural Maine location to start a business and provides a one-stop resource for business owners and new entrepreneurs.

We also offer and have for many years had a shop local member to member program, which also nonmember businesses could be a part of. We also offer advice and assistance with business and marketing support for regional businesses.

Advocacy & Communication

We send out business and community news and updates via email. This includes news for and about businesses in the Skowhegan region. These emails go out to more than 2,000 people and have proven to be an extremely successful way to convey information regarding current events, special happenings, legislative actions that affect our local business climate, new business openings, and business development in our area. We also have been sending out hard copy monthly newsletters, if you are not getting them and would like to please let us know.

The Chamber has a goal to further the interests of businesses. We advocate on the business members behalf, and work to create an environment in which businesses can prosper. We work with our local, state, and federal government on many issues. We are also at many meetings and work to better the business community.

Events & programs

We have held small business week in the past and will be holding it in the coming year, which is free and open to the public. This has been proven to be successful thanks to the presenters that we have had, and the knowledge that they bring, participants have been able to learn the latest information concerning business development, climate, and support in our region.

We are planning to have a few events in the coming months and looking at having events next year, most of the events that were planned for this year for us have been postponed.

Other Information

The Skowhegan Regional Chamber of Commerce has made many positive changes over the past years and will continue to grow and develop to best serve the town of Skowhegan, our citizens, our businesses, our organizations, and the people that choose to visit our great town. With your support we will continue to work hard for this community, as it is our home too, and we look forward to being here for many more years to come. If we can ever be of assistance, please let us know.

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TOWN OF SKOWHEGAN, MAINE
ANNUAL
TOWN MEETING WARRANT
STATE OF MAINE
June 5, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.
Municipal Building - Opera House
AND
SECRET BALLOT ELECTION
June 8, 2021 from 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.
Municipal Building - Council Room

Somerset, ss.

To David Bucknam, Constable of the Town of Skowhegan, Maine in the County of Somerset:

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby requested to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Skowhegan in said County and State, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet in the **Opera House in the Skowhegan Municipal Building**, in said Town on Saturday, the fifth day of June, A.D., 2021 at ten o'clock in the morning, to transact all business as herein enumerated in the articles of the Town Warrant.

And, to notify and warn said voters to meet in the **Council Room in the Skowhegan Municipal Building** in said Town, on Tuesday, the eight day of June, A.D., 2021, then and there to act upon Article 2 by secret ballot as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

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

ARTICLE 2. To choose, by ballot, the following Town Officials, namely, Two Selectmen, for three-year terms; One Road Commissioner, for a three-year term; One Town Clerk, for a three-year term; One Town Treasurer, for a three-year term; One Assessor, for a three-year term; One Overseer of the Poor, for a three-year term; Two Park Commissioners, for five-year terms; and Four Directors of RSU54/SAD54, for three-year terms.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,828,889.00 for General Government.

Department	Budget Committee	Votes	Selectmen	Votes
Finance Department	\$659,931.00	7/0	\$659,931.00	5/0
Municipal Building Maintenance	\$144,974.00	7/0	\$144,974.00	5/0
Assessing	\$119,487.00	7/0	\$119,487.00	5/0
Town Manager	\$177,587.00	7/0	\$177,587.00	5/0
Planning & Ordinance Administration	\$32,984.00	7/0	\$32,984.00	5/0
Code Enforcement	\$166,141.00	7/0	\$166,141.00	5/0
Employee Benefits	\$205,035.00	7/0	\$201,285.00	5/0
Town Insurances	\$144,780.00	7/0	\$144,780.00	5/0
Economic & Community Development	\$177,970.00	7/0	\$177,970.00	5/0
General Government Total	\$1,828,889.00		\$1,825,139.00	

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,798,599.00 for Police Department. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,194,936.00 for Fire Department. (The Selectmen with a 3/2 vote recommend \$1,093,807.00 and the Budget Committee with a 4/3 vote recommends \$1,194,936.00.)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$565,167.00 for Other Protection. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$157,652.00 for Health and Human services.

Department	Budget Committee	Votes	Selectmen	Votes
General Assistance	\$156,360.00	6/0	\$156,360.00	5/0
Health Department	\$1,292.00	6/0	\$1,292.00	5/0
General Assistance/Health Dept. Total	\$157,652.00		\$157,652.00	

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$638,970.00 for Waste Water and Pollution Control. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$896,281.00 for Solid Waste and Recycling. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$602,378.00 for Public Works – Summer Roads Maintenance. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$787,914.00 for Public Works – Winter Roads Maintenance. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$252,000.00 for Public Works – Vehicle Maintenance. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$111,905.00 for the care of cemeteries. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$613,440.00 for Parks and Recreation. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,860,213.00 for Capital Expenditures/Debt Retirement. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 5/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for the Pollution Control Plant. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$157,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for the Recreation Department. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for the Municipal Building. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$47,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for the Solid Waste Department. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 5/1 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$67,400.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for the Police Department. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Public Works Equipment. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$770,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Public Works Roads and Sidewalks. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will vote to accept and carry forward in a separate account sums that may be received from the State Department of Transportation Local Road Assistance Program estimated at \$139,664.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend the amounts voted in Articles 22 and 23 from the Capital Improvement Program/Public Works Roads and Sidewalks account for the town's share of the following proposed projects: Paving/work planned for Eaton Mountain Road, Bigelow Hill Road, Burrill Hill Road, Beech Street, Hanover Street, Crescent Street, Lambert Road, Kennebec Street, Mitchell Street, Riverside Parking Lot, and Jewett Street. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$242,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for the Fire Department. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Emergency Management. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Administration. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Assessing. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,660.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Economic & Community Development. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/1 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Cemeteries. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for the Planning Department. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Public Works Buildings. (The Selectmen with a 3/2 vote recommend \$25,000.00 and the Budget Committee with a 6/1 vote recommends \$30,000.00.)

ARTICLE 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for Capital Expenditures/Capital Reserve Funds for Street Lights. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 7/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

Note: Organizations were informed that although the Town of Skowhegan does not require that petitions be filed in order to request funds, it is the only way to make sure that the requested amount appears on the Warrant. The Selectmen voted on October 23, 2018 to change the signature requirement on petitions for funding requests from 10% to 5% of voters from the last gubernatorial election. 164 signatures were required for funding request petitions this year.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$195,000.00 for Skowhegan Free Public Library. The Community Service Organization's request by petition was \$195,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 3/2 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend \$175,000.00.)

ARTICLE 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for Coburn Park Commission. The Community Service Organization's request by petition is \$10,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for Skowhegan History House. The Community Service Organization's request by petition is \$10,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 5/0/1 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 37. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00 for Main Street Skowhegan. The Community Service Organization's request by petition is \$60,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 38. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for Skowhegan Welcome & Business Center. The Community Service Organization's request by petition is \$30,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/1 vote recommend \$24,000.00.)

ARTICLE 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for Lake George Regional Park. The Community Service Organization's request by petition is \$15,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 4/1 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,700.00 for KVCAP Transportation Services. The Human Service Agency's request by petition is \$3,700.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 41. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for Family Violence Project. The Human Service Agency's request by petition is \$6,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,420.00 for Spectrum Generations. The Human Service Agency's request by petition is \$8,420.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 43. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for Hospice Volunteers of Somerset County. The Human Service Agency’s request by petition is \$20,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote recommend \$20,000.00 and the Budget Committee with a 4/2 vote recommends \$18,000.00.)

ARTICLE 44. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,007.00 for Sexual Assault Crisis & Support. The Human Service Agency’s request by petition is \$3,006.50. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote recommend \$3,007.00 and the Budget Committee with a 5/1 vote recommend \$0.00.)

ARTICLE 45. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 for Skowhegan Community Food Cupboard. The Human Service Agency’s request by petition is \$18,000.00. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to apply FY 2022 operational revenues in the amount of \$2,496,527.00 to offset the FY 2022 appropriations. (The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote and the Budget Committee with a 6/0 vote recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 47. To see if the town will vote to appropriate an amount from undesignated fund balance, not to exceed \$1,800,000.00, toward one or more of the following purposes:

- a. to appropriate funds to the Ballfield Compound Reserve Account;
- b. to reduce the tax commitment;
- c. to pay down debt faster.

(The Selectmen with a 5/0 vote recommend \$1,400,000.00 for the following:

- \$700,000.00 Ballfield Compound Reserve Account
- \$700,000.00 reduce the tax commitment

The Budget and Finance Committee with a 3/2 vote recommends \$1,800,000.00 for the following:

- \$800,000.00 Ballfield Compound Reserve Account
- \$500,000.00 reduce the tax commitment
- \$500,000.00 to pay down debt faster.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer an amount not to exceed 1% of the total town budget between budget categories as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during fiscal year 2022. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to establish September 15, 2021, or 30-days after the commitment date of taxes, whichever is later, as the date when the first installment of taxes shall be due and payable and March 15, 2022 as the date when the second installment of taxes shall be due and payable and to see if the Town will fix the rate of 6% interest to be charged on all taxes unpaid after said dates. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506-A to fix the rate of 2% interest to be paid on overpaid or abated taxes. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to apply as much of the yearly overlay as may be necessary to fund property tax abatements and applicable interest granted during fiscal year 2022. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506, to authorize the tax collector and treasurer to accept the prepayment of taxes not yet committed. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to enter into a standard agreement with year-round residential taxpayers establishing a “Tax Club” payment plan for property taxes, whereby: (1) the taxpayer agrees to pay specified monthly payments to the Town based on his/her estimated and actual tax obligation for current year property taxes; (2) the Town agrees not to charge interest or penalties on timely payments made pursuant to the tax club agreement; (3) the Town authorizes the Tax Collector to accept tax club payments for current taxes which may be due prior to the commitment of those taxes; (4) the agreement is automatically terminated if a scheduled payment is late, and the taxpayer then becomes subject to the same due dates and interest dates and rates as other taxpayers who are not participating in a tax club; (5) only taxpayers who do not have any outstanding tax obligation for prior tax years are eligible to participate in the tax club program; and (6) taxpayers wishing to participate in a tax club for a particular property tax year shall enter into agreement with the Town by a publicly-advertised deadline determined by the Tax Collector. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, on behalf of the Town, grant funds from state government agencies, federal government agencies, or private organizations for any purpose they deem in the best interest of the Town. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town, as the Legislative body will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen approving, applying for and accepting all Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), including the following:

- Community Enterprise Assistance Grant Program in the amount of \$100,000.00
- Economic Development Grant for Bigelow Brewing in the amount of \$270,000.00

and to make such assurances, assume such responsibilities and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such programs with the understanding that should the intended National Objective of the CDBG program not be met, all CDBG funds must be repaid to the State of Maine CDBG program. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 56. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all of the money received from the State for snowmobile registrations to the Skowhegan Sno-Hawks Snowmobile Club for the maintenance of their system or network of snowmobile trails, on the condition that those trails be open in snow season to the public for outdoor recreation purposes at no charge, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Club, under such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem advisable, for that purpose. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 57. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of by the most prudent means possible, any equipment, vehicles, furniture or other non-real estate town property that is no longer necessary to town operations. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 58. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes due thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to issue quit-claim deeds for such property. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 59. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Town Treasurer, after Board of Selectmen approval, to file a waiver of automatic foreclosure at the Registry of Deeds, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 944, on real estate that may be burdensome for the Town. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 60. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amended Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. Last Amended at Town Meeting August 29, 2020. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 61. To see if the Town will vote to repeal and replace the Floodplain Management Ordinance. Last amended at Town Meeting March 12, 2001. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 62. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Utility Scale Solar Facilities Moratorium Ordinance. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 63. To see if the Town will vote to approve the Annual Report for Tax Year April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 for the KVCAP Mary Street Affordable Housing Development District. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 64. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as the authorized representative of the Town Meeting for the purpose of approving each year's Annual Report for the KVCAP Mary Street Affordable Housing Development District. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 65. To see if the Town will vote to approve the Release Deed for Map 23, Lot 52 (Corner of Main Street and West Front Street) to convey said property to the State of Maine. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 66. To see if the Town will vote to approve the Option and Park Relocation Agreement with Maine School Administrative District No. 54. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE 67. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute all documents necessary to accept dedications of any easements necessary for the Run of River Whitewater Park. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

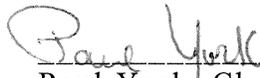
ARTICLE 68. To see if the Town will vote to accept the gift of a twenty-foot-wide sewer easement from Joey P. Joseph (Map 4, Lot 8) to transport sewage from the East Madison Road to the Town's sewer line located under Madison Avenue/ Route 201 with the understanding that the Town of Skowhegan will maintain and repair any pipes, lines and equipment installed by the Town of Skowhegan. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

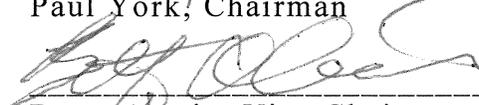
The Registrar will hold hours for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters from Tuesday, June 3, 2021 through Friday, June 4, 2021 from noon to 4:00 P.M. at the Town Office; Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting, and Tuesday, June 8, 2021 from 7:00 A.M. until the close of the polls at 8:00 P.M.

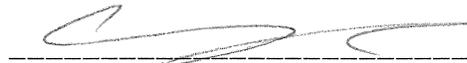
You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting in a public and conspicuous place at least seven (7) days before the holding of said meeting.

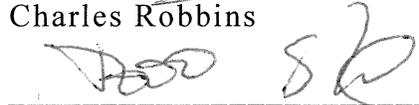
Hereof fail not and have this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place mentioned.

Given under our hands at Skowhegan, Maine the 11th day of May 2021.


Paul York, Chairman


Betty Austin, Vice Chairman


Charles Robbins


Todd Smith


Roger Staples

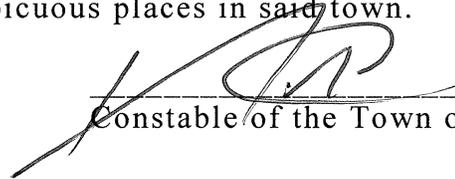
Selectmen of the Town of Skowhegan

CONSTABLE'S RETURN

Skowhegan, Maine

May 12, 2021

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned inhabitants of said town, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at said time, place, and for the purpose therein named, by posting a copy of said warrant, attested by me at the Municipal Building, Skowhegan Community Center and Hannaford, being public and conspicuous places in said town.


Constable of the Town of Skowhegan

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Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) – Dial 911

<u>If you want information</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>E-Mail</u>
Administration	Town Manager	474-6907 474-9413	calmand@skowhegan.org Fax
Animal Control Officer	Sharon Kinney	474-6386	
Animal Shelter	Manager	474-6493	shsanimals.forever@yahoo.com
Assessor's Department	Assessor	474-6903	lemer@skowhegan.org
Bills and Accounts	Finance Officer	474-6900 858-0320	taustin@skowhegan.org Fax
Birth/Marriage/Death Certificates	Town Clerk	474-6902	skowtreas@skowhegan.org
Boat/Snowmobile/ATV Reg.	Town Clerk	474-6902	skowtreas@skowhegan.org
Building Inspections	Inspector	474-6904	skowcode@skowhegan.org
Chamber of Commerce	Director	474-3621	exdir@skowhegan.chamber.com
Code Enforcement	Officer	474-6904	skowcode@skowhegan.org
Community Center/Rec. Dept.	Director	474-6901	skowrec@skowhegan.org
Community & Economic Development	Director	474-6905	skowecon@skowhegan.org
District Court	District Court	474-9518	
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk	474-6902	skowtreas@skowhegan.org
Emergency Management	Town Manager	474-6900	calmand@skowhegan.org
Fire Department	Fire Chief	474-3400	showard@skowhegan.org
Fire Permits	Fire Chief	474-3400	showard@skowhegan.org
General Assistance	Director	474-6900	
Health Officer	Tim Malyk	474-3320	
Highway Department	Road Commissioner	474-6911	skowpwd@skowhegan.org
History House	Patricia Horine	474-6632	
Hospital	RFGH	474-5121	
Hunting/Fishing Licenses	Town Clerk	474-6902	skowtreas@skowhegan.org
KVCAP	Office - Poulin Park	474-8487	
Lake George Regional Park	Park Ranger	474-1292	
Library	Skowhegan Public	474-9072	
Margaret Chase Smith Library	Director	474-7133	
Main Street Skowhegan	Director	612-2571	
Opera House	Executive Secretary	474-6907	cmason@skowhegan.org
Ordinance	Code Enforcement	474-6904	skowcode@skowhegan.org
Passports	Executive Secretary	474-6907	cmason@skowhegan.org
Planning Board	Town Planner	474-6904	skowplan@skowhegan.org
Plumbing Information	Inspector	474-6904	skowcode@skowhegan.org
Police Department	Police Chief	474-6908	skowpd@skowhegan.org
Anonymous Tip Line	Detective	474-6915	skowdet@skowhegan.org
Pollution Control	Supervisor	474-6909	skowpoll@skowhegan.org
Recreation	Director	474-6901	skowrec@skowhegan.org
Registry of Deeds	Registrar	474-3421	
Recycling Center	Supervisor	474-6918	skowrecycle@skowhegan.org
Selectmen/Meetings, etc.	Executive Secretary	474-6907	cmason@skowhegan.org
Sewers	Road Commissioner	474-6911	skowpwd@skowhegan.org
Schools	Superintendent	474-9508	
Sheriffs Department	Sheriff	474-9591	
Solid Waste Management	Supervisor	474-6918	skowrecycle@skowhegan.org
State Police	State Police	474-3350	
Streets or Snow Removal	Road Commissioner	474-6911	skowpwd@skowhegan.org
Superior Court	Superior Court	474-5161	
Taxes	Tax Collector	474-6900	calmand@skowhegan.org
Town Treasurer/Town Clerk	Treasurer	474-6902	skowtreas@skowhegan.org
Vehicle Registrations	Main Office	474-6900	
Voter Information	Registrar of Voters	474-6906	skowvoter@skowhegan.org