ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

of the

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

of the

Town of Baldwin

Maine

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Dedication

The Town of Baldwin dedicates this year's Town Report to Kathy Pierce, Baldwin's 2025 Spirit of America nominee.

A resolution by the Select Board of the Town of Baldwin as follows: The 2025 Baldwin Maine Spirit of America Foundation Tribute honors Kathy Pierce for outstanding community service to the Town of Baldwin. Kathy and Jo Pierce moved to Baldwin in 1994 and Kathy has been involved in community service ever since beginning with six years of volunteer work with the University of Maine Extension Association Board on the Food Educators program. She joined the Baldwin Historical Society and has been involved in various important roles, taking a leading role in arranging monthly programs for eight years, logging artifacts and donations into the database during COVID, and helping with secretary responsibilities when needed.

Kathy joined the Brown Memorial Library early on and in '08 became the President of the Library Association Board. She has been the driving force in transitioning Brown Memorial Library from a traditional book based lending library to a modern community centered institution that provides on-line access to reading materials, tax preparation access, research tools, as well as the tradition printed paper books. She kept the library functioning through the COVID quarantine period by cleaning books, putting reader requests on a table outside in parking lot and numerous other strategies. She has successfully seen the Library through many lean funding years keeping the building maintained and updated assuring it's available for future generations. She volunteers fifteen hours a week. The library now hosts arts and crafts displays, children's reading hour, weekly puppet shows, and Christmas parties where children get to meet Santa. All thanks to her vision and drive.

Kathy is also involved in numerous other civic organizations. Over the years she's participated in many committees and focus groups interested in addressing questions for the Town of Baldwin. Her contributions have always been insightful and have been valuable contributions to the decision making process.

She is currently a member of the Baldwin Community Auxiliary. They aid members of the community (in extreme distress, fires, family death) help the Fire Fighters, give Scholarships, and help children and families at Christmas and more.

Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Select Board of the Town of Baldwin, in sincere gratitude and appreciation, that Kathy Pierce be hereby recognized for her exemplary citizenship and outstanding contributions to this community, with the 2025 Baldwin Spirit of America Foundation Tribute.

Select Board Members: James Dolloff, Dale Miner, Robert Flint 30 June 2025

Baldwin 2023 - 2024 TOWN REPORT

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TOWN OFFICERS AND INFORMATION AS OF JUNE 2024

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Deputy Town Clerk: Sara Chase

TOWN OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 8:00AM - 12:00PM
Tuesday 8:00AM - 7:00PM
Wednesday - Friday 8:00AM - 4:00PM
Last Saturday of Each Month 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Assessing Office Hours

Code Enforcement Office Hours

By Appointment

By Appointment

By Appointment

By Appointment

By Appointment

By Appointment

Animal Control Officer: Richard Guilbault Jr

Code Enforcement Officer/ Plumbing Inspector: Donald Kent (resigned 4/2024)

Michael Lee- appointed 6/2024

Emergency Management Director: Steven Sanders

Fire Chief: Steven Sanders

Health Officer: Dr. Joseph deKay

Road Commissioner: Chris Harrington- 2027

Select Board Administrative Assistant:Robyn AndersonSuperintendent of Schools:Dr. Carl Landry

Appeals Board

The Appeals Board Meet as Necessary.

Gary McNeil (Chairman) – 2027 Laurie Downey (Secretary) – 2027 Jon Bishop- 2027 Keith Stackhouse-2027 Olin Thomas-2027 Daniel Pierce (Alt) – 2027

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-2027 (Chairman)
David Strock -2026 (Vice Chairman)
Donald Sharp-2026 (Secretary)
Matthew Fricker-2028
Theresa Grisez-2026
Michael Ustin- 2027 (Alternate)
Victoria Abramowska-2027 (Alternate)

Select Board, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Select Board members meet at the Town Office on Tuesdays at 6:00pm.

James Dolloff- 2027 Robert Flint - 2025 Dale Miner- 2026

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

Betty Lawrence-2024
J. Wesley Sunderland – 2025
Olin Thomas – 2026

Saco River Corridor Commission

Cheri Brunault-2025 Laurie Downey - 2025

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Dear Maine Resident:

I have always been guided by the belief that to strengthen our state, we have to invest in our greatest asset: the people of Maine. With the support of the Legislature, my Administration has been investing in what people need to succeed, like job training, child care, health care, education, broadband, and housing.

We are seeing results — small businesses are expanding their operations; people are moving here to work and raise their families; and graduates are staying in Maine to pursue rewarding, life-long careers. These are all encouraging signs that are reflected in the strength of our economy. In fact, Maine has one of the best rates of economic growth in the nation.

That's good news, but I know that not everyone is feeling the benefits of our strong economy. The cost of living in Maine, as in much of America, is too high. The price of fuel, the cost of supplies, utilities and labor have driven up expenses for families across the country and impacted the budgets of towns, counties and nearly every state, including Maine.

I want everyone to benefit from the availability of good jobs, a good public education, and good health care in our state. That is why I have put forward a balanced budget proposal that proposes some savings and certain targeted revenue increases to maintain things we all support, like the state paying 55 percent of the cost of education and 5 percent municipal revenue sharing, to keep all these costs from being passed along to property taxpayers.

We have made good progress over the past six years to ensure that every person in Maine can find a good-paying job in a rewarding and stable career; go to the doctor when they feel sick because they have health insurance; and have the peace of mind that their children are safe at home and at school.

I look forward to working with communities and citizens across the state to solve problems, manage our finances, and keep our people healthy and safe.

Sincerely,

Janet T. Mills Governor

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LABOR, AND PENSIONS

SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share several key accomplishments for our state from the previous year.

As Vice Chair of the Appropriations Committee, I have secured nearly \$580 million for 230 projects across all of Maine's 16 counties to promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; support law enforcement; improve public education and infrastructure; and protect our environment. As the new Congress begins, I am honored to be taking the helm of the Committee, the first Mainer to do so in nearly a century, and I remain committed to ensuring that federal spending produces real results for our state and nation.

Maine has the oldest average age in the country, which is why I have long prioritized health-focused legislative efforts. There were more than 1,860 health care bills introduced during the 118th Congress. Only 15 health care bills were signed into law, and I was a lead sponsor of five of them. These bills will enhance care for individuals with Alzheimer's, autism, and substance abuse issues through improved research funding, strengthened public health programs, and increased support for rural first responders.

Another important bill that I coauthored was the *Social Security Fairness Act*. Since 2003, when I led the first-ever Senate hearing on the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset, I have sought to end these provisions of the *Social Security Act* that unfairly reduce the Social Security benefits that public employees or their spouses have earned. I am pleased to say that with the passage of my bill, the *Social Security Fairness Act*, in December, public sector retirees will now receive the full Social Security benefits they have earned.

When the Maine way of life was under threat, I was certain to defend the interests of our state. I worked to protect Maine's potato farmers when the Department of Agriculture tried to reclassify the potato from a vegetable to a grain. I thwarted efforts to consolidate USPS mail operations at the Hampden postal facility, which would have disrupted mail delivery throughout our state. I sounded the alarm with leaders at the FBI and Departments of State and Treasury on the spate of illicit marijuana growing operations that are destroying properties and providing refuge to foreign criminals in our state. Following damage to our working waterfronts after last winter's storms, I secured \$15 million to help fishing communities recover. I championed funding to support the Maine Air National Guard base, Bath Iron Works, and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

As of last December, I have cast more than 9,100 consecutive votes, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997. My ranking as the most bipartisan Senator reflects Maine's tradition of working with a spirit of cooperation and respect.

My highest priority as a Senator is to ensure that Maine's needs are met. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact one of my state offices or visit my website at collins.senate.gov.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Collins United States Senator

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January 1, 2025

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VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Dear Friends,

Each year comes with renewed hope – to celebrate each other's successes and care for each other in times of need. I am thankful to each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. We always work together to get things done. This past year was no different.

First, it was a true honor to be reelected to the United States Senate for another six-year term. Throughout my travels around the state, I heard many concerns about the cost of living and affordability of housing. Many of you also shared your concerns about access to medical and mental health services. The *Inflation Reduction Act* has been incredible for older people in Maine – Medicare is finally negotiating lower prices for prescription drugs, on top of the \$35 per month cap for insulin that took effect in 2023. We have an opportunity to build on what we have in common and do what Maine people do best; we will continue to help each other and lead through example.

I have also been consistently working to help our veterans. My team has repeatedly been successful in securing long-overdue recognition of military medals for many of Maine's combat veterans and working to resolve issues with claims, travel pay, and access to healthcare and benefits our veterans earned through their selfless service to our country. I have also worked with my Veterans Affairs and Defense partners in Washington to successfully pass a national defense bill that strengthens our national security, takes care of our service members, and supports Maine businesses from Aroostook to York County.

I am also thankful to have such an incredible team across Maine available to you for hurdles you may face with the federal government. Whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, IRS and more, please never hesitate to reach out to my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow us the chance to be part of your solutions.

Together, over the next six years, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you — it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2025.

Best Regards,

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MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Dear Friends,

As we welcome the New Year, I want to extend my sincerest well wishes for 2025: to you, your loved ones, and your community. I'd also like to share an update on what my team and I have been working on—and how we intend to continue serving Maine's First District in the next Congress.

One year ago, our state was reeling from a series of unprecedented winter storms. Thanks to the efforts of local, state, and federal officials, we're starting to rebuild. The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Small Business Administration approved more than \$10.7 million in federal assistance for Maine households, businesses, and homeowners in the months following the storms. In addition, Maine received a \$69 million grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to support the climate-resilience goals outlined in *Maine Won't Wait*. More help is needed, no doubt, and I will continue to advocate for the support our state deserves. For more information about available resources, go to Pingree.house.gov/disasterresources.

In 2024, \$1.7 billion in federal grant funding came to Maine—encompassing everything from conservation efforts and home-heating assistance to resilient infrastructure and affordable housing. My team was able to secure \$1.4 million in refunds for Maine taxpayers, along with \$639,000 in Social Security benefits. We also helped thousands of constituents file for work permits, veterans benefits, and passports, and wrote countless letters of support on behalf of our constituents.

I'm so proud of what we achieved in 2024, and I'm fully committed to building on those accomplishments in the 119th Congress. As ever, my team and I are ready to assist however we can. Please don't hesitate to reach out to my Portland office at (207) 774-5019, or by visiting pingree.house.gov/contact. We're also happy to provide information related to Congress's annual Community Project Funding (CPF) process, which allows nonprofits and local governments to apply for federal funding for specific projects. For more info, go to Pingree.house.gov/communityprojectfunding.

I'm deeply honored that voters have chosen me to represent them once again in the U.S. Congress. It is a responsibility I will never take lightly—and a privilege I will always cherish.

Sincerely,

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for the honor of serving you in the Maine Senate and for putting your trust in me to be your voice in Augusta. This will be my second term of office, following prior service back in the late 1990's.

As a lifelong resident of Maine, I am familiar with the issues that our small towns face. It's with great excitement that I return for the upcoming session.

My goal this term is to educate other legislators, agency personnel, and the Governor on what life is currently like in rural towns in southern and western Maine.

For example, inflation has had a major impact that has been felt across Senate District 22. Young Mainers now find it significantly more difficult to own a home, even in our rural setting. Seniors on a fixed income have trouble simply staying in their own homes due to elevated property taxes. With the cost to run municipalities and schools escalating, I believe it is incumbent on the state and federal governments to target spending more wisely on the critical tasks of educating our children, maintaining roads and bridges, and improving existing programs. I am not returning to Augusta looking to constantly create new costly programs, as was the record of the previous legislature.

I will work hard to find economies of scale and scope, so that state government can be more effective. The time has come to reduce financial pressures on Maine Citizens.

You can rest assured that I will be there for you, regardless of political affiliation. In the 131st Legislature, I was the only Senator to cast a vote 100% of the time. This session, I am excited to announce that I have been reappointed to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

The 132nd Maine Legislature has much work ahead of us, starting with addressing a nearly half billion-dollar budget shortfall. I know we can solve the problems we face if we work collaboratively.

Please contact me at 287-1505 or <u>james.libby@legislature.maine.gov</u> if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Thank you, God bless you, and God bless all the citizens of Maine.

Sincerely,

James D. Libby

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June 2025

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

State lawmakers took their oath of office on December 4, 2024, with a more balanced partisan composition of the Legislature being sworn in. The House of Representatives currently has 76 Democrats, 73 Republicans, one independent, and one unenrolled, while the Maine Senate consists of 20 Democrats and 15 Republicans.

Among the many challenges we, as policymakers, have addressed since convening late last year are housing, energy, child welfare, and property taxes. Subject matter gaining much of my attention have been those that fall under the jurisdiction of the Housing and Economic Development Committee, to which I have been assigned.

As I write this letter, long days consisting of 12 hours or more have commenced with hope of finalizing the work before us in a timely manner. Despite efforts that have been made early on to streamline the legislative process, we still find ourselves rushing issues that deserve closer scrutiny. I encourage you to keep an eye out in the mail for my end-of-session mailer later this summer for a briefing about what transpired under the State House dome during the First Regular Session and First Special Session of the 132nd Legislature.

It is an ongoing honor and pleasure to be serving the good people of Baldwin! As always, feel free to reach out to me personally if there are any State-related issues you would like to discuss.

Best regards,

Mark W. Walker State Representative

SELECT BOARD REPORT

Greetings:

2024 to 2025 have been a year of slow but deliberate change for Baldwin. Whether you judge the changes to be for the better or worse, rest assured the Board of Selectmen's goal has been and is to provide Baldwin with fair, transparent, and consistent governance and to expand citizen participation. We welcome your participation on all levels and usually have open vacancies on committees or boards. Our meetings are open to all with a time set aside for audience participation. If we make some mistakes along the way, come to our meetings and make your opinion known. We do listen.

The Board of Selectmen have had some initial success in dealing with a backlog of foreclosed properties and tax liens, but there is much more to do. This has been and always will be the most difficult part of being a Selectman. We've implemented some policies and procedures that give us guidance on how to proceed and perhaps help taxpayers as well. If you have a tax lien on your property, please don't let it foreclose. Please come see us first. After foreclosure it becomes much more difficult to deal with. If you have already been foreclosed, come see us as well. The sooner we get the conversation started the better.

We've made some improvements to the Town Office/Community Center building, including the installation of a used generator that was given to the town by Cumberland County, roof repair on the east end of the building and most recently, new siding on the outside of the building.

A grant was secured to help with the replacement of the bridge on River Road. The work started in July and was completed in mid-August.

Our goals for next year are to continue serving the good people of Baldwin, put more focus on the crumbling town roads and the Fire Department's operations.

After four years, Bob Flint is retiring from the Board of Selectmen, leaving a legacy of achievement. Bob has served on the Planning Board and the Baldwin Comprehensive Committee and is a member of the Historical Society. He has actively recruited others to serve on Baldwin boards, committees, and appointed offices. The focus of his service has been to improve the quality and transparency of Baldwin government through good people, good policies, and personal involvement. He has always been willing to put in the extra effort. His contributions to Town Government will be missed. We sincerely thank you Bob for your service.

Sincerely,

Baldwin Select Board,

James Dolloff Robert Flint Dale Miner

Assessors Report 2023/2024 Assessment and Valuation

ASSESSMENTS

School/Education Appropriation\$1,737,139.79Municipal Appropriation1,698,204.86County Tax134,767.00Overlay29,215.23

TOTAL ASSESSMENT \$ 3,599,326.88

DEDUCTIONS

Estimated State Revenue Sharing \$184,600.00
Homestead Reimbursement \$116,546.01
BETE Reimbursement \$23,460.56
Municipal Revenues \$709,237.00

TOTAL DEDUCTIONS \$ 1,033,843.57

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED \$ 2,565,483.32

VALUATIONS OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

 Land
 \$53,946,800.00

 Buildings
 124,383,140.00

 Personal Property
 2,720,400.00

TOTAL TAXABLE VALUATION \$181,050,340.00

MIL RATE FOR 2023/2024 x 14.17

TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT

As of JULY 31, 2023 \$ 2,565,483.32

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES\$ 12,940.00REAL ESTATE ABATEMENTS- 3,294.71

TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT \$ 2,575,128.61

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Baldwin, we herewith present our annual report for fiscal year ending June 30th 2024.

James Dolloff Robert Flint Dale Miner

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 13th day of Sep 2025** 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 Town Clerk, Tax Collector & Treasurer (3year 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.

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.

FY25 Appropriation \$128,000.00 FY25 Expenditure: \$140,137.43

The Select Board recommends \$152.952.00

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.

FY25 Appropriation	\$57,750.00
FY25Expenditure:	\$55,884.05

The Select Board recommends \$58,172.00

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 FY25 approved rates are as follows:

- Select Board annual stipend.
 - Chairman: \$12,000.00
 - Other Select Board members: \$10,000.00 each.
- Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector \$28.00 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.

FY25 Appropriation	\$108,150.00
FY25 Expenditure:	\$108,742.18

The Select Board recommends \$114,179.29

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.

FY25 Appropriation	\$134,000.00
FY25 Expenditure:	\$143,846.69

The Select Board recommends \$130,000.00

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.

FY25 Appropriation	\$58,500.00
FY25 Expenditure:	\$59,781.99

(\$1031.80/month per employee in 2025)

(Est. \$1093.71/month per employee in 2026)

The Select Board recommends \$38,259.18 (three employees).

Article 10: REVENUES

Article 11:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an estimated \$1,084,459.00 from the following non-property tax revenues to reduce the tax commitment.

Est. FY26 St	ate Revenue Sharing:	\$188,235.00
Est. FY26 Ho	mestead/BETE Reim.	\$122,174.00

Est. FY26 Municipal Revenues:

-	Building Permits	\$25,104.00
-	Plumbing Permits	\$4,365.00
-	Excise Tax	\$403,586.00
-	Agent Fees	\$11,710.00
-	Tree Growth	\$31,420.00
-	Solar Reimbursement	<u>\$47,865.00</u>

Total Municipal Revenues \$524,050.00

Undesignated Fund Balance \$200,000.00 From the Tax Stabilization Fund \$50,000.00

The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

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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 FY26 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 **7%** per annum on all unpaid taxes or part there-of and establish property tax due dates of 1 December 2025 and 1 April 2026 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 **3**% 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: 3/12 BUDGET LIMIT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12ths of the budget amount in each budget category of the Baldwin annual budget during the period from July 1, 2026, to the next Annual Town Meeting.

Selectmen recommend passage of this article.

Article 16: 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 17: 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 18: 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 property 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 19: TAX ABATEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to pay for tax abatements and applicable interest granted during FY26 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 20: OVERDRAFTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,444.60 to cover overdrafts in the FY25 budget. The estimated overdrafts are as follows:

Art 4	Administrative Expenses	\$12,100.36
Art 7	Town Office Compensation	\$592.18
Art 9	Employee Health Insurance	\$1,281.99
Art 24	Sand Pond Beach	\$257.76
Art 29	Standish Rescue	\$15,615.25
Art 36	Cumberland County Dispatch	\$0.40
Art 40	Fuel	\$6,854.86
Art 41	Streetlights	\$623.30
Art 51	Town Garage	\$118.50

The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 21: REVALUATION RESERVE ACCOUNT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards the Revaluation Reserve Account.

FY25 Appropriation	\$10,000.00
Current Balance	\$36,210.19

The Select Board recommends \$14,000.00

HEALTH & SANITATION ARTICLES:

Article 22: TRI-TOWN WASTE OPERATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$150,682.00** towards Tri-town waste operations. Reports on pages 53-54.

FY25 Appropriation	\$147,000.00
FY25 Expenditure est.	\$113,830.77

Estimate based on ((\$147,007 x 0.5 + (\$147,007 x 0.5 x 1.05)).

The Select Board recommends passage of article.

Article 23: 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.

FY25 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
Current Balance	\$17.075.00

The Select Board recommends passage of article.

RECREATION & CEMETERY ARTICLES:

Article 24: 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.

FY25 Appropriation	\$10,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$9.525.76

The Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 25: 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, 2026, will roll over into the Sand Pond Reserve account to be used for capital improvements. Sand Pond Beach report can be found on page 55.

FY25 Appropriation	\$9,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$9,257.76

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

Article 26: 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 27: 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 FY25 Collection from Tickets: \$1240.00

Article 28: 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 56.

FY25 Appropriation \$4,000.00

The Select Board recommends passage of article.

Article 29: 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 30: 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 \$89,044.00 annual cost for a full-time staffed ambulance at the Steep Falls station. See Standish Rescue Report on page 57.

FY25 Appropriation \$78,000.00

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend \$89,044.00

Article 31: 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 pages 58-59.

 FY25 Appropriation
 \$120,000.00

 FY25 Expenditure
 \$104,984.12

The Select Board and Fire Department recommend \$120,000.00

Article 32: 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.

FY25 Appropriation \$100,000.00

The Select Board and Fire Department recommend \$100,000.00

Article 33: FIRE TRUCK MAINTENANCE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for maintenance and repairs for the fire department vehicles. The unspent balance to be deposited in a Fire Truck Maintenance Reserve Account.

FY25 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$7,810.80

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

Article 34: 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 60-61.

FY25 Appropriation	\$21,546.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$19,447.35
-1/00	

FY26 Recommendation Fire Chief \$15,000.00 Assistant Fire Chief \$5,000.00 FICA/ Medicare: \$1545.00

Total

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend to raise and appropriate \$21,546.00

\$21,546.00

Article 35: FIRE STATION CAPTAINS

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

FY25 Appropriation	\$3,231.90
FY25 Expenditure	\$3,231.90

FY25 Recommendation

Fire Station Captains = \$3,000.00	
FICA/ Medicare = \$231.90	
Total = \$3,231.90	

The Fire Chief recommends to raise and appropriate \$3,231.90

Article 36: FIREFIGHTER TRAINING

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

FY25 Appropriation	\$55,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$26,871.42

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend \$55,000.00

Article 37: CUMBERLAND COUNTY DISPATCH

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,338.91 for our contract for FY26 with Cumberland County Dispatch for dispatching emergency fire and rescue calls. This is the amount requested by Cumberland County.

FY25 Appropriation \$12,950.00

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

Article 38: NEW RADIO PURCHASE AND REPAIR

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000.00** for the maintenance, repair and purchase of new radios as needed.

FY25 Appropriation	\$10,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$3,856.00

Select Board and Fire Chief recommends passage of this article.

Article 39: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Radio Repeater Reserve Account.

FY25 Appropriation	\$30,000.00
Current Balance	\$30,000.00

The Select Board and Fire Chief recommend \$30,000.00, the third of four to replace the repeater.

Article 40: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

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

FY25 Appropriation	\$1500.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$0.00

The Select Board recommends \$1,500.00.

Article 41: 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.

FY25 Appropriation	\$18,600.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$25,454.86

C.N. Brown contract Diesel contract: FY26 = \$3.129/gallon FY26 Estimate of 8309 gallons at approx. \$3.129/gallon

The Select Board recommends \$26,000.00

Article 42: STREETLIGHTS

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

FY25 Appropriation	\$7,500.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$8,123.30

Averaged \$676.92/month in FY25

The Select Board recommends \$8530.00

Article 43: 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 \$641.00 this coming fiscal year. Report on pages 60-62.

FY25 Appropriation \$800.00

The Select Board recommends \$800.00

ROAD ARTICLES:

Article 44: 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, 2026, will roll over into the Emergency Road Repair Reserve Account. Road Commissioner report can be found on page 63.

FY25 Appropriation	\$150,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$148,517.34

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend \$150,000.00

Article 45: WINTER ROADS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for snow removal for FY26. Any balance left over after June 30, 2026, will roll over into the Emergency Road Repair Reserve Account.

FY25 Appropriation	\$275,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$273,745.24

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend \$275,000.00

Article 46: ROAD MATERIALS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000.00 for gravel.

FY25 Appropriation	\$30,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$30,118.50

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

Article 47: PLOW TRUCK BUY OUT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the town to use **\$70,000.00** from the Capital Investment Plan's Town Vehicle Reserve Account to buy out the IH 2020 plow truck.

FY25 Appropriation \$27,119.99

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

Article 48: SECOND PLOW TRUCK LEASE PAYMENT

To see if the Town will vote to spend **\$42,446.92** from the Town Vehicle Reserve account for the third of 5 lease payments for the plow truck ordered in 2023 and delivered in February 2024. Anticipated final buyout payment of \$65,000.00 in FY29.

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

Article 49: 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 FY26 will be \$58,196.00.

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

Article 50: MAINTENANCE OR IMPROVEMENTS OF TOWN WAYS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000.00 to add to the monies received from the Maine Dept. of Transportation Local Road Assistance for the maintenance or improvements of Town ways.

FY25 Appropriation	\$125,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$337,356.22

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

Article 51: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for deposit to the

Vehicle/Equipment Reserve Account to support the Vehicle/Equipment CIP.

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner recommend \$210,000.00

Article 52: TOWN GARAGE

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

FY25 Appropriation	\$20,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$17,344.21

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

Article 53: 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 54: RIVER ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$15,000.00** for River Road repair and improvements to the River Road Reserve account. Replacement of the River Road Pigeon Brook Bridge has been completed.

FY25 Appropriation	\$30,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$15,912.23
Transfer from UDF	\$145,000.00
Grant from State of Maine	\$200,000.00
Contract Award	\$319,999.00

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

Article 55: ROAD EMERGENCY REPAIR ACCOUNT

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Road Emergency Repair account.

FY25 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$0.00

The Select Board and the Road Commissioner Recommend \$15,000.00

EDUCATION & PRESERVATION ARTICLES:

Article 56: 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 64.

FY25 Appropriation \$17,000.00

Article 57: 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 **\$7,000.00**. Report on page 65.

FY25 Appropriation \$10,000.00

Article 58: 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 **\$900.00**. Report on pages 66-76.

FY25 Appropriation	\$500.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$0.00

Article 59: 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 **\$500.00**. Report on page 77.

FY25 Appropriation \$500.00

Article 60: 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 78.

FY25 Appropriation \$600.00

Article 61: 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. Report on pages 79-80. The request is 100 % of the fees be transferred to Sacopee TV (TV2).

SOCIAL SERVICES ARTICLES:

Article 62: 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 **\$1,000.00**. Report on pages 81-82.

FY25 Appropriation \$3,750.00

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 83-85.

FY25 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.

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FY25 Appropriation	\$15,000.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$5,788.90

The Select Board recommends \$15,000.00

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 86-88.

FY25 Appropriation \$500.00

Article 66: THROUGH THESE DOORS

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. Through These Doors has not requested a specific amount. See page 89.

FY25 Appropriation \$1,000.00

Article 67: SWEETSER

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Sweetser, an organization providing mental health support to children, families, and adults. Sweetser is requesting

\$500.00. See page 90.

FY25 Appropriation \$1,000.00

ORGANIZATION ARTICLES:

Article 68: 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 Baldwin stray animals. Harvest Hills Animal Shelter is

requesting \$1631.00. See page 91.

FY25 Transition Appropriation \$1520.00

Article 69: SOUTHERN MAINE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, PDC)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to Southern Maine Planning & Development Commission for 2026 dues. Southern Maine Planning & Development is requesting **\$661.00**. Report on pages 92-93.

FY25 Appropriation \$641.00

Article 70: GRATEFUL UNDEAD

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Grateful Undead for their efforts to make Baldwin an age friendly community. The Grateful Undead requests **\$550.00**

See pages 94-95.

FY25 Appropriation \$500.00

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 51.

FY25 Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Special Town Meeting	\$8,500.00
FY25 Expenditure	\$8,612.35

Select Board and the Planning Board recommends \$8,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES:

Article 72: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000.00 for the Town Buildings Reserve Account to be used to replace the oil-fired boiler which has cracks in the fire box.

FY25 Appropriation	\$10,000.00
FY25 Expenditures	\$65,000.00
Current Reserve Acct Balance	\$26,171.07

Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 73: Shall the document titled **"2025 Baldwin Comprehensive Plan"** be adopted? Copies of the document are available at the Baldwin Town Office and on the Town's website, baldwinmaine.org.

See pages 111-114 for the Comprehensive Plan Executive Summary.

Article 74: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 for the Town Buildings Reserve Account to be used to build a fireproof records vault for the Town Office.

Select Board recommends passage of this article.

Article 75: Motion to Adjourn

Town of Baldwin Select Board -

James Dolloff, Dale Miner, and Robert Flint

TOWN ROADS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 43	125,000.00
Labor	
Christopher Harrington	29,064.00
Steven Thorne Jr.	29,012.51
Seth Wescott	28,235.25
Town Share of FICA and Medicare	5,638.78
Total	91,950.54
Maintenance & Supplies	
Cold Mix & Hot Top	2,810.51
Mileage	304.18
Signs	673.31
Rentals	6,440.00
Towing/Trucking	450.00
Culverts	11,931.60
Classes	90.00
Road Help	1,578.75
Maintenance and Repairs	<u>20,492.62</u>
Total:	44,770.97
Overdraft	-11,721.51

SNOW REMOVAL

Raised and Appropriated Art. 44	200,000.00
Labor	
Christopher Harrington	32,721.50
Steven Thorne Jr	33,140.96
George Davis	1,400.00
Peter Stacey	728.00
Seth Wescott	33,875.88
Town Share of FICA and Medicare	6,777.19
Total	107,643.53
Maintenance & Supplies	
Salt	49,064.17
Cold Mix/Hot Top	2,598.36
Street Signs	368.36
Mileage	461.68
Classes	200.00
Road Hired Help	5,750.00
Road Signs	915.30
New Transmission for Black F550	9,599.09
Boot Reimbursement	516.93
Other Maintenance, Parts & Supplies	<u>52,319.68</u>
Total	121.793.57
Overdraft	-29,437.10

FUEL ACCOUNT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 40	16,000.00
Paid Out	<u>21,752.56</u>
Overdraft	-5,752.56

TOWN GARAGE EXPENSES

Raised and Appropriated Art. 51	20,000.00
Oil	3,860.31
Electricity	2,080.77
Internet	900.00
Alarm System	1,183.51
Service Call	188.00
Dumpster	757.75
Dept. of labor Fines	2,100.00
New Garage Door	1,087.78
Maintenance & Supplies	1,503.34
Total:	13,661.46
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	6,338.54

ROAD MATERIALS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 45	20,000.00
Paid out	<u>34,192.50</u>
Overdraft	-14,192.50

LOCAL ROAD ASSISTANCE

Beginning Balance as of 07/01/2023	238,048.97
Raised and Appropriated Art. 49	100,000.00
Received from State	51,108.00
Work on McNeil Rd & Brown Rd.	20,731.90
Balance Carried to Local Rd Assistance	368,425.07

CONTINGENT FUND

Raised and appropriated Art. 4 Insurance Reimbursement	115,000.00 <u>7,218.46</u>
Total	122,218.46
Insurances	
-Workman's Comp	15,303.45
-Auto	12,288.00
-Buildings & Equip	6,342.00
-Unemployment Town Share	3,812.53
-Misc./Bonds	<u>4,614.00</u>
Total Insurance	42,389.98
Printing	
-Adds in local papers	9,119.52
-Town Report	5,070.96
Total Printing	14,190.48
Office	260.00
-Postage	268.00
-Mailing Fees	1,612.45
-Recording Fees	2,896.00
-Service Contracts -Office Supplies	21,220.57 8,152.58
Total	34,149.60
Total	34,147.00
Other	
-Flags/Grave Markers	1,314.59
-Auditing with RHR Smith	11,060.00
-Membership Dues/Workshops	5,568.06
-Legal Fees	9,692.50
-Mileage	1,455.39
-Contract with Cumb Cnty Assessing	16,791.84
Total	45,882.38
Total Overall Expenses	<u>136,612.44</u>
Overdraft	-14,393.98

COMMUNITY CENTER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 5	55,000.00
Labor:	
-Randy Nelson	4,392.00
-Dwayne Durgin	2,954.00
-Paul Thomas	80.00
-Town Share of FICA and Medicare	566.55
Total	7,992.55
Utilities	
-Gas/Propane	768.27
-Electricity	6,303.14
-Heat Oil	20,859.00
-Cell Phones (4)	1,400.56
-Phone/Internet	5,704.17
Total Utilities	35,035.14
Maint/Repairs	
-Porta Potty Rental for Ball Field	230.00
-Service Contracts	3,090.88
-Hired Help	10,716.98
-Other Parts and Supplies	2,533.78
Total	16,571.64
Total Overall Expenses	59,599.33
Overdraft	-4,599.33

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Raised and Appropriated Art. 39	1,500.00
Paid Out to EMA Director	000.00
Balance Carried forward to Fund Balance	1,500.00

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 9	46,857.00
Paid to ME. Municipal Employees Health Trust	51,295.03
Overdraft	-4.438.03

SELECTMEN'S COMPENSATION

Raised and Appropriated Art. 8	102,000.00
PAID OUT:	
Selectmen's Office	
-Robert Flint-Selectman	9,971.00
-James Dolloff – Chairman of Selectman	11,999.00
-Dale Miner- Selectman	10,270.00
-Robyn Anderson-Selectmen's Assistant	48,840.52
Total Office	81,080.52
Other Officials	
-CEO, Donald Kent	20,176.75
-CEO, Lee, Michael	3,000.00
-ACO, Town of Standish-Ricky Guilbault	10,400.00
Total Other	33,576.75
Total All Payroll	114,540.27
Towns Share of FICA and Medicare	7,683.82
Total	122,341.09
Overdraft	-20,341.09

TOWN OFFICE COMPENSATION

Raised and Appropriated Art. 7	103,000.00
PAID OUT:	
Clerks Office	
-Deborah Wakefield-Clerk/Tax Col/Treas/Reg of Voters	60,112.50
-Sara Chase-Assistant Clerk	41,640.00
-Constance Warren-Ballot Clerk	705.00
-Loretta Letourneau-Ballot Clerk	626.25
Towns Share of FICA/Medicare	7,518.43
Total	110,602.18
Overdraft	-7,602.18

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 30 Insurance Reimbursement	75,000.00 <u>12,804.99</u>
Total	87,804.99
Electricity	1,253.40
Internet	2,085.54
Oil	4,387.19
Propane	1,510.83
Plowing Station	1,080.00
Dues/Fees	94.44
Printing	148.00
Hose/Ladder Testing	12,295.26
Recording fees	50.00
Halloween Candy/Coloring Books	513.38
Food	320.29
Annual Pump Exam	1,150.00
Inspections	` 450.00
Work Apparel	11,220.92
Generators/Chainsaws	13,665.01
Cameras	2,066.90
Dept. of Labor Fine	4,900.00
Hoses/Hose Clamps	3,682.00
Badges	1,479.23
Flow Test Kit	1,087.00
Truck Maintenance, Supplies and Services	4,756.96
Total	68,196.65
Balance Carried to Reserve Account	19,553.75

TOWN FIRE TRUCK MAINTENANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 32	14,000.00
Maintenance and Repairs	14,000.46
Overdraft	46

RADIO PURCHASES AND REPAIRS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 37	8,000.00
Paid Out	1,650.45
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	6,349.55

FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING

Raised and Appropriated Art. 35	30,000.00
Payroll	22,756.80
Food	237.58
Physicals	325.00
Boards	242.33
Training Classes	726.15
Town Share of FICA and Medicare	1,874.44
Total Spent	26,162.30
Balance Carried to Reserve Account	3,838.00

TOWN FIRE CHIEF'S /ASSIST CHIEF'S PAY

Raised and Appropriated Art 33	13,466.25
Steven Sanders-Fire Chief	9,971.00
Christopher Harrington-Assist. Fire Chief	2,500.00
Towns Share of FICA & Medicare	<u>762.84</u>
Total Pay	13,233.84
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	232.41

FIRE DEPT. CAPTAINS PAY (3)

Raised and Appropriated Art. 34	1,615.00
Paid 3 Fire Station Captains	1,500.00
Town Share of FICA and Medicare	289.83
Total Pay	1,789.83
Overdraft	-174.83

SOLID WASTE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 21	147,000.00
Paid to Solid Waste Board	137,405.37
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	9,594.63

TRI TOWN EQUIPMENT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 22	15,000.00
Ban for New Scales	27,300.00
Two New Bins	7,133.33
Total	34,433.33
Overdraft	-19,433.33

STREETLIGHTS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 41	8,000.00
Paid Central Maine Power	<u>7,978.74</u>
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	21.26

PLANNING BOARD

Raised and Appropriated Art. 71	2,000.00
Special Town Meeting	10,000.00
Paid out	12,000.52
Overdraft	52

RESTORATION OF OLD CEMETERIES & CARE OF EXISTING ONES

Raised and Appropriated Art. 23	10,000.00
PAID OUT:	
Dwayne Durgin	7,038.00
Supplies & Equipment	560.22
Towns Share of FICA & Medicare	538.42
Total:	8,136.64
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	1,863,36

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 64	20,000.00
PAID OUT:	
Case #06	533.64
Case #09	231.00
Case #17	2,176.00
Case #27	459.90
Case #30	379.90
Case #34	693.86
Cost of Administrating General Assistance	3,215.72
Total:	12,309.98
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	7,690.02

HARVEST HILLS ANIMAL SHELTER

Raised and Appropriated Art. 67	1,525.00
Paid out to Harvest Hills Animal Shelter	1,525.00

STANDISH RESCUE UNIT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 29	59,261.00
Paid to Standish Rescue	59,261.00

SAND POND BEACH PATROL

Raised and Appropriated Art. 24	9,000.00
Chad Nason	2,565.00
Steven Bennett	2,741.25
Portable Potty Rental	305.00
Trash Removal	385.00
Sand Pond Water Testing	0.00
Beach Signs	110.00
Printing	70.00
Beach Stickers	480.00
Supplies	34.75
Town Share FICA & Medicare	405.95
Total Expense	7,096.95
Balance Carried to Reserve Account	1,903.05

BROWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Raised and Appropriated Art. 55Paid to BML

17,000.00
17,000.00

BALDWIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Raised and Appropriated Art. 56
Paid to BHS
10,000.00
10,000.00

CUMBERLAND COUNTY DISPATCH

Raised and Appropriated Art. 36Paid C.C.D.

12,570.40
12,570.40

OPPORTUNITY ALLIANCE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 633,500.00Paid out to Opportunity Alliance.3,500.00

SOUTHERN MAINE AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Raised and Appropriated Art. 61Paid out to S.M.A.A.O.A.

3,750.00
3,750.00

NORTHERN LIGHT HOME HEALTH HOSPICE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 65Paid to VNA-Home Health Hospice

500.00

HOME HEALTH VISITING NURSE

Raised and Appropriated Art. 62Paid to HHVN

900.00

LIFEFLIGHT

Raised and Appropriated Art. 42
Paid to LifeFlight

800.00

SACO RIVER CORRIDOR

Raised and Appropriated Art. 57Paid Saco River Corridor

400.00

SACOPEE VALLEY RECREATION COUNCIL

Raised and Appropriated Art. 27Paid out to S.V.R.C.

4,000.00
4,000.00

SOUTHERN MAINE REGIONAL PLANNING

Raised and Appropriated Art. 68Paid To Southern Maine Regional Planning
623.00

SMOOTH FEATHER YOUTH GROUP

Raised and Appropriated Art. 59
Paid to Smooth Feather Youth Group
600.00

M.S.A.D. #55

 Amount Assessed
 1,737,139.79

 Paid to M.S.A.D #55
 1,737,139.79

SACO RIVER FESTIVAL

Raised and Appropriated Art. 58Paid to S.R.F.

300.00

MAINE PUBLIC RADIO

Raised and Appropriated Art. 69
Paid to Me. Public Radio
100.00

THROUGH THESE DOORS

Raised and Appropriated Art. 66Paid to Through These Doors

1,000.00
1,000.00

THE GRATEFUL UNDEAD

Raised and Appropriated Art. 70Paid TO Grateful Undead

500.00

STATE REVENUE SHARING

Amount Received from State

Estimate Applied to Tax Base

Balance Carried to Fund Balance

400.00

CUMBERLAND COUNTY TAX

Amount Assessed134,767.00Paid Treasurer, Cumberland County134,767.00

BALDWIN ACTIVE KIDS

Incoming Monies Received from Enrollments	33,128.68
Paid Out:	
Payroll	22,341.73
Town Share of FICA/Medicare	1,709.16
Food/Snacks	2,457.14
Supplies	1,666.32
Total	28,174.35
Balance Carried to Fund Balance	4,954.33

TREASURER'S REPORT

REC. FROM TAX COL. 2024/2025 Pre Paid 2023/2024 Real Estate Taxes 2023/2024 Personal Property Taxes 2022/2023 Real Estate Taxes 2022/2023 Personal Property Taxes TOTAL	\$ 10,964.56 \$2,389,582.50 28,494.02 7,054.20 252.11	\$ 2,436,347.39
TAX LIENS 2020 2021 2022 Interests and Costs TOTAL	\$ 211.19 16,907.53 45,234.00 10,191.00	\$ 72,543.72
EXCISE TAXES Auto Boat TOTAL	\$382,953.45 1,905.70	\$ 384,859.15
REC. FROM STATE GOVERNMENT State Revenue Sharing Homestead/Bete DOT Local Road Assist. Tree Growth Veteran General Assistance Solar Snowmobile Refund TOTAL	\$185,433.11 130,998.00 51,108.00 25,961.75 1,972.00 4,483.21 41,919.00 714.96	\$ 442,590.03
MISCELLANEOUS TOWN RECEIPTS Insurance Reimbursements Dog License Fees Vital Record Fees Dog Fines Copier Fees Building Permit Fees Plumbing Permit Fees Franchise Fees Community Center Rental Fees Sale of Beach Stickers	\$ 4,134.00 222.00 1,711.00 500.00 15.26 29,762.98 4,830.00 6,102.91 990.00 1,320.00	

TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$3,434,106.67
TOTAL		<u>\$ 97,766.38</u>
Agent Fees from MVD & IF&W	12,147.75	
BAK After School Program	33,128.68	
Cemetery Lots	100.00	
Sale of Town Owned Equipment	977.00	
Heat Assistance	1,824.80	

2023/2024 VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS	12
MARRIAGES	13
DEATHS	17

2023/2024 DOG TAX ACCOUNT

NOT SPAYED/NEUTERED	35
SPAYED/NEUTERED	100
KENNELS	<u>01</u>
TOTAL	136

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Bangor Savings Bank

North Baldwin Cemetery Acct. No. 4246643795 Interest Balance	\$ 2,361.23 10.05	\$ 2,371.28
Sanborn Farm Cemetery Acct. No. 4246643794 Interest Balance	\$ 591.97 6.44	\$ 598.41
Deacons Fountain Fund Acct. No. 4248643792 Interest Balance	\$ 6,355.25 41.90	\$ 6,397.15
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	\$13,162.18	
Interest	86.76	
Balance		\$13,248.94

CERTIFICATES, FUNDS & SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Bangor Savings

Certificate No. 77897 Interest	\$15,666.09 <u>93.94</u>	\$ 15,780.03
Town of Baldwin Acct. No#2500005422 Interest	\$ 6,380.56 15.91	\$ 6,396.47
West Baldwin Cemetery Acct. No. 4248638313 Interest	\$ 527.59 3.46	\$ 531.05
Fire Equipment Fund Account No# 4444772677 Interest Total	\$ 3,011.49 39.43	\$ 3,050.92
Combined Funds Account No# 4209673748 Re Valuation Funds (3) Rescue Fund (1) Equip Purch Funds (2) Fire Equip Fund (1) Total Funds Interest Total	\$137,127.16 <u>955.00</u>	\$138,082.16

2022-2023 UNPAID TAX LIENS

2022-2023 UNPAID TAX LIENS							
	As of 06/30/2024						
			Original	Payment /	Amount		
	Name	Year	Tax	Adjustments	Due		
Χ	BENNETT, MERRITT	2022	4,670.84	0.00	4,670.84		
	BERNIER, ELLEN	2022	1,466.58	65.43	1,401.15		
	BERRY JR, STEPHEN O	2022	3,324.55	0.00	3,324.55		
	BERTHAIUME, KATIE	2022	195.10	0.00	195.10		
Х	BLACK, RICHARD E ESTATE OF	2022	1,485.20	0.00	1,485.20		
	CAKISTO, CRAIG	2022	149.10	0.00	149.10		
	CALLAHAN, LAURIE	2022	54.59	0.00	54.59		
Х	CARVER, DEAN	2022	218.08	0.00	218.08		
	COLBY, MONICA	2022	169.55	0.00	169.55		
	COTTLE, TAMMY	2022	1,217.23	580.58	636.65		
	DARLING, ALAN T	2022	1,068.78	89.00	979.78		
	DOLE, MIKE	2022	161.88	0.00	161.88		
Х	ESTATE OF, URY, MARY	2022	504.75	0.00	504.75		
	FIELD, KRISTEN	2022	158.05	0.00	158.05		
	FITZGERALD, CAROL	2022	161.88	0.00	161.88		
	GOOGINS, ROBERT	2022	147.83	0.00	147.83		
Χ	GUPTILL, JOEL O JR	2022	2,927.52	0.00	2,927.52		
	GUPTILL, ROYCE C.	2022	322.83	0.00	322.83		
	HEBERT, MARANDA	2022	117.17	0.00	117.17		
	HORAK, DAWN	2022	166.99	0.00	166.99		
Χ	JOHNSON, RANDY E	2022	411.81	0.00	411.81		
	KEENAN, TIM & DIANE	2022	253.85	0.00	253.85		
Χ	KEENE, MATTHEW R	2022	2,506.15	0.00	2,506.15		
Χ	LEO, ROCCO	2022	1,716.39	0.00	1,716.39		
	LEONA, JANET	2022	165.71	0.00	165.71		
Х	LEVESQUE, SYLVIA G	2022	2,842.99	0.00	2,842.99		
Χ	LGJ GENERAL CONSTRUCTION INC	2022	1,598.87	109.09	1,489.78		
Х	OBRIEN, KENNETH HEIRS	2022	273.01	0.00	273.01		
	POTVIN, BEN	2022	271.74	0.00	271.74		
	RHODES, LARRY	2022	144.00	0.00	144.00		
	SANBORN, CLINTON	2022	630.66	0.00	630.66		
	SANBORN, DENNIS L JR	2022	1,210.57	0.00	1,210.57		
Χ	SANBORN, DOREEN	2022	1,810.92	0.00	1,810.92		
	SANBORN, GRACE	2022	1,919.19	1,000.00	919.19		
Х	SMALL, HEATHER MARIE	2022	1,176.08	0.00	1,176.08		
	STACEY, JAMES	2022	2,227.32	0.00	2,227.32		
Х	STERLING, ALLEN E & SHIRLEY J	2022	3,380.74	3,346.21	34.53		
	SWASEY, EVERETT	2022	100.57	0.00	100.57		
Χ	THERRIAULT, JOSHUA R	2022	2,296.30	1,829.38	466.92		
	YATES, DANIEL	2022	204.03	0.00	204.03		
	Total		43,829.40	7,019.69	36,809.71		

X = Paid in Full as of 06/30/2025

2023-2024 UNPAID TAXES

As of 06-30-2024

		Original	Payment /	Amount
Name	Year	Tax	Adjustments	Due
BABBIDGE, TINA	2023	478.95	- 0.00	478.95
BARRIAULT, EDGAR S	2023	391.09	164.91	226.18
BARRON, J D & BELINDA	2023	2,829.75	1,413.16	1,416.59
BENNETT, MERRITT	2023	5,061.52	- 0.00	5,061.52
BERNIER, ELLEN	2023	3,346.95	- 0.00	3,346.95
BERRY JR, STEPHEN O	2023	6,644.31	- 0.00	6,644.31
BLACK, KEVEN	2023	1,959.71	- 0.00	1,959.71
BLAIS, DAVID J	2023	533.50	-0.00	533.50
BOULANGER, DEBORAH	2023	973.48	- 0.00	973.48
BOULANGER, DEBORAH	2023	375.51	- 0.00	375.51
BROWN, JASON E.	2023	357.08	- 0.00	357.08
BUCKLEY, BRADLEY T	2023	4,660.51	- 0.00	4,660.51
C & D ENTERPRISES, LLC	2023	378.34	177.46	200.88
CAKISTO, CRAIG	2023	123.28	- 0.00	123.28
CARNEY, ROSALYNN A + PETER M	2023	42.51	9.59	32.92
CARTER, LEROY J + RITA A	2023	2,733.39	2,715.14	18.25
CARVER, DEAN	2023	199.80	- 0.00	199.80
COE, BRENDA	2023	762.35	- 0.00	762.35
COLBY, MONICA	2023	12.75	- 0.00	12.75
COLLINS, TIMOTHY	2023	250.81	- 0.00	250.81
CONTRERAS, MARIANA C P	2023	1,443.92	- 0.00	1,443.92
COOK, CHRISTINE	2023	2,241.69	- 0.00	2,241.69
COTTLE, TAMMY	2023	2,747.56	- 0.00	2,747.56
DALRYMPLE, LORI	2023	157.29	- 0.00	157.29
DARLING, ALAN T	2023	1,143.52	- 0.00	1,143.52
DAY, NELLIE	2023	1,312.79	645.50	667.29
DIONNE, ALAN	2023	172.87	- 0.00	172.87
DROWN, DONALD E. & DIANN	2023	3,259.95	1,618.27	1,641.68
ELDRIDGE, CLIFTON JR	2023	537.04	- 0.00	537.04
ESTATE OF, URY, MARY	2023	2,705.05	- 0.00	2,705.05
ESTATE OF, URY, MARY	2023	758.10	- 0.00	758.10
FARRIN, ROBERT D. + SHEILA A	2023	3,478.74	3,453.39	25.35
FAULK, JERMAINE	2023	1,251.21	- 0.00	1,251.21
FAULKNER, BENJAMIN M	2023	2,383.39	1,179.99	1,203.40
FAULKNER, BENJAMIN M	2023	4,289.26	2,132.92	2,156.34
FAULKNER, BENJAMIN M	2023	189.88	83.23	106.65
FAULKNER, BENJAMIN M	2023	466.19	221.39	244.80
FITZGERALD, CAROL	2023	137.45	- 0.00	137.45
FLANAGAN, JOSH	2023	8.50	- 0.00	8.50
FORD, DANNY	2023	959.31	- 0.00	959.31
FOSS, KEVIN D.	2023	573.89	543.42	30.47
FULLER, JAIME LYNNE	2023	2,506.67	1,241.63	1,265.04
FULLER, ROBERT SR W	2023	2,287.04	- 0.00	2,287.04
FULLER, WAYNE	2023	614.98	295.78	319.20
FULLER, WAYNE A	2023	429.35	202.97	226.38
FULLER, WAYNE A	2023	369.84	173.21	196.63

GOOGINS, ROBERT	2023	121.86	- 0.00	121.86
GORELOV, ALEXANDER	2023	443.52	- 0.00	443.52
GORELOV, ALEXANDER	2023	610.73	- 0.00	610.73
GRANT, MIKE	2023	192.71	83.29	109.42
GUPTILL, JOEL O JR	2023	3,215.17	- 0.00	3,215.17
GUPTILL, ROYCE C.	2023	315.99	- 0.00	315.99
HENDERSON, DAWN	2023	174.29	- 0.00	174.29
HERMAWAN, RINI	2023	172.87	- 0.00	172.87
JOHNSON, RANDY E	2023	488.87	- 0.00	488.87
KEENAN, TIM & DIANE	2023	239.47	- 0.00	239.47
KEENE, MATTHEW R	2023	3,363.96	- 0.00	3,363.96
KNIGHT, FRANK	2023	1,120.85	677.28	443.57
LABRECQUE, EVAN J	2023	2,465.58	- 0.00	2,465.58
LDJ LLC	2023	2,095.74	- 0.00	2,095.74
LEO, ROCCO	2023	1,861.94	- 0.00	1,861.94
LEONA, JANET	2023	141.70	- 0.00	141.70
LIBBY, TYLER R.	2023	2,339.47	2,134.24	205.23
MACDONALD, JAMES M	2023	1,589.87	784.03	805.84
MADORE, CORY	2023	133.20	- 0.00	133.20
MARIER, JAMES	2023	188.46	- 0.00	188.46
MASTERA, JEFFERY A	2023	1,212.95	- 0.00	1,212.95
MAZZILLO, PATRICK	2023	396.76	- 0.00	396.76
MERCIER, CAROL A	2023	1,745.74	843.19	902.55
MERRILL, JASON	2023	202.63	- 0.00	202.63
MORSE, JOE	2023	25.51	- 0.00	25.51
MURRAY, STEPHEN M	2023	1,886.03	- 0.00	1,886.03
NADEAU, JOSEPH	2023	154.45	65.52	88.93
OBRIEN, KENNETH	2023	2,294.97	1,898.13	396.84
OBRIEN, KENNETH HEIRS	2023	260.73	- 0.00	260.73
PARKER, CODY	2023	391.09	7.80	383.29
PEARE, SCOTT & KATHY	2023	469.03	- 0.00	469.03
PIERROTTI, J KEITH	2023	1,014.57	- 0.00	1,014.57
RANKIN, JOE & RITA	2023	2,518.86	1,247.72	1,271.14
RANKIN, JOSEPH DUNHAM	2023	602.23	- 0.00	602.23
RIKER, JASON	2023	187.04	- 0.00	187.04
ROWE III, ARTHUR	2023	333.00	155.60	177.40
ROWE III, ARTHUR	2023	430.77	193.93	236.84
SANBORN, DENNIS L JR	2023	1,322.06	- 0.00	1,322.06
SANBORN, DOREEN	2023	1,988.05	- 0.00	1,988.05
SANBORN, GRACE	2023	2,374.89	- 0.00	2,374.89
SANBORN, MATTHEW C	2023	303.24	- 0.00	303.24
SCHROEDER, PHYLLIS (TRUST)	2023	1,832.18	- 0.00	1,832.18
SHAW, NORMAN	2023	1,203.03	589.81	613.22
SHIELDS, MICHAEL & BRENDA	2023	3,121.65	1,549.12	1,572.53
SMALL, HEATHER MARIE	2023	1,262.55	- 0.00	1,262.55
SMITH, AL J. & SHARON E	2023	1,731.57	- 0.00	1,731.57
SOUTHWORTH, JAMES	2023	3,465.98	- 0.00	3,465.98
SOW SOLAR INC	2023	2,112.75	1,046.74	1,066.01
STACEY, JAMES	2023	2,449.99	- 0.00	22,449.99
STACEY, LAWRENCE J. & KATHERINE	2023	1,699.06	1,127.97	571.09
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STERLING, ALLEN E & SHIRLEY J	2023	3,250.31	- 0.00	3,250.31

SWASEY, EVERETT	2023	69.43	- 0.00	69.43
THERRIAULT, JOSHUA R	2023	1,679.15	1,124.28	554.87
THERRIAULT, JOSHUA R	2023	2,526.51	- 0.00	2,526.51
THOMAS, KORY ALAN	2023	467.61	222.22	245.39
THORNE, NICHOLAS	2023	837.45	779.69	57.76
TIBBETTS, KATHLEEN A	2023	738.26	358.03	380.23
VON TRAPP FAMILY LLC	2023	488.87	232.73	256.14
VON TRAPP FAMILY LLC	2023	5,193.31	2,584.95	2,608.36
WARREN, WILLIAM	2023	330.16	- 0.00	330.16
WEBSTER, JONATHAN R	2023	1,494.94	- 0.00	1,494.94
WOLSKE, ROB	2023	167.21	- 0.00	167.21
WOOD, JOANNE	2023	3,005.46	1,491.02	1,514.44
YATES, DANIEL	2023	184.21	- 0.00	184.21
TOTAL		153,653.27	39,265.33	113,774.75

UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY

Tax Year: 2021-1 To 2023-1 As of: 06/30/2024

					Original	Payments/	Amount
	Acct		Name	Year	Tax	Adjustments	Due
	73	Р	AAA MASONRY & PROPERTY SERVICE	2021	351.00	0.00	351.00
	73	Р	AAA MASONRY & PROPERTY SERVICE	2022	156.60	0.00	156.60
	73	Р	AAA MASONRY & PROPERTY SERVICE	2022	347.76	0.00	347.76
	73	Р	AAA MASONRY & PROPERTY SERVICE	2023	386.84	0.00	386.84
	112	Р	BEAULIEU, MONIQUE	2023	39.68	0.00	39.68
	76	Р	BURNELL, CHRIS	2023	66.60	33.30	33.30
	42	Р	CENTRAL MAINE POWER	2023	269.23	155.09	114.14
	77	Р	CIMENT QUEBEC	2022	260.82	0.00	260.82
	77	Р	CIMENT QUEBEC	2023	279.15	0.00	279.15
	47	Р	FIN LLC	2021	197.60	0.00	197.60
	47	Р	FIN LLC	2022	201.20	0.00	201.20
	47	Р	FIN LLC	2023	255.06	0.00	255.06
	78	Р	GRANDPA JOES SUGAR SHACK	2021	123.50	0.00	123.50
	78	Р	GRANDPA JOES SUGAR SHACK	2022	55.10	0.00	55.10
	78	Р	GRANDPA JOES SUGAR SHACK	2022	130.41	0.00	130.41
	78	Р	GRANDPA JOES SUGAR SHACK	2023	140.28	0.00	140.28
Χ	45	Р	GRAYHAWK LEASING LLC	2023	11.34	5.92	5.42
	120	Р	INTERPERSONAL COUNSELING	2023	12.75	0.00	12.75
X	101	Р	KICK THE MOON FARM	2023	60.93	36.10	24.83
	53	Р	KMF LOGGING	2021	521.30	0.00	521.30
	53	Р	KMF LOGGING	2022	232.58	0.00	232.58
	53	Р	KMF LOGGING	2022	460.78	0.00	460.78
	53	Р	KMF LOGGING	2023	480.36	0.00	480.36
Х	62	Р	NATURES WILDERNESS RESORT	2022	1,319.50	0.00	1,319.50
X	62	Р	NATURES WILDERNESS RESORT	2022	2,476.55	0.00	2,476.55
X	62	Р	NATURES WILDERNESS RESORT	2023	2,389.06	0.00	2,389.06
Χ	83	Р	RCS LLC	2023	192.71	189.92	2.79
	65	P	SADDLEBACK SOFTWARE LLC	2021	84.50	0.00	84.50
	65	Р	SADDLEBACK SOFTWARE LLC	2022	37.70	0.00	37.70
	65	Р	SADDLEBACK SOFTWARE LLC	2022	93.15	0.00	93.15
	65	Р	SADDLEBACK SOFTWARE LLC	2023	113.36	0.00	113.36
	66	Р	SAFETY KLEEN SYSTEMS	2021	130.00	0.00	130.00
	66	Р	SAFETY KLEEN SYSTEMS	2022	58.00	0.00	58.00
	58	Р	SANBORN CONSULTANTS LLC	2021	28.60	0.00	28.60
	58	Р	SANBORN CONSULTANTS LLC	2022	12.76	0.00	12.76
	58	Р	SANBORN CONSULTANTS LLC	2022	37.26	0.00	37.26
	58	Р	SANBORN CONSULTANTS LLC	2023	63.77	0.00	63.77
	43	Р	SCIENTIFIC GAMES INTERNATIONAL	2023	15.59	0.09	15.50
	119	Р	SHILOH MOUNTAIN FARM	2023	12.75	0.00	12.75
	67	Р	SOUTHERN MAINE COMPUTING	2021	58.50	0.00	58.50
	67	Р	SOUTHERN MAINE COMPUTING	2022	26.10	0.00	26.10
	67	Р	SOUTHERN MAINE COMPUTING	2022	68.31	0.00	68.31
	67	Р	SOUTHERN MAINE COMPUTING	2023	113.36	0.00	113.36

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X PAID IN FULL AS OF 06/30/2025

Code Enforcement Officer and Licensed Plumbing Inspector Town Report

Listed below are all permits issued from 07/01/2023 to 06/30/2024.

Residential Building 14

Commercial Building 7

Accessory Building 12

Solar Panels 6

Building Additions 2

Demolition Building 5

Driveway 7

Miscellaneous 10

External Plumbing 18

Internal Plumbing 20

Respectfully Submitted

Michael A Lee CEO/LPI

Planning Board Report

The year has been very eventful for the Planning Board. There are two trends which have taken up a lot of our time. One is the amount of new state laws being passed by the legislature having to do with land use. The other trend has to do with more people wanting to live and do business in Baldwin.

We worked on a new Cannabis Ordinance and a Floodplain Ordinance both of which were approved at a Town Meeting. We worked on a revision to our Land Use Ordinance which was turned down by the citizens of the Town. We also spent time on a Mass Gathering Ordinance which, ultimately, was not brought before the Town for a vote.

The Board is looking at a revision to our Shoreland Zoning Ordinance and our Resource Protection Zone map. We shall see how that all works out.

We granted one new Conditional Use Permit this year and we are working with an applicant on a major subdivision.

Sincerely,

Josiah Pierce

Planning Board Chair

Baldwin Community Auxiliary

2024 and 2025 were busy years for the Baldwin Community Auxiliary. On July 23rd was the grand opening of our thrift store, as of June 28th we raised a little over \$8,000.00. Other fund-raising events include selling Rada Cooking utensils, the Auxiliary cookbook, selling tickets for our annual raffle basket, selling ice scrapers hand made by our members, a bake sale at the library's annual book sale, gathering items needed at the Harvest Hills Animal Shelter in Fryeburg, and on October 19th we hosted our first annual craft fair.

Money raised went towards various causes including helping someone with fuel oil last winter, helping a single parent provide a good Christmas for their children, buying gas cards for patience so they can make appointments, we purchased turkeys for Thanksgiving, adopted a family for Christmas on the Givig Tree at Sacopee Valley School and with the extra money raised we were able to increase our Scholarship program.

Next year, our goals are to continue to utilize the west end of the Community Center, membership drive and collect items to sell in the store.

We would like to thank the Town and Community for their continuous support.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Dolloff President

		2024 Fee Income	2024 Budget	2024 Spent	2024 Surplus(Deficit)	2025 Budget	Budget Increase (Decrease)
Waste							
	ННМ		\$ 220,000	\$ 206,277.37	\$ 13,722.63	\$ 222,434.40	2,434.40
	DEMO	\$ 26,667	- \$	\$ 19,263.32	\$ 7,403.68	- \$	0.00
	ВИЦКУ	\$ 22,278	- \$	\$ 15,363.01	\$ 6,914.99	- \$	0.00
	ELECTRONICS	\$ 2,117	- \$	\$ 897.50	\$ 1,219.50	- \$	0.00
Station					- \$		00.00
	Internet & Phone		\$ 1,875	\$ 2,432.90	\$ (557.90)	\$ 1,900	25.00
	Electric		\$ 4,500	\$ 4,346.86	\$ 153.14	\$ 5,500	1,000.00
	Water		\$ 500	\$ 476.66	\$ 23.34	\$ 500	0.00
	Extinguishers		\$ 100	\$ 266.00	\$ (166.00)	\$ 300	200.00
	Repairs		\$ 5,000	\$ 1,320.00	00:089'£ \$	\$ 5,000	0.00
Trucks/Backhoe					- \$		00:0
	Fuel		\$ 18,000	\$ 12,335.69	\$ 5,664.31	\$ 16,000	(2,000.00)
	Repairs-Backhoe		\$ 5,000	\$ 2,305.88	\$ 2,694.12	\$ 5,000	0.00
	Repairs-Truck		\$ 20,500	\$ 9,238.25	\$ 11,261.75	\$ 20,500	0.00
	Dues/Fees/Books/Testing		\$ 3,400	\$ 991.26	\$ 2,408.74	\$ 1,200	(2,200.00)
Equipment Purchase/Repairs			\$ 14,000	\$ 747.78	\$ 13,252.22	\$ 14,000	0.00
	Compactor		- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	0.00
	Scales		\$ 1,450	\$ 1,515.00	\$ (65.00)	\$ 1,600	150.00
Payroll			\$ 96,390	\$ 100,335.79	(3,945.79)	\$ 107,187	10,797.02
Insurance			\$ 22,000	\$ 22,822.00	\$ (822.00)	\$ 28,000	6,000.00
Office			\$ 1,000	\$ 1,914.57	\$ (914.57)	\$ 3,720	2,720.00
Admin			\$ 6,000	\$ 5,167.18	\$ 832.82	\$ 3,700	(2,300.00)
Audit			\$ 3,150	\$ 4,850.00	\$ (1,700.00)	\$ 5,750	2,600.00
Misc.			\$ 1,100	\$ 1,301.28	\$ (201.28)	\$ 800	(300.00)
Total		\$ 51,062	\$ 423,965	\$ 414,168	\$ 60,858.70	\$ 443,091.42	\$ 19,126.42
Purchased New Container Paid With Reserve	ith Reserve		\$ 21,400.00	\$ 21,400.00			

TRI-TOWN WASTE FACILITY

Serving Towns of Baldwin, Hiram & Porter 208 So. Hiram Road Hiram, ME 04041



Tri-Town Waste Report 2024

Thank you to Baldwin, Hiram and Porter residents for your assistance in making the station run smoothly.

We started the year off strong with some administrative changes. We would like to express our thanks to Hannah for making the transition a smooth process for Emma and for helping contribute to Tri-Towns' financial growth.

This last year we were able to purchase two new Octagon Containers from our reserve accounts. This made it easier for the attendants at the station to manage the flow of waste. We were lucky enough not to run into any major or costly equipment breakdowns/repairs with the help of our staff maintaining our equipment properly to ensure the longevity of their operations.

A few years back, the town of Parsonsfield was allowed minimal usage of the station and made capital contributions by purchasing two containers. This year, we were happy to expand their usage of the station to include the disposal of all items, with the exception of Household Waste, and the condition that they must go over the scales for all other waste. This operation has been running smoothly, with the cooperation of the residents of Parsonsfield and station Attendants.

As most of you may know, the cost of mostly everything in the world continues to increase. We experienced increases in our tipping fees of 3.75%. In turn, we had to make some adjustments to our fees. Those affected include electronic waste, bulky waste, construction debris, and mattresses. Recyclables do not have a tipping fee; however, we do have to include trucking fees.

This year we want to continue to run our budget in a way that we can grow our fund balance, so that hopefully in the next year, we don't have to keep going back to the taxpayers requesting more money. We were able to keep our increases minimal. Our HHW increased due to the increase in tipping fees, and the influx in waste, therefore resulting in more trips made to dispose. Most others are typical increases due to inflation, with some that we were able to decrease or keep the same.

As a reminder to please recycle! All items that are put into the recycling bin we do not pay a tipping fee for. By not putting items in the household compactor the towns save \$105 per ton by recycling. It all makes a difference!

Respectfully,

Tri-Town Board of Directors



Sacopee Valley Recreation Council Annual Report for Baldwin

November 2024

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 Lee Jones and Jocelyn Nielsen. 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 Dances, open gym, cross-country skiing and ice skating, women's volleyball, pickleball, Friday night cribbage, and Easter egg hunts.

This past spring, we had many sign-ups for baseball and softball! We would not be able to have our successful seasons with these large numbers of sign-ups if we weren't able to utilize the ballfields in Cornish, Baldwin, Porter as well as some of the school ballfields! Karate continued as before at the elementary school gym.

Summer camps resumed in 2024 with great attendance and interest. We were allowed to use school indoor facilities and the Ossipee Valley Fairgrounds for two camps, we had track camp at the high schools, and softball, cheer and soccer camp was at the school fields as well as the Cornish fields. The Field Hockey camp and Flag Football camp were at the elementary school fields, and the basketball and cheer camps at the middle school gym. Pickleball was held at the tennis courts. Reading Camp was held at the Riverside Church. Swimming lessons were given at Sand Pond in Baldwin.

In the fall soccer and field hockey were both successful, as well as the continuation of the Cheer program that started back up a couple of years ago now. We were still using Cornish fields which worked out wonderfully. A high number of our youth signed up for basketball and this year we will be trying to add games at Fryeburg back again this year and Jocelyn Nielsen has a meeting in December with Waterboro, Buxton, Limington, and Acton to begin coordinating game schedules, securing referees, and setting league rules for those games. She is also working on securing refs and having the middle and elementary school gyms set up for home games. Cheer Program is looking to be in competitions again this Winter and their practices took place at the Baldwin Community Center last year and they will continue to use it this year as well. With high numbers Parsonsfield Town Office has been offered to SVRC and could help with getting all of the kids the space and time needed.

We continue to have expenses such as advertising, 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. 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)—58 Summer Camps—38 Fall (soccer, field hockey, cheer) ---43 Winter (basketball, karate) ---43

The article for the warrant----

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the Sacopee Valley Recreation Council



Town of Standish Fire/EMS

Central Station 175 Northeast Rd. Standish, ME 04084 Bus.207-642-3541 Fax 207-642-8213

Chief Rob Caron

June 18th, 2025

Greetings,

It's been another busy year for us on the EMS side of things, unfortunately due to a software change at dispatch I am not able to supply you with the call volume details other than the call volume was up over the previous year.

Standish just took delivery of a new 2024 Dodge Ambulance in February of 2025 to better serve the citizens of both communities', and we have been approved to order another one in July with a delivery date of 24-30 months away. This past year we also made both of our EMS positions at Steep falls station full-time positions as opposed to one full-time and one per diem. In January of 2026 we will be doing the same thing at our Central station, giving us 4 fulltime positions 24/7 to cover the Ambulances, we will still maintain two per diem positions 24/7 to cover our spare Ambulance in the event we have a third medical call or to staff the fire engines. This should give both communities a quicker and more efficient service for any type of emergency.

Earlier this year I was able to work alongside Chief Sanders and his command staff to help facilitate emergency response plans for Baldwin. These were excellent and productive meetings that we know will help both fire and EMS crews get to emergency calls without delay and/or try to figure out what the next closest available ambulance or fire engine is. My hats off the Chief Sanders and his command staff, this was a huge undertaking and a large project, but they were able to put it all together and with the help and support from Cumberland County Regional Dispatch Center and their IT team. It is all uploaded to their CAD system and e911 mapping so you will always get the closest emergency vehicle to your emergency (as long as the personnel is available).

This year we will continue with the second year of our two-year agreement with the hope of meeting this coming winter to discuss future options.

Respectfully,

Chief Robert Carron



Baldwin Fire Department

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West Baldwin, Maine 04091
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Chief.baldwinfd@gmail.com
Chief Steven A. Sanders

Greetings Neighbors and Residents,

I am honored and humbled to serve our community in the capacity as Chief of <u>our</u> fire department. There is almost always too much to discuss in this annual letter, so I encourage those who are interested to make an appointment to speak with one of our Chiefs. To address the absence of a Chief's letter in last year's report, my wife and I welcomed our first child to the world in April of 2024 and I was unable to meet the deadline to have a letter printed in the book. As Chief of Baldwin Fire Department I instill a strict policy of family 1st. As Firefighters we are unable to adequately meet the demands of our community if our family is not properly maintained. As another fiscal year comes to a close, I would like to highlight the accomplishments and needs of the Department in an effort to keep all those who are interested in a transparent feed of communication.

2024/5 brings a record year for emergency responses for Baldwin Fire. 165 incidents of various kinds surpassed the 2024/23 by over 20 responses. This follows a trend of a 10-15 call increase each year. As usual, the majority of our responses are traffic related incidents. Motor vehicle accidents require rapid responses and a wide variety of skills to address medical needs, removing people from vehicles without further injury and removing hazards on roadways. Last year's equipment purchases focused vastly on decreasing time on scene of motor vehicle accidents and decreasing time injured persons make it to an ambulance. In Baldwin, we have the fortune of having high ranking members of our fire department also working on our road crew. This means we have 3 people in town at any time who can respond to emergency incidents. Typically an on-call fire department, such as Baldwin, can have staffing levels of 0 during a weekday morning due to full time job commitments. We are to be grateful to our road crew that also dedicates their time to responding to our emergencies.

BFD has also invested in updating our automated emergency response software to FirstDue. This is a program that is more advanced than our previous (IAR) and the program that most of our mutual aid departments are using. As we move further into the age of technology, it is imperative we remain in congruence with our mutual aid departments for

better service to our town. We have also invested in upgrading our hose, nozzles and apparatus in an effort to decrease our time to stop house fires and increase survivability of dangerous situations. We have developed CIP's to predict spending and properly allocate future funding to keep pressure off our tax payers as well as meeting the future needs of the department. BFD has made larger strides than ever before in the last 2 years. We owe these advancements to the dedication of the officers of the department as well as the cooperation of our supportive tax paying community.

With all of these wonderful accomplishments and advancements, Baldwin Fire Department still has extreme needs to be addressed. Our fire stations are out of specification with the State Department of Labor. On our most recent inspections, we successfully made all the necessary updates to prevent the state from closing our fire stations. We are still in a position where we need to build a fire station. We have the land and the studies that show us what we need in a station. The two largest obstacles to overcome continue to be funding and timing. As Chief, I have had meetings with Senator Susan Collins and her aides who are aware of our deficits. I have met with building contractors, fire chiefs of our mutual aid districts and our selectboard to come to as many solutions as possible. As Chief, this is the primary focus of my work outside of daily operations.

Baldwin FD also continues to struggle with the national shortage of firefighters. Whether paid full-time or volunteer, Baldwin FD continues to operate with a staff roster of 14. We have proudly added and trained 2 members since 2023 as well as successfully launching one of our junior firefighters into the SMCC live in program. Throughout this national staffing deficit, Baldwin continues to persevere thanks to our mutual aid departments, supportive tax paying community and increased department incentives. Apparatus purchases are a focus of the coming fiscal year as our apparatus are aging out of specification with the National Fire Protection Agency. As a department, we are constantly assessing the needs of our community and designing our apparatus to provide a better and safer service.

In conclusion, Baldwin Fire Department has accomplished much in the last 2 years but has a long path to catching up to the increasing demands of the community. These developments will require nurturing the wonderful and supportive relationship we have created with Selectboard and town residents. I do not see you, the residents of Baldwin, as just residents or taxpayers. Many of you are family, friends and lifelong neighbors. I continue to instill the promise upon the entire membership of the Department that we will make any necessary sacrifice to remove you from danger and protect your property.

Thank you for your continued support and caring for our wonderful community,



November 2024

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

Greetings,

We are lucky to live in a place as beautiful and rugged as Maine. But this comes with challenges, and that's where LifeFlight of Maine comes in.

LifeFlight plays a vital role in our state, ensuring that people everywhere have access to critical care in an emergency. Whether it's transporting someone from a car accident along a country road, rushing a stroke victim from a coastal village to a specialized hospital, or responding to a life-threatening injury on a rural farm, LifeFlight is often the critical connector between our patients and their survival. Our aircraft, ground ambulances, and medical teams are always ready to respond, giving these patients the best chance on what is often the worst day or night of their life.

To make this possible, we rely on the support of many donors, including local communities, to ensure we have the resources needed to execute our mission. That's why we need Baldwin to join us in the Community Giving Campaign. Gifts from generous communities like yours support every flight and transport, every piece of medical equipment, and every minute of skilled care we provide to Mainers.

Since 1998, 278 communities across Maine have contributed more than \$980,000. Please help us reach our goal of raising \$1 million from caring communities across Maine.

Why should Baldwin give?

Every Mainer matters, and your contribution could help save someone you know— a neighbor, a friend, a family member, or even yourself. LifeFlight is not just for patients in northern Maine or the islands. It serves all of us across the state, bringing ICU-level care to your community. Since 1998, we have transported 15 residents of Baldwin, with 1 in the last year.

By contributing, you're not just supporting a statewide organization—you're investing in the safety and well-being of your residents and the educational programs that LifeFlight offers to first responders around the state.



The LifeFlight Foundation | PO Box 859, Augusta, ME 04332

(207) 230-7092 | info@lifeflightmaine.org | www.LifeFlightMaine.org



Why do other communities give?

Mark Dupuis, the Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director in Wells, says that his department faces an "ever-increasing response to emergency incidents." These include car crashes, fires, water rescues, and medical events in the community. Local first responders and LifeFlight crews work together to give patients their best chance at survival. "Wells Fire Department is a group of highly skilled and trained firefighters, EMTs, and medics who work collaboratively on all LifeFlight responses; we encourage other communities to support LifeFlight as they are able" said Chief Dupuis.

Thank you for your past support, we hope that we can count on you again this year. Please consider giving a gift of \$2000, based on a \$0.25 per capita rate. Together, we ensure people have access to the care they need when they need it. We are grateful for your partnership and commitment to this cause.

Enclosed are FAQs and supplemental information about LifeFlight, a map of Maine transport locations, and a map of supporting Maine communities. Please contact Ashley MacMillan, Director of Annual Giving 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.

With grateful appreciation,

Joe Kellner

Chief Executive Officer

LifeFlight of Maine

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Ashley MacMillan

Director of Annual Giving

The LifeFlight Foundation





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 ensure access to lifesaving care for every person, in every community in Maine. We bring the doors of the trauma center to the patient's side.
- 2. We care for all patients regardless of insurance status or ability to pay for care. From July 2023 June 2024 LifeFlight provided over \$2.5 million of care to patients without insurance or the means to cover the cost of care, as well as significant discounts for Medicare and MaineCare patients. Government payers like Medicare and Medicaid, as well as Medicare Advantage Plans, only cover approximately 50% of the cost of providing the services. LifeFlight also wrote off over \$300,000 to our charity care program. LifeFlight was built to work for Maine.
- 3. From July 2023 June 2024, LifeFlight transported 2,566 patients from 124 Maine communities, islands, and unorganized townships—about 1 patient every 3.5 hours. LifeFlight has cared for nearly 40,000 patients since September 1998.
- 4. LifeFlight's five helicopters, airplane, and critical care ground ambulances are equipped as fully functioning mobile ICUs. LifeFlight's critical care teams bring the trauma center intensive care unit level care skills, medical technology, pharmacy, blood, and more directly to a patient's side.
- 5. 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 2023 was \$596, and some towns give generously beyond what they are asked.
- 6. How is LifeFlight funded? LifeFlight operates much like a hospital emergency department, taking care of all patients and billing their insurance company. We contract with most major commercial insurance companies and participate in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. 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.
- **10. LifeFlight of Maine is more than just helicopters.** We bring the ICU to your community when you and your neighbors need it most. **Watch our new video and learn more at LifeFlightMaine.org/mission.**



Dear Friends of Baldwin.

With most major repairs and cleanup from past damaging storms now behind us we were able to continue working on preventive road work such as ditching, culvert replacements, and a few new culvert installs. New culverts were placed where water was not draining correctly along roadways and had become an issue. We completed a total of 11 culvert road crossings, in total 360ft of new culvert was installed or replaced over the last year. We have also been doing quite a bit of ditch work so far this season. We have ditched approximately 5 miles of road with that number increasing weekly. Along with ditching we have been able to accomplish some much needed roadside brush and tree removal.

Last year the Town applied for a Stream Crossing Grant, with the help of Calderwood Engineering. We were awarded the grant of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the replacement of the Pigeon Brook Bridge located on River Road. The project was put out for a bid, there were a total of five bids opened and reviewed by the Town. P.Y. Estes & Son of West Baldwin was awarded the project! This stream crossing had been deteriorating rapidly and after meeting with Mr. Brown from the Maine Local Roads Division of MDOT, it was in the best interest to act on replacing the crossing sooner than later. This project is scheduled to be completed by the Fall of 2025. Our estimated total cost for the project is expected to be about \$320,000. The Town share is expected to be \$120,000 of the total cost.

I recently applied for the Ed McDonald Safety Grant, we were awarded this grant as well! The grant funds are to be used for the purchase of new safety equipment including; new signs, traffic cones and several other items to help keep the road crew and drivers safe during road work or weather related incidents. The total received by the Town from this grant was \$2,391.60. Any grant funds that the Town is awarded are a benefit to the Town and Baldwin taxpayers, regardless of how big or small the amount is.

Over the last year, with the support of the Board of Selectmen and the townspeople, we were able to sell and trade some of our older equipment. By doing this and working within the Town Capital Investment Budgets we were able to accept and enter into a five year lease program for a new wheeled excavator. We had received quotes from six different equipment dealerships, providing information on nine different machines. After narrowing down each piece of equipment and each quote to just a few choices, we chose the most fiscally responsible option, a Develon DX100W wheeled excavator. This was brought forth to the Board of Selectmen and the townspeople which approved the lease agreement. This machine has been a huge asset with its maneuverability and capabilities. We are saving time and money on every project we have been able to use it for.

Serving as your Road Commissioner for the previous three years has been an absolute pleasure. The amount of gratitude and support this community has given is unmatched. When I first started working for the Town of Baldwin there was no shortage of challenges the Town faced between storms and equipment. Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to serving you in years to come.

Respectfully,

Chris Harrington, Baldwin Road Commissioner

Brown Memorial Library 2024

Your Town Library has much to offer. There is free WIFI in the building and out to the parking lot. There are Audio books and DVDs (not streamable) and public computers. We have lots of puzzles, Story Time on Monday mornings and Crafters, most Saturdays. There are Rug Hookers in the Community Room and lots of books to entertain and inform and start your next adventure.

We are cool in hot weather and warm during the winter. Library Cards are free so you can check things out. For a small fee you can use the copier. We have reasonable rates for the Community Room (meetings, showers, funeral receptions etc.) and Vendor space around the parking lot. We always have a puzzle started. We can help you with most things.

Drop in when you get a chance.

The Community Room was used for Memorial Day, a Singing Pirate Band, a Quilt Show, Candidates Night and the Tree Lighting with a Visit from Santa. We also had a Kids Birthday Party, a Baby Shower, a Church Service, Grange Meetings, several of the Baldwin Historical Society Meetings, a Comprehensive Plan Meeting, a Maine Community Fund Meeting, an open house for a House Rep. Candidate and interviews for the Sand Pond Beach Attendant and an Art Show. Good parking and Handicap access.

1,402 books went out to 553 Patrons or their children. We had 45 New Patrons, 132 Visitors and 116 Computer users. Speaking of books; the Book Fair is the second Sat. of August. We sell over flow or books that probably wouldn't get enough reading time. This is our primary fund raiser of the year. Most of these are donated by the people who live here. Thank You

Thank You to the Volunteers and Donors of: Books, Time, Money and to those who use the Library.

We can't keep your Library open without you. *Adventure Begins with Your Library*

Hours: Mon. 9-1, Wed. 2-5, Fri. 1-5, Sat. 9-1 Phone: 207-787-3155

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2 Norton Place, Baldwin (113X107) at blinking light



Dear Baldwin Residents,

Since its incorporation in 1991, Baldwin Historical Society has collected and preserved historical and genealogical information relating to Baldwin and its residents. It's amazing to look back and recall just how far we have traveled forward since Glenn and Norma Haines made the gift of the Chadbourne Homestead to us. The events of 2024 and 2025 have been a real loss to the town with the closing and sale of both the Mt. Etna Grange and the East Baldwin Congregational Church. These are history-changing events for us all as they reshape the landscape of this community. Their positive influence on Baldwin's people will not be here for the upcoming generations. We are grateful that we were fortunate enough to be a part of the deconstruction of these 2 buildings, determined to save what we could. All the furniture that we were fortunate enough to move is now in a large display in the barn at Chadbourne Homestead, along with most of the ceremonial objects that were associated with their ceremonies. We were also approached by the church to take possession of a number of significant items regarding the history of their existence and the services they provided to everyone in need. But that is not all we do.

For the past nine years we have sponsored the May Memorial Day services held at the Brown Memorial Library. It was the wish of Wayne Haskell that the Baldwin military be honored by improving the original monument grounds and with the help of Larry Lord and friends BHS made it happen. Hours have been spent scouring the town in order to locate the 60-something family cemeteries that have become overgrown with vegetation. There are still a few (12) that our volunteers have not found, though we do know their approximate location. This kind of information will help all who come to us needing to find the grave of a family member. When this project is complete, we will have GPS locations for them and decorate them appropriately each year with their military flags. Doug Noble has spent hours researching and validating vital statistics information that can be researched by name. The program has been loaded on to computers here at Chadbourne. Wayne Haskell started this research back in the early days of his time here and had documented it up to the 1940's. He actually typed it up for a very large research notebook that we have used for years. Doug has taken the time to scan all the original handwritten ledgers of births and deaths in the town of Baldwin as well as gone back through all the town reports to validate the information. This has made it extremely easy to find these facts. His hours of compilations have saved us hours of time.

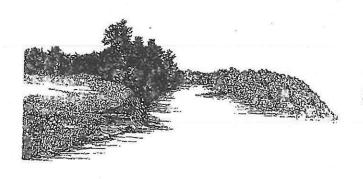
Also, we'd like to remind you that all the early town records previously held at the town hall are now being housed in our fireproof vault at the Chadbourne Homestead. This 8 x 6 saferoom was built especially to provide the capability of keeping all of these valuable documents protected in this temperature and humidity-controlled environment.

Our collections continue to grow and most importantly all are scanned into our Past Perfect system with an accession number on the file so that they can be easily located. We also scan all photographs into a program with the capability of searching not only a name but also a serial number. All those photographs are capable of being printed electronically in black and white, sepia or color. We can also scan your personal photos and print copies for you at a reasonable donation.

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 to 2025 and 2026. Chadbourne 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 PM. Please drop in....

Requesting \$7,000 With gratitude for your support,

Sharon Thomas Collections Director



Saco River Corridor Commission

"Communities Working Together To Protect Our Rivers"

December 30, 2024

Baldwin Budget Committee 534 Pequawket Trail West Baldwin, ME 04091

Dear Committee Members:

The Saco River Corridor Commission (SRCC) is pleased to report another successful year of water quality monitoring along the Saco, Ossipee, and Little Ossipee Rivers. 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 summary for 2024 with an analysis of the results, along with recommendations for water quality protection. This letter serves as an update on our water quality program, and a request for funding assistance to help keep this effort going.

The SRCC water quality program was created to help understand the issues affecting the Corridor's rivers, and to help discern how well the protective standards of the Saco River Corridor Act are working to preserve this crucial resource. We also want residents to have access to information about water safety factors like the presence and abundance of *E. coli* bacteria. As development and building continue along our rivers, the water quality monitoring program allows the town and the SRCC to monitor the success of protective standards put in place 51 years ago by the Saco River Corridor Act, and to react if we see sudden changes in local water quality. As we often hear in the water quality context, "you cannot protect what you do not measure". Thanks to volunteers and support from towns along the Corridor, successfully monitored water quality since 2001 at some locations, and the program has expanded over time to sample over 40 points on the river and associated ponds.

With that long-term baseline data, we can discern trends across the Corridor such as an increase of *E. coli* bacterial levels or increases in nitrogen and phosphorous parameters that can be driven by human activity. While changes in these averages are typically slow and must be viewed over time to give a better understanding, we now have enough data at many sites to be able to compare fresh data against historical conditions. If we notice concerning changes in one part of the river, we can expand the number of sampling locations and begin testing for new parameters to help determine what is affecting the water quality. We are also able to see the effects, if any, of sudden events like extreme floods or spills.

With 2024's moderate rainfall during the sampling season, *E. coli* levels have remained generally good throughout the Corridor, though at the sites relevant to Baldwin there were a few overages, including one at the OS9 site that exceeded state safety standards, and two such occurrences at the O22 site. Thanks to our in-house bacterial sampling equipment, we were able to swiftly update municipalities and our online dashboard with new information when high levels were detected, and re-test within a few days to ensure the site has returned below state thresholds. With this information, towns can better inform their citizens of potential risks, and investigate possible causes of high readings.

The desire for swift information is growing as communities encounter concerns like aquatic invasive plants, increasing recreation, shoreline erosion and development. To help keep this essential program running, we ask two things of each of the municipalities along the corridor: First, that you encourage those interested in volunteering with the Commission to contact us, and second that you help

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support the SRCC's Water Quality testing and reporting program through an appropriation request in the Town warrant. Please consider the importance of this information to the health, safety, and enjoyment of the Town of Baldwin's residents and visitors.

In its FY25 budget, covering the period from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, SRCC anticipates spending \$57,682 on our Water Quality Monitoring program alone, not including our organizational overhead costs. The WQM program budget includes essential spending on in-house supplies and equipment replacements (\$17,300), lab testing costs at the University of New Hampshire (\$11,000), travel expenses (\$4,400) and the costs of our crucial water quality personnel, who keep the program running, process all samples and data, keep up our databases, communicate with towns, and coordinate volunteers (\$24,928). We find that most costs of the program except travel are rising with and above the rate of inflation.

All three sites along Baldwin's stretch of the river are tested for *E. coli* bacteria, as is Sand Pond during the swimming season. O22 is also tested for our full suite of parameters, which requires off-site testing. The approximate cost for these sites in our larger program is expected to be about \$3,700. While we are able to offset most of the testing and reporting costs with other funding, we do rely on town contributions to help fill the gap – and especially to help fund *E. coli* testing, which we estimate represents about \$2,000 of those costs. We cannot do this without municipal support, so we respectfully request that the following statement be included as an article in your town warrant:

"The town will vote to raise and appropriate \$900 toward the support of the Saco River Corridor Commission for its continued water quality monitoring program."

We would be happy to attend any meeting of the Budget Committee or schedule a call to discuss the specific costs of the SRCC water quality program in the town of Baldwin. We sincerely thank the Town of Baldwin for its continued support, and we look forward to providing all of our towns with many more years of valuable information. Our goal is to protect the value of the rivers and ponds in our area – we will do our part, but we need municipal support to keep the program robust. Please do not hesitate to contact us with comments, questions, or suggestions about the program or any of the work we do.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

Enclosure: SRCC Water Quality Report for Baldwin, 2024

SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION

"Communities Working Together to Protect Our Rivers"

The Saco River Corridor Commission (SRCC) was created with one purpose in mind – to protect the major waterways of the Saco Basin and all that these rivers represent to the people who live and work here. The Maine State Legislature provided the performance standards to initiate our program in 1973, and the current cleanliness and scenic value of the river is a testament to that effort. The Commission's role is one of partnership with our communities, and our standards apply to the first 500 or up to 1,000 feet of land around the Saco, Ossipee, and Little Ossipee, as well as the waters themselves (together called "the Corridor"). All twenty towns with lands in the Corridor can appoint one regular and one alternate Commissioner. Baldwin's two Commissioner seats are currently vacant, though we are working with the Town to find volunteers interested in participating. Representation from Baldwin would help your community weigh in on development patterns throughout the entire Corridor, from Fryeburg to Saco, and south to Acton/Shapleigh. Together, representatives from all our 20 municipalities help to keep the water clean and preserve natural resources, ultimately protecting public health and quality of life in our region. Clean water is one of Maine's greatest assets, and our volunteer Commissioners work hard to ensure the Saco and its major tributaries are protected from unsustainable or incompatible uses.

Development in Maine continues at a rapid pace. As areas are built up or used for resource extraction, degradation can occur in the shoreland area, along with water quality problems. The SRCC has kept up with the recent surge in development that started in 2020, and it continues to review each application for development near the rivers for its compliance with the Saco River Corridor Act. In 2024, the Commission carefully reviewed 110 applications for development within the Corridor.

In 2025, the SRCC will coordinate its 24th year of the Water Quality Monitoring Program. Staff and volunteers will monitor for dissolved oxygen, conductivity, pH, turbidity, temperature, alkalinity, phosphorous (total amounts and orthophosphates) nitrogen (total dissolved, NPOC, and nitrates/nitrites), and either *Escherichia coli (E. coli)* or *Enterococci*. Our testing takes place bi-weekly along the Saco, Ossipee, and Little Ossipee Rivers at 43 different locations from May through mid-September, with additional *E. coli* bacteria testing at certain recreational sites from June to September. Not all sites are tested for all parameters, but we add parameters where there are particular concerns or conditions.

To help communicate water quality testing results to the public, the map available on our website highlights locations with recently elevated bacteria levels. The site also provides links to the most updated *E. coli* test results. While our monitoring program is near its capacity for new sites, the SRCC is happy to discuss the possibility of expanding testing locations in future or adding parameters to existing sites. We are especially grateful to our volunteer water quality monitors, who make our current array of testing locations possible. We encourage those interested in volunteering to contact us ahead of the mid-April training dates each year, in hopes of expanding our monitoring capacity.

The SRCC's mission is to work with the communities of the Corridor to help keep the rivers clean and preserve quality of life in the Saco River Basin. If you have any comments, suggestions, or questions on any of our programs, please contact the Commission's office. We are located at 81 Maple Street in Cornish, Maine, where we have staffed hours Monday-Thursday, 9am-5pm. You can reach us at 207-625-8123 or srcc@srcc-maine.org, and you can find much more information on our website at www.srcc-maine.org. We sincerely thank the people of Baldwin for helping to protect the Saco River and its tributaries!



Saco River Corridor Commission Water Quality Monitoring Report, 2024 Baldwin Sites

Contact SRCC at 207-358-9695 or srcc@srcc-maine.org for questions, and see our website at www.srcc-maine.org

Water Quality Parameters: What are we testing for?

percent (%) saturation. Accurate dissolved oxygen readings are dependent on temperature and atmospheric pressure. Gases, like oxygen, dissolve more easily 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 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.

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 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 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 fhan 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.

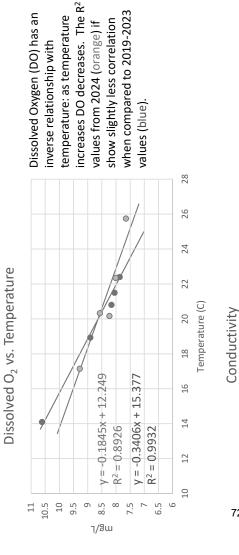
Non-purgeable Organic Carbon (NPOC): Also known as dissolved organic carbon (DOC), it is a potential energy source for plants and animals in aquatic systems. This is an important component for stream metabolism; high levels can be a precursor to high levels of bacteria growth.

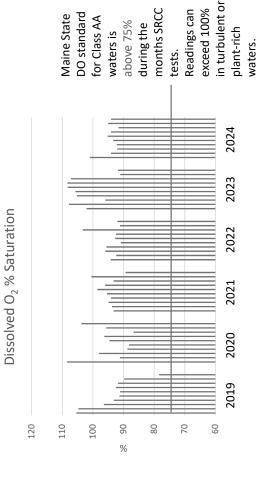
Water Quality Parameters Guideline

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
E. coli	Below a geometric mean of 64 CFU for Class B, naturally occurring for Class A
Total Phosphorus	Below 30ug/L
Н	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)	Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) No standard; usually between 1-10mg/L

S23- Below Hiram Falls Dam, River Road, Hiram

Monitored 2002-2012, resumed in 2016







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Rating	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Fair	Good
GFO	16.6	19.9	31.3	19.81	43.95	23.91
Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024

variability	No significant trends; data show low	variability	
Stable		Stable	-
Hd		Turbidity	

No significant trends; data show low

Explanation

Parameter Trend

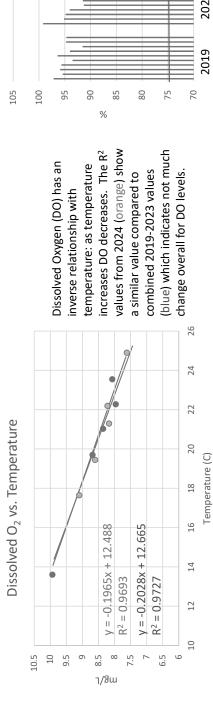
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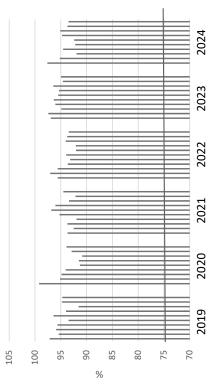
Class B waters is below 64 CFU. Maine state E.coli standard for

022 - Bridge at Bridge Street, Cornish- Hiram

Monitored since 2013

Dissolved O₂ % Saturation





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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.

2019-2023 ---2024

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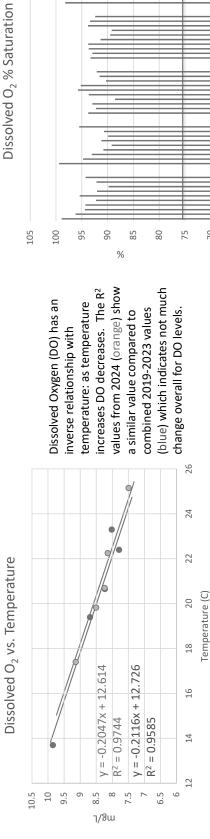
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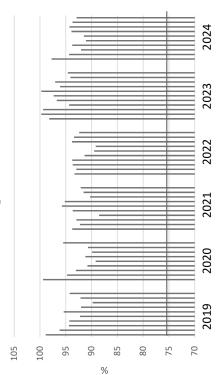
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Trends observed from 2019-2024 show levels within appropriate ranges for all except for PO_4 , which is above nuisance levels.

OS9 - Cornish Station, off of Route 5, Cornish

Monitored since 2001





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Rating	Good	Good	Good	Fair	Good	Fair	ndard for
CFUs	36.74	29.59	39.4	41.05	39.71	45.65	Maine state E. coli standard for
Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Maine sta

Class B waters is below 64 CFU.

Trends observed from 2019-2024 show levels within
appropriate ranges.

No significant trend; data

Explanation

Trend

Parameter

show low variability

Stable

Hd

No significant trend; data

show low variability

Stable

Turbidity

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

Rating	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
CFUs	4.13	6.93	3.22
Year	2022	2023	2024

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

Overall comments on Baldwin's water quality

- Baldwin's water quality for the sites tested in 2024 is good overall.
- However, orthophosphate at O22 is at nuisance levels. This combined with somewhat elevated E. coli values may suggest a fecal contamination issue.
- High orthophosphate levels can lead to overgrowth of algae and cyanobacteria and can be detrimental to human health.
- Ways to improve and protect water quality:
- Make sure there is a good buffer of riparian vegetation between human activity areas and running water. Increase inadequate buffers wherever possible.
- In areas of high swim activity, consider whether seasonal toilet facilities are feasible.
- Have septic systems inspected regularly, and encourage replacement of older designs that do not meet today's standards.
- Use best management practices to prevent erosion and sedimentation.
- Stabilize exposed soils with vegetation, check-steps, mulching, or other measures*
- Establish reduced- or no-salt areas around bodies of water to limit changes in conductivity.
 - Recalibrate trucks so salt stays on the road
- Consider if brining is feasible.

^{*} Stabilization using rock, gravel, fill, or steps/structures typically requires a permit from SRCC. Call 207-625-8123 to inquire.

Town of Baldwin 534 Pequawket Trail ME 113 Baldwin, Maine

Dec. 23, 2024

Hello,

I am writing on behalf of the Saco River Festival Association to request the town's consideration of continued support for the Summer Bandstand Concert Series at the Cornish Fairgrounds. The SRFA has been planning and presenting these concerts as part of our mission to bring quality music to the Sacopee Valley community and to support the arts and music in the schools. With municipal support, audience donations, and other fundraising concerts we remain committed to presenting the Summer Bandstand Series with no admission fees.

We have had positive feedback both from local concert-goers and from visitors, and many of the bands have asked to come back for future dates.

For the summer 2025 season we may need to change the weekday for the concerts, but more information will be published once the schedule is reserved and the bands are booked.

We would be grateful if the following Article would be included in the Town Meeting Warrant for 2025.

To see if the Town will approve \$500 for helping to fund the Summer Cornish Bandstand Concert Series presented by the Saco River Festival Association.

Thank you,

Mark Beever

SRFA Treasurer

Mark Beever



December 10, 2024

To the town of Baldwin,

Smooth Feather is a 501(c)(3) non-profit with the mission to empower communities by exploring life and relationships through filmmaking, the arts and the outdoors. For the past nine years, we have been working with youth in the S.A.D. 55 area to create a wide variety of films which relate to both their struggles and their dreams. We provide a safe place for young people to be vulnerable, to share about the difficulties in their lives, and to find a common connection with others while making films. One of the youth who participates in our program recently stated, "Smooth Feather has become a home for me. I feel that I am able to be my true self here."

Smooth Feather's highlights from 2024 include a comedy film we created called "Whatcha Washin" which was filmed at the Village Laundry in Porter. It was a hilarious production that included many locals who acted as extras. You never know what will happen when you bump into us at the laundromat! The film had a fun premiere where one of the film's star's Tyler Muise dropped from the ceiling in a laundry basket to kick things off! Then this past summer, we collaborated with one of Kezar Falls' greatest legends Colleen Coates to have her star in an action comedy titled "Nana's Heist" which was filmed in the old bank in the Stanley Building. Colleen rolled up to the film premiere in her convertible while wearing a red dress along side her co-star Rob Hatch who was also wearing a full suit. It was a packed house premiere and so much fun to have the community be involved in this film in so many ways.

We are thrilled to be headed into our ten year anniversary in 2025, and we are inspired to continue empowering our community through filmmaking, the arts and the outdoors. To view all of our films and programming you can visit, www.smoothfeather.org.

Last year we were incredibly honored and humbled to have Baldwin's support of \$600 and it would be a huge help to continue collaborating with the town as we support our youth.

Sincerely.

Silas Hagerty - Executive Director : Smooth Feather



Sacopee TV2 Annual Report 2024

As we do every year, we would like to first thank the towns for their ongoing support of Sacopee TV2. Without this continued support, this valuable program would not exist. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ron Silvia's family. Ron is the reason why TV2 is here and we are so thankful for all that he has given to us. We are dedicating the 2024-2025 TV2 filming year to him.

Sacopee 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 so much more. 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 Sacopee TV2 alumni have gone on to study broadcast communications in college and to pursue careers in multiple communications-related fields.

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.

Our YouTube channel allows viewers who do not have access to Sacopee 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 two years ago, we had 632 subscribers. Last year Sacopee TV2 had 755 subscribers, and we are currently at 838 subscribers. Our channel continues to grow each week.

Through the 2024-2025 school year, Sacopee TV2 has provided important events throughout the community that some may not be able to attend. With around 50 events so far this year. We have filmed 22 spring home interscholastic athletic events, we even filmed the Boys' baseball run to winning the State Championship (Softball, Baseball, Town Meetings, and School Board Meetings.) We have also filmed 28 fall events (Boys' Soccer, Girls' Soccer, Field Hockey,

Football, annual Cornish Horse Race 9/14/24, JROTC awards night, the Veterans Day Ceremony on 11/8/24, National Honor Society 10/29/24, monthly School Board Meetings and Parsonsfield Town meeting.) In the winter we will be filming events such as, Boys' Basketball, Girls' Basketball, SVHS Winter Concert, Wreaths across America 12/14/24, and Unified Basketball.

Thankfully, we have Mr. JR Stevenson our TV2 coordinator and Mrs. Sandra Taylor who teaches us in the classroom. We would like to recognize and thank Mr. Stevenson for all of the work he does to make sure that things run smoothly, Mrs. Taylor who has been here for TV2 for years without failure, and has been willing to step up to take on roles that were not her responsibility, all the Sacopee TV2 students, teachers, and the principal for their help to keep this wonderful program alive. The current students for Sacopee TV2 are: Brady Knudsen class of '25 (station manager), Jordan Muise class of '27 (asst. station manager), Josephine Connelly class of '26, William Betters class of '25.

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. Thank you again for your support and Ron Silvia, whom we owe everything for in the TV2 program and he will be missed, for making TV2 possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Brady Knudsen '25
Sacopee TV Station Manager

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Jordan Muise '27
Sacopee TV Assistant Station Manager

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FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 REQUEST FOR FUNDING TO: Town of Baldwin

FROM: Southern Maine Agency on Aging

Date: 01/31/2025

2025 REQUEST AMOUNT: \$1,000

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. For over 50 years, 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 the burden on families and caregivers and promote an active and healthy lifestyle for individuals as they age.

Our programs address basic human needs like nutrition, socialization, access to available benefits and services, and improving the health and wellbeing of thousands of Mainers. Our mission has never been more vital, and SMAA relies on the dedication of a 71-person staff and more than 375 active volunteers to provide its many services like Meals on Wheels, adult day programs at the Sam L. Cohen Center, family caregiver support, Agewell classes, support groups, and Medicare counseling.

How do we serve Town of Baldwin Residents?

Last year, 29 residents received the following support and assistance from SMAA valued at \$15,446

- **8** 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 **18** contacts with SMAA staff;
- 7 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 16 hours of support;
- 1 Baldwin residents received caregiver respite. These individuals are the primary caregivers for an elderly loved one in the community. SMAA was able to provide 72 hours of support so the caregiver can have time to run errands, attend appointments and take time for themselves to recharge.

- 1 Baldwin 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;
- 3 Baldwin residents participated in SMAA's Community Café and/or "As You Like It" congregate dining programs through which they received 17 affordable and nutritious meals, and socialized, helping to reduce their risk of isolation and loneliness.
- and **8** Baldwin residents, who are temporarily or permanently homebound and who cannot shop for or prepare meals on their own, received **1,061** home-delivered meals, safety checks, and vital socialization through the Meals on Wheels and Simply Delivered for ME programs.

We are grateful for the **all** senior volunteers that provided **23,527** hours of service to the communities of York and Cumberland counties.

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.

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 \$1,000 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

Cynthia Masterman, Development Database Coordinator

207-396-6571 WITH ANY QUESTIONS. cmasterman@smaaa.org



January 17, 2025

Robyn Anderson, Administrative Assistant, Board of Selectmen Town of Baldwin 534 Pequawket Trail, West Baldwin, ME 04091

Dear Robyn,

Thank you for the opportunity to be considered for funding through the town of Baldwin. As you prepare your fiscal year 2025 – 2026 municipal budget, The Opportunity Alliance (TOA) respectfully requests \$3,500 in support of the programs and services we provide to the residents of Baldwin.

As you will note in this request, **over the last fiscal year we have served 166 residents of Baldwin at a total value of \$56,300.20.** The programs Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), The Maine Crisis Line, 211 Maine, and Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) provide vital services that benefit residents daily. These resources help Baldwin residents build healthier and happier lives, fostering stronger families, individuals, and communities.

In the face of new and complicated challenges, our clients, staff, and long-time partners all around the state are exercising daily acts of resilience, kindness, courage, and creativity. 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 TOA.

For 60 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. With your support, TOA is ready to meet this need 24/7 with dozens of tightly connected programs and the experience, tools, and resources to help your residents navigate their own crises. Town funding is critical to this important work: providing food and heating assistance to families in need, building resilient communities with Community Builders, 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.

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 Anna Roberts at 207-553-5985 anna-patrice.roberts@opportunityalliance.org.

Sincerely,

Anna Roberts

Foundation and Corporate Relations Associate

50 Lydia Lane, South Portland, ME 04106

Phone: (207) 874-1175 Toll Free: 1(877) 429-6884 Fax: (207) 874-1181 www.OpportunityAlliance.org



List of services provided to Baldwin residents

- The Maine Crisis Line (MCL), the state's crisis telephone response service for individuals or families experiencing a behavioral or mental health crisis, took 12 calls from <u>Baldwin</u> residents at a value of \$120.
- 211 Maine took 71 <u>calls from Baldwin residents</u> at a <u>value of \$710</u>, offering crisis intervention, basic needs resources, and health referral information.
- <u>22 Baldwin residents</u> were able to access food benefits, nutrition and breastfeeding counseling, immunization screening and referral and more at a <u>value of \$17,604</u> through WIC (this includes clinical services and food benefits).
- The Heating Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) helped heat houses and provide utility support to 55 individual household members in Baldwin at a value of \$31,772.15.
- <u>6 Baldwin residents</u> were able to avert an energy crisis and receive emergency fuel assistance through the Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) at a <u>value of \$2,182.09</u>.

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. In addition to multiple streams of revenues for our programs, TOA's Development Team seeks out private support in the form of grants, major gifts, individual donations and planned gifts, corporate partnerships and sponsorships. We receive support from community partners such as United Way, as well as from foundations, companies, and local governments. We are in need of additional support to bridge the gap between existing funding and the cost of running these community-strengthening programs.

The Opportunity Alliance

The Opportunity Alliance (TOA) builds stronger communities by helping individuals and families navigate crises, 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 who are in crisis – and is a central resource for accessing essential services.

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TOA meets the community's needs with dozens of tightly connected programs that help families, children, and individuals overcome barriers to achieving a better life. And when they overcome these barriers, the community is stronger. With decades of service, we know that the spirit and resilience of Mainers, and they can accomplish incredible things.

The Opportunity Alliance is focused on every family we are able to help stay in their home, every child we can help feed, and every member of our community we are able to lift up during challenging times. 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.

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



Home Care & Hospice Foundation PO Box 931

Bangor, ME 04402-0931

207.780.8624 207.772.0698

Fax

December 2, 2025

Selectpersons and Residents Town of Baldwin 534 Pequawket Trail Baldwin, ME 04091

Dear Selectpersons and Residents,

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

Although Northern Light Home Care & Hospice, like many others across the health care industry, has faced numerous challenges in recent years, we have not wavered in delivering high quality patient care and striving to improve the health of the people and communities we serve. In the last twelve months statewide, we have:

- Conducted 112,015 visits to 6,753 home care patients
- Conducted 39,821 visits to 1,015 hospice patients

In addition to our hallmark home health and hospice programs, we continued providing indispensable public health services in the community. Each year we host vaccination clinics at community locations including schools, low-income senior centers, workplaces, homeless shelters, nursing homes, island communities, and more to promote public health in the community more broadly. We also provide vaccines to homebound residents and caregivers regardless of whether they are receiving home care or hospice services. In the last twelve months, we have administered 13,602 flu clinic vaccinations, 4,000 Covid vaccines, and close to 1,000 homebound vaccinations. We have also already scheduled over 350 community clinics to offer Flu, Covid, Pneumonia, and RSV vaccines.

We are heartened by these visitation and community health numbers. Even more so, we are immensely proud of the impact we have on the lives of our patients and their families. Some are recovering from illness or surgery or may be managing one or more chronic illnesses, while others are experiencing their remaining days under hospice care. The stories of lonely and isolated patients who look forward to their clinician visits are many, and the words of gratitude from families whose loved ones were able to pass more gently under our care renew our passion for the work we do. As an example of the good work we do, I share with you a quote from a grateful family.



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"We never could have given Mom the care we did without the hospice team. They were wonderful, caring, and compassionate while helping us through a difficult time with dignity and comfort. We are so grateful for the 'hospice angels' who helped Mom pass more gently."

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 with needs that go beyond clinical care such as shower benches, blood pressure cuffs, healthy meals, and more. Financial support from 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 FY25 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 we provided in 2024, and our FY25 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,

Suzanne Moreshead President, Northern Light Home Care & Hospice Senior Vice President, Northern Light Health



FY 2024 Statistics Ending September 30, 2024

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

Home Health Patients	6,753
Home Health Visits	112,015
Hospice Patients	970
Hospice Visits	39,821
Palliative Care Patients	45



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Town Of Baldwin Attn: Baldwin Selectmen 534 Pequawket Trail West Baldwin, ME 04091

Dear Mr. Dolloff, Mr. Flint, and Mr. Miner,

Thank you for considering our request for funding from the Town Of Baldin.

Through These Doors provides comprehensive advocacy and support services for victims and survivors of domestic abuse residing in Cumberland County. In fiscal year 2024, TTD assisted 2,856 of your friends, family, and neighbors in our work supporting victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence in Cumberland County. We responded to 6,831 helpline calls in which our highly trained staff provided critical support, resources, and safety planning. We provided emergency shelter services to 70 people including 31 children. TTD advocates facilitated 3,545 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 providing 139 educational trainings and awareness opportunities to a total of 2,328 participants.

At the core of our mission to end domestic violence, we anchor ourselves in the safety, innovation, and accessibility of our advocacy services. Survivors and Community Partners shared the following quotes about our services this past year:

"I am grateful for the non-judgement and support of TTD Advocates" - Survivor accessing EPIC services

"Thank you for everything you've done. You have really opened my eyes to what I've overcome"
- Survivor accessing Safe Reentry Program

"The more I work with you and your colleagues, the more respect and admiration I have for you and your work. I greatly value our teamwork" - Pro-bono Attorney

On a local level, last year 7 of the people we served identified Baldwin as their home. 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 funding to Through These Doors in your upcoming budget. We appreciate your ongoing support.

Sincerely,

Jenny Stasio, Co-Executive Director



March 2025

Select Board Town of Baldwin 534 Pequawket Trail Baldwin, ME 04091



Dear Select Board:

On behalf of the Baldwin residents we serve, Sweetser respectfully seeks your support in the amount of \$500. This past year, Sweetser provided mental health services to 13 Baldwin residents that included assertive community treatment, behavioral health home, New England Eating Disorders program care, outpatient therapy, primary care integration, and School-based services.

In 2024, Sweetser provided \$42,531.05 worth of services for Baldwin residents but received only \$28,633.52 in payments for these services. This difference is attributed to your residents not having an ability to cover the cost of treatment. No one should be turned away and no one is, but we can't do it alone. We need your help.

The last thing Maine families should have to think about when it comes to addressing their mental health challenges or the mental health needs of their children is how they will pay for treatment. Last year, Sweetser provided nearly \$1 million in care to individuals and families across our state in need of mental health services who didn't have the ability to pay. This included Mainers who were uninsured and underinsured.

We depend on the generosity of communities like yours, private foundations and individual supporters to help ensure access to mental health treatment is available to all. Your support will allow us to continue providing services to Baldwin residents regardless of their ability to pay.

We are grateful for everything you do to lift up individuals and families in your area. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 207-294-4476 or jhansen@sweetser.org. Thank you for your consideration once again and we deeply appreciate your service to your community.

Sincerely,

Jodie Hansen

Senior Development Specialist







(207) 935-4358 Phone (207) 935-7058 Fax

A Non-Profit Corporation 1389 Bridgton Rd Fryeburg, ME 04037

December 2, 2024

Budget Committee

To Whom It May Concern:

Harvest Hills Animal Shelter appreciates the continued support from your town as we continue almost 40 years of service to the surrounding communities. With funding over the past years, we have found loving homes for over 30,000 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 469 cats and 138 dogs, and a record number of kittens needing to be bottle fed. Every animal is evaluated, given treatment for any medical problem they might have and is put through a socialization program. We also perform any emergency treatments needed and our local vet does not do emergencies at night or weekends.

We were fortunate enough to get a 3-year grant through Maine Community Fund to able to spay and neuter cats and dogs from our contracted towns through vouchers at Rozzie May Animal Alliance.

We are requesting \$1.00 per capita fee from your town based on 2020 Census numbers, which for the Town of Baldwin would be \$1,631.00

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,

Joan McBurnie Shelter Manager



Serving the Municipalities of Southern Maine for Over 50 years

December 20, 2024

Town of Baldwin

Dear Member;

It's hard to believe 2025 is just around the corner! After taking the reins over from long-time Executive Director Paul Schumacher last July, I am excited to report the organization is busier than ever. In 2025, we will embark on a new Strategic Plan that will create a blueprint for our work over the next decade. I look forward to reaching out to many of you through this process and getting to know how SMPDC can help support your community's needs. Rest assured as we move forward, SMPDC will continue to be a regional leader and focus on bringing new resources and professional planning and technical expertise to all our members.

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 and cities in York County and southern Oxford and Cumberland Counties.

Our nonprofit provides affordable, valuable services to all members including planning assistance, access to federal and state grant programs, and collaboration on issues of regional concern. SMPDC offers technical assistance on land use, transportation and economic development - from providing traffic counts, road service management, grant writing services, to mapping and demographic information. This year we continue to see an increase in the demand for municipal assistance, and we have hired a new Planning Division Director and Community Planner and GIS Specialist to help ensure our capacity to support local needs for land use planning, housing, and mapping. In addition to these services, most of our towns still benefit from our cooperative purchasing program which offers savings on road salt, paving, and other town purchasing.

Regional planning is essential to meeting your local needs and those of our region. SMPDC's annual dues are the foundation for the services we provide to all the cities and towns in the region. They support our ability to provide quality programs and expertise to your community at an affordable cost, match our state and federal contracts, and tackle issues of regional concern.

Costs have continued to rise this year, and we are requesting a modest 3% increase to our dues. This increase covers rising costs of rent, and health and other insurances for our staff. Please keep in mind that our dues are still 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.

This annual membership dues request is for the upcoming fiscal year beginning July 2025. **Your dues amount for fiscal year 2025-2026 will be \$661.00**. We are grateful for your continued support and have included a page entitled **Benefits to All Communities** that details the services made available to you as a member of Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission.

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

Best regards,

Stephanie Carver Executive Director

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Benefits of Dues & Membership to All Communities

- A cooperative purchasing program for the region. SMPDC towns saved approximately \$225,317.49 through participation in the Copy Paper and Road Salt bids last year.
- > Dues provide 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.
- 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.
- Economic recovery and expansion funds to area businesses, including low cost loans and grants.
- > Reduced hourly billing rates for any requested additional or larger community specific projects.
- 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 \$12 million dollars in environmental cleanup 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 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 Maine DOT and municipalities.
- > GIS and mapping services for official zoning & shoreland 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 resilient 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 has resulted in resources for climate action planning any community can adopt and implement.
- > The York County Broadband and Digital Equity Coalition brings together partners and service agencies to address internet access and implement the Digital Equity Plan for the region, and work with the Maine Connectivity Authority to bring better broadband and increase access to the internet.
- ➤ The Economic Recovery Hub Program has provided technical assistance grants and financial assistance grants up to \$20,000 to region businesses who suffered losses from the pandemic, but were missed in original public grant rounds.



January 21, 2025

Baldwin Select Board:

On behalf of The Grateful Undead we are asking the Town of Baldwin to consider our request for funding in the amount of \$550.00 for 2025 to help us with our annual liability insurance for our all-volunteer organization and meet other expenses incurred to meet our mission.

The Mission of the Grateful Undead: The Grateful Undead supports aging in place by promoting knowledge and organizing services and activities that enable residents of the Sacopee Valley and surrounding towns in southwestern Maine to continue to live in our own homes and community safely, independently, and comfortably as we age.

The Grateful Undead is a group of volunteers from the Sacopee Valley area who are working on ways to help our seniors remain in their homes safely while providing a range of services: transportation, connecting seniors to resources, helping with home repairs, emergency planning and providing wellness activities, educational workshops, and socialization opportunities.

The Grateful Undead was very active in 2024. Through our Transporters program we provided a total of ninety-three rides to health care appointments in 2024, with twelve of them going to Baldwin residents. We have obtained grant funding for a new Community Connector program with Jamie Gleason being the main connector with our residents; this program helps seniors access the many state and regional resources that can help provide medical and financial aid. Jamie has already had nine encounters with residents of Baldwin since the program started in September of this year. Our Handy Helpers program has been busy helping to install ramps and with emergency repairs that might be needed. Our Resource List - printed and online - continues to be a valuable resource for Sacopee Valley residents. A senior supper is held once a month at a minimal cost for our seniors and is very well attended. A Community Café is held on Mondays, a Wednesday Walkers program, a Tai Chi program, and barn dances are also offered and are also well attended. The Community Connector grant money has enabled us to put a monthly Senior Friendly Events Calendar in the Shopping Guide to keep our seniors informed about what is going on.

We have also begun getting involved in Emergency Preparedness, given the increase in extreme weather events in Maine such as the April 2024 storm, and the disproportionate impact these events have on isolated seniors. We have established a committee that, with grant funding, filled emergency boxes that will be distributed to five needy older residents in each town in January 2025. One of our Board members is working closely with a recently formed Sacopee Valley Emergency Preparedness Committee, working to clarify policies and communication procedures for our community.

The Grateful Undead is a 501(c) (3) non-profit with seven board members representing the Towns of Sacopee Valley. We gratefully accept donations and are always applying for grants to develop future programs for our seniors. We are always looking for new volunteers to help in our work; Baldwin residents (of any age!) who are interested in working with us can message us through the contact information below.

We thank the Town of Baldwin for its ongoing support of our mission to help keep our seniors in their homes safely.

Regards,

Laurie Downey

President, Board of the Grateful Undead

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- 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. This fund is recommended to be combined with the Town Vehicle Reserve Account to simplify managing Road Commissioner reserve funds.
- 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 the 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 level will be set when identified in a Town Road Maintenance and Repair Plan.
- 11. **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.
- 12. **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.
- 13. 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.
- 14. **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.
- 15. **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.

- 16. 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.
- 17. **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.
- 18. 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.
- 19. **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. All ARPA funding has been expended as of 1 April 2024.
- 20. **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.
- 21. **Fire Truck Maintenance Reserve Account:** Funding comes from the excess annual appropriations for fire truck maintenance. Expenditures from the account are to be requested by the Fire Chief and approved by the Select Board. There is no minimum reserve fund level.

Capital Investment Plan

TOWN BUILDINGS												
	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	FY33	FY34	FY35
Assets Town Building Decemb Acct	\$81 171 07	£26 171 07	\$24.034.07	\$24.034.07	\$24 031 07	\$24 034 07	\$24 034 07	\$24 034 07	\$24 031 07	\$24.034.07	\$24 034 07	¢24 034 07
Iown building Reserve Acct	901,171,07	\$20,171.07	\$24,031.07	\$24,031.07	\$24,031.07	\$24,031.07	\$24,031.07	424,031.07	\$24,031.07	\$24,031.07	\$24,031.07	\$24,031.07
Withdrawals (see Total Annual Misc Below)												
One time addition to reserve		\$10,000.00	\$30,000.00									
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
Total Annual Contribution to the Reser	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Showers for Warming Center (Town Contribution)	tion)				\$0.00							
Vinyl Siding of T-11 21.3 squares(completed FY25)	id FY25)	\$15,000.00										
Electrical System Power Panel Replacement			\$2,140.00									
South Roof Replacement/ Roof Leaks (completed FY25	pleted FY25	\$50,000.00										
Isolation Valves Select Board Office Unit Heater	eater											
Boiler Replacement			\$30,000.00									
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Annual Misc Expenditures	\$0.00	\$65,000.00	\$32,140.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FIRE DEPT.	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	FY33	FY34	FY35
Assets												
Fire Equipment Reserve Acct	\$185,971.00	\$285,971.00	\$385,971.00	\$485,971.00	\$585,971.00	\$685,971.00	\$785,971.00	\$885,971.00	\$152,628.90	\$352,628.90	\$602,628.90	\$852,628.90
Withdrawal									\$883,342.10			
Fire equipment reserve account deposit	\$85,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00
One time addition to reserve	1						0		00	100	100	0
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
Total Annual Contribution to the Reser	\$85,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00
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
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
Total Annual Contribution to the Reser	\$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												
Accote	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31	FY32	FY33	FY34	FY35
Annual management	\$70.462.65	\$444 OOG 72	00 07 7 7 70 00	0474 202 00	\$76.7EF.06	\$440 7EE 06	90 029 000	\$400 670 06	90 020 020	90 029 0000	(\$0.000 77.00)	(\$000 000 DAV
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	\$42,446.92	\$42,446.92	\$42,446.92	\$42,446.92	\$42,446.92	\$65,000.00				4430,000.00		
ew Truck	\$289,981.00											
Blue 2015 1 Ton Black 2015 1 Ton			\$0.00	\$180 000 00	\$70,000.00							\$590,000.00
JCB Backhoe					\$215,000.00							
Excavator		\$27,500.00	\$27,500.00	\$27,500.00	\$27,500.00	\$27,500.00	\$71,085.00				\$200,000.00	
Annual addition to receive	00 000 09	\$180 000 00	\$240,000,00	\$340,000,00	\$240,000,00	¢100 000 00	¢100 000 00	¢100 000 00	£180 000 00	6100 000 00	\$180 000 00	0000000
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rgency Reserve Acct	90,479.36	111,479.36	\$ 111,479.36	\$ 111,479.36 \$	111,479.36 \$	111,479.36 \$	111,479.38	\$ 111,479.38	\$ 111,479.36	\$ 111,479.36	\$ 111,479.36 \$	111,479.38
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One time addition to reserve	\$60,000.00	\$10,000.00	00 0\$	00 0\$	00 0\$	00 0\$	00 U\$	00 U\$	00 0\$	00 0\$	00 0\$	00 0\$
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Pigeon brook Crossing (\$345,000)		675	\$319,999.00 64 900.00									
Withdrawal	\$20,000,00	0.2.2.6	, i									
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State and UDF Funding	00000	\$345,000.00										
ш	\$30,000.00	00.000,014										
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$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
	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$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
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Withdrawal	00.00	20.00	20.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00:00	90.00	20.00
One time addition to reserve												
Annual Addition to Beserve	\$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 Reser	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Public Works Facilities	\$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												
Salt Shed												
DPW Garage												
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
Total Annual Contribution to the Reser	\$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 Reserve Accounts	FV24	FY25	FV26	FV27	EV28	FV29	EV30	FV31	FV32	FV33	FV34	FY35
Tax Stabilization Reserve			\$ 69 400 00	\$ 6940000 \$	п	п	п	\$ 69 400 00	\$ 69 400 00 \$	00 00	\$ 69400 00 \$	
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Withdrawal	\$25,274.70	973,714.10	\$23,214.10	\$23,274.10	\$23,274.70	\$25,274.10	\$23,274.70	\$25,274.10	\$43,274.70	\$25,274.70	\$43,274.70	923,214.10
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	912,470.00	9	9	00 00	9	90 00	9	90 00	90 00	00 00	90	00 00
Total Annual Contribution to the Reser	\$12.470.00	00.00	00.00	80.00	00.00	00.00	00.05	00.00	00.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	90.09
ш	\$12,470.00	00.00	00.00	90.00	90.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00
Re-evaluation Reserve	\$36,210.19	\$46,210.19	\$60,210.19	\$74,210.19	\$88,210.19	\$102,210.19	\$16,210.19	\$26,210.19	\$36,210.19	\$46,210.19	\$56,210.19	\$66,210.19
Withdrawal		0	0	0	0		\$100,000.00	000	0	0		
addition to reserve	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
the Reser	\$10,000,00	\$10,000,00	\$14 000 00	\$14 000 00	\$14 000 00	\$14 000 00	\$14 000 00	\$10,000,00	i	\$10 000 00	\$10,000,00	\$10,000,00
Tri-Town Reserve	\$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	\$27,583,33	620, 110, 12	0.00	0.00	2.00		2	200		200	00000	0.00
reserve												
Annual 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
o the Rese	\$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	\$14,726.40	\$44,726.40	\$74,726.40	\$104,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40	\$14,726.40
Withdrawal					\$120,000.00							
Annual Addition to Reserve	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
e Keser	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
nsive Plan Reserve	\$5,719.92	\$4,962.33	\$4,962.33	\$4,962.33	\$6,462.33	\$7,962.33	\$9,462.33	\$10,962.33	\$12,462.33	\$13,962.33	\$15,462.33	\$18,462.33
	\$14,781.00	98,757.59	0	0	6	000	0	0000	9	0	0	0
addition to reserve	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
o the Beeer	\$15,000,00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,000,00
	\$48.050.00	\$48.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00	\$28.050.00
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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
Total Annual Contribution to the Reser	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



May 23, 2025

Selectboard Town of Baldwin Baldwin, Maine

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 year ended June 30, 2024. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2024 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

RHR Smith & Company

Certified Public Accountants

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Budgeted	l Amo	unts	Actual	Varian Positi	
	Original		Final	 Amounts	(Negat	ive)
Budgetary Fund Balance, July 1, Restated	\$ 1,012,896	\$	1,012,896	\$ 1,012,896	\$	_
Resources (Inflows):						
Taxes:						
Property taxes	2,565,483		2,565,483	2,547,590		17,893)
Excise taxes	 290,000		290,000	 384,859		94,859
Total taxes	 2,855,483		2,855,483	2,932,449		76,966
Intergovernmental revenues:						
State revenue sharing	184,600		184,600	185,433		833
Homestead exemption	140,007		140,007	130,998		(9,009)
Local road assistance	-		51,108	51,108		-
Tree growth	-		-	25,962		25,962
Veterans exemptions	-		-	1,972		1,972
General assistance	-		-	4,483		4,483
Other	 50,811		47,758	 42,634		(5,124)
Total intergovernmental revenues	375,418		423,473	442,590		19,117
Charges for services:						
Building permits	12,000		45,196	29,763	(15,433)
Plumbing permits	2,926		5,212	4,830		(382)
Clerk fees	7,500		7,500	14,097		6,597
Other	-		1,320	1,445		125
Total charges for services	22,426		59,228	50,135		(9,093)
Investment income	-			25,814		25,814
Miscellaneous revenues:						
Interest on taxes and lien	-		_	10,191		10,191
Cable franchise fees	-		6,103	6,103		_
Sale of town owned assets	-		· -	977		977
Lease proceeds	-		_	238,215	2	38,215
Other	-		715	20,774		20,059
Total miscellaneous revenues	-		6,818	276,260		69,442
Amounts Available for Appropriation	4,266,223		4,357,898	4,740,144	3	82,246

SCHEDULE 1 (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF BALDWIN, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Budgeted	lΔmo	uinte		Actual	,	Variance Positive
		Original	7 1110	Final		Amounts	(Negative)
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):								
General government		370,358		380,358		427,677		(47,319)
Maintenance		36,000		36,000		35,414		586
Community services		10,973		10,973		10,973		-
Culture and recreation		117,000		115,097		99,696		15,401
Protection		223,437		193,461		187,034		6,427
Cemeteries		10,000		10,000		8,136		1,864
Highway and roads		345,000		345,000		400,354		(55,354)
Health and sanitation		167,000		167,000		145,096		21,904
Education		1,737,140		1,737,140		1,737,140		-
County tax		134,767		134,767		134,767		-
Unclassified		62,652		50,070		255,523		(205,453)
Transfers to other funds		385,000		437,599		437,599		-
Total Charges to Appropriations		3,599,327		3,617,465		3,879,409		(261,944)
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	\$	666,896	\$	740,433	\$	860,735	\$	120,302
Utilization of assigned fund balance	\$	346,000	\$	221,185	\$		\$	(221,185)
Othization of assigned fully balance	\$	346,000	\$	221,185	\$		\$	(221,185)
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BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

		General Fund	Nor Ma	oved from nmajor Fund Road aintenance Reserve	G	Other overnmental Funds	Go	Total vernmental Funds
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,901,972	\$	_	\$	_	\$	1,901,972
Investments	Ψ	153,862	Ψ	_	Ψ	29,545	Ψ	183,407
Accounts receivable (net of allowance		.00,002				_0,0.0		.00, .0.
for uncollectibles):								
Taxes		149,504		-		-		149,504
Liens		71,217		-		-		71,217
Other		20,191		-		-		20,191
Due from other funds		1,159		375,753		811,758		1,188,670
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	2,297,905	\$	375,753	\$	841,303	\$	3,514,961
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	32,729	\$	-	\$	-	\$	32,729
Accrued expenses		8,264		-		-		8,264
Due to other governments		12,026		-		-		12,026
Due to other funds		1,187,511				1,159		1,188,670
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,240,530				1,159		1,241,689
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Deferred revenue						110		110
Prepaid taxes		10,465		_		110		10,465
Deferred taxes		186,175		_		_		186,175
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		196,640				110		196,750
TOTAL BELLINKED IN LOWG OF THEOGRAPH		100,010						100,100
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable		-		-		27,193		27,193
Restricted		-		-		20,168		20,168
Committed		-		375,753		797,898		1,173,651
Assigned		377,578		-		1,656		379,234
Unassigned (deficit)		483,157		-		(6,881)		476,276
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		860,735		375,753		840,034		2,076,522
TOTAL (140) TIPO DEFENDED 1111 1115								
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF	Φ	0.007.005	Φ	075 750	Φ	044.000	Φ	0.544.004
RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	2,297,905	\$	375,753	\$	841,303	\$	3,514,961

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Moved from Nonmajor Fund		
	General	Road Maintenance	Other Governmental	Total Governmental
REVENUES	<u>Fund</u>	Reserve	<u>Funds</u>	Funds
Taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 2,547,590	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,547,590
Excise taxes	384,859	-	-	384,859
Intergovernmental revenues	442,590	-	127,539	570,129
Charges for services	50,135	-	-	50,135
Interest income Miscellaneous revenues	25,814 276,260	-	- 45,779	25,814 322,039
TOTAL REVENUES	3,727,248		173,318	3,900,566
TO THE VENOLO	0,121,210		170,010	
EXPENDITURES Current:				
General government	427,677	_	_	427,677
Maintenance	35,414	-	-	35,414
Community services	10,973	-	-	10,973
Culture and recreation	99,696	-	-	99,696
Protection	187,034	-	-	187,034
Cemeteries	8,136	-	-	8,136
Highway and roads	400,354	4,480	-	404,834
Health and sanitation	145,096	-	-	145,096
Education	1,737,140	-	-	1,737,140
County tax Unclassified	134,767 255,523	-	273,083	134,767 528,606
Capital outlay	200,020	20,732	273,063	269,772
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,441,810	25,212	522,123	3,989,145
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	285,438	(25,212)	(348,805)	(88,579)
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	200,400	(25,212)	(346,603)	(66,579)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	-	165,000	272,599	437,599
Transfers (out)	(437,599)			(437,599)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(437,599)	165,000	272,599	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(152,161)	139,788	(76,206)	(88,579)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED	1,112,896	-	1,179,854	2,292,750
FUND BALANCE CORRECTION	(100,000)	-	(27,649)	(127,649)
CHANGE WITHIN REPORTING ENTITY		235,965	(235,965)	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, AS RESTATED	1,012,896	235,965	916,240	2,165,101
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 860,735	\$ 375,753	\$ 840,034	\$ 2,076,522

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

		Original Budget		Budget Adjustments		Final Budget		Actual	Pos	Variance Positive (Negative)
General Government -										
Administrative and Selectboard	↔	102,000	↔	1	₩	102,000	↔	122,341	↔	(20,341)
Employee health Management fund		46,858				46,858		51,295		(4,437) 1 500
Contingency account		115,000				115,000		131 438		(16.438)
Planning board		2,000		10,000		12,000		12,001		(1)
Town office compensation		103,000				103,000		110,602		(7,602)
		370,358		10,000		380,358		427,677		(47,319)
Maintenance -										
Town garage maintenance		20,000		•		20,000		13,661		6,339
Fuel for town trucks		16,000		•		16,000		21,753		(5,753)
		36,000		-		36,000		35,414		586
Commission Consison										
Collinating Services -		3 500		•		3500		3 500		•
Southern Maine Agency on Aging		3 750		•		3 750		3 750		•
VNA Home Health and Hospice		500		,		500		500		,
Home Health Visiting Nurse		006		•		006		006		•
Southern Maine Regional Planning		400		1		400		400		,
Through These Doors		1,000		•		1,000		1,000		•
Saco River Festival		300		•		300		300		•
Saco River Corridor		623		•		623		623		•
		10,973		'		10,973		10,973		1
Culture and Recreation -										
Brown Memorial Library		17,000		1		17,000		17,000		•
Baldwin Historical Society		10,000		•		10,000		10,000		•
Smooth Feather Youth Group		009		•		009		009		•
Sacopee Valley Recreation		4,000		•		4,000		4,000		•
Lifeflight		800		•		800		800		•
Maine Public Radio		100		•		100		100		•
Community Center		22,000		•		55,000		59,599		(4,599)
Community Center - Generator		20,000		•		20,000		1		20,000
Grateful Undead		200		•		200		200		•
Sands Pond Beach		000'6		(1,903)		7,097		7,097		ı
		117,000		(1,903)		115,097		969'66		15,401

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Protection -					
Fire district administration	15,081	•	15,081	15,024	22
Fire department	75,000	(19,609)	55,391	55,391	1
Street lights	8,000	•	8,000	7,980	20
Standish EMS	59,261	•	59,261	59,261	•
Fire truck repairs and maintenance	14,000	(6,529)	7,471	7,471	1
Animal shelter	1,525		1,525	1,525	1
Cumberland County Dispatch	12,570	•	12,570	12,570	1
Radio repairs and purchase	8,000	•	8,000	1,650	6,350
Fire department training	30,000	(3,838)	26,162	26,162	1
	223,437	(29,976)	193,461	187,034	6,427
Cemeteries -					
Care of cemeteries	10,000	•	10,000	8,136	1,864
	10,000	 - - -	10,000	8,136	1,864
Highway and Roads -					
Summer roads	125,000		125,000	136,723	(11,723)
Winter roads	200,000	•	200,000	229,437	(29,437)
Crushed gravel	20,000	•	20,000	34,194	(14,194)
	345,000	 	345,000	400,354	(55,354)
Health and Sanitation -					
Solid waste account	147,000		147,000	137,405	9,595
General assistance	20,000	•	20,000	7,691	12,309
	167,000	•	167,000	145,096	21,904

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Transfers to Other Funds -					
Tr-Town capital reserve	15,000 85,000		15,000	15,000	
Road emergency repair	65,000		65.000	65.000	
Town vehicle	1	•	6,529	6,529	
Revaluation reserve	10,000	1	10,000	10,000	•
Comprehensive plan reserve	15,000	•	15,000	15,000	•
River road reserve	30,000	•	30,000	30,000	•
Road maintenance reserve	100,000	•	100,000	100,000	•
Sand pond beach reserve	•	1,320	1,320	1,320	•
Sand pond beach	•	•	1,903	1,903	•
Training	•	•	3,838	3,838	
Tax stabilization	•	1	19,400	19,400	•
Contingency reserve	15,000	1	15,000	15,000	•
West Baldwin fire department	20,000	•	20,000	20,000	•
	385,000	1,320	437,599	437,599	•
\$ C : **					
Education - RSII #55	1 737 140	•	1 737 140	1 737 140	•
	1,101,1		1,101,1	4 707 440	
	1,737,140		1,737,140	1,737,140	
County Tax -					
Cumberland County	134,767	•	134,767	134,767	•
	134,767	•	134,767	134,767	•
Unclassified -					
Snowmobile	•	715	715	715	1
TIF/CEA-Legal fees	•	1	•	675	(675)
Lease vehicle purchase	•	•	•	238,215	(238,215)
Sacopee Valley Media Tech (TV)	•	6,103	6,103	6,103	•
Overdrafts	33,437	1	33,437	•	33,437
Overlay	29,215	(19,400)	9,815	9,815	
	62,652	(12,582)	20,070	255,523	(205,453)
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 3,599,327	\$ (33,141)	\$ 3,617,465	\$ 3,879,409	\$ (261,944)

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2024

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	P	ermanent Funds	al Nonmajor vernmental Funds
ASSETS Investments Due from other funds	\$ 274,324	\$ 530,160	\$	29,545 7,274	\$ 29,545 811,758
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 274,324	 530,160	<u>\$</u>	36,819	 841,303
LIABILITIES Due to other funds TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 417 417	\$ 692 692	\$	50 50	\$ 1,159 1,159
TOTAL LIABILITIES	 417	 092			 1,109
DEFERRED INFLOWSOF RESOURCES Deferred revenue	110			_	110
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	110	-		-	110
FUND BALANCES Nonspendable	_	_		27,193	27,193
Restricted	4,820	-		15,348	20,168
Committed	267,738	530,160	-		797,898
Assigned Unassigned (deficits)	1,656 (417)	(692)		(5,772)	1,656 (6,881)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	273,797	529,468	_	36,769	840,034
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 274,324	\$ 530,160	\$	36,819	\$ 841,303

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

DE /ENUE	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	 rmanent Funds	al Nonmajor vernmental Funds
REVENUES Intergovernmental revenues Interest income Other	\$ 127,539 - 39,954	\$ - - -	\$ 5,825 -	\$ 127,539 5,825 39,954
TOTAL REVENUES	167,493		5,825	173,318
EXPENDITURES Capital outlay Program expenditures TOTAL EXPENDITURES	192,013 192,013	 249,040 75,210 324,250	5,860 5,860	249,040 273,083 522,123
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	 (24,520)	 (324,250)	 (35)	(348,805)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers (out)	59,400	213,199	<u>-</u>	272,599
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	 59,400	 213,199	 - (05)	 272,599
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	 34,880	 (111,051)	 (35)	 (76,206)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED	266,566	876,484	36,804	1,179,854
FUND BALANCE CORRECTION CHANGE WITHIN REPORTING ENTITY	 (27,649)	 (235,965)	 	(27,649) (235,965)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, AS RESTATED	238,917	 640,519	36,804	 916,240
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 273,797	\$ 529,468	\$ 36,769	\$ 840,034

Town of Baldwin Comprehensive Plan Executive Summary

***To View the Complete Comprehensive Plan Draft, visit the Town's website baldwinmaine.org or visit the Town office to view or obtain a hard copy. ***

Executive Summary

Above all, this updated Comprehensive Plan intends to preserve Baldwin's close-knit, small-town character and maintain private property rights. By providing data, analysis, and ideas for implementation, the Comprehensive Plan aims to be a useful *tool* for Baldwin residents, committees, boards, and staff in pursuing opportunities and making decisions for a prosperous future. Because Baldwin has been ably served by the Town Meeting form of government for over two centuries, all our Ordinances must first be accepted by a vote of the Townspeople at Town Meeting. Ultimately, it is the Townspeople's choice.

Existing Conditions

Baldwin sits just west of Sebago Lake, 30 miles northwest of Portland, and 13 miles east of the Maine-New Hampshire border. The general land use pattern of Baldwin reflects a typical Maine mixture of scattered rural villages at major road intersections, residential and commercial development along main travel routes (Routes 113 and 107/11), farmland, and undeveloped forestland.

About 1,500 people call Baldwin home today. They live in 719 units, 83 percent of which are single-family homes and 15 percent of which are mobile homes. While Baldwin has historically been significantly more affordable than Cumberland County as a whole, affordability has plummeted in the last five years, and housing affordability in the community reflects that of the County. The population is aging, with a median age of 50 years old, and about 57 percent of the population is employed.

Plan Background and Purpose

The previous Comprehensive Plan was written in 1991. Since the early 90s, Baldwin, Cumberland County, and the State of Maine have experienced significant changes. This update to the Comprehensive Plan is needed to reflect the changed conditions and provide an action plan relevant to the Baldwin of today.

To lead the update of the Comprehensive Plan, Baldwin created a Comprehensive Plan Committee, comprised of ten residents, including three Planning Board members and one Select Board member. The Comprehensive Plan Committee met approximately every month starting in August of 2022 through 2024, and meetings were open to the public. The Committee created and distributed a survey which garnered over 120 unique responses. They also hosted two public workshops, fall of 2023 and winter of 2025, to provide the community with opportunities to shape the Comprehensive Plan in greater detail.

Plan Outcomes

This Comprehensive Plan has several key outcomes. They are conveyed in 1) the Vision, which summarizes Baldwin's future desires (pages 7 and 65); 2) the Future Land Use Plan, which establishes the desired land uses in Baldwin and influences what zoning decisions can be made (page 8 and 66 to 70); and 3) the Implementation Table, which outlines the strategies and tactics that the Town will use to implement its goals over the next five to ten years (pages 8 and 73 to 78).

The heart of the Comprehensive Plan are Vision and Goal statements. The Vision and Goals summarize what is most important to Baldwin and identify the community's hopes for Baldwin over the next ten to twenty years. Whenever the Select Board, Planning Board, and others implement this Plan, the work should reflect and promote the Vision and Goals.

Vision:

The people of Baldwin cherish their proximity to nature, sense of community, and self-sufficiency. As a close-knit community with pride in its historic and rural roots, Baldwin will balance small-town simplicity with the recognition of today's changing environment, especially emerging housing and service needs. Baldwin will retain its quiet, rural character by preserving large tracts of undeveloped land, supporting working woodlands and farmlands, continuing to allow areas for large residential lots, and promoting small, local businesses. Baldwin will foster a high quality of life for residents of all ages that will encourage future generations to continue to call Baldwin home.

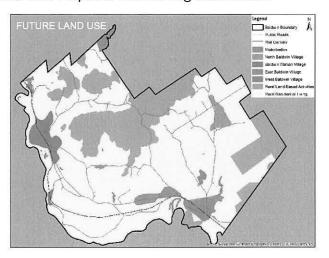
Goals:

- 1. Maintain the open, rural, and small-town character of Baldwin.
- 2. Make growth-related decisions based on infrastructure capacity, environmental conservation, and town finances.
- 3. Rights of property owners must be maintained. There should be a clear and compelling reason for the Town to limit property rights.
- 4. Promote a high quality of life for families and people of all ages, ethnicities, and incomes.
- 5. Keep Baldwin affordable and fiscally responsible.
- 6. Make Baldwin an environmental, natural-resource based business-friendly community.
- 7. Protect Baldwin's unique and important natural resources.
- 8. Conserve Baldwin's largely natural, undeveloped pattern of land uses. Increase access to and responsible use of open spaces.

- 9. Maintain a safe and effective roadway system for vehicles, bicyclists, and people walking.
- 10. Maintain Baldwin's historic development pattern.
- 11. Celebrate Baldwin's history as an agrarian and forest-based community.

Future Land Use Plan

The Future Land Use Plan designates areas of the community that are most and least suited for future development in various forms, including residential, commercial, open space, or natural resource industries. This Future Land Use Plan strategically directs expected growth to areas where it will be best served by municipal facilities and services, minimizes areas that allow sprawl, and maximizes areas to preserve Baldwin's beautiful landscape and natural resources. It accomplishes this by identifying and defining three land use designations: Rural Residential Living, Rural Land-based Activities, and Villages. Compared to current zoning, the Future Land Use Map expands the East Baldwin Village area to include the Town offices, and it expands the West Baldwin Village westward. It includes the Highland District, Resource Protection Zone, and already conserved lands within the Rural Land-based Activities designation. The Future Land Use Map is shown below and full-size on page 70. Pages 67 and 68 explain the difference and interaction between the Future Land Use Map and the Zoning Ordinance.



Implementation Tables:

The Implementation Tables include 51 tactics, or specific actions, that the Town has identified as tangible ways to achieve the Vision and Goals. The list of 51 tactics can be found on pages 73 to 78. Among the 51 tactics are five priority tactics identified by the Comprehensive Plan Committee. These are:

- Explore hiring a grant writer.
- Use a public planning process to create an access management plan for public open spaces and recreation areas.

- Designate a town ambassador to businesses and/or a community and economic development director to target small businesses, especially nature and recreation-based ones.
- Review and improve zoning ordinances, including revising zoning standards to better support farming and forestry as well as conservation activities.
- Explore options for a bus service by partnering with neighboring municipalities.