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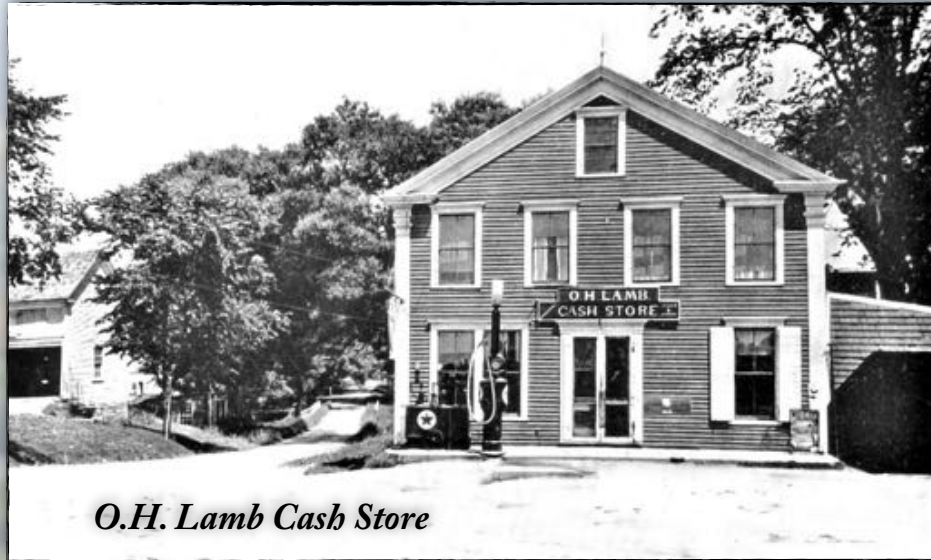


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February 17, 1789

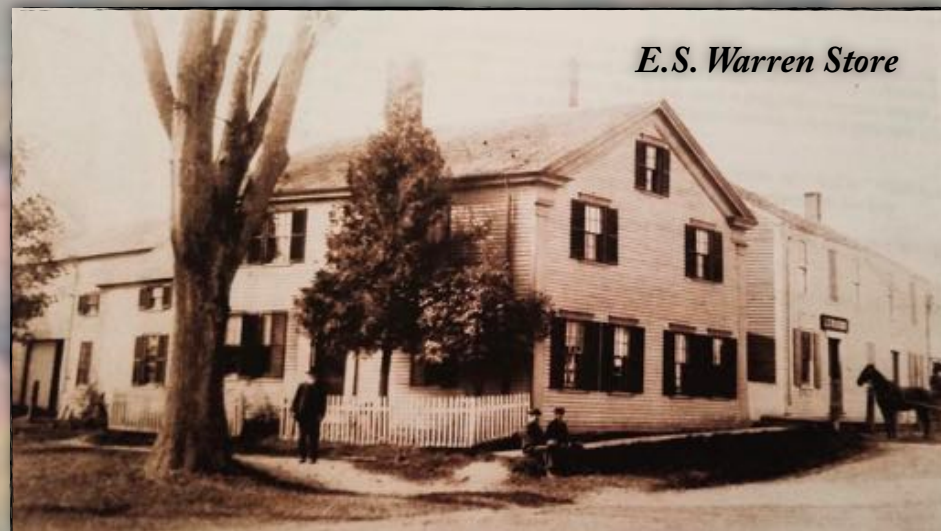
Maine's 69th Town

**232nd Annual Report**  
*January 1, 2021 ~ December 31, 2021*





*O.H. Lamb Cash Store*



*E.S. Warren Store*



*Shiloh Temple*



## **232nd Annual Report & Warrant Town of Durham, Maine**

For the year ending December 31, 2021

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Durham, ME 04222  
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# Helpful Phone Numbers

<b>Androscoggin Humane Society</b>	<b>783-2311</b>
<b>Androscoggin Sheriffs Department</b>	<b>911 (Emergency) 753-2500 (Business)</b>
<b>Androscoggin County Commissioners</b>	<b>753-2500 (Ext: 1801)</b>
<b>Androscoggin Registry of Deeds</b>	<b>753-2500 (Ext: 1981)</b>
<b>Animal Control Officer</b>	<b>353-2500 (Ext: 340)</b>
<b>Casella</b>	<b>1-888-485-1469</b>
<b>Coastal Humane Society</b>	<b>725-5051</b>
<b>Codes Official</b>	<b>376-6558</b>
<b>Durham Fire &amp; Rescue</b>	<b>911 (Emergency)</b>
<b>Durham Fire &amp; Rescue &amp; Health Officer</b>	<b>353-2473 (Non-Emergency)</b>
<b>Durham Community School</b>	<b>353-9333</b>
<b>Durham EMA Director</b>	<b>353-2473</b>
<b>Durham Public Works</b>	<b>353-3281</b>
<b>Durham Town Office</b>	<b>353-2561</b>
<b>Durham Town Office (Fax)</b>	<b>353-5367</b>
<b>Game Warden Service</b>	<b>1-800-452-4664</b>
<b>General Assistance</b>	<b>353-2561 (Ext: 10 or 11) (Hotline) 1-800-442-6003</b>
<b>Lisbon Post Office</b>	<b>1-800-275-8777 or 353-4935</b>
<b>Maine Department of Human Services</b>	<b>287-3707</b>
<b>Maine DEP</b>	<b>1-800-452-1942 or 287-7688</b>
<b>Maine DOT</b>	<b>624-3000</b>
<b>Maine Poison Control</b>	<b>1-800-222-1222</b>
<b>Maine State Police (Troop B)</b>	<b>1-800-452-4664 or 624-7076</b>
<b>Mid-Maine Waste Action Corp.</b>	<b>207-783-8805</b>
<b>Registry of Deeds</b>	<b>782-0191</b>

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# Town Officers, Committees & Officials

**Select Board**  
 Kevin Nadeau, Chair 2023  
 Rob Pontau, Vice Chair 2022  
 Richard George 2024  
 Marc Farrin 2022  
 Todd Beaulieu 2023

**Town Manager/Treasurer/Deputy Clerk/GA Admin/Tax Collector**  
 Kathy Tombarelli

**Clerk/Registrar/Deputy Tax Collector/Deputy Treasurer**  
 Jessica Landberg

**Deputy Treasurer/Deputy Clerk/Deputy Tax Collector/Deputy GA Administrator**  
 Janet Bowie

**Code Enforcement Officer**  
 Robert Forrest

**Town Planner**  
 George Thebargé

**Public Information Technician & Meeting Secretary**  
 Kathy Dion

**Animal Control Officer**  
 Jeff Cooper

**Road Commissioner**  
 Calvin Beaumier

**Public Works**      **Part-Time**  
 Ron Dube              Elmer Allen  
 Brian Wilson        Brandon Wilkins  
 Michael Rivera      Alex Brookhouse  
 Thomas Griswold    Mark Blake  
 Bradley Bisbee

**RSU5 School Board**  
 Michelle Ritcheson, Chair 2022  
 Candace deCsipkes 2024  
 Jennifer Galletta 2023

**Emergency Management Director**  
 Robert J. Tripp

**Fire Rescue Chief/Fire Warden**  
 Robert J. Tripp  
 Curtis Dimock, Assistant

**Fire/EMS Office Manager**  
 Diana Dimock, Captain

**EMS Deputy Chief**  
 John Faith

**Budget Committee**  
 Milton Simon, Chair 2023  
 Jill Gastonguay, Vice Chair 2022  
 Leigh Fisher 2024  
 Lois Kilby-Chesley 2023  
 Neil Berry 2024  
 Richard Emmons, Jr. 2022  
 Paul First 2022  
 Allan Purinton 2023  
 Heather Roy 2024

**Board of Appeals**  
 Barbara Schneider 2024  
 Dean Clark 2026  
 Gary Wood 2023  
 Milton Simon 2022  
 Heather Roy 2025  
 Paul First 2025  
 Terry Kirk 2025

**Historic District Commission**  
 Candance deCsipkes, Chair 2022  
 Mary Fallon, Secretary 2023  
 Anita Sellars 2024  
 Linda Litchfield 2023  
 Page Atherton 2022  
 Lois Kilby-Chesley 2022  
 Paula Erdmann-Purdy 2022

**Eureka Center Committee**  
 Pearl Scribner  
 Anita Sellars  
 Linda Litchfield  
 Elizabeth Fertig-Burd  
 Kathleen Lowe  
 Martha Lewis  
 Nancy Doherty

**Planning Board**  
 Anne Torregrossa, Chairman 2022  
 Juliet Caplinger, Vice Chair 2022  
 Ron Williams 2023  
 Allan Purinton 2022  
 Wesley Grover 2022  
 John Talbot, Alternate 2026  
 Tyler Hutchison, Alternate 2026

**Capital Improvement Committee**  
 Paul First, Chair  
 Joseph Tomm, Vice Chair  
 Michelle Rouleau  
 Brian Pike

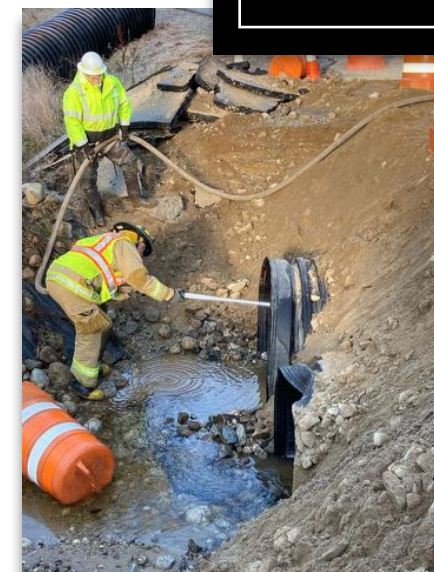
**Cemetery Committee**  
 Tia Wilson, Chair  
 Linda Bowie, Vice Chair  
 Greg Wilson  
 Joseph Donovick  
 Lindsey Lopes  
 Natasha Skelton  
 Philip Baker  
 Richard Thompson

**Conservation Commission**  
 Alex Finamore, Co-Chair  
 Samantha Cuccaro, Co-Chair  
 Catherine Oldham-Creamer  
 Joseph Roy  
 Juliet Caplinger  
 Roberta Brezinski  
 Zack Labbay

**Memorial Day Parade Committee**  
 Chad Burke  
 Colette Wagner  
 Joseph Howe

**Scholarship Committee**  
 Christine Cormier  
 Kendra O'Connell  
 Jonathan Pollock  
 Kristen Nam

Board, Committee or Commission Members with dates are appointed or elected for multiyear terms.



*The Town of Durham would like to dedicate the 2021 Annual Report to our dedicated members of the Durham Fire and Rescue. Their tireless commitment to keeping our residents safe and responding to countless calls, at any hour of the day, has not gone unnoticed! We appreciate your call to duty!!! Thank you for your service!*



# Select Board Report

2021 was another year full of change and challenges. The Town hired its first Town Manager in April of 2021, only to see her resign the position in February of 2022. While unfortunate, the Board feels the Town is in a good position for managing this unexpected transition. The search for a replacement will begin right away.

Other changes in 2021 included welcoming a new Treasurer, a new Town Clerk, and a new Fire Chief to replace people moving on due to retirement or career moves. As of this writing, we are still searching for a new Code Enforcement Officer as well. The infusion of new people and new ideas, coupled with the valuable experience of many of our long-term staff members at Public Works and the Fire Department, ensures the business of the Town will continue to be done, and done well.

The current economic environment presented many challenges in building the budget for 2022. Inflation is driving significant increases in the cost of energy, equipment, services, materials, and supplies. Tremendous upward pressure on wages is something the Town will need to continue to manage in 2022 and beyond. Overall, the Board feels the recommended budget does a good job balancing the needs of the Town, addressing the realities of current inflationary and workforce market forces, while keeping spending at a reasonable level. We look forward to having this discussion at our first in-person Annual Town Meeting in three years on April 2, 2022.

The Select Board meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome. We provide a "Public Comment" opportunity at the start of each meeting. Meetings can also be streamed live through our web site or viewed live on Durham Public Access Channel if you have cable TV. Recordings of past meetings are available on our website. The Town also has a weekly newsletter that is sent via email. Sign up for the News Blast at [www.durhamme.com](http://www.durhamme.com).

The Board would like to thank the committee members and volunteers that devote many hours of service to the Town. Without their efforts, the Town could not function. There are many ways to become involved in your Community. Please reach out if you are interested in finding out more about opportunities that might be a good fit for you.

Finally, a heart-felt thanks to Rob Pontau and Marc Farrin for their many years of service as Select Board members. They helped navigate the Town through a very challenging period. They will be missed!

Respectfully Submitted,

Durham Select Board  
 Kevin Nadeau, Chairman  
 Rob Pontau, Vice-Chairman  
 Todd Beaulieu  
 Rich George  
 Marc Farrin



# Town Clerk Report

The Town Clerk's office is the record keeping department for the Town of Durham. The office issues licenses and maintains and preserves vital records (birth, marriage, and death certificates), the Municipal Code of Ordinances and other official documents. The office is also responsible for the following: dog, hunting, fishing, boat, ATV, snowmobile, and business licenses. The Town Clerk administers all aspects of elections, voter registrations and campaign finance as well as Board, Committee and Commission openings and applications and Notary services.

## Vitals

Birth, Marriage, and Death Certificates are available at the Town Office during regular office hours. Certificates are \$15 for the first one and \$6 for each additional of the same certificate requested during the same visit.

Marriage licenses are available at the town office during regular office hours. One of the parties must be a Durham resident or, if both reside outside of Maine, they must intend to be married in Maine. If either party has been married previously, a certified copy of the Divorce or Death certificate is required. The cost of a marriage is \$40 and both parties must be present. The marriage license process takes approximately 30 minutes to complete, therefore appointments are required. Marriage licenses are valid for ninety days from issuance.

## Elections 2021

Election Dates		Voter Registration	
Municipal Election	April 6, 2021	Democrat	1060
Town Meeting	April 6, 2021	Green Independent	225
Special Town Meeting	May 22, 2021	Republican	1122
RSU 5 Budget	June 8, 2021	Unenrolled	1277
Referendum Election	November 8, 2021	<b>Total</b>	<b>3684</b>



## Dog Licenses



Issued for 2021: Male / Female 38, Neuter/Spay 247, Total = 285



Dog licenses are done by calendar year. The expiration date is December 31. Licenses are available for the following year on October 15. A late fee of \$25 per dog is applied beginning on February 1. To avoid a late fee, either come to the town office or register your dog online between October 15 to January 31. The cost to register a neuter/spayed dog is \$6, or \$11 for an intact male or female. Online registrations can be done at [Maine.gov](http://Maine.gov), the cost is \$7 for a neuter/spayed, or \$12 for an intact male or female.

Per Maine law, all dogs six (6) months and older are required to be registered. Current rabies certificate and certificate of spaying if applicable are required to process the registration.



# 2021 Transitions



## Births

There were 39 Births in Durham in 2021. Congratulations and Welcome!

## Deaths

Residents who have passed in 2021. We send our condolences to the families and friends of these deceased individuals.

Gene L. Brown	Donna Jean Dion	Randall Keith Miller	Paul Richmond Thurlow
Wanda Spring Brown	David Albert Dufour	Timothy George Morrill	Jean Ann Verrill
David M. Chase	Jeremy Shawn Faith	Loanne Crafts Morse	Frank Wilfred Vertilla
Timothy Alan Cleaves	Sandra Katherine Faragi	Michael Neil Raskin	Danny Mike Voisine
Carolee Condon	Scott C. Farling	Bill Jonathan Schneemann	James Harvey Washburn
Eunice Pauline Craig	Nancy C. George	James A. Smith	Elizabeth Wilkinson-Sitarz
Andrew Paul Daignault	Betty Jean Locke	David R. Stewart	



## Marriages



Andersen, Claire Nicole to Thibeault, Tyler Daniel 05/21/2021	Moore, Sean Joseph to Koenig, Taylor Lynn 11/06/2021
Balaban-Garber, Emily to Banks, Theodore Paul 08/13/2021	Morris, Joan Marie to Verhoeven, Robert Michael 01/25/2021
Bennett, Kelly A. to Smiley, Carroll R. 09/19/2021	Norzow, Norman Tyler to Oliver, Margaret Joan 09/04/2021
Bisbee, Bradley R. to Brewer, Amy Joe 11/27/2021	Palmer, Kayla Elyse to Dyer, Nicholas Patrick 02/27/2021
Bradstreet, Anthony Lewis to Carter, Kimberlei Lynne 09/25/2021	Parker, Thomas Nathanael to Hill, Ginger Melissa 05/28/2021
Brennick, Nicole Elizabeth to Mutchler, Joseph Stewart 09/11/2021	Poulin, Cheryl Marie to Brill, Debbie Lynne 06/12/2021
Carll, John William to Tibbetts, Chelsea Jean 09/19/2021	Pottle, Kristy Lynn to Beury-Moore, Gabriel Phiste 01/01/2021
Carlson, Roxanna Elizabeth to Peacock, Dillon Thomas 10/02/2021	Prescott, Amy Elizabeth to Hotham, Vean Thomas 09/25/2021
Colby, Elliot Egan to Hugel, Laura Elizabeth 10/09/2021	Reily, Michael Lee to Berube, Crystal Anne 09/20/2021
Conner, Frank Teahan to Espana Heads, Maureen P. 08/26/2021	Rice, Beck to Johnson, Brittany Doane 09/22/2021
Doughty, Kristyn Elysha to Faith, Steven Matthew 09/25/2021	Russell, Jessica Ann to Abbott, Ronald Alan Jr. 10/16/2021
Ford, Savannah Sue to Shepherd, Lucas Paul 05/22/2021	Shea, Michael James to Danesino, Maria Laura 02/24/2021
Forrest, Clayton McCall to Plaisted, Olivia Kathryn 09/18/2021	Sheehan, Keeley Ann to Grillo, Scott Robert 10/09/2021
Groat, Evan Andrew to Headley, Haely Clementine 07/17/2021	Sloan, Karen Patricia to Rogers, Danny John Jr. 04/03/2021
Harriman, Nicholas Adam to Hubbard, Gabrielle Noella 11/30/2021	Smith, Brandon Michael to Britton, Katernina Christine 10/09/2021
Herling, Abigail Elizabeth to Blais, Matthew Patrick 06/12/2021	Smith, Joshua David to Raymond, Kelsey Alyne 11/13/2021
Jennison, Casey Litchfield to Mars, Shannon Elizabeth 01/23/2021	Smith, Kimberly Charlene to Enman-Curtis, Corey Heath 11/20/2021
Jenison, Dagmar to Sullivan, Dana William 08/21/2021	Stowe, Benjamin Rodney to Brigham, Sara Louise 06/16/2021
Kerr, Brenda Jean to Hardin, Reid Jackson 10/09/2021	Vining, Dustin Lee to Hamilton, Alissa Jill 08/06/2021
Lothrop, Kelly Marie to Verhoeven, Ryan C. 04/08/2021	Walsh, Emily Elizabeth to Liberis, Jonathan Christopher 09/11/2021
Luttrell, Jessica Rose to Mayhew, Cody Marc 10/17/2021	Wenzler, Roseann Marie to Vanderheiden, Marc Earle 07/03/2021
Madsen, Julia Lauren to Jones, Cody Ray 03/15/2021	Wright, Jason Grant to Hickey, Kimberly Theresa 09/17/2021
McKittrick, David Andrew to Hidalgo, Paula Andrea 02/11/2021	

# Treasurer's Report

<u>Account</u>	<u>YTD Net</u>
Real Estate & Personal Property Commitment	\$7,514,716.86
Automobile Excise	\$952,368.55
Boat Excise	\$5,133.60
Animal Control	\$1,100.00
Conditional Use Permits	\$300.00
Site Review Fee	\$100.00
Subdivision Review Fee	\$1,800.00
Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$568,057.64
Urban Renewal Init. Program	\$55,024.00
Bete Reimbursement	\$3,012.00
Homestead Reimbursement	\$319,568.00
User Fees ~ Collections	\$28,690.00
Building Inspection Fees	\$20,414.26
Electric Inspection Fees	\$8,210.00
Plumbing Inspection Fees	\$8,962.50
Town Clerk Fees	\$5,677.65
Reregistration Fees	\$19,320.00
Admin Interest	\$32,486.07
Map Sales	\$23.50
Photocopies	\$123.00
Junkyard Fees	\$180.00
Snowmobile Fees	\$2,204.46
Tree Growth/Ve Reimbursement	\$23,859.94
Miscellaneous	\$5,388.80
Appeals Admin Fees	\$70.00
FD Hydrants & Insurance	\$44,184.26
Cemetery Lot Sales	\$200.00
Cable Franchise Fees	\$44,860.57
FD Training/Education Grant	0.00
Capital Improvement Inter	\$2,132.58
General Grant Match Reimbursement	\$1,200.00
American Recovery Plan Grant	\$210,861.95
Eureka Rental Fees	\$1,050.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$9,885,946.22</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$9,578,284.53</b>
Taxes receivable 2021	\$234,500.99
Tax Commitment 2021	\$7,518,820.89
Percentage of commitment	3.12%
Automobile excise tax collected	\$952,368.55



## 2021 Real Estate Tax Receivables

Allen, Kimberly Jane	\$4,445.33	Emerson-Mains, Heather L.	\$3,479.67
Atherton, Zachary D.	\$2,835.90	Fairpoint	\$712.08
Autumns Kaleidoscope, LLC.	\$12,170.57	Fairpoint Communications, Inc.	\$20.70
Bailey, Joshua D.	\$3,477.60	Fairservice, Michael	\$4,501.22
Bailey, Kenneth D.	\$1,758.47	Fairservice, Michael	\$1,190.25
Bailey, Kenneth D.	\$1,376.55	Fisher, Daniel A.	\$2,399.13
Balfour, James	\$3,889.53	Fisher, Daniel A.	\$790.74
Bassett, Stephen	\$6,916.91	Fortin Construction, Inc.	\$575.46
Bigelow, Robert B.	\$1,928.21	Fortin Construction, Inc.	\$1,078.47
Blais, William H.	\$5,616.95	Frank, Richard A.	\$1,362.06
Bowie Inc.	\$1,388.97	Freedom Home Properties, LLC	\$4,448.43
Brown, Elizabeth C.	\$2,038.95	Gillespie, Kristine	\$1,996.52
Clark, Courtney E.	\$7,197.39	Gillespie, Kristine	\$767.97
Collins, John A.	\$1,345.50	Goulet, Andrea	\$207.00
Costa, Jessica L.	\$2,774.84	Harkins, Micah J.	\$2,768.63
Craig, Paul E.	\$977.04	Harkins, Sandra	\$1,533.87
Cunningham, Dale B.	\$3,420.68	Hinderks, Susan	\$2,887.65
Daigle, Ronald J.	\$4,869.68	Huntington, Vincent W., II	\$1,087.79
Dewitt, Kevin Andrew (Party in Possession)	\$927.36	Huntington, Vincent W., II,	\$3,107.07
Dewitt, Lisa	\$1,426.23	Jenkins, Linda E.	\$3,058.43
Dobson, Herbert R., Jr.	\$510.26	Johnson, Ture G.	\$5,735.97
Doyon, Jayce	\$672.75	Jones, Alisha M.	\$2,324.61
Drown, Karon Morneault	\$2,561.63	Kays, Shawn	\$7,340.22
Easler, Doreen B.	\$2,995.29	Knickrehm, Douglas P.	\$8,162.01
Edwards, Michelle	\$7,409.57	Koenig, Nicholas R.	\$1,078.47
Ekstrand, Yennika A.	\$3,365.82	Koenig, Seth B.	\$3,576.96
Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,587.50	Lacasse, Michael R., Jr.	\$1,200.60

## Real Estate Tax Receivables (Cont.)

Laflamme, Philip A.	\$2,884.55	Pessant, Marcel	\$2,410.52
Lane, Gary L.	\$1,514.21	Peterson, Troy	\$3,324.42
Lane, Gary P.	\$3,172.28	Powers, Paula Marie	\$113.85
Lane, Scott	\$807.30	Pratt, Evone	\$2,375.32
Lenentine, Erika	\$782.46	Quigg, Patrick	\$6,683.00
Libby, Stephen	\$1,839.20	Rugan, Jeremy F.	\$1,088.82
Maclean, Peter	\$2,610.27	Sansonetti, Benjamin R.	\$5,272.29
Maine Custom Woodlands, LLC	\$6,959.34	Scammon, Rose	\$5,895.36
Margolis, David	\$6,408.72	Schlichting, Douglas E. & Pamela B.	\$233.91
Mayes, Charity Haskin	\$5,196.73	Scribner, Diane E.	\$3,319.25
McKay, Jolene, P.R.	\$1,811.25	Seigny, Robert, Trustee	\$3,392.73
McNierney, Lisa M.	\$1,163.34	Shute, Richard L.	\$2,075.18
Merrill, Kevin	\$199.76	Smith, Dean	\$327.06
Merrill, Royce E.	\$3,308.90	Smith, Eric	\$3,797.42
Merrill, Royce E.	\$3,194.01	Southeast Property Acquisitions, LLC	\$3,028.41
Merrill, Royce E.	\$51.75	St. Germain, Thomas	\$1,809.18
Merrill, Royce E.	\$1,045.35	St. Pierre, Tammy	\$1,666.35
Millhime, James D.	\$72.45	Stanley, Barbara	\$3,946.46
Newell, Ronald E., Jr.	\$2,593.71	Thompson, Jeremy	\$127.31
Newell, Steven D., II, PR	\$1,631.16	Thompson, Richard O.	\$2,381.54
Northern New England Telephone	\$649.98	Thurlow, Paul R.	\$3,268.53
Nye, Kenneth A.	\$2,115.54	Tremper, Beverly	\$2,536.79
Osgood, David & Linwood & Glenn & Arthur	\$950.13	Utecht, Ronald S.	\$1,190.25
Osgood, Derek	\$1676.70	Vertilla, Frank	\$2,437.43
Osgood, Derek J.	\$4,795.16	Wallace, Chelsea Stewart	\$2,020.32
Paszkowski, Linda J.	\$2,291.49	Williams, Brandon T.	\$1,248.21
Perry, Angela	\$262.89	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$284,236.00</b>



# Trust Accounts

January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021

	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Donations</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>
	<b>01/01/2021</b>				<b>12/31/21</b>
Cemetery Fund*	\$7,629.08	\$21.55			\$7,650.63
Restoration Fund	\$38,119.62	\$107.70		\$1,209.68	\$37,017.64
River Park Project	\$7,923.82	\$11.17			\$7,934.99
Scholarship Fund	\$14,597.20	\$41.25		\$1,000.00	\$13,638.45
	<b>\$68,269.72</b>	<b>\$181.67</b>		<b>\$2,209.68</b>	<b>\$66,241.71</b>

\*Denotes Perpetual Care

John B Hasty	\$50.00	Helen Trufant Loring	\$200.00
Harriet Novel	\$200.00	Marjorie Taylor	\$200.00
Hattie White	\$600.00	D. & A. Blakely	\$400.00
L.O. Morse	\$200.00	Emille Haskell	\$100.00
Burton C. Gee	\$100.00	John C. Merrill	\$50.00
A. Waterman	\$100.00	Charles Harmon	\$200.00
Marcine Russell	\$500.00	Mrs. Walter White	\$100.00
Kate Miller	\$150.00	Eve B. Butcher est.	\$200.00
Charles W. Thomas	\$100.00		

**Total Perpetual: \$3,450.00**



# 2021 Payroll

Employee

Gross Pay

Elmer Allen	26,168.65
Todd Beaulieu	1920.00
Calvin Beaumier	63,585.11
Stephen Benedict	3860.05
Margaret Bertocci	442.50
Bradley Bisbee	12,225.39
Mark Blake	4036.00
Janet Bowie	17,436.75
Anthony Bradstreet	124.53
Phyllis Brannon	428.29
Stephen Brezinski	151.88
Lorrie Cardwell	48.60
Samuel Carpenter	4274.50
Jaison Ciaranello	428.05
Pamela Cloutier	22,424.40
Kenneth Coslet	150.00
Curtis Dimock	10,447.65
Diana Dimock	20,247.25
Kathleen Dion	25,203.27
Ronald Dube	53,439.60
Roxanna Dobson	54.68
Timothy Dobson	4207.49
Korey Enman-Curtis	2399.52
Wendy Enman	488.00
John Faith	23,179.80
Steven Faith	2860.00
Marc Farrin	1920.00
Ishmael Flynn	220.50
Robert Forrest	42,803.96
Laura Gagnon	113.21
Richard George	1920.00
Ruth Glaeser	29,808.20
Thomas Griswold	43,036.13
Wesley Grover	600.00
George Harris	9242.13
Christopher Higgins	20,281.75
D. Priscilla Higgins	455.64
Caleb Hunter	1518.75
Barbara Jabaut	230.86
Kevin Karnes	246.05
Christopher James	11,737.50
Jessica Landberg	18,685.13
Clifton Larrabee	155.65

Employee

Gross Pay

Lauren Larrabee	112.39
Noah Larrabee	1136.05
Joseph Lemont	14,033.68
Liam Love	14,416.25
Fred Mason	860.00
Brea McKechnie	3633.31
Cheryl McMahon	37.50
Kevin Merrill	12.15
Richard Merrill	978.10
Beth Morrill	394.88
Joseph Moore	27,432.62
Kevin Nadeau	2640.00
Miranda Negley	228.00
Dale Newton	20,968.53
Ronald Parker	2237.26
Peter Pierce	1128.08
Robert Pontau	1920.00
Allan Purinton	550.00
Michael Quigg	3676.25
Tammy Quimby	2855.17
Michael Rivera	50,065.70
Keith Russell	480.25
Adam Salve	786.50
Rebecca Schlegel	48.60
Barbara Schneider	376.83
Kenneth Scribner	860.72
Pearl Scribner	282.75
Milton Simon	4256.85
Catherine Simonitis	94.16
Daniel Simonitis	1181.53
Gerald Spring	370.50
William St.Michel	981.75
Nancy Swinton	157.96
Rebecca Taylor-Chase	17,485.48
George Theborge	18,603.86
Daniel Thibeault	1140.08
Kathy Tombarelli	55,576.43
Anne Torregrossa	1100.00
Robert Tripp	21,462.34
Jere Waterman	7957.29
Brandon Wilkins	1422.25
Ronald Williams	600.00
Brian Wilson	43,467.18



# Personal Property Tax Receivables

## Personal Property 2010

Harkins, Sandra	\$97.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$97.88</b>

## Personal Property 2011

Harkins, Sandra	\$98.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$98.25</b>

## Personal Property 2012

Harkins, Sandra	\$100.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100.12</b>

## Personal Property 2013

Harkins, Sandra	\$112.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$112.13</b>

## Personal Property 2014

Harkins, Sandra	\$124.87
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$41.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$166.49</b>

## Personal Property 2015

Harkins, Sandra	\$130.50
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$43.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$174.00</b>

## Personal Property 2016

Harkins, Sandra	\$141.00
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$47.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$188.00</b>

## Personal Property 2017

Harkins, Sandra	\$141.38
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$47.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$188.51</b>

## Personal Property 2018

Bailey, Benjamin H.	\$94.56
Harkins, Sandra	\$139.87
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$47.28
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$281.71</b>

## Personal Property 2019

AT & T Mobility, LLC	\$2,061.45
Bailey, Benjamin H.	\$93.15
Harkins, Sandra	\$139.73
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$46.58
Sitarz, Jon J. & Elizabeth W.	\$46.58
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,387.49</b>

## Personal Property 2020

AT & T Mobility, LLC	\$1,891.35
Bailey, Benjamin H.	\$89.10
Harkins, Sandra	\$131.63
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$44.55
Sitarz, Jon J. & Elizabeth W.	\$44.55
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,201.18</b>

## Personal Property 2021

AT & T Mobility, LLC	\$1,297.89
Autumns Kaleidoscope	\$440.91
Bailey, Benjamin H.	\$89.01
Harkins, Sandra	\$132.48
Huntington's Truck Repair	\$43.47
Sitarz, Jon J. & Elizabeth W.	\$43.47
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,047.23</b>

# Real Estate Tax Lien Receivables

## 2010 Tax Lien Receivables

Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,350.31
Hale Brothers	\$81.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,431.83</b>

## 2011 Tax Lien Receivables

Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,359.31
Hale Brothers	\$84.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,443.93</b>

## 2012 Tax Lien Receivables

Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,585.24
Hale Brothers	\$60.89
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,646.13</b>

## 2013 Tax Lien Receivables

Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,905.43
Hale Brothers	\$69.71
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,975.14</b>

## 2014 Tax Lien Receivables

Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$3,240.40
Hale Brothers	\$23.31
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,263.71</b>

## 2015 Tax Lien Receivables

Cummings, Idalyn A.	\$129.26
Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,295.06
Hale Brothers	\$24.36
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,448.68</b>

## 2016 Tax Lien Receivables

Cummings, Idalyn A. (Estate Of)	\$134.73
Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,530.94
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,665.67</b>

## 2017 Tax Lien Receivables

Aubens, Carroll V. Jr., PR	\$134.91
Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,533.04
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,667.95</b>

## 2018 Tax Lien Receivables

Beaulieu, Jean	\$404.17
Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,666.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,070.20</b>

## 2019 Tax Lien Receivables

Baker, Dale M.	\$4.05
Beaulieu, Jean	\$366.76
Demers, Glenda	\$1,898.90
Easler, Doreen B.	\$3,183.16
Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,757.67
Maclean, Peter & Dupont, Gladys A.	\$2,781.43
Perry, Angela	\$332.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,320.12</b>

## 2020 Tax Lien Receivables

Beaulieu, Jean	\$289.58
Brown, Elizabeth C.	\$2,162.29
Easler, Doreen B.	\$3,139.06
Emerson, John (Heirs Of)	\$2,719.59
Emerson-Mains, Heather L.	\$3,644.28
Frank, Richard A.	\$1,459.04
Gillespie, Kristine	\$2,107.99
Gillespie, Kristine	\$793.82
Harkins, Sandra	\$1,642.74
Huntington, Vincent W., II	\$1,166.26
Johnson, Ture G.	\$5,958.26
Lafamme, Philip A.	\$3,021.45
Maclean, Peter	\$2,743.01
McKay, Jolene, P.R.	\$1,941.98
Merrill, Kevin	\$259.75
Merrill, Royce E.	\$3,343.48
Newell, Steven D., II, PR	\$1,735.85
Perry, Angela	\$328.39
Peterson, Troy	\$3,484.58
Pratt, Evone	\$2,497.64
Scammon, Rose	\$4,725.97
St. Pierre, Tammy	\$1,766.98
Stanley, Barbara	\$3,743.54
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$54,385.95</b>





# Fire, Rescue & EMA Report



In 2021 our requests for services increased by 15% overall to 494 total responses.

With a new fire chief comes expectations and the opportunity to blaze a new path forward. Pride and ownership are the orders of the day. The department members, town officials and citizens have welcomed me as one of their own. “While unprecedented was certainly the word of 2021, perseverance is a strong candidate for 2022. Amid a slew of challenges, both new and old, you stepped up, every day and in every way”. Janelle Foskett, Editor-in-Chief, FireRescue1.

This past year brought family members back to serve, while advancing the careers of many of our members. A first for our department was with the delivery of a healthy baby boy this past December. A stork emblem now resides on our Rescue. The dedication and commitment of your volunteers amazes me every day. There is not a challenge that they cannot overcome while acting as a team.

As always, if you want to volunteer and become a family member, just stop in or call. We never close. 207-353-2473

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Tripp  
Fire & Rescue Chief

## Responses for 2021

Structure		Vehicle	
Chimney	2	Accidents	33
Fire	1	Extrication	2
Alarms	10	Fires	4
<i>Total</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>39</i>
Forestry		Other	
Grass/Woods	4	Wires Down	9
Unattended/Unpermitted	2	Mutual Aid Fire	20
		Smoke/Odor Investigation	7
		Rescue Assist	74
<i>Total</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>110</i>

**Total Combined Fire Department Responses: 494**  
**Total Rescue Responses 295**



*Girl Scout Troop 500 presented the department members with the Fire Department Survival Kit.*



# Town Forest Warden Report

## Burning Permits Issued in 2021

**On-Line Wardens Report..... 924**

2021 was a very busy year for burn permits as many had the time and ability to clean up and manage their property once again due to the pandemic.

We are encouraging the public to utilize the Wardens Report website ([www.wardensreport.com](http://www.wardensreport.com)) which can be accessed on your computer, smartphone or tablet. If you do have technical issues, please call the station at 353-2473 and the on-duty staff will assist you. This method has transitioned to a free service.

Any person wanting to burn logs, brush, grass, pasture, blueberry land or have a campfire is required by Maine Law to obtain a burning permit. If you have a question about whether it is permissible to burn the material you are considering, please call the station and we'd be happy to come out and inspect it.

There are time frames in which burning can and cannot be done. Permits cannot be taken before 9AM. The class day and local weather conditions play a part in determining whether burning permits will be issued as well. Please understand that changes in weather conditions may require us to suspend permits that have already been issued. You will be contacted by the fire department directly should this happen.

The individual who applies for the permit is legally responsible for the fire. They are required to make sure all safety precautions and time frames are adhered to. The fire must be attended at all times. The person signing the permit is legally responsible for any damages or suppression costs resulting from the Fire Department being called to contain the fire should it get out of control.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Tripp  
Fire Chief  
Town Forest Warden

## Animal Control 2021 Calls For Service

	Lisbon	Sabattus	Bowdoin	Durham
Animal Related Issues	36	12	12	5
Missing Animals	39		11	11
Cat Complaints	64	17	10	9
Cruelty	12	7	3	6
Dog Bites	16	3	4	7
Barking Dog	21	3	2	1
Dangerous Dog	6	1		
Loose Dog	146	40	37	13
Injured Animal	14		1	3
Rabies	15	3	4	5
Wildlife	83	15	3	1
Assist Other Agency	63	55	3	1
Poultry	9	1	2	6
Swine		1		1
Institutionalized	1			
Animal In Car	1	12		
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Total Combined Calls</b>	<b>857</b>			

## Humane Law Enforcement

CALL FOR SERVICE HISTORY				
YR	LISBON	SABATTUS	BOWDOIN	DURHAM
2003	569	528		
2004	564	583		
2005	570	384		
2006	620	401		
2007	593	396		
2008	536	403		
2009	632	278	40	
2010	667	217	97	17
2011	412	232	95	77
2012	448	236	78	122
2013	642	246	76	96
2014	585	261	69	69
2015	729	270	94	44
2016	616	461	115	0
2017	490	137	97	0
2018	542	169	74	25
2019	487	100	83	76
2020	423	131	79	67

# Road Commissioner Report



In 2021, the Durham Public Works Department ditched 5.44 miles of roadside (that's 10.88 miles of ditch-line) and paved 2.2 miles of roadway, which put us one year ahead on ditching for the first time since the department was created. These efforts resulted in an extremely ambitious work load that included paving, surfacing, shouldering, ditching and resurfacing 2.2 miles (4.4 lane miles) of Durham's roadway network, including:

## 2021 Maintenance Paving:

- Chickadee Lane .35 miles
- Whippoorwill Lane .19 miles
- Puritan Lane .28 miles
- Harlie Woods Road .32 miles
- Smith Farm Road .19 miles
- Evergreen Lane .30 miles
- Wires Hill Road .17 miles
- Beaver Woods Road .34 miles
- Public Works Facility Parking Lot Resurface Existing Pavement

## Total 2.2 Miles (Plus 1460 Square Yards at Public Works Facility)

### Scope of Maintenance Paving

We ditched and replaced cross culverts along with driveway culverts as needed. Shimmed and overlaid existing pavement with 9mm hot mix asphalt, and applied new shoulders.

### Remaining Road Bond Project Work Completed:

In 2021, we finished the surface layer on Day Road with 12.5 mm hot mix asphalt. This wrapped up the 2019 road bond project.

### Scope of Bond Work:

Completed final surface paving and added final shoulders. Due to cost saving measures, we were able to add Day Road to the bond reconstruction work.

### Winter Roads:

As of February 23, 2022, we have responded to 50 winter weather related events using 2,102.5 tons of road salt and 700 yards of winter sand.

## In 2022 we will be focusing on:

- Ditching and culvert replacements in connection with a very aggressive maintenance overlay paving program that will include 3 miles of roadway.
- In November of 2020, with the permission of the Select Board, I applied for two separate grants with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection agency for stream crossing structures. These structures would allow for safe fish passage, mitigate road flooding, and reduce future expenses to the Durham tax-payers. We were awarded both non-matching grants of \$125,000 apiece, one at Meadow Brook on Swamp Road, and the other at Newell Brook on Quaker Meeting House Road. These projects did not get done in 2021, due to permitting issues and material availability. We are in the permitting process at this time and are planning to award the project to the low bidder once the permitting is complete.

Once again, I would like to thank the many Durham citizens for another year of support and the many compliments and thanks, we at the department have received over the past year. We will continue to make every effort to *Earn* your support and trust as we move forward.

~ Calvin Beaumier, Road Commissioner





# BOARD OF ASSESSORS REPORT

Donna M. Hays, CMA serves as agent of the Board of Assessors. She reviews all new construction and properties that have building permits or are being carried as unfinished on the Town's records. This is done in the spring of the year after April 1<sup>st</sup>. The agent also processes all the property transfers and reviews the applications for exemptions. Ms. Hays works the first and third Mondays of the month and if you wish to speak with her about your valuation, please call the Town Office. The assessor can also be reached via email at [dhays@durhamme.com](mailto:dhays@durhamme.com) but will respond during office hours only.

## WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR PROPERTY TAX

The following information is provided in an effort to help reduce your property tax burden. All applications are available at the Town Office or by visiting the Maine Revenue Services web site at [www.maine.gov/revenue/propertytax](http://www.maine.gov/revenue/propertytax).

### Property Tax Exemptions

#### Homestead Exemption

Under this law, homeowners are eligible for a \$25,000 reduction in valuation. In order to qualify you must have owned homestead property in Maine for at least twelve months prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> and make the property you occupy your permanent residence.

#### Veteran's Exemption

A homeowner may be eligible for a reduction in the valuation of their property if they:

1. Have their permanent residence in Durham on April 1<sup>st</sup>
2. Are a veteran who was honorably discharged
3. Served during a recognized war period in the U.S. Armed Forces
4. Are 62 or older or an un-remarried widow/widower of a qualifying veteran
5. Are under 62 but 100% disabled due to a service-related disability

An application along with proof of service and discharge, such as a copy of their DD214 must be provided. For veterans who served during World War II or later the exemption is a \$6,000 reduction in valuation.

#### Paraplegic Veteran

A veteran who received a federal grant for a specially adapted housing unit may receive an exemption of \$50,000 in valuation.

#### Blind Exemption

A homeowner who is determined to be legally blind by a medical doctor receives a \$4,000 exemption.

All of the above exemptions require a completed application and may require additional information to support the claim for exemption. All applications must be submitted to the Town Office no later than April 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Current Use Programs

The State of Maine offers the following "current use programs" which give the property owner a reduction in their assessed value. Applications for all these programs are available at the Town Office or at the Maine Revenue Services web site and must be filed on or before April 1<sup>st</sup>. In order to be eligible each program has certain criteria that must be met and any change in use of the land warrants withdrawal from the program and a penalty assessed.

#### Tree Growth

This program provides for the landowner with at least 10 acres of forested land who wishes to maintain land for the planting, culture and continuous harvesting of trees. A Forest Management and Harvest Plan must be prepared and submitted with the application. Applications must include a map of the parcel indicating the forest type breakdown as well as all other areas not classified as tree growth. The 100% valuation per acre for each forest type by county is determined by the State Tax Assessor each year. If the classified parcel no longer meets the criteria of eligibility or the landowner withdraws from the program a penalty of an amount between 20 and 30% of the difference between the tree growth value and the fair market value will be assessed depending on the amount of time in the program.

#### Farm Land

In the farmland program the land must be used for farming, agriculture, horticulture and can include woodland and wasteland. At least 5 contiguous acres of land is required and the tract must contribute at least \$2,000 gross income from farming activities per year in one of the two or three of the five calendar years preceding the date of application. If the property no longer qualifies as farmland or the landowner withdraws from the program then a penalty equal to an amount of taxes that would have been paid in the last five years had it not been in the program, less the taxes that were originally assessed, plus any interest on that balance will be assessed.

#### Open Space

Under this program no minimum acreage is required and the tract of land must be preserved or restricted in use to provide a public benefit such as public recreation, scenic resources, game management or preserving wildlife habitat. Classified land is valued by reducing the fair market value in accordance with a cumulative percentage reduction for which the land is eligible according to certain categories.

1. Ordinary Open Space – 20% reduction
2. Permanently Protected – 30% reduction
3. Forever Wild – 20% reduction
4. Public Access – 25% reduction

If the property met all of the above requirements, the owner would see a cumulative reduction of up to 95% on the classified land. If the classified parcel no longer meets the criteria of eligibility or the landowner withdraws from the program a penalty of an amount between 20 and 30% of the difference between the open space value and fair market value will be assessed depending on the amount of time in the program.

### Property Tax Fairness Credit

The State of Maine also offers a Property Tax Fairness Credit. Eligible Maine taxpayers may receive a portion of the property tax or rent paid during the tax year on the Maine individual income tax return whether they owe Maine income tax or not. To claim credit, file Form 1040ME and Schedule PTFC for the tax year during which the property tax or rent was paid. For more information call 207-626-8475 or visit <http://www.maine.gov/revenue/taxrelief/ptfcsurvey.htm>.

# Code Enforcement Report

The Code Enforcement Officer promotes, coordinates, and enforces land use activities within the Town of Durham in accordance with all applicable State Statutes, ordinances, and building codes. The CEO also assists current and prospective landowners, developers, and businesses with the local permitting process.

The Code Enforcement Officer provides information and conducts inspections to protect safety, health and public welfare. Permits are required for new home construction, modular homes, new and re-located mobile homes, in-ground pools, communication towers, sheds, garages, decks and other additions to the above ground structure. Certain activities located near lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, and wetlands require Shoreland Zoning permitting.

The Code Enforcement Officer:

- ◆ Meets with members of the public and permit applicants to explain ordinance requirements and procedures.
- ◆ Reviews and approves building, electrical and plumbing permits.
- ◆ Inspects aspects of the process to ensure compliance with all applicable State and local codes.
- ◆ Investigates complaints and possible violations of the Durham Land Use Ordinance and initiates procedures for correcting verified violations.
- ◆ Works with residents and other stakeholders to obtain compliance.
- ◆ Works with the Planning Board.

The Durham Land Use Ordinance can be viewed online at [www.durhamme.com](http://www.durhamme.com).

For further information please call the Durham Code Enforcement Officer at 207-353-6558.

**There were a total of 276 electrical, conditional use and internal plumbing issued for 2021 by Code Enforcement including:**

<b>New single-family homes</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Garages/Barns</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Replacement septic fields</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Solar arrays</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Conditional use</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Generator's</b>	<b>21</b>		

# Conservation Commission

## *Durham Conservation Commission*

*The Durham Conservation Commission shall work on conservation-related issues in a climate of mutual respect with all Durham employees, volunteers and residents, other communities, and advocacy groups. We will seek to foster a collaborative working relationship with public and private groups organized around the preservation and enjoyment of the natural environment.*

This year brought forth some of the same challenge as 2020. We continued to meet via Zoom for most of the year. In August, we were able to return to in-person meetings. Our mission remains strong and we have a lot of enthusiasm within our small group. The Commission is still seeking one additional member and will continue that search when meetings resume in the new year.

### **Commission goals:**

- To protect current and potential water resources.
- To conserve natural resources in the Town of Durham.
- To create and preserve open space for recreational use and wildlife habitat.
- To advise Board of Selectmen and Planning Board on sustaining our Town's natural resources, including land, water, air, wildlife habitat, and scenic views.
- To conduct research, in conjunction with the Planning Board, into local land areas that are being considered for development.

### **Discussion topics of 2021:**

- Shoreland Zoning Discussions/Educaiton with George Theborge, Town Planner
  - ◆ Durham's Resource Protection Zoning Analysis
- Continued revision of Conservation Commission's long-term action plan
- Attended the Maine Conference of Conservation Commissions in Brunswick
  - ◆ This gave us an opportunity to hear what other Towns are up to, challenges they are facing, and successes they have had.

Meetings are held the last Thursday every month, unless otherwise noted on the Town's website.

**Members:** Roberta Brezinski      Juliet Caplinger      Jess Costa  
 Samantha Cuccaro      Zach Labbay      Joe Roy



# Cemetery Committee Report



The Cemetery Committee works for and under the authority of the Board of Selectmen. Our members are unpaid volunteers whose mission is the care and maintenance of the sixteen (16) cemeteries for which the town has responsibility. We also offer cemetery plots for those wishing to be buried in town. The Committee has no affiliation with the private cemetery associations located in Durham.



At our April meeting we elected officers and awarded a mowing contract to Yankee Yardworks of Durham, Maine.

This year the committee members performed the following:

- Inspected all the cemeteries under our jurisdiction.
- Cleaned up three cemeteries: Gerrish Family, Old Town & Bradbury

One (1) cemetery plot was sold in 2021.

We would also like to thank those individuals and groups who help maintain our cemeteries. Special thanks to the Acacia Masonic Lodge for their work at Cedar Grove Cemetery and Boy Scout Troop #145 for helping to place the Veteran's Memorial Day flags.



Respectfully submitted,  
Phil Baker  
Linda Bowie, Vice Chair  
Joe Donovick  
Lindsey Lopes, Secretary

Natasha Skelton  
Dick Thompson  
Greg Wilson  
Tia Wilson, Chair

# Durham Historical Society

The Durham Historical Society's 2021 year was unfortunately still slowed by the pandemic. Members of the society have started collecting items for a yard sale fundraiser, planned for the spring or summer of 2022. In December, members of the society held a Holiday Cookie Bake-Off competition at the Bliss Farm Inn. It was a small event, but it was wonderful to meet new people and see members of the community come together. We hope to make this an annual event that will get bigger each year.

The society also issued its first annual calendar fundraiser, with historical pictures of the town throughout it's pages. We plan to continue to make this an annual fundraiser.

The society is optimistic that 2022 will enable us to continue the organization of the historical documents and artifacts within the Union Church. The ultimate goal is to create a more functional town historical museum. We also hope to work with the Historic District Commission to bring the Durham Historical Tour back. Stay tuned for more details.

The society welcomes new members to join the committee. If you are interested in becoming a member of the society, the annual membership dues are \$10. The Society meets every 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. During the winter months, the meetings are held at the Eureka Center and during the summer, they meet at the Union Church.

Please remember to follow the Durham Historical Society on Facebook at [facebook.com/durhammainehistoricalsociety](https://facebook.com/durhammainehistoricalsociety) to keep up with society activities, as well as look through historic photos and articles about the town.

Durham Historical Society Officers:

Tia Wilson ~ Chair/Secretary  
Paula Erdmann-Purdy ~ Vice-Chair  
Rita Merrill ~ Treasurer

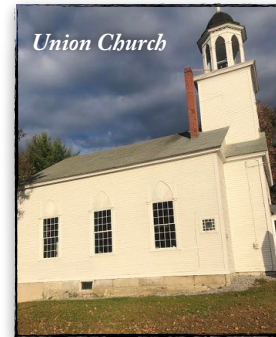


# Historic District Commission Report

Durham's Historic District Commission continued to review and advise property owners in the district who were planning additions/alterations to their property. We worked with the Codes Enforcement Officer for this work.

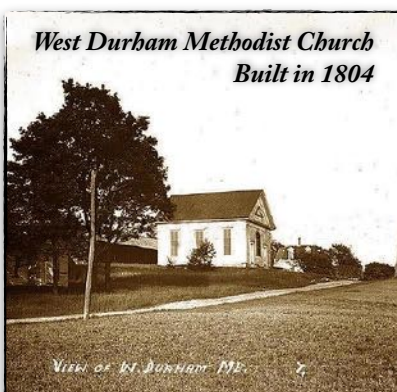
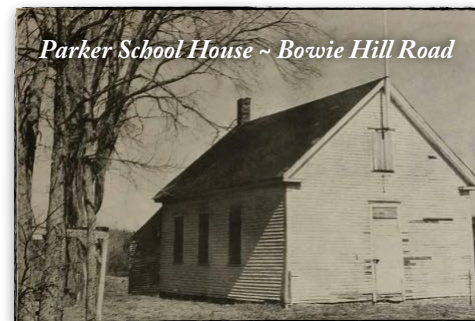
Due to COVID we weren't able to plan any "history" events for the town in 2021. We look forward to doing these events again in 2022.

We also provided the town with several photos of historic Durham buildings and locations. These photos are on display in the town office and the Eureka Center.

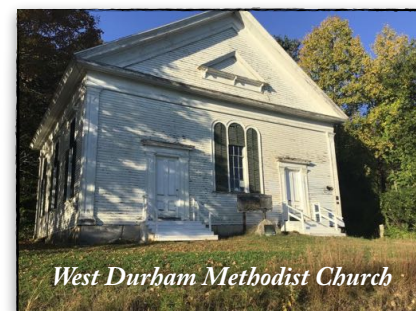


*The Union Church, built in 1835, and remodeled in 1927, was used for services and as the Town Hall, after sitting empty for many years. The Durham Historical Society renovated the steeple which is known to house a Revere Bell, which was cast by Paul Revere's son. The building was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2002. The Acadia Lodge of Free Masons was established next door to the Union Church, on the site at the top of the hill in Southwest Bend on Route 136 in 1845, and torn down in the mid-1900's.*

*The Parker School on Bowie Hill Road was one of eleven local schools in Durham in 1920. By 1950, only a handful remained. As the town grew, and more space was needed, a larger consolidated school was built in 1960, on the site of the current Durham Community School. The Parker School remained open until the mid-60's when all children were moved to the "new school".*



*The West Durham Methodist Church was built in 1804 and was used until the early 2000's. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the church was transformed from a hip roof to a Greek Revival gable roof during a renovation in 1867. Located on Runaround Pond Road, the church is owned by a non-profit and is no longer open for church services.*



# Planning Board Report

The Durham Planning Board is responsible for implementing certain portions of the Durham Land Use Ordinance, including considering and approving subdivision, conditional use, and site plan applications. The current Planning Board members are the Chair Anne Torregrossa, Vice Chair Juliet Caplinger, Allan Purinton, Ron Williams, Wesley Grover, and alternates John Talbot and Tyler Hutchinson. The Planning Board also recommends changes to the Land Use Ordinance as appropriate, and has held numerous workshops over the past several years on various changes to try to make the Land Use Ordinance easier to understand and implement, and to keep it current with required state laws. The Planning Board is supported in its work by the Code Enforcement Officer, Town Planner, and Planning Board Secretary.

The Planning Board meets regularly on the first Wednesday of each month, with additional meetings or workshops scheduled as needed. Recently, the Planning Board has been making an extra effort to ensure that all materials for any application that will be coming before it are posted on the website so that abutters and interested members of the public can review these materials before any meeting.

The Planning Board can only consider applications that are in front of it, and citizens can find out more about the process of filing an application by contacting the Code Enforcement Officer or Town Planner. When applying, applicants are strongly encouraged to make sure that they have provided all required information and anything else that they think the Board might find helpful in making its decision. Many projects have been delayed because applicants did not provide enough information or documentation. The more prepared the applicant is, the more quickly the application moves through the process.

Work continued on updating the Land Use Ordinance and Zoning Map to make these land use regulatory codes more workable and consistent with State legal requirements. Another important goal is to implement policy recommendations in the new Comprehensive Plan adopted by voters in 2019, which set a vision for preserving the rural character and low development density of the community while strengthening our regulations to protect our natural resources and neighborhood integrity of existing residents. The next phase of upgrades to the growth management program include:

- Revisions to the Zoning Map to realign the Resource Protection District boundary with the latest and most accurate natural resources data, correcting outdated and inaccurate information that served as a basis for restricting development over the past two decades;
- Updating the road standards to allow simple driveways to serve single back lots, give clear standards and a streamlined process for approving small roads outside of subdivisions, and cleaning up outdated provisions for roads in subdivisions approved by the Planning Board;
- Clarifying the role of the Appeals Board in hearing appeals of decisions of the Planning Board, Select Board, Code Officer, and Road Commissioner; and,
- Moving all fees contained in Land Use Ordinance to a separate Fee Schedule adopted annually by the Select Board, ensuring that fees are adequate to cover the costs of providing services and are in line with similar communities in the region.

These amendments to the Land Use Ordinance will be considered as warrant articles at the April 2, 2022 Town Meeting.



# RSU5 Superintendent Report

Dear Citizens,

We want to thank all the residents for the passage of our current budget. The adopted budget for 2021-22 is \$35,714,763. Most of the expenditure increases included additional costs in the following areas: contractual salary and benefits, funding for additional support staff, an additional computer tech position, one additional bus driver/custodian position, an additional second grade teacher due to increased enrollment, and the establishment of a tennis court reserve account for eventual replacement of the tennis courts. We are excited that students have returned to in person learning five days a week. We hope to maintain this throughout the year except in cases that require a class or grade level to quarantine. In those instances, we will provide remote learning.

We are grateful for the individuals willing to volunteer and serve on the RSU5 Board of Directors. Current Board members from Durham are Candace deCsipkes, Jen Galletta, and School Board Chair Michelle Ritcheson; members from Freeport are Jeremy Clough, Susana Hancock, Maddy Vertenten, Lindsey Furtney, Valy Steverlynck, and Maura Pillsbury; and members from Pownal are Jill Piker and Vice-chair Elizabeth Munsen. Our current student representative on the Board is Brady Grogan.

All Board goals aim to ensure every student has an engaging, student-centered education, and graduates ready to enter college or the workforce. In June, 141 students graduated from Freeport High School, ready to venture into their post-graduation lives.

Over the past year, to support students in this effort, a newly created Freeport High School Scholarship Foundation was formed. The Foundation's goal is to raise money in order to provide scholarships to Freeport High School students annually. The scholarships are unique in the size of the awards and allow eligibility to 11th graders to help incentivize their post-graduation plans. Two scholarships, in the amount of \$5,000 per year for up to four years, were awarded this past spring. John Paterson, President of the Foundation said, "Our long term goal for the Foundation is to raise \$2,000,000 so that we can extend our impact to more students." To learn more about the Foundation, visit the website at: [www.fhsscholarships.org](http://www.fhsscholarships.org).

To attain the Board goals we have an extremely dedicated, qualified staff serving our students. We educated 1949 students during the 2020-21 school year, which was a decrease of 63 students from the October 1st enrollment from 2019. We believe this decrease was primarily due to the pandemic. Currently, the non-certified enrollment is 2,018. If this remains stable, this will be an increase of 69 from last year's October 1st certified enrollment.

Through the collective efforts of our staff, parents, students and community members, we strive to provide a quality education for all of our students. As we strive "to inspire and support every learner by challenging minds, building character, sparking creativity, and nurturing passions," we appreciate your support and involvement in educating our students in RSU 5!



Sincerely,  
Becky Foley  
Superintendent of Schools

# Solid Waste Report

The Town of Durham contracts with Pine Tree Waste (also known as Casella) for curbside solid waste and recycling collection. Requests for Proposals are submitted every three years and run on a fiscal (July 1 to June 30) year. The most current contract began on July 1, 2020.

Each bag of regular household waste picked up at curbside must be tagged. There is a weight limit of 25 pounds per bag. Residents may put out 32 gallon trash cans which do not exceed the 25 pounds and tag the can. Residents are allotted 26 tags free of charge per year which are available the first Monday after Town Meeting. New property owners are entitled to a pro-rated number of tags, One (1) for every two weeks remaining until the next Town Meeting. Tags for rental units are limited to 26 regardless of tenant changes. Additional tags can be purchased at the Town Office for \$3 each.

Recyclables do not need to be tagged and should be placed curbside in a container, cardboard or plastic box. Acceptable recyclables are:

- ◆ Corrugated cardboard (wavy center layer)
- ◆ Glass bottles (food jars, beverage)
- ◆ Boxboard (dry food boxes, paper bags, egg cartons, rolls)
- ◆ Junk mail, periodicals and office paper (catalogs, newspapers, magazines, soft cover books, envelopes)
- ◆ Plastic containers (#1 ~ #7, 5 gallon pails)
- ◆ Metal and food cans (aluminum, tin, foil)

Items Prohibited at Curbside:

- ◆ Large metal objects or appliances
- ◆ Construction debris
- ◆ Animal body parts
- ◆ Tires
- ◆ Furniture
- ◆ Batteries
- ◆ Small Appliances
- ◆ Compostable materials (leaves, trees, mulch, pumpkins, pet litter)
- ◆ Large plastic items

Durham residents can use the services at Maine Waste-to-Energy in Auburn for a fee and can recycle waste oil for free by bringing it to the Durham Public Works garage. The waste oil is collected and re-used by a neighboring town to heat their town garage. For more information on Solid Waste Collection and informational links regarding recycling, please visit the Town's website at [www.durhamme.com](http://www.durhamme.com).

Material	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
MSW / Trash	65.78	46.84	60.42	62.20	55.79	63.04	70.37	52.86	68.31	61.61	59.35	80.00	746.57
Recycling	30.29	19.14	26.30	24.48	25.05	24.05	27.68	26.87	27.09	24.04	24.76	36.77	316.52
Total	96.07	65.98	86.72	86.68	80.84	87.09	98.05	79.73	95.40	85.65	84.11	116.77	1,063.09

# Eureka Community Center

January and February were very quiet. The first rent was in March. There were eleven rents in total for the year. The three Girl Scout troops were the first to request meeting dates.

The Center's Main room is open and allows for spacing so it was used for different town board meetings and trainings.



Weekly cribbage has not been open due to the fluctuation of covid. The annual plant sale was also canceled for the second year. We are looking forward to the Center being used as it was before Covid in the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pearl Scribner, Committee Chairperson

Anita Sellars

Elizabeth Fertig-Burd

Kathy Lowe

Linda Litchfield

Martha Lewis

Nancy Doherty



# Telecommunications Report



The Town of Durham Telecommunications Department managed to make it through 2021's town transitions and world news by keeping Durham informed of the news and information they needed to know.

Technology continues to change at a rapid pace and Durham is embracing new ways of connecting with the community. Thank you for all of your support, and stay tuned for a great 2022!





# Proposed Municipal Budget

Municipal Budget Overview	2021	2021	2021
	Budget	Transfer	Actual Expenditure
<b>Operating Budget</b>			
<b>Operations Articles</b>			
Administration	434,350	112,974	410,550
Animal Control	17,760	1,205	16,975
Assessing	20,700	0	20,694
Cemeteries	4,650	0	4,590
Conservation, Park & Recreation	9,330	9,330	2,392
Donations	0	0	0
Eureka Center	6,813	2,754	3,933
Fire/Rescue/EMA	472,753	0	471,835
General Assistance	600	420	0
Planning Board/Appeals	31,742	800	29,399
Public Works	1,150,000	1,011,552	1,105,372
Solid Waste	300,000	17,274	294,576
Bulky Waste Day	10,000	0	10,000
Telecommunications	50,000	50,000	47,532
Raise Pool	12,363	0	0
Emergency Fund	0	0	0
Grant Matching	0	0	0
Transfer from Undesignated			
2020 Solid Waste Budget Deficit	2,092	2,092	2,092
<b>Operations Articles Sub-Total</b>	<b>2,523,152</b>	<b>1,208,401</b>	<b>2,419,941</b>
<b>Debt Service (last payment)</b>			
2018 Fire Truck Bond (2028)	58,894	0	58,894
2019 Ambulance Bond (2026)	41,110	41,110	41,110
2014 PW Equipment Bond (2024)	141,524	0	141,524
2014 PW Building Bond (2029)	91,120	0	91,120
2016 Road Bond (2023)	164,765	0	164,765
2018 Road Bond (2028)	242,880	0	242,880
2019 Road Bond (2029)	240,569	46,000	46,000
<b>Debt Service Subtotal</b>	<b>980,862</b>	<b>87,110</b>	<b>786,293</b>
<b>Operating Budget Total</b>	<b>3,504,014</b>	<b>1,295,511</b>	<b>3,206,234</b>
<b>Capital Budget</b>			
Fire - Breathing Apparatus	60,000	60,000	56,950
Public Works - Stream Crossings	0	0	0
Public Works - Plow Truck	188,600	0	188,580
Fire - Capital Reserves	30,000	0	30,000
Market Revaluation Project	0	0	0
Public Works - Capital Reserves	30,000	0	30,000
Administration - Office Study	0	0	0
<b>Capital Budget Total</b>	<b>308,600</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>305,530</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>3,812,614</b>	<b>1,355,511</b>	<b>3,511,764</b>

# Proposed Municipal Budget (Cont.)

Town Manager Request	2022				2022	2022
	Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Actual	Transfer	Raise
<b>Operating Budget</b>						
<b>Operations Articles</b>						
Administration	454,941	20,591	4.74%	10.81%	124,716	330,225
Animal Control	18,686	926	5.21%	10.08%	662	18,204
Assessing	21,300	600	2.90%	2.93%	0	21,300
Cemeteries	4,950	300	6.45%	7.83%	200	4,750
Conservation, Park & Recreation	9,330	0	0.00%	289.98%	7,338	1,992
Donations	0	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Eureka Center	6,848	35	0.51%	74.13%	1,050	5,798
Fire/Rescue/EMA	499,993	27,240	5.76%	5.97%	0	499,993
General Assistance	600	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	600
Planning Board/Appeals	47,421	15,679	49.40%	61.30%	3,200	44,221
Public Works	1,312,353	162,353	14.12%	18.72%	1,007,393	304,960
Solid Waste	307,821	7,821	2.61%	4.50%	28,690	279,131
Bulky Waste Day	10,300	300	3.00%	3.00%	0	10,300
Telecommunications	54,065	4,065	8.13%	13.74%	44,861	9,204
Raise Pool	26,152	13,789	111.53%		0	26,152
Emergency Fund	0	0			0	0
Grant Matching	0	0			0	0
Transfer from Undesignated					0	0
2020 Solid Waste Budget Deficit	0	(2,092)	-100.00%	-100.00%	0	0
<b>Operations Articles Sub-Total</b>	<b>2,774,760</b>	<b>251,607</b>	<b>9.97%</b>	<b>14.66%</b>	<b>1,218,110</b>	<b>1,556,650</b>
<b>Debt Service (last payment)</b>						
2018 Fire Truck Bond (2028)	58,894	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	58,894
2019 Ambulance Bond (2026)	41,110	0	0.00%	0.00%	41,110	0
2014 PW Equipment Bond (2024)	141,524	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	141,524
2014 PW Building Bond (2029)	91,120	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	91,120
2016 Road Bond (2023)	162,408	(2,357)	-1.43%	-1.43%	0	162,408
2018 Road Bond (2028)	238,160	(4,720)	-1.94%	-1.94%	0	238,160
2019 Road Bond (2029)	236,587	(3,982)	-1.66%	414.32%	0	236,587
<b>Debt Service Subtotal</b>	<b>969,803</b>	<b>(11,059)</b>	<b>-1.13%</b>	<b>23.34%</b>	<b>41,110</b>	<b>928,693</b>
<b>Operating Budget Total</b>	<b>3,744,563</b>	<b>240,548</b>	<b>6.86%</b>	<b>16.79%</b>	<b>1,259,220</b>	<b>2,485,343</b>
<b>Capital Budget</b>						
Fire - Breathing Apparatus	63,000	3,000	5.00%	10.62%	63,000	0
Public Works - Stream Crossings	60,000	60,000			0	60,000
Public Works - Plow Truck	242,000	53,400	28.31%	28.33%	220,089	21,911
Fire - Capital Reserves	100,000	70,000	233.33%	233.33%	0	100,000
Market Revaluation Project	60,000	60,000			60,000	0
Public Works - Capital Reserves	100,000	70,000	233.33%	233.33%	0	100,000
Administration - Office Study	0	0			0	0
<b>Capital Budget Total</b>	<b>625,000</b>	<b>316,400</b>	<b>102.53%</b>	<b>104.56%</b>	<b>343,089</b>	<b>281,911</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>4,369,563</b>	<b>556,948</b>	<b>14.61%</b>	<b>24.43%</b>	<b>1,602,309</b>	<b>2,767,254</b>

# Proposed Municipal Budget (Cont.)

Select Board Recommendation	2022				2022	2022
	Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Actual	Transfer	Raise
<b>Operating Budget</b>						
<b>Operations Articles</b>						
Administration	470,000	35,650	8.21%	10.48%	164,716	305,284
Animal Control	18,686	926	5.21%	10.08%	1,447	17,239
Assessing	21,300	600	2.90%	2.93%	0	21,300
Cemeteries	4,950	300	6.45%	7.83%	200	4,750
Conservation, Park & Recreation	6,000	(3,330)	-35.69%	150.79%	6,000	0
Donations	0	0			0	0
Eureka Center	5,000	(1,813)	-26.62%	27.14%	3,930	1,070
Fire/Rescue/EMA	495,000	22,247	4.71%	4.91%	0	495,000
General Assistance	600	0	0.00%		600	0
Planning Board/Appeals	47,421	15,679	49.40%	61.30%	5,596	41,825
Public Works	1,250,000	100,000	8.70%	13.80%	1,047,151	202,849
Solid Waste	307,821	7,821	2.61%	4.50%	28,690	279,131
Bulky Waste Day	10,300	300	3.00%	3.00%	0	10,300
Telecommunications	54,065	4,065	8.13%	13.74%	46,732	7,333
Raise Pool	26,152	13,789	111.53%		11,510	14,642
Emergency Fund	0	0			0	0
Grant Matching	0	0			0	0
Transfer from Undesignated	0				0	0
2020 Solid Waste Budget Deficit	0	(2,092)	-100.00%	-100.00%	0	0
<b>Operations Articles Sub-Total</b>	<b>2,717,295</b>	<b>194,142</b>	<b>7.69%</b>	<b>12.29%</b>	<b>1,316,572</b>	<b>1,400,723</b>
<b>Debt Service (last payment)</b>						
2018 Fire Truck Bond (2028)	58,894	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	58,894
2019 Ambulance Bond (2026)	41,110	0	0.00%	0.00%	41,110	0
2014 PW Equipment Bond (2024)	141,524	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	141,524
2014 PW Building Bond (2029)	91,120	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	91,120
2016 Road Bond (2023)	162,408	(2,357)	-1.43%	-1.43%	0	162,408
2018 Road Bond (2028)	238,160	(4,720)	-1.94%	-1.94%	0	238,160
2019 Road Bond (2029)	236,587	(3,982)	-1.66%	414.32%	0	236,587
<b>Debt Service Subtotal</b>	<b>969,803</b>	<b>(11,059)</b>	<b>-1.13%</b>	<b>23.34%</b>	<b>41,110</b>	<b>928,693</b>
<b>Operating Budget Total</b>	<b>3,687,098</b>	<b>183,083</b>	<b>5.22%</b>	<b>15.00%</b>	<b>1,357,682</b>	<b>2,329,416</b>
<b>Capital Budget</b>						
Fire - Breathing Apparatus	63,000	3,000	5.00%	10.62%	63,000	0
Public Works - Stream Crossings	101,000	101,000			0	101,000
Public Works - Plow Truck	242,000	53,400	28.31%	28.33%	220,089	21,911
Fire - Capital Reserves	59,000	29,000	96.67%	96.67%	0	59,000
Market Revaluation Project	60,000	60,000			60,000	0
Public Works - Capital Reserves	49,000	19,000	63.33%	63.33%	0	49,000
Administration - Office Study	0	0			0	0
<b>Capital Budget Total</b>	<b>574,000</b>	<b>265,400</b>	<b>86.00%</b>	<b>87.87%</b>	<b>343,089</b>	<b>230,911</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>4,261,098</b>	<b>448,483</b>	<b>11.76%</b>	<b>21.34%</b>	<b>1,700,771</b>	<b>2,560,327</b>

# Proposed Municipal Budget (Cont.)

Budget Committee Recommendation	2022				2022	2022
	Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Budget	\$ +/- vs. LY Actual	Transfer	Raise
<b>Operating Budget</b>						
<b>Operations Articles</b>						
Administration	447,869	13,519	3.11%	9.09%	154,716	293,153
Animal Control	18,686	926	5.21%	10.08%	1,447	17,239
Assessing	21,300	600	2.90%	2.93%	0	21,300
Cemeteries	4,950	300	6.45%	7.83%	200	4,750
Conservation, Park & Recreation	6,000	(3,330)	-35.69%	150.79%	6,000	0
Donations	0	0			0	0
Eureka Center	6,848	35	0.51%	74.13%	3,930	2,918
Fire/Rescue/EMA	496,153	23,400	4.95%	5.15%	0	496,153
General Assistance	600	0	0.00%		600	0
Planning Board/Appeals	44,861	13,119	41.33%	52.59%	5,596	39,265
Public Works	1,272,000	122,000	10.61%	15.07%	1,047,151	224,849
Solid Waste	307,821	7,821	2.61%	4.50%	28,690	279,131
Bulky Waste Day	10,300	300	3.00%	3.00%	0	10,300
Telecommunications	46,732	(3,268)	-6.54%	-1.68%	46,732	0
Raise Pool	11,510	(853)	-6.90%		11,510	0
Emergency Fund	0	0			0	0
Grant Matching	0	0			0	0
Transfer from Undesignated	0	0			0	0
2020 Solid Waste Budget Deficit	0	(2,092)	-100.00%	-100.00%	0	0
<b>Operations Articles Sub-Total</b>	<b>2,695,630</b>	<b>172,478</b>	<b>6.84%</b>	<b>11.39%</b>	<b>1,306,572</b>	<b>1,389,058</b>
<b>Debt Service (last payment)</b>						
2018 Fire Truck Bond (2028)	58,894	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	58,894
2019 Ambulance Bond (2026)	41,110	0	0.00%	0.00%	41,110	0
2014 PW Equipment Bond (2024)	141,524	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	141,524
2014 PW Building Bond (2029)	91,120	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	91,120
2016 Road Bond (2023)	162,408	(2,357)	-1.43%	-1.43%	0	162,408
2018 Road Bond (2028)	238,160	(4,720)	-1.94%	-1.94%	0	238,160
2019 Road Bond (2029)	236,587	(3,982)	-1.66%	414.32%	0	236,587
<b>Debt Service Subtotal</b>	<b>969,803</b>	<b>(11,059)</b>	<b>-1.13%</b>	<b>23.34%</b>	<b>41,110</b>	<b>928,693</b>
<b>Operating Budget Total</b>	<b>3,665,433</b>	<b>161,419</b>	<b>4.61%</b>	<b>14.32%</b>	<b>1,347,682</b>	<b>2,317,751</b>
<b>Capital Budget</b>						
Fire - Breathing Apparatus	63,000	3,000	5.00%	10.62%	63,000	0
Public Works - Stream Crossings	101,000	101,000			0	101,000
Public Works - Plow Truck	242,000	53,400	28.31%	28.33%	220,089	21,911
Fire - Capital Reserves	50,000	20,000	66.67%	66.67%	0	50,000
Market Revaluation Project	60,000	60,000			60,000	0
Public Works - Capital Reserves	49,000	19,000	63.33%	63.33%	0	49,000
Administration - Office Study	0	0			0	0
<b>Capital Budget Total</b>	<b>565,000</b>	<b>256,400</b>	<b>83.08%</b>	<b>84.92%</b>	<b>343,089</b>	<b>221,911</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>4,230,433</b>	<b>417,819</b>	<b>10.96%</b>	<b>20.46%</b>	<b>1,690,771</b>	<b>2,539,662</b>



To: Kimberly Garneau, a resident of the Town of Durham, Androscoggin County, State of Maine

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Durham in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at Durham Community School, 654 Hallowell Road, Durham, Maine on Saturday, April 2, 2022 at 7:45 a.m., then and there to act upon Article 1 and on Articles 2 through 36 as set out below. (Polls shall be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.):

- Article 1** To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Article 2** To elect all municipal officers, school committee members, and budget committee members as are required to be elected.
- Article 3** To see if the Town of Durham will vote to raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed the 2021 Durham Municipal Budget for any budget articles **not** approved in this warrant.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ARTICLES**

- Article 4** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer \$63,000 from the Fire Department Capital Fund for the purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Airpack Replacements. *Select Board and Budget Committee recommend yes*
- Article 5** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer \$ 220,089 from the Public Works Capital fund and raise and appropriate \$21,911 for the purchase of a Tandem-axle Plow Truck. *Select Board and Budget Committee recommend yes*
- Article 6** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$101,000 for Stream Crossings/Culvert Replacements on Swamp Road and Quaker Meeting House Roads. Municipal share \$101,000, State share from Stream Crossing Grant \$250,000. *Select Board and Budget Committee recommend yes*
- Article 7** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer \$60,000 from the Municipal Capital Account for a Market-based Revaluation. *Select Board and Budget Committee recommend yes*
- Article 8** To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the Fire Department Capital Fund for future fire apparatus expenditures.

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Raise and Appropriate	<b>\$9,000</b>	Raise and Appropriate	<b>\$50,000</b>

- Article 9** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$49,000 for the Public Works Capital Fund for future equipment purchase. *Select Board and Budget Committee recommend yes*

**ORDINANCE WARRANT ARTICLES**

- Article 10** To see if the Town will vote to enact amendments to the Land Use Ordinance and Zoning Map as set forth in the document "Town of Durham, Land Use Ordinance as Adopted at Town Meeting, April 6, 2021, Proposed Revisions for Town Meeting, April 2, 2022, PART 1 – AMENDMENTS TO RESOURCE PROTECTION DISTRICT STANDARDS & BOUNDARY (Article 2 and the Official Zoning Map) to revise the Resource Protection District criteria and boundary to match the most recent natural resource inventories and replace outdated and inaccurate restrictions on property use and development. **Copies are available at the Town Office or online at [www.durhammaine.com](http://www.durhammaine.com)**
- Article 11** To see if the Town will vote to enact amendments to the Land Use Ordinance as set forth in the document "Town of Durham, Land Use Ordinance as Adopted at Town Meeting, April 6, 2021, Proposed Revisions for Town Meeting, April 2, 2022, PART 2 – AMENDMENTS TO ROADS (Articles 5, 6, 8, & Appendix 1) to allow driveway rather than road access to single back lots, give clear standards for approving private roads outside of subdivisions, and update the road design standards for subdivisions." **Copies are available at the Town Office or online [www.durhammaine.com](http://www.durhammaine.com)**
- Article 12** To see if the Town will vote to enact amendments to the Land Use Ordinance as set forth in the document "Town of Durham, Land Use Ordinance as Adopted at Town Meeting, April 6, 2021, Proposed Revisions for Town Meeting, April 2, 2022, PART 3 – AMENDMENTS TO APPEALS PROCESSES (Articles 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, & 18)" to eliminate redundant and conflicting appeals provisions and clarify the authority of the Board of Appeals to modify decisions made by other boards and town officials. **Copies are available at the Town Office or online at [www.durhammaine.com](http://www.durhammaine.com)**
- Article 13** To see if the Town will vote to enact amendments to the Land Use Ordinance as set forth in the document "Town of Durham, Land Use Ordinance as Adopted at Town Meeting, April 6, 2021, Proposed Revisions for Town Meeting, April 2, 2022, PART 4 – AMENDMENTS TO FEE SCHEDULE (Article 18)" to allow the Select Board to periodically set fees for permits and applications based on analysis of actual costs and comparison with similar towns. **Copies are available at the Town Office or online at [www.durhammaine.com](http://www.durhammaine.com)**

**BUDGET ARTICLES**

**Article 14** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire and Rescue Department Budget.

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Raise and Appropriate	<b>\$495,000</b>	Raise and Appropriate	<b>\$496,153</b>

**Article 15** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Works Operating Budget:

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Transfer from Revenue Funds*	\$1,007,393	Transfer from Revenue Funds*	\$1,007,393
Transfer from Undesignated	\$39,758	Transfer from Undesignated	\$39,758
Raise	\$202,849	Raise	\$224,849
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$1,250,000</b>	<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$1,272,000</b>

\*Transfer \$1,007,393 from the following Revenue Funds: Excise Taxes \$952,369 and LRAP (Local Roads Assistance Program) \$55,024.

**Article 16** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Administration Budget:

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Transfer from Revenue Funds*	124,716	Transfer from Revenue Funds*	124,716
Transfer from Undesignated	40,000	Transfer from Undesignated	30,000
Raise	305,284	Raise	293,153
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>470,000</b>	<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>447,869</b>

\*Transfer \$124,716 from the following Revenue Funds: Building Permits \$20,414 Electrical Permits \$8,210, Plumbing Permits \$8,963, Vehicle Registration 19,320, Delinquent Tax Interest \$32,486, Tax Exemption Reimbursement \$23,860, Town Clerk Fees \$5,678, and Miscellaneous Revenue \$5,785

**Article 17** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$307,821** for Solid Waste. Funding Source: Raise \$279,131 and transfer \$28,690 from the Solid Waste Revenue Fund.  
**Select Board and Budget Committee recommend yes**

**Article 18** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,300** for Bulky Waste Day. Funding Source: Raise 10,300

**Article 19** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$969,803** for the Town of Durham’s annual debt service. Funding Source: Transfer \$41,110 from fees received for EMT Emergency Ambulance Services and Raise \$928,693  
**Select Board and Budget Committee recommend yes**

**Article 20** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the for the following budgets: Animal Control, Assessing, Cemeteries, Conservation, Recreation and Parks, Eureka Community Center, and General Assistance.

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Animal Control	18,686	Animal Control	18,686
Assessing	21,300	Assessing	21,300
Cemeteries	4,950	Cemeteries	4,950
Conservation, Recreation & Parks	6,000	Conservation, Recreation & Parks	6,000
Eureka Community Center	5,000	Eureka Community Center	6,848
General Assistance	600	General Assistance	600
Transfer from Revenue Funds*	\$7,912	Transfer from Revenue Funds*	\$7,912
Transfer from Undesignated	\$4,265	Transfer from Undesignated	\$4,265
Raise	\$44,359	Raise	46,207
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$56,536</b>	<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>58,384</b>

\*Transfer \$7,912 from the following revenue funds: Animal Control \$662, Cemetery Lot Sales \$200, Conservation, Park and Recreation \$6,000, and Eureka Community Center \$1,050.

**Article 21** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a raise pool to be distributed through the following departments: Administration, Public Works, Fire Department, Telecommunications and the Eureka Community Center and Planning.

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Raise	\$26,152	Raise	11,510
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$26,152</b>	<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>11,510</b>



**Article 22** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Telecommunication Budget:

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Transfer from Franchise Fees	\$46,732	Transfer from Franchise Fees	\$46,732
Raise	\$7,333	Raise	\$0.00
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$54,065</b>	<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$46,732</b>

**Article 23** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Planning Board/Appeals Board/Historic District Commission Budget:

Select Board Recommendation		Budget Committee Recommendation	
Transfer from Revenue Funds	\$3,200	Transfer from Revenue Funds	\$3,200
Transfer from Undesignated	\$2,396	Transfer from Undesignated	\$2,396
Raise	\$41,825	Raise	\$39,265
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$47,421</b>	<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$44,861</b>

**PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT**

**Article 24** To see if the Town will vote to increase the maximum property tax levy limit established by State Law, in the event that the municipal budget approved by this referendum results in a tax commitment in excess of the maximum property tax levy limit otherwise allowable.  
The levy limit is: **\$1,690,543.00**

**BUSINESS ARTICLES**

**Article 25** To see if the town will vote to appropriate an amount not to exceed 5% of the total 2022 Net Assessment for Commitment to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during the 2022 fiscal year.

**Article 26** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to seek, accept and disburse grant funds from private, state or federal agencies, for the purpose so designated in each specific grant.

**Article 27** To see what action the Town will take in regard to fixing interest on delinquent taxes and establishing a date for interest to start. Interest shall begin to accrue on all unpaid taxes forty-five days after the date taxes are committed. The interest rate on delinquent taxes shall be the maximum allowable by State Law.

**Article 28** To see if the Town will vote to leave the appointment of standing committee members and officials in the hands of the Select Board.

**Article 29** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of town owned property which they determine is no longer needed or usable by the town, on such terms as they deem advisable.

**Article 30** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to sell and/or dispose of any property acquired by tax liens and allow the Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to waive automatic lien foreclosures when it is in the best interest of the Town.

**Article 31** To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on overpayment of abated taxes at 2% pursuant to 36 MRSA § 506-A.

**Article 32** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet due or assessed, and to pay interest thereon at an interest rate of 0% pursuant to 36 MRSA § 506.

**Article 33** To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to resolve any disputes with parties having an interest adverse to that of the Town which do not involve the expenditure of public funds or where there are sufficient funds in budgeted accounts to allow payment of any claim which is to be settled.

**Article 34** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to spend an amount not to exceed one third (1/3) of the budget amount in each category of the Town of Durham 2022 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2023 to the close of the 2023 annual town meeting.

**Article 35** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money on notes approved by at least three members of the Select Board and countersigned by the Select Board Chair, to pay for the operating costs of the Town.

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**Given under our hands this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022 by the Durham Select Board:**

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**Kevin Nadeau, Chair**

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**Rob Pontau, Vice Chair**

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Dear Friends:

For three years it has been my privilege to guide our great state, working with the Legislature to keep Maine people safe and put our economy on a path to recovery.

Since the arrival of the COVID-19 vaccines in December 2020, we have worked hard to get as many shots into the arms of Maine people as quickly as possible. In the last year, more than a million Maine people have gotten fully vaccinated from COVID-19. It is thanks to them that our state has one of highest vaccination rates and one of the lowest death rates from COVID-19, despite having a much older population than other states. People are coming to Maine because we are one of the safest states in the nation.

Following the recommendations of the Economic Recovery Committee, our economy has not only fully recovered, but has surpassed pre-pandemic projections and unemployment claims have dropped to pre-pandemic levels. And, last year, I was pleased to sign a balanced, bipartisan budget that finally achieves the State's commitment to 55 percent education funding, fully restores revenue sharing, and expands property tax relief for Maine residents.

Maine can be proud of our nation-leading progress, but our work is far from done. Through the Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan, we will continue to address our longstanding workforce shortage, the expansion of broadband, education and job training opportunities, housing, child care, and transportation. Drawing on the hard work and resilience of Maine people, together we will rebuild our economy and rise from this unprecedented challenge a state that is stronger than ever.

In 2022, I will be focused on our economy, on our climate, on our kids, on keeping people safe and on the health and welfare of all Maine people. We have persevered, and, while challenges remain, we will get through them together. I am proud of the people of Maine, and I am proud to be your Governor.

Thank you,

Janet T. Mills  
 Governor

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Dear Friends:

I am deeply honored to serve the people of Maine in the U.S. Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share some of the areas I have been working on over the past year.

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to pose enormous challenges for our state and our country. When the pandemic began, I co-authored the Paycheck Protection Program that helped small businesses remain afloat and keep their employees paid. In Maine, our small businesses received more than 47,000 forgivable loans totaling \$3.2 billion. I also led efforts to provide relief for loggers, lobstermen, and bus companies.

In addition, I helped secure \$700 million to assist Maine's overwhelmed hospitals and nursing homes, and a new law I led prevented Medicare payment cuts to help further ease the financial strain on our hospitals. I also urged the CDC to update its recommendations so that our students and teachers could safely return to their classrooms, and I pressed the Administration to end the closure of the U.S.-Canada border.

While addressing the pandemic has been a major focus, I've also worked hard to ensure Maine's other needs are met. A group of 10 Senators, of which I was a part, negotiated the landmark bipartisan infrastructure bill that was signed into law in November. I co-authored the section of the bill that will provide Maine with as much as \$300 million to expand high-speed internet in rural and underserved areas.

Soaring inflation is another crisis, particularly when it comes to the cost of heating oil. I have strongly supported federal programs that help Maine families stay warm. In November, Maine was awarded \$35 million to help low-income Mainers pay their energy bills. And the bipartisan infrastructure bill included \$3.5 billion to help families make energy efficiency improvements that would permanently lower their heating costs.

As a senior member of the Appropriations Committee, I have supported investments in Maine's communities. This year's funding bills include \$265 million I championed for 106 projects across Maine. These projects would help create jobs, improve workforce training, address the opioid crisis, and increase access to childcare and health care services. In addition, I worked to reverse proposed cuts to our Navy in order to help protect America and keep the skilled workers at Bath Iron Works on the job. The bills also include \$475 million for the construction of a new dry dock at Maine's Portsmouth Naval Shipyard that will allow the Navy to continue to carry out its submarine missions. I will keep working to get these important bills enacted.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and this year I honored that work ethic when I cast my 8,000<sup>th</sup> consecutive vote, becoming the only Senator in history to do so without ever having missed a roll call vote. The Lugar Center at Georgetown University once again ranked me as the most bipartisan Senator for the eighth year in a row.

In the New Year, I will keep working to solve problems and make life better for the people of Maine and America. May 2022 be a happy, healthy, and successful one for you, your family, and our state.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Collins  
 United States Senator



Chellie Pingree  
Congress of the United States  
1<sup>st</sup> District, MAINE



Jared Golden  
Congress of the United States  
2<sup>nd</sup> District of MAINE

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well. It is an honor to represent you and your family during these challenging times, and I am thankful for the opportunity to update you on my work in Washington and Maine.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to cause challenges for people in Maine and across the country. Please know that the health and safety of you and your loved ones, as well as the economic recovery of our communities, remains the driving force behind legislation I have pushed for in Congress.

In early 2021, Congress passed the American Rescue Plan, historic legislation that makes investments to crush the virus, create millions of jobs, provide direct relief to working families, and help schools remain safely open. Not only did this legislation give 90 percent of American households a stimulus check, but it also helped local and state governments better respond to the pandemic, put food on families' tables, got more vaccine shots into arms, cut child poverty in half through the expanded Child Tax Credit, and so much more. The American Rescue Plan is one of the most important pieces of legislation Congress will ever pass, and I'm so proud to have supported it from the beginning. You can read more about this piece of legislation here: <https://pingree.house.gov/covid>.

Our economic recovery from the pandemic will be accelerated even more thanks to the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which Congress passed in November. This legislation marks the most expansive infrastructure investment since the construction of the interstate highway system. From funding to repair our aging roads, bridges, and ports to high-speed broadband expansion and legacy pollution clean-up, this law is a once-in-a-generation investment in our future.

In addition to working on COVID-19 relief legislation, my Congressional colleagues and I are also collaborating on legislation that addresses the climate crisis, supports voting rights, and—through my role on the House Appropriations Committee—supports programs important to Maine.

After seven years on the House Appropriations Committee, I took the gavel and lead the subcommittee that oversees discretionary spending for the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, US Forest Service, and several agencies related to the arts and humanities. In my new role as Chair, I have fought to secure significant funding for Maine's tribes, environmental preservation programs, our cultural economy, and our forests.

I will keep pushing legislation to support America's long-term care needs, lower prescription drug costs, expand Medicare benefits, cut taxes for working people, make our workforce competitive with the world, and fight climate change.

So, as we reflect on 2021, let us welcome 2022 with a renewed sense of optimism. There is a lot to fight for, and I assure you I will continue to fight for Maine in Congress. I want you to know that my staff and I are doing all we can to support Mainers through this public health crisis and all the challenges that come with it. If you are unsure of the resources available to you, are having difficulty accessing resources, or if you'd just like to share a thought or opinion, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Chellie Pingree  
Member of Congress

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It remains a privilege to represent you in Congress, and I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I have been working on for the people of the Second Congressional District.

This year, our small businesses, workers and families, hospitals, states, and towns continued to face challenges related to the coronavirus pandemic. COVID-19 has been a serious threat to public health and our economy that requires a comprehensive, ongoing response. While we are not yet out of the woods, there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Still, I know there are many Mainers who will continue to need assistance getting through this pandemic. I am committed to making sure our communities' most urgent needs are met to get our economy back on track.

One thing I am particularly proud of this year is that Democrats, Republicans, and the Biden Administration worked together to pass the bipartisan *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act*, which will make a once-in-a-generation investment in our nation's infrastructure and support Maine jobs. This bill will bring \$1.3 billion to Maine for highways and \$225 million for bridge replacement and repairs, as well as \$234 million to improve public transportation options. It will also allocate over \$100 million to help provide broadband access to the 42,000 Mainers currently without it and make 310,000 Mainers eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Benefit to help families pay for internet access. Crucially, it will also provide Maine with \$390 million to combat Maine's historically high rates of lead poisoning by replacing lead pipes and allowing Maine families access to clean drinking water.

Another one of my priorities in Congress is protecting Maine jobs. For one, shipbuilders at Bath Iron Works are a vital part of our economy, and the ships they build are critical to our national security. Throughout 2021, I led the Maine congressional delegation in pushing back against the Biden Administration's proposed decrease in DDG-51 shipbuilding, a proposal that would have had serious consequences for the shipbuilding workforce at BIW, one of the two shipyards that produces these destroyers, and American naval capabilities around the world. We fought successfully to include authorization for construction of three new DDG-51 destroyers in the final National Defense Authorization Act. I will continue to work hard with my colleagues on the House Armed Services Committee to ensure that we protect our national security and shipbuilding jobs in Maine.

My most meaningful work in Congress continues to be providing direct assistance to Mainers. My staff and I stand ready to serve you. If you are looking for assistance with a federal agency, help for your small business, or want to keep me informed about the issues that matter to you, please reach out to one of my offices below:

- **Caribou Office:** 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009
- **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Bangor ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400
- **Lewiston Office:** 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767

I am especially glad to share that my wife Izzy and I were pleased to welcome our daughter, Rosemary, into the world this year. Mom and baby are happy and healthy, and we're so thankful for this blessing. We look forward to showing her the beauty of Maine in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely,

Jared F. Golden  
Member of Congress



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February 2022

Dear Friends:

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your State Senator. I am honored by the trust you have placed in me to be your voice in Augusta on behalf of District 22.

The First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature was conducted as never before in Maine's history. Legislative sessions were held at the Augusta Civic Center; and public hearings and work sessions, traditionally held in committee rooms at the State House, took place virtually online. Given the unusual nature of how the Legislature met to accommodate safety considerations required by the COVID-19 pandemic, it was still critical the public be able to have access in playing a vital role in the work of the Legislature; and processes were put in place to ensure ease of participation.

Before adjourning the First Session in July of 2021, the Legislature passed a supplemental budget and determined how the American Rescue Plan funds should be appropriated. We also passed legislation to give back \$150 million in surplus revenue to taxpayers as a one-time payment that was distributed to hard-working Mainers.

The Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature convened in January 2022. Rest assured I will continue to support measures that will assist Mainers and small businesses who have struggled as a result of the pandemic. As the Senate Republican Leader, I will continue to listen to all viewpoints and examine critical legislation with a keen eye and open mind. Working with other legislative leaders to ensure the best interests of all Mainers is a responsibility I take very seriously.

If you have any questions or need assistance in navigating state bureaucracy, please do not hesitate to contact me at 207-287-1505 or [jeffrey.timberlake@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:jeffrey.timberlake@legislature.maine.gov). Additionally, you can sign up to receive regular legislative updates at [www.mesenategop.com](http://www.mesenategop.com).

Sincerely,

  
Jeffrey Timberlake  
State Senator

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Dear Durham Residents,

In 2021, despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the House of Representatives delivered a two-year state budget with overwhelming bipartisan support that will stabilize property taxes, keep free breakfast and lunch available to all students and protect our natural resources. We took steps to make healthcare more accessible, made much-needed investments in our infrastructure and allocated federal relief funds to help small businesses, fill workforce shortages and expand access to child care.

As I write this, we are entering the second year of the two-year term. In the coming months, I will work to build on these successes and focus on the areas where more attention is needed, including expanding access to mental health services and supporting efforts to make housing more affordable, among other issues.

I continue to serve on the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee. We address issues related to criminal law, law enforcement, victims' rights and more.

Whether we are dealing with the above issues or other topics, I will continue to collaborate with all of my colleagues, regardless of party affiliation, to make sure we are doing the best work we can for the people of House District 46 and all Mainers.

Please contact me if I can be of any help or if you want to discuss or testify on any legislation. My email is [Braden.Sharpe@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Braden.Sharpe@legislature.maine.gov). I also send out e-newsletters from time to time. Let me know if you would like to receive them.

It continues to be an honor to serve you in the Maine House of Representatives, and I am proud to be your advocate in Augusta.

Respectfully,



Braden Sharpe  
State Representative

District 46: Durham, North Yarmouth & Pownal (part)





<b>New Year's Eve</b>	<b>Friday, December 31, 2021</b>
<b>Martin Luther King Day</b>	<b>Monday, January 17, 2022</b>
<b>President's Day</b>	<b>Monday, February 21, 2022</b>
<b>Patriot's Day</b>	<b>Monday, April 18, 2022</b>
<b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>Monday, May 30, 2022</b>
<b>Juneteenth</b>	<b>Monday, June 20, 2022</b>
<b>Independence Day</b>	<b>Monday, July 4, 2022</b>
<b>Labor Day</b>	<b>Monday, September 5, 2022</b>
<b>Indigenous People's Day</b>	<b>Monday, October 10, 2022</b>
<b>Veteran's Day</b>	<b>Friday, November 11, 2022</b>
<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	<b>Thursday, November 24, 2022</b>
<b>Thanksgiving Friday</b>	<b>Friday, November 25, 2022</b>
<b>Christmas</b>	<b>Monday, December 26, 2022</b>
<b>New Year's Day</b>	<b>Monday, January 2, 2023</b>



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