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of the
Town of Baldwin
Maine

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DEDICATION

The Town of Baldwin Dedicates this year's Town Report to
Norma Haines



Norma, who recently passed away, had been a resident of Baldwin since 1975 when she and Glenn arrived and immediately became actively involved in the town's civic life. They joined the East Baldwin Congregational Church in 1975 where they sang in the choir and Norma took on the Treasurer's duties. She coordinated church suppers and worked on fund raising events.

In spite of being new to town, Norma became an active member of the Baldwin Historical Society. In the succeeding years she served as Secretary and board member many times over, the latest as recently as 2022. She helped organize and

conduct annual fund-raising events and passionately supported local historic preservation efforts. Norma and her husband Glenn donated the painted walls of their house in East Baldwin village, the Norton House, to the Rufus Porter Museum in Bridgton for preservation. More importantly, they also donated the Chadborne House and grounds to the Baldwin Historical Society providing a place for education and research in genealogy, historic events, and a place to preserve historical objects related to Baldwin.



Norma was a long-time member of the Brown Memorial Library Board where she was the Secretary for many years and helped with events and fundraisers. She volunteered in the library from 2007 to 2010 and was the librarian, converting the entire collection from one computer-based system to another. She helped recruit, train, and supervise other volunteers. Her help was essential to the continuing viability of the library.

She was an active representative in the Grange. She joined the Pomona Grange, the Maple Grove Grange in Sebago (where Norma is the Master), Mt. Etna Grange in North Baldwin, the State Grange, and the National Grange, all of which promote Plant and Animal Husbandry, Citizen Safety and Awareness.

Norma was a noted feature of Baldwin Town Meetings, usually sitting in or very near the front row. She was never shy to challenge the Selectmen, and to voice the questions that she thought others needed to ask. She was always polite and respectful of others. Her participation will be greatly missed.

Norma is this year's Baldwin Maine Spirit of America Foundation Tribute recipient in sincere gratitude and appreciation for her exemplary citizenship and longstanding contributions to this community. It is for these and many other reasons that we dedicate this Town Report to her.

On behalf of the Town of Baldwin

Thank You Norma.



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Tuesday	8:00AM – 7:00PM
Wednesday - Friday	8:00AM – 4:00PM
Last Saturday of each month	8:00AM – 12:00PM

Assessing Office Hours	Every other Friday: 8:00AM – 12:00PM
Code Enforcement Office Hours	Every Friday 8:00AM – 12:00PM
General Assistance Office Hours	Every Thursday: 8:00AM – 12:00PM

Select Board, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor:	Dwight Warren- 2023 James Dolloff- 2024 Robert Flint- 2025
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Town Clerk/ Treasurer/ Tax Collector/ Registrar of Voters:	Deborah Wakefield- 2025
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Deputy Town Clerk:	Robyn Anderson- (01/01/22-02/15/22) Sara Chase- 03/21/22- present
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Town Administrative Assistant:	Danielle Taylor- (01/01/22-02/15/22) Robyn Anderson- 02/16/22- present
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Road Commissioner	Brian Anderson- (01/01/22-01/28/22) Chris Harrington- 03/2022 - present
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Code Enforcement Officer/ Plumbing/Building Inspector:	Wes Sunderland (retired 08/2022) Don Kent-(08/2022-present)
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Animal Control Officer	Richard Guilbault
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Town Fire Chief

Bruce Crawford (resigned 03/2023)
Steve Sanders- 04/2023-present

Emergency Management Director

Owen Sprague (resigned 09/2022)
Bruce Crawford (resigned 03/2023)
Tom Caron- 05/02/2023-present

Health Officer

Dr. Joseph deKay

Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Carl Landry

Planning Board

Planning board members meet at the Town Office on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm unless noted otherwise. All members are appointed.

Josiah Pierce (Chairman)-2027

David Strock (Vice Chairman)-2026

Donald Sharp- (Secretary) 2026

Matthew Fricker-2023

Theresa Grisez-2026

Michael Ustin- (Alternate) 2027

Victoria Abramowska- (Alternate) 2027

Appeals Board

Jon Bishop – 2024

Laurie Downey (Secretary) – 2027

Gary McNeil- 2027

Keith Stachouse-2027

Olin Thomas-2027

Daniel Pierce (Alt) – 2027

Directors of M.S.A.D. #55

Betty Lawrence-2024

J. Wesley Sunderland – 2025

Olin Thomas – 2023

Saco River Corridor Commission

Cheri Brunault-2025

Laurie Downey - 2025

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Dear Friends,

I've often thought that Maine is just one big small town connected by long roads. Well, in the past year or two, those roads have gotten steeper and bumpier as we dealt with an unprecedented pandemic and the resulting economic troubles.

As we faced the historic challenges, something impressive happened. We came together and lent a hand to our neighbors wherever we could to keep things running and spirits high.

Down in Washington, Congress tried to help Maine communities get through this struggle, so that our state would come out stronger. To do that, we put in the work and set some things into motion that are already helping Maine people. That's why you hired us, after all.

The pandemic made something we'd known for a while clear: those roads and networks that connect our big town needed repair, improvements, and expansion – from bridges to broadband. So, while Maine was uniting towards a common purpose, Congress came together to pass the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* – legislation that makes generational investments in physical infrastructure, broadband connections, harbors, and the energy grid. These efforts will lay the foundation for Maine's 21st century economy and make sure even the most rural areas aren't left behind.

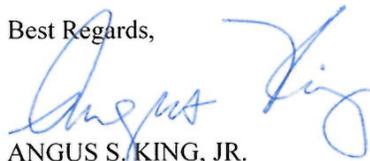
Over the last two years, as we drove up and down our state, you couldn't help but see storefronts in trouble and prices rising as the economy struggled through a global recession. And again, while you focused your efforts on getting through the difficult times, Congress took meaningful action. We passed the *American Rescue Plan* in 2021, which enabled Governor Mills and the state of Maine to better meet the health and economic difficulties of the pandemic. At a critical moment it expanded healthcare efforts to confront COVID and invested in the state to keep the economy in far better shape than most others nationwide.

Congress didn't stop there. This year, we took even more concrete steps to cut costs, create jobs, and provide more affordable, cleaner energy. The bipartisan *CHIPS Act* will bring home the manufacturing of the technical components known as "chips" that are used in everything these days – from smartphones to microwaves to cars – and in doing so reduce prices and create good American jobs. We also passed the *Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)* to lower healthcare costs, allow Medicare to negotiate drug prices, and cut energy bills with new rebates for things like heat pumps and solar panels.

Beyond these major investments, we also passed vital legislation to improve the day-to-day lives of Maine people and Americans nationwide. On a bipartisan basis, we expanded health care for veterans exposed to toxins, strengthened protections for marriage equality, supported Ukraine as it fought off a bloody Russian invasion, secured our elections and the peaceful transfer of power, and delivered millions in federal investments to projects up and down our state.

So, as Maine worked to get through hard times, Congress took steps to support our state – and we're already starting to see brighter days ahead. I'm proud to have played a small part down here; it's a true privilege to listen to you, work with you, and build a brighter future for all the incredible people up and down the roads that connect our big small town. Mary and I wish you a happy, and safe 2023.

Best Regards,



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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for the trust that Mainers have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments for our state.

Last year, I secured more than \$500 million for 285 projects from Aroostook County to York County that will promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; improve public safety, infrastructure, and community resources; and protect our environment. To address the crisis of soaring inflation and high energy prices, I led efforts to provide \$2 billion in supplemental funds to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In the new Congress that begins in 2023, I expect to be the Vice Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and will continue to champion investments to support Maine's communities and families.

Strengthening our economy and supporting good jobs remain a top priority. Along with the Governor and the rest of the Maine Delegation and the associations representing the lobster industry, I worked to protect our hardworking lobstermen and women by pausing for six years the onerous federal regulations that jeopardize our lobster fishery's very existence. Another ongoing threat to Maine's small businesses is the shortage of workers. That's why I led an effort to push the Administration to nearly double the number of H-2B visas that are critical to our hospitality industry. Additionally, when the Administration proposed to cut the construction of a destroyer to be built by Bath Iron Works, I restored this funding to protect Maine jobs and our national security.

When Maine Veterans' Homes announced last year that it planned to close its facilities in Caribou and Machias, I opposed that decision which would have had such a devastating effect on rural veterans and their families. I am glad that the decision was reversed, and I have secured \$3 million to help with upgrades to these facilities. My *AUTO for Vets Act* also became law, which will help disabled veterans maintain their independence by supporting the purchase of a new adaptive vehicle once a decade.

This past year, Congress demonstrated how effective it can be on behalf of the American people when both parties work together. A few of the bipartisan achievements that I was involved in include the *Respect for Marriage Act*, which will provide certainty to millions of loving couples in same-sex marriages while protecting religious liberties, and the *Electoral Count Reform Act*, which establishes clear guidelines for our system of certifying and counting electoral votes for President and Vice President.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and I have honored that work ethic by showing up for every vote. During my Senate service, I have cast more than 8,500 consecutive votes, never having missed one. I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2023. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,



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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is an honor to serve you in the Maine Senate. Thank you for putting your trust in me. You can be sure I will work tirelessly on your behalf.

I have already taken the oath of office and started my first term working for the people of our district. Having served in the State Senate previously and being a lifelong resident of Maine, I am quite familiar with the towns in Senate District 22.

The 131st Legislature must work collaboratively to solve problems and ease the burdens everyday Mainers face. Constituents have already expressed that they would like to see government start working for them. I could not agree more. I look forward to hearing from more of you, so together we can evaluate the nature and effectiveness of the state/local government relationship.

Maine families, seniors, and small businesses need relief from high costs affecting budgets. Addressing policies that have contributed to some of these high costs is a priority of mine in the coming session. As your State Senator, I will be working to find ways to incorporate economies. Your tax dollars should be spent wisely.

In addition to addressing costs, the 131st Legislature is tasked with passing a balanced budget by June 30, 2023. This will require careful review of current state spending, and a prioritization of allocations that meet the most vital needs of our towns.

Thank you for electing me to serve you in the Maine Senate. The 131st Legislature has a great deal of work to do, but I know if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please contact me at 287-1505 or james.libby@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 cursive script that reads "Jim".

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Dear Friends & Neighbors:

Warmer temperatures in mid-February seem to be negating Punxsutawney Phil's prediction of six more weeks of winter. Nonetheless, we all know how quickly the weather can change in the Pine Tree State.

Maine continues to recover from the damaging effects of, and responses to, the COVID pandemic. Let us remember those who experienced its deepest griefs. Nonetheless, gratefully, a sense of normalcy unfolded with the swearing-in ceremonies again taking place at the State House on December 7. On that day, I was again impressed with the great honor and privilege of representing you in Augusta. I don't take that lightly. With your counsel and your prayers, I plan to prove worthy of that trust.

I look forward to working with my colleagues, on both sides of the aisle, in constructing the next biennial budget. Please make note of this fact—though fear of recession is an ongoing topic in the media, State Government's actual revenues continue to be greater than what was forecasted. Consequently, citizens of Maine have every reason to expect, perhaps *demand*, a reduction in taxes. I believe excess revenue collection should cease, and taxpayers can battle inflation better if they may simply keep more of what they worked to earn.

In this 131st Legislature, leadership has assigned me to the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement, and Business. Its oversight is broad—regulation of business, franchising, and advertising; regulation of various industry practices; of professional and occupational licensing; of FAME, the Finance Authority of Maine (both student assistance and economic development); of venture capital and trade programs; of opportunity zones; of technology transfers and commercialization; of the conversion of decommissioned defense facilities; import competition; tourism; and consumer protection. I am eager to understand the challenges faced by our many small businesses as they craft their visions for the future, develop new customers, and wrestle with talent recruitment so that together, we may facilitate a thriving business environment.

Again, thank you for trusting me to serve in Augusta. If ever there's a question, concern, or need for assistance related to State Government, please contact me without hesitation. Hearing from constituents is invaluable to me to effectively represent your interests.

Sincerely,

Mark W. Walker
State Representative

District 84 Baldwin, Naples, Sebago and Standish (part)

SELECT BOARD REPORT

Greetings:

This Town Report covers the six-month period from 1 January to 30 June 2022, what we call the transition budget. The Auditor's Report is also for this period. The Auditor's Report for the current fiscal year (1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023) will be available sometime later this year, perhaps in August or September. In preparing this year's warrant we have tried to show how the Town performed with respect to the 2022 transition budget as well as how we are faring so far with the current budget which runs until the end of June.

It has been a busy year for the Town and Town officials, elected and appointed. In early November we had a Local Option Election that expanded the ability of Town merchants to sell and serve alcohol (with the proper permits and licenses of course). There was a lot of prep work to make sure everything was executed in accordance with some very exacting State requirements. In another major effort, Matt Fricker is heading up a group of citizens, Town officials, and appointed panel members to update the Baldwin Comprehensive Plan. This is in response to a suggestion from the Town attorney in late 2020 and to new State legislation in 2022. The first meeting was on 26 July 2022. It will be a long process. You are welcome to attend any of the monthly meeting at the Community Center.

The Select Board had been in discussions with Glenvale Solar for over twelve months concerning their request for a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District with a Credit Enhancement Agreement (CEA). There were several public hearings on the subject this past summer that talked about the potential funds that could be raised and the restrictions that would be placed on them. On 14 Mar 2023 a TIF with CEA application to Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) was approved at a Special Town Meeting. DECD approved our application on 28 Mar 2023. It was a lot of work and will be for naught if the solar project doesn't get built. If it does get built, the Select Board has done it's best to maximize the revenue benefits to the Town.

We continue to hear from property owners about being over assessed. The Select Board encourages all homeowners to review their property records periodically. You can do that by computer in the comfort of your home by going to the Town website, selecting Assessing from the left-hand menu which will bring you to Cumberland County Assessing, then selecting Online Data – Property Records in the left-hand menu. There you can look up what the town has for the value of land and improvements, square footage, quality of construction, and many other things that might impact your assessment. A couple of other things. If you receive notification of a pending tax lien foreclosure from the Town Treasurer, please don't ignore it. It means you are likely three tax bills in arrears. After foreclosure, if you want to redeem your property you will need to pay all the back taxes plus fees and interest to redeem. If you pay the taxes due in the tax lien foreclosure notice before the foreclosure date, you will retain ownership of the property and reduce your immediate payment requirements.

Dwight Warren is retiring from the Select Board after serving for two terms, leaving a lasting legacy of achievement. The hallmark of his service has been quiet and steady leadership, improvements in the quality and transparency of Baldwin government, and dedicated personal involvement. He has always been the voice of moderation and has been willing to put in the extra effort. Dwight has actively recruited others to serve on Baldwin boards, committees, and appointed offices where his judgement has been critical to selecting quality candidates. He served during the worst of the COVID pandemic period and managed to keep most Town services going. He and Connie have hosted many monthly Senior Luncheons providing an opportunity for people to connect and enjoy a great home cooked meal. For these and many other contributions to Town Government, he will be sorely missed. We sincerely thank you Dwight for your service.

Now for the painful part of this report. For the first time, inflation and natural events have visited our budget in a big way. When the Select Board prepares the annual warrant, we make a first draft using what we think the prudent funding requirements will be for the upcoming year. We base this on past expenditures, what we think the Town needs for new or replacement equipment, projected problems that can be headed off with timely upgrades or repairs, what is required to provide fire protection and emergency response, road maintenance and

repair, investments for future upgrades, etc. Finally, we try to ensure our ability to retain motivated quality employees. We then try to determine what revenues will be available this fall at tax commitment time to help fund the budget. When we first ran the numbers, it reflected a 30% mil rate increase in spite of having a significant fund balance at the end of June 2022. We then went back and cut aggressively in a number of areas that we thought could carry over until another year, or more, but these cuts are only delays of expenses that will surely need to be paid in the future. This produced what we think will likely be a 15% increase. Here is a short synopsis of where the majority of increases are and what has been deferred.

- Community Center – 22% increase due to increases in utilities, maintenance/repairs and hired help. We had planned a needed replacement of the front doors for security and handicapped access requirements, but this is likely deferred.
- Tri-Town Solid Waste - 35% increase due to rapidly escalating tipping fees and a change in how the Tri-Town Board is planning future budgets.
- Sand Pond Beach Patrol – 28% which includes personnel, toilets, and other expenses.
- Fire Department Operating Expenses – 25% for gear, utilities, etc. Significantly reduced the FD request.
- Fire Truck Payment – No change from last year but delayed the projected truck purchase by a couple years.
- Fire Fighter Training – 36% due to a backlog of necessary training
- River Road Reserve Account Deposit – 100% This is an increase of \$15K over the usual \$15K but a reduction from the \$100K assigned to it in the first look. Storm Eliot last December deteriorated the culvert crossing at Pigeon Brook. The roadbed opened up during the storm and the guardrails were barely hanging-on on the western side to begin with. We engaged an engineering firm to design a replacement and they guesstimate it will cost \$200K or more for the replacement. Our goal is to have a design on the shelf and then accumulate about 50% of the replacement cost in this reserve account so that we can take advantage of State matching funds if they become available. At the current \$30K deposit we are not making progress toward that goal this year. Then on 1 May a heavy rain breached the culverts and washed out a big piece of the pavement on the downstream side.
- By the way, we want to thank Mr. Curtis Pierce for donating the land on River Road to be used to straighten the big curve. Gaining that property was another important step in our long-term River Road upgrade plans.
- At the time of this writing, we hadn't added up all the costs of the 1 May storm.
- Town Vehicle Reserve Account Deposit – We initially planned for \$70K to cover the large truck ordered last summer to replace the Sterling (no one will give it a sticker) and then put some away for one or more 1 tons. We reduced it back to \$50K. This is going to be an issue for the road crews next winter.
- Road Emergency Repair Reserve Account - \$65K where we normally sock away about \$10-15K each year. \$65K just exceeds the \$62K the town spent for the emergency repair for Storm Eliot damages. We had hoped to get reimbursed, but the Feds turned Cumberland County down. We had initially put in \$100K to increase the reserve.
- Summer Roads -17% increase due to materials and vehicle/equipment repairs and labor costs.
- Winter Roads – 14% Labor, utilities, vehicle maintenance, and supplies.
- Fuel (Diesel) – No increase expected because we overestimated fuel costs last year. A significant drop in cost was obtained with a contract from CN Brown last October. We are currently advertising for a new contract, but fuel costs seem to be headed up again.
- Community Center Generator Installation - \$20K new requirement. The Community Center sustained burst heating pipes on 4 February due to an area wide power outage. The freeze-up was in the newer portion of the building. The cost to repair was only \$6375.46 because someone had fortuitously installed bypass valves in one heating unit many years ago and the others stayed frozen until they could be bypassed a couple days later. Otherwise, the whole building would have frozen up. (We owe a big thanks to the crew from Mechanical Services for their efforts). Insurance paid a good portion of the repair costs, but we were severely criticized for not being prepared since the Town had accepted a generator donation earlier in the year. This \$20K will provide an automatic transfer switch and interconnect for the donated generator. The town will still need to construct a concrete pad for the generator and propane tank(s).

- A \$33K overdraft total for the Transition Budget. Not a lot in any one place but it is mostly inflation that didn't get budgeted last time.
- Many smaller increases in other warrants that collectively add up.
- A projected \$25K reduction in State Revenue Sharing. Don't understand why. The numbers come from the State.
- A \$30K decrease in building permit fees (no solar farms constructed this year)

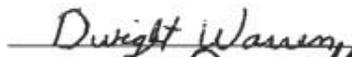
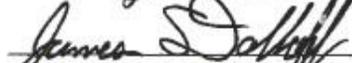
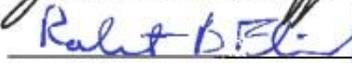
The Select Board has looked at the past two financial audit reports (that reported a significant increase in the undesignated fund balance) as we searched for resources to reduce the mil rate. We believe most of that increase was due to the Town not paving since 2020. The roads are taking a beating and we have requested permission in this warrant to spend from the fund balance for road repairs this summer or next spring. We have also proposed spending from the fund balance to reduce the mil rate. We haven't dipped into the Tax Stabilization Reserve Account because we would like to reserve it for even bigger requirements that may occur. In any event, the reserve accounts can only be used once, and then need to be replaced if we want to maintain these buffers.

We will not know the mil rate until tax commitment in late July timeframe, that is when the assessed value of properties, the value of the various exemptions, and expected reimbursements are calculated. In the past, our projected mil rates have been too high. Let's hope the same holds for this round.

The Select Board believes their primary responsibility is to manage the Town finances and to provide leadership in the budgeting process. We could simply leave every warrant article open "to see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate" and we have done that in many instances this year. This allows the voters to make changes but can also lead to financial chaos. We have included our recommendations which we truly believe represent a prudent budget that maintains Town services and staff with minor investments for the future in limited cases.

Thank you for your support over the last year. Please stay informed by reading the Shopping Guide for upcoming town events. State law requires we post most one-off meetings in a newspaper. Town policy is to use the Shopping Guide. Select Board and Planning Board meetings and events are always open to the public. Hope to see you at the Town Meeting on 10 June 2023.

Sincerely
Baldwin Select Board

	_____	Dwight Warren
	_____	James Dolloff
	_____	Robert Flint
Baldwin Select Board		

Assessors Report 2022 Assessment and Valuation

ASSESSMENTS

School/Education Appropriation	\$ 856,281.39	
Municipal Appropriation	594,613.46	
County Tax	000000000	
Overlay	<u>13,494.85</u>	
TOTAL ASSESSMENT		\$ 1,464,389.70

DEDUCTIONS

Estimated State Revenue Sharing	\$ 53,000.00	
Homestead Reimbursement	46,731.82	
BETE Reimbursement	9,007.69	
Municipal Revenues	<u>337,950.00</u>	
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		\$ 446,689.51

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED **\$ 1,017,700.19**

VALUATIONS OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

Land	\$63,164,850.00	
Buildings	108,976,300.00	
Personal Property	<u>3,324,400.00</u>	
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUATION		\$175,465,550.00

MIL RATE FOR 2022 x 5.80

TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT
As of March 22, 2022 **\$ 1,017,700.19**

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES	\$ 339.00
REAL ESTATE ABATEMENTS	<u>- 769.08</u>

TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT **\$ 1,017,270.11**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Baldwin, we herewith present our annual report for fiscal year ending June 30th 2022.

Dwight Warren
James Dolloff
Robert Flint

WARRANT

To Connie Warren, a resident of the Town of Baldwin, in the County of Cumberland:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Baldwin qualified by law to vote in said town affairs, to assemble at the **Baldwin Community Center, Baldwin in said town on the 10th day of Jun 2023** at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles to wit:

Article 1: To choose or elect a moderator to preside at the said meeting.

Article 2: To elect by secret ballot the following Town Officers:

- One Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor (3-year term)
- One School Board Director (3-year term)

Polls will close at 12:30 pm. Annual meeting will reconvene at 1:00 pm or shortly thereafter to act on the remaining articles.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to accept, or act upon the report of its Select Board, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Clerk and Treasurer, and other Town Officers of the last year (**6 Month 2022 Transition**).

OFFICE AND TAXES WARRANT ARTICLES:

Article 4: **ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES (CONTINGENT)**
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for administrative expenses consisting of legal fees, interest, supplies, office equipment, insurances, workman's compensation, audits, assessing, and operational items not specifically covered by other appropriations.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$56,500.00
2022 Transition Expenditure:	\$66,962.40
2023 Appropriation	\$115,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$83,236.50

The Select Board recommends \$115,000.00.

Article 5: **BUILDING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for building maintenance consisting of building insurance, phone, internet, electricity, alarm system, janitorial wages, and minor operational items and repairs pertaining to the Baldwin Community Center.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$22,500.00
2022 Transition Expenditure:	\$25,853.20
2023 Appropriation	\$45,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$58,391.87

The Select Board recommends \$55,000.00.

Article 6: **ELECTED OFFICERS SALARY & WAGES**
To see what hourly rate the Town will vote to pay the Town Officers for the ensuing year. The 2023 approved rates are as follows:

- Select Board annual stipend
 - Chairman: \$10,000.00
 - Other Select Board members: \$8,000.00 each
- Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector **\$23.00** per hour (combined)
- Road Commissioner **\$28.00** per hour

Article 7: TOWN CLERK/TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE COMPENSATION
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Office Compensation for the Town Clerk's office for the ensuing year. This article includes Town Clerk Wages, Assistant Clerk Wages, Ballot Clerks and the related Town share of FICA and Medicare.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$44,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure:	\$40,710.07
2023 Appropriation	\$88,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$71,917.60

The Select Board recommends \$96,000.00.

Article 8: SELECT BOARD OFFICE COMPENSATION
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Office Compensation including the Select Board, Town Admin. Assistant, Animal Control Officer and Code Enforcement Officer, and the related Town share of FICA and Medicare.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$42,060.00
2022 Transition Expenditure:	\$43,527.24
2023 Appropriation	\$91,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$80,938.15

The Select Board recommends \$96,000.00.

Article 9: EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE
 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate 80% of the cost of health insurance for full time Town employees.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$20,855.23
2022 Transition Expenditure:	\$20,388.34
Balance:	\$466.89
2023 Appropriation	\$42,336.13
2023 Expenditure	\$35,540.85

(\$908.08/month per employee in 2023)

(Est. \$1044.29/month per employee in 2024)

The Select Board recommends \$ 46,857.00 (four employees).

Article 10: REVENUES
 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an estimated \$1,017,787.00 from the following non-property tax revenues to reduce the tax commitment.

Est. FY24 State Revenue Sharing: \$184,600.00
 Est. FY24 Homestead/BETE Reimbursements \$123,950.00

Est. FY24 Municipal Revenues:

- Building Permits \$12,000.00
- Plumbing Permits \$2,926.00
- Excise Tax \$290,000.00
- Agent Fees \$7,500.00
- Tree Growth \$28,046.00
- Solar Reimbursement \$22,765.00

Total Municipal Revenues \$363,237.00

Undesignated Fund Balance \$346,000.00

The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to instruct or authorize the Select Board to hire sums of money as necessary to pay the current expenses of the Town for the ensuing fiscal year, these loans made in anticipation of FY24 taxes.
The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 12: **TAX-ACQUIRED PROPERTY**
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board on behalf of the Town to sell or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quitclaim deeds for such property.
The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 13: **INTEREST CHARGED ON OVERDUE TAXES**
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to charge and collect interest at a rate of **6%** per annum on all unpaid taxes or part there-of and establish property tax due dates of 2 October 2023 and 1 April 2024 for two equal payments. Interest will begin accruing the day after these due dates.
The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 14: **INTEREST PAID ON OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES**
To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of interest paid on overpayment of taxes at **2%** per annum, (up to 4% below the per annum rate charged on unpaid taxes.) in accordance with 36 MRSA Section 506A.
The Select Board recommends passage of this article

Article 15: **DISPOSAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY**
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of town-owned personal property under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable. (Bid process to be used when deemed advisable.)
The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 16: **TAX PRE-PAYMENTS**
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept pre-payments of taxes not yet committed and pay no (0%) interest in accordance with 36 MRSA Section 506.
The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 17: **BACK TAXES**
To see if the Town will vote to direct the Tax Collector/Treasurer to apply any tax payment received for any real property tax to outstanding or delinquent taxes owed and in chronological order beginning with the oldest unpaid tax bill in accordance with 36 MSRA Section 906.
The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 18: **TAX ABATEMENTS**
To see if the Town will vote to pay for tax abatements and applicable interest granted during fiscal year of 2024 from Overlay. Any balance not spent on tax abatements to be credited to the Tax Stabilization Reserve Account. The Select Board, as Assessors, are authorized to raise Overlay under 36 MRSA Section 710. Overlay cannot be more than 5% of the Tax Commitment.
The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 19: **OVERDRAFTS**
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,437.21 to cover overdrafts in the 2022 6 Month Transition budget. The overdrafts are as follows:

Art 2:	Admin Expenses	\$10,462.40
Art 3:	Bldg Operations and Maint.	\$3,353.20

Art 6:	Select Board Office Comp	\$1,467.24
Art 18:	Tri-Town Waste Operations	\$7,765.00
Art 20:	Cemeteries	\$1,299.91
Art 21:	Sand Pond	\$184.49
Art 32:	Cumberland County Dispatch	\$6,123.00
Art 37:	Street Lights	\$59.88
Art. 43:	Town Garage	\$2307.09
N/A	Fire Fighter Training	\$415.00
	Total Overdrafts	\$33,437.21

The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 20: REVALUATION RESERVE ACCOUNT
To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards the Revaluation Reserve Account.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$5,000.00
2023 Appropriation:	\$10,000.00
Current Balance	\$26,210.19

The Select Board recommends \$10,000.00.

HEALTH & SANITATION ARTICLES:

Article 21: TRI-TOWN WASTE OPERATIONS
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$147,000.00 towards Tri-town waste operations. Reports on pages 57-58.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$45,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$52,765.00
2023 Appropriation	\$108,675.00
2023 Expenditure	\$86,128.78

Estimate based on (($\$133,615 \times 0.5 + (\$133,615 \times 0.5 \times 1.20)$)).

The Select Board recommends passage of article.

Article 22: TRI-TOWN RESERVE ACCOUNT
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for the Tri-town Waste Reserve account and authorize the Select Board to withdraw funds from the reserve as needed for capital expenses at the Tri-Town Waste Disposal Facility.

2021 Balance	\$67,671.66
2022 Transition Appropriation	\$7,500.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$64,438.55
Balance	\$10,733.11
2023 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
2023 Balance	\$25,733.11

\$27,583.33 Due to Tri-Town Sep 2023 for TAN Loan

The Select Board recommends passage of article.

RECREATION & CEMETERY ARTICLES:

Article 23: CEMETERIES
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the mowing, restoration, and care of existing cemeteries in Town.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$4,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$5,299.91
2023 Appropriation	\$9,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$4,680.00

The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 24: SAND POND BEACH

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9000.00 for the cost of patrolling, maintenance, and porta-potty rental for Sand Pond Beach during summer months. Any balance left over after June 30, 2023 will roll over into the Sand Pond Reserve account to be used for capital improvements. Sand Pond Beach report can be found on page 59.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$1,500.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$1,644.49
2023 Appropriation	\$7,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$9,400.00

The Select Board and Sand Pond Beach Committee recommend passage of article.

Article 25: FEE FOR SAND POND BEACH

To see if the Town will vote to charge \$10/year per vehicle for access to Sand Pond Beach. Sand Pond Beach Committee recommends passage of article.

Article 26: FEE DEDICATION FOR SAND POND BEACH

To see if the Town will vote to dedicate all the Sand Pond sticker fees to the Sand Pond Reserve account for capital improvements.

Sand Pond Beach Reserve Account

2020 Balance	\$1,896.99
2021 Collection from Tickets:	\$980.00
2021 from Operations Budget Surplus	\$1,839.19
Reserve Balance	\$4,716.22
2022 Transition Collections	\$680.00
2023 Collections	\$610.00
Current Balance	\$6,006.18

Article 27: SACOPEE VALLEY RECREATION COUNCIL

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to support the Sacopee Valley Recreation Council. The Sacopee Valley Recreation Council is requesting \$4000.00. Report on page 60.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$1,500.00
2023 Appropriation	\$3,000.00

The Select Board recommends passage of article.

Article 28: BALDWIN BELT BURNERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

To see if the Town will vote to dedicate all the snowmobile registration fees to the Baldwin Belt Burners Snowmobile Club.

The request is 100% of the fees be transferred to the Snowmobile Club.

PROTECTION ARTICLES:

Article 29: STANDISH RESCUE UNIT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Standish Rescue Unit for services. Standish Public Safety requests an amount of \$59,261.00 annual cost for a full-time staffed ambulance at the Steep Falls station. See Standish Rescue Report on page 61.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$24,538.72
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$24,538.50
2023 Appropriation	\$56,439.05

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend \$59,261.00.

Article 30: FIRE DEPARTMENT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Department for expenses. Any unexpended balance to be transferred to the Fire Department's Operating Reserve account. Fire Department report can be found on page 63-64.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$30,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$19,535.48
Balance Carried Forward	\$10,464.52
2023 Appropriation	\$60,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$50,000.00

The Select Board and Fire Department recommend \$75,000.00.

Article 31: FIRE TRUCK PAYMENT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Equipment Reserve Account for the future purchase of fire trucks.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$56,466.51
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$56,466.51
2023 Appropriation	\$85,000.00

The Select Board and Fire Department recommend \$85,000.00.

Article 32: FIRE TRUCK MAINTENANCE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000.00 for maintenance and repairs for the fire department vehicles. The unspent balance to be deposited in a Fire Truck Maintenance Reserve Account.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$10,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$10,000.00
2023 Appropriation	\$12,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$9,520.00

The Select Board and Fire Department recommend passage of this article.

Article 33: FIRE CHIEF AND ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire Chief compensation (including Town Fire Chief, and a Town Assistant Chief) for the ensuing year. Report on page 64.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$5382.50
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$4495.14
2023 Appropriation	\$13,466.25
2023 Expenditure	\$13,466.25

<i>Fire Chief</i>	<i>\$10,000.00</i>
<i>Assistant Fire Chief</i>	<i>\$2,500.00</i>
<i>FICA/ Medicare:</i>	<i>\$966.25</i>
<i>2024 Appropriation</i>	<i>\$13,466.25</i>

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend to raise and appropriate \$13,466.25

Article 34: FIRE STATION CAPTAINS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for three Fire Station Captains.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$807.50
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$0.00
Balance	\$807.50

2023 Appropriation	\$1614.00
2023 Expenditure	\$1614.00

FY24 Recommendation

<i>Fire Station Captains =</i>	<i>\$1,500.00</i>
<i>FICA/ Medicare =</i>	<i>\$114.75</i>
<i>Total =</i>	<i>\$1,614.75</i>

The Fire Chief recommends to raise and appropriate \$1614.75

Article 35: FIREFIGHTER TRAINING

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town firefighters for their training hours and calls. The training is required by the Department of Labor.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$0.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$415.00
2023 Appropriation	\$22,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$15,973.67

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend \$30,000.00

Article 36: CUMBERLAND COUNTY DISPATCH

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,570.40 for our contract for FY24 with Cumberland County Dispatch for dispatching emergency fire and rescue calls. This is the amount requested by Cumberland County.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$5,772.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$11,895.00
Balance	\$-6,123.00
2023 Appropriation	\$18,328.60
2023 Expenditure	\$12,205.60
2023 Balance	\$6,123.00

The Select Board and the Fire Chief recommend passage of this article.

Article 37: NEW RADIO PURCHASE AND REPAIR

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 for the maintenance, repair and purchase of new radios as needed.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$3,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$1,880.50
2023 Appropriation	\$6,000.00
Apr 2023 Expenditure	\$3,032.20

Select Board and Fire Chief recommends passage of this article.

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$0.00 for the Radio Repeater Reserve Account.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$500.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$0.00
2023 Appropriation	\$1,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$0.00

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend passage of this article.

Article 39: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Emergency Management.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$750.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$0.00
Balance	\$750.00
2023 Appropriation	\$1,500.00
2023 Expenditure	\$0.0

The Select Board recommends **\$1,500.00**.

Article 40: FUEL

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a fuel account used only for the Municipal Road Crew and Fire Trucks.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$12,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$10,505.70
2023 Appropriation	\$30,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$27,042.81

*C.N. Brown contract Diesel contract: 10/1/22-4/30/23 = \$3.929/gallon
2024 Estimate of 5000 gallons at approx. \$5.50/gallon*

The Select Board recommends that \$30,000.00.

Article 41: STREET LIGHTS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for streetlights for the ensuing year.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$3,500.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$3559.89
2023 Appropriation	\$8,000.00
Apr 2023 Expenditure	\$5,892.74

Averaging \$580.00/month

The Select Board recommends that \$8,000.00.

Article 42: LIFE FLIGHT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Life Flight services for the ensuing year. Life Flight has requested \$800.00 this coming fiscal year (a rate of \$0.50 per capita). Report on pages 65-65.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$400.00
2023 Appropriation	\$800.00

The Select Board recommends \$800.00.

ROAD ARTICLES:

Article 43: SUMMER ROADS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of roads and bridges. Any balance left over after June 30, 2023 will roll over into the Emergency Road Repair Reserve Account. Road Commissioner report can be found on page 67.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$50,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$42,646.00
2023 Appropriation	\$107,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$80,816.67

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend that \$125,000.

Article 44: WINTER ROADS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for snow removal for the ensuing year. Any balance left over after June 30, 2023, will roll over into the Emergency Road Repair Reserve Account.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$87,500.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$87,148.12
Balance	\$350.88
2023 Appropriation	\$175,500.00
Est. 2023 Expenditure	\$178,373.12

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend \$200,000.

Article 45: ROAD MATERIALS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000.00 for aggregate.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$0.00
2023 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$13,585.50

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend passage of this article.

Article 46: PLOW TRUCK LEASE PAYMENT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the town to use \$27,119.99 from the Capital Investment Plan's Town Vehicle Reserve Account to pay the fourth payment lease for the IH 2020 plow truck.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$0.00
2023 Appropriation	\$27,119.99

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend passage of this article.

Article 47: SECOND PLOW TRUCK LEASE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000.00 for the Town Vehicle Reserve account to support the 5-year lease for the truck for snow plowing ordered in 2023. Delivery is expected in 2024. Anticipated annual lease of \$40,685.41 with a final buyout of \$65,000.00 in FY29.

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend passage of this article.

Article 48: LOCAL ROADS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LRAP)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate monies received from Maine Dept. of Transportation Local Road Assistance (LRAP) for capital improvements of Town ways. The amount received in 2023 was \$44,564.00.

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Article 49: MAINTENANCE OR IMPROVEMENTS OF TOWN WAYS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 to add to the monies received from the Maine Dept. of Transportation Local Road Assistance for the maintenance or improvements of Town ways.

2023 Expenditures

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$0.00
Total 2023 Appropriation	\$100,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$0.00

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Article 50: SPENDING FROM THE UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE FOR MAINTENANCE OR IMPROVEMENT OF TOWN WAYS IN FY24

To see what sum of money the Town will vote spend from the undesignated fund balance for maintenance or improvement of Town ways in FY24.

Un-expended Prior FY Highway Maintenance Funds

2020 Balance	\$5,384.00
2021 LRAP Funds received	\$44,564.00

2023 LRAP Funds received	\$44,000.00
2023 Town Appropriation	\$100,000.00
Total Recommended for FY24	\$193,948.00

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend \$193,948.00.

Article 51: TOWN GARAGE

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Garage Maintenance.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$5,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$7307.04
2023 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
2023 Expenditure	\$14,003.67

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend \$20,000.00.

Article 52: ROAD CLOSURES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to make final determinations regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant 23 M.R.S.A. Section 2953.

Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Article 53: RIVER ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000.00 for River Road repair and improvements. This amount will be added to the River Road Reserve account. The Select Board anticipates replacement of the River Road Pigeon Brook crossing in FY24 or FY25.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$2,500.00
2023 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
Est 2023 Expenditure	\$18,000.00
Current Reserve Account Balance	\$53,800.00

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommends passage of this article.

Article 54: ROAD EMERGENCY REPAIR ACCOUNT

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Road Emergency Repair account. The Town spent \$62,000.00 from this account for winter storm Elliot repairs in December 2022.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$10,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$0.00
2023 Appropriation	\$0.00

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner Recommend \$65,000.00.

EDUCATION & PRESERVATION ARTICLES:

Article 55: BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Brown Memorial Library. Brown Memorial Library is requesting \$17,000.00. Report on page 68.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$8,500.00
2023 Appropriation	\$17,000.00

Article 56: BALDWIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support the Baldwin Historical Society. Historical Society is requesting \$10,000.00. Report on pages 69.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$3,750.00
2023 Appropriation	\$7,500.00

Article 57: SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Saco River Corridor Commission for its continued water quality monitoring program. Saco River Corridor Commission is requesting \$400.00. Report on pages 70-79.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$0.00
2023 Appropriation	\$400.00

Article 58: SACO RIVER FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Saco River Festival Association. The Saco River Festival Association is requesting \$300.00. Report on pg.80

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$0.00
2023 Appropriation	\$300.00

Article 59: SMOOTH FEATHER YOUTH
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Smooth Feather Youth. Smooth Feather Youth is requesting \$600.00. Report on page 81.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$300.00
2023 Appropriation	\$600.00

Article 60: SACOPEE TV (TV2)
 To see if the Town will vote to dedicate the franchise fees and any other grants received from Spectrum, Inc (formerly Time Warner, Inc.) to Sacopee Valley Media Tech (Sacopee TV- formerly TV-2) for the purchase and maintenance of equipment, and for operating costs. The request is 100 % of the fees be transferred to Sacopee TV (TV2). Report on pages 82-83.

SOCIAL SERVICES ARTICLES:

Article 61: SOUTHERN MAINE AGENCY ON AGING
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Southern Maine Agency on Aging. Southern Maine Agency on Aging is requesting \$3,750.00. Report on pages 84-86.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$1,875.00
2023 Appropriation	\$3,750.00

Article 62: HOME HEALTH VISITING NURSE / MAINE HEALTHCARE AT HOME
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Home Health Visiting Nurse. Home Health Visiting Nurse is requesting \$900.00. Report on pages 87-89.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$450.00
2023 Appropriation	\$900.00

Article 63: OPPORTUNITY ALLIANCE
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Opportunity Alliance. Opportunity Alliance is requesting \$3,500.00. Report on pages 90-92.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$1,750.00
2023 Appropriation	\$3,500.00

Article 64: GENERAL ASSISTANCE
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$9,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$8,080.21
2023 Appropriation	\$18,000.00

2023 Expenditure	\$13,587.55
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The Select Board recommends \$20,000.00.

Article 65: NORTHERN LIGHT HOME CARE & HOSPICE
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Northern Light Home Care & Hospice. Northern Light is requesting \$500.00. Report on pages 93-97.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$250.00
2023 Appropriation	\$500.00

Article 66: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Through These Doors, an organization providing support to victims and survivors of domestic violence. See page 98.

The Select Board Recommends \$1,000.00

2023 Appropriation	\$1,000.00
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ORGANIZATION ARTICLES:

Article 67: HARVEST HILLS ANIMAL SHELTER
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Harvest Hills Animal Shelter for their services of handling of Baldwin stray animals. The Harvest Hills is requesting \$1520.00. Report on page 99.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$762.50
2023 Appropriation	\$1525.00

Article 68: SOUTHERN MAINE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (SMPDC)
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to Southern Maine Planning & Development Commission for 2024 dues. Southern Maine Planning & Development is requesting \$623.00. Report on pages 100-102.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$293.50
2023 Appropriation	\$605.00

Do we have a request from Maine Public

Article 69: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Maine Public Radio, Television, and Online programing. See page 103.

The Select Board Recommends \$100.00

2023 Appropriation	\$100.00
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Article 70: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 to support the Grateful Undead for their efforts to make Baldwin an age friendly community. See page 104.

PLANNING AND LAND-USE ARTICLES:

Article 71: PLANNING BOARD
 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards Planning Board expenses. Report on page 54.

2022 Transition Appropriation	\$5,000.00
2022 Transition Expenditure	\$684.00
2023 Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Est 2023 Expenditure	\$1,259.00

Select Board and the Planning Board recommends \$2,000.00

Article 72: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to add to the Comprehensive Plan Reserve Account. The Planning Board and the Select Board is in the middle of a \$27,550 two-year effort with the Southern Maine Regional Planning and Development Commission to revise/update the Baldwin Comprehensive Plan and related ordinances.

2022 Comp Plan Acct Balance	\$5,500.92
2023 Reserve Acct. Addition	\$15,000.00
Est 2023 Expenditure	\$10,907.65

Select Board and the Planning Board recommends \$15,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES:

Article 73: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000.00 for the Contingency Reserve Account to replace the \$12,470.00 used by the Select Board to cover the shortage in the Tri-Town Waste Operations. *(hasn't happened yet but the shortage will happen in May or June)*

Article 74: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000.00 for the materials, construction, and labor to install a generator for the Baldwin Community Center. The generator was donated to Baldwin by Cumberland County Emergency Management.

Article 75: To be voted on by Secret Ballot.
To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for Baldwin by State Law, in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than this property tax levy limit.

Article 76: Motion to Adjourn

Town of Baldwin Select Board -

James Dolloff, Dwight Warren, and Robert Flint

TOWN ROADS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 39	50,000.00
Labor	
Christopher Harrington	14,810.20
Steven Thorne Jr.	12,085.88
George Davis	550.00
Christopher Rideout	185.00
Town Share of FICA and Medicare	<u>1,761.78</u>
Total	29,392.86
Maintenance & Supplies	
Cold Mix & Hot Top	381.75
Mileage	496.65
Signs	953.76
Gravel	2,131.90
Boot Reimbursement	453.63
Maintenance and Repairs	<u>5,658.92</u>
Total:	\$10,076.61
July Payments due in June	-3,176.53
Balance Carried to 2023 Reserve Account	\$ 7,354.00

SNOW REMOVAL

Raised and Appropriated Art. 40	87,500.00
Labor	
Brian Anderson	5,565.00
Paul Haskell	4,410.00
George Davis	6,398.00
Christopher Harrington	6,083.75
Steven Thorne Jr.	11,622.00
Peter Stacey	2,002.00
Zachary Brown	1,106.00
Town Share of FICA and Medicare	<u>2,725.46</u>
Total:	39,912.21
Maintenance & Supplies	
Salt	20,572.60
Cold Mix	861.17
Street Signs	66.02
Mileage	302.76
Other Maintenance, Parts & Supplies	<u>20,539.36</u>
Total:	42,341.91
July Payments due in June	-4895.00
Balance Carried to 2023 Reserve Account	350.88

FUEL ACCOUNT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 36	12,000.00
Paid Out	<u>8,937.72</u>
July Payments due in June	-1,567.98
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	1,494.30

TOWN GARAGE EXPENSES

Raised and Appropriated Art. 43	5,000.00
Oil	2,164.84
Electricity	808.79
Alarm System	1,960.79
Garage Repair	1,712.60
Pumped Septic Tank	250.00
Maintenance & Supplies	276.60
July Payments due in June	<u>133.42</u>
Overdraft	-2,307.04

CONTINGENT FUND

Raised and appropriated Art. 2	56,500.00
Insurances	
-Workmans Comp	6,658.90
-Auto	0.00
-Buildings & Equip	0.00
-Misc./Bonds	<u>0.00</u>
Total Insurance	6,658.90
Printing	
-Adds in local papers	1,169.91
-Town Report	<u>4,390.25</u>
Total Printing	5,560.16
Office	
-Postage	116.00
-Mailing Fees	1,253.80
-Recording Fees	2,328.00
-Service Contracts	17,317.95
-Office Equip/Computers	1,515.00
-Office Supplies	<u>3,093.24</u>
Total	25,623.99
Other	
-Flags/Grave Markers	1,980.05
-Auditing with RHR Smith	5,425.00
-Membership Dues/Workshops	3,526.43
-Legal Fees	910.00
-Mileage	286.27
-Feline Cremation	80.00
-Contract with Cumb Cnty Assessing	<u>16,300.00</u>
Total:	28,507.75
Total Overall Expenses	<u>66,350.80</u>
July Payments paid in June	- 611.60
Overdraft	-10462.40

COMMUNITY CENTER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 3	22,500.00
Labor:	
-Randy Nelson	3,592.00
-Paul Thomas	40.00
-Town Share of FICA and Medicare	<u>277.84</u>
Total	3,909.84
Utilities	
-Gas/Propane	557.28
-Electricity	3,136.61
-Heat Oil	11,202.15
-Phone/Internet	<u>3,311.06</u>
Total Utilities	18,207.10
Maint/Repairs	
-Porta Potty Rental for Ball Field	230.00
-Alarm Contract/Monitoring	420.00
-Hired Help	575.70
-Other Parts and Supplies	<u>730.64</u>
Total	1,956.34
Total Overall Expenses	<u>24,073.28</u>
July Payments due in June	1,779.92
Overdraft	-3,353.20

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Raised and Appropriated Art. 35	750.00
Paid Out to EMA Director	<u>0.00</u>
Balance Carried forward to Fund Balance	750.00

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 7	20,855.23
Paid to ME. Municipal Employees Health Trust	<u>20,388.34</u>
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	466.89

SELECTMEN'S COMPENSATION

Raised and Appropriated Art. 6	42,060.00
PAID OUT:	
Selectmen's Office	
-Robert Flint-Selectman	3,887.00
-James Dolloff -Chairman Selectman	4,732.00
-Dwight Warren-Selectman	3,757.00
-Danielle Taylor-Selectmen's Assistant(1-1-22 to 2-15-22)	5,733.80
-Robyn Anderson-Selectmen's Assistant (2-15-22 to 6-30-22)	<u>16,148.10</u>
Total Office	34,257.90
Other Officials	
-CEO, Wesley Sunderland	3,205.00
-ACO, Town of Standish-Ricky Guilbault	<u>3,328.00</u>
Total Other	6,533.00
Total All Payroll	40,790.90
Towns Share of FICA and Medicare	<u>2,736.34</u>
Total with Insurance	43,527.24
Overdraft	-1,467.24

TOWN OFFICE COMPENSATION

Raised and Appropriated Art. 5	44,000.00
PAID OUT:	
Clerks Office	
-Deborah Wakefield-Clerk/Tax Col/Treas/Reg of Voters	23,117.20
-Robyn Anderson-Assistant Clerk (1-1-22 to 2-15-22)	4,386.51
-Sara Chase-Assistant Clerk (3-21-22 to 6-30-22)	8,801.07
-Constance Warren-Ballot Clerk	326.25
-Kimberly Irish-Ballot Clerk	266.25
Towns Share of FICA/Medicare	<u>2,661.83</u>
Total with Insurance	39,559.11
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	4,440.89

FIRE COMPANIES

Raised and Appropriated Art. 27 **30,000.00**

East Baldwin Fire Co. **10,000.00**

Electricity	400.44
Phone	167.93
Internet	329.89
Heat-Propane	1,863.18
Plowing Station	472.02
Dues/Fees	251.59
Printing	525.44
Hoses/Testing	2,212.49
Truck Maintenance, Supplies and Services	<u>640.71</u>
Total	6,863.69
Balance Carried to 2023 Reserve Account	3,136.31

North Baldwin Fire Co. **10,000.00**

Electricity	224.39
Heat	961.45
Plowing Station	360.00
Dues/Fees	0.00
Printer	450.88
Recording Fees	23.00
Hoses/Testing	<u>1,436.59</u>
Total	3,456.31
Balance Carried to 2023 Reserve Account.	6,543.69

West Baldwin Fire Co. **10,000.00**

Electricity	424.47
Heat	837.89
Plowing Station	320.00
Service Contracts/Renewals	210.61
Hoses/Testing	3,080.08
Flags	432.60
Pump/Piping/Press. Tank	2,775.27
Truck Maintenance, Supplies and Services	<u>1,134.56</u>
Total	9,215.48
Balance Carried to 2023 Reserve Account.	784.52

FIRE TRUCK PAYMENT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 28	56,466.51
Fire Truck Payment	<u>56,466.51</u>

TOWN FIRE TRUCK MAINTENANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 29	10,000.00
Maintenance and Repairs	<u>10,000.00</u>

RADIO PURCHASES AND REPAIRS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 33	3,000.00
Paid Out	<u>1,880.50</u>
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	1,119.50

RADIO RESERVE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 34	500.00
Balance Carried to Radio Reserve Account	500.00

ROAD MAINTENANCE RESERVE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 41	<u>10,000.00</u>
Balance Carried to Road Maintenance Reserve	10,000.00

FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING

Raised and Appropriated	0.00
Total Spent	<u>415.00</u>
Overdraft	-415.00

TOWN FIRE CHIEF'S /ASSIST CHIEF'S PAY

Raised and Appropriated Art 30	5,382.50
Paid to Fire Chief-Bruce Crawford	3,997.50
Towns Share of FICA & Medicare	<u>305.89</u>
Total Pay	4,303.39
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	1,079.11

FIRE DEPT. CAPTAINS PAY (3)

Raised and Appropriated Art. 31	807.50
Paid 3 Assistant Fire Chiefs	<u>0.00</u>
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	807.50

SOLID WASTE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 18	45,000.00
Paid to Solid Waste Board	<u>52,765.00</u>
Overdraft	-7,765.00

TRI TOWN EQUIPMENT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 19	<u>7,500.00</u>
Balance Carried to Reserve Account	7,500.00

STREET LIGHTS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 37	3,500.00
Paid Central Maine Power	3,120.69
July Payment due in June	<u>439.19</u>
Overdraft	-59.88

PLANNING BOARD

Raised and Appropriated Art. 58	5,000.00
Paid out	<u>684.00</u>
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	4,316.00

**RESTORATION OF OLD CEMETERIES
& CARE OF EXISTING ONES**

Raised and Appropriated Art. 20 **4,000.00**

PAID OUT:

Allan Dolloff	448.00
George Horler	448.00
George Davis	840.00
Dwight Warren	383.50
Christopher Rideout	1,535.50
Supplies & Equipment	1,365.28
Towns Share of FICA & Medicare	<u>279.63</u>
Total:	5,299.91
Overdraft	- 1,299.91

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 54 **9,000.00**

PAID OUT:

Case #10	98.95
Case #32	1,069.26
Cost of Administrating General Assistance	<u>6,144.00</u>
Total:	7,312.21
July Payments due in June	768.00
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	919.79

HARVEST HILLS ANIMAL SHELTER

Raised and Appropriated Art. 56	<u>762.50</u>
Paid out to Harvest Hills Animal Shelter	762.50

STANDISH RESCUE UNIT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 26	24,538.72
Paid to Standish Rescue	<u>24,538.50</u>
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	.22

SAND POND BEACH PATROL

Raised and Appropriated Art. 21	1,500.00
Chad Nason	795.00
Portable Potty Rental	230.00
Trash Removal	0.00
Sand Pond Water Testing	0.00
Trash Barrels	73.85
Vests	42.82
Beach Stickers	0.00
Town Share FICA & Medicare	<u>60.82</u>
Total Expense	1,202.49
July Payments due in June	482.00
Overdraft	-184.49

BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Raised and Appropriated Art. 47	8,500.00
Paid to B.M.L	8,500.00

BALDWIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Raised and Appropriated Art. 48	3,750.00
Paid to BHS	3,750.00

RIVER ROAD PROJECT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 44	<u>2,500.00</u>
Balance Carried to Reserve Account	2,500.00

CUMBERLAND COUNTY DISPATCH

Raised and Appropriated Art. 32	5,772.00
Paid C.C.D.	<u>11,895.00</u>
Overdraft	-6,123.00

RE-VALUATION FUND

Raised & Appropriated Art.17	5,000.00
Balance to Re-Val Reserve Account	5,000.00

OPPORTUNITY ALLIANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 53	1,750.00
Paid out to Opportunity Alliance.	<u>0.00</u>
Balance carried to Fund Balance	1,750.00

SOUTHERN MAINE AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Raised and Appropriated Art. 51	1,875.00
Paid out to S.M.A.A.O.A.	1,875.00

NORTHERN LIGHT HOME HEALTH HOSPICE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 55	250.00
Paid to VNA-Home Health Hospice	250.00

HOME HEALTH VISITING NURSE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 52	450.00
Paid to HHVN	450.00

LIFELIGHT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 38	400.00
Paid to Lifelight	400.00

SACO RIVER CORRIDOR

Raised and Appropriated Art. 49	150.00
Paid Saco River Corridor	150.00

SACOPEE VALLEY RECREATION COUNCIL

Raised and Appropriated Art. 24	1,500.00
Paid out to S.V.R.C.	1,500.00

SOUTHERN MAINE REGIONAL PLANNING

Raised and Appropriated Art. 57	293.50
Paid To Southern Maine Regional Planning	293.50

SMOOTH FEATHER YOUTH GROUP

Raised and Appropriated Art. 50	300.00
Paid to Smooth Feather Youth Group	300.00

M.S.A.D. #55

Amount Assessed	856,281.39
Paid to M.S.A.D #55	856,281.39

STATE REVENUE SHARING

Amount Received from State	82,744.38
Estimate Applied to Tax Base	<u>53,000.00</u>
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	29,744.38

BALDWIN ACTIVE KIDS

Incoming Monies Received from Enrollments	29,339.00
Paid Out:	
Payroll	15,701.50
Town Share of FICA/Medicare	1,196.46
Food/Snacks	1,081.47
Gifts for Children	310.88
Supplies/Ink/Tshirts	<u>165.00</u>
Total	18,455.31
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	10,883.69

TREASURER'S REPORT

DEPOSIT IN TRANSIT		\$ 00.00
REC. FROM TAX COL.		
2021 Real Estate Taxes	\$ 181,976.32	
2021 Personal Property Taxes	3,620.50	
2022 Real Estate Taxes	579,156.99	
2022 Personal Property Taxes	<u>9,063.92</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 773,817.73
TAX LIENS		
2018	\$ 22.20	
2019	6,603.54	
2020	12,649.41	
2021	6,432.82	
Interests and Costs	<u>8,960.45</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 34,671.42
EXCISE TAXES		
Auto	\$177,663.56	
Boat	<u>1,639.50</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 179,303.06
REC. FROM STATE GOVERNMENT		
State Revenue Sharing	\$ 82,744.38	
Homestead/Bete	30.00	
Snowmobile Refund	<u>748.06</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 83,522.44
MISCELLANEOUS TOWN RECEIPTS		
Insurance Reimbursements	\$ 1,942.00	
Dog License Fees	197.00	
Vital Record Fees	1,482.00	
Dog Fines		
Copier Fees	9.90	
Building Permit Fees	14,967.00	
Plumbing Permit Fees	3,815.00	
Franchise Fees	3,280.89	
Community Center Rental Fees	175.00	
Sale of Beach Stickers	680.00	
Agent Fees for MVD & IF&W	<u>5,571.00</u>	
TOTAL		<u>\$ 30,227.21</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$1,101,841.86

CERTIFICATES & SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Bangor Savings

Certificate No. 77897	\$15,517.86	
Interest	<u>46.69</u>	\$ 15,564.55
Town of Baldwin		
Acct. No#2500005422	\$ 6,367.16	
Interest	<u>2.71</u>	\$ 6,369.87
West Baldwin Cemetery		
Acct. No. 4248638313	\$ 524.91	
Interest	<u>.53</u>	\$ 525.44

NEW ACCOUNTS

Bangor Savings

Fire Equipment Fund		
Account No# 4444772677	\$ 2,976.44	
Interest	<u>7.88</u>	
Total		\$ 2,992.19
Combined Funds		
Account No# 4209673748		
Re Valuation Funds (3)		
Rescue Fund (1)		
Equip Purch Funds (2)		
Fire Equip Fund (1)		
Total Funds	\$136,279.56	
Interest	<u>204.73</u>	
Total		\$136,484.29

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Bangor Savings Bank

North Baldwin Cemetery		
Acct. No. 4246643795	\$ 2,353.78	
Interest	<u>1.37</u>	
Balance		\$ 2,355.15

Sanborn Farm Cemetery		
Acct. No. 4246643794	\$ 590.08	
Interest	<u>.35</u>	
Balance		\$ 590.43

Baldwin School Fund		
Acct.No. 4248643791	\$ 5,607.86	
Interest	<u>5.61</u>	
Balance		\$ 5,613.47

Decons Fountain Fund		
Acct. No. 4248643792	\$ 6,323.05	
Interest	<u>6.33</u>	
Balance		\$ 6,329.38

Cemetery Funds

Combined the following Trust Funds:

Acct. No. 4248643793		
Ethel Haines		
Mettie Stuart		
George Kennard		
Dyer Cemetery		
Bessie Wentworth		
Sylvannus Cemetery		
Total Cemetery Funds	\$13,095.48	
Interest	<u>13.11</u>	
Balance		\$13,108.59

UNPAID 2021 TAX LIENS

As of: 06/30/2022

Name -----	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
BARRIAULT, EDGAR S	2021	263.82	0.00	263.82
BELLO , SAMANTHA	2021	1,566.66	0.00	1,566.66
BENNETT, MERRITT	2021	4,958.77	0.00	4,958.77
BERTHAIUME, KATIE	2021	207.12	0.00	207.12
BROWN, DONALD + ANNETTE	2021	602.31	0.00	602.31
BROWN, DONALD + ANNETTE	2021	1,121.57	0.00	1,121.57
BROWN, DONALD + ANNETTE	2021	93.83	0.00	93.83
BUCKLEY , BRADLEY T	2021	4,474.57	0.00	4,474.57
CAKISTO, CRAIG	2021	169.36	0.00	169.36
CALLAHAN, LAURIE	2021	77.64	0.00	77.64
COLLINS, TIMOTHY	2021	297.49	102.10	195.39
DARLING, ALAN T	2021	1,147.20	0.00	1,147.20
DAY, DEBBIE	2021	475.52	0.00	475.52
DOAK, FR ROBERT G	2021	2,224.85	2,181.34	43.51
DOLE, MIKE	2021	189.59	0.00	189.59
ELDRIDGE, AMANDA	2021	575.33	0.00	575.33
ESTATE OF, URY, MARY	2021	2,613.29	0.00	2,613.29
ESTATE OF, URY, MARY	2021	780.34	0.00	780.34
FIELD, KRISTEN	2021	65.06	0.00	65.06
FITZGERALD, CAROL	2021	189.59	0.00	189.59
FLINT, CHAD PERS. REP.	2021	716.95	0.00	716.95
FORTIN, HEATHER	2021	700.76	0.00	700.76
GARNEAU, RICHARD	2021	252.98	0.00	252.98
GOOGINS, ROBERT	2021	174.75	0.00	174.75
GUPTILL, JOEL O JR	2021	3,119.07	0.00	3,119.07
GUPTILL, ROYCE C.	2021	359.53	0.00	359.53
HEBERT, MARANDA	2021	166.66	0.00	166.66
HORAK, DAWN	2021	223.31	0.00	223.31
JOHNSEN, LINDA	2021	146.43	0.00	146.43
JOHNSON, RANDY E	2021	524.08	0.00	524.08
KEENAN, TIM & DIANE	2021	286.70	0.00	286.70
LAUGHLIN, MARTIN J & DONNA L	2021	2,448.74	0.00	2,448.74
LEE, GREGORY D	2021	2,221.21	76.49	2,144.72
LEO, ROCCO	2021	1,889.01	0.00	1,889.01
LEONA, JANET	2021	193.63	0.00	193.63
LIBBY, EDWIN	2021	1,093.25	0.00	1,093.25
MARTIN, LAURA & BRADFORD	2021	216.56	0.00	216.56
PHILLIPS, ADAM	2021	2,715.80	499.15	2,216.65
PIERROTTI, J KEITH	2021	1,028.51	0.00	1,028.51
RANKIN, JOSEPH DARRYL	2021	631.98	0.00	631.98
REDLON, CONNOR BRENT	2021	783.04	0.00	783.04
RISE SHINE LLC	2021	681.88	0.00	681.88
ROBERTS, RICHARD N	2021	3,853.16	0.00	3,853.16
RUSSELL FRANKLIN JR	2021	726.39	0.00	726.39
SANBORN, CLINTON	2021	684.58	0.00	684.58

SANBORN, DENNIS L JR	2021	1,296.91	0.00	1,296.91
SANBORN, DOREEN	2021	1,930.82	0.00	1,930.82
SANBORN, GRACE	2021	2,319.26	0.00	2,319.26
SARAH, BAILEY	2021	211.17	0.00	211.17
SMITH, AL J. & SHARON E	2021	1,706.93	0.00	1,706.93
STACEY, JAMES	2021	2,370.52	0.00	2,370.52
STERLING, ALLEN E & SHIRLEY J	2021	3,588.44	0.00	3,588.44
SWASEY, EVERETT	2021	240.84	0.00	240.84
TERRIAULT, JOSHUA R	2021	1,657.03	0.00	1,657.03
TERRIAULT, JOSHUA R	2021	2,443.35	0.00	2,443.35
TERRIAULT, JOSHUA R.	2021	414.83	0.00	414.83
VIOLETTE, ESTATE OF, MICHAEL	2021	4,233.14	0.00	4,233.14
WARREN, JULIANNE	2021	422.92	0.00	422.92
WATSON, CHRISTINE L	2021	1,607.12	0.00	1,607.12
WOOD, PATRICIA	2021	1,651.63	0.00	1,651.63
WOOD, PATRICIA	2021	968.15	0.00	968.15
YATES, DANIEL	2021	238.14	0.00	238.14
YUE, ELLEN	2021	633.13	582.72	50.41
				<hr/> 72,425.40



Birth Annual Report

Child's Name	Place of Birth	Date of Birth
Eastman, Memphis Levi	Portland	01/29/2022
Nielsen - Allen, Ébodie Quinn	Portland	03/30/2022
Sanborn, Madeline Jo	Portland	04/14/2022
Farrington, Silas James	Portland	05/11/2022
Arsenault, Millie Belle	Portland	05/30/2022



Marriage Annual Report

<u>Party A Current Name</u>	<u>Party B Current Name</u>	<u>Date of Marriage</u>	<u>Place of Marriage City</u>
Boulot, Lydia Jeanne	Bushman, Jay Michael	05/28/2022	West Baldwin
Hall, Steven Allan	Evangelist, Josephine Sharo	08/15/2022	Sanford
Monroe, Darci Jane	Harmon, Tyler James	06/25/2022	West Baldwin
Madigan, Elizabeth Marge	Clark, Tyler James	01/08/2022	Rangelay
Spinney, Gordon Patrick	Rankin, Nicole Lynne	01/15/2022	West Baldwin
Coady, Julia May	Russell, Joseph Edward	02/14/2022	Baldwin
Shaw, Louise Jean	Hardy, Jaymes Taylor	02/13/2022	Standish
Allen, Michael Ellis	Bumham, Kristina Renee	02/22/2022	Baldwin
Hyder, John David	Buzzell, Leah Georgette	03/17/2022	Lewiston
Hill, Ashley Lynn	Palmer, Fred William III	05/22/2022	New Sharon



Death Annual Report

Decedent Name	Age	Resident Town	Town of Death	Date of Death
Buckley,David Richard	38	Baldwin	Baldwin	01/01/2022
Burdwood,Robert Christie Jr.	63	Baldwin	Baldwin	01/03/2022
Cornier,Gordon Pierre	5	Baldwin	Millinocket	06/14/2022
Draper,Carl C	59	Baldwin	Baldwin	01/09/2022
Emmons,Laura Sue	60	Baldwin	Baldwin	01/07/2022
Evans,Tonja Alma	76	Baldwin	Scarborough	04/22/2022
Frost,Thomas E.	78	Baldwin	Baldwin	04/07/2022
Harrington,Dennis Wayne Sr.	73	Baldwin	Baldwin	04/14/2022
Haskell,Judith Margaret	82	Baldwin	Baldwin	01/15/2022
Peters,Linda Frances	72	Baldwin	Baldwin	02/09/2022
Rankin,Joe Albert	82	Baldwin	Portland	05/23/2022
Rankin,Rita B.	81	Baldwin	Portland	05/11/2022
Shields,Michael David	54	Baldwin	Lincoln Plantation	06/20/2022
Strout,Kenneth Wayne Sr.	71	Baldwin	Windham	05/30/2022
Sutter,Allhea Gertrude	96	Baldwin	Portland	03/17/2022
Thoms,Rose Marie	99	Baldwin	Gorham	03/01/2022

REMEMBERANCE

RITA B. RANKIN

10/20/1940 - 05/11/2022



WEST BALDWIN- Rita B. Rankin, age 81, passed away on May 11, 2022, at Maine Medical Center in Portland. She was born in Baldwin on Oct. 20, 1940, a daughter of the late Harland and Etta (Sanborn) Bliss. Throughout her life, Rita served her community as a teacher at Baldwin Elementary School. She will forever be remembered for the enjoyment she had reading, journaling, writing poetry, being with her beloved dog- Charlotte, and her trips to Florida with her grandchildren.

REMEMBERANCE

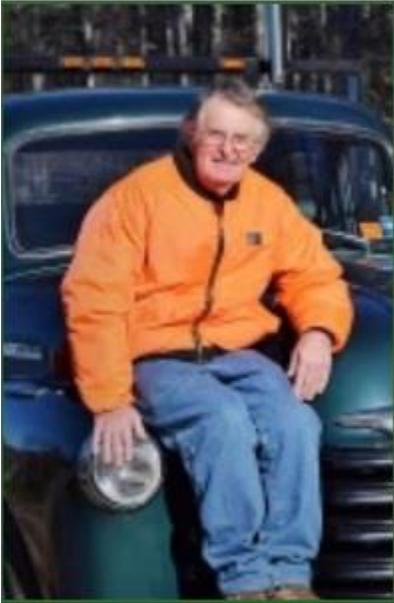
JOE A. RANKIN

10/21/2039 – 05/23/2022

Joe Albert Rankin was born October 21, 1939, in West Baldwin, Maine, the son of Philip E. and Janet Locke Rankin. He passed away on May 23, 2022. Joe grew up in West Baldwin and attended school there. He graduated from Fryeburg Academy where he was a member of the F.F.A. After graduating, he enlisted in the Air Force where he served time in the States, England, and France for 4 years. On June 9, 1962, he married the love of his life, Rita Bliss who attended Nasson College and graduated from Gorham State Teachers College. They would have celebrated their 60th anniversary on June 9th. Joe served the last year of his enlistment stationed at Loring Air Base in Maine. He and Rita had an apartment in Caribou. She taught school there. When the year was over, they moved home to West Baldwin. Joe worked in several places before going to work for S.D. Warren in Westbrook. He retired from there and worked part time for Knowles Industrial Services. Joe loved to hunt, fish, and go up to camp. A year ago, he went on a moose hunt to Northern Maine and loved it! He got to do the cooking and he just loved it! He especially loves farming, couldn't wait to get out in the hayfield on his tractor! Joe and Rita got their most enjoyment with family gatherings! Rankin reunion, Locke reunion, Bliss family events- their love for family was strong!



REMEMBRANCE
THOMAS E. FROST
04/30/1943 - 04/07/2022



NORTH BALDWIN - THOMAS E. FROST, 78, PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 7, 2022. HE WAS BORN APRIL 30, 1943, IN PORTLAND, THE SON OF DONALD AND MABEL (PREBLE) FROST. TOM GRADUATED FROM WESTBROOK HIGH SCHOOL. HE AND KATHY RAISED THREE CHILDREN WHILE HE WORKED AS A TOOL AND DIE MAKER AT FAIRCHILD SEMICONDUCTOR FROM 1963 TO 2003. AT THE TIME OF HIS RETIREMENT, HE HAD THE GREATEST LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT OF ANY EMPLOYEE - FORTY YEARS, TO THE DAY.

TOM & KATHY WERE MARRIED AT ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH IN PORTLAND ON JANUARY 11, 1964, AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER MOVED TO SEBAGO AND THEN TO BALDWIN IN 1975, THEIR FOREVER-HOME FOR THE PAST FORTY-SEVEN YEARS. SEVERAL YEARS AFTER THEY MOVED TO BALDWIN FARMSTEAD, THEY DISCOVERED THAT TOM'S GRANDPARENTS (MAYNARD AND FLORENCE) HAD BEEN MARRIED IN THE SAME HOME IN 1910.

TOM ALWAYS SAID HE HAD THREE JOBS: FAIRCHILD, THE 200-YEAR-OLD FARMSTEAD, AND CAMP AT FIRST ROACH POND. TOM WAS IN CONSTANT MOTION. NEVER-ENDING PROJECTS INVOLVED RESTORATION AND ADDITIONS WERE FIT IN WITH LANDSCAPING, FIELDWORK AND WOOD-CUTTING. HE ALSO SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS WORKING ON HIS ANTIQUE CARS, WITH SPECIAL AFFINITY FOR HIS

FORD MODEL A HOT-ROD ROADSTER, WHICH WAS VERY SIMILAR TO THE ONE HE HAD BUILT AS A TEENAGER. HIS FAVORITE SPOT TO RELAX, WHICH WAS NOT THE NORM, WAS AT CAMP - SITTING BEFORE A ROARING CAMPFIRE - THE BIGGER, THE BETTER - LOOKING OVER THE LAKE TO THE MOUNTAINS OF BIG AND LITTLE SPENCER IN THE DISTANCE, WHILE LISTENING TO THE LOON'S MAGICAL CALLS

REMEMBRANCE
ROSE THORNE

11/04/1921 - 03/01/2022



Rose Marie Thorne, age 100 passed away peacefully on March 1, 2022. She was born in New Haven, CT on Nov. 4, 1921, a daughter of the late David and Rose Marie Dechello. Married in 1946, Forest and Rose lived a wonderful life in North Baldwin and was very active in the North Baldwin Baptist Church. For many years, she was employed by Sylvania in Standish. Rose will always be remembered for her ability to help people in a time of need. Her house was always full of people as she enjoyed cooking and taking care of her beloved family.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/LICENSED PLUMBING INSPECTOR REPORT JAN 2022- APRIL 2023

PERMITS ISSUED:

2022

Growth Residential Septic Plumbing Sheds Driveways Deck Residential Solar Additions Covered Porch

15 16 24 22 9 14 3 1 1 1

Swimming Pool Relocate Building Garage Renovations Demolitions Certificate of Occupancy

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2023 through April

Growth Residential Septic Plumbing Sheds Residential Solar Additions Renovations Garage In law Apt

9 4 3 5 1 1 1 1 1

Demolition

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I have enjoyed working as your CEO/LPI officer for the last 9 months. I much appreciate the help and guidance of all of the other town officials as well as townspeople in making the transition as smooth as possible. Former CEO Wes Sunderland was a great help. I especially want to thank Jo Pierce for his wise council and guidance. Also, thanks to the planning board as we worked together to develop a smoother process and better understanding of our joint endeavors.

The new state law LD2003 effective July 1st will be a challenge. While there is a clear need for more affordable housing we need to proceed with caution in order to maintain and protect the qualities of life that make our town the very special place that it is. Essentially this new law allows the addition of additional housing units on each lot. This has the potential to impact growth from its current slow growth to a much faster one. We need to address the impact of this law on infrastructure as well as a possible need for more jobs and employment.

I look forward to moving forward and getting to know and work with the townspeople. Please know that I am here to help in any way that I can.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald Kent CEO/LPI

Since last April the Planning Board has approved one Subdivision and issued four Conditional Use Permits. We granted one extension of a CUP for a business to start using its permit, and we gained two new members.

Mostly what the Planning Board did this last year was listen to people and talk with them. People come to us for a permit when they want to start a business, build a subdivision, or operate a dog kennel. We try to make it work for the applicant and for the neighborhood. We try to provide a friendly atmosphere in which people can talk to each other in a neighborly way to make things work for everyone. It takes patience to go through the process.

We saw no new applications for solar farms this year. Apparently, the electric grid is at capacity for absorbing electricity.

In Baldwin people with more than five dogs must obtain a kennel license from the Town which the Planning Board issues as a Conditional Use Permit. A few people were surprised to learn of the requirement this year. We are working our way through the resulting applications.

We are pleased to be working with the new Code Enforcement Officer, Don Kent, this is a very important relationship for all concerned.

We are looking forward to a quiet and productive new year.

Respectfully,
Josiah Pierce
Planning Board Chair

Baldwin Active Kids

I, Meghan Durgin, took on the role of director at the beginning of September two weeks into our afterschool program. I have worked in childcare for ten plus years and have an Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education. When I was asked to take over the program I was left with one staff member and seventeen children enrolled. I ended up hiring three more part time staff who I have now legally trained and certified to care for children through the State Of Maine. We are now properly staffed to safely care for the children in the program. This being said it has taken more out of our budget for appropriate wages and paying for training. It took me some time to figure out paperwork and payment agreements that were left behind. I had to go through all families paperwork and payment agreements and make sure all families were being charged appropriately.

Myself and staff spent many hours cleaning and decluttering the building. I also made some necessary purchases to make the program run legally and smoother and also more appealing to children and families. We created an arcade-like game room for the children to enjoy during the winter months. I also had many complaints about the food being served to children prior to me starting. I worked hard on creating nutritious snacks for the program 5210 inspired. I am currently working on summer camp 2023 registration which looks like it's going to be full enrollment. I have most of my families staying from the aftercare program and have had multiple emails inquiring about enrolling their children. I also significantly raised the summer camp prices in hopes we can take several field trips and purchase necessary items we need to run the camp. We are also enrolled in the food program through MSAD 55 so this will significantly cut costs this summer. Unfortunately the program will most likely break close to even this year but all being done legally and safely.

Baldwin Community Auxiliary

Hello neighbors from all of us in the Baldwin Community Auxiliary. We have had another busy year of community involvement within the SAD 55 school district, with local families, student scholarships and more.

We awarded several scholarships to graduating Baldwin seniors who are continuing on with their education. We also put on a benefit dinner for a local family to help cover costs of medical bills.

Our wicked huge annual yard sale was a great success. Thank you to everyone that donated items, lugged, pulled and tugged.

We had a bake sale and sold lunch items at the Brown Memorial Library book sale, helped with Christmas at the library and the SAD 55 Spirit Tree. Through the Town of Baldwin we sponsored a family at Christmas. We replaced several tattered flags in North Baldwin.

Listed below are the officers of The Baldwin Community Auxiliary. Please feel free to reach out to anyone if you have any questions:

President - Jimmy Dolloff 233-0638

Vice President - Jennifer Dolloff 233-0337

Secretary - Penny Thorne 239-5194

Treasurer- Jennifer McKenney 653-1843

The Baldwin Community Auxiliary mourns the loss of our longtime friend and member Susan Graffam. She served as President of our organization for a few years and was such an important part of our group. We miss her deeply. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Graffam family.

We are always looking for help for our Wicked Huge yard sale(s). We are looking for a few good people to help us load, unload and set up the sale. If you would like to help with this event or just want to hear a story or two, reach out to Alan Dolloff 787-2167 or Ben McKenney 653-3647.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us accomplish our goals for our community in one way or another! If anyone has any ideas of making Baldwin a better place, please reach out to us.

Sincerely, Baldwin Community Auxiliary



**TRI-TOWN WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY
2022 ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE TOWNS OF BALDWIN, HIRAM AND PORTER**



Opening Balance

\$ 11,115.96

Received from:

Town of Baldwin	\$ 105,450.00
Town of Hiram	105,450.00
Town of Porter	105,450.00
Demo Debris Fees	14,478.00
Items with Freon	3,405.00
Reimb. For metals 157.70T	12,010.00
Bulky Waste fees	12,425.00
Reimb for electronic waste	6.16
MSAD #55 payment to participate	16,133.40
Town of Baldwin reserve acct	77,938.55
Town of Hiram reserve acct	77,938.55
Town of Porter reserve acct	77,938.55
Bangor Savings Bank, construction loan	80,000.00
Misc. revenue	1,760.00
ARPA funds from each town	7,968.00

Total Receipts

\$ 698,351.21

Total

\$ 709,467.17

Paid:

TIPPING FEES:

ECOMAINE – 1936.60 tons	\$ 184,425.32
ECOMAINE – Bulky waste 168.03T + 194 Mattresses	15,728.16

CPRC – demolition debris 124.6T	14,378.88
Northcoast Services- electronics	346.13

BUILDING REPAIRS:

Station repairs	862.04
Supplies	306.03

EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

Atlantic Recycling	\$40,555.00
Maine Scales	19,490.00

STATION CONSTRUCTION

PY Estes & Son	256,271.15
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EQUIPMENT REPAIRS

Backhoe fuel	902.53
Repairs	1,757.69

TRUCK EXPENSES:

KF Auto Parts	2,770.75
Fuel Decal	5.00
Dicks Used Cars & Repairs	4,629.86
Truck fuel 2,840.871 gals	14,631.31
Truck registration	1,757.44
Central Tires	1,074.13

TRUCK DRIVER EXPENSES:

Driver – Salary	14,171.11
Spare driver -	124.67
MMTA fees	25.00

ATTENDANTS PAYROLL:

Michael Cote	14,829.01
Joseph McNulty	23,576.26
Tim Caldwell	13,086.93

PAYROLL EXPENSES:

IRS tax deposits & state tx dp	16,878.58
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SECRETARIAL SERVICES & OFFICE SUPPLIES

Town of Hiram reimbursed	2,549.04
Terry Day mileage	61.83
Shopping Guide Ads	570.00
Miscellaneous	35.00
Audit	2,550.00
Office supplies	2,035.96
Employee gift cards	625.00

STATION OPERATING EXPENSES:

Water bill	493.10
CMP bill	3,243.75
Telephone bill	629.02
Internet for scales	734.66
Annual license fees	536.00
DEP amendment fee	870.00

INSURANCES:

General Liability/Workers Comp & Auto Insurance	19,706.00
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Total Expenses \$ 677,222.34

Balance Carry Forward to 2022

\$ 32,244.83

Reminders

Recycling saves you money!

***We accept: Demo debris, metals, items with Freon,
batteries, cellphones, electronic waste, florescent light
bulbs, bulky waste. Check your towns websites for more
details***

Station hours: Tues, Weds, Fridays – 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Sat. 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sun. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

STATION MANAGER: JOE MCNULTY

ATTENDANTS: MIKE COTE, TIM CALDWELL

TRUCK DRIVER – DENNIS LOWD

SPARE TRUCK DRIVER – SCOTT CHAPMAN

STATION TEL NUMBER: 207-625-7633

OFFICE TEL NUMBER: 207-625-4663

***THE TRI-TOWN BOARD WOULD LIKE TO THANK JOE, MIKE, TIM,
DENNIS & SCOTT FOR THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE TO OUR TOWNS
AND FOR KEEPING THE TRANSFER STATION IN TIP TOP SHAPE.
KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!***

***BE SURE TO CHECK OUT YOUR TOWNS WEBSITE FOR CURRENT FEE
SCHEDULE FOR MULTIPLE ITEMS***

Sand Pond Beach 2022

Once again the Sand Pond Beach committee met throughout the year to discuss ongoing issues at the beach. We were able to hire another attendant in 2022 for the season giving us a total of 2 attendants. We are currently looking for another attendant for 2023 so if you know of anyone please call the town office

While we would like to say the summer went off with a hitch, that wasn't the case. We had an incident involving a intoxicated person from another town creating a disruption at the beach. The Cumberland County Sheriff's Office got involved and the subject got arrested and taken to jail

We still have an ongoing issue with non residents chronically using the beach. We are trying to figure out the best ways to deal with this issue

We continue to strive for the beach to be a family friendly area. We need everyone's help In doing this as this beach is a resource to the Town of Baldwin citizens and taxpayers

We trialed a 3rd pass that would be able to be given to a vehicle as a temporary placard for the rear view mirror. There are some more kinks to work out and we will be revisiting this system again at our meetings

We have been in negotiations with the Sacopee Valley Recreation Council to bring swim lessons back to Sand Pond. We are please to announce that Emily Graham of North Baldwin has become a Red Cross Water Safety Instructor and she will be offering classes in June of 2023. We firmly believe that every child is Baldwin should know to swim

Parking stickers are currently \$10.00 each with a maximum of 2 passes per household. The money's are put into a capital improvement fund

We have put in thru the Maine Community Foundation, , PF fund to obtain some funding to install a 4 foot fence around the beach so that it will deter small children from running out into the middle of the road.

We are always looking for positive members for this group of people. If you fit that category please attend one of our meetings which are posted on the towns Facebook page and the Shopping Guide, or you can reach out to the following members

Emily Graham. 207-332-9370

Ben McKenney 207-653-3647

Thank you for your ongoing support

Sand Pond Committee of Baldwin

Sacopee Valley Recreation Council Annual Report for Baldwin

December 2022

Sacopee Valley Recreation Council has provided a wide variety of programs for members of the communities in this area since 1989. SVRC is a registered non-profit organization. The council conducts business through a board of directors who are volunteers and two part time paid coordinators. Currently our paid coordinators are Kathy Hewey and Jocelyn Nielsen. Kathy Hewey will be stepping down and we will be finding her replacement in the next month or two. The coordination of duties of the co-coordinators, along with their communication skills and great work ethic certainly contribute to making this small program work in big ways.

Normally we plan and oversee engaging and diverse activities—including traditional sports programs for youth in grades K-6, imaginative summer camps and a low-cost learn to swim program, not to mention several free offerings, such as open gym, cross-country skiing and ice skating, women’s volleyball, Friday night cribbage, and Easter egg hunts.

This past spring, we were able to have sign-ups for baseball and softball after not having a season in 2020 and a smaller season in 2021. We were back in full swing this season and it went well with high numbers! Karate continued as before except recently it moved from Pike Hall back to the elementary school gym.

Summer camps resumed in 2022 with great attendance and interest. We were allowed to use school indoor facilities and the Ossipee Valley Fairgrounds for two camps, we had basketball at the middle and high schools, and soccer camp was at the school fields as well as the Cornish fields. The Field Hockey camp was at the elem. school fields and Pickleball was held at the tennis courts.

In the fall soccer and field hockey were both successful, as well as starting Cheer back up. We were still using Cornish fields which worked out wonderfully. In November we were given permission by the school to conduct an indoor soccer program for 3 Mondays in a row which went smoothly, and the kids really enjoyed it. A record number of youth signed up for basketball and this year we get to have home games as well as at the Fryeburg Rec center. Rick Buzzell of Fryeburg is coordinating all game schedules, securing referees, and setting league rules for those games at Fryeburg. Josie Nielsen is securing refs and having the middle school gym set up for home games. We have started our cheer program back up which we know can be expensive. This winter practices will take place at the Baldwin Community Center.

We continue to have expenses such as advertizing, insurance, and equipment as well as coordinators pay. We hope to be able to add more activities as time goes on if we can do them safely and have a place to do them. We had a successful fundraiser for baseball that was to help with the major expenses that come with baseball, and we are doing what we can to keep the fees as low as possible. And lastly it is our mission to provide our programs to all children regardless of a family’s ability to pay. We offer coupon codes so families only must pay what they can, or if nothing at all, then we can still sign them up for free.

None of this would be possible without the help and support of the citizens of the five towns. We would like to thank everyone for this support and we want everyone to know that we welcome more folks to join us in supporting recreation in the area. If you have a desire to help in any way, please let us know.

Sincerely,

SVRC Board of Directors

Participant numbers for Baldwin

Spring (Baseball, softball)—40 Summer Camps—26
Fall (soccer, field hockey) ---42 Winter (basketball, karate) ---53

The article for the warrant----

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4000 for the Sacopee Valley Recreation Council



Town of Standish

Public Safety

175 Northeast Rd.
Standish, ME 04084
Bus.207-642-4343
Fax 207-642-5671

Chief Robert Caron

May 15, 2023

Greetings,

It is hard to believe another year has gone by. I would like to thank the residents, the selectman and the fire department for their continued support. Our relationship has done nothing but grow stronger over the years between the two towns. We are utilizing each other's resources more and more each year to try and save money between the towns. This past calendar year, the rescue responded to 314 EMS and fire calls in the town of Baldwin. Standish Fire responded to Baldwin 18 times and Baldwin Fire responded to Standish 21 times for mutual aid calls. These numbers just go to show that our systems are working. If nothing else, our working relationship should be a good model for other towns to look at when trying to implement a mutual aid program between towns.

The ACO has been extremely busy this past year in Baldwin. There were 114 complaints handled. Some of these calls took many hours to iron out. Overall, this is another great example of how sharing resources saves taxpayer dollars.

This fiscal year is the second year of a 3-year agreement which has a 5% increase over last year. The total amount is \$59,261.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Robert Caron



Baldwin Fire Department

534 Pequawket Trail

West Baldwin, Maine 04091

207-625-3581 ext. 5

Baldwinmainefirechief@gmail.com

Chief Steven A. Sanders

Greetings,

I would like to thank the residents of Baldwin for their continued support of the fire department. 2022 was, again, a record year for emergency call volume. We expect this trend to continue in the coming years due to the continued population growth of our town. The Baldwin fire department responded to 164 emergency calls in the 2022 year.

The department wide study by Port City Architecture initiated in 2021 was completed and plenty of insightful information can be accessed on the town website. This study will provide a look into the future of emergency services for the town of Baldwin and the necessity of the support of its residents.

In 2022 Chief Bruce Crawford initiated an inquiry with the Insurance Service Organization(ISO) in order to better evaluate the emergency service infrastructure in our town. This inquiry will create a score that should positively impact (decrease) the homeowners' insurance rates as well as expose any deficiencies in our emergency infrastructure to better serve our residents. This could take up to 1 year and 6 months to complete and will be public information once completed.

Membership within the department has increased as well as 1 member completing nationally certified training. Personal protective equipment for 2 firefighters was updated in compliance with state regulation. Regular checks and maintenance of fire trucks and fire equipment were performed by department personnel in accordance with state laws.

The members of the Baldwin fire department would like to thank town residents for trusting us with the safety of their lives, homes and property. We all strive to be the best we can be to better serve our community. Also, a big thank you to our mutual aid departments in assisting our emergency services when our community is in need.

Below is a statistical breakdown of the emergency calls Baldwin Fire Department responded to in 2022.

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 40
Fire Alarms: 9
Elect Hazards: 19
EMS Coverage: 1
Gas Leaks: 3
Medical Emergency (requiring FD assistance): 25
Mutual Aid: 15
Smells/Odors: 1
Outside Fires/Forest Fires: 16
Service Call: 11
Smoke Investigation: 2
Structure/Building Fires: 16
Vehicle Fires: 3
Water Rescues: 2
Wilderness Rescues: 1

Total Incidents for This Report: 164

Respectfully,

Chief Steven A. Sanders

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Sanders", written over a horizontal line.



November 2022

Deborah Wakefield, Town Clerk
Town of Baldwin
534 Pequawket Trl
West Baldwin, ME 04091-3160

Dear Deborah,

Every town, city, plantation, and municipality in Maine is unique but a common thread ties us all together: **no matter where we live, Mainers recognize our great state as one large, connected community with shared attitudes of hard work, compassion, and the willingness to help a neighbor in need.** Similarly, the state’s emergency critical care and medical transport system has its own community, with the shared goal of providing every Mainer the opportunity for the best possible outcome on what is often the worst day of their life. **Each partner plays an integral role, including LifeFlight, and together we form the chain of survival.**

LifeFlight of Maine is the state’s only emergency air ambulance service, with three helicopters, an airplane, and specialty ground vehicles equipped as fully functioning mobile intensive care units. Our Crews bring advanced skills, medical technology, pharmacy, and blood directly to a patient’s side, wherever they may be. We do this in partnership with the many 911 dispatchers, fire/rescue, EMS, public safety, law enforcement, and hospitals across the state.

Since its founding 24 years ago, LifeFlight has safely transported more than 35,000 patients regardless of location, insurance status, or the ability to pay for care. These transports include patients of all ages and across all points in Maine. **Since 1998, 13 residents of Baldwin have been cared for by LifeFlight,** with 1 in the past year. In addition, LifeFlight has made 3 scene calls to your community to support local fire/rescue and EMS partners.

LifeFlight, a non-profit organization, is among the most efficient providers of critical care air medical services, with the lowest costs and charges in New England. To maintain these standards, we rely on support from various funding sources, including individuals, businesses, foundations, and communities. Each year we reach out to every municipality in the state and invite them to support our Community Giving Campaign to ensure that the LifeFlight teams can continue to answer the call for help for Mainers, 24/7/365.

Last year, 194 communities donated a total of \$124,234. **This year, we need Baldwin, and every community across Maine to come together to help us reach our collective goal of \$125,000. Please consider a gift of ~~\$2,000~~, which is based on a rate of ~~\$0.25~~ per capita.**
~~\$0.25~~ **\$ 800.**
~~\$0.50~~

Your support helps LifeFlight operate and maintain a safe, fast, and reliable fleet, provide critical care education to the team and partners around the state, upgrade and replace advanced medical equipment, and enhance Maine’s aviation infrastructure. **In a serious emergency, every minute counts, and in meeting Maine’s need for critical care, the gifts we receive from Maine communities are symbolic of the thread that ties all Mainers together.**

We have enclosed FAQs about LifeFlight, a map of Maine transport locations, and a map of Maine communities that have supported us. **Please contact Ashley MacMillan at The LifeFlight Foundation at amacmillan@lifeflightmaine.org or 207-357-5508 with any questions.** If you need additional information or a specific town application form is required with this request, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Tom Judge
Executive Director
LifeFlight of Maine

Ashley MacMillan
Director of Annual Giving
LifeFlight Foundation

P.S. If a past request was recently approved and an invoice is required, please contact us so we may submit the invoice.



Ten Facts and Frequently Asked Questions about LifeFlight

1. LifeFlight is a private non-profit charitable organization with a public mission serving all of Maine. We care for all patients regardless of insurance status or ability to pay for care 24/7/365 with helicopters based in Bangor, Lewiston and Sanford, a fixed-wing airplane based in Bangor, rapid response vehicles, and specialized ground ambulances. In FY2022 LifeFlight provided \$355,691 in uncompensated care, as well as significant discounts for Medicare and MaineCare patients.

2. In FY22, 2,508 patients were LifeFlighted from 145 communities, islands, and unorganized townships-- about 1 patient every 3.5 hours. LifeFlight has cared for more than 35,000 patients since September 1998.

3. What is the Community Giving Campaign? Each year in the Fall, LifeFlight reaches out to every community in the state to ask for support. The request includes a suggested donation based on population; a \$1.00 per capita rate for towns that have up to 1,000 residents; a \$0.50 per capita rate for those with up to 2,000 residents; and a \$0.25 per capita rate for all others, with asks typically capped at \$2,000. The average gift size in 2022 was \$640, and some towns give generously beyond what they are asked.

4. How is LifeFlight funded? LifeFlight operates much like a hospital emergency department, taking care of all patients and billing insurance companies. We contract with all major payers including Medicare, MaineCare and commercial insurers. Most of our operational expenses are covered by patient fees, but we rely on the LifeFlight Foundation to support the purchase of new aircraft, medical equipment, infrastructure, improvements, and to provide clinical education around the state.

5. LifeFlight helicopters, airplane, and specialty ground ambulances are equipped as fully functioning mobile intensive care units. LifeFlight's critical care teams bring the trauma center intensive care unit -- skills, medical technology, pharmacy, blood, and more -- directly to a patient's side.

6. What types of patients do we transport? Critically ill or injured patients of all ages needing specialized care beyond what can be provided by local hospitals - including premature infants, cardiac and stroke patients, complex traumatic injury, organ transplant, sepsis, burns, and serious obstetric complications. We use the strictest medical utilization criteria in the country to make sure all flights are medically necessary. Emergency medical providers are guided by state-mandated protocols based on the latest research and best practice.

7. About 92% of patients are transported from community hospitals to major specialty centers, and 8% are transported directly from the scene of an emergency - roadsides, woods, mountains, and islands. While most patients are transported to EMMC, MMC and CMMC, about 10% of patients are transported to Boston and beyond for specialized care not available in Maine.

8. LifeFlight is lean. We are among the most efficient providers in the world, we pay close attention to costs, maintaining a very small administrative team that results in some of the lowest costs and charges in New England and the country.

9. LifeFlight's costs and charges are the lowest in New England and among the lowest in the country. The average charge for a LifeFlight transport is around \$20,109. Other provider charges across New England and the northeast range from around \$27,000 for non-profits providers to \$60,000-\$80,000 from for-profit air medical companies. LifeFlight is in-network with all government payers, and most major insurance carriers. Patients will never receive a bill in excess of their insurance deductible or co-pays. LifeFlight offers a generous charity care / discounted care program for patients who qualify, and whose transport is not covered by insurance.

10. What other benefits to our town and region does LifeFlight provide besides critical care and transport? We provide local critical care training to medical providers in specialized areas such as traumatic brain injury and pediatric trauma, critical medical diagnosis and treatment. We also support weather systems, hospital helipads, and advanced aviation navigation systems across the state.

Baldwin Road Commissioner's Report

Dear Friends of Baldwin,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to those that I have not had the pleasure of meeting. My name is Chris Harrington, I was appointed by the selectboard in March of 2022 to fulfill the term of Baldwin's Road Commissioner. Previously, I have worked in both the public and private sectors of construction. I live just over the town line in Sebago with my wife Zoe and our two young kids. We own and operate a micro dairy farm.

Everyone I have met and talked with has been so wonderful and welcoming. I want to thank everyone for their support during my first year as your road commissioner. I would also like to recognize the hardworking team we have to keep the roads safe. Our daily crew consists of Steven Thorne, Jr., Seth Wescott, and myself. Both Steven and Seth have been huge assets to the highway department. Our part-time call-in crew, George Davis and Pete Stacy, also deserve recognition for always having our backs during storms and other major road projects.

We tackled a lot of small, but necessary projects throughout the summer months. As we made our way into fall, we started to prepare for the winter ahead. All of our trucks were serviced and prepped for winter roads. Screening and stockpiling the winter salt sand was also done. We hired the job out and had two years worth of salt sand screened and stocked all at once, to save the town some money. The snow and rain arrived with the changing of the seasons. We experienced a major storm just days before Christmas. The storm was referred to as a "once in every 10-year" kind of storm and our team here at the Baldwin Highway Department did amazing work. All five crew members were called in to work, including one that was on vacation, and all worked hours on end to patch and fix roads and road shoulders to keep as many roads open as possible. I would also like to recognize P.Y. Estes & Son for their assistance during this time, for opening their pit on the weekend, allowing us to purchase the materials needed for the emergency repairs. This storm did not meet the Cumberland County financial requirements for federal financial assistance, our town roads experienced \$65,000 worth of damages.

We recently experienced another heavy rain storm at the end of April 2023. Roughly 4.86" of rain fell in Baldwin in less than 12 hours. Once again we experienced extensive damage to our town's road infrastructure. The damage repairs are still ongoing and the cost is expected to be near the sum of \$182,000. We have been working with EMA and FEMA in hopes of meeting the county's financial assistance threshold.

I would like to thank everyone for their understanding as well as your past, present and continued support.

Sincerely,

Chris Harrington

Town of Baldwin Road Commissioner

Brown Memorial Library 2023

Greetings –

Your Library is doing well but could use your help. We are doing the inventory of the collection. There are quite a few books that have taken a vacation. A few have been misshelved. Some of you may be getting reminder letters. They may be on your shelf. If so, please send them home so others can read them. Thanks.

We continue to receive donations of books, DVDs and puzzles. You can drop in and take a break, work on the started puzzle or read some of the magazines. We have 3 open computers you can use. There are folks who can help if you get stuck. The WIFI extends to the parking lot.

You can request books we do not have from other libraries. Crafters often meet on Sat. am. We have Story Time on Monday morning at 10. We had a Basic Sewing class to understand the machine and learn basic stitching skills, made an apron and inserted a zipper. We will repeat this soon, possibly with some Girl Scouts who are working on badges. There is a Basic Quilting class planned. We plan to do a basic Clothing Construction class and a Fancy Stitches class. Most Wednesdays (during open hours) there is a walk-in Drawing class available in the Community Room. Check for flyers in the Post Offices, stores, the website and FB for dates and times.

Every year events: We host a Candidates Night before Town Meeting. This allows us to ask questions about the Warret issues and meet new candidates running for Select Board and School Board. Our Book Sale and Raffles will be on August 12. Space available for rent. Santa arrives on Dec. 9 around 5.

Summer is coming up and we will be doing
the 2023 reading program: All Together Now.

All ages can drop in, sign up. Win weekly prizes. Let the adventures begin. The Masons are doing the Books for Bikes program again this year. Every book you read gets a ticket in the drawing for a bike and helmet.

We wish to extend a big Thank You to those who have donated time, books, money or ideas. The Library can't exist without you.

Phone: 207 787 3155 Address: 2 Norton Place at 107 & 11 on 113
WEB: www.brown.lib.me.us email: brownmemoriallib@gmail.com
Phone for Community Room rental scheduling or other questions.

*Sincerely, Kathy Pierce
Library Pres.*



Baldwin Historical Society
PO Box 159
East Baldwin, ME 04024

Dear Baldwin Residents

Since its incorporation in 1991, the Baldwin Historical Society has collected and preserved historical and genealogical information relating to Baldwin and its residents. Settling into our new headquarters after moving from the Brown Memorial Library has been a huge challenge in every way. Renovations and repairs to an old building can be a forever project. Progress continued last year primarily on the second floor. Our talented volunteers removed all the out of date electrical wiring in the attic and the 2nd floor, replaced it with upgrades and installed a new circuit box. Motion detection lights were installed on the front and back of the building plus a security system. All of the cosmetic upgrades have now been completed in the 3 rooms on the 2nd level. The military room, the children's room and the barn loom room are now filled with exhibits. The upper floor stairwell and hall way will become a gallery for our paintings and portraits.

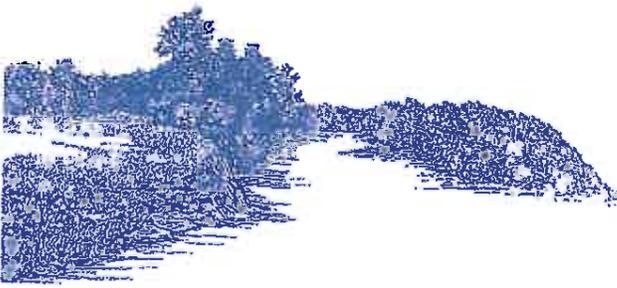
Our collections of photographs (9000), documents (4000) and items for exhibit have grown tremendously this past year. Most importantly, all of them have been scanned into our searchable digital system. One of our volunteers has just completed a major compilation of vital statistic information into a single data base that with the input of a Baldwin native's name will report all of his vitals (birth, death, marriage etc.) as well as a snapshot of the original page in the hand written records dating back to the early 1800s. It is an amazing program and the investment of hours and hours of time. We are in the process of scanning several hundred very old historic documents including voting lists, warrants and petitions. This project will take days of labor to complete and catalog. In order to continue with these projects it will be necessary to upgrade our systems to support this important information. We have 2 computers systems that are over 10 years old that should be replaced to keep our digital records safe.

One of the most important responsibilities of your historical society is the safekeeping of the Baldwin town records dating back to the early 1800's. During the renovation of the ground floor, a fire retardant vault was designed that would be large enough to accommodate those records as well as other important historical personal documents. All of these resources are available for your research during our operating hours as well as by appointment. BHS is the official repository for all this. We have a plan moving forward that includes the improvement of organizing our collections, sophisticating our research capabilities and investing in the upgrade of our energy reduction equipment by adding additional solar panels to our existing bank. Our goal is to be as energy efficient as possible. All of our yearly expenditures have increased since last year. We are open all winter which requires propane and electricity for heating and our property insurance premiums are approaching \$4000 annually.

The Historical Society thanks the Baldwin community for its continued support, which is vital to our success. We would also thank the many residents who have donated historical documents, memorabilia and artifacts during the past year. Our deep appreciation to all the many volunteers that continue to support and work very hard to keep things moving forward. We look toward 2023 and 2024 with the hope of seeing all of you at the Memorial service that we have sponsored since 2015, our open house at Chadbourne Homestead and our annual picnic. If you would like to donate historical items, become a society member or volunteer on one of our projects, please email us at bhs1802@gmail.com, or call 207-625-8946. The Haines Library is open every 2nd and 4th Saturday throughout the year from 10 to 1. Please drop in to see us.

Requesting \$10,000

With gratitude for your support,
Sharon Thomas, Collections Director



Saco River Corridor Commission

"Communities Working Together To Protect Our Rivers"

December 7, 2022

Baldwin Budget Committee
534 Pequawket Trail
West Baldwin, ME 04091

Dear Committee Members:

The Saco River Corridor Commission (SRCC) moved into its second decade of water quality testing in 2022. The testing areas most relevant to the Town of Baldwin are the bridge at Bridge Street on the Cornish-Hiram town line (O22), Cornish Station off Route 5 (OS9), below the Hiram Falls Dam on River Road (S23), and Sand Pond Beach (SP21). Attached you will find the SRCC's Water Quality Monitoring (WQM) Program testing results for 2022, with an analysis and recommendations for water quality protection.

The water quality program was created to help understand the types of issues that affect the water quality of the river and to help the Commission and area residents better understand how the surface water in the town contributes to their quality of life. There is a direct correlation between the quality of the rivers and streams in our towns and the aquifer that supplies our drinking water. As development and building continue, the water quality monitoring program will allow the town and the SRCC to better assess the standards in place that keep our community water systems clean.

This past season, thanks to a grant from the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund (MOHF), the Commission successfully moved *E.coli* and *Enterococci* sampling in-house, with advanced equipment from IDEXX Laboratories. This move has allowed the SRCC to expand the program through additional bacteria and chemical sampling to further evaluate and monitor the health of our waterways.

In May 2022, the MOHF issued the SRCC another grant to expand the scope of our water quality monitoring program. In 2023, the Commission will launch its pioneering program to isolate environmental DNA (eDNA) from the collected water samples. This analysis will allow the Commission to identify the probable source of *E.coli*, whether human or animal-derived, and provide much-needed guidance on strategies to address fecal contamination of our water bodies.

The SRCC has identified several sites throughout the corridor with water quality issues. As water flows downstream, water quality in Baldwin can be impacted by water quality issues upstream. The annual Baldwin water quality report is enclosed. It identifies potential problem areas, mainly *E. coli* levels at site O22, that now exceed State Class B classification standards for freshwater systems. When the level was approaching class B limits last year, the SRCC added chemical parameters such as total phosphorus, dissolved organic carbon, and multiple other nutrient parameters to the sampling schedule. Adding these sampling parameters is important to identify other potential related water quality issues that may provide more information to help identify the problem source. The SRCC wants to ensure all sites are monitored at the level to meet the needs of the citizen in the Corridor. To such end, we added Sand Pond Beach to the program last year and monitored the site weekly during the summer months to ensure safe swimming conditions for the public.

During the 2022 monitoring season, the SRCC spent a total of \$272.52 on sampling costs for the site monitored in Baldwin. An additional \$1,395.24 was spent on sampling costs for sites relevant to Baldwin. Corridor-wide, the SRCC spent an additional \$21,006.68 on equipment, supplies, travel

reimbursement, and personnel costs throughout the season. Without the town's assistance, we would not be able to conduct such extensive monitoring in Baldwin and throughout the watershed.

Due to the significantly increased costs to the overall program, including additional nutrient sampling and new project costs, the SRCC needs additional assistance to continue sampling at a level that meets the needs of Baldwin citizens. We request that the town provide enough funds to cover a little over half of the sampling costs for Baldwin sample site (SP21) and part of the cost of the sites relevant to Baldwin, not including any other costs associated with the program, such as personnel equipment, data analysis provided in the annual town report, and more. The SRCC will incur all other costs. Without the town's assistance, we will not succeed in our mission to help towns identify and stop threats to water quality.

To that end, the Commission asks that the following statement be included as an article in your town warrant:

"The town will vote to raise and appropriate \$400 toward the support of the Saco River Corridor Commission for its continued water quality monitoring program."

We thank the town of Baldwin for your continued support of the water quality program and look forward to providing you with many more years of valuable information. Please let us know if the town of Baldwin has any recommendations for other recreational or public sites within the Corridor that would benefit from being added to our sampling schedule in 2023.

Our goal is to protect the value of the rivers and lakes in our area. We will continue to do our part, but we need the town's help to succeed. Please do not hesitate to contact us with comments, questions, or suggestions about the program or any of the work we do. Please let us know when your budget meeting is scheduled so we can send a representative to speak to this important request.

Thank you very sincerely for your time and consideration.

Warm regards,



Dalyn P. Houser
Executive Director

Enclosure: Water Quality Analysis Report – Baldwin 2022

*Amounts represent the sampling cost.
 Travel and personnel time are not included and
 represent an additional expense.

Saco River Corridor Commission
 Sampling Cost per Municipality

2022 Season

Parameter	ALK	TP	PO4	NO3+NO2	TDN+DOC	<i>E.coli</i>	<i>Enterr.</i>
Cost per sample	\$18.00	\$11.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$11.00	\$30.28	\$38.87

Baldwin

SP21	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
Total per parameter	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$272.52	\$0.00
Total	\$272.52						

Water Quality Parameters Guideline

Parameter	Acceptable Limits
Dissolved Oxygen	Above 75% saturation; between 6-12mg/L
Temperature	No standard
Turbidity	10 NTUs or lower; preferably in the 1 NTU range
Conductivity	Below 500uS/cm in rural areas; 1500uS/cm in urban areas
<i>E. coli</i>	Below a geometric mean of 64 CFU for Class B, naturally occurring for Class A
Total Phosphorus	Below 30ug/L
pH	Between 6-8; usually around 6.5
Orthophosphate	Below 10ug/L
Nitrates/nitrites	Below 1mg/L
Total Dissolved Nitrogen	Below 0.5mg/L
Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC)	No standard; usually between 1-10mg/L

Water Quality Parameters: What are we testing for?

Dissolved Oxygen: The amount of oxygen contained in water is commonly expressed as a concentration in terms of milligrams per liter (mg/L), and/or as a percent (%) saturation. Accurate dissolved oxygen readings are dependent on temperature and atmospheric pressure. Gases, like oxygen, dissolve more easily in cooler water than in warmer water. Depletions in dissolved oxygen can cause major shifts in the kinds of aquatic organisms found in water bodies.

Turbidity: A measurement of the clarity of a fluid. The greater the turbidity, the murkier the water. High levels of suspended particles, which absorb heat from the sun, increase the water temperature. Suspended solids can clog fish gills, reduce growth rates, decrease resistance to disease and prevent egg and larval development of aquatic life.

Temperature: The metabolic rates of organisms increase with increasing water temperature. An increased metabolism increases the need for oxygen. Temperature also influences the amount of oxygen dissolved in water and the rate of photosynthesis by algae and larger aquatic plants.

Conductivity: A measure of the ability of water to pass an electrical current. Conductivity in water is determined by the presence of ions that carry a positive or negative charge. Conductivity in some areas, typically those near roads, may have higher than average levels due to manmade issues such as road salting during the winter months. Conductivity is also influenced by temperature (warmer water has higher conductivity) and by flow volume.

pH: Water contains both hydrogen ions and hydroxyl ions. At a pH of 7.0 (neutral) the concentration of both hydrogen ions and hydroxyl ions is equal. When the pH is less than 7.0 (acidic) there are more hydrogen ions than hydroxyl ions. When the pH is greater than 7.0 (alkaline or basic) there are more hydroxyl ions than hydrogen ions. Generally speaking, the ability of aquatic organisms to complete a life cycle greatly diminishes as pH falls below 5.0 or exceeds 9.0.

***Escherichia coli* (E. coli):** A bacterium found typically in the small intestines of warm-blooded animals. Most *E. coli* strains are harmless, but some serotypes can cause serious food poisoning in their hosts, and are occasionally responsible for product recalls. *E. coli* is expelled into the environment within fecal matter, and in high amounts can cause beach and swim area closures. Values are reported in geometric means.

Total Dissolved Nitrogen (TDN): Measurement of all the nitrogen that is available for use by phytoplankton, particularly cyanobacteria. Total dissolved nitrogen consists of dissolved organic nitrogen and dissolved inorganic nitrogen.

Total Phosphorus: Of the two nutrients most important to the growth of aquatic plants, nitrogen and phosphorus, it is generally observed that phosphorus is more limiting to plant growth in freshwater systems. Phosphorus is primarily associated with human related activities within the watershed and is therefore important to monitor and control. This parameter is new in 2022.

Nitrates/Nitrites (NO₃/NO₂): Both nitrate and nitrite are main constituents in fertilizers used for agriculture and residential purposes. As nitrite is relatively unstable in the environment, it quickly gets converted into nitrates. Nitrates can accelerate eutrophication of lakes.

Orthophosphate (PO₄): Also known as Reactive Phosphates, they are a main constituent in fertilizers used for agriculture and residential purposes. This is the form of phosphorus that is most readily utilized by biota.

Non-purgeable Organic Carbon (NPOC): Also known as dissolved organic carbon (DOC), it is a potential energy source for plants and animals in aquatic systems. This is an important component for stream metabolism; high levels can be a precursor to high levels of bacteria growth.

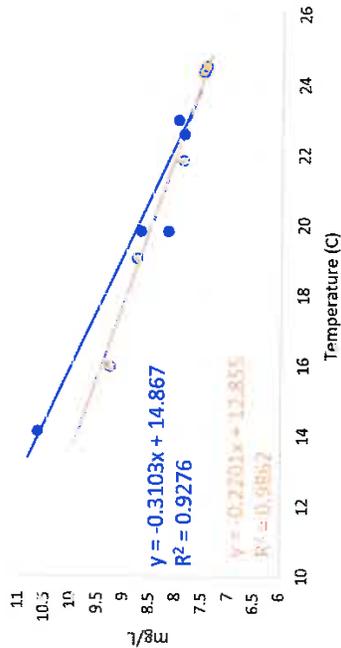
Overall comments Baldwin's water quality

- Baldwin's water quality for the three sites tested in 2022 is good.
 - O22 had 2 new parameters added in 2022 – TP and DOC.
 - The main issue at O22 is high *E. coli* levels – levels have now exceeded that for Class B waters.
- **Ways to improve/protect water quality:**
 - Make sure there is good riparian vegetation near running water.
 - Best Management practices to prevent erosion.
 - Reduced/no salt areas around bodies of water:
 - Recalibrate trucks so salt stays on road.
 - Brining.
 - Have septic systems checked regularly.
 - In areas of high swim activity consider whether seasonal toilet facilities are feasible.

S23- Below Hiram Falls Dam, River Road, Hiram

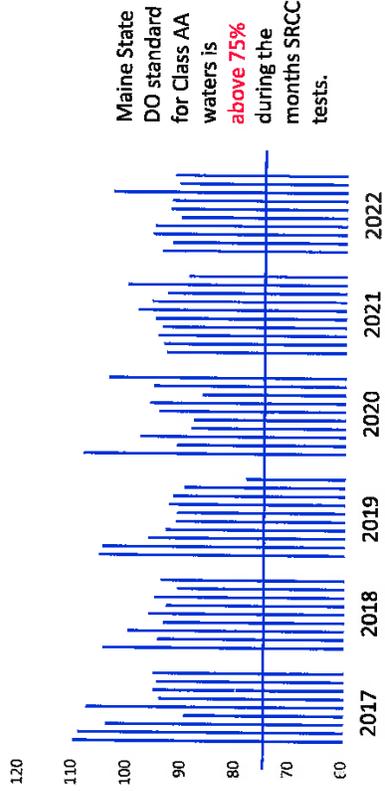
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Dissolved O2 vs. Temperature



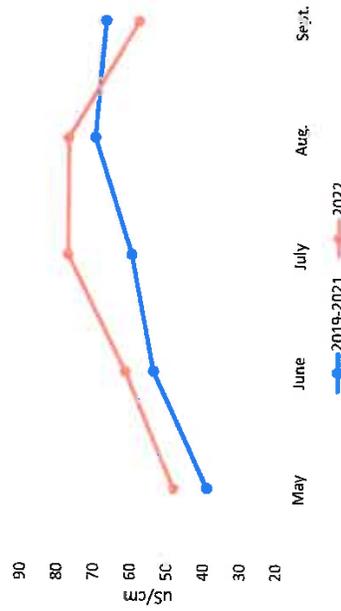
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Dissolved O2 % Saturation



Maine State DO standard for Class AA waters is above 75% during the months SRCC tests.

Conductivity



As water levels decrease over the summer, conductivity levels tend to increase. It is not because the salt level increases, but rather the water level decreases so the salt is more concentrated.

Year	CFU	Rating	Parameter	Trend	Explanation
2017	29.27	Good			No significant trends; data show low variability
2018	41.42	Fair	pH	Stable	
2019	16.6	Excellent			No significant trends; data show low variability
2020	19.9	Excellent	Turbidity	Stable	
2021	31.3	Good			Trends observed from 2017-2022 show levels within appropriate ranges.
2022	19.81	Excellent			

Maine state *E. coli* standard for Class B waters is below 64 CFU.

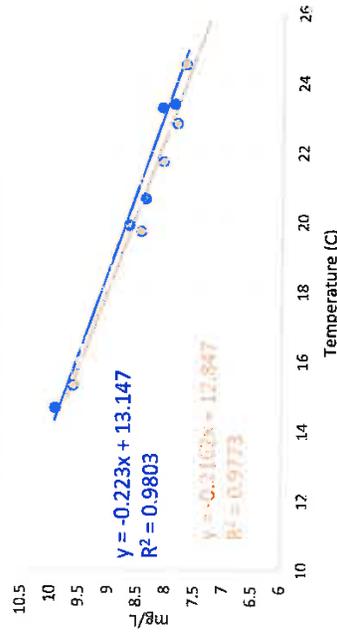
SP21 - Sand Pond Beach, Baldwin
Monitoring began in 2022
E. coli only

Year	CFUs	Rating
2022	4.13	Excellent

O22 - Bridge at Bridge Street, Cornish- Hiram

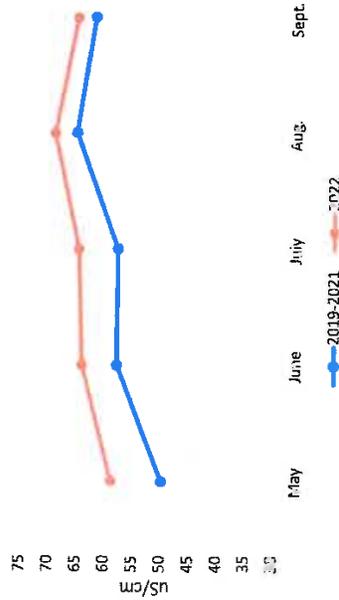
Monitored since 2013

Dissolved O2 vs. Temperature



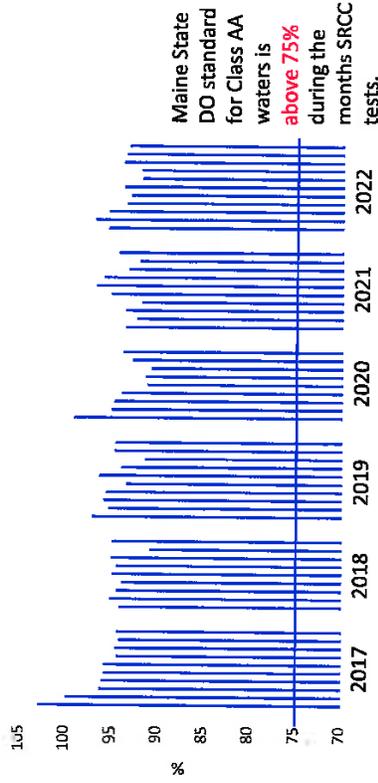
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Dissolved O2 % Saturation



Parameter	Trend	Explanation
Turbidity	Stable	No significant trends; data show low variability
pH	Stable	No significant trends; data show low variability
PO4	Stable	No significant trends; data show low variability
TDN	Within acceptable limits	2 nd year collecting this parameter
NO3/NO2	Within acceptable limits	2 nd year collecting this parameter
Total Phosphorus	Within acceptable limits	1 st year collecting this parameter
Dissolved Organic Carbon	Within acceptable limits	1 st year collecting this parameter

Trends observed from 2017-2022 show levels within appropriate ranges for all.

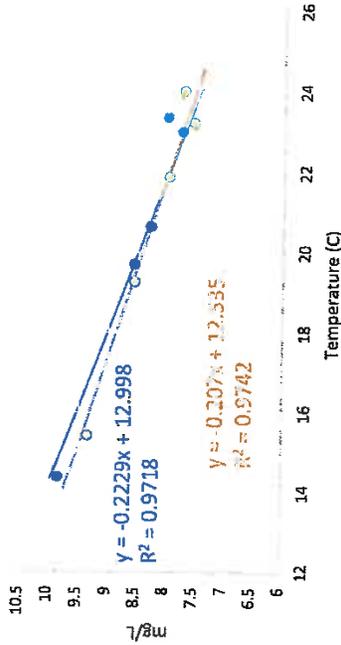
Year	CFUs	Rating
2017	53.26	fair
2018	24.50	good
2019	52.82	fair
2020	52.40	fair
2021	43.57	fair
2022	73.48	Above limit

Maine state *E. coli* standard for Class B waters is below 64 CFU.

OS9 - Cornish Station, off of Route 5, Cornish

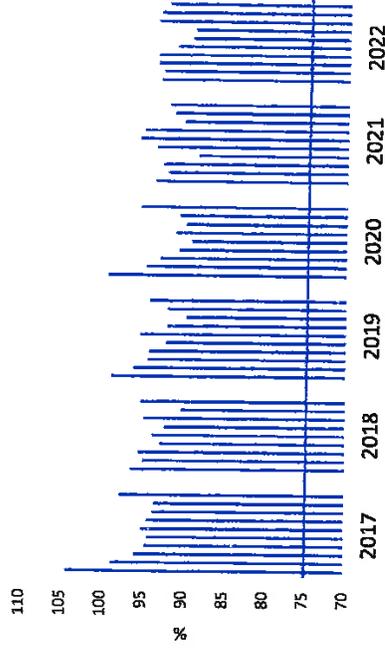
Monitored since 2001

Dissolved O2 vs. Temperature



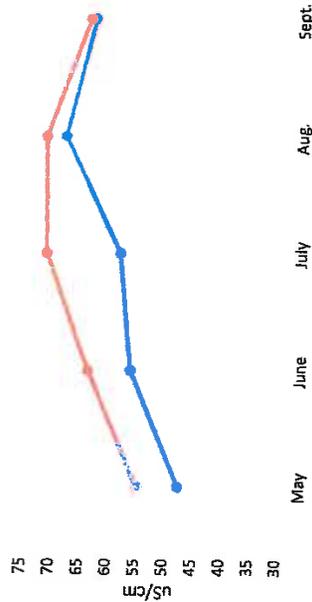
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Conductivity



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Year	CFUs	Rating	Parameter	Trend	Explanation
2017	39.33	Good	pH	Stable	No significant trend; data show low variability
2018	22.06	Good			
2019	36.74	Good			
2020	29.59	Good	Turbidity	Stable	No significant trend; data show low variability
2021	39.4	Good			
2022	41.05	Fair	Trends observed from 2017-2022 show levels within appropriate ranges.		

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Town of Baldwin
Budget Committee

November 28, 2022

Hello,

The Saco River Festival Association would like to request that the following article* be placed on the Baldwin Town Meeting agenda for 2022.

The Saco River Festival Association is a non-profit Corporation formed in 1976 in Parsonsfield for the purpose of promoting quality music and arts programs in the Sacopee Valley area. The SRFA has been organizing the Cornish Bandstand Summer Concert Series for a long time now. In 2022 we scheduled four bands for concerts. Feedback from the audiences has been positive, and many musical groups love the venue and want to return. We believe that the advertising and visitor traffic is beneficial to the entire Sacopee region. We are thankful for the financial support from the SAD 55 towns in past years, and the Association is continuing to underwrite the Bandstand concerts with donations only.

SRFA strives to provide a venue for Maine artists and to provide affordable entertainment for the community. Donations during the Bandstand concerts from the audience, sponsorships from local businesses, and funds from other SRFA projects help to defray the costs of the musical groups. We hope to continue supporting artistic and musical events for the SAD 55 schools, and also hope to resume providing student scholarships for musical pursuits.

We would appreciate your consideration in planning the next Town Meeting warrant to include this article. Thank you very much!

Sincerely, *Sharon Beever*

Sharon Beever

For the SRFA Board of Directors

** To see if the Town will vote to contribute \$300 toward the costs of the Sacopee Summer Concert Series at the Cornish Bandstand organized by the Saco River Festival Association.



November 16th, 2022

To the town of Baldwin,

Smooth Feather Youth is a 501(c)(3) non-profit with the mission to **work with youth to do what makes us come alive in service of our community. Based at the historic Kezar Falls Theater in Southern Maine, we make films, create within the arts, explore the outdoors, and have open circles that allow for inspiration, adventure, and growth. Our incredible Patrons allow us to offer all our films and events free of charge for all to attend.**

For the past seven years, we have been working with youth in the S.A.D. 55 area by offering the following programs:

Smooth Feather Film School is a film school hosted multiple times throughout the year where local youth write, film, and edit an original film, which is then premiered on the red carpet for the community. Each film school has a one-to-one student to staff ratio, which provides our participants with a high level of professional instruction. It has been amazing to see the support from the community, as well as the creativity pouring out of our youth. This year our summer film "AS WE ARE" was accepted into both the Maine Outdoor Film Festival and the Boston International Kids Film Festival. We furthermore release all of our films online after their public premieres at the Kezar Falls Theater, and we are honored to have our films be a catalyst for community conversation and growth.

Smooth Feather Excursions is an after school adventure program for youth. Our aim is to immerse them in the beautiful Maine outdoors and challenge ourselves in nature to establish a powerful bond. Smooth Feather Excursions offers this opportunity to a handful of participants every winter, spring, and fall for five-week sessions which often culminates with an overnight weekend excursion.

Smooth Feather Youth Theater Events happen throughout the year and range from movie screenings, to art shows, to concerts, to one of the best variety shows around. As part of our mission, we make all events at the theater free to attend to ensure that all community members are able to regardless of their financial situation.

The above programming takes considerable resources annually, so we always welcome donations. Last year we were incredibly honored and humbled to have Baldwin's support and it would be a huge help if the town was willing to make another donation of \$600 to Smooth Feather Youth. It would be an honor to continue collaborating with the town of Baldwin as we continue to grow and offer our youth creative outlets, inspiring events, and most importantly, a strong community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Silas Hagerty", written in a cursive style.

Silas Hagerty - Executive Director : Smooth Feather Youth



Sacopec TV2 Annual Report 2022

As we do every year, we would like to first thank the towns for their ongoing support of Sacopec TV2. Without this continued support, this valuable program would not exist. Sacopec TV2 is a “win-win” because it provides an important service for the community by broadcasting both school and public events, while simultaneously providing our high school students with valuable skills in video production, post-production editing, video graphics, professional communications, and many others. Students actively engage in learning valuable real life TV/video production experiences as they develop the skills necessary to manage the public access channel. Numerous Sacopec TV2 alumni have gone on to study broadcast communications in college and to pursue careers in multiple communications-related fields. Also our only senior is going for videography after getting a few other degrees first.

We continue to add updated programming for our viewers in the MSAD 55 community and around the globe through the use of streaming web media content. Thanks to the support we receive from the towns, we have been able to purchase Wirecast broadcast equipment which enables us to broadcast live from any location with WiFi. This capability has allowed us to significantly broaden both the number and the type of events that we can make available to our viewers. Wirecast has also enabled us to add more broadcast features, including a live running score for sports broadcasts and an information footer showing things like speakers’ names at meetings. These features have given our broadcasts a much more professional look and have significantly improved the viewer experience. This has been extremely helpful this year. We have been able to not only live stream many events but have been able to teach each other life skills on live streaming and technology.

Our YouTube channel allows viewers who do not have access to Sacopec TV2 via Spectrum Channel 2 to view the same content online. By simply going to our YouTube page, anyone can view our most recent programming. All of the events on our YouTube channel can be watched at any time, anywhere in the world where there is an internet connection. We have viewers from all parts of the United States and beyond and our list of subscribers continues to grow. This time last year, for example, we had 495 subscribers. Currently Sacopec TV2 has 632 subscribers, and that number continues to increase each week.

Through the 2022-2023 school year, Sacopec TV2 has provided important events throughout the community that some may not be able to attend. With around 72 events so far this year. We have filmed 28 spring home interscholastic athletic events (Softball, Baseball, senior night Track, Duck Derby, Town Meetings, and school board meetings.) We have also filmed 23

fall events (Boys' soccer, Girls' soccer, field hockey, football, annual Cornish Horse Race 9/11/22, National Honor Society 11/10/22, monthly school board meetings and Parsonsfield Town meeting.) In the winter we filmed 21 events (Boys' basketball, Girls' basketball, SVHS Winter Concert 12/10/22, Wreaths across America 12/15/23, Veterans Day Celebration 11/10/22, and Unified Basketball.) Coming up we will be filming the Teachers' Awards on March 2nd and our annual 3-4 minutes promotional videos for each of the towns that support Sacopee TV2.

Thankfully, we have Mr. JR Stevenson who stepped up and became the TV2 coordinator. Despite everything we are working to get Channel 2 updated and back up and running. In addition to Mr. Stevenson, we would like to recognize and thank all of the Sacopee TV2 students, teachers and the principal for their help to keep this wonderful program alive. Mrs. Taylor has been there for many years and has been willing to step up to take on roles not designated to them, especially in the absence of a coordinator in years past. The current students for Sacopee TV2 are: Elise Hermance '24 (station manager), Tyler Muisse '23 (asst. station manager), Franchesca Muccio '24, James Ritter '24 and Dylan Capano '24.

We encourage towns as well as community groups and organizations to contact us about important announcements or events they would like listed on our community bulletin board or broadcast on Sacopee TV2. We can be reached by emailing tv2@sad55.org or by calling Sacopee Valley High School at (207) 625-3208.

Please note that the Sacopee TV2 warrant article does not require the town to raise any revenue. The franchise fee is a fee paid by each Spectrum Cable subscriber which is returned to the towns. Most municipalities dedicate these franchise fees to their local public access station, which in your case is Sacopee TV2. It is our goal for Sacopee TV2 to be self-sufficient, so that we will not require MSAD 55 funds or donations from area businesses in order to maintain operations. All Sacopee TV2 funds are managed by the MSAD 55 finance office and are audited annually with records kept for at least seven years.

Once again we would like to thank the towns for their continued support of Sacopee TV2. Please contact us if you have any feedback to offer, or if you would like additional information on the program. Please check out Sacopee TV2, located on Spectrum Channel 2 and also on YouTube. You can find our YouTube channel by entering "Sacopee TV" in the search bar. Please subscribe!

Respectfully submitted,

Elise Hermanc '24
Sacopee TV Station Manager



FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 REQUEST FOR FUNDING TO: Town of Baldwin

FROM: Southern Maine Agency on Aging

Date: December 12, 2022

2022 REQUEST AMOUNT: \$3,750

The Southern Maine Agency on Aging – What do we do?

The Southern Maine Agency on Agency’s mission is to improve the quality of life for older adults, adults with disabilities and the people who care for them.

Since its founding in 1973, the Southern Maine Agency on Aging (SMAA) has provided residents of York and Cumberland counties of Maine with resources and assistance to address the issues and concerns of aging. The programs and services at SMAA are designed to foster independence, reduce burden on families and caregivers and promote an active and healthy lifestyle for individuals as they age.

SMAA relies on the dedication of more than 600 active volunteers to provide its many services.

How do we serve Baldwin Residents?

Last year, **42** Baldwin residents received the following support and assistance from SMAA valued at **\$12,297**

- **14** Baldwin residents received assistance through the SMAA’s Information and Resources program - staffed by Resources Specialists and Social Workers who work with seniors and their families by phone or in-person to provide information and support, and to increase access to available benefits. Those residents experienced **21** contacts with SMAA staff;

-**13** Baldwin residents received case management services from Resource Specialists and Social Workers. Staff assisted in connecting these residents to services such as coordinating transportation and appointments as well as application assistance. These meetings included direct assistance, a comprehensive needs assessment, and may include home visits. Staff provided **45** hours of support;

- **4** residents received Medicare and other insurance counseling. In addition to helping choose the best coverage for each individual, Agency volunteers assisted in saving participants hundreds and often thousands of dollars on yearly insurance and prescription costs;
- **2** Baldwin residents received guidance, participated in classes and/or support groups to help better understand and manage their caregiving role through the Family Caregiver Support Programs;
- and **13** Baldwin residents, who are temporarily or permanently homebound and who cannot shop for or prepare meals on their own, received **856** home-delivered meals, safety checks, and vital socialization through the Meals on Wheels and Simply Delivered for ME programs.

Why is this work important?

SMAA continues to see a heightened need for services during this tumultuous time. Even as clients return to in-person activities, the impact of social isolation and loneliness will continue to fuel a demand for SMAA's services. Just like our local hospitals and other institutions have had to scale up their capacity to serve the increased medical and other needs in our communities, SMAA must remain poised and positioned to help vulnerable older adults stay safe and healthy at home.

We know that the needs of older adults are becoming more critical and complex. Our programs aim to increase access to knowledge, information, and resources for vulnerable senior populations in our region who are challenged by food insecurity, social isolation, financial strain, and physical and mental health decline.

Your generous support will help older adults like Rick and David:

Rick was hospitalized and would be homeless upon discharge as he was unable to return to previous residence. SMAA was able to connect with Rick while he was still hospitalized and explained section 8, affordable housing, waitlists, applications etc. We were able to help Rick advocate for himself in order to receive documents at the hospital in order to begin a housing assistance application process. SMAA also sent follow up emails with above mentioned documents including applications as well as a homeless resource guide in case of emergency. Rick was grateful for our support while in the hospital and, because of SMAA, had somewhere to go home to when he was discharged.

David called SMAA because he was having difficulty preparing meals and needed support. His wife had just passed away, and she had been the one to do all of the cooking. He was overwhelmed by grief and anxiety around going to the store and inexperience with preparing his own meals. Thanks to the SMAA Resource Specialist, David began receiving Meals on Wheels and was connected to a SMAA Phone Pal – a trained volunteer who works with socially isolated seniors to increase connectedness and

decrease isolation. The two share multiple calls a week, and the Phone Pal provided extra check-ins during what was an especially difficult time for David.

Rick and David's stories are, unfortunately, not unique. SMAA Resource Specialists assist in thousands of cases just like this, including Baldwin residents, each year. As the needs of older adults become more complex, SMAA relies on the generosity of friends like the Town of Baldwin to preserve and provide critical services for older and disabled Mainers who so desperately need our help.

Request for support:

SMAA will be relying on the continued support of partners like the Town of Baldwin to help respond to and meet these growing needs of our older friends, family, and neighbors. This year, we are asking the Town of Baldwin to consider a contribution of \$3,750 in unrestricted support to help SMAA meet the ever-evolving and increasing needs of older and disabled Baldwin residents and their caregivers.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS REQUEST. PLEASE CONTACT

CAROLYN PRUIKSMA, DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR AT

207-396-6500 WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

MaineHealth

CARE AT HOME

November 23, 2022

Deborah Wakefield
Town of Baldwin
534 Pequawket Trl
West Baldwin Maine 04091

Dear Ms. Wakefield:

MaineHealth Care at Home appreciates this consideration for funding in fiscal year '23-'24. Last year, the Town of Baldwin provided \$450 to support its residents in need of home health and community care services. The funds were directly allocated to our Compassionate Care Program, which supports care for those who lack or insurance or are otherwise unable to pay for services. We are grateful for this support and respectfully request that the Town consider a contribution of \$900 to help offset this year's charity and uncompensated care of \$2,526.

History

On May 1, 2016 HomeHealth Visiting Nurses joined with Kno-Wal-Lin Home Care & Hospice and Waldo Home Health & Hospice. Our founding organizations have more than 100 years of experience in serving our local communities with commitment and excellence. Today, MaineHealth Care at Home maintains its commitment to strengthening home health and hospice care for patients throughout an expanded service area. MaineHealth Care at Home (MHCAH), is a licensed 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, and a leading provider of home health and hospice services in an expanded service area that includes Cumberland, York, southern Oxford, Lincoln, Waldo, and Knox Counties.

Program Services

Our home-based healthcare services which include skilled nursing, physical, occupational and speech therapies, home health aides, counseling, and palliative care allow patients and families to receive necessary and cost-effective health care in the comfort home. In addition, our presence in the home allows clinicians to identify and address needs such as fuel assistance or inadequate food and nutrition and potential abuse or neglect. In the MidCoast region, we offer hospice care for patients seeking comfort, relief and dignity at the end stages of life. These services are delivered in the home, assisted living centers, nursing homes, hospice facilities or hospitals. In addition, we operate the Sussman House, an in-patient hospice facility located in Rockport Maine, providing compassionate care and symptom management in a tranquil, home-like setting.

Our agency continues to see a bulk of the home health referrals from local MaineHealth system hospitals including Maine Medical Center, Southern Maine Health Care, Pen Bay Medical Center, and Waldo County General Hospital.

MHCAH is the lead provider of home based pediatric services. Our Skilled Pediatric Program provides a full range of home health services to medically fragile children, many of whom are facing the challenges of cancer or other serious diseases.

Agency Highlights- COVID-19

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, MaineHealth Care at Home has played an active and involved role in the health system with respect to home health care. With public health restrictions significantly limiting the availability of services within facilities, home health care has offered a safe and effective alternative for many patients in need of direct, skilled care. MaineHealth Care at Home has serviced a census of COVID-positive patients since May of 2020, ensuring an effective continuity of care for patients discharged from other sites and limiting the incidence of viral spread within hospitals and other congregate settings.

Funding Need

As a not-for-profit home health care organization, we have the privilege and responsibility of serving those patients who might otherwise not receive necessary health care. Our position within the MaineHealth family is unique, as we have retained our own Board of Directors and function under our own budget. As such, we are self-reliant financially, and depend on philanthropic gifts, municipal contributions, and other sources to deliver on our promise to care for our diverse set of patients across our service area.

Each year, town contributions allow us to provide free and reduced fee health care to residents who lack insurance or other resources to pay for care. Town funds help us leverage funding from other municipalities, community foundations and United Way organizations.

As the enclosed statistical summary indicates, we cared for 15 residents last year, for a total of visits and tests. Our commitment to serving Baldwin remains strong. We continue to seek and receive referrals from area hospitals, assisted living facilities and physician offices. In delivering this care, we provided \$2,526 of charity/uncompensated government care to residents of Baldwin.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions. On behalf of the patients in your town who will benefit, thank you for your consideration and generous support over the years.



Roy Garland
Marketing & Development Coordinator

MaineHealth Care at Home Request to the Town of Baldwin '23-'24

Baldwin

Prior Year Appropriation \$ 450

Proposed Appropriation -- \$ 900

SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY

	Residents Served	Number of Visits/Days/Tests	Total Program Cost	Community Charity Care	Uncompensated Mainecare Costs
Home Health Care	15	289	\$ 65,296	\$ 246	\$ 2,280
Maternal & Child Health (Includes Clinics)	-	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Community Health (Includes Clinics)	-	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS	15	289	\$ 65,296	\$ 246	\$ 2,280



December 22, 2022

Deborah Wakefield, Town Clerk
Town of Baldwin
534 Pequawket Trail
West Baldwin, ME 04091

Dear Ms. Wakefield,

Thank you for the opportunity to be considered for funding through the Town of Baldwin. As you prepare your fiscal year 2023 – 2024 municipal budget, The Opportunity Alliance (TOA) respectfully requests \$3,500 in support of the many programs and services we provide to the residents of Baldwin.

As you will note in this request, **over the last fiscal year we have we have served 97 residents of Baldwin at a total value of \$37,912.10.** Through programs such as Cumberland County Homelessness Prevention, Housing and Energy Services, The Maine Crisis Line, and 2-1-1 Maine, Baldwin residents benefit every day from TOA, and gain access to resources to become happier and healthier families and individuals, working towards stronger communities.

This has proven to be a year like no other. But as Mainers, we persevere. And our compassion is witnessed in our generous spirit and the hand we offer to a neighbor in their time of need. That is why I am so grateful to the town of Baldwin for your support of The Opportunity Alliance.

For more than 55 years TOA has been supporting Mainers during their toughest times. But the need is growing. Individuals and families who never thought they would turn to a community resource for support are seeking help. And for those already struggling with food and housing insecurity, or substance use and mental health challenges, the additional impacts of the pandemic are more than they can bear. With your support, TOA is ready to meet this need 24/7 with over 50 tightly connected programs and the experience, tools, and resources to help your residents navigate this uncertain time. Whether they have questions about COVID-19 or are looking for help accessing basic needs, help starts here. Town funding is critical to this important work: providing food and heating assistance to families in need, building resilient communities with Neighborhood Resource Hubs, providing quality early childhood education and care, helping elders stay in their homes, and treating those living with mental illness or substance use disorders. Your contribution makes it possible.

I thank you for your many years of partnership, working with us to help Baldwin residents build better lives and a stronger community. If you have any questions, or for more information, please contact Connor Archibald at 207-553-5985 or connor.archibald@opportunityalliance.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph R. Everett".

Joseph Everett
President & CEO

Administrative Headquarters - 50 Lydia Lane, South Portland, ME 04106
Phone: (207) 874-1175 Toll Free: 1(877) 429-6884 Fax: (207) 874-1181 www.OpportunityAlliance.org

**Town of Baldwin Funding Request
The Opportunity Alliance – FY 2024**

Programs and Services in Baldwin

As an agency, we have served 97 residents of Baldwin in fiscal year 2022 (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022) at a total value of \$37,912.10. We are working to support Baldwin's citizens in becoming thriving members of their community, ultimately strengthening your community. We are committed to providing these programs and services in Baldwin and with your support will continue to help those we serve build better lives.

Among our many programs, we provide Housing and Energy Services (HES), including heating and home repairs, weatherization, and fuel assistance to keep your residents warm in the winter months. In fiscal year 2021, 5 Baldwin residents received HES services at a value of **\$29,696.10**.

Funds were also distributed to provide COVID-19 rent relief payments. In fiscal year 2022, we provided these services to **9** individuals in Baldwin, at a value of **\$4,500**.

2-1-1 Maine answered **70** calls from Baldwin residents in fiscal year 2022 at a value of **\$700**, offering crisis intervention, basic needs resources, and health referral information.

TOA administers The Maine Crisis Line (MCL), the state's crisis telephone response service for individuals or families experiencing a behavioral health crisis or having thoughts of suicide and/or self-harm. Trained Crisis Call Specialists answer the line and provide free and confidential telephone support and stabilization 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In fiscal year 2022, MCL answered **9** calls from Baldwin residents at a value of **\$90**.

1 resident accessed 24/7 mental health crisis intervention services through Mobile Outreach at a value of **\$462**.

We currently provide case management to **2** Baldwin residents at a value of **\$400** through Cumberland County Homelessness Prevention.

1 young Baldwin resident at-risk of homelessness received case management and individualized care through our Homeless Youth Services (HYS) program, to ensure they were stably housed and meeting their needs. This service is valued at **\$2,064** and included direct financial support when appropriate.

The Opportunity Alliance

The Opportunity Alliance (TOA) builds stronger communities by helping individuals and families navigate crisis, access basic needs, and improve their neighborhoods. As the Community Action Agency for Cumberland County, TOA is the first point of contact for people in need – many that are in crisis – and is a central resource for accessing essential services.

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, our services have become more vital than ever. Over the last 20 months our board, leadership, and staff have worked tirelessly to ensure that we continue to provide critical services and access to basic needs to our community's most vulnerable individuals and families. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, there is an increase in demand; individuals and families who have never needed our services before are calling on us now for the first time, and community members who were already the most at-risk are at a breaking point.

TOA is ready to meet this need with over 55 tightly connected programs that help families, children, and individuals overcome barriers to reaching a better life. And when they overcome these barriers, the community is stronger.

While demand for our programs and resources continues to rise, if 56 years of service have taught us one thing, it is that we can never underestimate the spirit that makes us Mainers.

The Opportunity Alliance is focused on each family we are able to help stay in their home, every child we are able to help feed, and every member of our community we are able to lift up in this difficult time. We are committed to using every resource at our disposal, and leveraging every dollar we can raise, in an efficient and cost-effective manner to maximize our impact and help to alleviate the consequences of COVID-19 on our community.

The Opportunity Alliance provides critical support to your neighbors and community members. We count on your partnership to power our work.

Funding

Our largest funding sources as an agency are through federal and state grants and contracts, as well as direct billing of services through Mainecare. The demand for our services continues to rise while government and private funding remains tight. We are in need of additional support to bridge the gap between existing funding and the cost of running these community-strengthening programs.

December 20th, 2022

To the Residents and Selectman of Baldwin:

Thank you for your ongoing and generous support of the work that we do at Northern Light Home Care & Hospice. We provide crucial community health services to help your residents remain in the comfort of their own home for as long as they possibly can. We are nurses, rehabilitation therapists, social workers, home health aides, volunteers, and spiritual counselors. We provide pivotal and compassionate care when people are released from the hospital following illness or surgery, as well as when people elect end of life hospice services.

Although Northern Light Home Care & Hospice faced many challenges the past two years, we have not wavered in delivering high quality patient care, remaining devoted to our staff, and striving to improve the health of the people and communities we serve. In the last twelve months we have:

- conducted 121,130 visits to 8,752 homecare patients
- conducted 54,339 visits to 2,058 hospice patients

In addition to our hallmark Home Health and Hospice programs, we provide indispensable public health services in the community. Our COVID-19 pop-up clinics, school located vaccination clinics, and COVID-19 testing at various facilities and businesses had an outsized & meaningful community impact. In the twelve months ending September 30, 2022, we have:

- administered approximately 61,000 COVID vaccines
- administered nearly 10,000 flu vaccines
- administered 100s of homebound vaccinations

These visitation numbers are nothing short of remarkable during these unprecedented times. As an example of the good work we do, I share with you a quote from a grateful family.

“Dianna’s and my experience with hospice during her last seven weeks was totally positive. Hospice was very sensitive to our wanting minimum visits due to COVID worries, but the advice we received during the visits that did take place and over the telephone were invaluable. I would not want to go through such an end-of-life caregiving experience without hospice!”

While we get reimbursed from Medicare, MaineCare, and other insurers, this does not cover the full cost of care provided to those with, or without, insurance in your

community. It also does not cover our efforts to assist members of your community who need a shower bench, blood pressure cuff, or nutritional assistance. Financial support provided by the Town of Baldwin is used to offset the shortage in reimbursements for insured individuals, and to ensure care for those without insurance.

We hope that we have inspired you to consider maintaining your support for our work with a FY23 gift in the amount of \$500. Please be reminded that our clinicians live in the communities they serve, and our board of directors includes a representative residing in each county we cover. Along with this request, I have included our board list, an overview of the care provided statewide last year, and our FY23 budget. Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

We are grateful for your past support and thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Colleen Hilton

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Actual and Budget for year(s) ending 9/30	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budget
OPERATING REVENUES			
Inpatient Revenue	\$ 1,175,127	\$ 1,055,896	\$ 1,250,000
Outpatient Revenue	\$ 62,629,227	\$ 56,335,387	\$ 61,285,070
Total Gross Patient Revenue	\$ 63,804,354	\$ 57,391,283	\$ 62,535,070
DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE			
Inpatient Contractual Allowances	\$ 394,488	\$ 342,980	\$ 347,377
Outpatient Contractual Allowances	\$ 13,819,975	\$ 13,472,204	\$ 14,088,926
Total Contractual Allowances	\$ 14,214,462	\$ 13,815,184	\$ 14,436,303
Charity Care	\$ 17,498	\$ 10,825	\$ 5,607
Total Deductions from Revenue	\$ 14,231,960	\$ 13,826,009	\$ 14,441,910
Total Net Patient Service Revenue	\$ 49,572,393	\$ 43,565,273	\$ 48,093,160
OTHER REVENUE			
Net Sales and Contract Revenue	\$ 736,174	\$ 534,650	\$ 512,735
Other Revenue	\$ 23,641	\$ 36,354	\$ 18,141
Net Assets Released from Restriction	\$ 239,908	\$ 165,946	\$ 241,040
Total Net Revenue	\$ 50,572,117	\$ 44,302,223	\$ 48,865,076
EXPENSES			
Salaries and Wages	\$ 28,638,072	\$ 28,149,021	\$ 30,629,038
Employee Benefits	\$ 8,403,918	\$ 7,763,830	\$ 8,349,909
Professional Fees	\$ 623,375	\$ 2,179,006	\$ 1,145,952
Cost of Goods Sold	\$ -26,311	\$ -25,974	\$ -18,000
Supplies	\$ 2,840,395	\$ 2,337,048	\$ 3,140,104
Purchased Services	\$ 2,049,165	\$ 2,256,620	\$ 2,952,627
Leases and Rentals	\$ 805,309	\$ 904,043	\$ 780,618
Utilities	\$ 449,626	\$ 521,378	\$ 837,237
Insurance	\$ 268,672	\$ 362,548	\$ 301,792
Interest	\$ 0	\$ 812.66	\$ 0
Depreciation and Amortization	\$ 117,755	\$ 121,074	\$ 110,707
Other Expense	\$ 2,281,269	\$ 2,104,066	\$ 2,578,787
NLH Support Services	\$ 2,108,330	\$ 2,257,224	\$ 2,144,362
Total Expenses	\$ 48,559,574	\$ 48,930,699	\$ 52,953,133
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 2,012,543	\$ (4,628,475)	\$ (4,088,057)



FY 2022 statistics ending September 30, 2022

Counties served include: Aroostook, Cumberland, Hancock, Kennebec, Oxford,
Penobscot, Somerset, Sagadahoc, Waldo, Washington, York

Home Health Patients:	8,752
Home Health Visits:	121,130
Hospice Patients:	2,059
Hospice Visits:	54,344
Palliative Care Patients:	522

**total number of town served across the entire state in 2022 is greater than 425



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January 14, 2023

Town of Baldwin Selectmen
534 Pequawket Trail,
West Baldwin, ME
04092

To whom it may concern,

Thank you for considering our request for funding from the town of Baldwin.

Through These Doors provides comprehensive advocacy and support services for victims and survivors of domestic abuse residing in Cumberland County. In fiscal year 2022, TTD assisted 2,897 of your friends, family, and neighbors in our work supporting victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Cumberland County. We responded to 10,643 helpline calls in which staff and volunteers provided critical support, resources, and safety planning to survivors of domestic and sexual violence. We provided emergency shelter services to 115 people including 33 children. TTD advocates facilitated 5,335 face-to-face contacts with victims and survivors of domestic violence seeking advocacy and support. In addition to our direct support services, we worked in both the local schools and the community to provide education and awareness opportunities to a total 731 community partners and 3,112 students.

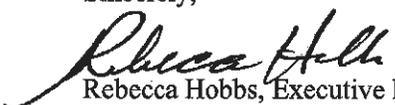
At the core of our services is safety and advocacy. Survivors shared the following quotes about our services this past year:

"Thank you for making your services free because I would not have been able to pay for any of this! Because of your support and generosity, I was able to heal, learn, grow, and change my mind set."

"I can't imagine where I would be without TTD. They have done so much for me and I'm so grateful they exist. I was lucky that they were able to take me in when I had nowhere else to go, and the house was always warm, clean and full of children. It gave me hope in a very dark time."

Your neighbors and friends experiencing violence and abuse have access to our wide array of services including a 24-hour hotline, emergency shelter, support groups and prevention education all at no cost. We hope that you will support us by allocating \$500 to Through These Doors in your upcoming budget. We appreciate your ongoing support.

Sincerely,


Rebecca Hobbs, Executive Director

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A Non-Profit Corporation
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December 15, 2022

Budget Committee

To Whom It May Concern:

Harvest Hills Animal Shelter appreciates the continued support from your town as we continue over 30 plus years of service to the surrounding communities. With funding over the past years, we have found loving homes for over 25,000 cats and dogs that were spayed, neutered, and inoculated. We continue to educate the community about the responsibilities of pet ownership and the benefits of adopting a Harvest Hills Animal Shelter.

So far this year we have taken in 410 cats and 148 dogs. Some of these animals have had serious medical conditions that have had a considerable impact our budget for veterinary and related expenses. Every animal is evaluated, given treatment for any medical problem they might have and is put through a socialization program. We also perform emergency treatments on more animals than we ever have with our local vet not doing emergency at night or weekends.

We were fortunate enough to receive a grant from the Sewall Foundation, so we were able to spay and neuter cats and dogs from all our contracted towns.

We are requesting \$1.00 per capita fee from your town again for 2022 based on 2020 Census numbers, which for the Town of Baldwin would be \$1520.00

If you could, please include a discussion of the importance of funding for the shelter at your annual budget meeting. If you have any questions, please contact the Shelter Manager, Joan McBurnie at 207-935-4358

Thank you in the advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joan McBurnie", written in a cursive style.

Joan McBurnie Shelter Manager



Serving the Municipalities of Southern Maine for Over 50 years

December 19, 2022

Town of Baldwin
Attn: James Dolloff
534 Pequawket Trail
West Baldwin, ME 04091

Dear Jim;

With 2023 upon us, I am pleased to report that it was a fulfilling year as we have collectively emerged from the pandemic. It's been wonderful to reconnect in person with many of you and yet still enjoy the benefits of Zoom meetings for efficiency.

As you know, SMPDC is a non-partisan nonprofit (Council of Governments) founded in 1964 to provide technical expertise and lead regional planning and economic development for land use, smart growth, resource management, affordable housing, environmental sustainability, and transportation planning. In short, we cultivate and strengthen thriving, sustainable communities and local governments for our 39 member towns in York County and southern Oxford and Cumberland Counties.

Our nonprofit continues to provide affordable, valuable services to you such as planning assistance, cooperative purchasing, access to federal and state grant programs, and collaboration on issues of regional concern. Our technical assistance covers land use, transit and economic development - from providing traffic counts, road service management, grant writing services, to demographic and Census information. Most of our towns benefit from our cooperative purchasing program which offers savings on road salt, paving, and other town purchasing. Last year, your community saved \$10,436.00 from purchasing through SMPDC.

Regional planning has never been more important to meet your needs and those of our region. Because we're seeing increased demands from towns for assistance, our programs and services continue to grow as well. We've just brought on board a new Director of Strategic Initiatives to spearhead a recently funded regional broadband program and to provide assistance with the affordable housing crisis Maine is experiencing. It's this responsiveness to your needs that sets SMPDC apart, something that will continue to grow as we build on our regional and cooperative approach to all we do.

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As a result of our growth to meet your needs, we are requesting a modest increase in dues of 3%. Please keep in mind that our dues are below the rates for other regional planning agencies across the state and are based on a method that accounts for both valuation and population of your community. These annual membership dues are for the upcoming fiscal year beginning July 2023. **Your dues amount for 2023-2024 will be \$623.00.** We are grateful for your continued support.

We have included a page entitled ***Benefits to All Communities*** that details the services provided by Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission.

As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns. I can be reached at pschumacher@smpdc.org or call our office at (207) 751-7065.

Best regards,



Paul Schumacher

Executive Director

SMPDC Member Services and Benefits

- A cooperative purchasing program for the region. SMPDC towns saved approximately \$510,511 through participation in the Copy Paper and Road Salt bids last year.
- Providing the needed match requirements for state, federal Economic Development Administration (EDA) and DOT programs. In effect, for every dollar of dues we can leverage an additional two dollars.
- Providing free workshops, newsletters, technical memorandum, census updates, legislative updates and other educational resources to all communities, as well as immediate technical assistance on municipal land use, transportation and economic development issues. We also have the ability to provide traffic counts upon request.
- Community Development Block Grant, EDA and other grant writing services to your community.
- Providing 2 million dollars in low cost loans to area businesses. Provided \$300,000 to low and moderate income business owners.
- Reduced hourly billing rate for any requested additional or larger community specific projects.
- The ability to work on county wide initiatives that may not be funded, developing regional climate change initiatives, new county transportation options, and developing regional grant proposals.
- Operating a Revolving Loan Fund Program which has provided over 6 million dollars in environmental clean-up activities ultimately resulting in new housing, business development and stronger downtowns.
- Quarterly newsletter including updates on ongoing projects, funding opportunities and regional news relevant to towns and cities.

As a member municipality, our staff is also available *for contract* to your community at a reasonable hourly billing rate for additional or larger projects including, but not limited to:

- Interim land use planning expertise or substitute planner for development or subdivision review and ordinance development.
- Comprehensive Planning services such as data collection, survey development & implementation, and document preparation
- Greenhouse Gas inventories of community and/or municipal emissions
- Rural transportation planning and technical assistance such as 1) facilitating or aiding in grant writing and funding opportunities for trails, sidewalks, road work, or transit 2) providing assistance with safety audits, data collection, planning activities, or local project management and 3) coordinating between MaineDOT and municipalities
- GIS and mapping services for official zoning maps, planning purposes, and/or presentations.

SMPDC has also undertaken several standalone projects and studies which include parts of our region but have recommendations and resulting actions that will have broad regional benefits. These include, but are not limited to:

- The Regional Sustainability and Resilience Program produces resources and projects which can serve as model ordinances and methodologies for any community looking to create sustainable or climate resilience local policy.
- The Kittery and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (PNS) Joint Land Use Study which aims to improve housing, transportation, and commuting issues throughout York County in collaboration with the PNS.
- Climate Action Cohort initiative that will result in resources for climate action planning any community can adopt and implement.
Regional Housing Affordability Study that investigated homeownership affordability over the last two decades.
- Outdoor Recreation Economy Report which quantified the economic contribution of the outdoor recreation industry in our region and set forth recommendations for supporting and growing the industry across all SMPDC communities.



May 10, 2023

Town of Baldwin
534 Pequawket Trail
West Baldwin ME 04091-3160

Dear Selectperson,

When Maine Public was established in 1961, the goal was to bring a new kind of broadcasting service to Maine – one that was as innovative as it was trustworthy, a service that would inform, inspire, and educate our communities. Now six decades later, Maine Public is still leading the charge to share Maine’s stories in new and revitalized ways.

In 2022, we are completing the second successful year of our Connecting Communities initiative, delivering translated weekly news in French, Spanish, Somali, and Portuguese so that more people here in Maine have access to the important information and stories that shape their lives. Recently, Portland Public Access TV began airing **News Connect** videos and we plan to engage more public access channels across the state.

Climate Driven, our latest Deep Dive series, is a year-long look at climate change featuring stories from each of Maine’s 16 counties. Our reporters are taking a deep dive into the effects of climate change on diverse regions of the state — the coast, the western mountains, the North Woods, Down East — and reporting not only what the science tells us but what communities, businesses, and individuals are doing to prepare for the future that’s unfolding.

Every day, Maine Public connects the people of Maine and our region to each other and to the world through the open exchange of information, ideas, and cultural content. This is essential work that we are proud to do. Currently, Maine Public has 14 radio signals emanating from towers across the state. We plan to add seven more radio signals to our networks over the next three years to reach nearly 100,000 more listeners in rural parts of Maine.

Will Baldwin consider joining more than 100 municipalities to support this important resource with an appropriation of \$100 ? With your funding, Maine Public, with our trusted partners, NPR and PBS, will continue to be Maine’s storyteller, amplifying the voices of Maine.

Our listeners and viewers appreciate the support your community provides. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marvis Zou
Direct Marketing and Membership Fundraising Specialist
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The Grateful Undead would like to thank the town of **Baldwin** for their commitment in becoming an AARP-recognized Age Friendly Community. We are asking the Town for \$500.00 to help us secure liability insurance for the organization. Please note that this amount is also being requested from the other five Age-Friendly towns in the Valley.

The Grateful Undead are volunteers from **Baldwin** and other towns in the Sacopee Valley who have been working together for several years on ways to help Seniors remain in their homes and support healthy well-being and socialization. The Grateful Undead offers a variety of services:

- Volunteer Transporters drive folks to medical appointments as far away as Portland
- Handy Helpers do needed home repairs for folks who do not have financial resources
- Phone Buddies address isolation by keeping our seniors in touch with others
- Seniors in Conversation allows for an exchange of ideas coming directly from the people in the area that we serve
- Senior Central, in collaboration with Sacopee Valley Adult Education, provides workshops and events offering socialization and enrichment
- And we provide a Resource Guide that connects folks with services and programs that are available to them.

The Grateful Undead started as a Neighbors-Helping-Neighbors program. We have grown over the years to try to meet the needs of our communities. We have become a 501(3c) which allows us to accept donations and apply for grants to develop future programs for our expanding Senior population.

Citizens of **Baldwin** have participated in our Senior Central offerings and our phone buddies. Transporters have made eighteen trips with **Baldwin** residents in 2022.

This is our hometown. These are our families, our friends, and our neighbors. We look forward to the support the Town of **Baldwin** can offer to help in identifying and addressing community needs.

Let's work together. We appreciate your support!

1. **The Emergency Road Repair Reserve Account:** This account is specifically for emergencies such as catastrophic failures of or damage to road related infrastructure by natural disaster or other causes. The target fund level is between \$125,000 and \$150,000. Expenditure up to the current balance of the account can be authorized by a vote of the Board of Selectmen.
2. **Tax Stabilization Reserve Account:** Purpose is to reduce the impact on the mil rate. Withdrawals must be recommend by the Board of Selectmen and approved by a Town Meeting vote. The full amount of the account is available. No target level.
3. **Tax Acquired Property Reserve Account:** A source of funding for the selectmen to cover expenses related to securing, maintaining, and disposing of tax acquired properties. The target fund level is \$10,000 with withdrawals approved by a vote of the Board of Selectmen, up to the full level of the account.
4. **Contingency Reserve Account:** The account is a source of funding for the selectmen to cover unexpected contingencies that cannot wait for a Special Town Meeting to be approved. It can only be used for unforeseen requirements which require immediate response to protect town equipment, facilities, or to protect the Town's legal or financial interests. Expenditures up to the full balance of the account require a vote of the Board of Selectmen. This is not to be used for purposes covered by other reserve accounts such as the purchase of capital equipment or repairs or upgrades to town facilities. Target fund level is \$50,000.00.
5. **Town Equipment Reserve Account:** Funding for purchasing, major overhaul, or repairs to town road related equipment in accordance with the town road equipment master plan. Requests for use of this fund by the Road Commissioner shall be in writing and in accordance with Baldwin Capital Investment Plan for the current budget year and must be approved by a vote of the Board of Selectmen. Target fund level is that which is needed to meet the projected 10-year projected requirements.
6. **Town Building Reserve Account:** The account is for the long-term maintenance, repair, and modifications to the Baldwin Town Offices and Community Center, and any other town owned buildings identified in the Baldwin Capital Investment Plan. Withdrawals must be approved by a vote of the Board of Selectmen and be in accordance with work identified in the Baldwin Capital Investment Plan. Target fund level is that which is needed to meet the 10-year projected requirements.
7. **Re-evaluation Reserve Account:** Withdrawals must be approved by the Board of Selectmen in support of a planned re-evaluation. Target fund level is to support the estimated cost of a re-evaluation every 10 years.
8. **Fire Equipment Reserve Account:** Purchase or major repair of town fire trucks in accordance the Baldwin Capital Investment Plan. Expenditures from this account shall be requested in writing to the Board of Selectmen and be in support of the Baldwin Capital Investment Plan identified requirements for the current budget year. Approval of expenditures requires a vote of the Board

of Selectmen. Target fund level is that which is needed to meet the 10-year projected requirement.

9. **Town Vehicle Reserve Account:** Major repairs or purchase of town road related vehicles. Expenditures from this fund shall be requested in writing to the Board of Selectmen and be in support of the Baldwin Capital Investment Plan identified requirements for the current budget year. Approval of expenditures requires a vote of the Board of Selectmen. The target fund level is that which is needed to meet the 10-year projected requirement.
10. **River Road Reserve Account:** For upgrading the gravel portion of River Road to pavement and associated preparatory work or other River Road maintenance or repair. Expenditures from the fund shall be requested in writing by the Road Commissioner and approved by a vote of the Select Board . The target fund level will be set when indentified in a Town Road Maintenance and Repair Plan.
11. **Baldwin School Fund:** Annual award of scholarships to Baldwin students until the fund is depleted. Awards to be decided and approved by the Baldwin Board of Selectmen. Funds were depleted in 2022.
12. **Tri-Town Reserve Account:** Provides capital purchases and improvements to the Tri-Town Waste Management Facility. Expenditures are approved by a majority vote of the Tri-Town Board of Directors. Target fund level to be determined by the Tri-Town Board of Directors.
13. **Fire Department Building Reserve Account:** Maintenance, repair, and modifications, long term planning, design, and construction of Fire Department facilities for the Town of Baldwin in accordance with the Baldwin Capital Investment Plan. Withdrawals must be approved by a vote of the Board of Selectmen in advance and be supported by the Baldwin Capital Investment Plan. Target fund level will be dependent on the goals spelled out in a long-term Baldwin Fire Department Facilities Plan.
14. **Radio Repeater Reserve Account:** Maintenance, repair, and modifications, long term planning, design, for the Baldwin radio repeater system supporting the Fire Department, the Road Commissioner, and EMA Responders. The repeater is mounted on the WMTW tower. Baldwin Board of Selectmen approve withdrawals which are limited to those items which have been approved as part of a planned maintenance, repair, or upgrade for the current year or for emergency repair or replacement of the repeater equipment. The target fund level should be that which is required to replace the current equipment in the event of a catastrophic failure of the existing equipment.
15. **Deacon's Fountain Fund:** Perpetual maintenance and repair of the Deacon's Fountain located at the junction of Chase Road and Depot Road. Expenditures must be approved by the Board of Selectmen. The fund is to be maintained until depleted.

16. **Comprehensive Plan Reserve Account:** Funding for a Comprehensive Plan review as requested by the Planning Board or the Board of Selectmen. The account is to hire outside technical expertise. Any withdrawals must be approved by a vote of the Board of Selectmen.
17. **Heating Assistance Reserve Account:** Privately donated funds to provide heating assistance to individuals and families who apply for but do not qualify for General Assistance for heating. Recipients are nominated by the Baldwin General Assistance Administrator. Requests for heating assistance are generally urgent in nature and therefore, disbursements by the Town Treasurer from this account do not require prior approval by the Board of Selectmen. There is no target or minimum fund level.
18. **Fire Department Insurance Reimbursement Reserve Account:** A place to deposit payments from insurance companies that reimburse the Town for response by the Fire Department so that the funds can be directed toward the future needs of the Fire Department. The Baldwin Board of Selectmen will review the fund's balance with the Fire Department annually and recommend the transfer or allocation of funds to be approved by the Annual Town Meeting. There is no target fund level.
19. **Sand Pond Capital Improvements Account:** Funding comes from all Sand Pond Sticker fees plus all operational and maintenance funds budgeted at town meeting that remain unexpended at the end of the fiscal year. The account is to pay for improvements to Sand Pond Beach and supporting equipment and infrastructure. Expenditures will be requested by the Sand Pond Committee and approved by the Board of Selectmen. There is no target or minimum fund level. The maximum fund level is \$10,000 after which excess funds will revert to the Town General Fund.
20. **ARPA Reserve Account:** Funding comes from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, the Federal Government American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) distributed to Baldwin via the Maine Local Fiscal Recovery Program. Use of the funds shall be identified and approved in accordance with State program guidance. Expenditures shall be recommended by the Board of Selectmen and approved by a vote of a Town Meeting. There is no target minimum or maximum reserve account level. Unexpended funds shall be returned to the State when the program expires, and the reserve account will be deleted.
21. **Fire Department Operating Reserve Account:** Funding comes from the excess annual appropriations for Fire Department's operating expenses. Expenditures from the account are to be requested by the Fire Chief and approved by the Select Board. There is no minimum or maximum reserve fund level.

Capital Investment Plan

	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2032	FY2033	FY2034	FY2035
TOWN BUILDINGS													
Assets													
Town Building Reserve Acct	\$73,671.07	\$73,671.07	\$73,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07	\$43,671.07
Withdrawals (see Total Annual Misc Below)	\$0.00												
One time addition to reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Showers for Warming Center (Town Contribution)				\$10,000.00									
Paint or Cover Wood Siding				\$0.00									
Electrical System Upgrades				\$0.00									
Heating System Main/Repair/Upgrade				\$0.00									
Total Annual Misc	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FIRE DEPT.													
Assets													
Fire Equipment Reserve Acct	\$103,738.72	\$168,738.72	\$313,738.72	\$463,738.72	\$638,738.72	\$113,738.72	\$288,738.72	\$463,738.72	\$638,738.72	(\$36,261.28)	\$138,738.72	\$313,738.72	\$468,738.72
Withdrawal	\$17,300.00					\$700,000.00				\$850,000.00			
Annual fire equipment reserve account deposit	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
One time addition to reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
Fire Station Reserve Acct	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Withdrawal													
One time addition to reserve													
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Roads													
Assets													
Town Equipment Reserve Acct	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47	\$67,233.47
Withdrawal													
One time addition to reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Town Vehicle Reserve Acct	\$269,880.01	\$224,954.62	\$207,149.22	\$146,463.81	\$155,778.40	\$165,092.99	\$150,092.99	\$200,092.99	\$250,092.99	\$300,092.99	\$350,092.99	\$400,092.99	\$450,092.99
Withdrawal	\$27,119.99	\$27,119.99	\$27,119.99	\$70,000.00	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41	\$40,685.41
One time addition to reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Road Emergency Reserve Acct	\$89,212.49	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38	\$96,479.38
Withdrawal	\$4,150.00	\$62,000.00											
One time addition to reserve		\$4,266.89											
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$4,266.89	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
River Road Reserve Acct	\$38,800.00	\$63,800.00	\$78,800.00	\$93,800.00	\$108,800.00	\$123,800.00	\$138,800.00	\$153,800.00	\$168,800.00	\$183,800.00	\$198,800.00	\$213,800.00	\$228,800.00
Withdrawal		\$20,000.00											
One time addition to reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other													
Long Term Road Maint/Repair Plan	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Withdrawal													
One time addition to reserve													
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

	2022/6 Month	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2032	FY2033	FY2034	FY2035
Other Reserve Accounts														
Tax Stabilization Reserve	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Withdrawal														
addition to reserve														
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contingency Reserve	\$21,007.81	\$12,804.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$25,274.70
Withdrawal		\$12,470.00												
addition to reserve		\$4,266.89												
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Re-evaluation Reserve	\$16,210.19	\$26,210.19	\$36,210.19	\$46,210.19	\$56,210.19	\$66,210.19	\$76,210.19	\$86,210.19	\$96,210.19	\$118,149.78	\$133,149.78	\$148,149.78	\$163,149.78	\$178,149.78
Withdrawal														
addition to reserve	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Tri-Town Reserve	\$67,671.66	\$25,733.11	\$13,149.78	\$28,149.78	\$43,149.78	\$58,149.78	\$73,149.78	\$88,149.78	\$103,149.78	\$118,149.78	\$133,149.78	\$148,149.78	\$163,149.78	\$178,149.78
Withdrawal	\$64,438.55		\$27,583.33											
addition to reserve		\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$7,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$7,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Radio Repeater Reserve	\$9,095.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$15,726.40	\$16,726.40	\$17,726.40	\$18,726.40	\$19,726.40	\$20,726.40	\$21,726.40	\$22,726.40	\$23,726.40	\$24,726.40	\$25,726.40
Withdrawal														
addition to reserve	\$4,631.00	\$4,631.00												
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$5,631.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Comprehensive Plan Reserve	\$5,500.92	\$4,800.92	\$4,100.92	\$5,100.92	\$6,100.92	\$7,100.92	\$8,600.92	\$10,100.92	\$11,600.92	\$13,100.92	\$14,600.92	\$16,100.92	\$17,600.92	\$20,600.92
Withdrawal		\$15,700.00												
addition to reserve		\$15,000.00												
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tax Acquired Properties	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00	\$8,050.00
Withdrawal	\$40,000.00													
addition to reserve		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reserve Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



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April 18, 2023

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We were engaged by the Town of Baldwin, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Baldwin, Maine as of and for the six months ended June 30, 2022. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2022 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Budgetary Basis - Budget and Actual - General Fund	Schedule 1
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds	Statement C
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	Statement E
Schedule of Departmental Operations - General Fund	Schedule A
Combining Balance Sheet - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule B
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule C

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TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1	\$ 1,351,370	\$ 1,351,370	\$ 1,351,370	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	1,017,700	1,017,700	985,992	(31,708)
Excise taxes	175,000	175,000	179,303	4,303
Total taxes	1,192,700	1,192,700	1,165,295	(27,405)
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State revenue sharing	53,000	53,000	82,744	29,744
Homestead exemption	46,732	46,732	30	(46,702)
Local road assistance	22,000	22,000	22,282	282
Other	9,008	9,008	748	(8,260)
Total intergovernmental revenues	130,740	130,740	105,804	(24,936)
Charges for services:				
Building permits	19,000	19,000	14,967	(4,033)
Plumbing permits	-	-	3,815	3,815
Clerk fees	4,750	4,750	7,223	2,473
Afterschool program	31,200	31,200	9,578	(21,622)
Other	-	-	1,665	1,665
Total charges for services	54,950	54,950	37,248	(17,702)
Investment income	-	-	1,873	1,873
Miscellaneous revenues:				
Interest on taxes and lien	-	-	8,960	8,960
Cable franchise fees	-	-	1,691	1,691
Other	-	-	1,148	1,148
Transfers from other funds	40,000	40,000	-	(40,000)
Total miscellaneous revenues	40,000	40,000	11,799	(28,201)
Amounts Available for Appropriation	2,769,760	2,769,760	2,673,389	(96,371)
Utilization of assigned fund balance	\$ 46,000	\$ 46,000	\$ -	\$ -

SCHEDULE 1 (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	169,165	169,165	171,120	(1,955)
Maintenance	17,000	17,000	17,813	(813)
Community services	4,768	4,768	4,768	-
Culture and recreation	38,450	38,266	41,618	(3,352)
Protection	83,764	73,299	76,891	(3,592)
Cemeteries	4,000	4,000	5,300	(1,300)
Highway and roads	137,500	129,795	129,903	(108)
Health and sanitation	54,000	54,000	60,845	(6,845)
Education	856,281	856,281	856,281	-
Unclassified	17,495	17,495	2,583	14,912
Debt service:				
Principal	54,353	54,353	54,353	-
Interest	2,114	2,114	2,114	-
Transfers to other funds	25,500	43,854	43,854	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	1,464,390	1,464,390	1,467,443	(3,053)
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	\$ 1,305,370	\$ 1,305,370	\$ 1,205,946	\$ (99,424)
Utilization of assigned fund balance	\$ 46,000	\$ 46,000	\$ -	\$ (46,000)

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TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2022

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,718,155	\$ 6,369	\$ 1,724,524
Investments	152,048	28,525	180,573
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes	444,908	-	444,908
Liens	127,299	-	127,299
Other	1,438	-	1,438
Due from other funds	4,606	972,861	977,467
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,448,454	\$ 1,007,755	\$ 3,456,209
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 17,655	\$ -	\$ 17,655
Due to other governments	15,347	-	15,347
Due to other funds	972,861	4,606	977,467
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,005,863	4,606	1,010,469
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	2,328	-	2,328
Deferred taxes	234,317	-	234,317
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	236,645	-	236,645
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	27,193	27,193
Restricted	-	100,809	100,809
Committed	-	879,896	879,896
Assigned	250,000	-	250,000
Unassigned (deficits)	955,946	(4,749)	951,197
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,205,946	1,003,149	2,209,095
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 2,448,454	\$ 1,007,755	\$ 3,456,209

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TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property taxes	\$ 985,992	\$ -	\$ 985,992
Excise taxes	179,303	-	179,303
Intergovernmental revenues	105,804	-	105,804
Charges for services	37,248	-	37,248
Miscellaneous revenues	13,672	28	13,700
TOTAL REVENUES	1,322,019	28	1,322,047
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	171,120	-	171,120
Maintenance	17,813	-	17,813
Community services	4,768	-	4,768
Culture and recreation	41,618	-	41,618
Protection	76,891	-	76,891
Cemeteries	5,300	-	5,300
Highway and roads	129,903	-	129,903
Health and sanitation	60,845	-	60,845
Education	856,281	-	856,281
Unclassified	2,583	13,697	16,280
Debt service:			
Principal	54,353	-	54,353
Interest	2,114	-	2,114
Capital outlay	-	85,626	85,626
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,423,589	99,323	1,522,912
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(101,570)	(99,295)	(200,865)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	-	43,854	43,854
Transfers (out)	(43,854)	-	(43,854)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(43,854)	43,854	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(145,424)	(55,441)	(200,865)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	1,351,370	1,058,590	2,409,960
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 1,205,946	\$ 1,003,149	\$ 2,209,095

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
General Government -					
Administrative	44,000	\$ -	44,000	39,559	\$ 4,441
Employee health	20,855	-	20,855	20,388	467
Management fund	750	-	750	-	750
Contingency account	56,500	-	56,500	66,962	(10,462)
Planning board	5,000	-	5,000	684	4,316
Selectboard and office compensation	42,060	-	42,060	43,527	(1,467)
	169,165	-	169,165	171,120	(1,955)
Maintenance -					
Town garage maintenance	5,000	-	5,000	7,307	(2,307)
Fuel for town trucks	12,000	-	12,000	10,506	1,494
	17,000	-	17,000	17,813	(813)
Community Services -					
Opportunity Alliance	1,750	-	1,750	1,750	-
Southern Maine Agency on Aging	1,875	-	1,875	1,875	-
VNA Home, Health and Hospice	250	-	250	250	-
Home Health Visiting Nurse	450	-	450	450	-
Southern Maine Regional Planning	293	-	293	293	-
Saco River Corridor	150	-	150	150	-
	4,768	-	4,768	4,768	-
Culture and Recreation -					
Brown Memorial Library	8,500	-	8,500	8,500	-
Baldwin Historical Society	3,750	-	3,750	3,750	-
Smooth Feather Youth Group	300	-	300	300	-
Sacopee Valley Recreation	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Lifeflight	400	-	400	400	-
Community Center	22,500	-	22,500	25,852	(3,352)
Sands Pond Beach	1,500	(184)	1,316	1,316	-
	38,450	(184)	38,266	41,618	(3,352)

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Protection -					
Fire district administration	6,190	-	6,190	4,303	1,887
East Baldwin fire department	10,000	(3,136)	6,864	6,864	-
North Baldwin fire department	10,000	(6,544)	3,456	3,456	-
West Baldwin fire department	10,000	(785)	9,215	9,215	-
Street lights	3,500	-	3,500	3,560	(60)
Standish EMS	24,539	-	24,539	24,539	-
Fire truck repairs and maintenance	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-
Animal shelter	763	-	763	763	-
Cumberland County Dispatch	5,772	-	5,772	11,895	(6,123)
Radio repairs and purchase	3,000	-	3,000	1,881	1,119
Fire department training	-	-	-	415	(415)
	83,764	(10,465)	73,299	76,891	(3,592)
Cemeteries -					
Care of cemeteries	4,000	-	4,000	5,300	(1,300)
	4,000	-	4,000	5,300	(1,300)
Highway and Roads -					
Summer roads	50,000	(7,354)	42,646	42,646	-
Winter roads	87,500	(351)	87,149	87,149	-
Crushed gravel	-	-	-	108	(108)
	137,500	(7,705)	129,795	129,903	(108)
Health and Sanitation -					
Solid waste account	45,000	-	45,000	52,765	(7,765)
General assistance	9,000	-	9,000	8,080	920
	54,000	-	54,000	60,845	(6,845)

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Transfers to Other Funds -					
Tri-Town capital reserve	7,500	-	7,500	7,500	-
Radio repeater reserve	500	-	500	500	-
Revaluation reserve	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-
Sand pond beach reserve	-	184	184	184	-
River road reserve	2,500	-	2,500	2,500	-
Road maintenance reserve	10,000	7,705	17,705	17,705	-
North Baldwin fire department	-	6,544	6,544	6,544	-
East Baldwin fire department	-	3,136	3,136	3,136	-
West Baldwin fire department	-	785	785	785	-
	25,500	18,354	43,854	43,854	-
Education -					
RSU #55	856,281	-	856,281	856,281	-
	856,281	-	856,281	856,281	-
Debt Service -					
Principal	54,353	-	54,353	54,353	-
Interest	2,114	-	2,114	2,114	-
	56,467	-	56,467	56,467	-
Unclassified -					
Welcome to Baldwin signs	4,000	-	4,000	-	4,000
Abatements/overlay	13,495	-	13,495	2,583	10,912
	17,495	-	17,495	2,583	14,912
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 1,464,390	\$ -	\$ 1,464,390	\$ 1,467,443	\$ (3,053)

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TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2022

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,369	\$ 6,369
Investments	-	-	28,525	28,525
Due from other funds	191,540	774,048	7,273	972,861
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 191,540	\$ 774,048	\$ 42,167	\$ 1,007,755
LIABILITIES				
Due to other funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,606	\$ 4,606
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	-	4,606	4,606
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	27,193	27,193
Restricted	85,692	-	15,117	100,809
Committed	105,848	774,048	-	879,896
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned (deficits)	-	-	(4,749)	(4,749)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	191,540	774,048	37,561	1,003,149
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 191,540	\$ 774,048	\$ 42,167	\$ 1,007,755

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TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Interest income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28	\$ 28
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	-	85,626	-	85,626
Program expenditures	6,823	4,267	2,607	13,697
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>6,823</u>	<u>89,893</u>	<u>2,607</u>	<u>99,323</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(6,823)</u>	<u>(89,893)</u>	<u>(2,579)</u>	<u>(99,295)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	5,000	38,854	-	43,854
Transfers (out)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>5,000</u>	<u>38,854</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,854</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(1,823)	(51,039)	(2,579)	(55,441)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	<u>193,363</u>	<u>825,087</u>	<u>40,140</u>	<u>1,058,590</u>
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	<u>\$ 191,540</u>	<u>\$ 774,048</u>	<u>\$ 37,561</u>	<u>\$ 1,003,149</u>

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TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE
SCHEDULE F (CONTINUED)

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2022

	Sand Pond Beach Reserve	Road Maintenance Reserve	River Road Reserve	Town Equipment Reserve	Town Building Reserve	Town Vehicle Reserve	Total
ASSETS							
Due from other funds	\$ 4,900	\$ 207,223	\$ 43,800	\$ 67,234	\$ 81,174	\$ 269,879	\$ 774,048
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 4,900</u>	<u>\$ 207,223</u>	<u>\$ 43,800</u>	<u>\$ 67,234</u>	<u>\$ 81,174</u>	<u>\$ 269,879</u>	<u>\$ 774,048</u>
LIABILITIES							
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES							
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Committed	4,900	207,223	43,800	67,234	81,174	269,879	774,048
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>4,900</u>	<u>207,223</u>	<u>43,800</u>	<u>67,234</u>	<u>81,174</u>	<u>269,879</u>	<u>774,048</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 4,900</u>	<u>\$ 207,223</u>	<u>\$ 43,800</u>	<u>\$ 67,234</u>	<u>\$ 81,174</u>	<u>\$ 269,879</u>	<u>\$ 774,048</u>

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TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

SCHEDULE G

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
 FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Fire Equipment Reserve	Radio Repeater Reserve	East Baldwin Fire	North Baldwin Fire	West Baldwin Fire	Tri-Town Waste Reserve
REVENUES						
Other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL REVENUES	-	-	-	-	-	-
EXPENDITURES						
Capital outlay	17,600	-	2,618	2,618	2,618	60,172
Program expenses	-	-	-	-	-	4,267
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	17,600	-	2,618	2,618	2,618	64,439
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(17,600)	-	(2,618)	(2,618)	(2,618)	(64,439)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	-	500	3,136	6,544	785	7,500
Transfers (out)	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	500	3,136	6,544	785	7,500
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(17,500)	500	518	3,926	(1,833)	(56,939)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	33,571	10,095	12,133	18,727	29,068	67,672
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 15,971	\$ 10,595	\$ 12,651	\$ 22,653	\$ 27,235	\$ 10,733

