



**Town of York Annual Report  
2008-2009  
Town Warrant  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010**

# TOWN OF YORK

## *Municipal & State Telephone Numbers*

### EMERGENCY NUMBERS

<b>York Dispatch Center</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>York Police Department</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>York Volunteer Ambulance</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>York Fire Department</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>York Beach Fire Department</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>York Hospital</b>	<b>363-4321</b>

### MUNICIPAL BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBERS

	<b>TELEPHONE</b>	<b>FAX</b>
Dispatch Center	363-4444	363-1035
Police Department	363-1031	363-1035
Ambulance	363-4403	
York Village Fire Department	363-1015	363-1016
York Beach Fire Department	363-1014	351-2980
Town Manager / Selectmen	363-1000	363-1019
Planning Department	363-1007	363-1019
Code Enforcement /Building Department	363-1002	363-1009
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	363-1003	363-1009
Finance Department	363-1004	363-1019
Assessor's Office & Voter Registration	363-1005	363-1009
Public Works Department (Office/Garage)	363-1011	363-1012
Senior Citizens Center / General Assistance	363-1036	363-1032
Parks & Recreation Department	363-1040	351-2967
Animal Control	363-4444	363-1035
Water District	363-2265	
Sewer District	363-4232	
Library	363-2818	
Chamber of Commerce	363-4422	
State Police (Gray)	1-800-482-0730	
York County Sheriff's Office	1-800-492-0855	
Attorney General (Consumer Protection)	89-3661	
District Attorney's Office (10th District Court - York)	363-1230	
(Alfred Court)	324-8001	
York Community Services	363-5504	
York County Community Action	439-2699	
York County Emergency Management Agency	324-1578	
York County Registrar of Probate	324-1577	
York County Registry of Deeds	324-1576	
Waste Management ( <b>TRASH &amp; RECYCLING PICK-UP</b> )	<b>1-800-847-5303</b>	

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY DURING NON-OFFICE HOURS,  
CALL YORK DISPATCH CENTER.....363-4445**

### YORK SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Village Elementary	363-4870
Coastal Ridge Elementary	363-1800
Middle School (5-8)	363-4214
High School	363-3621
Food Service	363-5554
Superintendent's Office	363-3403

### SCHOOL CLOSINGS

<b>Radio Stations</b>	
<b>WCQL</b>	<b>95.3 FM</b>
<b>WHEB</b>	<b>100.1 FM</b>
<b>WOKQ</b>	<b>97.5 FM</b>
<b>WTSN</b>	<b>1270 AM</b>

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**POPULATION:** Approximately 14,000 year round residents

**LOCATION:** Longitude: between 70 deg. 35 mins. (Bald Head Cliff)  
and 70 deg. 45 mins. (western tip where Rte. 91 enters S. Berwick)

Latitude: between 43 deg. 16 mins. (northern tip, bordering  
Ogunquit) and 43 deg. 6 mins. (southern tip, at Brave Boat Harbor)

### **APPROXIMATE DISTANCE FROM:**

Boston, Massachusetts	60 miles
Portsmouth, New Hampshire	9 miles
Portland, Maine	45 miles
Alfred, Maine (County Seat for York County)	30 miles
Augusta, Maine (State Capitol)	105 miles

### TAX RATE

<u>1989-90 (18 Months)</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>2000</u>
\$37.00	\$13.20	\$12.80	\$13.10	\$14.60	\$17.10
<u>1990-91(12 Months)</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2001</u>
\$28.00	\$12.90	\$13.10	\$14.10	\$15.70	\$19.00
<u>2002</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2008</u>		
\$10.25	\$8.75	\$8.14	\$8.23		
<u>2003</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2009</u>		
\$9.70	\$8.46	\$8.10	\$8.58		

**The Town Hall is located at 186 York Street next to the First Parish Church.**

**Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M. - Monday – Thursday – Friday**  
**8:00 – 6:00 P.M. Tuesdays**  
**Closed Holidays**

#### 1st Floor

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office  
Assessor's Office  
Code Enforcement Office  
Community Development Office

#### 2nd Floor

Town Manager's Office  
Finance Office /Treasurer's Office  
Human Resource Office  
Planning Office

**Recreation Department** is located in the Grant House at Goodrich Park, 200 US Route One, York, Maine.

**The Town Clerk's Office** collects Vehicle & Boat Excise, Real Estate, and Personal Property Taxes. The office also issues: Dog Licenses, Sporting Licenses, Clam Licenses, Marriage Licenses, Certified Copies of Birth, Death & Marriage Certificates, Town Maps, Vehicle, Boat and ATV Registrations, Recycling Bins, Beach Parking Permits and information pertaining to Local and State Ordinances.

**The Police Department** is located at 36 Main Street (Route 1A) in York Beach. Permits for the following are issued there: Guns and Yard Sale Permits.

**The Village Fire Department** is located on York Street.

**The York Beach Fire Department** is located on Railroad Avenue.

**York Hospital** is located off of Lindsay Road. A list of doctors and services is available upon request from the hospital (363-4321).

**Old York Historical Society** is located at 207 York Street, York Village (363-4974)

**York Public Library** is located at 15 Long Sands Road. Taxpayers and permanent residents are issued membership cards free of charge (363-2818).

**Library Hours:**

Monday	Closed
Tuesday,	10:00 -7:00 PM
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Close Sundays and Holidays	

**VOTING REGULATIONS**

Any United States Citizen of at least 18 years of age is entitled to vote. To be eligible to vote, you must first register with the Registrar of Voters at Town Hall or at any Motor Vehicle Office. You may also register at the Polls with two forms of identification and proof of residency. In order to vote in a Primary Election, you must register as a member of one of the political parties. Absentee Ballots are obtained through the Town Clerk.

**BEACHES**

Harbor Beach, Route 1A, York Harbor  
Long Sands Beach, Long Beach Avenue, York Beach  
Short Sands Beach, Ocean Avenue, York Beach  
Passaconaway (Cape Neddick) Beach, Shore Road, Cape Neddick

**TOWN OFFICERS**

**SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR**

Michael L. Estes, Chair (2011)  
Kinley Gregg (2010)  
Catherine R. Goodwin (2011)  
Tracy Jackson-McCarty (2012)  
Mary Andrews (2012)

**TOWN MANAGER**

Robert G. Yandow Office: 363-1000

**TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR**

Mary-Anne Szeniewski (2012) Office: 363-1003

**ASSESSOR**

Richard C. Mace Office: 363-1005

**TOWN TREASURER**

Margaret M. McIntosh (2010) Office: 363-1004

**MODERATOR**

David Ott (2011)

**CODE ENFORCEMENT: 363-1002**

Timothy J. DeCoteau, Code Enforcement Officer

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING DEPARTMENT: 363-1007**

Stephen Burns, Community Development Director

Christine Grimando, Town Planner

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT 363-1004**

Elizabeth McCann, Finance Director

**FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

<b>York Village Fire Station</b>	Christopher Balentine, Chief
<b>York Beach Fire Station</b>	David Bridges, Chief

**FIRE INSPECTORS**

**York** – David Apgar 363-1015

**York Beach** – David Bridges 363-1014

**FIRE WARDEN**

Christopher Balentine (Indefinite Term)

**POLICE DEPARTMENT Administration: 363-1031**

Douglas P. Bracy, Chief

**DISPATCH CENTER: 363-4445**

**ANIMAL CONTROL: 363-4445**

Thomas B. Porter, Animal Control Officer

Larry McAfee, Animal Control Officer

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: 363-1010/363-1011**

Dean Lessard, Director

**HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT: 363-1036**

Lori M. Nelson, Director

**PARKS & RECREATION: 363-1040**

Michael J. Sullivan, Director

**CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR: 363-1031**

Douglas P. Bracy, Chief of Police

**CLAM WARDEN: 363-2557**

David Webber, Warden

**HARBOR MASTER: 363-2557**

Don Day, Harbor Master

**YORK WATER DISTRICT**

Donald D. Neumann Jr., Superintendent

**TRUSTEES**

Frank Witham (2013)                      Frederick J. Ricker (2010)  
Dana W. Moulton III (2014)      Andrew Belliveau (2011)

**YORK SEWER DISTRICT**

Timothy H. Haskell, Superintendent

**TRUSTEES**

Thomas E. Farnon (2011)                      Arthur A. Berger (2011)  
Robert A. Hoyt (2010)                      Frederick W. Boardman, Jr. (2010)  
Rodney Lucas (2012)

**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT: 363-3403**

Dr. Henry R. Scipione, Superintendent  
Jim Amoroso, Assistant Superintendent

**HIGH SCHOOL: 363-3621**

Robert E. Stephens, Principal  
Jeremie Sirois, Assistant Principal

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Grades 5-8: 363-4214**

Stephen M. Bishop, Principal  
Kenneth Hawkins, Assistant Principal

**VILLAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: 363-4070**

Ruth Dealy, Principal

**COASTAL RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: 363-1800**

Sean Murphy, Principal

**ADULT EDUCATION: 363-7922**

Polly Stanwood, Director

## *EDITOR'S STATEMENT*

*The Town Report includes documentation required by Maine State Statute - MRSA 30A §2801.*

*This collection of reports has been submitted by the Town Manager, Department Heads, School Officials, the Water and Sewer Districts, the Library, and from those who volunteer on our Boards, Committees and Commissions. You will also find the financial statements from the Town and School Department's Auditors.*

*Along with the required reports on the business of the Town, we have included informational pages for the convenience of our residents. Municipal telephone numbers and the Calendar of Meetings are located inside the front and back covers respectively.*

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# MAINE LEGISLATORS

## STATE SENATOR: Senate District 1

### Peter B. Bowman

16 Old Ferry Lane  
Kittery, Maine 03909  
(207) 439 – 6481  
[peterbowman@comcast.net](mailto:peterbowman@comcast.net)

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3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333  
(207) 287-1515 Toll Free: 1(800)423-6900  
<http://www.maine.state.org/bowman/index.shtml>

## REPRESENTATIVES TO LEGISLATURE

### DISTRICT 149

#### Hon. Dawn Hill

124 Pine Hill Road  
Cape Neddick, ME 03902  
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[RepDawn.Hill@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:RepDawn.Hill@legislature.maine.gov)

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House of Representatives  
State House Station 2  
Augusta, ME 04333-0002  
(207) 287-1400 (207) 287-4469 (TTY)

### DISTRICT 150

#### Hon. Windol Weaver

4 Weavers Way  
York, ME 03909  
(207) 363-4641 (H)  
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Year-Round Toll Free Message Center  
1(800) 423-2900

Maine Legislative Internet Web Site:  
<http://janus.state.me.us/legis>

## MAINE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION SENATE

### Olympia J. Snowe

154 Russell Senate Office Bldg  
Washington, D.C. 20510-1902  
(202) 224-5344 FAX (202) 224-1946

#### District Office

227 Main Street  
Biddeford, ME 04005  
(207) 282 – 4144 Toll Free: 1(800) 432-1599

### Susan M. Collins

461 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510-1904  
(202) 224-2523 FAX (202) 224-2693

#### District Office

One City Center, Suite 100  
Portland, ME 04101  
(207) 780-3575

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Chellie Pingree

1037 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
(202) 225-6116 FAX (202) 225-5590

#### District Office

57 Exchange Street  
Portland, ME 04101  
(207) 774-5019 FAX (207) 871 0720

## GOVERNOR

### JOHN ELIAS BALDACCI

#1 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0001  
207- 287-3531

# Reports from our Legislators



## MESSAGE TO THE CITIZENS OF YORK

Dear Neighbors:

It is an honor to serve as your State Representative during the 124th session of the Maine State Legislature. As your voice in Augusta, I hope to hear input from many of you.

Maine faces a challenging year in 2010. Similar to many other states, Maine is facing significant budgetary revenue reductions – \$1.15 billion in the past year – due to the economic downturn. Today more than ever, it is important that we continue to make government as efficient as possible, while preserving services for those less fortunate. However, we must also invest wisely in education and job development so that our state's future remains bright.

Despite our many financial challenges, this year presents many great opportunities. In addition to the budget, we are working on legislation that would encourage job growth, protect our natural resources and the jobs they provide, and better position Maine for future prosperity.

I do not view my role as Representative to be one that is limited to Augusta. It is important to me to be present in the community and communicate with you directly.

Please do not ever hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns or if you need assistance with state government. I can be reached by e-mail at [RepDawn.Hill@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:RepDawn.Hill@legislature.maine.gov) or by phone either at home (337-3689) or at the State House (287-1430).

Once again, I am honored and grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dawn Hill".

Dawn Hill  
State Representative



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**2 STATE HOUSE STATION**  
**AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**  
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**Windol C. Weaver**

4 Weavers Way

York, ME 03909

Home: (207) 363-4641

E-MAIL: [RepWindol.Weaver@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:RepWindol.Weaver@legislature.maine.gov)

March 2010

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

Winter concluded early this year, although stormy weather has wreaked havoc on our region over recent weeks. Moreover, the persistent black cloud of budgetary shortfalls continues to rain down challenges for lawmakers to address. Over the coming days the Legislature will once again be voting on a supplemental plan to bring the State's coffers into balance. Related negotiations have occurred since early January when Governor Baldacci released his initial proposal to solve the monetary disparity. I am pleased to have made a lasting impact on the condition of Maine's financial affairs during the 124<sup>th</sup> Legislature's First Regular Session, as State employees are now required to pay a portion of their health insurance. Similar to their private sector counterparts, these workers are contributing to their individual coverage on a tiered-income basis. This is an example of the kinds of ongoing structural changes that need to be implemented in order to put Maine on a more stable economic footing. When this letter is printed, State Senators and Representatives will hopefully have passed a plan similar to the one agreed upon by members of the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee. You will have the ability to review specific details about the finished product (L.D. 1671) online at <http://www.maine.gov/legis/>.

As some of you may already be aware, I continue to make a concerted effort to share topics of interest and public service announcements with constituents via a weekly e-newsletter. This regular correspondence helps to maintain a line of communication between myself and those I serve. Resultantly, I am able to be more effective in fulfilling my responsibilities at the Capitol. If you are interested in being added to my distribution list, please send me your e-mail address.

In closing, I want to be sure and express my gratitude to the people of District 150 for allowing me the opportunity to be their voice in Augusta. Since elected to my first term in 2006, it has been an honor getting to know area citizens, business owners, teachers, veterans, seniors, etc. more closely. I realize the various struggles we are all facing as a result of the recession. Nonetheless, I wish to assure you that my persistent efforts are directed toward making Maine a more equitable place to live and conduct business.

May you and your families enjoy a relaxing, peaceful, and fun-filled summer!

Sincerely,

Windol C. Weaver  
State Representative



**Senator Peter B. Bowman**  
*Insurance and Financial Services  
Committee, Member  
Utilities and Energy Committee, Chair  
3 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333-0003  
(207) 287-1515*

*16 Old Ferry Lane  
Kittery, ME 03904  
(207) 439-6481*

Dear Friends,

It is with mixed emotion that I submit my final town report letter as your state senator. I still hold a strong passion for public service, but it is now time for my family. For thirty years I served our country in the United States Navy and served as Commander of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for three years. You would think I have seen it all. I thought that way until serving two terms in the Maine Legislature!

My journey as the state senator for our seacoast community has been a one-of-a-kind experience. Throughout the good and the bad, I am proud of our many accomplishments for a better Maine. Even though we continue to struggle economically, along with the rest of the county, I am confident in the prospect of a stronger future for the people of our beautiful state.

Over the course of two years, the legislature has made many difficult, thoughtful decisions to reduce and cut spending in state government. All the while, we have made a conscientious effort to protect our most vulnerable citizens and invest in our future. The challenges before us may be great, but our opportunities are even greater. As a member of the Utilities and Energy Committee, I am encouraged by Maine's potential to reduce its dependency on foreign oil and lead the nation in renewable resources such as wind and ocean energy development.

In an effort to keep you informed about what is happening at the State House, please sign up for legislative updates at [www.mainesenate.org/bowman](http://www.mainesenate.org/bowman). As always, I welcome your opinion and feedback as the legislature does its work. Feel free to contact me anytime by email at [SenPeter.Bowman@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:SenPeter.Bowman@legislature.maine.gov). I can also be reached by phone locally at (207) 439-6481 or the State House at (207) 287-1515.

It is a great honor to represent this community. I am forever grateful for the support and opportunity to serve as your state senator. Thank you!

Sincerely yours,

Peter Bowman  
State Senator

CONGRESSWOMAN  
CHELLIE PINGREE

1ST DISTRICT  
MAINE



COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER AND  
EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND  
INVESTIGATION

COMMITTEE ON RULES

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Dear Friends,

It has been an honor serving you in my first year in Congress and working with you to rise to the many challenges of the last year. Though we have been able to make progress in many areas, there is much to be done in the year ahead.

My focus in Washington and in Maine continues to be creating and preserving jobs, and helping our state recover from the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression. Passing the Recovery Act early in 2009 helped prevent a bad economic situation from getting even worse and has helped us lay the groundwork for long-term, sustainable economic growth.

The Recovery Act is investing in Maine's technology and transportation infrastructure, providing job training to thousands of workers, helping us become a clean energy leader and boosting the real estate market. And according to economists, as of the beginning of this year it has created or saved 10,000 jobs in Maine.

In York County, the Recovery Act has supported an expansion at the airport in Sanford, Community Block Grants for Biddeford, gate improvements at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, education investments at Sanford Regional Technical Center, and many other projects helping to strengthen the area's economy. My office also held a workshop in Sanford to meet with local businesses and organizations to look for opportunities to support the great work they're doing for the region.

Despite these successes, we need to do more to get the state back on its feet. Too many Maine families are struggling to make ends meet, too many Mainers are out of work, and too many communities don't have the resources they need.

In Maine, continuing to fight for small businesses will be crucial to creating jobs. Small businesses drive our economy, but the downturn has hit them hard. We have to help them access the capital they need to survive and grow, make sure they have a workforce well-trained for our changing economy, and offer the resources that help good ideas become good businesses.

And work this year will also carry on to give Maine families what they need to prosper: a clean environment, a good education, and access to quality, affordable health care.

I was elected to Congress to serve the people of the First District. If there is ever anything I can do to help you or your community, please feel free to call my office at 774-5019 or visit my website at [www.pingree.house.gov](http://www.pingree.house.gov).

Looking forward to seeing you in Maine soon.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chellie Pingree'.

Chellie Pingree-Member of Congress

SUSAN M. COLLINS  
MAINE

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**United States Senate**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904

COMMITTEES:  
HOMELAND SECURITY AND  
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS  
*RANKING MEMBER*  
ARMED SERVICES  
SPECIAL COMMITTEE  
ON AGING

January 14, 2010

Town of York  
186 York Street  
York, ME 03909

Dear Citizens of York:

In 2009, I began my third term in the United States Senate. I remain deeply honored by the trust the people of Maine have placed in me, and I appreciate this opportunity to report on some highlights of my recent work in the U.S. Senate.

A significant accomplishment came in December when the President signed transportation legislation that includes a provision I authored to create a one-year pilot project to allow trucks weighing up to 100,000 pounds to use federal highways in Maine. This is moving heavy trucks off Maine's secondary roads and out of our downtowns and onto our modern, multi-lane, controlled access highways for one year, during which time a study of the impact on safety, commerce and road wear-and-tear would be conducted. In addition, this change helps to level the economic playing field, as neighboring states already have this exemption.

My appointment in early 2009 to the powerful Appropriations Committee has allowed me to have greater influence on the funding of priorities that are important to Mainers, such as shipbuilding, health care, education, and transportation, while also giving me the ability to continue pressing for the elimination of wasteful spending that exacerbates our federal deficit.

As a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, I continue to be an advocate for Bath Iron Works, the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, the Maine Military Authority in Limestone, and the many other defense contractors and institutions in Maine that contribute so much to our national security. In August, I traveled to Iraq and Afghanistan and had the opportunity to meet with many service men and women from Maine. My conversations with them were the most important aspect of my trip to the region. Our troops are brave, dedicated, compassionate, and highly skilled. I will continue to work hard to ensure that they have the support their difficult missions require.

Perhaps the greatest challenge facing our nation continues to be the struggling economy, and among my highest priorities are getting our people back to work and our economy back on track. That is why in early 2009 I joined a bipartisan effort to pass the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The bill contains robust infrastructure spending, significant funding for state aid and education, and tax relief for low- and middle-income families and for small businesses. As a result of this bill, Maine is receiving approximately \$133 million for highway investments, more than \$50 million combined for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds, and \$70.5 million for weatherization and energy efficiency projects.

Energy policy remains another great challenge: America's reliance on foreign oil harms our economy, our security, and our environment. Meeting the challenge of developing energy alternatives will provide great opportunities for Maine to build an economy for the future, with new industries and thousands of good jobs. This endeavor received a significant boost last October when the U.S. Department of Energy announced an \$8 million grant for deepwater offshore wind research at the University of Maine, and Congress also approved \$5 million I sponsored for the Maine Offshore Wind Initiative at UMaine. This January, the U.S. Department of Commerce announced a \$12.4 million laboratory construction grant for the University of Maine. I strongly advocated for these projects because, with some of the strongest winds in the nation off our coast and some of

the best engineers in the field, Maine has great potential as an ideal location for offshore wind projects and can take the lead in the development of clean, renewable, and affordable energy for America. Estimates are that development of five gigawatts of offshore wind in Maine – enough to power more than 1 million homes for a year – could attract \$20 billion of investment to our state and create more than 15,000 green energy jobs that would be sustained over 30 years.

Of course, this past year brought not just successes. A disappointment was the failure of Congress to produce bipartisan health care reform legislation that would contain soaring costs and provide more choices for struggling families and small businesses. I am deeply concerned about the nearly \$500 billion in Medicare cuts included in the bill.

It is fiscally irresponsible to raid Medicare – a program which already has long-term financing problems – to pay for a new entitlement program, particularly at a time when the number of Medicare beneficiaries is on the rise. The bill would saddle Maine's hospitals with some \$800 million in Medicare cuts over the next ten years, and could push one in five hospitals, nursing homes, and home health providers into the red. Ultimately, such cuts could jeopardize access to care for millions of our nation's seniors.

As the Ranking Member of the Senate Homeland Security Committee, I am committed to ensuring that our nation is as safe as possible and that government is better prepared to respond to disasters. The Christmas Day terrorist attempt to detonate explosives on an aircraft reminds us of the dangers we continue to confront. My homeland security priorities include further strengthening our defenses against terrorism and providing our first responders with the resources they need.

On March 19, 2009, I reached a personal milestone when I cast my 4,000th consecutive roll call vote, continuing a record of participating in every single roll call vote since I first came to the Senate in 1997. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve Norridgewock and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Augusta office at 207-622-8414, or visit my website at <http://collins.senate.gov>. May 2010 be a good year for your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Collins". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator

OLYMPIA J. SNOWE  
MAINE

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(202) 224-5344

Web Site: <http://snowe.senate.gov>

DEPUTY WHIP

COMMITTEES:  
COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND  
TRANSPORTATION

OCEANS, ATMOSPHERE, FISHERIES AND  
COAST GUARD SUBCOMMITTEE

FINANCE

INTELLIGENCE

RANKING MEMBER, SMALL BUSINESS

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1903

January 10, 2010

Dear Friends:

As we begin this New Year, I want to thank you for the opportunity to offer warm greetings to the people of York. We continue to face many historic challenges together as a nation, as a state, and as individual towns and cities. At this time when we consider where we have been, and look ahead to the year to come, I appreciate this opportunity to share with you my thoughts on some of my goals and priorities for 2010.

Unquestionably, our economy remains the foremost challenge facing us today. We are confronted by an economic crisis that has already lasted for more than two years. Indeed, the national unemployment rate has doubled to 10 percent since the onset of the recession in December 2007, while 7.2 million Americans have lost their jobs. Furthermore, Maine's unemployment rate has risen to 8 percent from 6.2 percent a year ago, while 56,200 of our fellow citizens are jobless. There is still much to be done, with some Maine counties still experiencing a rate over 10 percent.

Congress must embrace bipartisan initiatives that will provide effective solutions to address the critical issue of job creation, and promptly direct essential resources to those people and businesses facing unprecedented challenges and an uncertain future. I strongly support the extension of unemployment and nutrition assistance, in addition to pro-growth policies such as those to promote job-creating small business investment. At the same time, given the federal deficit for FY2009 was a staggering \$1.4 trillion, we must do more to pair the resources targeted to job creation with reductions in other areas. We have an obligation to ensure that each and every dollar we spend either creates jobs at a greater rate or protects displaced individuals at a lower cost than competing policies on the table. Moreover, to the degree that either tax or spending proposals Congress or the Administration seek to enact are more beneficial than proceeding to obligate funds still available in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, we should assess the possibility of redirecting those resources.

Here in Maine, I am working to help expand high-speed broadband access in northern, western, and Down East Maine, which could serve as a boon to businesses across the state. The plan, known as the "Three Ring Binder" project, which I supported, would build a 1,100-mile network stretching from the Saint John Valley to the coast and across to western Maine. The network would pass through 100 communities and serve 600 institutions, including the University of Maine, thanks to \$25.4 million in federal aid. This funding will foster entrepreneurial innovation, education, and job growth throughout the state.

As Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, I am working to swiftly enact legislation to increase small business loan limits to as high as \$5.5 million and extend through 2010 the fee eliminations and increased guarantee on those loans, measures that will otherwise expire under the Recovery Act. By extending the authorization to temporarily provide higher loan guarantees and eliminate fees for borrowers, I am continuing my effort to build upon what has worked well in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Given the timely necessity of getting 15.3 million unemployed Americans back to work, it is critical that we expeditiously pass this bipartisan bill to help our nation's small businesses spur a sustained and job-filled recovery.

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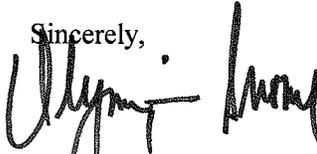
This past year, the Senate also considered one of the most difficult issues of our time, healthcare reform. I could not agree more that reform of our healthcare system is an imperative. The reality that the status quo is unacceptable is what originally brought six of us together on the Senate Finance Committee last summer in the only bipartisan effort in any committee of the House or Senate in the so-called Group of Six, convened by the Chairman of the Committee. I was therefore troubled that when the Finance bill I ultimately supported in the Committee was melded with the measure reported by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee, it was without the more inclusive, collaborative process I had participated in up to that point and instead it was conducted without transparency.

I also regrettably could not support the bill in the Senate given continued policy concerns I had with the size and scope of the legislation, its potentially negative impact on small businesses and job growth and the reality that we did not have answers to some of the most fundamental questions that people ask at their kitchen tables. These are the critical questions relevant to peoples' daily lives, such as, what will this mean for me? How much will my health insurance plan cost? How much will my deductible or my co-pay be? How much am I going to have to pay out of pocket? That is why I wrote to the Congressional Budget Office on December 3, 2009, requesting a complete analysis of these and other key issues as I felt it was imperative that we had those answers before proceeding to a vote. Unfortunately, I still did not have those responses when the legislation was rushed through the Senate on an arbitrary deadline that short-changed the process on a measure that affects one-sixth of our economy. Nevertheless, as the process continues into 2010 with the necessity of reconciling the House and Senate versions of the bill, I will continue to play a constructive role wherever and whenever possible, and to offer concrete means of improving the bill for small businesses and all Americans.

Looking ahead, we will continue to grapple with such urgent matters as strengthening our nation's homeland security. As a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, I will conduct a thorough and exhaustive investigation of the attempted Christmas Day 2009 terrorist attack to gather all the relevant facts and make recommendations to fix the egregious intelligence breakdowns highlighted by that potential tragedy. And, of course, we remember today – and every day – the extraordinary contributions and courage of our brave men and women in uniform in Iraq, Afghanistan, and around the world who are the faces of the world's finest defense force.

Again, you may be assured I will continue to work tirelessly on behalf of the people of Maine and America and – in so doing – I deeply appreciate the input of all those who share their insights, concerns, and opinions with me. I encourage you to visit my Senate website at [www.snowe.senate.gov](http://www.snowe.senate.gov) for additional details on my efforts, to obtain helpful government information, and to share any concerns or legislative input you may have. You may also visit with members of my staff at my Regional Office located at 227 Main Street in Biddeford, or by calling 207-282-4144 or toll free in Maine at 1-800-432-1599.

Sincerely,



OLYMPIA J. SNOWE  
United States Senator

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## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Submitted by: Mike Estes, Chairman*

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As we come to a close of 2010 fiscal year, it is time to reflect back to the Board of Selectmen's accomplishments over the past year. I could say this was the year of planning ahead for York, with the generous approval by the voters to have the board go out and find land to build a new Police Station. We are still perusing this with much optimism that it will become a reality. Some other accomplishments by the Board are as follows:

The Board of Selectmen directed the Planning Board to review the 200 acres of land between Route 1 and York Beach center and change zoning so it is compatible to the York Beach Village area, we have approved the RFP for a traffic study in York Beach being funded by our TIF funds, and our work with Think Again and the Boards contract with etran to push the MTA into full AET tolling have been submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers.

The economy still continues to lag and our revenue sources continue to be weak, in both excise tax and also building permit fees. State funds get less each year but York has come thru well so far. In closing, we all look forward to next year when finally after 30 years we can build an adequate Police facility. We will have an access road from Route 1 to York Beach and will have the necessary land to increase parking for York Beach merchants.

## **TOWN MANAGER**

*Submitted by: Robert G. Yandow, Town Manager*

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In my last three annual reports I made mention of storms that had severely impacted the Town of York. Unfortunately, as we are just now repairing all of the damage sustained during these previous storms we are, at the same time, dealing with damage from new storms. This time, these major rainfall events commandeered the month of March and, as a result, the town suffered significant flooding which resulted in significant damage to our infrastructure. It seems that a FEMA Disaster Declaration has become an annual event in York.

Last year was another active year in the Town of York but, at the same time, a year that presented us with some financial challenges. The difficulties that affected the national economy also affected the state economy which, in turn, affected the Town's finances. While our revenues were less than we projected we managed to reduce our spending in order to keep within our budget. The current fiscal year is presenting additional financial challenges and I am concerned that next year will be the same or potentially worse. On the positive side, Standard and Poore's increased the Town's bond rating to AA+ which is the second highest rating possible. This higher rating will reduce the cost of bonding through lower interest rates which will result in lower costs to the taxpayer.

Some of the notable events during the past year include the formation of the York Energy Steering Committee to work towards the reduction of energy costs for town buildings and the town's carbon footprint; the sunset of the town's growth ordinance; the work that was started on the Route 103 bridges; the decision of Time-Warner Cable to eliminate programming and the defeat of excise tax and Taxpayer Bill of Rights referendums. Additionally, there was a significant amount of activity in York Beach. The completion of a parking study, the work towards development of design standards and the approval of drainage projects all reflect the ongoing activity. In the near future the Selectmen will be awarding a contract for the completion of a traffic study which will add to the activity.

During the past year the town has continued its opposition to the Maine Turnpike Authority's attempt to relocate the York Toll Plaza. The town has opposed the project at every turn as a means to prevent future impacts to any residents. Consultants have been hired to develop technical information and to support the town's contention that All Electronic Tolling (AET) is the best alternative to relocation of the toll plaza as it will result in a positive impact to the environment and York residents.

I encourage each of you to get involved with your town. We routinely have openings on various boards and commissions and we are always looking for people committed to serving the Town of York. Please call me at 363-1000 or email me at [ryandow@yorkmaine.org](mailto:ryandow@yorkmaine.org) if I can be of any assistance to you.

## **FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

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The Finance Department is responsible for processing all the invoices generated by the many departments delivering services to York's citizens, processing weekly payroll checks for as many as 200 people at the height of activity in the summer, maintaining technology system-wide, including the servers that deliver map and parcel information on the website, investing and accounting for the Town's funds, preparing annual budgets for review by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen, handling the many employee issues around employment, working with the financial advisor to issue bonds as necessary, and preparing annual financial statements for audit.

With the May 2009 Budget Referendum, the voters appropriated funds to replace many of the Town's software systems with one application which will handle all invoice and payroll processing, cash receipting, motor vehicle registrations, dog licensing, code enforcement permitting, fixed asset management and a web interface that will allow any user anywhere to access financial information related to parcels to augment the document information that is currently available on the web. This upgrade will be implemented over FY2010 and into FY2011. It is quite involved and will require a large time commitment from staff, but will result in an improved and more efficient collection of data, much of which will be visible to the public via the web interface.

Fourteen property tax liens matured on January 20, 2009 and the Town foreclosed. All but four properties have been 'bought back' (or are in the process) by the former owners per the Board of Selectmen policy. Of the four remaining parcels, three are designated 'Unknown Ownership' and will be added to the Town's inventory of land parcels. These parcels are typically small pieces that are not buildable lots, and by policy may be offered to abutters at some future date.

For fiscal year 2009, three hundred eight residents received a total of more than \$95,000 in 'circuit breaker' rent and property tax refunds from the Town in addition to what the state had refunded to them. The Town's policy 'piggy-backs' on the State's program to provide some relief to residents whose rent or property tax is determined to be too high as a percentage of income per state statute.

A complete picture of the Town's financial health can be found in the financial statements included with this Town report. In those reports one will find detail about the activity in each department, as well as overall revenues and expenditures and changes in fund balance, fixed assets, cash, bond issuance and bond repayment for the General Fund as well as Capital Funds, Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Funds. Also included are changes over time in the total

property valuation and tax rates. The Town's Standard and Poors rating was upgraded to AA+, overall debt obligation is considered low and the Town's general financial health is excellent.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

*Submitted by: Margaret M. McIntosh, Treasurer*

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The citizens of York elect their treasurer every three years. The active role of duties are to:

1. Monitor the annual budget keeping each town department expenditures in line and not overdrawn:  
2008 - 2009 - \$41.8 million
2. Invest in short term bank obligations twice a year when we collect property taxes (Sept. & Feb) -- \$33.8 million for Annual taxes (Schools – 69% Town – 31%) and we gained \$234,000 in interest revenue. These investments are backed by fully collateralized obligations as prescribed by state of Maine laws.
3. York County Budget continues to increase based on our total appraised value which has risen to \$ 4.1 billion. Our county tax is now \$1.9 million annually. We are the second most valuable municipality in the State of Maine.
4. We were upgraded to a top Standard & Poor credit rating of AA+. This saves thousands of dollars in interest payments on our current outstanding Bonds, which total \$17.1 million.
5. The auditing firm of Purdy, Powers & Co. of Portland will present pages of town figures for further perusal. We keep a reserve of some 12% of the annual budget in fund reserve to invest and maintain the cash flow.

The Finance Department works like a clock, however, we are in the computer era. Elizabeth "Jennie"McCann, our able Finance Director carries her laptop when she moves from Town Hall to various departments and to the York Library for the budget sessions. Gretchen Seaver and Robyn Porter ably fulfill their duties and it is my pleasure to work with our finance team. Our Town of York continues to attract new residents, which requires an expanding demand on municipal services. Indeed I appreciate the opportunity to serve as treasurer in a town, which is financially sound. Feel free to call me at: 363-1004 if you have any questions or suggestions.

## **ASSESSOR'S REPORT**

*Submitted By: Rick Mace, Town Assessor; Julie Schramm, Assistant Assessor and Luke Vigue, Lister/Appraiser*  
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The Assessor's Office is responsible for the valuation of all real property in York. The 2009/10 taxable valuation for the Town of York is \$4,037,653,357. This includes taxable real estate with a total of \$4,014,531,400 and taxable personal property with a total of \$23,121,957. The value of exempt property is \$196,700,100. There are currently 10,565 real estate accounts and 631 personal property accounts. York's 2010 State Valuation of \$4,205,950,000, which is the State's estimated 100% valuation, ranks second in the State of Maine. York's current tax rate is \$8.58 per thousand dollars of valuation.

The Town of York has a land area of 37,602 acres (58.75 square miles) and approximately 25 miles of ocean frontage. There are 8,960 land parcels, of which 7,443 are improved and 1,517 are vacant. We have 813 acres enrolled in the

State of Maine tree growth program and 2,042 acres protected under the State of Maine Farm and Open Space program.

Annually, the Assessor's Office reviews valuations and makes adjustments to the valuations that include any additions and deletions. The department is also responsible for maintaining accurate records of property ownership. Part of the assessment process includes conducting an annual "ratio study", which compares the actual selling price of property to assessments. The most recent study conducted for the state valuation purposes indicated the assessed values, on average, to be at approximately 100% of market value. The Assessor's Office is also responsible for processing homestead exemptions, of which there were 2684, and for veterans and veterans' widow's exemptions, of which there were 526.

In addition to these and other duties, the Assessor's Office also assists in the maintenance of the town's Geographic Information System. This is a computerized mapping program that allows us to produce a large variety of maps which include, but are not limited to: parcels, roads, buildings, wetlands, zoning, and utilities. The link to York's GIS is <http://www.yorkmaine.org/Default.aspx?tabid=59>.

The Assessor's Office is a clearing house of information such as building and land records, monthly sales transactions, and assessment valuation information used by other town departments, the public, and their representatives (appraisers, brokers, attorneys, surveyors, title companies, etc.). Reports are often generated from the commitment file for use by various town departments. The office is also the source for administering all street naming and numbering issues. Valuation reports containing assessment and ownership information, as well as individual tax maps, can be purchased for a reasonable fee (free to the individual property owner).

One very frequent taxpayer question is in regard to resident versus non-resident property ownership. For the 2009/10 tax year, resident owned properties made up 60% of the real estate tax base, while non-resident property owners made up the remaining 40%. Another question that often arises is one comparing residential to commercial properties. In 2009/10, residential property valuation totaled \$3,641,487,600 (90%) and commercial property valuation totaled \$391,991,900 (10%). The average selling price for a single-family home in York is currently \$430,862.

For more information please visit the Town of York website at: <http://www.yorkmaine.org>

### **PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS & PROPERTY TAX RELIEF**

There are several forms of property tax relief available to York residents.

**STATE OF MAINE CIRCUIT BREAKER PROGRAM:** This is a tax relief program administered by the State to individuals whose property taxes exceed a certain amount of their income. Renters, as well as homeowners can take advantage of the circuit breaker program - a person does not need to own his or her home to be eligible. Applications for the property tax & rent relief program are available at the Town Hall or from Maine Revenue Services in Augusta from mid-August through June 1 (the filing deadline).

**TOWN OF YORK CIRCUIT BREAKER PROGRAM:** The Town of York enacted a property tax relief program similar to the State's Circuit Breaker program. Any York resident who qualifies under the State Program is eligible for the Town's program. York residents may apply to the Town Clerk for a benefit under this program.

**HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION:** The Homestead exemption reduces the property tax bill of all York resident homeowners who apply for the exemption by April 1st and who have owned and lived in their house for the prior 12 months. An exempt amount of \$10,000 is deducted from the property's total taxable value. Applications can be obtained in the Assessor's Office and must be filed on or before April 1st of the year it will go into effect.

**VETERAN'S EXEMPTION:** Any York resident who was in active service in the armed forces of the US during a

federally recognized war campaign period and, if discharged or retired under honorable conditions, may be eligible for a \$6,000 reduction in valuation. The veteran must have reached age 62 *or* be receiving a pension or compensation from the US Military for total disability. Applications can be picked up in the Assessor's Office and must be filed with discharge documents on or before April 1st of the year it will go into effect.

**BLIND EXEMPTION:** Any York resident who is certified to be legally blind by their eye care professional is eligible for a \$4,000 reduction in valuation.

These exemptions will be adjusted annually by the community's ratio of valuation to actual market sales. Forms are available in the Assessor's Office, or download online from the Assessor's page at: <http://www.yorkmaine.org>

## AVAILABLE PUBLICATIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

"Understanding Your Assessment"

"For the Property Owner Who Wants to Know"

Business Equipment Tax Rebate information

The Assessor's Office welcomes all taxpayers to visit or call with any questions pertaining to real estate assessments, or further information on any of the assistance programs.

To access the Assessor's database please visit the Vision Appraisal website at: <http://data.visionappraisal.com>

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

*Submitted By: Stephen Burns, Community Development Director*  
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The Department has 4 primary areas of responsibility: community development, planning, geographic information systems (GIS), and code enforcement. We deal with a full range of issues from conservation and preservation to building and development. The Department has a staff of 1 part-time and 7 full-time employees. While development activity in York has remained low again this year, the Community Development Department continues to be busy. Building inspections dropped by about 10% from the prior year, but the number of people visiting the code counter was up by about 10%. The number of permits held relatively constant, but the value of the work is down substantially. The Department uses building permit fees to fund half of its operating budget, and those fees are down. We couldn't afford to transition our GIS to the next technology – serving to the general public the ability to analyze the Town's GIS data on the Web. At this point the budget is very tight and we're holding our ground, but a continuing recession could result in a reduction in the size of the Department.

Policy work continues to consume a major portion of the Department's resources, and we made good progress on a number of issues in 2009. I am most pleased with a joint effort by the Town Clerk, the Town Manager's Office, and my Department to organize and improve the system of Town regulations and ordinances. We began by identifying and then compiling all 67 adopted Town codes in effect. These are now each available in paper and digital formats, and each is available to the public through the Town web page. Continuing this effort, last November we submitted a Zoning amendment to the voters to simplify the application procedures in the Zoning Ordinance, and it passed by a broad margin. In 2010 we're continuing this work, proposing to delete some of the unnecessary Town codes, and to improve the format of the Zoning Ordinance to make it far more user-friendly. Christine Grimando, our Town Planner, worked with the Planning Board on a number of ordinance and Comprehensive Plan amendments. Of particular

importance was completion of the Municipal Capacity Chapter, which is the final of 10 chapters of the Comprehensive Plan's Inventory and Analysis Section. This brings to a close a 5-year effort to update and improve the background portion of the Plan. That section of the Plan provides the factual basis for all the Town's land use policies and codes, and despite the fact that it's bone dry reading, it fulfills a critical function. Christine and the Board also pursued a number of amendments such as new provisions for small windmills, improved bicycle and pedestrian policies, more appropriate outside display standards for businesses, and new provisions to allow for affordable housing.

York Beach work didn't make it to the voters this year, but it was still a dominant topic for staff. The York Beach Subcommittee is hard at work on Design Standards. The Selectmen hired a consultant to work with the Subcommittee to develop high-quality graphics to show the standards. That was the first use of funds from the York Beach Tax Increment Finance District. These design standards are expected to go to the voters in November 2010. The Board of Selectmen also tasked the Planning Board with developing an improved land use plan and accompanying regulations for the area between the York Beach Fire Station and Route One. This is a multi-year assignment, so stay tuned.

Ben McDougal, our Shoreland Resource Officer, worked with about 2 dozen volunteers to expand our water quality testing in the Cape Neddick River watershed. This came about through a coordinated effort with the Parks & Recreation Department, who has been participating in the Maine Healthy Beaches program for many years. Contamination readings along the Cape Neddick showed a significant pollution problem, particularly during that long stretch of rainy weather last summer. That rainy stretch caused similar problems at beaches down the length of the State's coast, so our situation was by no means unique. Still, we would like to do better. As we enter 2010, watch for a more pro-active effort by Ben and the volunteers to reach out to the community. The water testing will continue, but will be supplemented by shoreland surveys and personal contacts as they try to find and fix pollution sources. Recently the Town of Ogunquit held a community summit on the state of the Ogunquit River, and it has been suggested that a similar event might be a good idea for York, too. To date, our program has been a reaction to pollution at swimming beaches, and we've focused on the very technical issue of water quality testing. Because protecting beach water quality for summer swimming isn't our only water resources goal, we should engage the community to think through our overall goals to help ensure that our technical work is appropriately focused. Watch for this effort in the coming year.

I'd be remiss if I failed to mention that the voters allowed the Residential Growth Ordinance to sunset on November 15, 2009. Since the sunset date, the Department has issued building permits for 11 new single family houses, 2 new duplexes, and 2 seasonal conversions (as of March 1, 2010). This is 17 units in 3½ months, which translates to a rate of 58 units per year. That is significantly lower than was permitted by Growth Ordinance when it was in effect, and demonstrates there was no rush for permits once the Ordinance sunset.

I'll close by highlighting a few things to watch for this year:

- Proposing new mandatory design standards for the York Beach Village Center zone;
- Re-formatting the Zoning Ordinance to make it more user-friendly;
- Expanding the area where commercial building of wooden boats is allowed;
- Tightening restrictions on pesticides, insecticides and fertilizers in the Shoreland zone;
- Changing the dock standards between Route One and Sewall's Bridge;
- Splitting the Site Plan and Subdivision Regulations into two separate documents;
- Starting a community-wide evaluation of the directions of our Comprehensive Plan; and
- Asking the voters to consider a partial lifting of the formula restaurant ban.

## Independent Auditors' Report

**To the Selectboard  
Town of York  
York, Maine**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of York, Maine, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the York School Department's general fund, other governmental funds (special revenue funds and capital project funds) and fiduciary funds (agency funds). Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and in our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the general fund, other governmental funds and fiduciary funds, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

We conducted our audit in accordance with United States generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of York, Maine as of June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, thereof and for the year then ended, in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated March 3, 2010 on our consideration of the Town of York's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and important for assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on page 3 and the required supplementary information on page 37, are not required parts of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by United States generally accepted accounting principles. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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**Portland, Maine**  
**March 3, 2010**



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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Our discussion and analysis of the Town of York's financial performance provides an overview of the Town's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2009. Please read it in conjunction with the Town's financial statements, which begin on page 4.

### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (on pages 4 and 5) provide information about the activities of the Town as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Town's finances. Fund financial statements start on page 6. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Town's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Town's most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the Town acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside of the government.

### REPORTING THE TOWN AS A WHOLE

#### The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

Our analysis of the Town as a whole begins on page 4. One of the most important questions asked about the Town's finances is, "Is the Town as a whole, better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the Town as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include *all* assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Town's net assets and changes in them. You can think of the Town's net assets - the difference between assets and liabilities - as one way to measure the Town's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Town's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's infrastructure, to assess the overall health of the Town.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, we divide the Town into two kinds of activities:

**Governmental activities** - Most of the Town's basic services are reported here, including the police, fire, general administration, roads, parks, and beaches. Property taxes, auto excise taxes, franchise fees, fines, parking revenues, state revenue sharing and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

**Business-type activities** - The Town charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides. The Town's Recreation, Sohler Park, Senior Transportation, Mt. Agamenticus, Goodrich Park, Printing Enterprise and Police Outside Duty activities are reported here.

## **REPORTING THE TOWN'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The fund financial statements begin on page 6 and provide detailed information about the most significant funds - not the Town as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the Board of Selectmen establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes.

- **Governmental funds** - Most of the Town's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash.

The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Town's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Town's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in the reconciliations on pages 7 and 9.

- **Proprietary funds**-When the Town charges customers for the services it provides, these services are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way that all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities. In fact, the Town's enterprise fund is the same as the business-type activities we report in the government-wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows.

### **Reporting the Town's Fiduciary Responsibilities**

We exclude these activities from the Town's other financial statements because the Town cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The Town is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

## THE TOWN AS A WHOLE

For the year ended June 30, 2009, net assets changed as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 15,643,615	\$ 13,340,206	\$ 120,233	\$ 82,998	\$ 15,763,848	\$ 13,423,204
Capital Assets	<u>55,230,471</u>	<u>54,599,730</u>	-	-	<u>55,230,471</u>	<u>54,599,730</u>
Total Assets	70,874,086	67,939,936	120,233	82,998	70,994,319	68,022,934
Long Term Liabilities	18,364,035	16,323,810	-	-	18,364,035	16,323,810
Other Liabilities	<u>2,637,008</u>	<u>2,753,901</u>	<u>34,847</u>	<u>45,694</u>	<u>2,671,855</u>	<u>2,799,595</u>
Total Liabilities	21,001,043	19,077,711	34,847	45,694	21,035,890	19,123,405
Net Assets:						
Invested in capital assets,						
Net of related debt	37,900,238	39,142,510	-	-	37,900,238	39,142,510
Restricted	21,255	21,125	-	-	21,255	21,125
Reserved for specific purposes						
Unrestricted	<u>11,951,550</u>	<u>9,698,590</u>	<u>85,386</u>	<u>37,304</u>	<u>12,036,936</u>	<u>9,735,894</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 49,873,043</u>	<u>\$ 48,862,225</u>	<u>\$ 85,386</u>	<u>\$ 37,304</u>	<u>\$ 49,958,429</u>	<u>\$ 48,899,529</u>

These numbers reflect an increase in net assets of 2.07 percent for governmental activities and over 200 percent for business-type activities (see page 3-10 for a detailed explanation). The Town issued bonds in the amount of \$3,524,000 (see page 3-9 for details), resulting in comparable increases in current assets and long term liabilities as projects were not completed by year-end.

### Governmental Activities

To aid in the understanding of the Statement of Activities some additional explanation is given. Of particular interest is the format that is significantly different than a typical Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Balance. You will notice that expenses are listed in the first column with revenues from that particular program reported to the right. The result is a Net (Expense)/Revenue. The reason for this kind of format is to highlight the relative financial burden of each of the functions on the Town's taxpayers. It also identifies how much each function draws from the general revenues or if it is self-financing through fees and grants. Some of the individual line item revenues reported for each function are:

General Government	Charges for photocopies, maps, plumbing permits, shoreland permits, cable TV franchise fees, gas tax refund, reimbursements, clerk fees, a portion of parking meter and permit receipts, parking ticket receipts.
Public Safety	Mooring receipts, police reports, dispatching services agreement with Ogunquit, PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) fees from other surrounding towns, COPS grants, other grants, dog license fees and an agreement with York Hospital to provide officers on a regular basis.
Public Works	Urban/Rural Initiative program, FEMA reimbursements, other state grants to improve certain street intersections.

Community Services	General Assistance state reimbursement and room rental fees.
Boards and Commissions	Shellfish licenses, Ellis Park/Short Sands funds (a trust fund set up early in the last century to oversee a park at Short Sands Beach).
Education	Food service, grants, state subsidy.

All other governmental revenues are reported as general. It is important to note that all taxes are classified as general revenue even if restricted for a specific purpose.

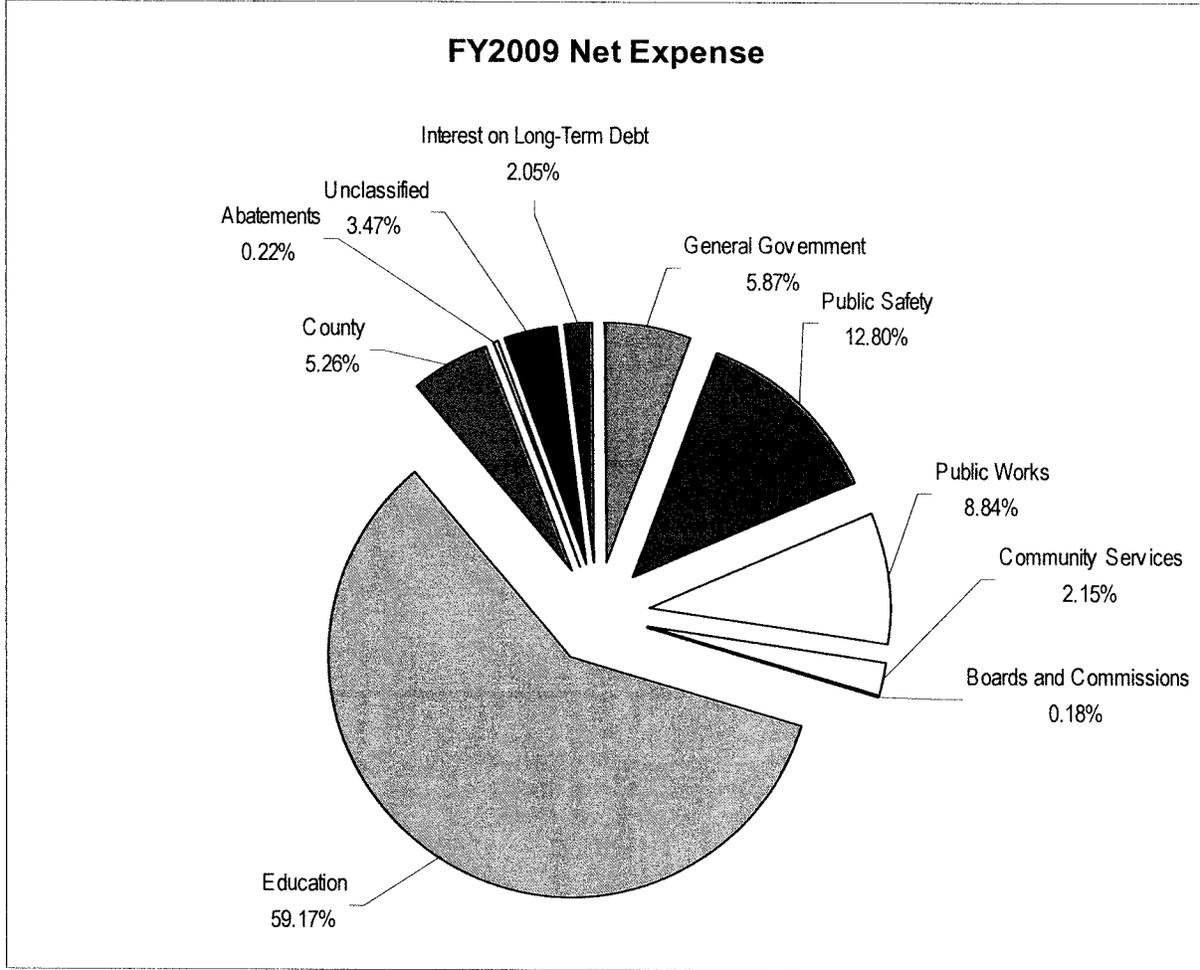
### Net Expense

The Net Expense is the financial burden that was placed on the taxpayers by each of these functions. Almost \$8.1 million dollars worth of activity was paid by grants, user fees, parking tickets and meter revenues and fees other than taxes. There is not a significant difference in allocation from FY2008 to FY2009. There is, however, a significant reduction in receipts for public works federally funded projects, as the FEMA projects were smaller and projects from prior storms were being completed. The significant increase in Public Safety Revenues is due to a \$475,000 FEMA grant for the purchase of a fire truck.

Function/ Program	Expenses		Revenues		Net Expense	
	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008
General Government	\$ 2,545,872	\$ 2,503,438	\$ 381,484	\$ 374,603	\$ 2,164,388	\$ 2,128,835
Public Safety	5,685,518	5,259,644	969,235	393,846	4,716,283	4,865,798
Public Works	3,475,035	4,215,636	217,586	347,641	3,257,449	3,867,995
Public Works – federally funded projects	719,562	1,048,908	719,562	1,020,388	-	28,520
Community Services	804,466	734,735	10,785	9,063	793,681	725,672
Boards and Commissions	97,357	104,575	30,919	32,460	66,438	72,115
Education	24,697,014	23,951,271	2,887,818	3,816,699	21,809,196	20,134,572
Maine State Retirement on behalf payments	2,257,255	2,227,442	2,257,255	2,227,442	-	-
County Tax	1,937,468	1,828,020	-	-	1,937,468	1,828,020
Abatements	79,866	30,458	-	-	79,866	30,458
Unclassified	1,906,316	440,307	627,073	717,590	1,279,243	(277,283)
Interest on long-term debt	754,106	794,495	-	-	754,106	794,495
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 44,959,835</u>	<u>\$ 43,138,929</u>	<u>\$ 8,101,717</u>	<u>\$ 8,939,732</u>	<u>\$ 36,858,118</u>	<u>\$ 34,199,197</u>

Public Safety revenues derive from dispatching services provided to neighboring towns as well as patrol and security services for the local hospital, a FEMA Fire Truck Grant, COPS and other public safety grants. Rural roads subsidies make up the bulk of the Public Works revenues, in addition to reimbursements for some paving projects, mostly from the local water and sewer districts.

On Patriot's Day, April 18, 2007, the Town suffered a declared FEMA event which resulted in about \$2M in road, bridge and culvert damage. The major part of the work had been completed in FY08, with a few projects being completed in FY09, most notably those on Nubble Island and Sohier Park. An additional FEMA event was declared on December 18, 2008, as a result of an ice storm. Many of those projects included debris cleanup, and not long-term projects.



Education's share of net expenses increased a small amount and is still the largest percentage at 59.17. The shares represented by Public Safety and Public Works are reduced by about 1.5% - 2% compared to the prior year.

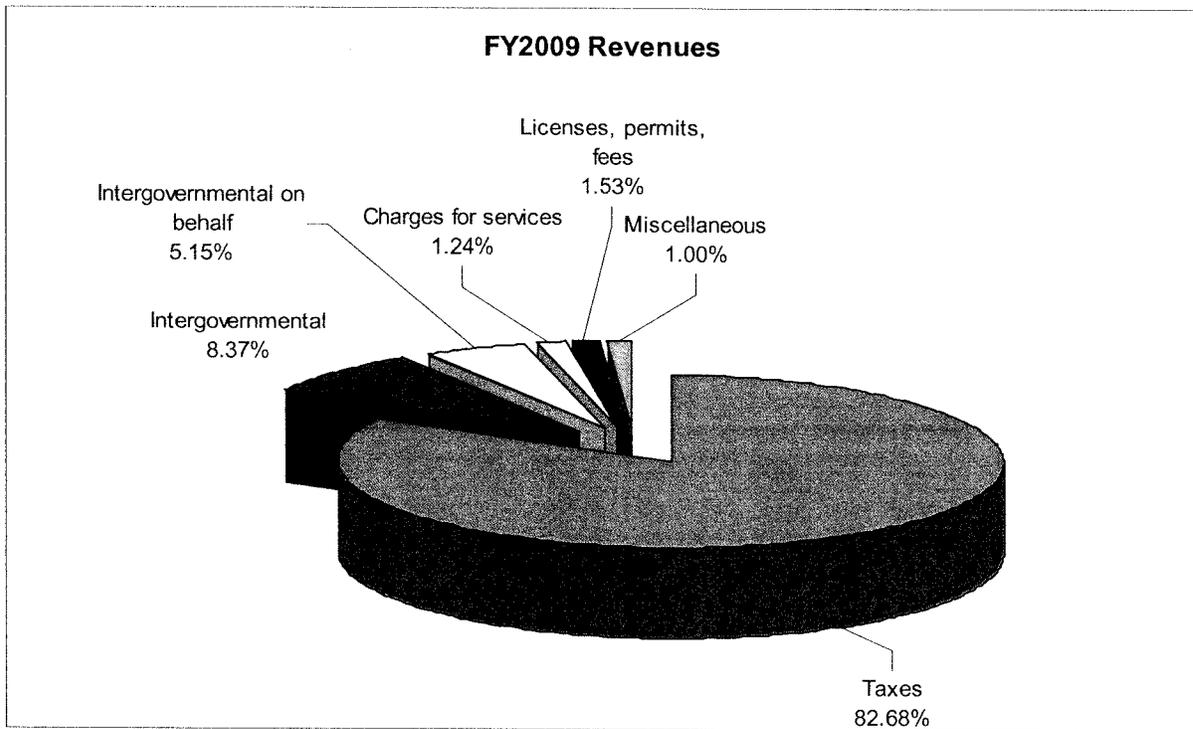
In an effort to reduce the net expense to taxpayers, there has been a concerted effort to institute user fees as appropriate. To that end, 'impact fees' were imposed on residential dwelling units to help defray the debt service costs of new school buildings. \$102,000 in impact fees were collected by the Town and transferred to the school to offset costs. By ordinance, building permit fees are used to reduce taxpayer impact of the Community Development Department (Code, Planning and Geographic Information Services) to a great extent. Several full time positions in that department are funded by fees, saving the taxpayers more than \$300,000 each year, while delivering desired services in the area of inspections and GIS mapping and data collection.

## THE TOWN'S FUNDS

The following schedule presents a summary of General Fund revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 with a comparison to 2008:

<b><u>Revenues:</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2009 Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Percent of Total</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2008 Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Percent of Total</u></b>
Taxes	\$ 36,233,076	82.68%	\$ 34,796,492	80.13%
Intergovernmental	3,668,604	8.37%	4,584,303	10.56%
Intergovernmental on behalf payments	2,257,255	5.15%	2,227,442	5.13%
Charges for services	543,638	1.24%	599,374	1.38%
Licenses and permits	684,747	1.56%	665,899	1.53%
Miscellaneous	436,296	1.00%	549,368	1.27%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 43,823,616</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 43,422,878</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Revenues from all sources increased 0.92% from the previous year. For the third year in a row, excise tax collections decreased, 2.4% in Fy07, 2.2% in Fy08 and 4.8% in FY09, which is typical for the state as a whole. All revenues related to beach parking (beach parking stickers, meter collections and parking tickets) are up 4.3%. Property taxes are up 4.9% or \$1,566,066 from the previous year and make up the large majority of revenues. Investment interest income is down 40.6% compared to the prior year due to significant declines in interest rates. State municipal revenue sharing decreased 6.7%, reflective of the State's poor fiscal health.



The following schedule presents a summary of expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009:

<b><u>Expenditures:</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2009</u></b>	<b><u>Percent</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2008</u></b>	<b><u>Percent</u></b>
	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>of Total</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>of Total</u></b>
<i>General Government</i>	\$ 2,450,687	5.52%	\$ 2,507,554	5.93%
<i>Public Safety</i>	6,065,924	13.67%	5,037,637	11.92%
<i>Public Works</i>	3,843,428	8.66%	3,710,947	8.78%
<i>Public Works federally funded</i>	719,562	1.62%	1,048,908	2.48%
<i>Community services</i>	803,690	1.81%	761,083	1.80%
<i>Boards and Commissions</i>	97,357	.22%	104,575	.25%
<i>Education</i>	22,836,499	51.47%	22,405,285	53.01%
<i>Maine State Retirement on behalf</i>	2,257,255	5.09%	2,227,442	5.27%
<i>County Tax</i>	1,937,468	4.37%	1,828,020	4.33%
<i>Abatements</i>	79,866	.18%	30,458	.07%
<i>Capital Outlays</i>	942,479	2.12%	1,527,975	3.62%
<i>Interest on Long-Term Debt</i>	747,865	1.69%	813,608	1.92%
<i>Principal Payment on Long-Term Debt</i>	1,587,620	3.58%	260,281	.62%
<b><u>Total Expenditures</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 44,369,700</u></b>	<b><u>100.00%</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 42,263,773</u></b>	<b><u>100.00%</u></b>

Overall expenditures increased 5.0%, due in large part to the school portion of debt service being paid from a capital projects fund in the prior year, in the amount of \$1,337,100 reducing prior year expenditures significantly. Capital outlays include the regular replacement of vehicles and road paving. \$105,000 in Public Health expenditures were reclassified to Public Safety in FY09 that were previously considered General Government expenditures. A \$475,000 fire truck, purchased with grant money is also included in Public Safety expenditures.

### **GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

Early in the year it became evident that major revenue sources were not going to reach projections, so management made mid-year expenditure decisions with an eye toward covering revenue shortfalls with decreased spending. Consequently, property taxes carried more of the burden than in other years. That trend is continuing into FY10, as the economic situation has led to very low investment interest rates and an apparent reluctance on the part of citizens to purchase newer, more expensive cars, both of which affect the Town's revenues, along with the sagging state economy which directly affects payments to municipalities.

In spite of the economic conditions, the taxpayers were very supportive of the Board of Selectmen's five-year capital plan, and approved many of the projects put before them on the ballot for year one. Music Instructional space and a roof replacement at the high school, several drainage projects, and a contribution to an open space parcel purchase were all approved by voters.

Pursuant to GASB 45, actuaries have calculated the Town's liability with respect to Other Postemployment Benefits. The Town offers limited postemployment benefits, including life insurance (for Maine State Retirees) and the privilege of remaining on the Town's health insurance plan for 102% of premiums. The Town does not fund this liability but rather is on a pay-as-you-go basis. This is the first year this liability appears on these statements.

Although a \$550,000 utilization of fund balance was approved by voters to reduce tax appropriations, only \$413,978 of funds authorized were used, bringing undesignated fund balance to \$4,714,071, keeping York in a very healthy fund balance position.

With taxes receivable of only \$922,500 on total tax bills of \$33.7 million, the Town of York enjoys a remarkable tax collection rate of 97.3%. The balance due on tax liens at year-end is only \$239,576, less than .7% of total taxes due. Along with a healthy fund balance and prudent investments, the Town's cash flow is managed well, and does not require any short-term borrowing. The Town's Standard and Poor's AA rating was recently confirmed AA+.

## CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

### Capital Assets

At June 30, 2009, the Town had \$55.23 million invested in capital assets including substantial funding for paving and construction of town roads. The usual additions included police vehicles, a pickup truck, computer equipment, substantial building repairs, a large public safety generator, as well as a continued commitment with the York Land Trust to add to the Town's open space inventory in the 'Mountains to the Sea' initiative, and the completion of the FEMA project from the 2007 Patriot's Day storm which restored Sohier Park and the Nubble Island. Other additions are listed below.

	<b>Capital Assets</b>	<b>Accumulated Depreciation at June 30, 2009</b>	<b>Capital Assets Net of Depreciation</b>
Land	\$ 8,581,342	\$ -	\$ 8,581,342
Buildings & Improvements	36,387,124	14,184,459	22,202,665
Land Improvements	34,887,742	13,889,258	20,998,484
Equipment	3,191,534	1,838,814	1,352,720
Vehicles	6,158,616	4,063,356	2,095,260
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b><u>\$ 89,206,358</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 33,975,887</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 55,230,471</u></b>

This year's major additions included:

Large parcel held for open space	\$ 500,000
New roof at high school	159,690
Repairs to the dock at Cape Neddick Light Station	118,937
Repairs to Sohier Park grounds (FEMA)	162,923
Stormwater Outfall at Short Sands Beach	83,259
Aerial Ladder Truck	529,500
New boiler at elementary school	48,500
Repaving and reconstructing town roads and lots	922,252
Heavy Plow Truck	115,000
Other Additions	427,792
	<b><u>\$ 3,067,853</u></b>

## Debt

At year-end, the Town had \$18,364,035 in long-term liabilities representing a net increase of \$2,040,225:

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008
General Obligation Debt	\$ 17,158,410	\$ 15,222,030	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,158,410	\$ 15,222,030
Capital Lease obligations	171,823	235,190	-	-	171,823	235,190
Compensated absences	946,195	866,590	-	-	946,195	866,590
Other postemployment benefits obligation	87,607	-	-	-	87,607	-
Totals	\$ 18,364,035	\$ 16,323,810	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,364,035	\$ 16,323,810

There was a debt issuance in the amount of \$3,524,000 for the following projects:

Roof replacement at York High School	\$ 255,000
Music and instructional space at York High School	1,537,000
Highland Farm Open Space contribution	500,000
Various drainage projects	1,232,000
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Total debt issuance	<u>\$ 3,524,000</u>

The music instructional space cost was projected to be \$2,338,000 with \$1,537,000 funded with bond proceeds and \$800,000 funded from the school's unappropriated fund balance.

With the formation of a Capital Planning Committee, (which includes staff, board members and members of the Tax Task Force) and a Tax Task Force Committee (which is comprised of citizens), a five-year capital plan is revised annually as necessary and submitted to the Board of Selectmen for its approval and sent on to the voters at the Budget Referendum in May of each year. The Tax Task Force had formulated dollar and percentage limit suggestions based on what it felt the taxpayers could bear and the Capital Planning Committee tries to work within those guidelines. It has been established that the Town has focused on school buildings for the last twenty years and the municipal buildings are in need of attention. A Public Safety Building is at the top of the list and to that end, included in the five-year plan are the purchase of land for such a building, followed by the funds to construct that building. Other major items on the horizon include an auditorium at the high school, a town hall and a major push to deal with drainage issues. The drainage projects have been broken down into smaller projects to incrementally improve the situation. With a mountain, many rivers, the ocean and development pressure, drainage has been a major issue and has been a factor in the recent FEMA declarations.

## Tax Increment Financing

The voters approved an article that will designate a portion of 'downtown' York Beach as a TIF district. The TIF will provide funding for design, traffic studies and to fund public infrastructure improvements such as sidewalks and roadways within the boundaries of the TIF district. It is designed as a twenty-year program and could allocate significant resources to this area of Town known as York Beach. The first funds, in the amount of \$113,928 were made available with the May 2009 Budget Referendum. The major focus is on infrastructure in the Short Sands Beach area of York Beach where there are two other major projects in the works: a federal grant project to replace a large drainage system that runs under the beach square to the ocean and a locally funded project to further improve infrastructure while the road is open for the federal grant project.

## Business-type Activities

The Town operates a number of Enterprise Funds, designed to be mostly self-sustaining through user fees and grants. All funds are designed to maintain some activity or capital asset and are not intended to amass large fund balances.

	Recreation	Mt. Agamenti- cus	Sohier Park	Goodrich Park	Outside Duty	Printing	Senior Transport- ation
Charges for Services	\$ 392,412	\$ 45,871	\$ 214,560	\$ 7,200	\$ 135,611	\$ -	\$ 11,445
Donations/Sponsorships	22,275	158	5,786	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>414,687</b>	<b>46,029</b>	<b>220,346</b>	<b>7,200</b>	<b>135,611</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,445</b>
Salaries and Benefits	182,919	4,757	36,355	-	100,823	-	42,885
Cost of Goods Sold	-	-	102,048	-	-	-	-
Contracts/Repairs	170,668	16,044	8,791	5,211	336	-	310
Supplies	56,974	2,334	5,520	244	-	-	100
Utilities	2,835	3,046	1,475	1,193	-	-	2,235
<b>Total Operating Exp</b>	<b>413,396</b>	<b>26,181</b>	<b>154,189</b>	<b>6,648</b>	<b>101,159</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,530</b>
<b>Operating</b>							
<b>Income/(Loss)</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>19,848</b>	<b>66,157</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>34,452</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(34,085)</b>
Operating Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,000
Operating Transfers Out	-	(6,133)	(62,000)	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources	-	(6,133)	(62,000)	-	-	-	28,000
<b>Net</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>13,715</b>	<b>4,157</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>34,452</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(6,085)</b>
<b>Increase(decrease)</b>							
Beg Net Assets	19,261	1,163	(3,879)	982	-	(1,382)	21,159
<b>Ending</b>							
<b>Net Assets (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 20,552</b>	<b>\$ 14,878</b>	<b>\$ 278</b>	<b>\$ 1,534</b>	<b>\$ 34,452</b>	<b>\$ (1,382)</b>	<b>\$ 15,074</b>

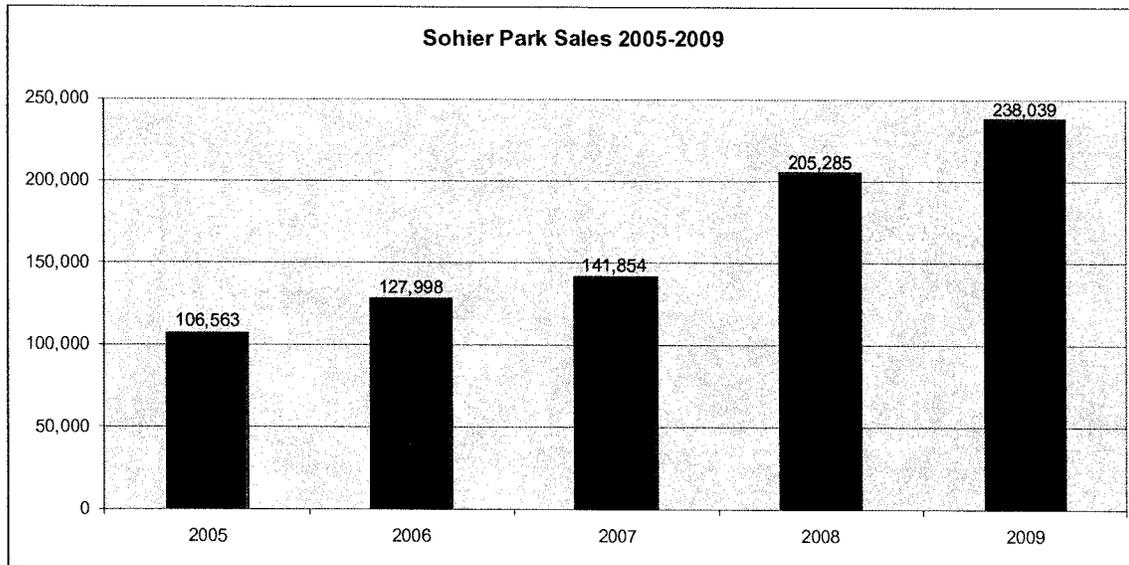
## The Town's Enterprise Funds

The **Recreation Enterprise** is funded primarily by user fees with a heavy participation by 'sponsors', local businesses who sponsor teams participating in the various programs. With the exception of the 1.5 full time positions that are funded by the General Fund, this program is self-sustaining with respect to all the other costs such as instructors, coaches, supplies, and transportation. It is the goal of the administration to make programs as affordable and accessible to as many citizens as are interested, made possible, in part by some generous donors who sponsor 'scholarships'. The Recreation Department offers programs for all ages – children through senior citizens, including soccer, tai chi, photography, dance and everything in between.

The **Mt. Agamenticus Enterprise** was established to maintain the summit of Mt. Agamenticus which includes a lodge and other viewing areas, trails and grounds. Revenues are generated through tower rentals, the rental of the apartment in the lodge and viewer fees.

The **Sohier Park Enterprise** was established to maintain Sohier Park and the Cape Neddick Light Station viewable from the beaches (also known as the Nubble Lighthouse). The gift shop in the park sells trinkets and collectibles and generates sufficient revenue to maintain the park and make substantial repairs to the light station. The net income from the Gift Shop receipts (\$62,000) are transferred to a Sohier Park Maintenance Special Revenue fund which is responsible for the repairs and maintenance of the park and the Light Station. This important national landmark and nearby park are maintained with no taxpayer dollars except for capital improvements, which included a recent roof replacement for the lightkeeper's house.

Improved systems and focused management have resulted in substantial revenue increases, allowing for more funding of park improvements and maintenance.



**The Grant House at Goodrich Park** is a wonderful community building restored by a volunteer group. It currently houses the Parks and Recreation offices and is used by community groups for meetings. The revenue from the upstairs apartment offsets some of the costs of maintaining the Grant House and Barn.

An account for **Outside Duty** was established to handle the demand for police services outside the normal patrol responsibilities. Outside entities such as the water and sewer districts might hire an officer to handle traffic around the job site. Billing rates are set to cover the costs of the officer, some administration of the program and the use of a cruiser, if necessary. The revenues generated by administration and cruiser usage are transferred to the public safety accounts, to offset those expenses.

**Printing Enterprise** was set up to cover the cost of printing ordinances and revenues are credited to this account as copies of the ordinances are sold. There were no sales of ordinance copies in this fiscal year.

**Senior Transportation** was established in 2004 in response to a need. There were significant fundraisers and donations early in the program to get it established. The taxpayers of York have generously funded a tax appropriation designed to cover a large part of the cost of the drivers' salaries and benefits. The user fees cover the cost of gas, oil, maintenance, repairs and insurance. The users of this program are being driven to doctors' appointments, therapies, shopping, and to the Senior Center and other activities. It has been quite successful and serves a very important need in the community. It is not self-sustaining and a plan for fundraisers is necessary to keep the program alive.

## ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

There has been concern expressed about a slowing economy. York is not as susceptible to fluctuations as are some communities, but nevertheless, high oil prices and other economic factors have an impact on the Town's citizens. Balancing that concern with the need for major building and infrastructure improvements tasks the Town's management to be creative and frugal in its budgeting and proposals. For several years the Town's 'Circuit Breaker' program, which mimics the State's Property Tax and Rent Refund Program, aids those citizens that perhaps can not absorb property tax increases. As a result of those two programs, some property owners pay no property taxes at all.

The Assessor continues to use his extensive resources to keep values within the 90-100% range as dictated by state statute. Waterfront property values continue to rise, while inland parcel values are flat or have declined somewhat. Tourism still continues to be a major industry in the Town of York. The FY2010 assessment which represents values as of April 1, 2009, declined overall 1.56% compared to the prior year.

Fiscal Year	Total Valuation	Valuation Increase	Total Tax Bills	Tax Bill Increase	Mil Rate
2003	\$2,564,463,024		\$26,285,720		\$10.25
2004	\$2,805,191,350	9.39%	\$27,205,357	3.50%	\$ 9.70
2005	\$3,197,719,520	13.99%	\$27,980,046	2.85%	\$ 8.75
2006	\$3,503,231,200	9.55%	\$29,322,153	4.80%	\$ 8.46
2007	\$3,775,924,530	7.78%	\$30,736,026	4.82%	\$ 8.14
2008	\$3,970,382,710	5.14%	\$32,160,100	4.63%	\$ 8.10
2009	\$4,082,626,820	2.83%	\$33,722,498	4.86%	\$ 8.26
2010	\$4,019,248,550	-1.56%	\$ 34,485,161	2.26%	\$8.58

After many years of declining mil rates, York will see a second year of a mil rate increase of \$.32/\$1,000 assessed value. Those closest to the water see that property valuation translates to larger tax bills, yet there are segments of the population for which tax bills decrease each year. From FY2003 to FY2010 total valuation has increased 56.7% while total tax bills have only increased 31.2%, reflected in a **decrease** in the mil rate from \$10.25 in 2003 to \$8.58 in 2010, a 16.3% reduction. The mean non-waterfront single family home has an assessed value of about \$381,000 with a tax bill of \$3,269 in FY2010, which is still a reasonably low property tax bill in this area.

## CONTACTING THE TOWN'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances and to show the Town's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Town Manager's Office at 186 York Street, York, Maine, or by phone at (207)363-1000.

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
Governmental Funds**

**Town of York, Maine**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2009**

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues</b>			
Taxes	\$ 36,233,076	\$ -	\$ 36,233,076
Intergovernmental	3,668,604	880,992	4,549,596
Intergovernmental on-behalf payments	2,257,255	-	2,257,255
Charges for services	543,638	1,022,168	1,565,806
Licenses, permits, and fees	684,747	-	684,747
Miscellaneous	436,296	174,166	610,462
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>43,823,616</u>	<u>2,077,326</u>	<u>45,900,942</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Current			
General government	2,450,687	-	2,450,687
Public safety	6,065,924	-	6,065,924
Public works and sanitation	3,843,428	-	3,843,428
Public works - federally funded projects	719,562	-	719,562
Community services	803,690	-	803,690
Boards and commissions	97,357	-	97,357
Education	22,836,499	1,403,482	24,239,981
MPERS on-behalf payments	2,257,255	-	2,257,255
County tax	1,937,468	-	1,937,468
Abatements	79,866	-	79,866
Unclassified	-	1,393,965	1,393,965
Debt service - principal	1,587,620	-	1,587,620
- interest	747,865	-	747,865
Capital outlays	942,479	27,405	969,884
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>44,369,700</u>	<u>2,824,852</u>	<u>47,194,552</u>
<b>Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	(546,084)	(747,526)	(1,293,610)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>			
Proceeds from capital lease obligation	36,020	-	36,020
Proceeds from borrowing	1,732,000	1,792,000	3,524,000
Operating transfers in	269,659	2,813,813	3,083,472
Operating transfers out	(2,773,680)	(269,659)	(3,043,339)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<u>(736,001)</u>	<u>4,336,154</u>	<u>3,600,153</u>
<b>Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses</b>	(1,282,085)	3,588,628	2,306,543
Fund balances at beginning of year	8,746,233	1,430,668	10,176,901
<b>Fund Balances at End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 7,464,148</u>	<u>\$ 5,019,296</u>	<u>\$ 12,483,444</u>

See accompanying independent auditors' report and notes to financial statements.

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance  
Budget and Actual - General Fund (Budgetary Basis)**

**Town of York, Maine**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2009**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with
	Original	Final	(Budgetary Basis)	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues</b>				
Taxes	\$ 36,612,498	\$ 36,612,498	\$ 36,233,076	\$ (379,422)
Intergovernmental	2,477,185	3,196,747	3,668,604	471,857
Intergovernmental on-behalf payments	-	-	2,257,255	2,257,255
Charges for services	102,000	102,000	543,638	441,638
Licenses, permits, and fees	622,500	622,500	684,747	62,247
Miscellaneous	554,200	554,200	436,296	(117,904)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>40,368,383</b>	<b>41,087,945</b>	<b>43,823,616</b>	<b>2,735,671</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Current				
General government	2,498,405	2,641,064	2,450,687	190,377
Public safety	5,102,310	5,102,310	6,065,924	(963,614)
Public works and sanitation	4,768,866	4,768,866	3,843,428	925,438
Public works - federally funded projects	110,355	829,917	719,562	110,355
Community services	799,641	799,641	803,690	(4,049)
Boards and commissions	61,345	61,345	97,357	(36,012)
Education	22,789,496	22,789,496	22,836,499	(47,003)
MPERS on-behalf payments	-	-	2,257,255	(2,257,255)
County tax	1,937,468	1,937,468	1,937,468	-
Abatements	-	-	79,866	(79,866)
Debt service - principal	1,587,620	1,587,620	1,587,620	-
- interest	819,344	819,344	747,865	71,479
Capital outlays	1,481,408	1,481,408	942,479	538,929
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>41,956,258</b>	<b>42,818,479</b>	<b>44,369,700</b>	<b>(1,551,221)</b>
<b>Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>(1,587,875)</b>	<b>(1,730,534)</b>	<b>(546,084)</b>	<b>1,184,450</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Proceeds from capital lease obligation	36,020	36,020	36,020	-
Proceeds from borrowing	1,732,000	1,732,000	1,732,000	-
Operating transfer in	125,000	267,659	269,659	2,000
Operating transfers out	(2,626,128)	(2,626,128)	(2,773,680)	(147,552)
Utilization of designated surplus	1,878,402	1,878,402	-	(1,878,402)
Utilization of undesignated surplus	550,000	550,000	-	(550,000)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>1,695,294</b>	<b>1,837,953</b>	<b>(736,001)</b>	<b>(2,573,954)</b>
<b>Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses</b>	<b>\$ 107,419</b>	<b>\$ 107,419</b>	<b>(1,282,085)</b>	<b>\$ (1,389,504)</b>
Fund balance at beginning of year			8,746,233	
<b>Fund Balance at End of Year</b>			<b>\$ 7,464,148</b>	

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## **SENIOR CENTER**

*Submitted by: Lori M. Nelson, Director of Operations*  
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Once again I am pleased to submit my annual report to the citizens of York, concerning the Town of York Senior Center. This past year we have made many improvements to our existing facility, making it more efficient, handicap accessible and compliant for safety codes. Because of the age and condition of our building, we are often limited to make costly improvements. I try to prioritize projects based on safety. It is my hope in the next year forward, we will begin dialogues with the citizens of York to start working on proposals to build a new Senior Center. Our membership is still growing and we have to think of the future. As the aging population of York and Southern Maine increases, we no doubt have the need for a vital and active Senior Center which will be paramount in the future for generations to come. To that end, the Town has established several new Enterprise Accounts for the sole use of the York Senior Center. The Enterprise Accounts are not part of our annual budget, but part of a cyclical, revolving account which enables us to continue our Meal Program, Activities, Trips and Membership.

The Town of York Senior Transportation program is available to serve the needs of both Senior Center members and senior non-members. Please call in advance (24 hour notice) to set up your ride. We offer door to door service. Clients must be able to ambulate on their own with only minimal assistance. Please call us for current rates and more information. 207-363-1036

Meals at the Center continue to be a big draw for the senior community. The price is reasonable, you can eat in or we can package your meals to go. Call the Center the day before with your request. Many folks drive in with our transportation program and stay for programs and lunch. It's a great place to meet new friends, socialize or try a new activity! We welcome you to come visit our center and take a tour to see our facility, meet the members and our staff as well.

## **GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

*Submitted by: Lori M. Nelson, Director of Operations and Welfare Administrator*

The General Assistance program is a State mandated, municipally administered financial assistance program. We serve the citizens for the Town of York, experiencing financial difficulties and emergency situations. Information is available at our office located behind the York Police station, housed at the Senior Center. Hours for applications and interviews are by appointment, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays. [Accommodations can be made for special circumstances.]

There is no "typical" G.A. client. Most persons often have lost jobs due to the economy, need help with rent or heat, and occasionally have medical or other needs. Applicants are required to take responsibility for themselves by endeavoring to become self reliant. We have information for other social services in the area, including (but not limited to) Food Stamps, TANF, WIC and MaineCare. I am here to answer your questions.

Call during 8:00am – 4:00pm to make an appointment or receive information. Thanks to all in our community that go above and beyond to make the Town of York a great place to live.

# **YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY**

*Submitted by Robert Waldman, Director*

On my desk this year is a “Frank and Ernest” comic strip. Frank and Ernest are sitting in front of the circulation desk at a library. The caption reads, “You’re the only ones doing any lending right now.” Despite, and maybe partly because of a weak economy, this was a successful year for the York Public Library. The Library served as a dynamic, joyful center of reading, learning and activity.

Again the Library increased and extended its services. Circulation was up another 6.92%. Active borrowers (those whose cards have been used this year) rose 9.67 %. More of our patrons understand that they have a collection of 6 million items at their computer fingertips through the Minerva system and have learned how access these resources. Borrowing by our patrons increased 38.76%, while items loaned increased 15.85%. Use of museum passes increased significantly. Our collection grew 3.24% with 3,514 new items added and 490 withdrawn.

We continue to teach patrons the capabilities of the MARVEL online information databases and to advocate with the State for a more user-friendly interface. This year we joined a consortium of Maine libraries to subscribe to Overdrive, a service that provides patrons direct access to downloadable audio books. Response has been positive. This may be a model for delivery of information in the future.

Collaboration is a hallmark of the Library. We work extensively with the York schools, the Town of York, the Museums of Old York, and York Hospital. We co-sponsor and host activities with diverse groups such as RiverRun Bookstore, York Land Trust, York Art Association, Maine Audubon, White Pines, the Center for Wildlife, the Ogunquit Museum, Sentry Hill, the Diversity Forum, the Energy Efficiency Committee, the Student Workers Committee, Kennebunk Savings Bank and the York Rotary as well as regional and state organizations.

These collaborations result in diverse programs, exhibits and meetings at the Library. The range and quality of our offerings are impressive, from music, art, and play performances to book discussions, cultural presentations, and open forums of interest to our community. Some local meetings drew standing room only crowds as citizens presented their ideas and listened to the ideas of others. The Library serves York as a center of civic activity.

The important story is the wonderful community resource that the Library has become. Its services, programs and events encourage our citizens to be thoughtful and informed, and to participate in and enjoy life-long learning. This represents the accomplishments of an exceptional staff an active Library Board, and strong citizen support. You have written a part of this success story. Thanks to you all, and we look forward to working with you next year and for many more years in our shared mission of serving our community.

# **YORK BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT**

*Submitted by: David K Bridges – Chief YBFD*

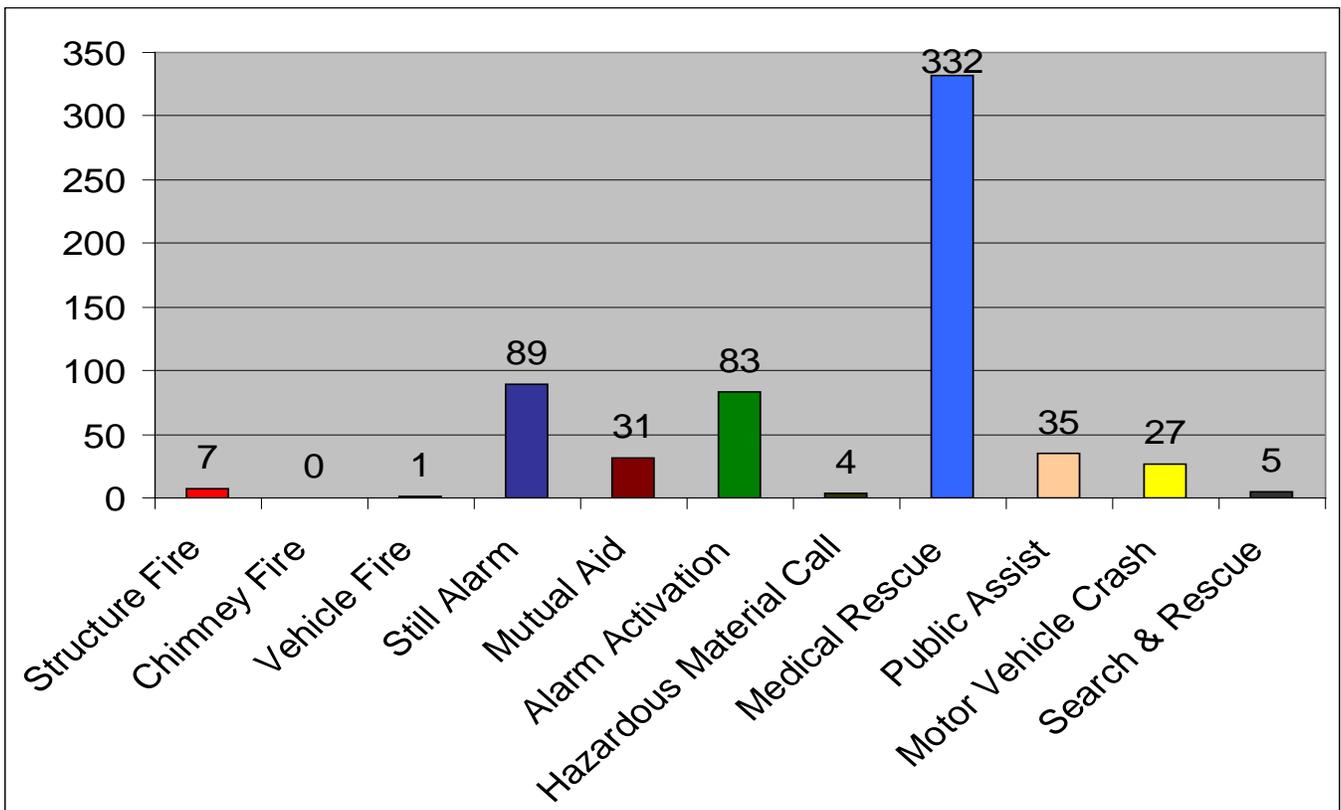
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Our entire organization would like to thank you for your continued support. We’re proud to be here to assist our citizens during their time of need whether it’s a fire, medical emergency or even using our station as a warming hut during times of power loss.

We responded to 614 emergency calls during the past year with more than half of them being medical rescue. A decrease in structure fires nationwide can be contributed to better electrical appliances, circuit breakers, smoke detectors and residential sprinkler systems. Today’s synthetic materials, used in most furniture, bedding materials and

laminated coverings, create a much hotter fire and give off a more toxic smoke. The use of working smoke detectors and residential sprinkler systems are necessary to give an early warning and early extinguishment of the “new fire environment” we live and work in. This new environment not only affects the firefighter but also the occupant of the building before evacuating the building. The state law requiring working smoke detectors in all single family and multi-family occupancies has been updated to include CO detectors. Now all, single family and multi-family, dwellings must have hard wired with battery back-up smoke and CO detectors located within or giving access to all bedrooms. Should you have any questions about the location of your detectors, please call us for guidance. Maintaining your detectors should be part of your monthly duties. Your life could depend on them working properly.

York Beach has 3 full time ( 1 per shift ) Firefighter/EMT’s on duty 24 hours a day, but we still rely strongly on our volunteers to accomplish the tasks placed upon the fire department. There are many tasks to be performed and even though you don’t think entering a burning building is something you want to do, you might be just the person to help fill another task that is needed. If you would like to hear more about what’s involved or would like to join our volunteer force, please call 363-1014 or stop in anytime.



# YORK VILLAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT

*Submitted By: Christopher Balentine, Chief*

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It is with great pleasure that I submit this annual report to you, together with a summary of responses made by our department. We are always interested in recruiting new volunteers for our call force. The act of volunteering and helping people in need gives great rewards. We have openings for any person eighteen years of age or older who is willing to help and willing to learn. Our response pattern is changing slightly. We have been experiencing increases in all types of fire calls. Our Emergency Medical Technicians have seen increases in medical related calls. Fire Alarm activations are also on the rise. Fire alarm systems need to be properly installed and maintained. In the case of battery operated smoke detectors, please make sure fresh batteries are installed at all times. Please make sure your home has a working smoke detector installed nearby each bedroom. Be careful with woodstoves, as they can be dangerous if chimneys are not kept clean and in good repair. Remember that an ounce of fire prevention is worth more than a pound of cure. We are extremely pleased to report that over the last year, our apparatus fleet has been upgraded. This is a huge benefit to us in serving our fellow citizens. One large vehicle acquisition was made possible by a Federal Emergency Management Agency Grant for almost half a million dollars. Our taxpayers also have been supportive in funding necessary apparatus upgrades. This is greatly appreciated. Our people continue to train each week on a variety of topics. Ongoing firefighting training is offered repetitively for all of our people. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me for further information, or suggestions. Check out our website at [www.yorkvillagefire.com](http://www.yorkvillagefire.com) for call summaries and photos of all activities. It has been a pleasure to serve you again this year.

## York Village Fire Department Calendar 2009 Emergency Responses

Structure Fire	14
Mutual Aid to Other depts.	28
Appliance Fires	2
Power Lines Arcing	23
Public Assists	27
Motor Vehicle Accidents	72
Brush/ Grass	16
Alarm Activations	105
Smoke Investigations	51
Medical Assists	539
Special Rescue Water etc	16
Total Emergency Runs	893

# **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

*Submitted By: Chief Douglas Bracy*

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As I reflect on a difficult, yet successful, year for the York Police Department, I would like to start first by thanking everyone who has contributed to making this department one of the finest. Without the hard work of our employees, the continuing support from our citizens, Town Hall staff, and various boards, our success in preserving York's small town image and providing a safe atmosphere for all to enjoy would definitely be limited.

The accomplishments of our organization are due to a very dedicated group of professionals who make up the York Police Department. It is surely an honor to be a part of an organization which takes much pride in the quality of service being delivered. We recognize and understand that the level of service we provide directly reflects on the quality of life for our citizens and visitors in the community. This is not to say we cannot improve on how we deliver these services. Policing is a very difficult, ever changing job where the mission to serve our public and the laws we use to insure that job is accomplished must be weighed each and every day. We must also not forget those officers who serve you are human as well! The one certainty that I can guarantee is that every member of this department takes their job seriously and gives 100% or more each and every day they come to work. I surely appreciate it as I am sure you all do.

With all that said, the economic times we are experiencing means that all of us have had to tighten our belts and the police department is no different. We have curtailed spending where possible and are always actively seeking grants which allow us to do a better job, to be more effective and visible in our community. We have again acquired Equipment Grants, Under Age Enforcement and Education Grants, and a multitude of Highway Safety Enforcement grants totaling over \$120,000 this year. The department also received a number of new grants that help target specific problems we are facing in York. We received a Domestic Violence grant through the Department of Public Safety in an effort to reduce domestic violence. A proactive response team was formed to conduct random checks on perpetrators of domestic violence crimes. This project allows officers to quickly follow up in a face to face manner with victims of domestic violence and provide information, resources, and assistance in a timely manner. We also received a grant through the Maine Office of Substance Abuse which has funded a project through "Choose to Be Healthy", to establish working procedures with Kittery, Eliot, South Berwick, and York Police Departments for increased enforcement of underage drinking laws and prevention of youth access to alcohol. Lastly, we received several grants from the Maine Justice Assistance Council through a Byrne grant and the Economic Recovery Act to purchase radios, bulletproof vests for officers, and less than lethal technologies that will help us to be more effective.

All of these extra efforts in securing additional funding, over the last several years, has allowed us to maintain a high level of service without adding additional personnel. As promised in 2003 when the selectmen and budget committee allowed us to utilize federal funds to re-establish two school resource officers and a patrol re-hire which were lost in the 2002 budget cuts. I was able to hold the line for 5 – 6 years and not ask for any other personnel. We accomplished this task even in the difficult times we are experiencing.

Police activity for 2009 has remained fairly consistent over the last year. The levels of crime we experienced as a whole has been better than most had predicted for the year. Calls for service were down slightly due in part to a slower spring and limited summer season. Unfortunately, serious crimes still happen and can take affect on any of us, even in the small Town of York.

Burglaries, larcenies and bad checks showed increases in the last year which may be in part to our bad economy. I would ask everyone to remain aware and educated to the potential dangers we face day in and day out and to please remember it is important for all of us to report any unusual circumstances or situations that may be noted in our

neighborhoods or community no matter how small it may seem. Many times these calls give us the leads which help to insure that criminals are caught or at least forced to go elsewhere if so inclined to continue their criminal ways. Our officers are on the street constantly patrolling your neighborhoods each and every day. Citizen involvement, police visibility, and diligent interaction by officers and citizens are the key ingredients to making this the safe and secure place to live. The bright side to the issue of serious crime in York, as well as in Maine, is that it remains relatively low

Drug abuse and trafficking continues to be one of the most serious threats I see to our community and to Maine as a whole. The majority of our serious and violent crimes are attributed to individuals with substance abuse problems. Although heroin, crystal methamphetamine, and crack cocaine continue to be seen, there seems to be a larger problem arising out of the easy availability of prescription drugs. Our department is partnering with other agencies to help combat drug trafficking and related crimes.

I would like to give credit to our Detective Unit and Patrol Force which have both been instrumental in a number of significant cases this year. In 2009 the Support Services Division coordinated and was involved in numerous criminal investigations such as narcotics, arson, theft, burglary and sexual assault. I believe it is important to understand the type of cases our department is challenged with and our success in solving many of these.

In January of 2009, we were involved in the burglaries of several commercial establishments on Route 1 and involved in the arson of Cottage Place located on Route 1. As a result of the investigation detectives established a suspect who was eventually caught and convicted in federal court in Maine on multiple charges that resulted in a lengthy prison sentence. As a result of that investigation Captain Kevin LeConte and Detective Sergeant Thomas Cryan were recognized by U.S. Attorney Paula Silsby of the United States Attorney's Office in Portland, Maine with a commendation for their investigative work in the case.

In March of 2009, there was a series of burglaries in the Mountain Road and Route 91 areas. Through investigation, detectives were able to develop multiple suspects from NH. The suspects were identified and arrested on warrants for burglary. The detectives were later able to link these same suspects to burglaries in New Hampshire as well.

In April of 2009, numerous antique dealers in York took checks from a suspect for purchases of expensive antiques. These checks were returned for insufficient funds and the dealers were out large amounts of money as a result. Through investigation a suspect with an alias name was established. After determining the suspect's real name, warrants were issued and he was arrested in Tennessee. The suspect was extradited back to Maine where he is awaiting trial.

In June of 2009, the York Golf and Tennis Club was the victim of burglary. The detective's investigation determined that this burglary was connected to a large scale burglary operation out of Massachusetts. With the assistance of multiple state and local agencies, three suspects were developed. Warrants were issued and two suspects were arrested in Massachusetts. These suspects were responsible for the theft of \$200,000 worth of golf clubs / golf equipment last year.

In November of 2009 the Hannaford's Pharmacy in York was robbed of Oxycontin. Through the efforts of detectives from York and Kittery a suspect was developed. This suspect was eventually arrested and charged with the robbery. In addition, as a result of the investigation the suspect and his brother were also charged with the robbery of the Walgreens Pharmacy in Bath, Maine.

In December of 2009, Richard Dalli, arrested in September of 2008 for the initial charge of homicide, he was convicted for the manslaughter of John Wheeler. Mr. Dalli was sentenced to 30 years in a Maine prison with all but 20 years suspended.

Throughout the year detectives investigated approximately 45 narcotics investigations. Most of these investigations focused on street level dealers who were trafficking or possessing drugs in the York and Kittery area. The primary drugs being focused on were cocaine, heroin, oxycontin, and prescription drugs. The arrest of several individuals involved in the heroin overdose death of a local teenager several years ago is a testament to their fortitude and commitment. They have also been involved in several high profile multi-state federal drug cases which resulted in the arrest of more than 30 individuals for trafficking drugs in the seacoast area. We remain committed to these efforts and will continue to partner with other agencies in an endeavor to rid our community of these elements.

Detectives also assisted with the recovery of over \$40,000.00 to various businesses as a result of bad checks being issued throughout the year. They were also involved in a substantial counterfeit money scheme that plagued local businesses in the southern New Hampshire and southern Maine area during the summer months

I am proud to announce, in November 2009, we promoted Detective Thomas Cryan to Detective Sergeant for Support Services. Tom has worked in Support Services since 1999 and now supervises two detectives and two school resource officers as a result of the promotion. He has been awarded numerous achievement awards for a number of high profile federal criminal prosecutions and for several major drug cases. As the unit has increased in activity and has had to handle more complex cases it was apparent that this position was needed to manage the cases and issues surrounding the Support Services Division.

Our patrol force has been very active and very dedicated to our traffic safety program, ensuring our roads are as safe as possible for all who use them. As you may have seen in October, the York Police Department was named the winner of the prestigious National Law Enforcement Challenge Award. This award is sponsored by the Bureau of Highway Safety (BHS) in partnership with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The Law Enforcement Challenge is a competition between similar sized and types of law enforcement agencies. This award recognizes and rewards the best overall traffic safety programs in the country. The areas of concentration include efforts to educate the public about occupant protection and traffic laws, enforce laws on targeted areas such as impaired driving, speed, and seat belt violations. It documents the department's efforts and effectiveness in these areas. The winning safety programs are those that combine officer training, public information and enforcement to reduce crashes and injuries within its jurisdiction.

The Law Enforcement Challenge program allows law enforcement agencies to set comprehensive goals, to strive to reach new heights in traffic safety, to share their experiences with others, and to be recognized for their traffic safety accomplishments; in short, to make a difference in the communities their officers serve each day. This competition has no losers - only winners: for saving lives and reducing the frequency and severity of injuries are the true rewards of law enforcement's efforts. I am very proud of all of the officers who help make this award possible through their work and have worked tirelessly to see that we have the best plan for keeping all of you safe. I would especially like to recognize Lt. Charles Szeniawski, Sgt. Tom Baran, Ptl. Owen Davis, Ptl. Matt Calcina, and Administrative Assistant Kelly MacNeill for all their personal efforts in leading this program and winning a first place award for their presentation. Besides an all expense paid trip for the group to the ICAP Conference in Denver, CO, the department received over \$10,000 in equipment from the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety for placing first in the state competition. This group is also responsible for many of the grants we have been so successful in acquiring. Through the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety we received a number of grants for traffic safety equipment, seatbelt, speed, OUI, operating after suspension and pedestrian safety. These enforcement grants are utilized during the national campaign weeks in the spring and summer months as well as during the holiday season.

In looking at the changes in criminal activity, we are seeing increases this year in crimes against our elderly. Increasing thefts, frauds, exploitation and abuse/neglect cases involving seniors are following a national trend. We have worked

closely this year with Federal and State agencies to combat these crimes. To date we have had a substantial amount of individuals in town who have fallen victim to this type of new trend. As a result of these increased trends to exploit our seniors, we have partnered with our Senior Citizen Center, York Hospital, York Housing Authority, Visiting Nurses, Sentry Hill and other groups involved with seniors to develop programs and education that will help to hopefully prevent and identify these despicable crimes. Our Seniors and Law Enforcement Together Committee (S.A.L.T.) acts as an advisory group that monitors crimes and security issues related to our elderly. It also serves in information sharing and educational efforts aimed at making our seniors less likely to be duped by those who commit these crimes. They also act as an advocacy group to represent the interest of seniors both in the community and in our State and Federal legislatures. I would like to thank Lt. Charles Szeniawski and our liaison Ptl. John Lizanecz who have championed this effort for the police department. A long range plan is to dedicate an officer in the future to deal directly with these issues as a community liaison officer.

Motor vehicle accidents and the number of personal injuries involved with these crashes unfortunately increased slightly in 2009. Although we suffered two fatal motor vehicle crashes, one appeared to be due to a medical issue prior to the accident, and the other was attributed to operator inexperience involving a motor bike. No matter what the issue, we must all strive to make our roads as safe as possible. That means we all must make an effort to use our seatbelts, obey the rules of the road, take time to learn when operating a new vehicle, and to stay focused on our driving and avoid all of the distractions that are creating accidents each and every day on our roads. Although, our traffic enforcement efforts are many times viewed as less than favorable it is important to remember that we are only trying to insure our roads are as safe as possible for all to use. I can attest in my 30 plus years that we have lost too many of our citizens to motor vehicle crashes. Even one is too many as the devastation to that family left behind is truly very hard to imagine. Please drive safe and responsible.

Our focus on our school community is doing well with both School Resource Officers involved in the day to day operations of the High School and Middle School. Officer Jamie Rooney is doing a great job at the High School. The spirit of cooperation between police, students, and faculty is impressive and speak volumes about why I fought so hard in 2003 to re-institute these positions. SRO Scott Cogger continues to be our rock at the Middle School level. I can not express enough how proud I am of his commitment to our younger children and the job he has done for nearly twenty years.

I would like recognize and thank the many volunteers and officers who have committed their time and resources to a number of programs involving our youth like Project Sticker Shock, RAD Kids, RAD for Women, DARE, Boys in Blue, Jump Start, KEYS for Prevention, Parents in Partnership, etc.

I would be remiss if I did not say thank you to my administrative staff; Ginny Avery, Peg Scamman, Kelly MacNeill and Kim Phoenix. As with most businesses ours would not run as well as it does without those behind the scenes making sure the volumes of information and materials we deal with are correctly filed and maintained. They also are crucial in directing the disbursement of more than \$3,000,000 budget and the receipting and processing of over \$750,000 in revenue each year.

I would like to also take the opportunity to thank every one for supporting the purchase of land for a new police station. I know in these difficult times that every dollar must be well thought out. I can attest that a new station can not come quick enough. Although at the time of writing this we have not signed a purchase and sales, I am confident that Town Manager Rob Yandow and Chairman Mike Estes will not rest until an adequate deal is reached. They have spent many hours along with our planning office and others to insure that the right decisions and placement of a new station will be well thought out and is something we can count on for many years into the future. Thanks to everyone for their hard work and diligence.

I consider citizen and employee satisfaction to be necessary ingredients in making our police department more responsive to the needs of our community.

As always, we are here to serve you. If you have questions, concerns, or comments please feel free to contact me. For all urgent (non-emergency) matters, you may contact my supervisory staff directly. They will be glad to help you immediately and apprise me of the situation as soon as I am available. I truly welcome your thoughts and comments and will respond in a timely fashion. You may reach me at 363-1031 or email me at [dbracy@yorkpolice.org](mailto:dbracy@yorkpolice.org).

Changes are occurring constantly in our town. A changing client base and new challenges posed by those who do not respect the rights of our citizens or laws of our land will require all of us to be more vigilant and forward thinking in the times to come if we are to preserve our way of life. Meeting these challenges will require continued dedication on the part of the men and women who serve this fine organization and from you our citizens. Thank you for allowing us to serve you.

## POLICE STATISTICS 2009

	2009	2008	2007	2006
Total Patrol Miles Driven	321,225	345,187	353,342	374,521
Total Calls For Service	30,202	32,880	29,152	22,733
Arrest Reports	1,566	1,144	763	786
Assists - Medical	1,544	1,648	1,478	1,114
Assists – Fire Department	581	998	806	577
Assists – Mutual Aid- Other Agency	3,553	2,669	2,502	2,032
Patrol Checks	6,349	8,285	4,255	2,239
Public Assists	1,190	1,194	1,365	1,016
Motor Vehicle Assists	507	647	702	481
Court Ordered Check Ins at PD	1,071	363	1,822	1,077
Residential & Business Checks	6,253	8,285	3,335	9,991
Mental Health/Well being Checks	233	233	352	231
Transient Persons/Homeless Persons Checks	137	139	94	78
Residential/ Business Alarms (Fire, Burg, Med)	1,213	1,318	1,661	1,238
Suspicious Activity/Prowler Complaints	456	994	951	629
Homicides	0	1	0	0
Suicides & Attempts	22	14	15	5
Unattended Deaths	6	5	4	9
Rapes	5	4	5	3
Aggravated Assaults	3	0	5	4
Simple Assaults	175	187	165	207
Domestic Complaints - Disturbances- Fights	87	83	71	101
Harassment – Verbal or Telephone	62	67	46	71
Child Pornography/Indecent Exposure/Sex Cases	2	11	7	8
Sexual Offender Registrations	12	16	12	16
Neglect - Abuse	4	2	3	7
Arson	1	3	1	2
Robberies	2	0	0	0
Burglaries	32	29	39	53
Criminal Trespass	32	37	14	38
Larcenies	191	183	164	207
Vandalism	76	92	94	176
Bad Checks	48	34	45	41
Auto Theft- Including Motorcycles	4	6	6	5
Adult Arrests	545	640	651	425
Juvenile Arrests	95	84	97	136
Violations of Bail Conditions	92	75	36	58
Court Summons Issued	2,153	1,937	1,456	1,560
Warnings Issued	5,843	6,622	9,405	4,910
Grand Jury Indictments/Felonies	210	220	147	85
Adult Drug Offenses	251	252	223	153
Juvenile Drug Offenses	96	81	70	46
Liquor Violations	108	94	120	107
Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol/Drug	99	110	115	94
Motor Vehicle Accidents	554	428	498	489
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	0	1	1
Personal Injury Motor Vehicle Accidents	79	85	95	82
Total Personal Injuries from MVAs	112	111	119	106

# COMMUNICATIONS

The York Communications Center is the lifeline between the citizens of York and Ogunquit and their respective emergency services providers. The communications center continues to serve as the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for both communities receiving E 9-1-1 calls and dispatching the appropriate personnel and equipment to provide the emergency aid that is needed. Our communications center also handles a whole host of other calls for assistance and/or information in an effort to serve the needs of everyone, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

We continue to serve as a Regional PSAP center handling E 9-1-1 calls for the towns of South Berwick, Berwick, Kittery, and Eliot. During the course of 2009 we began taking E 9-1-1 calls for the communities of Wells and Kennebunkport. Our center received a total of 7,887 calls over our E 9-1-1 phone lines in 2009. As our call volume continues to increase we still haven't had to increase our staffing as our employees continue to step to the plate and handle the additional workload.

As always we continue to be receptive to new ideas as we seek ways in which we can be more fiscally responsible and as a direct result we've been able to offset some of our costs by entering into agreements with Wells and Kennebunkport. We will continue to explore other opportunities that present themselves as we continue our effort to provide the best and most cost effective service to our citizens.

We made the transition last year to a new computerized Emergency Medical Dispatching Protocol that was mandated by the state and funded through E 9-1-1 funds. The new system is from Priority Dispatch and allows for more efficient dispatching of our E 9-1-1 calls. As I have stated many times before, the certification and recertification of our dispatchers and our dispatch center is an ongoing process and requires a great deal of effort on the part of our agency and each and every employee as recertification is necessary every two years.

For those of you who don't know, emergency medical dispatching assists callers of medical emergencies with rendering proper first aid and has been credited with saving many lives across the country. I know it is an investment that has served and will continue to serve York and our neighboring communities well in the future.

As always, our top priority remains in the level of service that we provide to you our customers. We are extremely proud of the exceptional level of service we provide to the citizens of York and Ogunquit and consider it an honor to bring a portion of that service to the citizens of Kittery, Eliot, South Berwick, Berwick, Wells, and Kennebunkport. It remains our goal to maintain the high level of service that you deserve and have come to expect as we continue to be proactive in our search for solutions that will benefit us all.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks to the men and women of our communications center. They continue to show that they are indeed the "best of the best" in everything they do and are committed to being not only "Professional Communications Specialists" but "Emergency Medical Dispatchers" as they are required to meet more and more demanding requirements and certifications to perform their jobs. I believe that they are the backbone of our emergency response services and without them our jobs would not only be more difficult, but next to impossible.

Our center continues to be one of the finest, most advanced in the state offering the best, most up-to-date technology available. The advancements in technology give us the ability to be more cost effective and more efficient. As technology continues to advance, we will strive to keep pace in every aspect and in so doing we will continue to provide those we serve with the very best service possible.

Lastly, I would like to thank Lt. Bob Scamman for his commitment to stay abreast of the many communications and technology issues that he oversees in both the communication center and the police department. The complexities of the technological equipment we utilize today are ever evolving and require a great deal of work to manage and maintain. The same can be said for the changes in both PSAP operations and dispatching is constantly changing and requiring us to adapt to stay abreast. He is most definitely one of the prime reasons we have been so successful in these endeavors.

## ANIMAL CONTROL

Our animal control program has been doing very well again this year. Animal Control Officers Tom Porter and Larry McAfee have done a good job in responding to a multitude of issues both domestic and wild that we are called upon. A continuing issue for all municipalities is the failure of people to properly register their dogs. Passage of a new state requirement that mandates veterinarians forward a copy of dogs vaccinated to the towns where their owners reside has enabled us to reduce the number of unlicensed dogs in the town but has created a need to do more follow-ups to insure compliance. We ask for your assistance in registering your dogs. The current licenses are available November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Remember that dog licenses are only valid for one year from January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year until December 31<sup>st</sup> of that year. I would like to let all dog owners know that the state law is changing next year regarding the licensing of dogs and the late fee that is set by state statute. The late fee charged for dogs, which are not licensed by February 1, 2011 will increase to \$25.00 from the present \$15. I would appreciate it if everyone who owns a dog could be diligent in re-licensing their dogs early to avoid these late fees and to allow our ACOs more time to address pertinent issues.

I want to again thank the Center for Wildlife as they continue to be a great asset for the Town of York when dealing with the issues of sick or injured wild animals. The department continues to provide a \$1,000 donation to help fund their efforts as do most other neighboring towns. I would encourage those who appreciate our area wildlife to help the Center by donating either funds or time. We are very fortunate to have such a group in our town.

Even as our community has slowed in growth, the interactions between humans and domestic animals have continued to increase. We continue to experience too many complaints about dogs and other animals on our beaches and in our neighborhoods. Most of these complaints involved issues of dogs running at large or not under control, creating unwanted encounters with these animals, and with dog owners refusing to clean up their animal's waste or properly dispose of it. It makes little sense to bag your animal's waste and then discharge it on our sidewalks or in the bushes along our walks. Most of these complaints can be resolved if individuals voluntarily take the responsibilities of owning and caring for their animals seriously. Owners need to ensure their animal's actions are controlled and need to respect the fact that some people do not want to have contact with them whether it is in public or on private property. They also need to pick up and properly dispose of waste from their animals – take it home if a receptacle is not available.

I would like to thank everyone for their support as we continue with our efforts to better serve your needs. As always we are here to serve you. If you have any questions or concerns regarding any animal related issues please feel free to call us at 363-4444

## ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT 2009

<i>TYPE OF CONTACT</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2005</i>
<b>CONTACTS ON BEACH</b>	384	585	376	581	364
<b>MEET WITH CITIZENS</b>	755	700	545	710	685
<b>DOGS:</b>					
<b>BARKING DOGS</b>	35	59	24		
<b>PICKED UP</b>	200	204	221	233	209
<b>RETURNED TO OWNER</b>	177	184	189	187	165
<b>TO KITTERY C.C.</b>	23	20	32	63	44
<b>DOG BITES</b>	27	25	24	20	36
<b>DEAD DOGS</b>	2	4	2	4	2
<b>CATS:</b>					
<b>PICKED UP</b>	25	18	46	48	45
<b>RETURNED TO OWNER</b>	6	4	7	11	14
<b>TO KITTERY C.C.</b>	19	14	39	37	31
<b>CAT BITES</b>	1	4	8	1	9
<b>DEAD CATS</b>	6	9	7	3	10
<b>OTHER</b>	368		417	490	474
<b>TELEPHONE CALLS</b>	1180	1065	1195	1510	1335
<b>WARNINGS</b>	284	323	305	459	260
<b>SUMMONS</b>	11	12	16	38	17
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	42	36	29	54	49
<b>TRAINING HOURS</b>	78	88	68	132	150
<b>HOURS WORKED</b>	2013	2586	2508	2321	1954

# HARBORMASTER

The Harbor Master division consists of Harbor Master Don Day and two assistant Harbor Masters Joe Hogan and John Bridges. Don had some big shoes to fill when John Bridges retired last year but I think all would agree, including John that he had a great mentor and has done a superb job. Our harbor master team provides an invaluable service to our community in overseeing the operation and safety of our harbor area, river, and coast line. Besides safety, the Harbor Masters maintain and assign moorings, both permanent and transient, and are also involved in the maintenance of the harbor and river channel. They maintain two fixed docks and a multitude of floats. I am sure all would agree that with their direction the harbor has become one of the premier ones in southern Maine.

The Harbor Master continues to improve the navigation quality in our harbor and rivers. They are in the process of locating all dock, moorings, and floats on a GIS location map system. This will allow for proper placement of these docks and proper ownership documentation. They will continue to upgrade the quality of these docks and town owned floats.

The Harbor Board and the Police Department are continuing to work closely with the Maine Department of Transportation to see that the town gets the most benefit possible from the replacement of the three bridges on Route 103. The project is well under way with the replacement of the main bridge traversing the York River.

This new bridge will allow for a wider channel and will be complimented with a sidewalk and five-foot bicycle lane on the other side to accommodate bikes and fishermen. We are also working on extending the Fishermen's Walk underneath the new bridge to be tied in at the Wigglely Bridge walk. This will eliminate the need for pedestrians to cross over Route 103 and will direct them from the parking lot along the east side of the new bridge. Thanks to Dean Lessard and Capt. Kevin LeConte for all their efforts to insure this project provides the town with the most optimum outcome and with the least impact on our businesses, boaters, and visitors during this construction phase.

The Harbor Masters and Harbor Board continue to work on finding funds to assist with the replacement of town dock #1 to help reduce the burden on the tax payers for this much needed project. The project is being engineered and will need to be funded in the near future.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the efforts of our volunteer Harbor Board who have represented the interest of York's citizens very well and have devoted untold hours to seeing that our harbor is run efficiently and this gem is protected. Their contributions have allowed us to save money and surely have helped to make York's harbor one of the most desirable in Southern Maine.

I would also like to thank everyone for their continued support and invite you to contact either myself or Don Day with any concerns or issues you may have at (207) 363-4444.

# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Town of York's Emergency Management Program is doing well and has experienced another busy year. We were fortunate to finally repair and close out the last large projects from the April 2007 Patriot's Day storm. The repairs to Sohler Park and Nubble Light turned out very well and I think everyone would agree that FEMA's help, along with guidance of Parks Director Mike Sullivan and his staff did a tremendous job with the repairs. We still have projects from the federally declared flooding in the summer of 2008 to complete. I want to thank DPW Director Dean Lessard and his foreman Tim DePerrio and their entire staff for all their hard efforts. Although it is unfortunate that we have had to suffer so many disasters over the last five years, the silver lining lies in all of the improvements we have been able to make.

Because of the damage we have incurred and the great assistance we have received from FEMA the Town will receive over \$250,000 from FEMA to assist in the cost of clean-up, repair to roads, and in some cases to mitigate potential problems with roads and drainage that could cause further damage to our infrastructure. Public Works Director Bill Bray and his assistant Danielle Shapleigh have been exemplary in their efforts to gather data on these events and submit the necessary federal paperwork to be successful in receiving this money.

The Town has been fortunate again under the Homeland Security grants, we have been able to secure \$18,000 to assist in updating our emergency plans and annexes as well as \$12,000 in interoperability funds to help replace 12 portable radios. This will help the town as we prepare to meet new federal narrowband requirements in 2013.

I would like to again thank all the members of the Public Safety entities in York such as the York Police Department, York Fire Department, York Beach Fire Department, and York Ambulance for all their dedication during our times of need. I can assure every one that we have a well trained group of individuals ready to meet any need. We will continue to look at what assets are available for our community which can assist in helping to reduce our costs in the future, while increasing our ability to respond to emergencies and disasters.

It is the role of Emergency Management to coordinate all the resources of the Town of York to prevent or combat the effects of a disaster, either natural or man made. This is done through the four phases of Emergency Management, which are:

- **Mitigation** - Those activities that eliminate or reduce the probability of disaster.
- **Preparedness** - Those activities that governments, organizations and individuals develop to save lives and minimize damage.
- **Response** - Those actions to minimize loss of life and property damage and provide emergency assistance.
- **Recovery** - Those short and long-term activities that restore city operations and help return the community to a normal state.

During the past year, we have been busy reviewing a number of plans which involve other entities of the Town, such as Sentry Hill, the York Housing Authority, the Water District, and York Hospital. I want to thank those agencies and York County Emergency Management for their help and cooperation in all of these efforts.

In years to come it is going to be increasingly important for the Town to dedicate more full time help to this effort and to create a department and small budget to help accomplish the mandates and to further serve the needs of the Town. I think it is apparent that there are many benefits to having a dedicated effort in emergency management. Between meeting NIMS compliance, training mandates, county meetings, local emergency planning and responding to disasters, this has become a time consuming although rewarding endeavor.

As we have experienced too many times, a disaster can strike quickly and with little warning. A resounding lesson that can be taken from these disasters is that we as individuals must take responsibility for being prepared when these situations strike. Families, friends, and neighbors need to help each other when basic services such as water, gas, electricity or telephones are lost. Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but they cannot reach everyone right away. It took two days this spring to open all the roads that were closed due to trees coming down on power lines. Where will your

family be when disaster strikes? They could be anywhere at work, at school or in the car. How will you find each other, will you know if your children are safe? Families can and do cope with disaster by preparing in advance and working together as a team. Follow the steps listed below or you can access them through FEMA's website [www.ready.gov/](http://www.ready.gov/) and the Maine Emergency Management Agency at [www.maine.gov](http://www.maine.gov). Knowing what to do is your responsibility and is your best protection!

# FAMILY DISASTER PLANNING

## **Find out what could happen to you and your family**

Contact your local emergency management office; be prepared to take notes.

Ask what types of disasters are most likely to happen. Request information on how to prepare for each.

Learn about your community's warning signals: what they sound like and what you should do when you hear them.

Ask about animal care after disaster. Animals may not be allowed inside emergency shelters due to health regulations.

Find out how to help elderly or disabled persons, if needed.

Next, find out about the disaster plans at your workplace, your children's school or daycare center and other places where your family spends time.

## **Create a Disaster Plan**

Meet with your family and discuss why you need to prepare for disaster.

Explain the dangers of fire, severe weather, and other hazards to children.

Plan to share responsibilities and work together as a team.

Discuss the types of disasters that are most likely to happen. Explain what to do in each case.

Pick two places to meet.

Ask an out-of-state friend to be your "family contact."

Discuss what to do in an evacuation.

Plan how to take care of your pets.

## **Make emergency preparations**

Post emergency telephone numbers by phones (fire, police, ambulance, etc.).

Teach children how and when to call 911 for emergency help.

Show each family member how and when to turn off the water, gas, and electricity at the main switches.

Check if you have adequate insurance coverage.

Teach each family member how to use the fire extinguisher (ABC type), and show them where it's kept.

Install smoke detectors on each level of your home, especially near bedrooms.

Conduct a home hazard hunt.

Stock emergency supplies and assemble a Disaster Supplies Kit.

Take a first aid and CPR class.

Determine the best escape routes from your home. Find two ways out of each room.

Find the safe spots in your home for each type of disaster.

## **Practice and maintain your plan**

Quiz your kids every six months so they remember what to do.

Conduct fire and emergency evacuation drills.

Replace stored water every three months and stored food every six months.

Test and recharge your fire extinguisher(s) according to manufacturer's instructions.

Test your smoke detectors monthly and change the batteries at least twice a year.

## **Emergency Supplies**

Keep enough supplies in your home to meet your needs for at least three days.

Assemble a Disaster Supplies Kit with items you may need in an evacuation.

Store these supplies in sturdy, easy-to-carry containers such as backpacks, duffel bags or covered trash containers.

## **Utilities**

Locate the main electric fuse box, water service main, and natural gas main.

Teach all responsible family members how and when to turn these utilities off.

Keep necessary tools near gas and water shut-off valves.

Turn off the utilities only if you suspect the lines are damaged or if you are instructed to do so.

If you turn the gas off, you will need a professional to turn it back on.

### **Neighbors Helping Neighbors**

Meet with your neighbors to plan how the neighborhood could work together after a disaster until help arrives.

If you're a member of a neighborhood organization, such as a home association or crime watch group, introduce disaster preparedness as a new activity.

Know your neighbors' special skills (e.g., medical, technical) and consider how you could help neighbors who have special needs, such as disabled and elderly persons.

Make plans for child care in case parents can't get home.

### **Home Hazard Hunt**

Inspect your home at least once a year for anything that can move, fall, break or cause a fire.

Fix any potential hazards or possible dangers that you find.

### **Evacuation**

Evacuate immediately if told to do so.

Listen to your battery-powered radio and follow the instructions of local emergency officials.

Wear protective clothing and sturdy shoes.

Take your family disaster supplies kit.

Lock your home.

Use travel routes specified by local authorities; don't use shortcuts because certain areas may be impassable or dangerous.

If you're sure you have time shut off water, gas and electricity before leaving, if instructed to do so.

Post a note telling others when you left and where you are going.

Make arrangements for your pets.

### **If Disaster Strikes**

If disaster strikes, remain calm and patient. Put your plan into action.

Check for injuries. Give first aid and get help for seriously injured people.

Listen to your battery powered radio for news and instructions.

Evacuate, if advised to do so. Wear protective clothing and sturdy shoes.

Check for damage in your home.

Use flashlights; do not light matches or turn on electrical switches, if you suspect damage.

Check for fires, fire hazards and other household hazards.

Sniff for gas leaks, starting at the water heater. If you smell gas or suspect a leak, turn off the main gas valve, open windows, and get everyone outside quickly.

Shut off any other damaged utilities.

Clean up spilled medicines, bleaches, gasoline, and other flammable liquids immediately.

Confine or secure your pets.

Call your family contact; do not use the telephone again unless it is a life-threatening emergency.

Check on your neighbors, especially elderly or disabled persons.

Make sure you have an adequate water supply in case service is cut off.

# TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

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## 2008 Unpaid Real Estate Taxes as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009

99 NUBBLE ROAD LLC	22703.7	2	BARTHE, MARY K.	306.67
ACORN PROPERTIES REALTY TRUST	15401.0	5	BARTLETT, RICHARD I & ARDITH	250.21
AFM TRUST	13060.1	7	BARTLETT, RICHARD I & LYNNE	1342.53
AHERN, RICHARD & DEBRA	870.06		BEAM, LAWRENCE	2277.56
ALAIMO, STEPHEN P. & SANDRA L.	1529.62		BEAULIEU, JULIEN & GEORGIA L.	2588.96
ALBERT, MARC TRUSTEE	2676.52		BELLAVANCE, PAUL O.	3724.71
ALLEN, KENNETH	1055.91		BELLAVANCE, PAUL O.	326.55
AMES, MARY	135.74		BELLAVANCE, PAUL O.	1594.46
ANDERSON, KIMBERLY	178.70		BENGTSON, MARY & SCOTT	1377.42
ANDERSON, KIMBERLY	176.22		BIANCUZZO KARYN&NASSER MOBARAK	2664.13
ANDERSON, PATRICE	72.97		BLUE RIDGE CORPORATION	190.26
APPLE TRUST	28674.0	4	BLYTH, KENNETH C.	5125.61
ARCHIBALD, PAUL L. & DONNA H.	7670.52		BONILLA, PATRICIA & MAXIMILIANO	1274.80
ARMITAGE, JOHN D. & BARBARA	3296.85		BOSSI, JOHN J. & D. MICHELLE	1245.89
ARRA, ROBERT	1556.46		BOUCHER, DENNIS & MARIA	186.13
ARRA, ROBERT W.	21712.5	2	BOURQUE, OSWALD J. JR. & MARLENE	4091.46
ARRA, ROBERT W.	1924.86		BOWDEN, EUNICE Y. & KEVIN	21815.77
ARRA, ROBERT W.	3885.78		BOYLE, JOANNE	1367.31
ARSENAULT, ROSEMARIE & EDWARD	1466.43		BRACY, GERALD A.	210.91
ATLANTIC HOUSE AT YORK BEACH	853.14		BREEDEN, PASCAL B. HRS. OF	1214.50
ATLANTIC/KEARSARGE PARKING LLC	2358.21		BREEN, NANCY	185.30
AYERS, DAVID S.	845.28		BRICKS & BOARDS CORP.	4284.74
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	2765.73		BRICKYARD COURT TRUST	511.98
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	423.19		BRICKYARD COURT TRUST	538.00
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	1747.27		BRIDGES, JOHN M. & DAVID J.	845.69
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	956.79		BRIDGES, WILLIAM H. JR. & MARIAN S.	1228.13
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	544.61		BRILEY, DOUGLAS A.	2150.22
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	544.61		BRITT, ROSEMARY	2299.04
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	467.80		BROOKS, PRISCILLA M.	2307.81
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	467.80		BROOKSIDE VILLAS LLC	1496.99
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	467.80		BROWN, EDWIN R.	1672.10
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	467.80		BROWN, EDWIN R.	2719.47
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	467.80		BROWN, STELLA ANN	1667.97
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	467.80		BROWN, STELLA ANN	1643.19
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	423.19		BROWN, STELLA ANN	3650.37
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	403.37		BUCKLEY, RICHARD	1968.64
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	403.37		BURKE, WILLIAM	6804.04
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	423.19		BUSH, ROSALIND	916.77
B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	423.19		BUSQUE, PEARL L.	2913.22

B&W ASSOCIATES INC.	1747.27	CAMPBELL, JOHN E.	2263.52
	16010.6		
BALD HEAD CLIFF PROPERTIES LLC	4	CAPE NEDDICK BUILDING COMPANY	1067.47
BALLOU-KNOWLES, KAREN	29.72	CARLISLE, WENDY	103.53
BALLOU-KNOWLES, KAREN	1027.82	CARR, VICTORIA L. & JEFFREY M.	4155.06
BARTALOMY, JOSHUA F	1342.53	CARROLL, WILLIAM & KIM	64.71
CASTO FAMILY TRUST	2757.47	DOWNS, BRIDGET A.	13.96
CHANLATTE, CESAR A.	5987.95	DOWNS, JOHN & MARIANNE G.	36.98
CHURCHILL, CHARON L.	1235.98	DSS LAND HOLDINGS LLC	17523.04
CIAMPA, JOSEPH R. & SUSAN	3700.76	DUFAULT, DANIEL J. SR. & DENISE	13649.93
CLARK, CURTIS W. JR.	910.05	DUNCAN, KATE, BRUCE B. & JEFFREY M.	2771.51
CLARK, JEFFREY J. TRUSTEE	1345.83	DUONOLO, ANTHONY R. & BARBARA	546.89
CLARK, JEFFREY J. TRUSTEE	1867.04	EASTBROOK TIMBER CO INC.	206.78
CLEARY, JOHN	146.46	EASTBROOK TIMBER CO INC.	778.37
COLLIANDER, JOHN	308.38	EASTBROOK TIMBER CO INC.	28.50
COLLINS INVESTMENTS LLC	3230.32	EDDY, RICHARD & DORIS	80.40
CONANT CONSTRUCTION LLC	1404.48	EFH, INC.	50.69
CONANT CONSTRUCTION LLC	5123.96	ELLIOTT, MATTHEW M.	2440.28
COOKE, PAUL	49.84	EMERALD HOUSE INC.	1748.10
CRAM, BARBARA	80.40	EMMONS, LISA E.	1002.22
CROCKER, JOHN D. & KAREN	1383.83	ESSENBERG-MOULTON, LISA M.	1474.69
CROFUT, BRYAN & MAUREEN	3374.83	FAIR, ALICE JANE TRUST	4326.87
CRONIN, TIMOTHY & LAURA	75.45	FANARA, RICHARD J. & DOROTHY A.	993.96
		FARRELL, JANICE M. & JACQUELINE A.	
CUMMINGS, MARY	245.60	STACEY	2801.25
CURRIER, RICHARD A. & LOUISE B.	236.61	FERLAND, DAVID & EVELYN	515.70
CURTIN, JANICE A. & PETER T.	1003.87	FERRIN, JOHN H. JR.	1106.42
CUTTING, LARRY G.	1327.25	FFM ASSOCIATES INC.	5005.84
CUTTING, LARRY G.	286.63	FIANDACA, JOSEPH J. JR. TRUSTEE	1549.03
CUTTING, LARRY G. & PAMELA A. PHALON	484.31	FIANDACA, JOSEPH J. JR. TRUSTEE	1549.03
CUTTING, LARRY & PAMELA A. PHALON	940.27	FIANDACA, JOSEPH J. JR. TRUSTEE	1853.82
CUTTING, WAYNE & CARLA	1392.92	FILLMANN, CYNTHIA E.	1850.10
DAIDONE, PAMELA B.	985.28	FIRMIN, JONAS & FRANTZIE	1161.15
DANIELS, DRUSCILLA F. REV TRUST	1120.34	FORD, THOMAS H. JR.	7621.78
DANIELSON, JASON & SHANNA	251.38	FORESTER, JAMES & JANNE	222.47
DAVIS, ELIZABETH BOWMAN	208.54	FORREST, LEE W.	2236.26
DAVIS, MURIEL J.	1607.68	FOSTER, RICHARD S. & MARY H.	3040.79
		FRANKLIN, BEVERLY E. & PRISCILLA	
DEALY, ANN M.	151.44	TRUSTEE	1831.52
DEFINA, PAUL & KATHLEEN	4893.50	FREEMAN, MARK	799.02
DEMETRI, GEORGE A. & STELLA	2830.98	FREEMAN, MARK E.	2362.64
DENNIS, JUDITH	3139.91	FREEMAN, PAUL W.	1493.69
DENNIS, RICHARD B. JR.	1441.65	FRITZ, BARRY A. & ROXANNE A.	3298.50
DIGGINS, THOMAS P. & CHRISTINE A.	2068.58	FRITZ, ROXANNE	2142.92
DINSMORE, BARBARA	286.90	FULLAM, RICHARD & CLAIRE M.	564.12
DIXON, CLYDE JR.	2602.18	GAINARD, PRISCILLA R. & E. HYMELD E.	201.00

DIXON, CLYDE N.	641.26	GANEM, STEPHEN	1274.80
DIXON, CLYDE N. JR.	177.04	GANEM, STEPHEN C.	998.09
DIXON, MARGARET W.	4201.32	GAVIN, MICHAEL J. & MARY T. W.	18.48
DIXON, MARGARET W.	780.02	GEORGE, MARY FRANCES	58.93
DOMINGUEZ FAMILY TRUST	2753.79	GIANNETTI, PAUL V. & SUSAN	4988.90
DOWNEY, MARK J. & JEAN E.	2198.27	GILLIBRAND, GEORGE T. & PAMELA D.	1205.41
DOWNING, THOMASINA & MARA M. KHAVARI	1688.62	GILMER, JOHN D. & LISA J.	2056.19
GLADYSZ FAMILY TRUST	2104.93	KNIGHT, RICHARD S.	1805.09
GLANCY, ROBERT F. JR.	97.75	KNIGHT, RICHARD S. JR. & MICHELLE	3513.26
GMELCH, LINDA J. & KEVIN C.	2001.68	KNIGHT, RICHARD S. JR. & MICHELLE	2350.66
GOLDMAN, EDWARD C. & ANITA L.	784.70	KNIGHT, RICHARD S. JR. & MICHELLE	2638.52
GRAY, ROBERT A M.	640.43	KUCINSKI, CATHERINE L.	2085.93
GRAY, ROBERT A M. REVOCABLE TRUST	753.59	KUHN, BRENDA	191.17
GRAY, ROBERT A M. REVOCABLE TRUST	2717.40	LABELL, RITA C.	2641.83
GREY, HARVEY A. & GERALDINE	1961.20	LAFRENIERE, STEPHEN M.	201.00
GREY, HARVEY A. & GERALDINE	257.99	LANDRUM, ALEXANDRA	1237.36
GROGAN, CORY T.	831.24	LAPERLE, EDWARD & CHARLENE	39.93
GUARINO, PAUL F. & SUSAN J.	313.33	LARSON, CHRISTINE M.	3323.28
GUILD, LUCILLE F.	2489.84	LARSON, GREGORY R.	1048.47
HARBOR PINES LLC	999.74	LARSON, GREGORY & CHRISTINE	1022.87
HARGROVE, JAMES W. & LINDA J.	1650.63	LARSON, GREGORY & CHRISTINE	1006.35
HART, FREDERICK H. II & LINDA L.	2350.25	LARUE, BETTY	196.04
HAYWARD, LAURENCE & MARILYN	1653.93	LASSONDE, EVELYN	1709.27
HAZZARD, PAUL J. & SUSAN M.	1447.68	LASSONDE, EVELYN	2164.40
HELINSKI, ANITA	74.62	LAVALLEE, TAMMY TRUSTEE	2700.47
HERPST, JOSEPH	265.43	LEAHY, STEPHEN & JEANETTE	2795.05
HILL, CATHERINE D.	3170.47	LEBLANC, JOHN	57.27
	10697.8		
HODGE, K. BLAIR	1	LEDGEWOOD PARK LLC	3250.59
HODURSKI, JEANNE W.	1354.09	LEDGEWOOD PROPERTIES LLC	125.83
HORROCKS, WILLIAM E. & DEBORAH M.	1618.41	LEDGEWOOD PROPERTIES LLC	242.30
HOUDE, RICHARD F. & PATRICIA A.	159.28	LEDGEWOOD PROPERTIES LLC	1006.35
HOUDE, RICHARD F. & PATRICIA A.	2569.55	LEEMAN, KIMBERLY SPARLING	3515.74
HOWLES, GEORGE & JANICE	62.23	LEIGH & DOMINGUEZ FAMILY TRUST	6603.32
HUNTER, A. ELEANOR	610.48	LEMAN, BRUCE C.	1138.51
HUTCH, BARRY	2251.96	LEMIRE, EDWARD C.	24.95
IANNACO, ANGELO TRUSTEE	317.46	LINDGREN, WAYNE B. & VALERIA	2771.09
INNAMORITI, RICHARD & PAT	72.14	LINEHAN, JOSHUA	693.29
JACOBS, JOHN W. III	128.17	LIPTON, JAMES W. & SUSAN J.	2341.99
JOHNSON, KENNETH A. & LINDA H.	2788.86	LYDSTON, JOHN A.	1521.77
JOHNSON, RUSSELL C. & PAMELA J.	2970.58	LYDSTON, JOHN A. TRUSTEE	1269.02
JONES, KATHLEEN M. & KENT S.	14.80	LYDSTON, JOHN A. TRUSTEE	820.50
JOYNT, JOHN J. JR. & PRISCILLA	1308.66	MACWILLIAMS, GLEN	1399.52
KACZYNSKI, JOSEPH S.	4862.93	MALVONE, ANTHONY R. HOLLY L.	2417.16
KATZ, ROBERT	1559.45	MANCINI, JOHN L & HOLLY L.	2389.90
KEBLER, WILLIAM A. & REBECCA J.	629.14	MARCURI, PETER D.	4615.97

KEEFE, JOHN & MARY GAIL	82.05	MARCURI, PETER D. & DIANE J.	633.93
KEEFE, THOMAS F. & CHARLENE M.	4297.96	MARSHALL, JANIS	123.35
KERTON, SHARON LEE CHASE	18.95	MARSHALL, NATHANIEL G. III & ASTRID	1369.79
KHAN, ABDUL & ZUBAIDA	2295.73	MARSHALL, NATHANIEL G. III & ASTRID	2037.20
KHANJANI, FERIDA	32.61	MARTIN, JEFFREY E. & PAMELA N.	4630.01
KIGHTLEY, DAVID & GERTRUDE	4730.78	MATSON, WALTER	63.06
KNIGHT, MICHELLE & RICHARD JR	3154.77	MAYNARD, MICHAEL	117.57
MCCARRON, EDWARD	109.31	PERKINS, TERESA	109.31
MCLAUGHLIN, ROBERT	1007.17	PERRY, SUSAN	795.72
MELENDY, PETER	1406.13	PETRONE, JULIE	98.16
MELENDY, PETER	1402.83	PHELPS, HERBERT L. JR. & LINDA S.	58.93
METHERALL, BRUCE	31.92	PHILBRICK, ARTHUR B. & SHEILA T.	1621.72
MICARI, BARBARA B.	1234.32	PICARD, MICHAEL F.	2795.46
MORANG, GORDON	149.23	PICARD, MICHAEL F.	266.25
MORGAN HOLDINGS INC.	3029.22	PISATURO, JOSEPH & DONNA	39.19
MORIN, MARK & MAUREEN	56.45	PISTOCCO, DIANNE	63.42
MORRIS, JEFFREY J.	40.13	POBOISK, DAVID A.	5602.21
MORRISON, DAVID S.	650.37	POLITANO, JOSEPH	66.05
MOULTON, DAVID S.	477.71	PONGRACE, PATRICIA A.	258.82
MUNTON, ROBERT A.	1805.17	PONGRACE, PATRICIA A.	2826.03
MURPHY, JAMES F. & ANNE L.	2769.03	POTTER, WARWICK	1504.05
NADER, ANN C., FREDERICK W. & ELLEN C.	22.33	POULIN, ROBERT J. & MARGARET M.	2579.46
NAHIGIAN, FRANK & ELLEN	3147.34	POULIN, ROBERT J. & MARGARET M.	1240.10
NASON, JOHN	2158.62	POWELL, WILLIAM H.	2244.52
NICHOLS, JAMES G. JR.	1857.13	QUINLAN, MICHELLE B. TRUSTEE	540.48
NICOLS, WAYNE & PATRICIA	236.67	RAHMAN, SANDRA S.	144.00
NOBLE, SEAN J.	2849.15	RAINVILLE, ROBERT L. HRS.	1998.37
NORTON, ROGER JR.	1644.02	RAMSDELL, RONALD P. & LINDA L.	2495.63
NORTON, ROGER R. JR.	128.31	RAMSDELL STONE AND GRAVEL INC.	1754.70
NORTON, ROGER R. JR. & MARY T.	2821.07	RAYNES, ALAN W. & NANCY A.	3887.43
NORTON, ROGER R. SR. HRS.	1470.56	REPPUCCI, GINA	1018.74
NOWELL, MADELENE S.	1634.29	REPPUCCI, RICHARD T.	965.54
OBRIEN, JOHNMARK	873.53	REYNOLDS, MARGARET A.	3648.72
OBRIEN, LORRI	27.95	RHINELANDER, MARGARET M. TRUSTEE	17.98
OBRIEN, LORRI A.	357.52	RIGGS, TIM	91.14
OBRIEN, LORRI A. TRUSTEE	340.59	ROLL, SHEILA F.	1577.11
OBRIEN, LORRI A. TRUSTEE	2963.14	ROSE LEATHER FASHIONS INC.	2104.07
OBRIEN, LORRI A. TRUSTEE	526.44	ROSS, MICHAEL A.	6524.85
OBRIEN, PAUL & LORRI PETRONE	2083.45	ROSS, RICHARD A. & STEPHEN CAMPBELL	388.21
OLSON, EDWIN	94.05	ROUSSEAU, JOAN E. TRUSTEE	1065.40
OLSON, KENNETH J.	1003.87	RUNDLETT, JOHN L. & CHRISTINE P.	4969.50
ONEIL, MATTHEW	128.31	RUSSELL, CECELIA D.	1107.95
OUELLETTE, ROBERT G. & PRISCILLA I	1213.67	RUSSELL, CECELIA D. LIFE TENNANT	1335.92
OUHL, GREGORY J. & MICHELLE L.	3446.35	RUSSELL J. GREGORY	378.16
OUPRIE, NANCY	3182.86	RUSSELL, SCOTT J.	1110.30

PAKKO RIDGE RENTAL PROPERTIES LLC	3996.01	RUSSO, JOHN W.	969.18
PAOLINI, JAMES M. & EMILE B.	2954.74	RUSSO, JOHN W.	975.79
PARKER, JASON M. & KIMBERLY R.	8176.85	RUTHERFORD, JAMES R. III & JOANNE	1521.77
PEBBLEDENE TRUST	585.92	RYAN, THOMAS & NANCY T. TRUSTEES	304.47
PECK, DAVID	2410.55	SACCHETTI, REBECCA W. TRUSTEE	5217.71
PECK, JAMES	2598.67	SACHETTA, STEPHEN & LISA ANN	1770.40
PELCZAR, LEWIS	17.90	SALISBURY, ELEANOR	68.84
SANTORO, STUART L. & MARCELLA L.	2216.44	UNKNOWN OWNERSHIP	889.88
SANTOS, JOHN J. & DOUGLAS L. KANE	3158.90	UNKNOWN OWNERSHIP	337.29
SARAIVA, JOSEPH	1849.69	UNKNOWN OWNERSHIP	1008.00
SCHARDT, THOMAS P.	18.03	UNKNOWN OWNERSHIP	1348.31
SCHIFANO, NORMA ET AL TRUSTEES	2074.78	UNKNOWN OWNERSHIP	144.83
SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL & KERRY	70.49	UNKNOWN OWNERSHIP	141.53
SELIG, MINNA G.	2593.92	VALLEY, BETH	168.78
SEWALL, STANLEY D.	1041.86	VANDERLINDEN, MARCEL & BARBARA	2037.20
SEWALL, STANLEY D.	1550.27	VENTOLA, ANTHONY & LEE B.	1321.88
SHIPP, MARY F. & MICHAEL A.	1102.16	VILLAGER II TRUST	16540.93
SHOREY, JOHN B.	325.73	WAITT, CHARLES E. & EVA M.	814.77
SILSBY, GEORGE	91.97	WALSH FAMILY LTD PARTNERSHIP	2237.91
SIMONDS, CHRISTOPHER	1019.56	WALSH FAMILY LTD PARTNERSHIP	2292.84
SIMONDS, MARGOT F.	3496.74	WALSH FAMILY LTD PARTNERSHIP	3863.07
SIMON-MACWILLIAMS, CARRIE	16.43	WEARE, BETSY J.	424.43
SISK, WENDY S.	2852.46	WEARE, PETER	2906.97
SMALL, LYTTLE D. & LETITIA B.	949.76	WEARE, PETER	1967.81
SMITH, BARBARA L.	475.37	WEARE, PETER	2846.68
SMITH, DONALD M. & MARJORIE	1328.49	WEBB, KEVIN M. & KATHLEEN H.	3038.31
SMITH, ROBERT L.	235.15	WELLER, GEORGE R.	2510.49
SOLVAY, MARILYN	648.06	WESTON, KEITH R. & MARJORIE G.	499.18
ST. LAURENT, BRIAN & MONIQUE	82.88	WILLEY, LAWRENCE E.	1406.96
STACY, WALTER A.	2057.85	WILLEY, LAWRENCE E.	805.63
	10218.7		
STEINBERG, KATHLEEN	3	WILLEY, LAWRENCE E. & SON SUK	951.01
STEPHENS, MICHAEL S. & CARMEN I.	3909.74	WILSON, EDWARD R. & JO	2911.93
STEVENS, ANTHONY J.	1038.15	WING, LAWRENCE A.	1582.90
STUPAK, FRANK R. JR. MCPO-USN(RET)	837.80	WING, LAWRENCE A.	2090.89
STYLES LANE SOUTH HOMEOWNERS ASSOC.	314.99	WOOD, CYNTHIA S.	2261.87
SUCCI, KELLI J.	101.47	WOOD, GARY S. & CYNTHIA S.	2196.72
SUCCI, KELLI J.	4061.72	WOODS, WALTER O.	306.73
SULLIVAN, ROSE	249.73	YORK BUILDING & DESIGN CENTER INC	1553.98
SUNRISE MOTEL LLC	4546.17	YORK BUILDING & DESIGN CENTER INC	2241.22
SWENSON, JON A. & JOYCE A.	2388.25	YORK HARBOR INN LLC	14410.07
T ROZ INC.	2194.96	YORK HARBOR INN LLC	5304.03
TALLEY LEE A. & BRANDT A M.	3395.97	YORK HARBOR MOTEL LLC	967.11
TAYLOR, PATRICIA O.	4412.77	YORK HARBOR MOTEL LLC	907.23
TAYLOR, PATRICIA O. TRUSTEE	2255.26	YORK HARBOR MOTEL LLC	1263.64
TIBBETTS, STEVEN A. & VICTORIA M.	1041.36	YORK SPORTS & HEALTH CENTER LLC	9031.76

TOMES, M. CAROLINE	1919.90	YORKSHIRE HOME LLC	1349.55
TRAFTON, ELIZABETH H. TRUSTEE	337.29	ZAGAMI, PAMELA A.	2124.75
TRIDER, MATTHEW J. & KATHRYN A.	1183.94	ZAVATSKY, KATHERINE S.	2028.11
TRIDER, MATTHEW J. & KATHRYN A.	1615.94		
TRULLO, ROBERT	61.40	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>459011.1</b>
TSAMPAS, CONSTANTIN & DEBRA A.	1545.73		<b>3</b>
UNKNOWN OWNERSHIP	789.11		

### Personal Property Taxes

#### 2008 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF JUNE 30, 2009

AGNELLI, FRANK & LOU-ANN	61.54	GALLANT, JOHN	23.29
ALL SEASON LAWN CARE	24.28	GILE, DAN	35.19
ALLEN, KEN	6.94	GILROY, JAMES M.D.	96.23
AMERICA ONLINE INC.	1.07	GLICK, SUSAN	11.89
ANDERSON, HAROLD & JESSICA	167.51	HART, RICK	86.56
ANDREWS, DANIEL J.	15.53	HAZZARD, PAUL J.	65.01
ARMBRUSTER, FRED	222.44	HILBOURNE, ADAM	34.69
ARRA, ROB	54.52	HILBOURNE, DALE	38.33
ATLANTIC ATM	24.78	HUBBARD, TODD	92.51
AYERS, DAVID & CHUCK LANDRY	28.17	HYEGU, CHO	388.63
B & B TRAP	59.47	INN BETWEEN THE BEACHES	150.58
BERRY, RICHARD C.	22.05	J. BRUD WEGER	10.57
BOURNIVAL, RICHARD	52.04	JAMAICAN JERK CENTER	2.12
BOUTHOT, DAVID	185.02	KEEFE, QUENTIN W.	17.63
BRIDGES, DAVID	79.21	KELTY, ROBERT C.	63.36
BRITTON, WILLIAM	28.41	KNIGHT, MICHELLE	15.36
BURKE, WILLIAM	55.59	LADD, MELANIE & PAUL	12.97
CARDINAL HEALTH 301 LLC	387.15	LECLAIR, ROBERT & SUSANA	121.30
CHANLATTE, CAESAR	5.62	LONTINE LIFE & HEALTH	13.46
CHARRON, STEVE & ROBERT KYLLONEN	12.06	MARLIN LEASING	392.27
CLOUTIER, GERMAINE	20.48	MARSHALL, NATHANIEL III	69.38
COASTAL KITCHEN & BATH DESIGNS	6.28	MASI, SCOTT	28.58
COCHRAN, RICHARD	8.43	MIRICK, RICHARD	17.51
CONANT, SONJA	30.60	MOBILE STORAGE GROUP INC.	15.32
COURTNEY, JOHN	38.08	MOLDA, CHRIS	120.94
CROCKER, HELEN	14.29	MULLEN, RONALD	69.38
CURRIER, DAVID	7.68	NAHILL, ANN	32.54
DIRECT CAPITAL CORPORATION	73.51	NEAL, SEAN	92.51
DUSSAULT, DAN	306.86	NOWELL, MATTHEW	76.65
DAVIDSON, JEREMY	28.91	OUELLETTE, BOB	8.09
DEATER, LARRY	82.68	PAREN, JASON & JUSTIN ROSBERG	502.37



CHANLATTE, CAESAR	5.67	THOMPSON, EVAN	60.99
CLOUTIER, GERMAINE	20.90	UNICYN FUNDING	33.21
COSTELLO, NANCY & RICHARD	68.28	WARMINGTON, THOMAS	13.36
COURTNEY, JOHN	21.38	WESTERMAN, GLORIA & TANYA GLIDDEN	23.24
CROCKER, HELEN	14.50	WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	20.57
CURRIER, DAVID	7.53	YORKE, KENNETH	21.71
DAVIDSON, JEREMY	35.48	<b>TOTAL UNPAID 2007 PP</b>	<b>4141.03</b>
DEATER, LARRY	81.57		
DESISTO, RHONDA	12.56		
DIMUZIO, EDDIE	3.32		
EATON, RANDALL W.	20.74		
EMMONS, LISA	11.02		
FAMILY THERAPY ASSOC.	7.29		

**2006 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF  
JUNE 30, 2009**

AGNELLI, FRANK & LOU-ANN	64.06	STACY, CHARLES	49.41
ALL SEASON LAWN CARE	30.61	SUNSHINE LAWN CARE & LANDSCAPING	72.61
ANDREWS, DANIEL J.	40.70	THOMPSON, EVAN	71.23
ATLANTIC ATM	24.42	UNICYN FUNDING	35.90
AYERS, DAVID & CHUCK LANDRY	28.57	WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	23.61
B & B TRAP	59.58	<b>TOTAL UNPAID 2006 PP</b>	<b>2677.27</b>
BERRY, RICHARD C.	24.50		
BMRP LLC	272.53		

**2005 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF JUNE 30,  
2009**

BRITTON, WILLIAM	30.85	AGNELLI, FRANK & LOU-ANN	59.98
BURKE, WILLIAM	55.76	ALL SEASON LAWN CARE	34.26
CHANLATTE, CAESAR	5.86	ATLANTIC ATM	33.84
CLOUTIER, GERMAINE	21.82	B & B TRAP	57.61
CROCKER, HELEN	14.98	BELCHER, JOYCE	43.06
DAVIDSON, JEREMY	39.89	BLANAR, EDWARD	17.77
DEATER, LARRY	82.30	BRITTON, WILLIAM	30.54
DESISTO, RHONDA	15.06	BURKE, WILLIAM	54.48
EATON, RANDALL W	24.66	CHANLATTE, CAESAR	1.98
ELY, THOMAS JR.	27.35	CLOUTIER, GERMAINE	39.42
FAMILY THERAPY ASSOC.	8.30	CROCKER, HELEN	12.01
FREEMAN, MYRON	17.09	DAVIDSON, JEREMY	45.94
GILE, DAN	45.18	DEATER, LARRY	85.87
GOLDEN EAGLE LEASING	15.87	EATON, RANDALL W.	25.30
HILBOURNE, ADAM	68.38	ELY, THOMAS JR.	33.76
HILBOURNE, DALE	27.76	EMMONS, LISA	8.71
HUBBARD, TODD	182.34	FAMILY THERAPY ASSOC.	5.25
INN BETWEEN THE BEACHES	151.65		
JAMAICAN JERK CENTER	68.38		



KATIE NUGENTS	10.33
ONE EARTH LAWN & LANDSCAPE	33.69
ORR-IGINALS	7.88
PINE HILL OF OGUNQUIT	58.80
POCKET PUBLISHING INC.	17.59
PRIVATEER RESTAURANT	89.16
RUSSEL HUME MASONARY CONT	3.50
SUNSHINE LAWN CARE & LANDSCAPING	86.89
UNICYN FUNDING	44.10
WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	27.30
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 2004 PP</b>	<b>842.21</b>

ADAMS PLUMBING & HEATING	69.19
ALL SEASON LAWN CARE	44.79
AMERICAN EXP BUSINESS FINANCE CORP	1198.84
APPLE COMMERCIAL CREDIT	19.68
ATLANTIC ATM	66.63
BOYAN LANDSCAPE SERVICE	44.79
CHRISTINE'S	10.25
COASTAL CHRISTMAS INC.	122.69
FRAMING MATTERS	6.56
GOLDEN EAGLE LEASING	25.32
LINE HOUSE RESTAURANT	45.51
MARCIA'S	52.12
MY PLACE ON THE BEACH	64.37
PAINTED PIECE THE	6.97
RUSSEL HUME MASONARY CONT	4.72
SUMMER TOUR	4.10
SUNSHINE LAWN CARE & LANDSCAPING	148.54
UNICYN FUNDING	58.12
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 2002 PP</b>	<b>1993.19</b>

**2001 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF  
JUNE 30, 2009**

APPLE COMMERCIAL CREDIT	45.60
UNICYN FUNDING	119.70
WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	45.60
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 2001 PP</b>	<b>210.90</b>

**1997 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF JUNE 30,  
2009**

WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	40.89
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 1997 PP</b>	<b>40.89</b>

**2000 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF  
JUNE 30, 2009**

APPLE COMMERCIAL CREDIT	59.50
WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	40.80
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 2000 PP</b>	<b>100.30</b>

**1996 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF JUNE 30,  
2009**

WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	9.42
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 1996 PP</b>	<b>9.42</b>

**1999 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF  
JUNE 30, 2009**

C & C CAR WASH INC.	309.29
WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	42.39
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 1999 PP</b>	<b>351.68</b>

**1995 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF JUNE 30,  
2009**

SOWERBY, DAVID	267.24
<b>TOTAL UNPAID 1995 PP</b>	<b>267.24</b>

**1998 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AS OF  
JUNE 30, 2009**

WHITE, RUSSELL B. ATTY	19.71
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**TOTAL UNPAID 1998 PP**

**19.71**

**STATISTICS JULY 1, 2008 - JUNE 30, 2009**

**MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS**

**DOG LICENSES**

PASSENGER CARS	10431
COMMERCIAL VEHICLES	450
MOTORCYCLES/MOPEDS	490
TRAILERS	886

NON-NEUTERED	218
NEUTERED	2030
KENNELS	6

**RECREATIONAL VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS**

**VITAL RECORDS Jan.1, 2009 - Dec. 31, 2009**

BOATS	1049
ATVS	238
SNOWMOBILES	176

BIRTHS	362
DEATHS	172
MARRIAGES	321

# PARKS AND RECREATION

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The Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for administering the community recreation program as well as managing and maintaining public properties, parks and beaches. It's interesting work that provides us the opportunity to meet many residents and summer visitors.

The recreation program continues to be popular with residents. We have seen steady increases in enrollment even during this time of economic recession. In fact, I think some of the increase is attributable to the recession, with people traveling less and searching out more affordable community programs.

We are very excited to be launching our new on-line registration program. This new internet service will allow you to search for activities, explore descriptions, view remaining availability, register and pay by credit card without leaving your home. We have spent considerable time researching on-line registration products and we hope you find this new system convenient and user friendly.

On the Parks side of things, we have completed the repairs to Nubble Light and Sohier Park that were caused by the Patriots Day Storm. After working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency for over a year, the Town was awarded a grant for approximately \$300,000 to replace the boat ramp and repair the boathouse and stairs leading to the top of the Island. We also did a significant shoreline stabilization project along the northeast quadrant of the Park. I am happy to report that the projects held up well during the storms we received this past March and I am optimistic that they will serve the community well for many years to come.

At Mount Agamenticus, the Selectmen have authorized the former ski lodge to be transformed from a function hall to an environmental education center. Robin Kerr, the Mount Agamenticus Conservation Coordinator, will be heading up the project. She has some great ideas for the building and some exciting programs to offer the community. The progress made at the mountain over past several years is note worthy and I encourage citizens to visit the Park.

Residents will be voting on a new surfing ordinance at the May Public Referendum. If approved the ordinance will create two mixed use zones on Long Sands Beach where both swimming and surfing will be allowed. At the Northern end of the beach, the mixed use zone will extend from Beacon Street to the Sun 'N Surf Restaurant, and at the Southern end of the beach it will extend from the Long Sands General Store to the Cutty Sark Motel. The area in the center of the beach between Beacon Street and the Long Sands General Store will be swimming only. My hope is that this new ordinance will allow us to better manage the beaches and make things safer for everyone.

As always the Parks and Recreation Department is here to serve the community. If you have questions or suggestions about our programs, parks, beaches or facilities feel free to contact us.

# York School Department

# **SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

*Submitted By: Dr. Henry R. Scipione*

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## **Student Achievement**

The achievement of our students continues to be the benchmark upon which we measure the success of our schools. I am pleased to report that York students continue to rank among the highest academic performers in the state and in the nation. Based on a variety of measures, York students achieve above state and national levels. The percentage of York's graduating seniors who enroll in post secondary institutions is among the highest in Maine. We have a strong commitment to have our students believe in themselves as lifelong learners and to recognize that education continues after high school and college.

We are fortunate to have a very committed and dedicated staff who are focused on the success of every student. Our staff uses a variety of strategies to engage students and to promote their learning. The partnerships we share with families and the community are critical to maintaining student success, and we thank our parents and community members for being an integral part of the educational process.

## **YHS Recognition**

Congratulations to York High School for achieving recognition as one of the top five high schools in Maine by *U.S. News and World Report*. This recognition is based on a number of factors, including student performance, college readiness and the performance among poverty, disadvantaged and minority populations. York is one of four high schools earning the Silver level award, along with Cape Elizabeth, Falmouth, and Greely. The Maine School of Science and Mathematics in Limestone was the highest recipient of the Gold award.

This recognition is possible because of the commitment of every staff member at York High School to each and every student. There has been a concerted effort to provide challenge and rigor to each student and to identified specific interventions for those students who require this support. It is reassuring to know that these efforts are having such a positive effect on all students.

We acknowledge that the success of YHS would not be possible without the foundation set by our elementary and middle schools. York High School receives this honor on behalf of everyone in the York School Department. The result of their combined efforts over the past years is being realized and has ensured that all York Schools remain a very special place of learning for every student.

School Accreditation continues to be a focus of the work we are doing in our schools. I am pleased to report that Coastal Ridge Elementary School has recently received recognition as an accredited elementary school by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Presently, three of our four schools have been accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. York Middle School is currently in the process of completing its preparation for accreditation and we anticipate the process to be completed in the fall of 2010. This is important work because it allows our schools to compare our practices and programs to accreditation standards, to recognize our areas of strength and to develop improvement plans in those areas of need. We anticipate having all of our schools fully accredited by 2011.

## **YHS Music Space**

Construction of the new music space for York High School continues on schedule. This project will bring much needed instructional spaces for our chorus and band programs at YHS. We are fortunate to have a high level of student involvement in both programs, and this new space will accommodate the scope of the music programs. We anticipate having this project completed in the spring of 2010. We thank the community for your support of our music programs, and we look forward to having you visit this new and exciting wing.

## **Strategic Planning**

Our Strategic Educational Planning continues to be the foundation upon which educational decisions are made in York. Our Educational Plan is comprised of specific targets defined in four strands: Standards and Assessment, Learning Experiences, Community Connections and High Performance Leadership. This planning document serves as a road map for the day to day and long range decisions that are being made in our schools. We have established a process by which this document is reviewed and revised each year, thus making it a dynamic tool that can serve our needs as we plan for the future of the York Schools.

## **H1N1**

The fall of 2009 was a challenging time in our community and across the nation as we dealt with the effects of the H1N1 virus. Many people in our community and students in our classrooms contracted this virus and fell ill as a result. Although our student and staff absentee levels were high during this time, we were able to keep our schools open.

Through the efforts of the Federal and Maine CDC we were able to offer vaccine clinics in each of our schools. Our thanks to the many volunteers who gave their time and expertise to provide these vaccines to our children and our community. A special appreciation goes to our school nurses, and to York Hospital for its work in organizing this effort. We will continue to monitor the H1N1 situation into the future.

## **VES Principal**

After nine years of dedicated service, Mrs. Ruth Dealy will be retiring from her position as Principal of Village Elementary School. Mrs. Dealy will leave a strong legacy for her work with students, staff and parents at VES. Under her leadership VES has become an established and vibrant primary school where, in partnership with the home, students are provided a safe, nurturing environment that encourages all students to achieve their full potential. She has been a strong student advocate and has greatly supported children in their development of a positive sense of themselves. Students, parents and staff will miss her presence at VES but her impact will be felt well into the future. We extend our sincere appreciation and best wishes to Mrs. Dealy as she begins this new chapter in her life. As of this writing the search for a new Principal has been initiated and an appointment is expected in May 2010.

We thank our community members for their support of our schools. Our goal is to make the York Schools the best in the state and the nation. We are proud of the accomplishments of our students and we greatly appreciate the work of our staff, parents and community for supporting our students to be top achievers.

## **YORK HIGH SCHOOL**

*Submitted by: Robert E. Stevens*

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Student enrollment continues to change yearly at the High School. A year ago we opened our doors to 612 students, and this year we began with 636. Part of this increase is attributable to a small graduating class - one of the smallest in years - being replaced by a larger incoming freshmen class. We also had 11 new students transfer in or return from private schools. Next year we expect our population to drop again by as many as 30 students. We have been downsizing staff for a number of years and we will eliminate almost one full professional position before the fall. Enrollment numbers should rise again a year from now, and then begin to stabilize.

We are having another banner year on the academic side of life at YHS. Last year we reported that we received special recognition from the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges, which is the organization that accredits schools throughout New England and many Independent Schools around the world. We also received a

bronze certificate by *US News and World Report* for being one of the top schools in Maine and the country. This year we were one of only four schools in Maine to receive silver recognition from the same publication and that puts us in elite company. The highest honor you can receive is gold. The Maine Math and Science Academy, which is the only public magnet school in the state, was the only school to receive gold. By our count, that means we are in the top four in Maine! Student Services have already processed over 700 college applications for this year's seniors. We had four National Merit Scholarship commended students and two finalists (Lindsay Weigel & Reaha Goyetche). Dakota Snyder has been nominated as a Presidential Scholar. York has many alumni who have gone on to do wonderful things, but we would be remiss if we didn't mention Chris Cassidy, Class of '88, and his STS-127 mission to the World's Space Station. His 16 day adventure, complete with 3 space walks, is something that made us all proud. Chris followed it up with a Home Town Heroes return to York last fall that was wildly successful. No other school or community in Maine can make the same claim.

York High School offers 16 interscholastic sports with 38 teams: Varsity, Junior Varsity, and First Team, available to our students. YHS Athletic participation is among the highest in the State of Maine. Four hundred and fifty students (66%) actively participate in the Athletic Program, and 2009 was a very successful year. York won team State Championships in Girls Soccer and Golf. York was state runner-up in Girls Basketball, Field Hockey and Boys and Girls Cross Country. York athletes were individual State Champions in Track, Indoor Track, Wrestling, Golf and Cross Country. York students were also recognized as Players of the Year in Track, Girls Soccer, Football and Golf. Rick Clark was inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame and coached his 400<sup>th</sup> win in Varsity Basketball.

Building projects have transformed our school. The music wing is just a few months away from occupancy and couldn't be better. The project is on time and under budget. Ledgewood Construction, PDT Architects, and the York Building Committee are a team that has made the hard work easy. The community will be exceptionally pleased when we can finally house both our band and chorus for music instruction.

The entire facility looks terrific. Internally, our money has been spent on new windows in the cafeteria which should reduce energy consumption. The gym roof has been replaced, and two bathrooms in the World Languages wing have been completely remodeled. The outfield baseball fence has been doubled in height. Many other smaller projects have been done, but space here prohibits them all from being listed.

Science teacher Robert Cole, Mathematics teacher Arlene Wilson, and Special Education teacher Wally Caldwell retired from a combined service of nearly 80 years to York High School. Mike Tuckett returned to York to fill Mr. Cole's position, Tina Jovanovich was hired to teach math, and Mike Martin is replacing Mr. Caldwell.

Here is the Top 10% of the Class of 2009 and the colleges they are attending: Emily Marshall, Dartmouth – Stuart Mason, Harvard – Theo Brossman, Hampshire – Colleen Buckless, UMO – Kaitlin Carson, George Washington – Danielle Clements, Clarkson – Melissa Enright, Endicott – Jillian Means, St. Michaels – Kimberly Rigano, Florida Institute of Technology – Curran Russell, Emerson – Charli Sayward, UMF – Emily Wall, St. Lawrence – Andrew Young, Arizona State.

In closing, I would like to sincerely thank the faculty, students, parents, and the citizens of York for their continued commitment to education in these challenging times. It is an honor to work for a community that truly cares about its youth.

# YORK MIDDLE SCHOOL

*Submitted by: Stephen Bishop*

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I am grateful for the chance to report on the many excellent learning opportunities available to our students in grades five through eight that support academic achievement, social and emotional growth and exploratory learning. It is with the help and cooperation of staff, teachers, parents, and the community that our children learn and grow during a crucial point in their young lives. I would like to share with you the following information regarding York Middle School.

Our current enrollment at York Middle School stands at 623 students; 12 students higher than was originally forecast for the 2009-2010 school year. Our students are grouped into 30 homeroom sections among grades 5,6,7, and 8. We have seen a decrease of roughly 7 students from last school year. We are forecasting our population to remain relatively unchanged at 625 students for the 2010-2011 school year. We will adjust our staffing assignments in all four grades to accommodate for shifting grade level populations.

We are in the second year of an accreditation process facilitated by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Faculty and staff have spent many hours collecting and analyzing data about every aspect of our middle school operation. We have joined in many discussions in order to reflect on those things we do well and to recognize those things about our school that we wish to improve. We have already realized several practices we want to change and have taken steps to put those changes into place. Our study will conclude with a visit from NEASC representatives who will review our self study and visit the school in order to give us constructive feedback as well as recommendations for accreditation.

The state of Maine has asked school districts to implement a Response to Intervention Program in all schools over the next two years. This program provides a multi-leveled system of assistance and support that is delivered in a timely manner from the most appropriate school source. We are currently working with data from a variety of sources to identify those students who will benefit from additional academic support. Once we provide additional assistance we will collect additional data to determine the effectiveness of the interventions that have been put into place. The RtI program focuses on interventions in the areas of math, language arts and behavior. We are currently working in the areas of behavior and math. We will add a language arts focus later this year.

We have just received feedback about student academic achievement in the form of NECAP results. Testing through the New England Common Assessment Program has replaced Maine Educational Assessments as the tool we will use to determine achievement in math and reading. We are pleased to report that students in all grades at York Middle School scored at or above proficiency levels when compared to scores for the rest of the state. Students in grades 5 and 8 will take a final assessment in the area of science through participation in the MEAs later this spring. We will use the results of these standardized tests to inform us about the effectiveness of our reading, math and science programs as well as additional data for our RtI program.

Another focus for us this year has been on creating the conditions for an effective learning community at York Middle School. We have asked students and teachers to focus on six core principles we will all use in our day to day interactions at school. These principles are fairness, honesty, respect, courage, compassion and responsibility. Originally adopted by the York School Committee, we have centered our daily conversations about behavior around these six principles. Students have also participated in team building activities and goal setting so that these principles become a routine part of their daily work. Finally, we are also completing work with author Stan Davis around effective protocols for creating schools where everyone belongs. This initiative is part of our continuing efforts to create an environment where students are safe and ready to learn.

Students in grades 7 and 8 have found an effective tool in their new state-issued laptop computers. Each year students and teachers become more proficient at using these powerful learning tools. Students have created educational videos, conducted research, reached out to students in other countries, created keynote presentations, interpreted data, and created works of music and art with the use of their laptops. In addition to these learning tools, students have used iPods, SmartBoards, dvd players and digital cameras. We have also worked with parents at a number of parent information nights to show them how to help their students stay safe and act appropriately in the new digital world in which we all now find ourselves.

Students have shown their spirit for community service through countless drives to donate food, coats, funds, phone cards and even hair. Among the many service initiatives that have been conducted are food drives during the holidays, fundraising for Leukemia, fundraising through Hearts for Haiti, phone cards for our departing servicemen and women, locks of love hair collection for a fellow student, and coats for kids. Many of the ideas for these fundraisers were generated by our increasingly active Student Council. It has been most impressive to see how our students are becoming more civic minded at a time when we are meeting many challenges as a nation.

We have continued to connect with parents and the community to bring opportunities to students at our school. The York Middle School Parent Group raised money to support programs, fund student social events and help pay for needed equipment at our school. They have also sponsored informational nights to improve communication between home and school. Our many volunteers who come from all segments of the community assist us in many ways. Students have been effectively supported through our volunteer mentoring program and high school listeners. Parents have come in to help out in our recess game room, our school store, during organizational study halls and in the classroom. Their many contributions have been invaluable to our staff and students.

Our district Facilities Director, in coordination with York Middle School administration, has created a thorough maintenance and repair plan to keep a now nine year old building in top repair. Among the proposed projects will be replacement of several pieces of playground equipment, additional electrical surge protection on the entire facility, roof drain repair, cosmetic upkeep on entryway doors, upgrade on the school clocks and the school's sound system, and a repair of the stairs leading to the gymnasium. The Facilities Director and custodial staff have done an excellent job keeping the facility in good repair and well maintained. We are committed to keeping this valuable town asset in excellent condition.

I would like to thank our staff, parents and volunteers for their efforts to make our school a great place to learn. I would also like to thank the Town of York for its support of the children at York Middle School. Our collective efforts will help our students become happy, healthy, well educated, high achieving future citizens.

## **YORK VILLAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

*Submitted by Ruth Dealy, Principal*

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When a kindergartner anticipated coming to kindergarten in September, he questioned his second grade sister about Village Elementary School. "Will my teacher be nice?" "What am I going to learn?" he asked. "You're going to have to find out for yourself!" she replied with a smile and, then, assured him, "Your teacher was my teacher and she is nice. And, you will learn a lot of good stuff – like, reading and writing – and many other things." For him and the other new and returning students, the 2009-2010 school year was upon them. As she had confirmed, there would be many exciting learning experiences to come and, as staff readied for the school year, the following new initiatives were in place.

Our K-2 literacy curriculum promotes a balanced program that addresses both reading and writing. This year it has been enriched by the implementation of the Calkins *Units of Primary Writing*, a most appropriate curriculum for young writers that will help standardize the teaching of writing across the grades. The *Units* introduce students to various genres such as personal narrative writing, non-fiction and poetry and, as a result, engage them in more meaningful writing activities. Already our students are demonstrating an eagerness to write and they are producing pieces of writing that are more expressive, proficient and aligned with the Standards. In that there is a strong correlation between reading and writing, as students become better writers, they, in turn, become better readers.

Given that all schools have been charged to provide a system of interventions that meets the educational needs of all students, the staff at Village Elementary School continues to differentiate instruction in order to achieve this objective. Through professional learning communities, teachers work collaboratively to develop goals that target student learning and analyze data so as to develop quality interventions that enrich, promote, and remediate students' learning. To advance this work, we have adopted an electronic universal assessment (the CPAA, the Children's Progress Achievement Assessment) that allows us to assess our primary age students in a way that is not only developmentally appropriate, but also provides immediate feedback that permits us to respond promptly and effectively. We also have expanded our "extra specials" program to address the development of more kindergarten readiness skills and, in particular, first grade math concepts and to include the collection of data specific to these areas. As our system of interventions is designed to be inclusive, our struggling learners as well as our top students are demonstrating increased growth and attaining higher levels of achievement.

Initiatives like these allow us to better serve our young students and to ensure that when students leave Village Elementary School, they are successful learners and the K-2 Standards have been met. As we prepared our two-year report to the NEASC Accreditation Commission, we reflected on the validation of the Visiting Team that we do provide a "quality early childhood educational environment" and that the higher priority needs for improvement were, for the most part procedural, rather than instructional: i.e., tightening the visitor/volunteer sign-in protocols, creating a plan to provide additional support personnel in the area of mathematics, developing a standards based report card that also allows for the assessment of social skills, updating the library collection to include more non and general fiction per the Follett analysis, increasing opportunities for technology professional development, and differentiating the SAT (Student Support Team) and pre-referral process. With the completion of the two year report, we, once again, celebrate the high quality of our curricula and instruction and that Village Elementary School promotes "an excellent atmosphere for teaching and learning".

Likewise, our second grader confers. "Since then (the beginning of school), I have seen a lot of things that my brother can do; he has really learned a lot. Last night we were reading a book and he was reading some really hard words with fluency. I was impressed. He can do a lot of stuff. It is very good!!!" Learning at Village Elementary School is good for not only him, but for all our students.

## **COASTAL RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

*Submitted by: Sean Murphy, Principal*

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The Coastal Ridge Elementary School currently serves 340 students and has held a consistent enrollment since last year's 342. We expect consistent numbers for the 2010-2011 school year and will offer 17 sections of grades 2-4. Our students are recognized for their academic achievements and experience a dynamic educational program.

We are proud of our recognition as an accredited elementary school according to the high standards set by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. The positive culture and productive learning environment are recognized as strengths of CRES, as well as the number of programs that offer our children a balanced educational experience. The committee recommends that we further refine literacy instruction and individualize more effectively for each child. We have already initiated support in this area and will continue to focus on literacy in the future. I commend the staff for completing this school improvement process that consisted of almost three years of focused analysis.

The town should be proud of the extensive efforts of the staff at CRES and the families who join us in our mission of enriching the educational experience for our children. Parent volunteers and community partners provide support to achieve academic and civic goals. A bond is created when seniors and youth come together to relate, and this relationship nurtures children's perspectives. We are proud that parents, mentors, seniors, and other community members work alongside our staff with the complex and delicate responsibility of guiding our youth.

During these difficult economic times, we are cognizant of the hardships that exist and have curtailed programs and features of the budget in an effort to offset increases in certain fixed costs. We have adjusted our teaching supplies, amount of professional development, field trips, and other activities. We continue to take advantage of our technology to reduce postal costs, paper costs, and publishing expenditures. In addition to minor repair and upkeep, we dedicated ARRA funds or stimulus money to the purchase of an efficient boiler that should reduce energy costs and serve the school for many years. Overall, the school is grappling with the economy alongside the community, state, and country.

Congratulations are in order for Eileen Brault, who was inducted as a PE teacher in Unum's Maine Teacher Hall of Fame this year! Additionally, we have welcomed several new talents to our teaching staff who are adapting to our culture's rigorous expectations of doing what's best for students despite the obstacles. Experienced teachers like Mrs. Brault demonstrate considerable professionalism, and we actively pursue a goal of working collaboratively to share each other's strengths. We have a talented team who is dedicated to our mission and serve the children well.

We extend special thanks to all the voters of York for approving the school's current budget and playing a direct role in supporting our school. We work hard to make Coastal Ridge Elementary School a valuable asset to the community of York, and we will continue to do so with pride.

## **YORK ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION**

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York Adult and Community Education's mission is to provide a myriad of opportunities for adults to reach their educational goals and ensure lifelong learning. York's Adult Education program provides educational services to meet the diverse needs of our community's adult population in the areas of academic, literacy, vocational and community enrichment education.

Earning a General Equivalency Diploma means greater employment and educational opportunities, and most colleges now accept the GED for admission. This Adult Education program is free and open to students of all ages. Our High School Diploma program enables students in academic classes to meet specific credit and curricular requirements. Our English Language Learner (E.L.L.) classes continue to be well utilized. These classes focus on English writing, reading and speaking skills. We are fortunate to have a wonderful group of volunteers who reinforce the classroom learning in one-on-one tutorial sessions. Through the Maine Humanities Council, York Adult Education again offered the popular "New Books, New Readers" program to our adults with low reading skills. Students come together once a month to

read and discuss books by celebrated authors. The theme this year was “Conflicts”. These topic-related books were given to the students to share with their families.

The Certified Nursing Assistant (C.N.A.) program uses common curriculum based on the State of Maine licensing requirements. Students complete an intensive course consisting of classroom and clinical experience. Our computer courses cover a wide range of subjects such as eBay, keyboarding, Microsoft Office, web page design, and - the always in demand - Computers for Grownups. Through the support of a MELMAC grant York Adult Education has been able to support its students in their transition from secondary to post secondary educational experiences. We offer individual advising in career exploration, college searching, and create a college-going atmosphere by hosting recurrent visits from guest speakers representing colleges and financial aid agencies. York Adult Education’s students now routinely access these services and see themselves as college bound.

Our enrichment program continues to provide informative classes on many topics. An area of great interest over the past year was sustainability and going green. Courses like beekeeping, backyard poultry raising, and organic gardening were all very popular and offered numerous times.

At our June 4<sup>th</sup> graduation we awarded thirty-one diplomas to graduates of our GED, High School Diploma, and C.N.A. programs. Thanks to your donations and the fundraiser “Art as Experience,” we were able to offer scholarships to Alexa Cicero, Pedro Gil and Catherine Hansen. Each student received \$500 to apply toward their secondary education plan.

In closing, we deeply appreciate the continued support and participation of our citizens. Any suggestions for improving the variety or quality of our services is welcomed. As we continue to provide new educational programs for adults, we invite you to join us and make learning a lifelong pursuit.

Town of York  
Public Utilities

# **YORK WATER DISTRICT**

*Submitted By: Donald D Neumann Jr., Superintendent  
Trustees: Frank Witham, President; Frederick Ricker, Treasurer;  
Dana W. Moulton III and Andrew Belliveau*

## **ORGANIZATION**

The York Water District was created by an act of the State of Maine Legislature under the Private and Special Laws in 1929, Chapter 8, and as spelled out in our Charter. The District is administered by an elected board of five Trustees. One Trustee is elected each year at the Town of York's annual Town Meeting for a term of five years. Regular Trustee meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month. Meeting notices for regular and any special meetings are posted in: York Town Hall, York Post Offices, at the District office and on own web site [www.yorkwaterdistrict.org](http://www.yorkwaterdistrict.org).

The District is further regulated by Rules and Regulations of the Maine Public Utilities Commission and the Maine Department of Health & Human Services Drinking Water Program. The District prepares an Annual Report for the Public Utilities Commission on special forms supplied by them, and an Audited Financial Report filed with the Town's Treasurer. Both of these reports are based on the calendar year and available for review at the Districts office, and the Town Hall.

## **SOURCE**

The District's only source of supply is Chase's Pond, with a watershed of 3.26 square miles and a safe yield of 2.05 million gallons per day. Available storage capacity of the pond is approximately 480 million gallons, average daily use in 2008 was of .94 million gallons and .87 million gallons in 2009.

## **FUNCTION**

The District's purpose and function as stated in our Charter is to supply the Town of York, its inhabitants and others located in the District with pure water for domestic, sanitary, commercial, manufacturing, industrial, agricultural, and municipal use.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

The District's fiscal year begins January 1<sup>st</sup> and ends December 31<sup>st</sup>. Each year in December the Board of Trustees vote and approve an Operating Budget. The Budget for 2010 is as follows: Operations and Maintenance \$2,516,825. Capital Improvements \$565,200. Debt Service of \$791,106. Anticipated Total Operational Revenue of \$3,139,931. The District filed rates that became effective, March 31, 2008. The number of Districts accounts as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 was 5,667

## **MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMPLETED IN 2009**

In our Distribution System we have continued our meter change out program. As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 36% of our customers have radio read style meters installed that will increase meter reading efficiencies.

We have completed the replacement of the water main that was attached to the Route 103 Bridge by way of directional drilling. This method proved to be a great financial savings to the District. We also completed the replacement of the water main under the Clark Road Bridge. The District has replaced the Sodium Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) Chemical Storage Tank, located in the lower level of Treatment Plant.

We completed a 10-year update to the District's Watershed Management Plan that address's Water Quality, Forestry Management and Recreation issues.

## **MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED FOR 2010**

Due to tight economic times, we have budgeted to complete projects that are necessary and aid to make District's operations more efficient. During part of MDOT's bridge replacement program the District will replace its water main crossing the 2 smaller bridges on Route 103. We plan to equip our 2 water storage tanks and main office building with stand-by power. The District will continue its meter change out program. We have scheduled an upgrade to our web site, we plan to have the ability to e mail water bills and take electronic payments. Due to the recent winter algae bloom we experienced in March, we found it necessary to make some alterations to the treatment process so that we are better equipped to handle this issue in the future if necessary.

# **YORK SEWER DISTRICT**

*Submitted By: Tim Haskell, Superintendent*

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## **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE YORK SEWER DISTRICT**

Since the early 1950's the collection and treatment of wastewater has been under the guidance of the York Sewer District. The District currently operates and maintains over 30 miles of collection system piping and twelve large pump stations. Some of the pump stations operated by the District are capable of pumping millions of gallons of wastewater per day and almost 100% of the Town's wastewater must eventually be pumped to the wastewater treatment facility.

In 1985 special legislation was passed to revise and modernize the District Charter essentially to mirror state law governing sewer districts. Through the years only two other changes have occurred modifying the Charter, the most recent happening just over a year ago. Copies of the Charter are available at the District Office.

More information can be found on the District's web page at [www.yorksewerdistrict.org](http://www.yorksewerdistrict.org).

## **IMPACT FEE BY-LAWS FOR SEWER CONNECTIONS**

Prior to 1990 the Sewer District recognized that significant capital improvements needed to take place involving the wastewater treatment plant and the necessity to increase capacity due to increased development.

With this thought in mind, the District developed a set of Impact By-Laws with a fee structure aimed at putting the financial burden of increasing capacity on new development. The District's intention was to minimize the impact of plant expansion on existing customers since it was the increasing demand for new service which would make it necessary for a \$7,500,000.00 dollar investment to increase capacity.

## **YORK SEWER DISTRICT**

### **BY - LAWS TO ESTABLISH A SEWER IMPACT FEE FOR DISTRICT SEWER CONNECTIONS**

Section 1. Purpose and Intent.

The York Sewer District determines and declares that:

- (a) Increased residential and commercial property development within the Town of York has created a need to undertake capital improvements to the existing capacity of the District's sewage treatment facility in order to accommodate and treat the increased sewage flow directly produced and generated by this increased development.
- (b) There now exists a need to create a method whereby the costs of the capital improvements to the existing sewage treatment facility made necessary by this increased development can be allocated evenly, fairly and equitably among those persons, firms or corporations creating this demand for capital improvements to the sewage facilities capacity.
- (c) To address this need for capital improvements to the treatment facility, the District hereby intends to create and establish a Sewer Impact Fee to be paid into a separate and distinct fund to be known as the "Sewer Impact Fee Fund" with the proceeds in this fund being applied solely towards the overall capital costs of financing the necessary capital improvements to the sewage treatment facility to increase and enlarge the sewage capacity required by the increased development demands.

(d) The purpose of these by-laws is to assure that new development bears a proportionate share of the cost of capital expenditures necessary to provide sewer facilities in York.

(e) The York Sewer District hereby ordains the following by-laws, which is intended to assist in the implementation of the Town of York Comprehensive Plan and the York Sewer District's Facilities Planning.

## Section 2. Sewer Impact Fee

(a) Use of Funds: Funds collected for Sewer Impact Fees shall be used solely for the purpose of acquiring, equipping and/or making capital improvements, along with all costs related thereto, including but not limited to engineering, legal and financing costs, to the sewage treatment facility under the jurisdiction of the York Sewer District.

(b) Time Payable: A Sewer Impact Fee shall be due and payable by the property owner and a permit must be issued by the District prior to: the connection of any sewer line to the sewage collection system, upon the issuance of any plumbing permit for additional plumbing fixtures, any change in use or intensity of use of any property already connected to the sewage collection system, or when water consumption records show a property exceeding the flow established and permitted for that property. Said Sewer Impact Fee is to be determined as provided in Subsection (c) below.

(c) Calculation of Fee: The Impact Fee is based on the volume of flow generated by the average dwelling unit, which has been determined to be 175 gallons per day. The by-law uses this amount as the basic unit for determining the amount of the fee. As a unit of measure the equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) allows comparison of residential and non-residential uses so that all categories of projects can be consistently and uniformly assessed their fair share of the cost of sanitary sewer facilities to serve growth.

Development is viewed as falling into one of two categories: residential or non-residential development. For both residential and non-residential, the amount of the Impact Fee will be based on the number of the EDU's proposed for the property. An amount of \$2,500 per EDU or fraction thereof has been established by the York Sewer District.

### Residential Development

For residential development, each living/dwelling unit will be considered an EDU. A single family home will equal one EDU, for a multiple family property, each living unit shall constitute an EDU. The amount of the Impact Fee is then calculated by multiplying the number of living units by \$2,500 to equal the total fee.

For single family, multi-family, including condominiums that are already tied to the sewer system and plan on increasing their flow by adding plumbing fixtures, a fee of \$100 per added fixture will be charged.

### Non-residential Development

Application for permit to change use, intensify use, or connect to District facilities requires that the applicant present engineering design data satisfactory to the District projecting the amount of wastewater flow to be generated by the proposed project. The District will also use the Design Flow Table from the Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules as listed in the Maine State Plumbing Code, other related manuals and materials, water use records of like uses, the District's professional engineers estimate of flow, or other reasonable means to determine the flow for a particular use or project. When there are multiple uses within a structure, each use shall be subject to a separate Impact Fee.

Impact of the proposed development is calculated by dividing the projected flow by 175 gallons per day (EDU); this will provide the number of EDU's. The Impact Fee will then be calculated by multiplying the number of EDU's times \$2,500 (1 EDU) to arrive at the final amount to be paid. Properties will be permitted for the above calculated flow amount. Should future use records indicate an increase over that amount an additional Impact Fee shall be calculated as the difference between the permitted amount and the amount of flow over the permitted flow.

### Section 3. Sewer Impact Fee Fund

(a) A Sewer Impact Fee Fund is hereby established and shall be the depository for all Sewer Impact Fees collected by the Enforcing Officer under the terms of these by-laws. Said Fund shall be segregated by the District from general revenues and shall be used solely and exclusively for the purposes set out in Section 2 (a). All monies so accumulated in this Fund except to finance a debt for improvement under Section 2 (a) shall be expended by the District for the specific purposes stated herein within ten (10) years of their collection and deposit therein. Monies accumulated to finance a debt for an improvement under Section 2 (a), need not be expended within ten years, but must be expended before retirement of the debt.

(b) The proceeds in this Fund may be expended in concert with other revenues and planned expenditures or capital improvement funds or Town funds but only for capital improvements to the sewage treatment facility as distinct from expenses for the maintenance and repair to the existing sewage treatment facility. Funds shall be expended in the order in which they are collected.

(c) In the event that bonds or similar debt instruments are issued for advanced provision of capital facilities for which sewer impact fees may be expended, impact fees may be used to pay debt service on such bonds or similar debt instruments to the extent that the facilities provided are of the type described in Section 1.

(d) Funds may be used to provide refunds as described in Section 4.

### Section 4. Refunds of Fees Paid

Any funds not expended or encumbered by the end of the calendar quarter immediately following the term defined in Section 3 (a) from the date the sewage treatment facility impact fee was paid, except funds accumulated to finance debt for improvement under Section 2 (a), shall, upon application of the then current landowner, be returned to such landowner with interest at the then current rate per annum, provided that the landowner submits an application for a refund to the District within 180 days of the expiration of the period in Section 3 (a). The landowner may also waive their right to the refund if so desired.

### Section 5. Existing Connected Structures, Exemptions and Credits

(a) The Sewer Impact Fee required by the provisions of these by-laws shall not apply to any building, structure or dwelling already connected to the sewerage system as of the effective date of these by-laws, except, that any change in the use, intensity of use, character or site of any such building, structure or dwelling after the effective date of these by-laws which results in additional sewage flow shall not be exempt from the Sewer Impact Fee. For purposes of this provision, additional flow shall be defined as any increase in the number of fixture units over that existing as of the effective date of these by-laws or any change in the use or intensity of use of nonresidential property resulting in an increase in the wastewater discharge over that existing or reasonably estimated to have existed as of the effective date of these by-laws or by issuance of a permit to add flow to the District's facilities.

(b) The following shall be exempt from payment of the impact fee:

(1) Alterations or expansion of an existing building where no additional sewage flow occurs and no change in use occurs.

(2) The replacement of a building or structure with a new building or structure of the same size and use where no additional sewage flow occurs.

(3) The installation of a replacement mobile home on a lot or other such site when a sewer impact fee for such mobile home site has previously been paid pursuant to these by-laws where no additional sewage flow occurs, or where a mobile home legally existed on such site on or prior to the effective date of these by-laws.

#### Section 6. Enforcing Officer

These by-laws shall be enforced by the York Sewer District's Superintendent or his duly authorized deputy or agent or any other person duly authorized by the District's Trustees to enforce these by-law.

#### Section 7. Severability

If any section, phrase, sentence or portion of these by-laws is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, provision, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

#### Section 8. Effective Date

These by-laws shall take effect on January 11, 1990.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED THIS 11 Th DAY OF January , 1990.

Amended January 24, 2002 to increase the fee from \$2000 to \$2,500 per EDU.

By-Law language amended January 5, 2006.

By-Law language amended May 3, 2007

### **YORK SEWER DISTRICT OBJECTIVES**

The primary objective of the York Sewer District is to protect the public health and environment from sources of pollution due to wastewater generation. The District works closely with municipal planners to prioritize areas in need of public sewer and by following the requirements of the Comprehensive Plan. Following the direction of the Comprehensive Plan, the District has expanded the collection system into numerous areas of York.

The most recently completed project involved high priority areas to provide public sewer for the protection of public health, welfare, and benefit of its inhabitants. The project also afforded the Town an opportunity to fully reconstruct roadways, make large scale drainage improvements, and make roadway modifications to increase public safety. This was all made possible by the District making extremely low interest financing available to the Town over an extended period of time. The project area encompassed Cow Beach, Long Sands Road, and York Heights.

Due to technology advances and cost saving measures used on the project, the District and a representative of F.R. Mahoney were recently selected to present a paper on the project to the New England Water Environment Association at its annual conference. A copy of the paper is reprinted here.

# The Community of York, Maine Reaps the Benefits of Low-Pressure Sewer Technology

## NEW ENGLAND

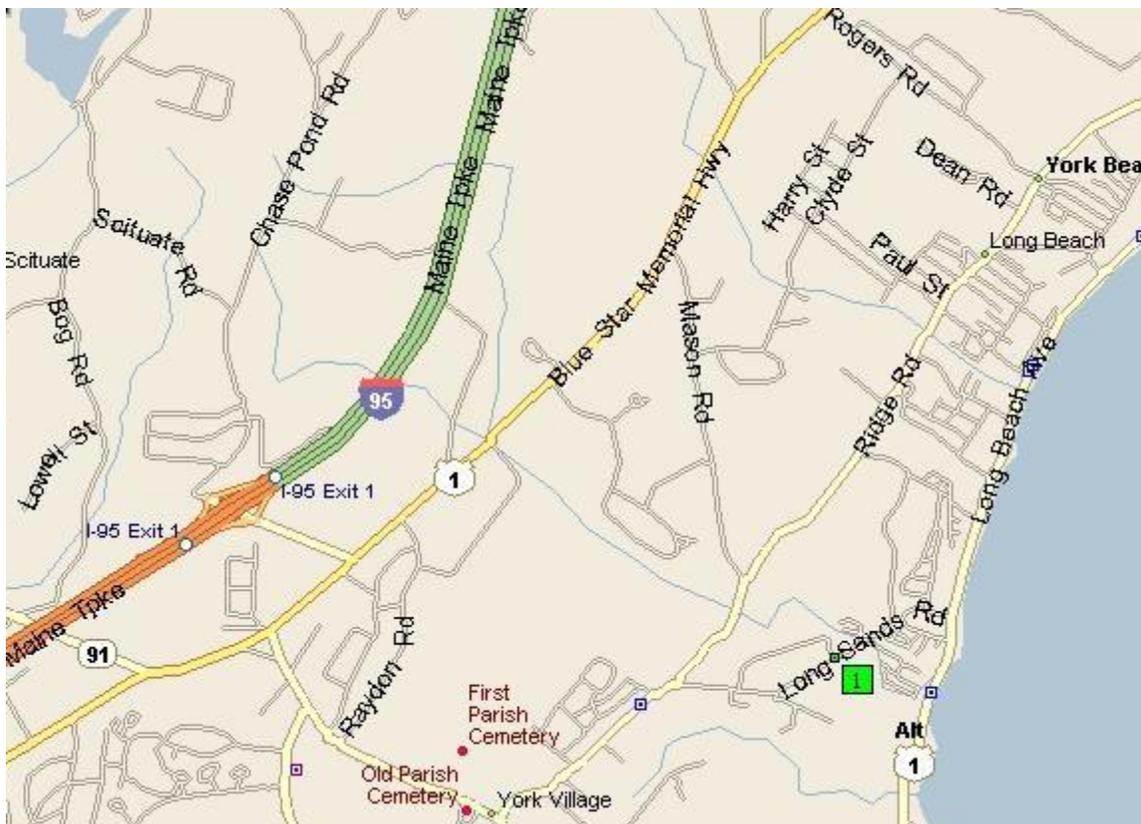
### WATER AND WASTEWATER NEWS

#### LEAD ARTICLE FEBRUARY 2007

January 24, 2006

By Henry Albro and Tim Haskell

The Community of York, located on the southern coast of Maine enjoys a steady year round population as well as a great deal of tourism. York is known for its beautiful coastal scenery, historical background and proximity to outlet stores. Many visitors to Maine make York their first stop along the way and stop to visit popular locations such as the York Harbor and York Beach.<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Officially named York in 1642 after the fall of the loyalists, York has transformed and grown to become a very wonderful community. The Town's historical records state that the first sidewalks and public sewers were constructed in York Beach Village. The evolution of the governmental structure of York has seen the development of sub-towns incorporated under separate governmental entities. The maintenance of separate services and the passage of time have resulted in a combined Town Government incorporating these previously separate communities within the present day York.

<sup>1</sup> York, ME historical information collected from the official York Maine website [www.yorkmaine.org](http://www.yorkmaine.org).

The York Sewer District, established in 1951, operates the public sewer collection system and wastewater treatment facilities. The YSD operates a system of gravity collection systems with lift stations that have been constructed and expanded over the years. York has developed comprehensive plans for growth and the expansion of services, including public sewers.

In 1999 the YSD began to look at two new sewer service areas known as Long Sands and Cow Beach. The combined project areas service 262 homes and an elementary school.

## **Design Approach**

The project areas were placed under design review and cost evaluation. The Cow Beach area was commissioned to the local engineering firm of Anderson-Livingston. The Long Sands project was commissioned to the engineering firm of Weston & Sampson.

## **Cow Beach**

The YSD originally requested designs showing a conventional gravity approach with a central pump station for the Cow Beach area. Due to the proximity of existing structures and the topography, it was necessary to locate the pumping station in a "Shore land Zone" near environmentally sensitive areas and near a beach area that was prone to flooding. During the planning stages the Planning Board and Zoning Board rejected this location. The gravity sewer designs also presented another set of issues. Several deep cuts of 18-20 feet in solid ledge would be required to maintain gravity flow over 600 linear feet. Due to these factors design costs alone were over \$50,000 dollars. This seasonal community would be severely affected by this type of construction. It became clear that the current approach was far too costly and many design and construction obstacles remained to be settled. The project budget of \$1.8M was clearly unreasonable and another alternative had to be found.

Sewer Superintendent, Tim Haskell had formerly operated Low-pressure sewer systems in Amesbury, MA and saw this technology as a possible way to make sewer service affordable for these projects. The District clearly wanted to explore and verify the cost options of gravity sewers and low-pressure sewers. A requirement of the SRF funding was that alternative methods be evaluated to provide the best cost alternative.

The YSD requested the designers modify the existing plans to show a low-pressure sewer alternative. The low-pressure sewer utilizes smaller diameter pipelines that are installed below the frost depth. The wastewater is transported through these lines by individual household grinder pumps. It was believed that the LPS technology would provide a substantial cost savings.

The added cost to revise the engineering plans was approximately \$9,000. The District supported this cost and was the only engineering amount added to the assessments. The original gravity sewer design cost was not placed on the resident's assessments. Local review by the Planning Board and Zoning Board were not required on the LPS system, as the individual house pump stations were not considered structures, since only the top few inches are exposed. All piping for the project was in the right of way and again did not require any in depth review. Now the District had a viable project with no more environmental or planning issues to solve.

## **Long Sands**

Complete "conventional" sewerage for this area was expected to require pumping in some areas. The low-pressure sewer technology was deemed to be the most effective means to accomplish this. Cost comparisons were made with (4) four lift stations as an alternative in order to provide full gravity sewer service to the homes. At an estimated cost of \$85,000 each, pumping stations were quickly ruled out. The YSD chose to continue with their plans to use LPS and gravity as their design approach. Therefore the design of this project was based on a hybrid approach with gravity

sewers utilized in areas of higher lot density and where standard construction methods could be used. Areas that were more difficult to service with gravity sewer were designed with low-pressure sewer technology. Approximately 80 of the 200 properties to be serviced in this area would be serviced by grinder pumps.

## Construction Planning

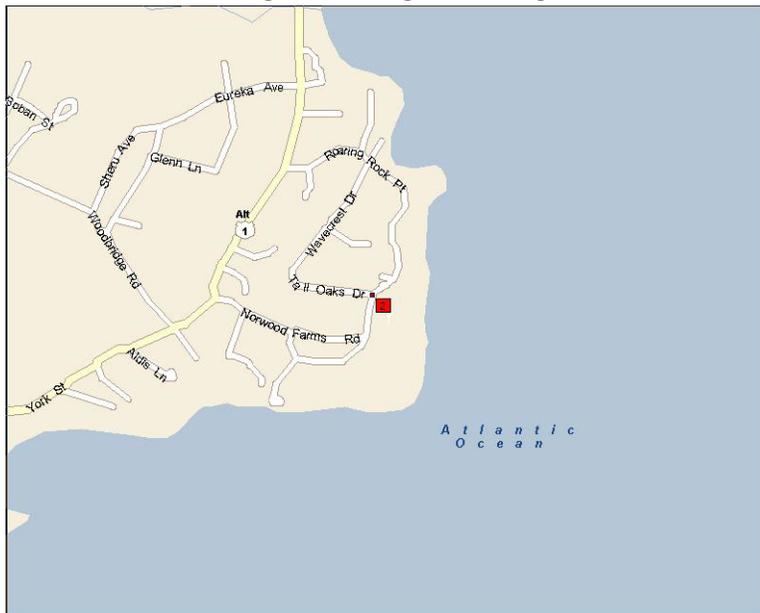
The YSD developed a public notification plan to review the alternatives and to provide public education to the citizens. In the fall of 2001 the District began scheduling a series of public meetings to discuss the sewerage options with the residents. Presentation of the LPS technology to the residents began in January of 2002. A citizen advisory committee inspected several existing LPS systems to evaluate the long term performance and reliability of this technology. After review of the project cost benefits and evaluation of the reliability of existing systems the York Sewer District moved forward with establishment of its first LPS system.

While low-pressure sewers have a long and well documented history, the YSD was embarking on something new. The YSD had to make some decisions regarding the scope of involvement and how this system would be managed and operated. It was decided to have the YSD manage the selection, installation and maintenance of grinder pumps within the service areas. The District reviewed the performance history of LPS systems.

The YSD decided to standardize the low-pressure system's grinder pumps to one manufacturer and developed bidding specifications to meet their needs. The YSD was approved to utilize a sole source purchasing by the Maine DEP in order to achieve this goal. A two-year contract was awarded to Environment One Corporation through the local representation of F. R. Mahony & Associates, Inc. The contract included the delivery of 160 grinder pumps to the District. The sewer construction was modified to meet the new design.

## Cow Beach

The Cow Beach Project included 62 grinder pumps and 6,381 feet of LPS mainline and 7,165 feet of LPS service lines. The total construction cost for this project including the installation of the pumps was \$868,607.50. The District saw a noticeable savings as the engineer's original estimate for this project was \$1,875,000. The average cost per foot



of LPS main and service lines was \$51.60 per foot. The pump installation cost per home was \$2,650.00. The Cow Beach area was completed in a 5 month timeframe under a compressed seasonal construction plan.

## <sup>2</sup>Cow Beach Unit Costs for Mainline Work

3-Inch LPS Main	1602 LF	\$20.00
3-Inch LPS in Ledge	1600 LF	\$49.00
2-Inch LPS Main	1882 LF	\$17.75
2-Inch LPS in Ledge	1279 LF	\$47.00

## Cow Beach Unit Costs for Service Line Work

1-1/2- Inch Service	3,770 LF	\$19.75
1-1/2-Inch Service in Ledge	2,815 LF	\$41.50
2-1/2-Inch LPS Service	0 LF	\$16.755
2-1/2 Inch LPS Service in Ledge	580 LF	\$48.00

## Cow Beach Unit Costs for LPS Appurtenances

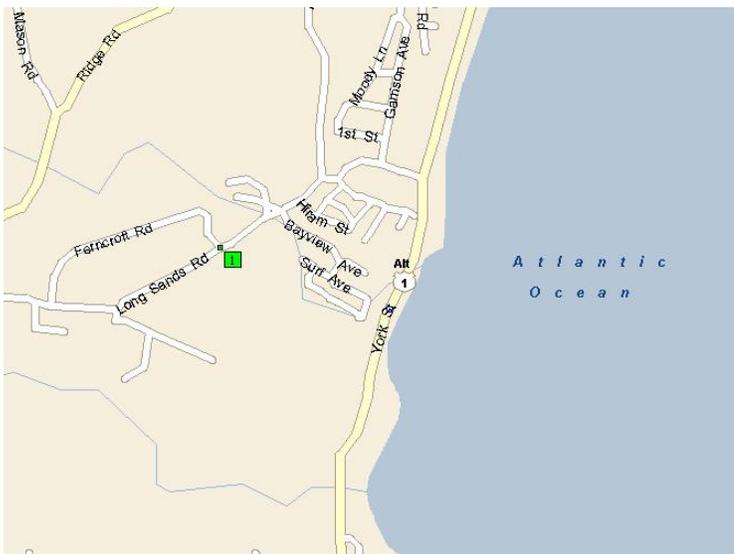
Flushing Manhole	8 Each	\$350
Flushing Manholes in Ledge	15 Each	\$475

<sup>1</sup> Bid tabulations from Payment Requisition Form

Other unit pricing included items such as paving restoration, loam and seed work, test pits and other typical construction pay items.

## Long Sands

The Long Sands project area was found to be more conducive to a hybrid combination of gravity and low-pressure sewers.



The terrain and higher lot density in the Long Sands area made it easier to serve portions of this area with gravity sewers.

This area was served by a mix of 8 and 10-inch gravity sewers and 2 and 3-inch PVC LPS mains. 113 gravity sewer services and 81 household grinder pump installations were included in the final scope of supply. The Long Sands project also included several Public Works improvements that were included in the construction contract. The YSD included road improvements, water line improvements and

replacement of box culverts that accounted for \$300,000 of the total project cost.

## <sup>3</sup>Long Sands Unit Costs for LPS Mainline Work

3-Inch LPS Main	1800 LF	\$18.00
3-Inch LPS in Ledge	1675 LF	\$44.00
2-Inch LPS Main	1500 LF	\$16.00
2-Inch LPS in Ledge	2700 LF	\$43.00

### **Long Sands Unit Costs for Gravity Mainline Work**

8-Inch PVC 0-12 feet	3,600	\$38.00
8-Inch PVC 0-12 feet in ledge	4,250	\$60.00
10-Inch PVC 0-12 feet	1,100	\$40.00
10-Inch PVC 0-12 in ledge	1,250	\$65.50
10-Inch PVC >12' in ledge	1,030	\$77.50

There were again several other key bid items that are standard with sewer construction and are too numerous to list here. These included such items as, 590 sewer manholes, 900 feet of 6-inch forcemain, roadway restoration items, etc. The total project cost of \$2,038,833.84 resulted in an overall average cost per pipeline foot of less than \$71.

### **Grinder Pumps**

During construction, the staff of the York Sewer District was provided with installation and service training at their Bay Haven Road Wastewater Treatment facility. The staff of the YSD took an active role in the oversight of pump installation and start up. Pumps were delivered to the WWTF in bulk deliveries and taken to resident's homes for installation by the general contractor. Each pump start up was controlled by the YSD and verified by service staff of F. R. Mahony & Associates.

It should be noted that the low-pressure sewer portions of each project included the installation of the grinder pump and service for each property.

### **Conclusion**

The project enjoyed an overall success. In the words of Tim Haskell "this was a textbook case for low-pressure sewers". The greatest obstacles faced by the District were the work of private property installations. Defining the scope of bidding for each property clearly made for a difficult task. The wide range of landscaping from home to home proved to be a challenge. While intended as a means to provide uniform costs to each resident and to gain the lowest installation cost, it was hard to satisfy all of the resident's expectations of lawn and yard restoration. The District will most likely look at this policy with greater scrutiny for future projects.

The York Sewer District is quite pleased with the project results and the cost savings to the system's users. The project was completed on time and under budget. The resultant average cost per home was \$14,500 including the installation of main lines, service laterals, and pump installation on the Cow Beach Project.

The average per property cost on the Long Sands Project was approximately \$11,000 dollars, mainly due to the higher density of homes to share the costs.

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<sup>3</sup> Bid tabulations from Payment Requisition Form.

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## **MAIN STREET/SHORE ROAD SEWER EXTENSION**

The Main Street and Shore Road Project was officially terminated during the Summer of 2007 due to high costs and lack of support for the project.

## **LONG BEACH PUMP STATION UPGRADE**

The District has completed the upgrade of the Long Beach Pump Station. This station dates back to the early 1970's and pumps approximately 80% of the total wastewater flow of the Town. All internal mechanical equipment was replaced to current standards and additional pumping capacity was added. The overall investment in this upgrade was just under one million dollars and was completed in April of 2009.

Originally this station pumped a maximum amount of 2100+/- gallons per minute. The station will now pump over 4000 gallons a minute, which is almost 5.8 million gallons per day. Even with this substantial increase in capacity the station can not keep up with extreme wet weather conditions due to the addition of drain water through the use of sump pumps and direct connections. By adding water that does not need to be treated system capacities are exceeded which lead to over flows at manholes. Any known drain connections to the sewer system should be disconnected to protect the health and safety of all residents.

## **CAPE NEDDICK RIVER TESTING**

The District has always strived to maintain strict control over our treatment process and to treat discharge waters as thoroughly as possible. In fact, some of the wastewater discharge limits are more restrictive than drinking water standards for water entering your home.

Our receiving waters are a primary concern of the District and over the last few years we have developed a partnership with the Town and the Cape Neddick River Association. Our goal has first been to educate everyone on our process and controls associated with the treatment and discharge of water and then to work together on the improvement of water quality.

The Cape Neddick River Association has donated countless hours of volunteer time over the years to collect samples and has on occasion performed water testing in our lab. The District has contributed staff time, equipment, and financial support for the testing programs. The Association had also worked with local boy scouts to perform a river assessment, looking along the banks of the River for indicators of probable sources of pollution. Out of this testing program it was determined that e-coli bacteria was being found in higher concentrations in some areas; however, since e-coli is found in all warm blooded animals and birds, it was difficult to determine the actual source.

The District contributed financial support to hire Dr. Stephen Jones of the University of New Hampshire, to further test samples to make positive identification of the e-coli and determine if the source were human, animal, or foul. The testing was done by examining DNA fragments of the e-coli collected in the watershed. Results of the study and assessment of the watershed all pointed to the need of educating watershed property owners of the affects of water runoff from properties, and the need to hire an additional code enforcement officer to enforce existing Town rules, ordinances, and laws pertaining to buffer areas and septic pumping, etc. To those ends the Town hired a new CEO/Shoreland enforcement officer in 2007. The District continues to support and contribute to the improvement of the quality of the water in and around the Cape Neddick River. Copies of Dr. Jones report are available at the District Office.

## **OUTFALL DIFFUSER PROJECT**

The District discharges treated water into the mouth of the Cape Neddick River. A device that mixes the flow from the discharge with the water in the river and ocean is referred to as a diffuser. The original diffuser was designed in 1974 for the District's outfall pipe, and was a very simple design which provided for minimal mixing. Of course at that time the main goal was to eliminate raw sewerage from being discharged as was the norm for communities along coastal areas and rivers.

Due to various storm events etc. some damage had occurred to the end of the outfall. Since work was being considered on the pipe the District approached the Department of Environmental Protection and requested that a new design be considered which would greatly increase the efficiency and mixing capacity of the diffuser. Since the District is always working hard to maintain the health of the river and ocean, when DEP indicated that a new diffuser design would indeed increase mixing many times over the current design, the decision was an easy one to make.

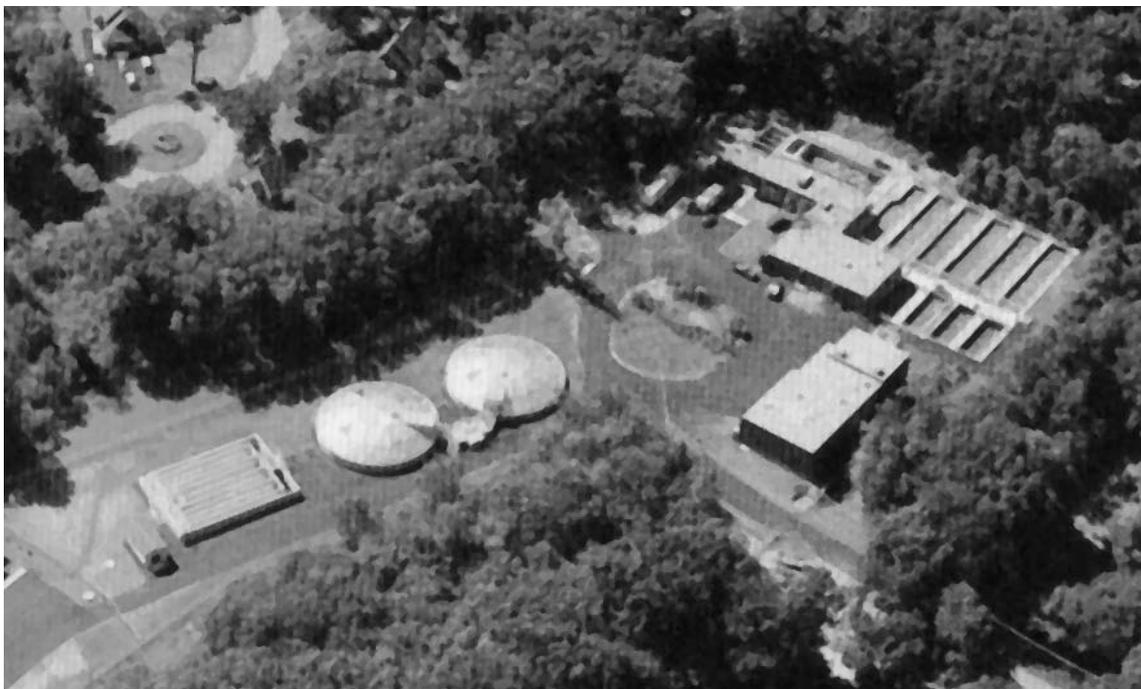
The District invested approximately \$250,000.00 dollars in its effort to protect the health of the river.

Replacement of the diffuser was completed late Spring of 2007.

## **TREATMENT PLANT OPERATION**

The District operates and maintains a system of piping to collect wastewater and pump stations to transport this water to a treatment facility located in York Beach. The treatment facility uses a biological process to naturally remove various components in the wastewater. Biosolids removed during the treatment process are recycled and put to environmental use such as compost material. A description of the process utilized and the plant expansion of the early 1990's follows.

# **YORK SEWER DISTRICT WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY UPGRADE**



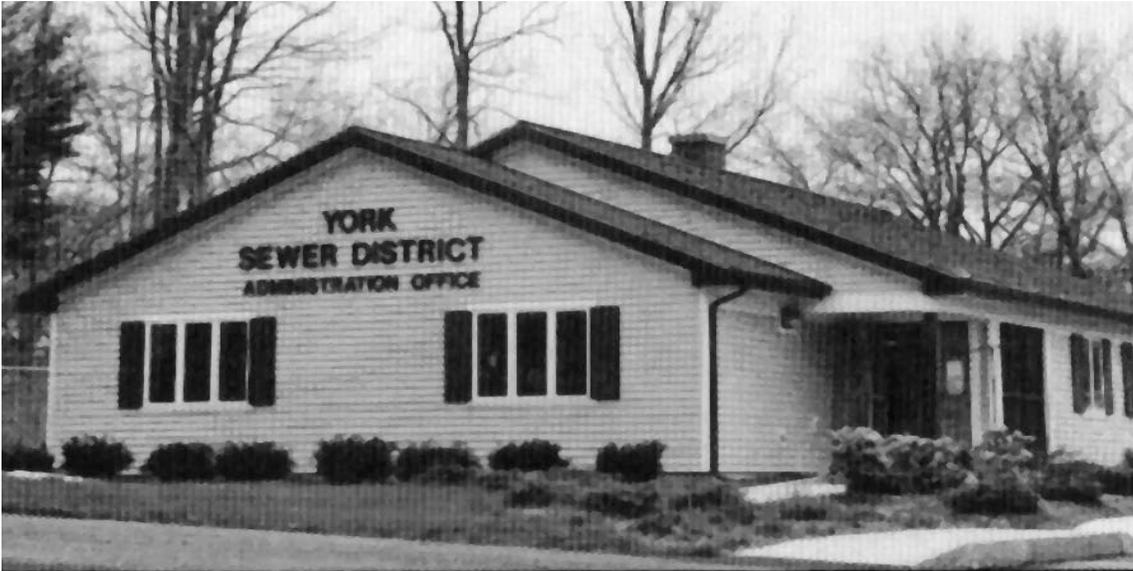
## **Background**

The Town of York has been a summer resort area for many years, and has seen moderate growth in both the year-round and seasonal populations. Since the mid-1980's these populations have increased substantially.

The original secondary treatment plant was constructed at the current site in 1975. It was designed to treat an average daily flow of 1.6 million gallons per day (mgd) and a peak flow of 4.5 mgd. The treatment facility was designed

to serve York for approximately 20 years; however, due to the increased population growth of the 1980's, flows to the facility had reached design levels by 1990.

In 1990, the York Sewer District, which owns and operates the treatment facility, obtained the services of Wright-Pierce Engineers to design an upgraded facility at the existing site. In 1994, the new facility went on line, providing treatment for an average flow of 3.0 mgd and a peak flow of 7.5 mgd.



## **PROCESS FLOW**

### **A. Headworks**

In the headworks wastewater receives preliminary treatment by mechanical screening and grit removal prior to flowing to the aeration basins. Preliminary treatment is provided to protect downstream piping and equipment from damage and plugging, and to reduce the quantity of grit collected in the aeration basins.

### **B. Aeration Basins**

From the headworks wastewater flows to the existing aeration basins where bacteria provide secondary treatment by breaking down wastes and converting it to cell mass (sludge), water, and CO<sub>2</sub>. This biological treatment requires air which is introduced into the aeration tanks by aeration blowers and fine bubble ceramic diffusers.

### **C. Clarifiers**

From the aeration basins the wastewater flows to two new 70 foot diameter clarifiers each covered by an aluminum dome. In the clarifiers, sludge settles to the bottom of the tank and clarifier wastewater flows out to the chlorine contact tank for disinfection. A portion of the settled sludge is pumped back to the aeration tanks to maintain the bacterial population and a portion is wasted to the sludge holding tanks.

### **D. Disinfection System**

From the clarifiers, treated wastewater (effluent) flows to the chlorine contact tanks where liquid chlorine is introduced to disinfect the effluent. Before the disinfected effluent is discharged to the ocean in Cape Neddick, sodium bisulfite is added to remove any residual chlorine that was not used during the disinfection stage.

#### **E. Sludge Pumps**

The return sludge pumps return activated sludge from the clarifiers to the aeration basins. The sludge can be returned to the headworks, the aeration splitter box or directly to the aeration tanks.

#### **F. Waste Pumps**

The waste sludge pumps, waste excess sludge generated during the biological treatment of the wastewater and pump the sludge to the sludge holding tanks.

#### **G. Belt Filter Press Feed Pumps**

The belt filter press feed pumps feed the sludge stored in the sludge holding tanks to the belt filter press which dewateres the sludge prior to disposal.

#### **H. Dewatering System**

The dewatering system is comprised of a two meter belt filter press, polymer feed and lime stabilization system. This system reduces the volume of sludge that must be disposed of.

#### **I. Plant Water System**

The plant water system provides washwater to the belt filter press, to hydrants located around the treatment plant and to a foam control system located in the aeration tanks.

#### **J. Influent Pumps**

The majority of the wastewater flow coming to the treatment facility is pumped to the plant by the Long Beach Pump Station. The gravity portion of the flow enters the treatment facility at the influent pump station where it is pumped to the headworks. In addition, belt filter press filtrate and spray wash water flows to the influent pump station.

#### **K. Sludge Holding System**

Excess sludge generated during the biological treatment of the wastewater is wasted to the sludge holding tanks where the sludge is stored until it is dewatered by the belt filter press. The sludge is aerated while it is stored to prevent odors and to further stabilize the sludge.

The District encourages anyone who is interested, to take a tour of the facility to better understand how the water is treated. Tours can be arranged by contacting the York Sewer District at 207-363-4232. Group tours can also be arranged.

# Boards & Committees

# TOWN OF YORK

## BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS

*We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to all of our Volunteers who dedicate many hours to the town through service on Boards and Committees. You make York the wonderful community that it is.*

### Appeals Board

Michael W. Swant (2012)  
John M. O'Brien (2011)  
John D. Kraus (2010)

Joseph Carr (2010)  
Robert Lascelles (2011)

Leon Moulton (2010)  
Elizabeth Bardwell (2011)

### Assessment Review Board

Leon Moulton

Robert Lovo

### Budget Committee

Dawn Sevigny (2011)  
Stephen Samborski (2010)  
Charles Steedman (2010)

Fred Weston (2012)  
Robert E. Palmer (2011)

Jerry Allen (2012)  
Domenic Tringale (2012)

### Cable TV Regulatory Commission

Ralph M. Davison (2010)

Mike Segroves (2012)

### Conservation Commission

David Tibbetts (2010)  
Linda Scotland (2010)

Ana Gray (2012)  
Janet Schaffer (2011)

Harry Kluger (2010)  
Dr. Charles Ott (2011)

### Harbor Board

Mike Sinclair (2012)  
David Gittins (2012)  
William Cone (2011)

Richard Mirick (2010)  
Jeffrey A. Donnell (2010)

Joseph Donnelly (2012)  
David P. Webber (2010)

### Historic District Commission

Gary Glynn (2011)  
Robert Cutts (2010)

Scott Fiorentino (2012)  
Thomas Green (2013)

Richard Schoff (2010)                      Kurt Hulstrom (2012)

### Historic Markers Committee

Barrie Munro,

Stephen O'Shaughnessy

Alan D. Junkins

Betty A. Ford

### Municipal Social Service Review Board

Ala Reid (2012)  
Alyssa Brown (2010)  
Katherine Henderson (2011)

Diane Kleist (2010)  
James Smith (2011)

Maureen Byrne (2012)  
Karen Wight (2010)

### Open Space Committee

Mark Simonds (2009)

Leon Moulton (2008)

Doreen McGillis

### Parking Committee

Joseph Lipton  
Sarah Finigan

John H. Spear  
Lorri O'Brien

Diane C. Spear

### Parks & Recreation Board

Brenda S. Knapp (2009)  
Ron McAllister (2010)

Mike Modern (2013)  
Heidi Hayes (2010)

### Athletic Fields Committee

Eric Lusty  
Salvatore Sala  
James Dunn

Gordon Lewis  
Troy Harrison  
David Klein

Kevin Sweeney  
Michael Ehrenborg

**Planning Board**

Tom Prince (2012)  
Tom Manzi (2012)

Lewis Stowe (2010)  
David Woods (2010)

Torbert McDonald (2010)  
Todd Frederick (2012)

**School Committee**

Laurie Coffenberry (2010)  
Marilyn Zotos (2011)

Timothy Fitzgerald (2012)  
Mary Jane Merrill (2010)

John D'Aquila (2012)

**Senior Citizens Advisory Board**

Rita Alaimo (2011)  
Edith Sissa (2010)

Sidney Boardman (2009)  
Jeannette McGrath (2012)

Bruce Rennie (2011)      Eileen Gmelch (2012)  
Jutta Brulek (2012)

**Shellfish Conservation Commission**

Stephen Pelletier (2010)  
David Webber (Ex-Officio)

Timothy Sheehan (2009)  
Stanley Zajechowski (2011)

Joseph E. Foote (2011)

**Sohier Park Committee**

Frank Kalwell (2010)  
Brenda Knapp (2012)  
Brian Ross (2012)

Lorraine Moulton (2012)  
Sally MacGorman (2010)  
Evelyn Lipka (2012)

Edith Sissa (2011)  
Edward MacGorman (2010)

**Tax Task Force Committee**

Thomas Camicelli (2012)  
Sheila Chaney (2012)  
Ex Officio Members: Margaret McIntosh, Treasurer

Edwin Frasier (2010)  
Cliff Estes (2011)

Leonard V. Dorrian (2010)

**TV Station Crew**

Bill Ferin      Fred Knox      Peter Blanchard

Arthur Miner      Steve Ratigan

**York Beach Ball Park Committee**

John Welch

**York Harbor Site Design Review Board**

Joseph Dominguez (2012)  
Todd Frederick, Planning Board Representative (2009)

Ron Hayes (2011)

Joseph Donnelly (2012)

**York Housing Authority**

Jud Knox (2010)  
Ellen Baldwin (2010)  
Ted Little (2012)

Jane Morris (2011)  
Robert Palmer (2010)  
Sarah Newick (2009)

James Gambrell (2011)  
Jane Sweeney-Beecher (2013)  
Tina Johnson (2011)

**Resident Members:**

Rosemary Poulin  
Nina Hollingworth

Gloria Oppici  
Eileen Gmelch

Paul Brouker  
Louis Spagnolo

## **BOARD OF APPEALS**

*Submitted By: Mike Swant*

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The year 2009 was another busy one for the Board of Appeals. Residents and local property owners disagreed with the Code Office and Planning Board on a large variety of matters. The majority of those who disagreed sought relief from the Board of Appeals in the form of an Administrative Appeal. This year the Board heard 16 of these requests, six of which were granted and ten denied. Some of the primary elements of the appeals that were granted included definitions of a structures and sanitary facilities, the York River low water channel, and even the Town ordinance treatment of chickens and rodents. Those that were denied dealt with items such as lot coverage by structures, domestic well permits, structure expansion and setbacks in the Shoreland Overlay District, and public easement vs. private ways matters.

The year also saw requests for General Variances, Reconsiderations of prior decisions, a Special Exception and a Superior Court Remand issue. Of the four Variance appeals heard, three were denied and one granted, with all of them dealing with Shoreland/Wetland issues. There were four Reconsiderations requested - two were found not to have met the requirements for rehearing and the remaining two were heard with no change to the original decision. The Special Exception was denied in that the Board had no jurisdiction to grant the request and the Superior Court Remand was sent back to the Code Enforcement Office with instructions from the Court.

As is always the case, the job of the Board is to interpret the written Statutes and Ordinances of the State and Town and to apply the specific facts of each individual appeal in the context of those regulations. In each matter that comes before the Board, five Members will make their own individual interpretation of the elements involved and then a simple majority will prevail. With the wide variety of Appeals that the Board has dealt with recently, a number of Ordinances have been found to be poorly structured and difficult to interpret fairly and equitably. In those instances, the Board has requested that Town staff review the language and propose changes and clarifications subject to voter approval.

If you are a person who would like to express your opinion and serve your community at the same time, please consider applying for our open Associate Member position. To get a better sense of the variety of Appeals that the Board deals with, watch the proceedings on Channel 3 at 7:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month. We would welcome your assistance.

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

*Submitted By: David Tibbetts, Chairman*

The Conservation Commission has been dedicated to protecting and preserving the environment and the quality of our natural resources. We are active in our capacity as advisors to the Town Boards in addressing the issues that will impact the natural resources, wildlife, and the biodiversity within our community.

To help with the Water Quality Testing Program being conducted by the Town's Code Enforcement Office and the Parks and Recreation Department, the commission provided funding and volunteers to do water sampling throughout the summer along our beaches and rivers.

The Commission visited all five conservation easements held by the Town of York. Inspection reports for each easement were submitted to the Town Planning Office.

As part of regional project to improve air quality and reduce wasteful energy consumption, we purchased “No Idling, Clean Air Zone” signs that now can be seen at several location around town. Thanks to the assistance of the environmental group at the York High School, “Gang Green”, these signs are being placed at several of our school’s loading and unloading areas. These signs were designed by the Seacoast Women’s Giving Circle and appear throughout coastal communities in southern Maine and New Hampshire. For more information about idling you can go to this website: [http://www.seacoastwomengive.org/no\\_idling\\_faq.html](http://www.seacoastwomengive.org/no_idling_faq.html)

The purple loosestrife control program continued this past year with more releases of *Galerucella* beetles. We have been working with the US Fish and Wildlife Service, Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge for nine years as a conservation partner to reduce these invasive plants that degrade our wetland habitats.

The York Library received funding from the Commission to continue to build on their nature and natural resource section of the library. As a results “Nature,” a prominent and leading science journal, is now available in the magazine section of the library.

Supporting a grant proposal, we provided a letter to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation pledging our assistance to help control invasive plants in York. The grant would be focused on stopping the spread of exotic plants that are now being found in the southern Maine and would work towards public awareness and education of several of the most aggressive species. This grant is still pending.

A letter of support was provided to the River, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program of the National Parks Service to help the York Land Trust develop a management and recreational trail plan for their Highland Farm property. Their proposal was approved.

Keeping a healthy environment will ensure sustainable resources such as air, water, food, building materials, and recreation. Our local economy as well as our personal health depends on it.

## **MUNICIPAL SOCIAL SERVICES REVIEW BOARD**

*Submitted By: Ala Reid, Co-Chairman*

The Municipal Social Services Review Board reviews applications for financial support from social service agencies that provide services to local residents and work cooperatively with town departments. The Social Services Review Board makes recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

In the fall of 2008, fourteen eligible agencies requested \$35,690, and increase of three organizations. After review and discussion the Board recommended a total of \$35,050 for thirteen agencies.

Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee approved a warrant article for May 2008 that was overwhelmingly approved by the voters.

# **ENERGY STEERING COMMITTEE**

*Submitted by: Jeff Beaudoin, Chairman*

In fiscal year 2010, York has continued to make progress in the path to becoming more energy efficient.

In May 2009, the town voted to allow small wind turbines to be used on residential and municipal properties. Although certain height and sound restrictions do apply, this was a great step towards lowering the total carbon footprint of the town.

On the same ballot, the town also voted to approve a budget of \$100,000 for the use of energy efficiency updates in town buildings. The Town of York Energy Steering Committee (YESC) was then formed to determine how this money would best be spent. The YESC has since calculated the total carbon footprint of all the town owned buildings. To date, a list of buildings that would benefit most from an upgrade has been determined and will be presented to the Selectmen for a final decision as to where the upgrades will be made.

In November 2009, the YESC applied for a template grant of \$10,000 from Efficiency Maine. If awarded, the committee decided these funds would best be put towards future data collection efforts. Data collection of the upgraded buildings is very helpful in showing if and by how much the improvements made are working as expected. As of late January, the committee has yet to hear if the template grant has been awarded.

In December 2009, the Selectmen voted to join the KEYS region Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant. The purpose of the grant is for home owners to take out low interest loans for the purpose of performing energy upgrades to their homes. The potential total amount of the block grant is \$500,000 and would be shared among the joining towns. Action by the state of Maine and the KEYS group is expected to happen in Spring of 2010.

The town of York has made great strides in the past year in working towards conserving energy of all kinds. The town understands the need to lower our carbon footprint and will continue to do so in the future.

## **PLANNING BOARD**

*Submitted By: Lew Stowe, Vice Chairman*

The York Planning Board has had a very active year. This was a transitional year for new members, with the departure of Barrie Munro and Glen MacWilliams, both of whom had extensive knowledge, and the arrival of Tom Prince and Torbert MacDonald as alternates, who also have extensive knowledge of the town and are a great asset to board. These changes were tied to it being only the second year for several regular members, Lewis Stowe, David Woods and Todd Fredrick. Basically, the Planning Board has all new members learning their roles and interpreting the ordinances. The only long-term member is Tom Manzi, who has been the Chairman for the last two years.

The usual schedule for the Board is to meet twice a month, for a review of applications on the second Thursday, and a workshop on the fourth Thursday. The workshop meetings are designed to discuss proposed changes to the Town of York Ordinances and changes to the Comprehensive Plan. Both of these documents must be in agreement to be in compliance with the State statutes. The Planning Board is also guided by the Site Plan and Subdivision Regulation documents over which the Board has the authority to make changes as necessary.

This year, the Board has made changes to the meeting format in order to make them more efficient. Chief among these was the institution of meeting time limits, so that meetings could no longer run to 1:00 AM.

This year, the Planning Board was given two major programs to study, both tied to the York Beach area, i.e. the York Beach Center traffic pattern/infrastructure improvements, and the start of the planning process for the York Beach Project area involving over 300 acres of open space, which is expected to take two to three years. The latter project has resulted in one additional Thursday meeting per month. With the requirement of site visits, the Board is averaging four meetings per month.

The current recession has limited applications for new residential subdivisions to only two. There have been several nonresidential site plan applications presented, but actual implementation has been delayed due to the impact of the economy. The majority of these site plans were on the Route 1 corridor, involving changes to existing sites including Bournival Dodge, Stonewall Kitchen, Myles Franey Landscaping, and Eldredge Lumber, to name just a few. Recent plans presented were for Yorke Fields at the Interstate 95 entrance to York, approved Walgreen construction at York Corners, and the new addition to York High School. Major achievements for the year, relative to ordinances changes, were centered on numerous Affordable Housing amendments.

The Planning Board has been very supportive of the Community Development Director's effort to streamline the ordinances, application procedures, and the proposed revisions of Use and Dimensional Standards that are being proposed for 2010.

The Planning Board continues to have a Public Input segment at the start of each meeting. We welcome input from the public on any subject. In fact, we encourage citizen input to assist us in making our process more efficient and comprehensive, and to contribute to a positive outcome for landowners, business owners, and all the residents of the Town of York.

## **TAX TASK FORCE**

*Submitted By: Len Dorrian, Chairman*

Our committee's role is to analyze, describe and publicize the impact of the Town and School proposed budgets on the coming fiscal year's real estate taxes. We use an average taxpayer's perspective – the change they will see in their August real estate "tax bill". Our goal is to inform York residents of this impact *before* not after the May vote.

The Select Board, the Budget Committee, and the School Board determine the merits of Town and School individual spending proposals. In contrast, the Tax Task Force functioning as the "Taxpayers' Committee" provides property owners a voice in the public debate on the appropriate aggregate level of real estate taxes.

We do provide Town and School officials a taxpayer impact guide when they prepare their annual funding requests. For operating fund increase this year (FY2011) we recommended a percentage increase in taxes of no more than 3.5%, for capital fund a 1% increase. Both are full percentage point less than FY2010. Because the Tax Task Force adheres to the principles it developed in 2005, this reduction is the maximum we can recommend this year. Our consistent approach has served York taxpayers well; the record shows that over the past five years the percentage increase in taxpayer burden has been less and less every year. Our commitment - this trend will continue.

It should be emphasized that our percentage increase guide is not a target; it is a worst case "not to be exceeded" constraint. We recognize that many in York face difficult economic times. Accordingly, for FY2011 the Tax Task Force recommends that any increase in the overall level of real estate taxes should be limited to that absolutely required for the effective delivery of essential Municipal services. We anticipate that the Town and School funding requests will be considerably less than the percentage our guide proscribes (3.5% operating, 1% capital).

# **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

*Submitted by Charles Steedman, Chairman*

The Budget Committee of seven elected members meets once a month from April through January to report on its mission of monitoring Town and School Department budgets. Prior to the monthly meeting, committee members meet with Town, School and Public Library officials to look into the details of revenues and expenditures. Two members of the committee serve as liaison with the Town Manager and Finance Director. Two more work with the School Department, and one follows the budget of the Public Library.

In February and March the committee holds hearings on the details of Town and School Department budgets for the forthcoming fiscal year. In what are called “dollars-to-task” votes toward the end of the hearings, the committee either approves proposed amounts for each line item or has the option of raising or lowering these amounts. In practice, after closely questioning Town and School authorities, the committee very seldom sees the need to make changes. However, in considering the Fiscal Year 2010 budgets in January 2009, the committee did send the budgets back for further cuts in light of the downturn in the economy and a sudden dip in revenues.

Recent state legislation on school district consolidation required different procedures for the approval of the School Department budget in both 2009 and 2010. While the Budget Committee conducted hearings on the budget as thoroughly as it did in the past, it was not authorized to make any changes. This responsibility fell to the School Committee and to a Town Meeting in May, a requirement of the new legislation. The conclusion of the process was a simple up-or-down vote on the entire budget at the May referendum. Voters will have an opportunity to opt out of the new system and return to the procedures of the Home Rule Charter, in either May 2010 or May 2011.

The new members elected in May 2009 were Jerry Allen, Dominic Tringale and Fred Weston. At the first meeting of the new committee, Charles Steedman was elected chair, Robert Palmer was chosen as Vice Chair and Steve Samborski became Secretary. Dawn Sevigny is completing her second year on the committee.

# **YORK HOUSING**

*Submitted by Patricia Martine, ED-Director*

The mission: To provide Safe, Clean, Affordable Housing

**Number of Residents Served: 156**

Applications on Wait List: 142

Services Available:     Transportation, Housekeeping, Meal Program,  
                                  Hair Salon, Recreational &  
                                  Service Coordination.

Funding Sources:     Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
                                  Maine State Housing Authority  
                                  Northern New England Investment Fund

Payment in Lieu of Taxes paid to Town of York:     Average \$50,000

York Housing Authority is a non-profit housing provider that has been meeting its mission since inception in 1978. Over the last few years it has increased its housing stock from 32 units of Section 8 Housing to 136 units that serve all levels of income for the over 62 Senior population.

Our basic menu of services includes transportation, housekeeping and a meal program that allows our residents to remain independent as long as possible. With Social & Recreational Services in place we have watched a healthy community grow over the last 30 years.

Last year we began the process of upgrading the walking paths on the Village Woods property. We were fortunate to have received a donation and a day of service from the York Rotary Club to jump start this community project. Phase 1 of the walking paths was completed in October 2009. The paths will be completed in the spring and open to the public in the summer.

Much time and energy is being spent focusing on the Workforce housing market. A dream we hope soon to be realized will be to provide an offering of affordable homes or rentals primarily for those who work in the community. With the proper tools we can supplement the housing market with affordable choice. Having diversity and balance is one very important sign of a healthy community.

For more information please see our website [www.yorkhousing.info](http://www.yorkhousing.info)

Or call our office at 363-8444

## **HARBOR BOARD**

*Submitted by Joey Donnelly, Chairman*

During 2009 the Harbor Board completed the applications and submittals to the State as required to rebuild and expand Town Dock #1 . We worked with our Code Enforcement Office to improve the current and future lighting arrangements for those using the dock and winch, while minimally affecting the surrounding neighbors.

Through a joint effort with the York Harbor Lobsterman's Association, we now have a new and much more substantial hoist at Town Dock #1 that will be reinstalled on the new dock at its completion.

Approximately 80 feet of new floats have been built and are currently stored on Strawberry Island . They are awaiting the spring return of our Harbor Master to be placed in the south basin. These floats continue to draw interest from mooring holders as an alternative to the obsolete bow & stern moorings set in the 1980's. All of the new float space has been reserved for the 2010 season.

Early in the 2009 season former Assistant Harbor Master Don Day was appointed as our new Harbor Master with two Assistants, John Bridges and Joe Hogan.

Thru the course of 2009 and well into 2010, the Harbor Board held extensive workshops and public hearings to amend and redraft the Harbor Ordinance which will be on our May, 2010 ballot. Most of the changes were made for the purpose of streamlining the mooring waiting list process, and making certain that the Harbor Ordinance and Planning Board Ordinance are in agreement .

# WARRANTS

**TOWN OF YORK  
WARRANT  
SCHOOL BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM  
(20-A M.R.S.A § § 1486 and 2307)  
YORK, MAINE                      MAY 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010**

TO: Douglas P. Bracy, Constable of the Town of York, Maine

Greetings:

You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify and warn the voters of the Town of York, of the referendum meeting described in this warrant.

**TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF YORK:**

You are hereby notified that a school budget validation referendum town meeting will be held at the Robert E. Butler Gymnasium at York High School between the hours of 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon and 8:00 o'clock in the evening on Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2010 for the purpose of determining the following articles:

**ONE:** Do you favor approving the York School budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest school budget meeting? M.R.S.A. 20-A Sec. 1486(3) (F)

YES

NO

**TWO:** Do you wish to continue the school budget validation referendum process in the Town of York for an additional three years?

**Statement of Fact:** The School Consolidation law passed in 2007 mandated that all school districts in Maine use a budget validation process to approve the school budget. This law required York to conduct a School Budget Town meeting where the budget was voted by those present and, following that meeting, sent to all voters in a single referendum question. This single question asked to validate the budget decision made at the School Budget meeting. This process was different from the previously used York Home Rule Charter process that called for school referendum questions in the form of individual warrant articles.

The Legislature has deemed that all School districts in Maine can ask the Voters if they wish to continue this current budget validation process or go back to the budget approval process in place prior to the School Consolidation Law.

A **'YES'** vote on this question would retain the process of the School Budget Town meeting followed by a single budget validation referendum question.

A **'NO'** vote would return to the budget approval process as defined in the York Home Rule Charter. This would eliminate the School Budget Town meeting and return to individual school warrant article questions on the town referendum.

YES

NO



**Statement of Fact:** This is the Town's contribution to the Seacoast Shipyard Association, which works to ensure the existence of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and maximize its opportunities for growth and development.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (3-2).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$1,000**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$0**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**SIX:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$822,197 for Debt Service** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$822,197**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$374,334**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**SEVEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$2,000 for Unemployment Costs** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The Town is self-insured and pays unemployment claims as they arise. Any unspent funds from this account may be carried forward to future years because expenditures are unpredictable.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$2,000**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$5,000**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**EIGHT:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$407,000 for Property, Health Contingency, Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$407,000**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$394,000**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**NINE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$3,535,588 for the Police Department, Communications, Animal Control and Harbor Management and to authorize the Selectmen to expend any revenues received for dispatching and other Public Safety services** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

<u>Department</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>
Police	\$2,848,540.	\$2,923,310.
Communications	\$ 524,938.	\$ 518,564.
Animal Control	\$ 36,000.	\$ 41,517.
Harbor Management	<u>\$ 54,121.</u>	<u>\$ 52,197.</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,463,599.</b>	<b>\$3,535,588.</b>

**Statement of Fact:** The Town of York provides dispatching services for the Town of Ogunquit and PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) E911 service for several surrounding towns, for which the Town will receive approximately \$306,000. In addition, the Police Department provides private contract services for which it expects to receive approximately \$110,000 in revenues and additionally \$10,000 in COPS grant money to apply to this budget. These revenues are in addition to the budget request shown in this article.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$3,535,588**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$3,463,599**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$80,000 for the Vehicle Replacement Account for Police Vehicle and Academic Reimbursement** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

<b>Budget Item</b>	<b>FY2010</b>	<b>FY2011</b>
Police Vehicles	\$ 78,000.	\$ 78,000.

Academic Reimbursement     \$ 2,000.     \$ 2,000.  
**Total**                             \$ **80,000.**     \$ **80,000.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**Statement of Fact:** This warrant article groups requests that are the same dollar amounts year-to-year. In an effort to reduce the number of warrant articles, it includes the regular replacement of police vehicles and a reserve account for reimbursing certain educational expenses.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
 Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$80,000.**  
 A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$80,000.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**ELEVEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$884,514 for the York Village and York Beach Fire Departments and for Volunteer Firefighter Training** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Department

	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>
Village Fire Dept.	\$ 440,061.	\$444,974.
York Beach Fire Dept.	\$ 416,067.	\$419,740.
Volunteer Firefighter Training	<u>\$ 19,800.</u>	<u>\$ 19,800.</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 875,928.</b>	<b>\$ 884,514.</b>

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
 Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$884,514.**  
 A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$875,928.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWELVE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$853,500 for Hydrants for Fire Protection** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
 Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$853,500.**  
 A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$853,500.**

**THIRTEEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$7,500 for Public Access Broadcast** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** This is the only funding that provides for stipends for cameramen, repairs and maintenance of broadcast equipment.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
 Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$7,500.**  
 A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$5,700.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**FOURTEEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$40,000 for a one-year contract with the York Ambulance Association** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The Board of Directors of the York Ambulance Association has contracted with the Town to provide emergency services to offset operating expenses.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
 Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-0-1).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$40,000.**  
 A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$40,000.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**FIFTEEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$2,666,359 for General Maintenance of Town Roads and Bridges, Tree Care & Planting, Streetlights and Signals, Traffic Lights, White Goods Disposal, Solid Waste Disposal, and Household Hazardous Waste Disposal and expend any revenues received** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

<u>Department</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>
Gen. Maintenance Town Roads & Bridges	\$1,137,440.	\$1,155,549.
Tree Care & Planting	\$ 26,910.	\$ 27,010.
Streetlights and Signals	\$ 127,715.	\$ 130,000.
Traffic Lights	\$ 1,800.	\$ 2,050.

White Goods Disposal	\$ 71,945.	\$ 72,750.
Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 1,173,600.	\$1,250,000.
Household Hazardous Waste Disposal	<u>\$ 27,000.</u>	<u>\$ 29,000.</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,566,410.</b>	<b>\$2,666,359.</b>

**EIGHTEEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$25,000 for the continuing construction and paving of Bell Marsh Road** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$ 2,666,359.**  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$2,566,410.**

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$25,000.**  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$25,000.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**SIXTEEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$1,114,954 for FY11 Winter Maintenance and Snow Removal and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer to transfer an amount not to exceed \$100,000 from the unappropriated Fund Balance in the event winter weather conditions necessitate an over-expenditure of budgeted funds for the purpose of winter maintenance** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**NINETEEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$492,600 for the paving of Town Roads** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$1,114,954.**  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$1,104,645.**

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$492,600.**  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$492,600.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**SEVENTEEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$24,000 for a Parks 4WD Pickup Truck** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**TWENTY:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$121,122 for the Maintenance of School Grounds and Athletic Fields** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** This replaces a 2000 Dodge Ram Pickup Truck with mileage in excess of 130,000 as of March 2010.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$121,122.**  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$117,840.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$24,000.**  
A **NO** vote authorizes an appropriation of **\$0.**

**TWENTY-ONE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$559,468 for the Maintenance of Town Buildings, Grounds and Beaches** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$559,468**  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$544,799**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- TWO:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$25,250 for the Mt. A Conservation Coordinator** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The Mt. A Conservation Coordinator is responsible for grant development and management, overall supervision of the Mt. A trails system, planning trail management, and directing trail remediation crews. In addition, this position coordinates support and donations in the amount of \$35,760 from regional environmental groups, the York Water District and the town of South Berwick to cover the total cost of the position, which is \$61,010.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$25,250**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$25,250**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- THREE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$37,076 for Maintenance of the Short Sands Park Bathhouse** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$37,076**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$37,077**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- FOUR:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$439,314 for the Operation of the Library** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line

item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The library is continuing to increase offerings to the community in the form of programs, additions to the collection, wireless use, inter-library borrowing, and York citizens continue to increase their use of the library's programs and services.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$439,314**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$428,793**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- FIVE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$260,035 for the Senior Citizens' Center and General Assistance Program** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$ 260,035**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$251,194**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- SIX:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$32,500 for Senior Citizen Transportation** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** This article provides partial funding for the salary and benefits for the driver in the program. The other costs are covered by fees collected from those who use the transportation service and by donations which together are estimated to total \$11,500.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote: 1) authorizes a tax appropriation of **\$32,500** as proposed by the Budget Committee and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all revenues generated by the Senior Citizen Transportation Program in FY 2011, which are estimated to be **\$11,500**.

A **NO** vote: 1) authorizes the previous year's tax appropriation of **\$30,000** and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all FY 2011 revenues generated by the Senior Citizen Transportation Program.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- SEVEN:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$36,200 for Social Services and authorize the Board of Selectmen to reduce this amount, if recommended by the Social Services Committee**, and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

<u>Agency</u>	Amount Recommended by the Social Services Committee
Aids Response Seacoast	\$ 1,500.
American Red Cross	\$ 2,800.
Caring Unlimited	\$ 3,000.
Child Abuse Prevention Council	\$ 900.
Crossroads House	\$ 2,000.
Home Health/Visiting Nurse of So. Maine	\$ 3,000.
Hospice of York	\$ 1,200.
Southern Maine Agency on Aging (Note: Includes Southern Y.C. Meals on Wheels)	\$ 8,500.
Southern Maine Parent Awareness	\$ 1,000.
York County Community Action Corp.	\$ 5,000.
York County Shelters, Inc.	\$ 3,000.
Counseling Services	\$ 2,800.
Ethel's Tree of Life, Inc	\$ 500.
York County Food Rescue	\$ 1,000.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 36,200.</b>

**Statement of Fact:** The Board of Selectmen appointed a Social Services Committee that reviews all of the Social Service requests from agencies serving York residents. This list is a compilation of the committee's recommendations plus \$1,000 for York County Food Rescue, which was not included in the Social Services Review but was recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$36,200**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes an appropriation of **\$0**.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- EIGHT:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$42,160 for the Board of Selectmen, Veterans' Graves, Cemetery, Cable TV Regulatory Commission, Conservation Commission, Historic District**

**Commission, Recycling Committee, Shellfish Commission, Appeals Board, Budget Committee, and Planning Board** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

<u>Committee:</u>	<u>FY 2010</u>	<u>FY 2011</u>
Board of Selectmen	\$ 12,730.	\$ 12,730.
Veterans' Graves	\$ 3,000.	\$ 3,000.
Cemetery	\$ 4,000.	\$ 4,000.
Cable TV Regulatory Comm.	\$ 400.	\$ 400.
Conservation Commission	\$ 2,830.	\$ 2,830.
Historic District Commission	\$ 1,040.	\$ 1,040.
Recycling Committee	\$ 1,000.	\$ 1,000.
Shellfish Commission	\$ 1,725.	\$ 1,725.
Appeals Board	\$ 6,535.	\$ 6,535.
Budget Committee	\$ 100.	\$ 100.
Planning Board	\$ 8,800.	\$ 8,800.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 42,160.</b>	<b>\$ 42,160.</b>

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$42,160**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$42,160**.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**TWENTY- NINE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$123,640 for the Recreation Department and authorize the Selectmen to expend all revenues generated by the Recreation Programs** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** This Article represents that portion of the Recreation Department budget supported by tax appropriations, which fund the 1.5 full-time positions necessary for administration of the program.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1).

A **YES** vote: 1) authorizes a tax appropriation of **\$123,640** as proposed by the Budget Committee and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all revenues generated by the Recreation Programs in FY 2011, which are estimated to be **\$419,000**.  
A **NO** vote: 1) authorizes the previous year's tax appropriation of **\$122,402** and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all FY 2011 revenues generated by the Recreation Programs.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRTY:** Shall the Town appropriate **all revenues generated by the Grant House at Goodrich Park, Mount**

**Agamenticus, and Sohier Park, which are estimated to be \$296,600, for the operation and maintenance of the aforementioned properties** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** This request represents no expenditure of tax dollars.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes the expenditure of all revenues generated in FY 2011, which are estimated to be **\$296,600**.

A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's expenditure of all FY 2011 revenues.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**THIRTY-ONE:** Shall the Town appropriate **9.5% of the revenues generated by parking ticket collections and parking permits to pay the cost of cleaning and maintaining the bathhouse at Harbor Beach** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The Town maintains the bathhouse at the Harbor Beach and this article allows those costs to be covered by beach revenues rather than by tax appropriation.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes the expenditure of 9.5% of the revenues generated by parking ticket collections and parking permits in FY2011, which are estimated to be **\$14,135**.

A **NO** vote authorizes the expenditure of FY2011 revenues generated by parking ticket collections and parking permits, which are estimated to be **\$14,135**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**THIRTY- TWO:** Shall the Town fund **the Beach Reserve Account with 14% of the revenues generated by parking meter collections and 4.5% of revenues generated by parking permits and parking ticket collections** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The Board of Selectmen determined that revenues collected from parking meters can and will be expended for qualified beach projects and therefore the Beach Reserve Account will be funded by 14% of revenues generated by parking meter collections and 4.5% of revenues generated by parking permits and parking ticket collections, estimated to be **\$30,000**.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes the expenditure of 9.5% of the revenues generated by parking meter collections, parking ticket collections and parking permits in FY2011, which are estimated to be **\$30,000**.

A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's expenditure of revenues estimated to be **\$30,000**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**THIRTY- THREE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$65,000 for the purpose of conducting a Mosquito Control Program for FY2011** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The previously adopted Mosquito Control Program has been enhanced to include tick-borne diseases. This is a community-based program designed to minimize human risk by utilizing various prevention strategies.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$65,000**.

A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of **\$65,000**.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**THIRTY- FOUR:** Shall the Town appropriate up to **\$100,000 from the Town's Fund Balance for the Supplementary Contingency Account if deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** If approved by voters, up to \$100,000 from the Town's fund balance will be available by majority vote of the Board of Selectmen to be used only for emergencies and opportunities which are unknown to the Board at the time of budget preparation, and which are recognized as Town responsibilities or are deemed by the Board to be in conformity with the Comprehensive Plan or latest Capital Plan.

Examples include (but are not limited to):

- A down payment or earnest money for securing unusual buying opportunities for parcels of land, buildings, or significant capital assets; to hold such potential purchase under contract until the next viable opportunity to offer the choice to the voters in a referendum;
- Unforeseen and therefore unbudgeted environmental or weather related repairs or precautions;

- Unusual or unpredicted spikes in the costs of materials or goods regularly purchased by the Town and declared essential by the Board.

In an uneventful year, it would be expected that none of the available money would be expended.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an appropriation from the fund balance of up to **\$100,000** if necessary to cover supplementary contingencies.

A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation from the fund balance of **\$100,000** if necessary to cover supplementary contingencies.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRTY- FIVE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum estimated to be **\$4,436,580 consisting of the estimated revenues listed below for FY2011 and apply such funds to the FY 2011 Tax Commitment?**

Auto Excise	\$2,600,000.
Boat Excise	\$ 27,000.
R/E Interest	\$ 117,000.
Town Clerk Fees	\$ 93,000.
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 55,000.
Plumbing Inspection Fees	\$ 30,000.
Appeals Board Fees	\$ 3,500.
Lien Administrative Fees	\$ 2,500.
Ordinance Fines	\$ 2,000.
Meter Collections	\$ 190,000.
Tickets/Meter Fines	\$ 105,000.
Parking Stickers	\$ 84,500.
Bad Check Charges	\$ 700.
Ellis Park	\$ 29,000.
Revenue Sharing	\$ 475,000.
Gas Tax Refund	\$ 12,000.
General Assistance Reimbursement	\$ 9,000.
Investment Interest	\$ 200,000.
Cable TV Franchise Fees	\$ 155,000.
Map Sales	\$ 250.
Photocopies	\$ 500.
Local Roads Subsidy	\$ 190,000.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,436,580.</b>

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes the use of **\$4,436,580** to reduce the tax commitment.

A **NO** vote authorizes the use of the previous year's use of **\$4,628,950** in revenues to reduce the tax commitment.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRTY- SIX:** Shall the Town appropriate **\$790,000 from the Fund Balance and apply these funds to the FY2011 Tax Commitment as a reduction in the amount to be raised from taxation**, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an appropriation from the fund balance of **\$790,000** to reduce the tax commitment.

A **NO** vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation from the fund balance of **\$790,000**.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRTY- SEVEN:** Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to **accept grants, donations and aid from State and Federal Agencies, as well as private sources, such as Foundations, Trusts and Individuals** and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRTY-EIGHT:** Shall the Town authorize **amendments to the York Beach Tax Incremental Financing District Development and Work Plan as approved by the Board of Selectmen; said amendments to the development and work plan having been available for review in the Town Clerk's office; and to submit said amendments to the State of Maine Commissioner of Economic and Community Development with such additional documentation as may be necessary for approval of the amendments pursuant to 30A M.R.S.A. Chapter 206?**

**Statement of Fact:** Establishment of the York Beach Tax Incremental Financing District was approved by York voters in 2007 and by the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development in 2008. Included in the original application was a development and work plan outlining how funds generated within the TIF district could be used. These amendments expand the authorized uses for the TIF funds within the district.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRTY- NINE:** Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to **make one of the following decisions for each Tax Lien Acquired Property?**

1. To dispose of the property by allowing the immediate former owner, or the immediate former owner’s estate, to buy back title to the property from the Town. Buy-back of the property shall require: payment of all taxes due plus interest and lien costs; payment of all other costs; and an amount determined by the Selectmen of up to ten (10%) percent of the then current assessed valuation as set by the Tax Assessor; and satisfaction of all other conditions established by the Selectmen.
2. To dispose of the property by public sealed bid auction or other public process.
3. To dispose of the property by conducting a limited public sale among the parties who own property that directly abuts this property.
4. To hold Town title to the property.

The decision of the Selectmen to use any of the above options shall adhere to the Selectmen Procedural Policy for the Disposition of Foreclosed Property.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FORTY:** Shall the Town authorize the Town Treasurer to **waive foreclosure of any tax lien during the 2010 and 2011 calendar years**, said waiver requiring approval of the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen shall grant said approval only in circumstances where foreclosures would prove injurious to the Town of York, such as, but not limited to, the presence of hazardous waste upon the property, or the presence on the property of one or more substandard structure(s) for which the cost of removal or repair would exceed the value of the property?

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL CAPITAL PLAN**

**FORTY-ONE:** Shall the Town (1) approve the **Land Engineering and Site Design work on potential Public Safety Land** and 2) appropriate the sum of **\$200,000** for the cost of this project?

**Statement of Fact:** This article would approve funding for preliminary site design and engineering for construction of a

public safety building. This information will be the basis for a future request to the voters for construction funding for a Public Safety Facility.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A **YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$200,000**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes an appropriation of **\$0**.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FORTY-TWO:** Shall the Town (1) approve a **plan to develop alternative energy solutions for the Town and to create energy conservation projects to help achieve our energy efficiency and conservation goals** and (2) appropriate the sum of **\$100,000** for the cost of this project?

**Statement of Fact:** The Town Energy Steering Committee has been working toward establishing various ways to conserve energy within the Town as well as to determine the feasibility of alternative energy solutions and projects to accomplish these goals. Approval of this article would provide funds for the cost of these continuing efforts.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

**YES** vote authorizes an expenditure of **\$100,000**.  
A **NO** vote authorizes an appropriation of **\$0**.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FORTY- THREE:** Shall the Town (1) approve the **York Street Reconstruction Project**; (2) appropriate the sum of **\$1,000,000** for the costs of the Project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$1,000,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This project involves removing and replacing all undersized/failing road culverts as well as reclaiming 2,100 feet of the existing pavement surface on York Street; 200 feet on Organug Road, the reconstruction of the intersection at Organug and York Street, improvements to drainage, and new sidewalks and paved shoulders.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 1,000,000</u>
Total	\$ 21,499,511

Costs:

At an estimated maximum interest rate of 4.00% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated interest costs of this bond issue will be:

Principal	\$1,000,000
Interest	<u>\$ 420,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$1,420,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$1,420,000.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES\_\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_\_

**FORTY- FOUR:** Shall the Town (1) approve **the North Village Road Reconstruction Project**; (2) appropriate the sum of **\$250,000** for the costs of the project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$250,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This project involves removing and replacing all undersized/failing road culverts. Approximately 5,000 feet of the existing pavement surface will be reclaimed

and if necessary, a binding additive like cement will be added to improve the structure of the road base. The new base will be graded and 6,000 feet of the road shimmed and base-paved. Public Works crews will then clean out the existing drainage ditches and 6,000 feet of surface pavement will be placed and gravel shoulders installed.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 250,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,749,511

Costs:

At an estimated maximum interest rate of 4.00% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated interest costs of this bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 250,000
Interest	<u>\$ 105,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 355,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 355,000.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES\_\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_\_

**FORTY- FIVE:** Shall the Town (1) approve **the Bartlett Road Construction Project**; (2) appropriate the sum of **\$150,000** for the costs of the project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$150,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to

provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This project involves removing and replacing all undersized/failing road culverts. Approximately 4,500 cubic yards of base gravel will be added to the existing 2,500 foot section of gravel road. The new base will be graded and base-paved. Public Works Crews will then clean out the existing drainage ditches and 3,300 feet of surface pavement will be placed and gravel shoulders installed.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 150,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,649,511

Costs:

At an estimated maximum interest rate of 4.00% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated interest costs of this bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 150,000
Interest	<u>\$ 63,000</u>
Total Debt	\$ 213,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 213,000

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FORTY-SIX:** Shall the Town (1) approve the **Josiah Norton Road Construction**; (2) appropriate the sum of **\$250,000** to fund the construction costs of this project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$250,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies),

denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This project involves removing and replacing all undersized/failing road culverts. Approximately 3,000 cubic yards of sub base material and 6,300 cubic yards of base gravel will be added to the existing 2,200 foot section of gravel road. The new base will be graded and base-paved. Public Works Crews will then clean out the existing drainage ditches and 6,700 feet of surface pavement will be placed down and gravel shoulders installed.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 250,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,749,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 4.00% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 250,000
Interest	<u>\$ 105,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 355,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 355,000.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FORTY-SEVEN:** Shall the Town (1) approve an **Open Space project consisting of the acquisition of 31 acres of land fronting on Smelt Brook in the Town of York and a permanent conservation easement on 11 acres**; (2)

appropriate the sum of **\$250,000** as the Town's share of the costs of this project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$250,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

**Statement of Fact:** The York Land Trust has negotiated the terms of a contract with Julia Clough to permanently protect 42 acres of highly developable land with over a mile of frontage on Smelt Brook, a major tributary to the York River. The Town's share of the purchase would be \$250,000, which represents one third of the estimated project costs. The York Land Trust is committed to completing the project budget. The owner of the land is donating a conservation easement valued at \$200,000 on 11 acres of the land. The remaining 31 acres will be owned and managed by the York Land Trust, and it will remain forever undeveloped but open for public use and enjoyment.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 250,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,749,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 4.00% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 250,000
Interest	<u>\$ 105,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 355,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 355,000.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-0-1).

**FORTY-EIGHT:** Shall the Town (1) approve **the Pathway to Route 103 Causeway from the Fishermen's Walk Project;** (2) appropriate the sum of **\$150,000** to fund the construction costs of this project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$150,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This project involves removing the existing pedestrian crossing and crosswalk on Route 103 and constructing a pedestrian pathway under the new bridge. The new path and pedestrian connection to the Wiggly Bridge and Steedman Woods would enhance pedestrian safety at the crossing on Route 103. The proposed project would be more aesthetically pleasing and also better connect Fisherman's Walk, the causeway, Wiggly Bridge, and Steedman Woods.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 150,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,649,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 4.00% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 150,000
Interest	<u>\$ 63,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 213,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 213,000.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FORTY-NINE:** Shall the Town (1) approve **the Ridge Road Reconstruction Project**; (2) appropriate the sum of **\$150,000** to fund the construction costs of this project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$150,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This project involved slip lining the 42 inch culvert pipe under Ridge Road just north of Styles Lane, removing and replacing all undersized/failing road culverts. Approximately 6,000ft of gravel shoulder will be rehabilitated by adding gravel and then paving. 3,000ft of Ridge Road will get a structural overlay. Existing drainage ditches along the road will be cleaned out and the newly paved travel way and shoulders will get new centerline and edge line striping.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 150,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,649,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 4.00% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 150,000
Interest	<u>\$ 63,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 213,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 213,000.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY:** Shall the Town (1) approve **the purchase of the land at Lake Carolyn**; (2) appropriate the sum of **\$75,000** to fund the costs of this project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$75,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This article involves the purchase of a 4.18 acre parcel that encompasses Lake Carolyn, along with an adjacent .77 acre parcel with a combined assessment of \$283,700. The lake would be available for recreational use and the Town would be able to repair the deteriorating dam using previously approved funds.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 75,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,574,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 3.50% for a five (5) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 75,000
Interest	<u>\$ 7,875</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 82,875

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 82,875.

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (4-3).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY-ONE:** Shall the Town (1) approve the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBAs) Air Packs for the York Fire Departments; (2) appropriate the sum of \$300,000 to fund the costs of this purchase; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$300,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** The York Beach and York Village Fire Departments use the exact same SCBAs and National Fire Protection Association standards dictate the need to replace both the air packs and the bottles. The SCBAs provide the only safe way to enter a burning building. They provide a method of breathing while in an oxygen-deficient atmosphere.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 300,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,799,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 3.50% for a five (5) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 300,000
Interest	<u>\$ 31,500</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 331,500

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 331,500

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY-TWO:** Shall the Town (1) approve the purchase of a Heavy Plow Truck for the Department of Public Works; (2) appropriate the sum of \$133,500 to fund the costs of this purchase; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$133,500 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** This is a scheduled replacement of a 2000 International 4900 Heavy Duty Plow Truck/Dump Truck used year-round by the Public Works Department.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 133,500</u>
Total	\$ 20,633,011

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 3.50% for a five (5) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 133,500
Interest	<u>\$ 14,018</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 147,518

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 147,518

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY- THREE:** Shall the Town (1) approve the purchase of a new road grader ; (2) appropriate the sum of \$220,000 to fund the costs of this purchase; and (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$220,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** The primary and only piece of equipment that the Town owns to perform routine maintenance on our roads is a 1979 John Deere 772a Grader. While in for repairs it was discovered that several hydraulic components on the current grader are failing. Purchasing a new grader would be more cost effective than continuing to make major repairs to the aging piece of equipment. A new grader would provide the Town with a reliable piece of equipment for both summer and winter operations.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 220,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,719,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 3.50% for a ten (10) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 220,000
Interest	<u>\$ 48,400</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 268,400

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 268,400

Validity: The validity of the bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh

Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY- FOUR:** Shall the Town (1) approve a school maintenance plant project consisting of installation of a high efficiency boiler at York High School (the "Project"); (2) appropriate the sum of \$150,000 for the costs of the Project; and, (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$150,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: This project involves replacing the existing 1976 boiler and installing a high efficiency condensing boiler system with storage for domestic hot water supply. Direct Digital Controls system will be installed for the boiler plant and domestic hot water plant eliminating the school's outdated pneumatic system. Boiler plant piping will be replaced for increased efficiencies, simplicity, and space saving measures. The boiler plant and domestic hot water system will be integrated into the school's Electronic Building Integration system allowing increased energy savings measures.

**Statement of Fact:** This project will replace the existing Cleaver Brooks boiler system installed in 1976 that has reached the end of its life-cycle (30+years). This boiler will be replaced with a highly efficient boiler system that will reduce costs of energy and improve heating efficiencies. The new boiler system has an estimated payback of seven years or less. Additionally, the school will avoid future repair costs of a boiler that has reached the end of its life cycle.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 150,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,649,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 4% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 150,000
Interest	<u>\$ 63,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 213,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 213,000

Validity: The validity of the bond and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue in not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
School Committee recommends approval (5-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY- FIVE:** Shall the Town (1) approve a **school maintenance plant project consisting of installation of a sewer connection for Coastal Ridge Elementary School** (the "Project"); (2) appropriate the sum of **\$250,000** for the costs of the Project; and (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$250,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: This project includes the installation of a sewer line from Coastal Ridge Elementary School to the existing sewer line in Ridge Road. A subsurface wastewater disposal system has served Coastal Ridge Elementary School since the school was built in 1991.

**Statement of Fact:** The York Sewer District has installed sewer lines in Long Sands Road and the portion of Ridge Road in front of the Coastal Ridge Elementary School down to Little River. The York Sewer District Charter and Maine State Statute 30 MRSA Section 4257 require that Coastal Ridge Elementary School hook up to the existing sewer line located in Ridge Road. A 5-year waiver was granted the school in 2006 and will expire in 2011, requiring the school to connect to the sewer line in Ridge Road.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 250,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,749,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 4% for a twenty (20) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 250,000
Interest	<u>\$ 105,000</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 355,000

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 355,000

Validity: The validity of the bond and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue in not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).  
School Committee recommends approval (5-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY- SIX:** Shall the Town (1) approve a **school maintenance plant project consisting of the construction of a wide-area network for the York School Department** (the "Project"); (2) appropriate the sum of **\$100,000** for the costs of the Project; and (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$100,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: This project funds the installation of a wide area network, referred to as a WAN, installing 4.45 miles of fiber optic cable in order to connect all four schools to a data hub at the Central Office to consolidate

services and Internet connectivity. Currently the York School Department operates 5 separate and discrete local area networks, one in each building, requiring separate configurations, unique addressing schemes, individual servers, firewalls and disparate Internet connections. The creation of a WAN will connect computer networks at York's four schools into a larger working system that would be technologically productive, secure and cost effective.

**Statement of Fact:** There are three reasons to install a Wide Area Network; increased speed, improved security, and the consolidation of services. Security is improved because the school department buildings would communicate directly as opposed to using the public Internet. The Internet connection would be handled through 1 high-speed portal. A WAN would allow the York School Department to consolidate servers, centralize data management and reduce complexity. The school's data would then be more protected, more readily available with faster response time. A WAN would also allow the schools to use off-site data back up in the event of a technical failure protecting the data from physical destruction due to fire, water damage etc.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,599,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 3.50% for a five (5) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 100,000
Interest	<u>\$ 10,500</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 110,500

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 110,500

Validity: The validity of the bond and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue in not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (4-3).  
School Committee recommends approval (5-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY- SEVEN:** Shall the Town (1) approve a **school maintenance plant project consisting of installation of bleachers on the visitors' side of the York High School athletic field** (the "Project"); (2) appropriate the sum of **\$130,000** for the costs of the Project; and (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed **\$130,000** with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: This project funds the installation of aluminum outdoor bleachers seating 400 on the visitors' side of the York High School athletic field at a cost of \$130,000.

**Statement of Fact:** Three years ago, the Voters of York approved the erection of bleachers for 800 spectators on the home side of the York High School athletic field. The field has less than 50 seats on the visitors' side. This project would fund the installation of bleachers for 400 spectators on the visitors' side of the field

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 130,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,629,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 3.50% for a ten (10) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 130,000
Interest	<u>\$ 25,025</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 155,025

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$ 155,025

Validity: The validity of the bond and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue in not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends a NO vote (4-3).  
School Committee recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY- EIGHT:** Shall the Town (1) approve a school maintenance plant project consisting of installation of bleachers in the York High School gymnasium (the "Project"); (2) appropriate the sum of \$120,000 for the costs of the Project; and (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$120,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity (ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: This project funds the replacement of gymnasium bleachers in the York High School gym with new bleachers seating 800 at a cost of \$120,000.

**Statement of Fact:** The existing gymnasium bleachers have reached the end of their useful life and would require extensive structural repairs and upgrade to meet current code requirements if not replaced.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Total Town Indebtedness:

A. Bonds outstanding and unpaid	\$ 15,423,511
B. Bonds authorized and un-issued	\$ 5,076,000
C. Bonds to be issued if the Article is approved	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
Total	\$ 20,619,511

Costs:

At an estimated interest rate of 3.50% for a ten (10) year maturity, the estimated cost of the bond issue will be:

Principal	\$ 120,000
Interest	<u>\$ 23,100</u>
Total Debt Service	\$ 143,100

Total estimated project costs including debt service: \$143,100

Validity: The validity of the bond and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue in not affected by reason of the variance.

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Margaret McIntosh  
Town Treasurer

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

School Committee recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTY- NINE:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$28,000 for Bond Financing Costs and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

**Statement of Fact:** The issuance of bonds carries with it substantial costs of approximately \$28,000. With multiple proposed bondable projects it is not feasible to spread the cost over the various articles, as approval of all articles is not guaranteed and there would not be sufficient funds to cover these costs. If the funds are not needed they would revert to the general fund balance.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$28,000.

A NO vote authorizes an appropriation of \$0.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**SIXTY:** Shall the Town adopt the Five (5) Year Capital Improvements Plan as proposed by the Board of Selectmen?

**Statement of Fact:** The Town Charter requires the Board of Selectmen to adopt a Five Year Capital Improvements Plan. A Capital Improvements item is generally defined as something costing in excess of \$10,000. Approval of this Article does not authorize any expenditure.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**SIXTY-ONE:** Do you favor raising the levy limit of the Town of York municipal budget for the purpose of funding all of the preceding articles of the municipal budget approved by the voters hereunder?

**Statement of Fact:** The state law known as LD 1 requires an affirmative vote to allow a municipality to raise the property tax limit higher than allowed under LD 1. Under LD 1 the maximum property tax levy for the Town of York municipal budget is \$8,843,916. If all articles contained herein concerning the municipal budget are approved, the amount appropriated will be \$9,330,010.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

A YES vote will allow the appropriation of all voter-approved articles.

A NO vote may result in an appropriation less than what has been approved.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**TOWN OF YORK  
SPECIAL GENERAL  
REFERENDUM**

TO: Douglas Bracy, Constable of the Town of York,  
Maine

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of York, in said County, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the York High School Robert E. Butler Gymnasium in said Town on Saturday, the 22nd day of May, 2010, between the hours of 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon and 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on Articles One through Twenty-Five, said Articles being set out below to wit:

**ONE:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **Private Road Improvement Assessment Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance was lawfully enacted by the Town in 1987, and it was intended to permit the Town to make improvements to a private road, completely at the expense of the owners of properties along that private road. The state law referenced in the ordinance has since been amended by the Legislature and the Town can no longer undertake such activity. Because the enabling legislation is now gone, use of this ordinance would now violate state law. Because of this, the ordinance is proposed to be repealed. Its repeal would not change Town policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse affect on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**TWO:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **York Beach Village Corporation Deeds Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance was in effect when the York Beach Village Corporation was in legal existence. The Village Corporation was terminated by the Legislature in 1977, and Village Corporation ordinances at that time became Town ordinances. This ordinance establishes standards for handling of deeds, leases and other such matters, and requires that they be executed by the

Village Corporation's Board of Overseers and the Corporation Manager. Such provisions are now obsolete. Its repeal would not change Town policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse affect on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**THREE:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **York Beach Village Corporation Nuisance Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance was in effect when the York Beach Village Corporation was in legal existence. The Village Corporation was terminated by the Legislature in 1977, and Village Corporation ordinances at that time became Town ordinances. This ordinance was intended to prevent the merchants in the village center in York Beach from displaying their merchandise outside their premises. These restrictions now duplicate the outside display standards of the Zoning Ordinance and are therefore no longer needed. Its repeal would not change Town policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse affect on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FOUR:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **York Beach Village Corporation Private Sales Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance became a Town ordinance in 1977 when the Legislature terminated the York Beach Village Corporation. Following the merger of the Village Corporation and the Town, the Town adopted a Town wide version of this ordinance which is still in effect, titled, "Ordinance for Yard and Barn Sales." This code is essentially a duplicate. Its repeal would not change Town policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse impact on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**FIVE:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **York Beach Village Corporation Purchasing Procedures Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance was in effect when the York Beach Village Corporation was in legal existence. The Village Corporation was terminated by the Legislature in 1977, and Village Corporation ordinances at that time became Town ordinances. This ordinance establishes purchasing procedures. Such provisions are now obsolete because the Town of York Home Rule Charter assigns this responsibility to the Town Manager. Its repeal would not change Town policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse affect on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**SIX:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **York Beach Village Corporation Sundays, Holidays, Etc. Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance was in effect when the York Beach Village Corporation was in legal existence. The Village Corporation was terminated by the Legislature in 1977, and Village Corporation ordinances at that time became Town ordinances. This ordinance allows businesses to conduct business on Sundays and certain holidays. Such provisions are now obsolete because of subsequent changes to State law which now permit most businesses to operate on Sundays and holidays. Its repeal would not change Town policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse affect on the Town, public or local businesses.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**SEVEN:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **York Beach Village Corporation Vehicles for the Sale of Food Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance became a Town ordinance in 1977 when the Legislature terminated the York Beach Village Corporation. Following the merger of the Village Corporation and the Town, the Town adopted a Town-wide version of this ordinance which is still in effect, titled, "Vehicles for the Sale of Food." This code is essentially a duplicate. Its repeal would not change Town

policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse impact on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**EIGHT:** The Town hereby ordains the repeal of the **Health Ordinance** in its entirety.

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance regulates trash, dumps, burning trash, and littering. It most likely dates to the 1940s or even earlier. There is a 1945 revision date noted in Section 1.B. This code is no longer necessary. Trash is regulated by State law and through the Town's Ordinance Regulating Solid Waste Collection, Recycling & Disposal, and littering is regulated by the Littering Ordinance. Because Town Meeting records for 1945 don't indicate any changes to the Health Ordinance, this code was probably enacted by the Board of Selectmen. Given the uncertainty about its enactment, accepted practice calls for the voters to repeal the code. Its repeal would not change Town policy in any way, and it can be repealed with no adverse impact on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**NINE:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Beach Ordinance to eliminate a sentence fragment at the end of Section 12, Effective Date.**

**Statement of Fact:** Section 12 of the Beach Ordinance is a short paragraph which explains when the Ordinance takes effect, and that upon adoption it supersedes any conflicting codes or code provisions. Following this, however, there is a sentence fragment which reads, in its entirety, "The adopting of this ordinance replaces and repeals the York" The Town Clerk's records show that this typo is part of the original source document enacted by the voters. In the following section, Section 13, there is specific language which repeals existing codes. It appears that the repeal language may have been in Section 12 earlier in the writing process, but at some point the author moved it to a separate section of text and failed to fully delete the initial text. Removal of this sentence fragment from the Ordinance does not change Town policy in any way, and this amendment will have no adverse impact to the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**correct a typo in Section 3, Parking, which if interpreted literally would ban daytime parking at Sohier Park.**

**TEN:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Littering Ordinance to amend Section 5.A to fix two typos which define smaller littering violations.**

**Statement of Fact:** The Littering Ordinance provides lesser penalties for smaller violations, and it defines the size of a violation by either the weight or volume of the litter. The small threshold is less than 15 pounds or less than 27 cubic feet of litter, as is clearly stated in the first sentence of Section 5.A and elsewhere in the code. Within Section 5.A, however, the subsequent language is not consistent and needs to be amended to establish internal consistency. In one instance it is a matter of changing the standard from “more than” to “less than,” and in the second instance it is a matter of changing the units of measure. This proposed amendment makes the policy internally consistent. Because the intent of the language seems clear, this amendment should not change the manner in which this ordinance is interpreted and administered, and this amendment will have no adverse impact on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**ELEVEN:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Yard and Barn Sale Ordinance to clarify the purpose and applicability of the code, specifically amending Section 1, Purpose.**

**Statement of Fact:** The Yard and Barn Sale Ordinance is intended to limit the ability of people to create a permanent yard sale at their home, thereby circumventing the zoning standards for regulation of business. This amendment adds language to the Ordinance to make it clear that its restrictions do not apply to commercial auction halls. It also makes minor language changes in the Purpose section to help clarify the intent. Passage of this amendment will not have a substantive affect on current interpretation of this policy and will have no adverse impact on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWELVE:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Sohier Park Ordinance to update municipal references from the York Beach Village Corporation to the Town of York in Sections 6, Liability, and 7, Penalties, and to**

**Statement of Fact:** This ordinance was in effect when the York Beach Village Corporation was in legal existence. The Village Corporation was terminated by the Legislature in 1977, and Village Corporation ordinances at that time became Town ordinances. The administrative provisions of this ordinance need to be updated to reflect the fact that the Town is now responsible for this Park. There is also a typo in the restrictions on overnight parking, which currently ban parking from 1:00 AM until 5:00 in the afternoon. The ordinance should restrict parking only in the middle of the night. These amendments do not change Town policy in any way, and will have no adverse affect on the Town or the public.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**THIRTEEN:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, creating the definition of and standards for a new use of Cultural Facility, specifically amending: Article Two, Definitions; Article Four, Use Regulations; and Article Seven, Special Provisions; Article Fifteen, Parking.**

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to define a new use, Cultural Facility, and establish performance standards for the use. This amendment will allow for cultural facilities to be created in York for the cultivation of artistic and educational pursuits. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**FOURTEEN:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to amend Article Five, Dimensional Regulations, to allow mechanical units to have less stringent setback requirements.**

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to allow ground-mounted mechanical units to be installed with less stringent setback requirements. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**FIFTEEN: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to amend Article Seven, Special Provisions to allow functions on residential lots.**

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to allow certain parcels to host functions, establishing performance standards for them to do so. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**SIXTEEN: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, amending Article Ten, Watershed Overlay Protection District.**

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to shift review jurisdiction of non-conforming use permits in the Watershed Protection Overlay District from the Board of Appeals to the Planning Board. This is consistent with other review authority currently held by the Planning Board for changes of non-conforming use, and therefore provides greater consistency in the administration of the Zoning Ordinance. Passage of this amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).  
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**SEVENTEEN: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Harbor Ordinance to amend Section 4, Mooring Space Assignments.**

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment to the Harbor Ordinance includes changes made to Section 4.C Mooring Space Applications; 4.D Waiting List; 4.E New Assignment Procedures; 4.F Winter Moorings; 4.G Temporary (One Season) Mooring List; 4.H Final Notification Procedure; 4.I Mooring Space Abandonment; 4.J Unused Mooring Space Assignments; 4.K Mooring specifications. This amendment

is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**EIGHTEEN: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Harbor Ordinance to amend Section 1, Definitions.**

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment to the Harbor Ordinance includes four new definitions; Commercial Fisherman, High Water Mark, Low Water Mark, and Mooring Field, and a change to the definitions of Jurisdiction and Moored Float. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town Administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**NINETEEN: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Harbor Ordinance to amend Section 12, Appeal Process.**

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment to the Harbor Ordinance includes some minor changes to the appeal process. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Harbor Ordinance to amend Section 2, Powers of Appointment and Responsibilities.**

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment to the Harbor Ordinance includes some minor changes to Section 2.B.5 of Powers of Appointment and Responsibilities. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY-ONE:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Harbor Ordinance to amend Section 3, Harbor Use Regulations.**

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment to the Harbor Ordinance includes some minor changes to the Harbor Use Regulations; Construction and Alteration of Structures. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY-TWO:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Harbor Ordinance to amend Section 8, Harbor Usage Fees and Schedules.**

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment to the Harbor Ordinance includes changes to the Harbor Usage Fees and Schedules regarding vessel owners with town-owned float systems assignments and commercial fisherman fees. This amendment also includes minor changes in regards to the location of the harbor usage decal placement. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town Administration

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY-THREE:** The Town hereby ordains **amendments to the Beach Ordinance to amend Section 5, Surfing.**

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment creates a safe swim zone on Long Sands Beach that extends from the staircase at Beacon Street northeasterly to the staircase at the Long Sands General Store and two mixed use zones on either side of the safe swim zone extending from the staircase at the Long Sands General Store to the northerly end of the beach and from the staircase at Beacon Street to the Sun-N-Surf Restaurant. The mixed use zone extends the area allowed for surfing but mandates that surfers must wear a surf leash to stay in control of their board and surfers must remain at least 35ft away from any swimmers. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town Administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0).

**TWENTY-FOUR:** Shall a **Charter Commission be established for the purpose of revising the Town of York Municipal Charter?**

**Statement of Fact:** Pursuant to the provisions of M.R.S.A. Title 30-A, Section 2102, the Board of Selectmen has ordered that the establishment of a charter commission be submitted to the voters. If approved, the charter commission would review the municipal charter and issue a final report to the Board of Selectmen with the full text and an explanation of any proposed charter revisions to be submitted to the voters.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1).

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

**TWENTY-FIVE:** Shall the Town approve the **conveyance of a portion of the lot located at 178 Long Sands Road (Map 39, Lot 25), which is owned by the Town and is part of the Town Farm, in exchange for conveyance of a portion of the lot located at 14 Ferncroft Road (Map 39, Lot 27), which is owned by Oliver and Hannah Sweeney?**

**Statement of Fact:** This is a change to the property boundary between the Town Farm property and the house lot belonging to Oliver and Hannah Sweeney. The specific areas are depicted on a survey plan by Anderson Livingston Engineers, Incorporated, entitled, "Boundary Survey for Oliver and Hannah Sweeney, Ferncroft Road, York, Maine," that has been provided to the Town Clerk. The area to be conveyed to the Sweeney's will make their existing house conform with zoning setback requirements, and will permit them to have access entirely around their house for property maintenance and egress. The area to be conveyed to the Town will widen the connection between the front lot of the Town Farm property at 178 Long Sands Road to the back lot of the Town Farm property at 44 Ferncroft Road. At this time the front and back properties are connected by a single point which is only about 22 feet wide. The proposed boundary change would widen this connection to approximately 37 feet, thus improving access to the back portion of the property.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

# CALENDAR OF MEETINGS & OTHER INFORMATION

## REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF TOWN BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

*Meeting times and dates are subject to change. Please check Cable Channel 3 or call the Town Hall at 363-1000 to confirm*

<b>Appeals Board</b>	2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 7:00 PM at York Library
<b>Budget Com.</b>	3rd Thursday each month at 7:00 PM at York Library
<b>Conservation Com</b>	As Scheduled at 7:00 PM
<b>Energy Steering Com</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month at 6:30 PM at York Library
<b>Harbor Board</b>	1st Wednesday each month at 7:00 PM at the Senior Center
<b>Historic District Com</b>	1st Wednesday each month at 5:00 PM at Grant House
<b>Municipal Bldg. Com</b>	As Scheduled
<b>Open Space Com.</b>	As Scheduled
<b>Parks &amp; Rec. Board</b>	2nd Thursday each month at 6:00 PM at Parks & Recreation Office, Grant House, 200 US Route One, York
<b>Planning Board</b>	2nd & 4th Thursday at 7:00 PM at York Library
<b>School Com.</b>	1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00 PM at York Library
<b>Selectmen</b>	<b>Regular Meetings:</b> 2nd & 4th Mondays at 7:00 P.M at York Library <b>Work Sessions:</b> As Scheduled - Mondays at 7:00 P.M. at York Library
<b>Senior Citizens Advisory Board</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the months of Jan/April/July/Oct at 10:00 AM at the Senior Center
<b>Sohier Park Com.</b>	4th Tuesday each month at 6:00 P.M. at the Senior Center
<b>Tax Task Force</b>	As Scheduled
<b>York Housing Authority</b>	2nd Wednesday each month at 9:00 A.M. at the Baldwin Center

### Other Information

**Recycling & Composting Facility:** The Recycling facility on Witchtrot Road is open for the disposal of white goods (metals only), yard waste, waste oil and anti-freeze on **Wednesdays and Saturdays** from **9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.** The facility also has a new Universal Waste Collection Center where universal waste is collected, open the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month except in July and January where it is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday. Materials collected at this center are as follows: Computers/Electronics: monitors, televisions, desktop & floor copiers, printers, scanners, fax machines, CPU's, laptops and other related computer items; Batteries, Ballasts and Mercury containing devices as well as fluorescent light bulbs. Please call the Public Works office to check on any item you may be bringing to the facility at 363-1011.

**Rubbish & Recycling Pick-up: Household** rubbish and recycling are collected Monday - Friday depending on where you live in York. (Recycling is picked up every other week only). There is no rubbish or recycling collection on Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day. If collection is cancelled due to weather, the day that was missed will be picked up on Saturday, all other collection days will remain the same. For questions on rubbish or recycling pick-up, call the Public Works Office at 363-1010.