Town Manager's Report Tuesday April 23, 2013

<u>Worker's Compensation Refund:</u> The town has received a refund/dividend check in the amount of \$3,896 from the MMA Worker's Compensation fund which reflects an improving claims experience in FY 2012-13.

Revenue Sharing Collections: The town received the April payment from the State under the revenue sharing in this current year. The \$14,212 brings our total collection to date at \$220,234. If the last two months do not increase sharply we may find a shortfall of about \$23,000. Please note that there is usually a larger amount paid in the last two months.

<u>Taxes and Collections:</u> We are reminding tax payers that the final quarterly tax payment is due by May 15 at 4:00 PM. Thus far we are at 74.4% and encourage all taxpayers to make their full payments to avoid being delinquent.

<u>Saturday Office Hours:</u> We remind our citizens that we will hold office hours on the last Saturday in April, May and June from 8-11:30 AM. During this time the only transactions to be conducted will be vehicle and boat registrations as well as the collection of any property tax payments.

Burn Permits are now Required : As spring arrives we remind folks that outdoor burning of brush requires that a burn permit must first be acquired. They are available as follows:

Weekday from 8-4:30 PM at the Police Department
Weekends from 9-noon at the Central Fire Station
Evenings and Weekends on line- www.Burningpermit.com/home.html

<u>Audit Schedule for FY 2013:</u> Our Auditors have confirmed their pre-audit for May 28 and 29, 2013 and their will return during the week of July 29-August 2, 2013 to wrap up the field work on the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013. The Board will also see an RFP going out in May to solicit auditing services for the next few years.

Earned Interest: A little over a year ago the Town requested proposals from the three local bank branches in an effort to improve our costs of doing financial business while increasing our interest returns. I am pleased to report that in the preceding 12 months the Town earned approximately \$7,275 in interest after any charges which have been extremely small. In this calendar year we have already earned \$2,427 and our expenses for these services with Norway Savings Bank continue to be low to none each month.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mitchell A. Berkowitz Town Manager