

Town Manager's Report  
March 11, 2014

Fiscal Report: As of the end of February the town was 67% into the current fiscal year budget. Our revenue collections excluding tax collections were at 57.5% while our expenditures were at 64.6%. We are reviewing revenues and believe that they will seasonally pick up as the spring arrives though we could face a shortfall. The expenditures are doing well considering the winter expenses and they may offset some of the revenue shortfall.

We are also reviewing our proposed FY 2015 budget development. Since our last report we now know that we can reduce \$108,000 of expenses (elimination of the assessment charges at Ecomaine) and that we will receive \$188,000 from the state revenue sharing. These two elements when factored into the budget will reduce the tax rate by almost \$.30 cents. The Budget advisory committee is wrapping up their work and it may mean another savings of about \$.10 cents. If this holds true our proposed tax rate before any changes in the school funding could drop by as much as \$.40 cents.

Notices:

The Town is accepting bids for the renovations and repairs to some of the court facilities and building. The mandatory walk through is on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM with all bids due no later than March 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. The bid package is posted on the town's website.

The Town is also seeking applications for part time maintenance workers at the Salmon Point Campground. Applications are available on the town's website:

[www.Bridgtonmaine.org](http://www.Bridgtonmaine.org)

The Town is also re-constructing the Town website and during this period there may be interruptions for which we apologize. When done, we believe it will have a different look and an ease of use factor for all who "click on".

We are also accepting applications for the Salmon Point Host and Hostess positions for the 2014 camping season. The deadline for receiving applications is Friday, March 14, 2014 at 3:00 PM. For more information call the Town office and ask for Gary Colello or get the applications at the town's website [www.bridgtonmaine.org](http://www.bridgtonmaine.org) and click on applications and forms under Government.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Town Manager