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Thank you for your incredible dedication and loyalty over the years!

Henry Williams

Public Works Assistant for the Town of Kingfield 2005-2024

Henry worked in the woods most of the year but when mud season came around, he would make his way out of the woods where he would be hired to sweep streets. This was back when the town used push brooms a loader and a dump truck. (Spring 2005)

Henry performed seasonal work for the town until he was convinced to leave such hard labor behind in the woods to become the assistant in public works in June 2011. Henry has served under three road commissioners and has had his fair share of women (town office staff) bossing him around.

Henry is one of a kind! You will still find him hassling town employees, chatting with the public – residents and non-residents alike, and causing trouble.

We don't miss him as he is still around!

On a side note – for the residents that lived on Henry's winter plow route – your mailboxes are safe – from Henry!



Henry – You have a new task,
which is to eat, sleep, enjoy, repeat.

Enjoy your retirement task!

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Municipal Officers

Historical Timeline

JULY

- ❖ Town Manager job description considered.
- ❖ The Utility Advisory Committee recommends Maine Rural Water for rate setting.
- ❖ The board considers vacated selectmen seat and a determination is made to operate with a four-member board.
- ❖ The board receives updates on streetlights conversions to LED.

SEPTEMBER

- ❖ Public hearing is held to accept grant funds of \$60,000.00 for Mountain Village Farm.
- ❖ Discussion on milling of Riverside Street and West Kingfield Road proven to be nonviable solution.
- ❖ Board accepts a revised Franklin County Hazard Mitigation Plan for Kingfield.
- ❖ Five new members are appointed to the Appeals Board that had been vacated for a five years.
- ❖ There is a temporary change in lobby hours of 9:00am to 3:00pm due to staffing shortage.
- ❖ The Planning Board holds a public hearing for a contract zoning application from Western Maine Housing.
- ❖ New Code Enforcement Officer Ben Chase appointed.
- ❖ Town Manager job description finalized.
- ❖ Board revises policy for Zoom Meetings to clearly define admittance to board meetings.

NOVEMBER

- ❖ Resident shares concerns with towns involvement and funding of MSAD School District 58.
- ❖ Resident raises concerns with gateway parking lot light brightness.
- ❖ Engineer, Robert Lightbody discusses material on recent study of Island Road flooding.
- ❖ Public participation guidelines are reviewed.
- ❖ Marc Edwards on behalf of Natural Resource Council of Maine presents the Maine Trails Bond Initiative (LD 1156) to assist with funding recreational trails to which board endorses.

JANUARY

- ❖ Policy for disposition of tax acquired property created.
- ❖ Village Enhancement Committee (VEC) proposes a news bulletin board and alterations to the Route 16 picnic-area that the board takes no action on.
- ❖ WHCWMM contract zoning election date is set for March 5th.
- ❖ Town electronic sign is discussed.
- ❖ Audra Swanson is hired as the towns tax assessor agent.

AUGUST

- ❖ Concerned residents express concerns about the disconnection of a streetlight on Riverside Street.
- ❖ A wildflower mixture for the area between Rolling Fatties and Riverside Cemetery is approved.
- ❖ The picnic area on Route 16 is deliberated. Board agrees to fix the area back to pre-storm conditions and for the placement of steps. However, parking remains a concern.
- ❖ A federally proposed Wildlife Refuge is not supported by the board for fear it would give up local control.
- ❖ Senator Collins communicates that she is in support of a \$1.5Million dollar bond for workforce housing in Kingfield.
- ❖ Tufts Pond reconstruction has been completed with a construction cost of \$1,115,164.25
- ❖ Property Tax Stabilization program is repealed by the State.

OCTOBER

- ❖ A newly created Selectmen's Manual is adopted.
- ❖ A Pilot Program is discussed with Western Maine Housing.
- ❖ Fuel Delivery/Service bids are awarded.
- ❖ Paul Orbeton resigns from the MSAD 58 School Board.
- ❖ Board continues discussions on staff health insurance.
- ❖ Board approves Village Enhancement Committee request to purchase of 10 cedar benches.
- ❖ The Planning Board presents a contract zoning application and request that the selectboard send it to vote.

DECEMBER

No meetings due to Storms.

- ❖ December 18-19, 2023, rainstorm repairs \$457,900.00 compared to previous rainstorm May 1, 2023, costing \$50,000.00
- ❖ Amanda Viles is hired as the new town treasurer./deputy clerk.

FEBRUARY

- ❖ Town office hours returned to normal 8:00am to 4:30pm.
- ❖ Ben Hitchcock hired as new Code Enforcement Officer.
- ❖ LeeAnna Lavoie the Director of Healthy Community Coalition provides information on promoting health and wellness in Franklin County.
- ❖ Engineer, Robert Lightbody provides the board with updates on construction documents for West Kingfield Road and Riverside Street.
- ❖ New Public participation policy and brochure created.

2024 MUNICIPAL DIRECTORY

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor:

Chairman, Wade Browne (26)
Morgan Dunham (24)
Hunter Lander (25)
Kimberly Jordan (26)
Vacant

School Directors

Mary Nodine (26)
Kimberly Robinson (24)
Benjamin White (26)
Vacant

Kingfield Water District

Chairman, Peter Manning (25)
Michael Kankainen (24)
Thaniel Smith (25)
John Winter (26)
Vacant

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Moderator.....Paul Mills (24)
Town ManagerLeanna Targett (24)
Registrar of Voters/General Assistance Administrator.....Leanna Targett (24)
Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....Shanda Hargreaves(24)
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk.....Amanda Viles (24)
Public Works Director..... Brian Collins (23)
Animal Control Officer..... Paul White (23)
Code Enforcement Officer.....Benjamin Hitchcock (24)
Fire Chief, Warden & Inspector, EMA Director.....Fred Nichols (24)
Health Officer..... Mary Dexter (24)
Wastewater Superintendent.....Travis Targett (24)
Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station Manager.....David Taylor (24)

APPOINTED BOARDS/COMMITTEES

Appeals Board

Chairman, Van Austin (25)
Gary Cheimis (26)
Kathy Houston (24)
Stephanie Rushton (26)
Kate Spardello (25)
Annie Twitchell (Alt) (24)

Ballot Clerks

Republican: Jane Deely (26)
Beverly Moore (26)
Democrat: Patricia Meldrum (26)
Unenrolled: Angela Boyce (26)
Susan Tranten (26)
Warden: Brad Orbeton (26)
Warden: Al Bain (26)

Budget Committee

Chairman, Brad Orbeton (27)
Michelle Beedy (25)
Michael Boyce (28)
Valarie Cheimis (28)
Diane Christen (27)
Terry Coffin (26)
Shannon Garwich (26)
Thomas Hildreth (28)
C. Clinton Knapp (27)
Tammy Paul (29)
Chris Rushton (26)
Michael Spardello (28)
Neal Tranten (23)
Julie Swain (28)
Steven Yates (27)

Planning Board

Chairman, Clay Tranten (27)
Jared Clukey (25)
Susan Davis (26)
Richard Hawkes (26)
Scott Hoisington (27)
Thaniel Smith (26)
Mark Wahl (27)

Recreation Committee

Five (5) Vacancies

Shiloh Pond Committee

Chairman, Kathy Houston (24)
Lynn Duttlinger (24)
Norman Goff (24)
Richard Hawkes (24)
William Jeffries (24)
Stacey McCluskey (24)
Annie Twitchell (24)
Brent West (24)
Rob Woodhouse (24)

Utility Advisory Committee

Chairman, Robert Brown (24)
Daniel Davis (24)
Suzanne Dunham (24)
Peter Manning (24)
Nikki Woodhouse (24)

Village Enhancement Committee

Chairman, Susan Davis (24)
Claudia Diller (24)
Katherine Donnelly (24)
Melissa Hoisington (24)
Judith Lewald (24)
Jan Royall (24)
Vacant

*We need volunteers to serve on committees.
If you have any interest, please contact Leanna at
265-4637; manager@kingfieldme.org or simply fill-
out a committee request form which can be found at:
<https://www.kingfieldme.org/boardscommittees/>
and return to the Kingfield Town Office.*

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January 1, 2024

Dear Friends,

Thank you for allowing me to add my congratulations and gratitude for the positive differences each town and city in Maine makes for its people and ultimately for Maine as a whole. When I travel around the state and visit the various regions in Maine, I see firsthand the differences you all make, the focus you put on excellence, and the helping hands you extend to neighbors. I have learned valuable lessons watching your collaborations with each other. They got the State motto right – Dirigo – because you all certainly do lead the way and exemplify the best of Maine.

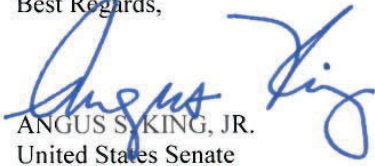
First, it was a true honor to be appointed to the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee this year to help address the challenges facing Maine veterans. We owe our way of life to these brave men and women and share a collective responsibility as a grateful nation to give back to our veterans. That means delivering veterans the benefits they have earned, addressing the veterans' suicide crisis, improving transition-to-civilian-status programs, and ensuring every veteran can access essential services, like affordable housing and behavioral healthcare.

Next, one of the most significant infrastructure projects in Maine history is underway: affordable and universal broadband availability throughout the state. Supported through funding in the bipartisan infrastructure bill, we are now within striking distance of broadband service even in our most rural communities. Additionally, infrastructure improvements in our roads and bridges, water and septic upgrades for our towns and support for our workforce and employers are also in the pipeline. Serious steps are being taken to address the toll from substance abuse and to provide our older neighbors with resources to help them continue to stand strong throughout their golden years. It is my goal here to make sure everyone has access to stable employment opportunities and quality healthcare which is of critical importance to keep our families healthy and happy.

I am thankful for each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. I will do my part to listen to your concerns and work to find useful solutions to the issues you face. My offices throughout Maine remain available to you if you face hurdles with the federal government, whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, tax assistance and more. I hope you will reach out of my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow me the chance to be part of your solutions. Together, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state.

Maine is known for our grit and resiliency and we are making great strides — something others across the country have noticed. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you — it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2024.

Best Regards,


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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to serve the people of Maine in the U.S. Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share an update on issues important to Maine and America.

One of my priorities for 2023 has been to improve the appropriations process in Congress – the way it decides how to spend taxpayer money. I took over as the Vice Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee last year. Along with Chair Patty Murray, we decided the best change we could make was not to do something new. Instead, it was to do something old – that is, go back to the regular and transparent committee process that we used to have.

Part of restoring this process included holding 50 public Committee hearings, which allowed for input from senators on both sides of the aisle. As a result, for the first time in five years, the Senate Appropriations Committee passed all twelve of its funding bills on time. This was done with strong bipartisan support. In fact, seven of them passed unanimously.

Now, we need to work with the House of Representatives to pass these twelve bills and turn them into laws.

These bills contain funding for a wide range of Maine priorities, including support for the workforce at Bath Iron Works and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, our lobster industry, infrastructure improvements, affordable housing, biomedical research, veterans, and heating assistance programs like LIHEAP. These bills also contain nearly \$590 million in Congressionally Directed Spending for 231 projects throughout the State of Maine. These projects would help promote job creation, expand access to health care, and improve public safety, infrastructure, and important resources in communities across all 16 counties of our state. I will continue to work to get these bills signed into law in the new year.

On October 25, the horrific mass shooting in Lewiston claimed the lives of 18 Mainers and injured 13 others. In response, I led Maine's Congressional Delegation in requesting an independent investigation by the U.S. Army Inspector General into the events leading up to the shooting. On December 15, the Under Secretary of the Army wrote to inform me that such an investigation will take place, and the Army Inspector General has instructed her team to immediately begin preparing to conduct this investigation. While nothing can undo the events of October 25, I will continue to work to understand what happened and what could have been done differently, and to find answers for the victims, survivors, and their families.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and this year I honored that work ethic when I cast my 8,855th consecutive roll call vote.

As we look ahead to 2024, I remain committed to addressing the concerns of Maine families and communities. If you need assistance or wish to share your thoughts, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator



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January 2024

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As the second Regular Session of the Maine State Legislature convenes, I would like to thank you for granting me the opportunity to serve Kingfield, and all of House District 73, in the Maine House of Representatives.

The First Regular Session of the Legislature was a busy one, as lawmakers faced many difficult issues and decisions. I believe you will be pleased with some of the accomplishments of the 131st Legislature so far. My colleagues and I were able to pass multiple bi-partisan spending agreements that included supporting hospitals and long-term care facilities, working to stabilize highway and road funding, and improving the efficient delivery of government services. I continue to support legislation that would reduce high-energy costs while shoring up supply resiliency and capacity, as well as procurement and generation priorities. As a member of the Legislature's Joint Standing Committee on Labor & Housing as well as the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, I look forward to continuing my work during the Second Regular Session as we tackle matters that are crucial to our community.

I was elected to the Maine Legislature on the promise to represent you, the people of District 73. To do this, I will be seeking your input regularly and want to hear from you with your comments and concerns. Please call me anytime at **(207) 400-7233** or email at Mike.Soboleski@legislature.maine.gov to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by signing up at the town office or emailing me directly with your request.

Again, thank you for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael A. Soboleski".

Michael A. Soboleski
State Representative

House District 73



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January 2024

Greetings to all my friends in the Town of Kingfield,

As we enter 2024, the Sheriff's Office answered 920 calls for service in the Town of Kingfield in 2023. This is one of the few towns we've seen a consistent level of complaints, and we are happy about it. The trend we have been seeing in other towns countywide includes an increase in mental health calls as well as drug overdose calls. Recognizing that we cannot do it all, we have reached out to various community partners to help us deal with drug issues, mental health issues, and other social needs.

Community Partnerships include, but are not limited to:

- Overdose Prevention Through Intensive Outreach, Naloxone and Safety (OPTIONS program) – This program is funded by the Office of Behavioral Health at DHHS with the goal of keeping individuals alive by providing intensive support post non-fatal overdose. The Sheriff's Office participates as Law Enforcement Agency champion.
- Franklin Community Health Network (FCHN) – The office works closely with our local healthcare system to ensure we're providing the best care for individuals with severe mental health issues or incarcerated individuals with who need medical care outside of the Jail.
- Kennebec Behavioral Health – the Sheriff's Office works to make referrals and support the Recovery Coach work being done in Franklin County
- Healthy Community Coalition (HCC) – HCC is the community health arm of the county and provides programs and services to address some of the biggest health needs. Part of this work is securing state, federal and private foundation funds. Our focus areas include Substance use, Mental Health, Social Needs and outreach and access to care. The Sheriff's Office is involved in many of the community health initiatives from prevention to treatment and is a key partner in many federal grants.

Over the last year the department identified community needs related to safety, violence, and mental health. To help bring additional resources into Franklin County we identified potential federal grants and partnered with the Healthy Community Coalition to apply. Out of the three grants submitted, the Sheriff's Office was awarded two of them.

School Violence Prevention Program

Secured nearly 500,000 dollars grant to improve the safety of our schools by providing technology, equipment, and training. We are partnering with MSAD 53, RSU 9, RSU 73, the Stratton School, and the Rangeley School to complete a school safety assessment, develop a process for improvement based on the biggest needs and highest impact.

C.O.P.S CHP (Community Hiring Program)

With the increase of calls related to substance use, mental health and violence, this program supports additional staff to support the ongoing law enforcement needs of the County. We will be working with the Commissioner's Office to plan how to best implement this program.

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Call Type	Call Total	Call Type	Call Total	Call Type	Call Total
911 Hang up	74	Emergency Mental Health	1	Parking Complaint	0
Abandon MV	2	Escort/Transport	0	Property exchange	1
Alarm	19	Fingerprint Subject	0	Request for phone call	23
Animal Complaint	16	Footbeat	0	Remove Subject	0
Arrests	0	Follow up investigation	0	RX disposal	0
Assist other officer	5	Firearms denial check	1	Road Hazard	8
Assault	2	Fire Alarm	0	Sex Offenses	1
Assist Citizen	12	Found Property	0	SORNA violation	0
Assist other agency	3	Fire, vehicle	0	Special Detail	0
Attempt to locate	0	Fire, structure	0	Security Check	0
Auto theft	0	Follow up investigation	33	School Admin Action	0
ATV/Snowmobile	1	Found Property	0	Shots fired/fireworks	1
Bail/Probation check	1	Harassment complaint	3	Special Detail	0
Background check-firearms	0	Information	11	Suicidal person	1
Burglary	0	Intoxicated Person	1	Suspicious Activity	19
Building Checks	179	Juvenile Offenses	3	Theft/Fraud	12
Civil Issue	8	K-9 Assist	0	Threatening complaint	1
Complaint other	8	Late Report	8	Traffic Control	1
Community policing	14	Lost & Found prop	3	Tree in road	0
Death Investigation	2	Fire/tree/lines down	1	Trespass complaint	4
Dispatch Information	3	Medical Emergency	9	Vandalism	3
Disturbance	2	Missing Person	2	Vio of Bail	0
DHHS Referral	0	M/V accident injuries	8	Vio of Protection Order	0
Disabled MV	9	M/V complaint	30	Warrant Arrest	0
Domestic Disturbance	4	M/V accident no injury	38	Warrant Search	0
Directod Patrol	8	M/V traffic violations	255	Welfare Check	13
Drug law Violation	2	Noise Complaint	0	Warrant/Probation check	4
Elder Check	34	Paperwork Service	13	Weapons Violation	0
Total calls for Service	920				

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Permit Applications were fairly steady throughout 2023 but were down 33% from the previous year. In 2022 39 Building Permits were issued, and in 2023, 26 Building Permits were issued. Of the 26 Building Permits issued, 8 included new houses while the remaining 18 included garages, additions and other accessory structures.

Plumbing inside a building (Internal plumbing) and the installation of septic systems (subsurface wastewater disposal) are controlled, respectively, by the Maine Uniform Plumbing Code and the Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules. Permits are required for all new and repaired internal plumbing that involves the addition of, or change to, any wastewater piping. The installation of a new septic system or the repair of an existing septic system will also need a permit. Internal plumbing and septic systems have to be inspected during installation. A combined total of 18 Internal Plumbing/Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Permits were issued.

Development in Kingfield is regulated by five locally adopted ordinances. These ordinances require that permits be obtained from either the Code Enforcement Officer or the Planning Board for most development. The five ordinances include:

Zoning Ordinance (town wide);
Shoreland Zoning Ordinance (most water-bodies);
Floodplain Management Ordinance
(areas designated on the Flood Insurance Rate Map);
Wellhead Protection Ordinance
(areas on the West Kingfield Road) and
Subdivision Ordinance (town wide).

The location of the property and the type of development will determine which of the five ordinances apply to the project. Please contact Code Enforcement **before** construction starts so that I can work with you on obtaining permits.

Code Enforcement Office hours are generally on Friday mornings but may vary. Often a same day response can be obtained through email at codeofficer@kingfieldme.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben Hitchcock.
Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The past 12 months from 4/1/23 to 4/1/24 Kingfield Fire Rescue has been extremely busy. For the first time in the history of the department we responded to over 100 calls in a 12-month period; ultimately, we responded to 111 calls. This was almost double the call volume we experienced in the prior 12-month period. We experienced 25 calls for service in a 24-hour period during the December 18 flood event, which was also a record for the department.

The department responded to:

- 21 EMS
- 12 Cancelled Enroute / False Alarm
- 02 Tree Removal from Roadway
- 19 Motor Vehicle Accident
- 14 Lines Down
- 02 Lifeflight
- 03 Rescue
- 05 Chimney Fires
- 07 Structure Fires
- 01 Snowmobile Accident
- 02 Assist Law Enforcement
- 03 Public Event
- 02 Smell of Propane
- 03 Basement Flooding
- 05 Flooding/Severe Weather Assessment
- 03 Carbon Monoxide Alarms
- 03 Public Assistance
- 02 Water Rescue
- 01 Vehicle Fire
- 01 Brush Fire

We would like to thank the taxpayers and selectmen for supporting us by allowing the purchase of 8 new 3M Scott X3 Pro air packs. The new air packs are state of the art, and they have the latest safety features to keep our firefighters safe while performing their duties. As part of the purchase, we have increased our in-house training program and over the next year you may see us out doing more training as this will help us keep our community and firefighters safe.

Lastly, I would like to recognize Jerrod Dientes and Alexis Godin in passing their Basic Firefighter and Emergency Vehicle Operator Course. They both went above and beyond by traveling long distances to receive the training and it has made a great difference.

As always anyone who would like to join Kingfield Fire Rescue can inquire at the town office.

Respectfully Submitted,
Fred Nichols, Fire Chief

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The public works department had a productive year maintaining sidewalks, street sweeping, spring cleanup, roadway maintenance, winter plowing, mowing roadsides and ditching. We are also relieved to report that we survived another two storms. The first storm hit May 1, 2023, causing \$50,000.00 in damage which turned out to be minor compared to the storm that hit Kingfield on December 18, 2023. This storm involved the help of many town departments and has an approximate cost of \$478,000.00.

For future projects the selectmen, town manager, engineer and I have been working on plans to partially reconstruct Riverside Street and West Kingfield Road this summer. We have also been working on potential solutions for access on the Island Road. We seem to be having storms every six months that are wreaking havoc on that area leaving homeowners stranded.

A few reminders:

Winter Parking Ordinance - Parking is prohibited on all town streets from 11:00 pm to 6:00 am Between November 15 and April 15. We understand that winter parking can be difficult due to heavy snowfall, limited parking, etc. Our snow removal equipment is relatively large, and it is difficult to maneuver around vehicles located on the side of the road. A vehicle may be removed from the street by order of the Road Commissioner, at the expense of the owner of such vehicle.

Driveway Snow Removal - During the winter months we know removing snow from the end of your driveway can be frustrating. The placement of snow at the end of your driveway cannot be avoided by our snow removal equipment. Also, we would like to remind you there is a state law (29A MRSA 2396) that prohibits pushing snow into the public way. This includes pushing snow across a public street.

Sand for Driveways - Winter sand is available for residents' personal use. Each residential dwelling is eligible for a 5-gallon pail of sand per storm. No stock piling is allowed. Taking pure rock salt is prohibited. The use of municipal sand for the sanding of private roads is prohibited.

Mailbox Damage - The Town of Kingfield does its best during snowplow operations to avoid damaging any personal property. But anything erected or located within the Town's right-of-way is the property owner's responsibility to replace it if damaged during normal snowplow operations.

Street Sweeping - The Town's Street Sweeping Policy states that material must be piled and ready for the start of Street Sweeping. We ask that this is done by April 30th. The Public Works department will remove piles of dirt placed along side of the travel lane (in right-of-ways) for individual property owners who own property on town-maintained roads provided it does not include leaves or large sticks. Any piles placed near the travel lane after the sweeper has completed that section of roadway must be removed by the property owner.

I would like to personally thank Henry Williams for showing me the ropes from day one, for being patient and for being a dependable, hard-working co-worker. I wish you the very best with retirement.

Fee free to contact me by cell phone 880-8091. I welcome any questions or concerns. Our department wants to thank the citizens and businesses for their continued support.

Brian Collins, Road Commissioner

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

This past year the Wastewater department suffered some minor destruction with the past two rain/windstorms adding additional items to the workload. We completed series "b" series pumping of the public system and performed 31 residential pumpings totaling 152,500 gallons. We have assisted the utility advisory committee and Maine Rural Water Association with rate setting that will be forthcoming and have had discussions with an engineer about surveying the flows of our system.

I would like to take this time to remind you of a few items. Properly functioning sewer systems are extremely important for the protection of public health. We are asking all the residents to please be conscious of what is being disposed of down the toilets and sinks of your homes.

Property owners can prevent most backups and blockages by following these steps:

Do not dispose of baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, household cleaning wipes, paper towels, diapers, Q-tips, cigarette butts, dental floss, tampons, applicators, sanitary napkins, eggshells, tissues, cat litter, cotton balls or swabs, prescription or over-the-counter drugs, or coffee grounds through your toilets, drains and garbage disposals. Unlike toilet paper, these products do not break down and once flushed they are likely to clog the plumbing in your house, in your septic system, or in the public sewer system.

Did you know that flushable wipes are not so flushable. Yes they disappear when you flush them, but they really shouldn't be put in the public system. This includes adult wipes, cleaning wipes (Clorox, Lysol etc.) and medical wipes.

Do not pour grease down the drain. Did you know that when grease is put down the drain it will go back to a solid state and plug the sewer lines. Cooking grease that hardens in the sewer pipes and creates a plug causes most blockages. Do not pour grease, fats, or oils down the sink drain. Hot water will not melt fat away, instead, scrape fats, oils and grease from plates and pans into a covered container and put it in the trash.

Did you know that garbage disposals are not allowed if you are on the public system? Put food scraps in the garbage or compost them to reduce the amount of garbage in your trashcan.

When these products make their way into the public sewer system they clump together, causing very large obstructions in the sewer lines. They get tangled in pump stations requiring repair of equipment and causing backups and discharges of raw sewage into basements of homes and businesses, and into bodies of water.

Thank you for your help in this matter. With your help we can reduce the overall maintenance cost and minimize any possible backups in your home and within the public sewer system

If you have any questions please call me on 491-2992.

Respectfully, Travis Targett, Wastewater Superintendent



OFFICE OF ANIMAL CONTROL

As the Animal Control officer between June 7, 2023, and April 17, 2024 I had eight calls for the year, one feral cat, two stray dogs, two skunks, one deceased cat, one abandoned dog and one surrendered mother cat and kitten. I also just completed another eight hours of training and was re-certified as an animal control officer.

I would like to remind residents that they are responsible for their animals. An animal owner can be civilly summoned for Animal at Large, Maine Law Title 7 subsection 3911, if the animal goes onto another person's property, causes damage to property or injury to another animal or person.

I would also like to remind residents to make sure your dog is properly supervised when outside.

Please make sure your dog is on a leash or under your full immediate control.

Please Remember to register your dog(s) this year. Registrations can be renewed after October 15th. Registration of dogs is a requirement by Maine Law, Title 7 subsection 3921. If a dog owner fails to register their dog, the owner can be summoned to a civil court date and face fines as well as paying additional late fees.

Each dog in the household must be registered. If a new dog is brought into the home the dog must be registered if it is at least 6 months of age.

When registering your dog with the town please be sure to update your contact information in case the dog gets loose or we need to contact you, the dog's owner.

I strongly encourage every owner to place their registration tag on the dog's collar. Each tag is issued a number which will help us identify your dog and its home address should the dog become loose or unfound. If we are unable to confirm where the dog may reside or who the owner of the dog is then the dog will be transported to the Animal Shelter. The dog owner then pays a fee to retrieve their animal. So please make sure your dog is always wearing its tag.

Remember to respect your neighbors by keeping your animals off their property.

We also ask that you respect public property by picking up your dog's waste. The town's dog ordinance requires that you immediately remove and lawfully dispose of any feces left by the dog on any street, sidewalk, public owned property, or private house of another. Please be a responsible pet owner.

Finally, I ask that you call me if you need to trap an animal as our traps are easy release traps. Most homeowners do not own easy release traps which makes it more difficult for the homeowner or animal control officer to assist with.

Thank you for allowing me to continue as your animal control officer.

Paul White

TRANSFER STATION

This year I would like to remind you of the hours of operation and how to dispose of some items.

Summer Hours: April 16th – November 14th

Wednesday 7:30 am - 4:30pm

Friday 12:30 pm - 4:30pm

Saturday 7:30 am - 4:30pm

Sunday 7:30 am - 4:30pm

Winter Hours: November 15th – April 15th

Wednesday 7:30 am - 4:30pm

Friday C L O S E D

Saturday 7:30 am - 4:30pm

Sunday 7:30 am - 4:30pm

Serving the following areas: Bigelow Twp.; Carrying Place Twp.; Dead River Twp.; Flagstaff Twp.; Freeman Twp.; Kingfield; Lexington Twp.; New Portland; Pierce Pond Twp.; Salem Twp. and West Freeman Twp.

How do I dispose of Construction Debris?

Construction debris such as demo wood, asphalt shingles, bathroom fixtures, sheet rock, brick and concrete, metal studs, etc. are accepted at the Transfer station. Items should be separated and placed in designated areas. Please see attendant for charges.

How do I dispose of leaves, brush, and grass clippings?

Brush is accepted at the facility as well as leaves and grass clippings for free. There is a designated area for these as they are turned into compost.

Are there other items I can dispose of?

Fluorescent lamps (including compact fluorescents - cfl's), fire extinguishers, automobile batteries and propane tanks. These all have a designated area.

Where can I dispose of items that you do not accept, such as hazardous waste, household chemicals or paint?

These items can be disposed of during our Annual Household Hazardous Waste Day. Household hazardous waste includes the following types of chemicals: Herbicides, pesticides, pool chemicals, solvents, weed killers, and oil-based paint.

Note: Latex paint is not considered hazardous but is a liquid waste and therefore cannot be disposed of with other waste. Latex paint should have kitty litter or sawdust added to it to dry it, and then it can be disposed of with normal household trash.

How can I dispose of Paint? We accept cans of paint. We are a licensed Paint Care drop-off site where you can bring unwanted paint for recycling. This service is available to households, businesses, government agencies, and others with leftover paint. We do not accept aerosol coatings, leaking, unlabeled, or empty containers.

How can I dispose of large items such as refrigerators?

Refrigerators, other appliances, and other large items such as sofas, stuffed chairs, and mattresses, are accepted for a fee. *Refrigerator doors must be removed.*

Can I dispose of used oil?

We accept used oil in its original container or clear containers. This oil cannot be contaminated with any other substance (Gas/water/antifreeze). We reserve the right not to accept large volumes.

Please do not leave your vehicle unattended in front of any containers. Be courteous to others!

Please do not "assume" you can discard other items at the Transfer Station without getting approval from the manager in advance.

If you don't know – ask! David Taylor, Transfer Station Manager

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

Kingfield (Salem and Freeman) residents who are eligible to vote may register at the town office during regular business hours or at the polls on Election Day.

Proof of residency is required at the time of registration. Proof of residency could be a current vehicle registration, lease or rental agreement, utility bill, bank statement, or paystub with your physical address on it. Post office boxes cannot be accepted for proof of residency.

If this is your first time registering to vote in Maine, you must also bring proof of identification, such as a driver's license or other photo ID. You may also register to vote at a branch office of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. You may register by mail with a card supplied by the Secretary of State, but you must enclose a copy of your driver's license. Seventeen-year-olds may register and vote in a Primary if they will be 18 on or before the next General Election.

Only registered Kingfield voters may vote at Town Meeting. If you move within the Town of Kingfield, please let us know so your address is correct in our voting files.

Maine currently has five (5) qualified parties: Democratic, Green Independent, Libertarian, No Labels and Republican.

NEW THIS YEAR: Maine's shifted to Semi-Open Primaries. Meaning if you are unenrolled (having no party affiliation), then you could vote in any party's primary of your choice. This applies to the Presidential and State Primaries.

This means that if you are Republican, you are provided a Republican ballot, if you are a Democrat, you are provided a Democratic ballot, if you are Unenrolled you can choose to vote Republican or Democrat - this does not change your unenrolled status. In March if you were Green Independent, Libertarian or No Labels you were not able to vote in the primary as your parties chose not to participate in the Presidential Primary. Voters enrolled in other parties such as Forward or People's did not have an option to select a ballot. They must either enroll in a qualified party or become unenrolled to participate in the primary.

In Maine, a registered voter may vote by absentee ballot for any reason. Absentee ballots are available 30 days before an election. Voters can request an absentee ballot in person at the town office, by mail, by phone, or on the internet from the Secretary of State's website. Immediate family members may request an absentee ballot on behalf of a family member in person or by mail only. Absentee voting stops three days before Election Day except for certain special circumstances.

REGISTERED VOTERS (as of April 2023)

Democrats.....	254	No Labels.....	000
Forward.....	000	People's.....	000
Green Independents.....	057	Republicans	420
Libertarian.....	002	Unenrolled	294
TOTAL.....	1027		

REGISTERED VOTERS (as of April 2024)

Democrats.....	279	No Labels.....	007
Forward.....	000	People's.....	002
Green Independents.....	067	Republicans	474
Libertarian.....	004	Unenrolled	408
TOTAL.....	1241		

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Kingfield:

The following number of births, marriages and deaths has been recorded in the Kingfield Town Office from July 01, 2023, to April 19, 2024

Births	.....	<u>19</u>
Marriages	.....	<u>14</u>
Death	.....	<u>09</u>

*Town Clerks fees in the amount of **\$10,538.25** were collected from the various transactions listed below:*

Snowmobiles	141	@	1.00 each	.....	<u>\$141.00</u>
Nonresident Snowmobiles	43	@	1.00 each	.....	<u>\$43.00</u>
ATV's	47	@	1.00 each	.....	<u>\$47.00</u>
Nonresident ATV	02	@	1.00 each	.....	<u>\$2.00</u>
Boats	25	@	1.00 each	.....	<u>\$25.00</u>
Dogs	203	@	1.00 each	.....	<u>\$203.00</u>
Hunting/Fishing Licenses	80	@	2.00 each	.....	<u>\$160.00</u>
Nonresident Hunt/Fish	11	@	2.00 each	.....	<u>\$22.00</u>
Birds	2	@	.25 each	.....	<u>\$.50</u>
Bears	0	@	2.00 each	.....	<u>\$0.00</u>
Archery	1	@	2.00 each	.....	<u>\$2.00</u>
Coyote	1	@	2.00 each	.....	<u>\$2.00</u>
Turkey	02	@	2.00 each	.....	<u>\$4.00</u>
Super pack	02	@	2.00 each	.....	<u>\$4.00</u>
Total:					<u>\$655.50</u>

For every Salem Township vehicle and boats, we exercised, we received \$6.00 totaling **\$1,680.00** for **280** registrations.

The remaining fees we collect come from vehicle registrations, for certified copies of birth, marriages, and death certificates.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shanda Hargreaves
Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balances as of April 19, 2024

Detailed records of all funds for the Town Office

in Skowhegan Savings

Trust Funds

Cemetery Trust Fund: interest paid to the Cemetery Interest account.

Balance July 1, 2023	\$ 63,725.00
Balance April 19, 2024	\$ 65,500.00

Riverside Cemetery Trust Fund: interest paid to the Riverside Cemetery Interest account

Balance July 1, 2023	\$ 5,000.00
Balance April 19, 2024	\$ 5,000.00

Cemetery Flag Trust Fund: interest paid to the Cemetery Flag Interest account.

Balance July 1, 2023	\$ 2,000.00
Balance April 19, 2024	\$ 2,000.00

Wyman Scholarship Trust Fund: interest paid to the Wyman Scholarship Interest account.

Balance July 1, 2023	\$ 11,115.03
Balance April 19, 2024	\$ 11,115.03

Other Invested Funds

Administration Checking	\$ 100,000.00
Sweep Account	\$ 1,457,450.09
Cemetery lot sales	\$ 13,178.55
Cemetery Flag Interest	\$ 598.13
Cemetery Interest	\$ 2,769.63
Community Planning and Dev Resv	\$ 72,702.24
Computer Upgrade	\$ 10,206.36
Fire Equipment Account	\$ 187,838.55
K-NP Transfer Station	\$ 12,041.05
Downtown Fence and Signage	\$ 4,695.94
Map Updates	\$ 8,755.80
New Highway Equipment	\$ 170,609.74
Planning Funds	\$ 30,621.20
Playground Replacement	\$ 556.05
Riverside Cemetery Interest	\$ 2,769.63
Road Reconstruction	\$ 190,082.97
Village Capital Improvement	\$ 335,578.41
Village Enhancement Sidewalks	\$ 27,540.57
Village Parking	\$ 87,710.53
Waste Water Grey Water Beds PS	\$ 58,290.18
Waste Water Checking	\$ 83,023.17
Waste Water Emergency Repair	\$ 43,965.33
Waste Water Tractor Reserve	\$ 25,324.71
Road Project Reserve	\$ 3,010,046.19

Downtown Street Lights	\$ 169,453.00
Webster Hall	\$ 28,159.28
Wyman Scholarship Interest	\$ 536.03
Safe Routes to School	\$ 5,229.56
New Sidewalk Equipment	\$ 76,209.76

Franklin/Somerset Federal Credit Union

Administration Checking/Sav	\$ 5,001.00
Recreation Dept Savings	\$ 5,147.87
Recreation Dept Checking	\$ 2,865.57

Revenue Received

Clerk Fees Collected	\$ 11,195.95
Auto Excise Tax	\$ 204,643.21
BETE Reimbursement	\$ 606,585.00
Boat Excise Tax	\$ 419.20
Dog Fee	\$ 869.00
Fire Dept. County	\$ 7,500.00
Homestead Exemption	\$ 101,748.00
Interest and Other Revenue	\$ 25,664.60
Ordinance Enf. Fees	\$ 2,098.56
Plumbing Fees	\$ 1,153.75
Public Works MDOT	\$ 17,284.00
Pumping fees	\$ 7,120.00
State Revenue Sharing	\$ 86,277.43
Tree Growth – State	\$ 62,376.05
Veterans Exemption	\$ 799.00
Waste Water Billings	\$ 96,245.47
Webster Hall Rental	\$ 1,250.00
2023 Real Estate Taxes	\$ 25,675.18
2022 Real Estate Taxes	\$ 3,838.03
2023 Personal Property	\$ 3,555.64
2022 Personal Property	\$ 1,808.62
2025 Prepaid Taxes	\$ 282.70
Property Tax Stabilization	\$ 35,407.74

TRANSFER STATION

Franklin County	\$ 75,500.00
Somerset County	\$ 10,000.00
Town of New Portland	\$ 52,722.00
Demo and Other	\$ 4,405.00
Fees (Tires & Appliances w/freon)	\$ 4,395.00
Salvage	\$ 3,961.90

Respectfully Submitted: Amanda Viles, Treasurer

Shiloh Pond



Just 2 miles from downtown Kingfield, nestled between hillsides that you feel you can touch, lies a pristine pond and 215 acres of wild beauty.

History: When this once privately owned, pristine, wilderness pond came up for sale, the High Peaks Alliance worked with the Trust for Public Land to find a way to secure this property for future generations. The transaction took years of work and multiple meetings with the community, yet finally funding was secured, the details were agreed upon and Shiloh Pond and the surrounding 215 acres were purchased. Most of the support came from the Maine Natural Resources Conservation Program (MNRCP), who granted the property to the town of Kingfield at no cost. We are especially grateful to abutting landowners for giving a right of way to the town.

After the town voted overwhelmingly to accept the gift, the Selectboard formed a Shiloh Pond committee to manage the property. **The Shiloh Pond Committee** bases all its work and decisions on its mission: ***“As long-term stewards of the Shiloh Pond parcel, our mission is to protect and preserve the natural resources and traditional uses of the land.”***

One of our first tasks was to improve access and usability of the property. With the help of generous donations from Walter Kilbreth, Wahl Construction, Jordan Lumber Company, ARC Inc, Birch Royall, the committee and volunteers were able to improve the access road ((no longer is a 4 wheel drive pick-up needed but low clearance vehicles need to use caution, we like to think of it as “subaruable,” but not necessarily “sedanable!”), remove the old cabin (a safety hazard), re-deck and stabilize the bridge (for our visitors safety), widen access through the gate (to allow better access), and expand the parking area (it is about 800 feet from parking to the pond). Committee members also got out their paint brushes, clippers and brush saws and marked the boundary, cleared grown over trails and eliminated brush on the sides of the road. We hope to refresh the trail to a waterfall later this year.

Visiting Shiloh Pond: When visiting the property, please remember this fly-fishing only, gem of a pond and surrounding property needs your care.

The committee asks that you follow our Guidelines and honor our Prohibited Uses:

Guidelines

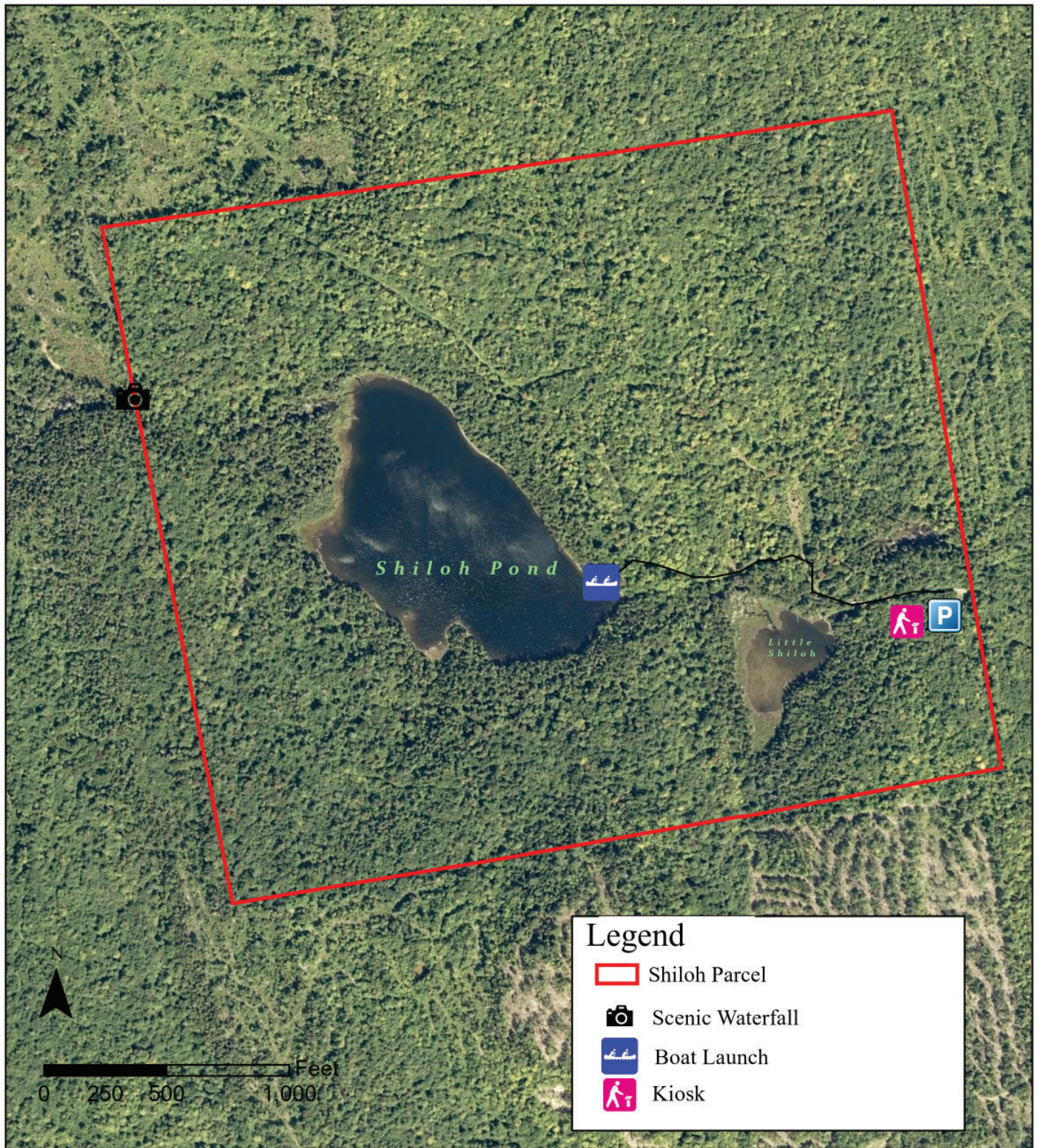
1. Carry In/Carry Out - there are no trash cans
2. Respect property, plants and wildlife
3. Hunting and fly fishing welcomed
4. Keep boats in the designated boat storage area and off the shoreline

Prohibited Uses - a condition of the acquisition and outlined in the purchase agreements with the town.

1. Motorized boats
2. Off Road/Motorized vehicles
3. Fires
4. Overnight camping

Whatever your chosen activity be - snowshoeing or skiing in the winter, birding in the spring, fly fishing, swimming, or canoeing in the summer, bird hunting in the fall, or simply immersing yourself in the rejuvenating peace of nature we hope you enjoy the beautiful gift of Shiloh Pond.

-The Shiloh Pond Committee



Shiloh Pond

Property of Town of Kingfield, ME

Map created February 21st, 2024. High Peaks Alliance
 Data Sources: Maine Office of GIS, USDA, USGS, and ESRI



Meetings, Meetings and more Meetings.





Town of Kingfield's first Contract Zoning Application for Workforce Housing.

ADMINISTRATION						
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025	
EXPENSES	BUDGET	Year-End	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET	
1	Town Manager	68,750.00	69,412.98	75,350.00	56,511.00	80,000.00
2	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	28,500.00	27,014.72	30,800.00	20,596.81	33,500.00
3	Selectmen	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	6,000.00	15,000.00
4	Assessor	16,000.00	13,305.00	20,000.00	12,485.00	25,000.00
5	Treasurer/Deputy Clerk	35,900.00	34,426.03	39,000.00	23,495.75	38,480.00
6	Code Enforcement/Plumbing Insp	11,000.00	9,126.25	20,000.00	5,174.75	20,000.00
7	Ballot clerks,planning board, health	5,000.00	6,266.50	5,000.00	5,450.82	7,500.00
8	Janitorial	3,500.00	3,000.00	3,500.00	2,475.00	3,500.00
9	Payroll Taxes (Fica/Medi)	14,100.00	13,824.69	14,750.00	9,076.08	16,000.00
10	Workman's Compensation	1,000.00	1,001.50	1,300.00	1,013.92	1,500.00
11	Health Insurance	40,668.00	40,130.04	42,500.00	42,552.04	37,320.00
12	Retirement Match	4,000.00	3,369.94	4,200.00	1,914.14	4,775.00
13	Electricity	2,300.00	2,238.93	2,600.00	2,607.81	2,800.00
14	Telephone	5,000.00	5,202.56	5,800.00	4,118.03	5,000.00
15	Heating Oil	4,500.00	4,421.19	5,500.00	2,899.49	4,500.00
16	Water	250.00	229.88	250.00	180.18	250.00
17	Sewer	376.00	383.48	385.00	383.62	385.00
18	L P Gas	50.00	0.00	50.00	102.80	100.00
19	Dues (Avcog)	5,000.00	5,299.89	5,000.00	2,663.00	5,000.00
20	Licenses/Permits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
21	Supplies	4,000.00	4,328.47	4,500.00	3,155.08	4,500.00
22	Postage	3,500.00	3,597.00	4,500.00	4,530.67	4,500.00
23	Website/Computer	1,200.00	3,945.87	3,000.00	3,269.29	3,500.00
24	Website Design	5,000.00	5,000.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00
25	Equipment	5,000.00	4,595.00	5,000.00	0.00	3,500.00
26	Reimbursement	1,500.00	847.23	2,000.00	331.18	1,500.00
27	School/Workshop	1,500.00	594.00	2,000.00	30.00	1,500.00
28	Contingency	6.00	0.00	15.00	850.80	30.00
29	Equipment Repair & Maintenance	1,500.00	1,363.54	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
30	Building Repair & Maintenance	1,000.00	1,066.92	2,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
31	Audit	3,800.00	4,000.00	4,200.00	4,300.00	4,500.00
32	Legal	2,500.00	2,235.75	3,000.00	8,967.50	5,000.00
33	Computer License/Update	13,500.00	13,532.70	14,300.00	13,693.00	16,000.00
34	Map Update	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
35	Advertising	500.00	584.84	500.00	262.75	500.00
36	Town Report	1,600.00	2,712.33	1,800.00	603.20	2,500.00
37	Registry of Deeds	3,000.00	1,467.96	3,500.00	1,848.20	3,000.00
38	Computer Upgrade- Resv Fund	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
39	General Assistance	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
	Total Appropriation	\$315,500.00	\$307,025.19	\$351,300.00	\$241,541.91	\$359,640.00

Increase/Decreases \$8,340.00

	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
<i>Funds that rolled back into Surplus</i>	\$22,281.92	\$24,530.15	\$8,474.81

FIRE DEPARTMENT					
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025
	BUDGET	Year-End	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET
REVENUE:					
Appropriation-Operations	67,000.00	67,000.00	76,700.00	76,700.00	55,200.00
Appropriation-Truck Reserve	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
Franklin County - Freeman	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00
Franklin County - Salem	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
TIF - Truck Reserve	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
TIF - equipment purchase					46,000.00
Misc	0.00	1,920.00	0.00	2,704.75	0.00
ARPA Funds	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
TOTAL	\$117,000.00	\$118,920.00	\$176,700.00	\$124,404.75	\$171,200.00
EXPENSES:					
1 Fire Chief	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00
2 Salaried Employees	4,000.00	1,900.00	4,000.00	1,850.00	4,000.00
3 Firemen Payroll	15,000.00	7,842.50	15,000.00	6,772.50	17,500.00
4 Payroll Taxes (Fica/Medi)	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
5 Workman's Comp	1,800.00	1,954.50	2,000.00	1,840.64	2,000.00
6 Electricity	1,500.00	1,217.74	1,500.00	1,414.67	1,500.00
7 Telephone	1,500.00	457.29	1,500.00	353.07	1,500.00
8 Heat	5,000.00	6,153.76	5,000.00	4,783.89	5,000.00
9 Dues	300.00	355.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
10 Licenses/permits	300.00	0.00	500.00	160.00	500.00
11 Supplies	1,500.00	3,749.77	2,000.00	2,123.22	2,000.00
12 Fire Station Payment	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
13 Fuel	3,000.00	1,891.77	3,500.00	2,081.39	3,500.00
14 Protective Gear	8,000.00	3,364.94	5,000.00	1,692.67	5,000.00
15 Equipment	2,000.00	10,695.55	65,000.00	59,933.50	48,500.00
16 Reimbursement	300.00	44.30	500.00	545.92	500.00
17 Training /School	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
18 Contingency	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
19 Equip Repair & Maintenance	7,000.00	7,403.84	5,000.00	2,976.62	10,000.00
20 Building Repair & Maintenance	1,500.00	79.80	1,500.00	59.78	1,500.00
21 Radio Repair	1,000.00	65.03	1,000.00	1,680.71	4,500.00
22 State Mandates	700.00	0.00	800.00	0.00	800.00
23 EMS Supplies	500.00	408.60	500.00	0.00	500.00
TOTAL	\$77,000.00	\$68,584.39	\$136,700.00	\$106,268.58	\$131,200.00
24 Tanker Truck Lease/Purchase					32,500.00
New Fire Truck	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	7,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$117,000.00	\$108,584.39	\$176,700.00	\$106,268.58	\$171,200.00

Increase/Decrease -\$21,500.00

	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
Funds that rolled back into Surplus	\$5,210.09	\$2,521.55	\$10,335.61

PUBLIC WORKS					
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025
	BUDGET	Year-End	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET
REVENUE:					
Appropriation-Operations	314,300.00	314,300.00	345,665.00	345,665.00	356,466.00
Appropriation - Equip Res.	20,000.00	20,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
MDOT U.R.I.P.	15,072.00	14,988.00	14,988.00	17,284.00	17,284.00
TIF Credit - Equip. Resv.	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Misc Money	0.00	15,120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	\$369,372.00	\$384,408.00	\$400,653.00	\$402,949.00	\$413,750.00
EXPENSES:					
1 Director/Road Comm	48,850.00	47,761.45	52,950.00	37,628.54	58,750.00
2 Assistant 1 - P/W	41,700.00	40,470.49	45,300.00	30,674.40	51,040.00
3 Assistant 2 - W/W P/W	11,800.00	11,792.81	12,700.00	10,125.01	14,200.00
4 Assistant 3 - P/W	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	776.00	21,000.00
5 Payroll Taxes	7,800.00	7,432.09	10,200.00	6,282.46	11,100.00
6 Workman's Comp.	4,500.00	4,093.30	4,500.00	4,444.24	4,500.00
7 Health Insurance	30,500.00	26,753.36	31,875.00	19,384.08	27,800.00
8 Retirement Match	2,500.00	2,672.84	2,600.00	2,042.81	2,950.00
9 Electricity	1,500.00	1,614.49	1,700.00	1,368.68	1,800.00
10 Telephone	1,300.00	416.71	1,000.00	198.39	500.00
11 Heat	6,500.00	9,466.68	7,000.00	4,667.29	5,000.00
12 Water	200.00	229.88	240.00	180.18	250.00
13 License/Testing/Training	200.00	44.60	200.00	0.00	0.00
14 Supplies	3,000.00	2,384.49	3,000.00	3,908.85	3,500.00
15 Fuel & Oil	16,000.00	18,022.34	16,000.00	10,407.35	15,000.00
16 New Equipment	4,000.00	11,866.91	5,000.00	6,961.85	5,000.00
17 Reimbursement	500.00	513.40	500.00	118.68	500.00
18 Contingency	150.00	105.00	300.00	0.00	260.00
19 Equip. Repair & Maint	10,000.00	25,351.30	10,000.00	10,504.53	10,000.00
20 Building Repair & Maint	10,000.00	21,497.00	10,000.00	15,559.17	5,000.00
21 Signs	500.00	413.04	500.00	0.00	500.00
22 Engineering Costs	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,999.99	5,000.00
23 Hired Equipment - Other	5,000.00	41,100.30	5,000.00	8,397.50	5,000.00
24 Hired Equipment - Sand	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	2,500.00
25 Safety	500.00	0.00	500.00	388.25	500.00
26 Cutting Edges	4,500.00	28.97	4,500.00	1,933.78	2,500.00
27 Storm Drains & Culverts	3,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	986.40	2,500.00
28 Calcium	800.00	0.00	800.00	1,537.05	1,600.00
29 Gravel	3,500.00	460.20	3,800.00	649.20	3,500.00
30 Salt	25,000.00	26,493.05	30,000.00	22,339.12	35,000.00
31 Sand	12,000.00	6,864.00	10,000.00	6,795.00	10,000.00
32 Tar Account	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00
33 MDOT U.R.I.P./LRAP	15,072.00	15,072.00	14,988.00	0.00	17,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$329,372.00	\$377,920.70	\$360,653.00	\$216,258.80	\$373,750.00
Equipment Reserve	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00
	\$369,372.00	\$417,920.70	\$400,653.00	\$216,258.80	\$413,750.00

Increase/Decrease \$10,801.00

	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
Funds that rolled back into Surplus	\$33,382.54	\$16,135.74	\$6,487.30

WASTE WATER					
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025
REVENUE	BUDGET	Year-End	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET
TIF Credit - WW Upgrades	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	75,000.00
Sewer Billings	90,000.00	96,141.57	90,000.00	71,560.46	96,000.00
Abatements	0.00	-731.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gray Water Maint. (PS)	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00	5,500.00
Outside Pumping	7,000.00	5,290.00	7,000.00	7,120.00	7,000.00
Camper Dump	200.00	348.00	200.00	215.00	200.00
Compost Sales	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00
Interest/Lien Costs	1,500.00	560.31	1,500.00	556.64	1,500.00
Other:Grant Funds	0.00	90,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Balance Forward	37,500.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	18,800.00
TOTAL	\$192,000.00	\$247,108.24	\$174,500.00	\$149,452.10	\$204,000.00
EXPENSES:					
1 Assistant Seasonal	18,600.00	15,915.80	20,450.00	11,970.38	22,350.00
2 Assistant 2 - W/W 3/4 -P/W	28,500.00	29,478.04	31,300.00	21,085.32	35,880.00
3 WasteWater Superintendant	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,600.00	1,950.00	2,600.00
4 WasteWater Treasurer	7,000.00	7,030.95	7,600.00	5,197.01	8,200.00
5 Payroll Taxes (Fica/Medi)	4,000.00	4,125.51	4,800.00	2,960.75	5,200.00
6 Workman's Comp.	1,100.00	1,182.27	1,300.00	992.80	1,300.00
7 Health Insurance	10,500.00	7,701.05	10,700.00	6,337.93	8,000.00
8 Retirement Match	1,100.00	1237.00	1,200.00	988.86	1,450.00
9 Electricity	6,000.00	5,754.06	6,000.00	6,107.64	7,000.00
10 Telephone	1,600.00	1,614.97	1,600.00	1,164.06	1,200.00
11 Heat	1,300.00	1166.79	1,500.00	1,129.93	1,500.00
12 Water	250.00	229.88	250.00	180.18	250.00
13 Water Testing	1,500.00	940.00	1,500.00	720.00	1,500.00
14 License/Testing/Training	3,000.00	2,677.30	3,000.00	3,089.03	3,500.00
15 Supplies	2,500.00	1,840.88	2,500.00	1,802.48	2,500.00
16 Postage (PS)	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	500.00	1,200.00
17 Fuel & Oil	2,200.00	1,172.05	2,500.00	1,932.99	3,000.00
18 Gravel	350.00	738.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
19 Reimbursement	500.00	511.50	800.00	510.90	1,000.00
20 School	500.00	801.64	500.00	0.00	500.00
21 Contingency	300.00	735.00	0.00	0.00	170.00
22 Wastewater Upgrades	20,000.00	43,334.98	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
23 Septic Tank Repair	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00
24 Equip. Repair & Maint	5,000.00	5,098.38	5,000.00	6,288.10	5,000.00
25 Building Repair & Maint	1,500.00	0.00	2,000.00	1,252.73	2,000.00
26 Insurance	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	3,782.02	2,000.00
27 Audit	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,600.00
28 Advertising	100.00	79.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
29 Engineering Costs	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
30 Testing (Compost)/Hauling Sludge	600.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	7,500.00
31 Shots	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
32 Hired Equipment - other	200.00	5441.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
33 Safety	500.00	0.00	500.00	178.54	500.00
34 Lien Costs	700.00	171.00	500.00	380.00	500.00
35 Emergency Repair Reserve	45,000.00	63,500.00	22,000.00	0.00	47,000.00
36 Loan Payment (Upgrades)	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
37 Tractor Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$192,000.00	\$218,277.05	\$174,500.00	\$82,001.65	\$204,000.00

Increase/Decrease \$29,500.00

2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023

Remaining Funds - do Not roll into Surplus

\$38,949.71 \$42,206.44 \$28,831.19

KINGFIELD / NEW PORTLAND TRANSFER STATION						
				FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET
Balance Forward	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	25,000.00	30,000.00
REVENUE:						
Kingfield	72,597.00	87,171.00	87,696.00	86,058.00	101,808.00	104,685.00
New Portland	50,126.50	60,189.50	60,552.00	59,421.00	70,296.00	72,282.50
Franklin County	50,126.50	60,189.50	60,552.00	59,421.00	70,296.00	72,282.50
User Fees - Somerset County	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
User Fees - Commercial Demo	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
MSW Permits for Haulers		0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Refrigeration	see tires	2,600.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Tires	2,600.00	0.00	2,600.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Salvage	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Other	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL	\$200,450.00	\$235,150.00	\$238,500.00	\$235,000.00	\$272,500.00	\$279,350.00
EXPENSES:						
1 Wages-Manager	30,000.00	31,800.00	32,800.00	33,800.00	35,000.00	\$37,000.00
2 Wages-Assistant	16,000.00	17,000.00	17,500.00	18,000.00	3,500.00	\$3,000.00
3 Administration	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	\$2,000.00
4 Payroll Taxes (Fica/Medi)	3,520.00	3,520.00	3,000.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	\$3,500.00
5 Workman's Compensation	1,950.00	1,950.00	1,950.00	1,950.00	2,000.00	\$2,200.00
6 Health Insurance	12,000.00	15,400.00	13,500.00	13,800.00	14,150.00	\$17,540.00
7 Fringe Benefits/457 Plan	840.00	840.00	840.00	900.00	900.00	\$900.00
8 Electricity	850.00	850.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,100.00	\$1,100.00
9 Telephone	460.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	550.00	\$550.00
10 Heat	800.00	800.00	500.00	500.00	550.00	\$700.00
11 Licenses/Permits	740.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	250.00	\$250.00
12 Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	\$1,100.00
13 Fuel & Oil	600.00	600.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	\$800.00
14 Training	150.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00
15 Contingency	140.00	140.00	10.00	50.00	100.00	\$110.00
16 Equip. Repair & Maint.	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,600.00	3,500.00	\$3,500.00
17 Building Repair & Maint.	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	\$1,000.00
18 Charge Back Fees	17,250.00	10,000.00	8,000.00	6,000.00	11,000.00	\$12,500.00
19 Hauling Fees	42,200.00	52,000.00	55,000.00	62,000.00	50,000.00	\$55,000.00
20 Tipping Fees	50,000.00	80,000.00	82,000.00	85,000.00	135,000.00	\$148,500.00
21 Tires, Refrigeration & Mercury	1,800.00	2,000.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	\$3,500.00
22 Hazardous Material	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,000.00	2,500.00	3,500.00	\$3,500.00
23 Plowing/Sanding	1,000.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	\$1,600.00
24 Mowing Landfill	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	\$500.00
25 Safety	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00
26 Land Improvement	5,150.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	15,000.00	\$1,500.00
27 Equipment Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Total Expenses	\$200,450.00	\$235,150.00	\$238,500.00	\$250,000.00	\$297,500.00	\$309,350.00
Equipment Savings		\$58,505.98		\$69,191.77		

	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	Increase/Decrease	\$2,877.00
Remaining Funds - do Not roll into Surplus	\$29,668.34	\$17,153.35	\$21,311.71		

MUNICIPAL SERVICES					
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025					
EXPENSES	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025
	BUDGET	Year-End	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET
1 Street Lights	17,500.00	16,657.94	20,050.00	10,795.43	20,050.00
2 Christmas Lights (electricity)	300.00	35.01	300.00	0.00	300.00
3 VEC Parking Lot Light	362.00	345.42	400.00	360.51	500.00
4 Hydrants	78,065.00	78,065.00	78,065.00	0.00	78,065.00
5 Ambulance	26,773.00	26,773.00	33,517.00	16,758.50	35,855.00
6 General Insurance	29,900.00	32,748.00	31,668.00	26,434.20	35,050.00
7 Unemployment Insurance	7,500.00	7,843.06	8,000.00	5,458.50	8,500.00
8 Discounts	25,000.00	29,472.28	25,000.00	36,256.48	35,000.00
9 Abatements	5,000.00	4,033.87	5,000.00	28,542.15	5,000.00
10 Gray Water Reserve (PS)	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
11 Planning Funds	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
12 Sidewalk Equipment	10,000.00	10,004.30	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
13 Contingency	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
14 Comprehensive Plan Funding Reserv	10,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
15 PTO Funding	0.00	0.00	28,650.00	9,326.06	30,000.00
TOTAL	\$225,400.00	\$230,977.88	\$275,650.00	\$133,931.83	\$288,320.00

Increase/Decrease \$12,670.00

Road Repair/Maint Account	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bond Payment for Road Repairs	\$397,450.00	\$397,450.00	\$394,750.00	\$373,050.00	\$392,050.00

Increase/Decrease -\$2,700.00

	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
<i>Funds that rolled back into Surplus</i>	\$9,650.91	-\$8,640.77	-\$5,577.88
<i>Discounts and Abatements</i>	-\$3,591.93	\$108.18	-\$3,506.15

PROGRAMS					
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025					
				REQUESTED	TIF
	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	
1 American Red Cross	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	
2 Kingfield Festival Days	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	x
3 Kingfield Flags	withdrawn	no request	no request	500.00	
4 Kingfield Historical Society	0.00	withdrawn	5,000.00	5,000.00	x
4B Kingfield Historical Society	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	
5 Kingfield Pops	0.00	6,000.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	x
6 Kingfield Quadrunners	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	x
7 Kingfield Sno-Wanderers	4,000.00	4,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	x
8 Maine's Northwestern Mtns	2,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	x
9 Safe Voices	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,100.00	1,200.00	
10 Stanley Museum	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
11 Tri-County Mental Health Services	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	
12 United Methodist Economic Ministry	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	
13 Webster Library	10,000.00	10,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	
TOTAL	\$36,000.00	\$45,700.00	\$60,200.00	\$65,800.00	

Increase/Decrease \$5,600.00

Recreation Department					
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025
EXPENSES	BUDGET	Year-End	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET
REVENUE:					
Money Forward	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fundraising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Appropriation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
EXPENSES:					
1 Fundraising/Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 Contracted Labor/coach	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
3 Program Expenses	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
4 Maintenance	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
5 Supplies	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
6 Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7 Mowing	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
8 Land Improvement	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
9 Other Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10 Transportation	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
11 Designated Savings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00

Cash Balance	\$2,876.43		\$2,865.57		
Savings Account	\$5,095.90		\$5,147.57		

TOWN OF KINGFIELD TIF							
	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
INCOME	0.0165	0.0185	0.0185	0.0195	0.0200	0.0180	0.0180
MONEY IN FOR TIF	380,424.84	400,249.13	400,249.13	426,983.35	466,386.04	552,279.26	552,279.26
Balance Fwd from prev. Year	8,291.55	678.94	13,895.26	5,701.13	2,743.68	35,839.36	92,339.34
Total TIF Funds	388,716.39	400,928.07	414,144.39	432,684.48	469,129.72	588,118.62	644,618.60
	365,768.54	383,783.80	383,783.80	404,528.87	414,901.40	485,122.39	485,122.39
NESTLE WATERS 40% CREDIT	146,307.42	153,513.52	153,513.52	161,811.55	165,960.56	194,048.96	194,048.96
Total TIF money for Town use	242,408.98	247,414.55	260,630.87	270,872.93	303,169.16	394,069.66	450,569.65
EXPENSES							
1 MAINE BOND BANK PAYMENT	34,286.32	34,488.07	34,693.57	34,900.70	35,111.50	35,324.91	35,539.82
2 PROPERTY PAYMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 MANAGEMENT FEE	2,143.72	1,941.22	1,736.17	1,528.55	1,318.30	1,105.41	889.82
4 *NEW* BOND FOR LIGHTS			60,000.00	87,850.00	87,850.00	87,050.00	86,250.00
5 *NEW* MGT FEE LIGHTS			10,000.00	7,850.00	7,050.00	6,250.00	5,450.00
6 LEGAL	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
7a FIRE TRUCK	10,000.00	12,500.00	12,500.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
7b Fire Dept - Equipment (compressor/tools)							46,000.00
8 HIGHWAY EQUIP. RESERVE	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
9 Highway Equip - Sidewalks	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00
10 ADMIN. SALARY	6,800.00	9,090.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
11 Village Common Septic System Upgrade Investment	25,000.00	35,000.00	40,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	75,000.00
12 Village Enhancement Capitol Improvements	74,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	20,000.00	45,000.00	25,000.00
13 Upgrade/Extend Village Sidewalks (saving account)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
14 Village parking Fund	15,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
15 Celebrations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
16 Tourism - Kingfield Historical Society	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
17 Multiple Use Trails/Trail Maint.	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
18 Grant Funds for Local Businesses	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00
19 Marketing Town	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	8,500.00	6,000.00
TOTAL TOWN EXPENSES	241,730.04	233,519.29	254,929.74	268,129.25	267,329.80	301,730.32	446,629.64
TOTAL REMAINING IN TIF ACCOUNT	\$ 678.94	\$ 13,895.26	\$ 5,701.13	\$ 2,743.68	\$ 35,839.36	\$ 92,339.34	\$ 3,940.01

Town of Kingfield Maine

Listing of Mil Rates/Town Appropriations/School Costs/County

Time Frame	Billing Reference	Mil Rate (per \$1,000.00)	Town Mtg. Appropriation	School Appropriation	County Appropriation
July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024	2024	.0180	\$1,658,773.00	\$1,878,913.98	\$281,660.62
July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023	2023	.0200	\$1,512,308.00	\$1,709,765.45	\$192,635.50
July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022	2022	.0195	\$1,290,384.00	\$1,662,668.00	\$192,635.50
July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021	2021	.0185	\$1,170,901.00	\$1,577,185.10	\$186,120.00
July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020	2020	.0185	\$1,175,999.00	\$1,636,904.76	\$154,864.50
July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019	2019	.0165	\$861,269.00	\$1,549,681.47	\$156,051.00
July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018	2018	.017	\$815,592.00	\$1,396,771.42	\$151,673.50
July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017	2017	.0170	\$839,110.00	\$1,404,401.00	\$148,298.00
July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016	2016	.0175	\$834,887.00	\$1,438,240.00	\$154,616.00
July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015	2015	.0175	\$823,352.00	\$1,472,969.00	\$140,778.00
July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014	2014	.0165	\$803,921.00	\$1,416,600.64	\$141,775.00
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013	2013	.0145	\$728,533.00	\$1,315,417.00	\$144,228.00
July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012	2012	.0140	\$716,460.00	\$1,229,767.31	\$145,389.50
July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011	2011	.0115	\$772,716.00	\$995,482.00	\$132,800.00

Kingfield Water District

2024 Annual Report

Greetings:

The Kingfield Water District has a publicly elected board of 5 trustees, each serving a 3-year term. Allan Stewart is our superintendent and Andrea Reichert is our treasurer.

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of James McAvoy earlier this spring. Jim was a multi-term trustee whose dedication and insights provided the Board with invaluable guidance. He will truly be missed.

Two Trustee positions are up for election this year. These positions are for three-year terms. Elections will be held at our annual meeting to be held **Tuesday June 4 at 6:30** at Kingfield Elementary School.

The move to QuickBooks has been completed thanks to the efforts of our treasurer. Information has already been sent to the auditors in preparation for the 2023 audit and we anticipate having that completed in a month or so. The district is on a firm financial footing.

The installation of the radio-read meters has begun with software and computer interfaces completed. The installation of the meters themselves has been delayed due to the availability of radio-read sensors which are compatible with our meter system. We anticipate delivery within a month or so, and we hope to get the system completed and operable by the end of the summer.

The water district was able to purchase a small parcel of land on the West Kingfield Rd. located between two properties already owned by the Water District. This aids in putting more land near the wellhead under the control of the Water District, further protecting the water quality that we all enjoy.

Respectfully submitted by

Peter Manning, chair (25)

Michael Kankainen (24)

Thaniel Smith (25)

James McAvoy (24)

John Winter (26)

VITAL RECORDS REPORT

Covering April 26, 2022 through April 9, 2024

Recorded Births

Cook, Chandler David
Davol, Hailey Mae
Donnelly, Ada Joan
Fisher, Peyton Rae
Franchetti, Adrien Louis
Franchetti, Eli Peter
Gilmore, Ally Leone
Gray-Lake, Oaklynn Jean
Hatch, Theodore Dillon
Hennessy, Liliannah Marie
O'Banion, Harrison Jeffery
Platner, Wesley Griffin
Ringle, Pearl Barrett
Toothaker, Lidia Irene
Twaddel, Lilyana Josephine
White, Alice Lee

Recorded Deaths

Atwood, Pirkko Elisabet
Beedy, Jean Ellen
Bemis, Eben Bradford
Bousum, Virginia Helen
Corson, Joan A.
Dunham, Wendell A
Gaston, Donavan Faehnrich
Harrison, Lois Emma
Hinkley, Jay Evan
Martin, Michael Allan
McAvoy, James Gillies
McClure, Howell
McCurdy, Neal Francis
Miramant, Ronald Bernard
Murphy, Leo A. III
Nichols, Victor

Recorded Deaths Cont.

Nicoletti, Yvonne C.
Pulling, Brian Noyes
Rayworth, Adam Howard
Secotte, James Edward
Sinitski, Gail Linda
Taylor, Glennese Vose
Welch, Nancy Holbrook
White, Ruth Frances
Williamson, Kenneth Donald
Wilson, Charles William

Marriages

Party A

Allen, Joshua John
Bachelder, Courtney Joanne
Beer, Jessica Jean
Blanchard, Danielle Mae
Brook, Travis Lee
Bruen, Christine Marie
Collins, Mark Edward
Corcoran, Susan Mary
DeNey, Nathalie Eastman
Dunham, Marny Lue Ann
Franchetti, Anthony Travis
Geyer, Emily Elizabeth
Hinkley, Brandon Charles
Hooper, Sandra J
Jordan, Kate Elizabeth
Knight, Tyler Jacob
Perry, Ariana Kelsey
Peterson, Amy Alexis-Lynn
Pooler, Tyler Ronald
Sindo, Sarah Rose
Twitchell, David Harlan
Young, Delaney Rae

Party B

Bachelder, Betsy Ann
Ladd, Austin Wayne
Jeffries, William McLain
Grover, Cody Charles
Reed, Elizabeth Macdonald
Bodah, Stephen Edward
Thomson, Christina Marie
Cooper, David Matthew
Rhoads, Samuel Kurt
Hinkley, Jay E
Marquis, Brianna Elizabeth
Davol, David William
Zimmerman, Tina Marie
Niemi, Lance Niilo
Dionne, Camden Paul
Taylor, Sophie May
LePage, Peter Edward
Clukey, Jared Robert
Bissonnette, Ariana Isabelle
Howe, Christopher Garrett
Sawyer, Emily Ivy
Jamison, Aaron Daniel

Assessor's Report

Valuation and Assessment for 2024 Covering July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

Valuation

Land	46,057,219.00
Buildings	135,840,733.00
Real Estate Total:	181,897,952.00

Personal Property	1,162,100.00
Taxable Valuation	\$183,060,052.00

Assessment

Taxable Valuation	183,060,052.00
Tax Rate	0.018
Total Tax Commitment	\$3,295,080.94

Computation of Assessment

Requirements (Expenses)	
Town Appropriation	1,658,773.00
Education	1,878,913.98
County Tax	281,660.62
TIF Financing	552,279.26
Total Expenditures	\$4,371,626.86

Municipal Revenues (Deductions)	
Fund Balance	300,000.00
State Revenue Sharing	129,058.17
Homestead Reimbursement	83,995.20
BETE Reimbursement	606,584.66
Total Deductions	\$1,119,638.03

Net Assessment for Commitment	3,295,080.94
Overlay	43,091.94
	\$3,338,172.88

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

A list of property both Real and Personal **not** exempt from taxation, which you possessed on April 1, 2024, must be submitted to the Assessor's Office on or before April 1, 2025. The Assessors will accept the submission of this schedule as substantial compliance with Title 36 §706 MRSA but there is no guarantee that it will be accepted as a "true and perfect list" should the taxpayer appeal the valuation assigned by the Assessors.

Any **veteran, veteran's widow or minor child** who is entitled to an exemption under Title 36 §653 & §633 MRSA and has not previously applied must apply prior to April 1, for the upcoming taxable year.

Wade Browne Morgan Dunham Hunter Lander Kimberly Jordan - Board of Assessors

Overdue Real Estate and Personal Property

Balances reflect the principal owed as of 04/18 /2024. Principal for liened property includes cost and interest owed at time of lien.

2023 Fiscal Year Real Estate Taxes

BACHELDER, BETSY	\$ 472.40
BACHELDER, BETSY	\$ 322.75
BACHELDER, TONY	\$ 786.07
CHASE, EUNICE P	\$ 370.77
CHASE, EUNICE P	\$ 656.62 PP
EATON, HEIDI A	\$ 300.36 PP
FARLEY, JAMES A	\$ 1,108.37
FAST, CATHERINE E	\$ 66.57
FRONTIER FORGE INCORP.	\$ 3,062.19 PP
GROVER, JANET	\$ 1,400.10 PP
HINKLEY, FAMILY TRUST	\$ 396.60
HINKLEY, FAMILY TRUST	\$ 413.25
HINKLEY, JACKIE H	\$ 250.12
HINKLEY, WARREN	\$ 649.21
HINKLEY, WARREN C. & CAROLYNN	\$ 686.55
HULBERT, THOMAS M	\$ 401.71
LOBDELL, JR., RONALD L.	\$ 1,474.26
LOBDELL, RONALD L JR	\$ 1,974.99
LUCEY, MICHELLE A	\$ 2,199.76
MARSDEN, JODI	\$ 1,227.17
MCCLURE, CHARLOTTE B.HEIRS OF	\$ 116.57
MELDRUM, MICHELLE	\$ 836.62
MERRILL, ALLICEA W.	\$ 311.86
NICKERSON, JAMES H	\$ 400.28
NICKERSON, JAMES H	\$ 680.83
NICKERSON, JOANNE P	\$ 548.49
NICKERSON, JOANNE PLUMMER	\$ 61.11
NICKERSON, SETH	\$ 613.34
SPARK, BARBARA A	\$ 1,392.36
STANDISH, LISA	\$ 499.27
THE MAINE BEER SHED LLC.	\$ 1,994.63 PP
	\$ 25,675.18

2023 Fiscal Year Personal Property Taxes

CONOPCO	\$ 29.54 PP
FRONTIER FORGE	\$ 3,158.00
GETCHELL BROTHERS	\$ 3.02 PP
IRREGULAR	\$ 112.00
MAINE HUTS AND TRAILS	\$ 84.00
SUGARLOAF MT CORP	\$ 105.01 PP
THE MAINE BEER SHED	\$ 48.00
THE STRAND	\$ 14.00
VIASAT INC	\$ 2.07 PP
	\$ 3,555.64

2022 Fiscal Year Personal Property Taxes

DAVIS, DANIEL	\$ 142.35
FRONTIER FORGE	\$ 1,539.52 PP
IRREGULAR	\$ 113.10
THE STRAND	\$ 13.65
	\$ 1,808.62

PP = Partial Payment

* paid in full after books closed

Respectfully submitted, Shanda Hargreaves, Tax Collector

2022 Fiscal Year Real Estate Taxes

HULBERT, THOMAS M	\$ 419.53
MARSDEN, JODI	1,222.36 PP
LUCEY, MICHELLE A	\$ 2,035.48
SPARK, BARBARA A	\$ 1,383.02
	\$ 3,838.03

Overdue Wastewater Fees

Balances reflect the amount owed from January 1, 2022 through March 30, 2024

(Billings from April and June 2024 not included)

BENTLEY, AARON	\$ 123.40	TAYLOR, GINA	\$ 500.88
BUNNELL, SCOTT	\$ 86.98	SCRIBNER, JAY	\$ 500.88
BROWN, CALANDRA	\$ 114.42	SHANAHAN, DAVID	\$ 1,081.29
CERVANTES, CHRISTHIAN	\$ 97.29	SPARK, BARBARA	\$ 277.38
CRABB, JAY	\$ 97.29	THE WOODSMEN LLC	\$ 243.23
DUFRESNE, MAXINE	\$ 103.32		\$ 7,341.46
FERRIS, CHARLES	\$ 97.29		
GASTON, DONAVAN	\$ 196.03		
GIBSON, JAMES JR.	\$ 578.06		
HITCHCOCK & COMPANY LLC	\$ 95.87		
HITCHCOCK & COMPANY LLC	\$ 289.74		
HITCHCOCK & COMPANY LLC	\$ 293.97		
JORDAN, JUSTIN	\$ 97.29		
KANKAINEN, MICHAEL	\$ 285.88		
KINGFIELD PROPERTIES II, LLC	\$ 873.96		
MELDRUM, MICHELLE	\$ 872.73		
OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS	\$ 434.28		

Respectfully submitted, Shanda Hargreaves, Secretary

Town of Kingfield Independent Auditors Report and Financial Statements

The Town of Kingfield employs the services of **Maine Municipal Audit Services located in Levant, Maine** for their annual audit. This service is provided to the town after the books close June 30th.

The Town Office has copies on file for those who wish to review during regular business hours or copies may be obtained on the town's website at:
www.kingfieldme.org

Property Tax Relief and Exemptions

There are reimbursement programs and various exemptions offered by the State and administered by the Assessor's Office, which may be applied to real estate and personal property valuations.

Administered by Assessor's Office

Those who qualify need not reapply annually; it will apply to qualified property owners until they sell, move, or the State changes the program.

Homestead Exemption (Title 36, M.R.S.A. Section 863)

Homeowners whose principal residence is in the State of Maine are eligible for an exemption on their property assessment. Applications may be obtained at the Assessor's Office.

To qualify for the exemption, the applicant must meet the following requirements:

- The applicant must be a legal resident of the State of Maine.
- The homestead must be for a permanent place of residence.
- The applicant must have owned property in Maine for at least twelve months prior to April 1st, of the year for which the application is made.

Veterans Exemption (Title 26, M.R.S.A. Section 653)

Any U.S. Veteran who actively served during a federally recognized war, including those honorably discharged or retired, and is at least sixty-two (62) years of age, may be eligible for a partial tax exemption on their primary residence.

Veterans receiving a pension or compensation from the United States Government for a total disability, whether service or non-service related, may also qualify.

A widow, minor, or mother of a deceased veteran may also qualify for an exemption.

Applications may be obtained at the Assessor's Office and must be filed with a copy of the military discharge papers, such as a DD214, driver's license or State ID, and birth certificate on or before April 1st of that year.

The veteran's exemption is \$6,000. Paraplegic veterans can obtain an exemption of \$50,000 toward special adaptive housing.

Excise Tax Exemption (Automobiles)

Another exemption for 100% disabled Veterans is for an excise tax exemption. This exemption applies to all vehicles registered in their name (does not need to be titled in their name). Veterans meeting the criteria for a disabled veteran plate do not have to be issued the disabled veteran plate to qualify for this exemption. If a veteran chooses another class of plate, they must pay the registration fee. Proof of 100% disability is required. This proof can be obtained by contacting the Department of Veteran Affairs.

Blind Exemption (Title 36, M.R.S.A. Section 654)

Residents certified to be legally blind by their eye care professional or the Department of Education Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired may file for an exemption of \$4,000 towards their real estate assessment.

Property Tax Relief and Exemptions Cont.

Administered by the State of Maine

Those who qualify must reapply annually.

The Property Tax Stabilization for Senior Citizens was a State program that allowed certain senior-citizen residents to stabilize, or freeze, the property taxes on their homestead **is no longer available due** to changes in the law. However, this same legislation has expanded the eligibility thresholds for participation in the **Property Tax Deferral Program** and increased the maximum benefit available under the **Property Tax Fairness Credit** for those age 65 and older.

The Property Tax Deferral Program and the Property Tax Fairness Credit are administered at the State level – not in local municipalities. You must go online for this information or contact Maine Revenue Property Tax Division.

State Property Tax Deferral Program - The State Property Tax Deferral Program is a lifeline loan program that can cover the annual property tax bills of Maine people who are ages 65 and older or are permanently disabled and who cannot afford to pay them on their own. The loan program allows Maine's most vulnerable community members to age in place and ensures that property taxes are still delivered to municipalities, requiring repayment of the loan once the property is sold or becomes part of an estate.

<https://www.maine.gov/revenue/taxes/tax-relief-credits-programs/property-tax-relief-programs/deferral-program>

Property Tax Fairness Credit Summary - Eligible Maine taxpayers may receive a portion of the property tax or rent paid during the tax year on the Maine individual income tax return whether they owe Maine income tax or not. If the credit exceeds the amount of your individual income tax due for the tax year, the excess amount of credit will be refunded to you.

Who is eligible for the Property Tax Fairness Credit? Homeowners or renters who meet all of the following requirements: Were Maine residents during any part of the tax year.

Owned or rented a home in Maine during any part of the tax year and lived in that home during the year as a primary residence.

Paid property tax* or rent on the primary residence in Maine during the tax year.

Meet certain income and property tax and/or rent paid limitations during the tax year; and

Are not married filing separately.

*For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2022, property tax paid includes amounts paid on the taxpayer's behalf during the tax year by the State to the municipality under the Property Tax Deferral Program.

How does someone apply for the refundable credit? To claim the credit, file Form 1040ME and Schedule PTFC/STFC for the tax year during which the property tax or rent was paid.

<https://www.maine.gov/revenue/taxes/tax-relief-credits-programs/income-tax-credits/property-tax-fairness-credit>

Useful Information to register a vehicle, boat, camper, ATV, snowmobile; licensing a dog; obtaining vital records; registering to vote and how to join a committee.

WHAT TO BRING WHEN REGISTERING A VEHICLE:

Re-Registration: Your old registration, current insurance card & mileage.

New Registration (Dealer Sale): Proof of sales tax paid (this is usually found on the financing statement), title application form, window sticker (if new vehicle), current insurance card & mileage.

New Registration (Private Sale): Bill of Sale, title for vehicles 1999 or newer, insurance card & mileage.

New Registration (Transfer): Same as private sale registration + copy of registration the plates are being transferred from. This vehicle must no longer be owned by you in order to receive an excise tax credit.

WHAT TO BRING WHEN REGISTERING A SNOWMOBILE/ATV/BOAT/CAMPER:

Re-Registration: Old registration.

New Registration (Dealer Sale): Proof of sales tax paid (this is usually found on the financing statement), ME-assigned number on used rec. vehicles.

New Registration (Private Sale): Bill of sale, ME-assigned number, and serial number. Horsepower and length for boats.

New Registration (Transfer): Same as private sale + registration of the vehicle the plates are being transferred from.

WHAT TO BRING WHEN LICENSING A DOG:

Current rabies certificate and neutering/spay certificate.

As required by Maine State law, every dog over 6 months of age shall be licensed by its owner in the Town/City where the dog resides prior to December 31st of annually. The fee for spayed/neutered dogs is \$6.00/year, and for unaltered dogs the fee is \$11.00/year. The mandatory State late fee of \$25 will be applied after January 31, and court summons commence February 1.

REQUESTING A CERTIFIED BIRTH/DEATH/MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE:

Effective July 12, 2010, the state law changed regarding access to vital records. In order for a person to obtain a certified copy of a birth, marriage, or death record, the requestor must present proof of identification. They must also present proof of direct and legitimate interest in the record if they are acquiring a record other than their own record. To request a certified copy, you must complete applicable form in office, or you may write or fax the town office a letter including the following information:

Full name on the record
Date of death
Photocopy of proof of identity
Your name, mailing address and telephone number
Number of copies ordering
Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

The first certified copy is \$15 and any subsequent certified copies requested at the same time, for the same record, are \$6 per copy.

WHAT TO BRING WHEN REGISTERING TO VOTE:

How to Register: In order to register to vote, you must bring identification and something that shows a current address. A driver's license or state identification card with the current address meets both criteria, otherwise, a checkbook or bill addressed to the applicant at the current address along with a social security card, birth certificate, hunting/fishing license.

If you mail in your voter registration card, you must send proof of identity such as a photocopy of your driver's license or other photo ID or a utility bill with your name and address on it.

HOW TO JOIN A TOWN COMMITTEE:

If you would like to join a committee, we ask that you contact the Town Office and they will provide you with the necessary form to be considered for appointment.

We are here to assist you!

NOTICE OF PROCEDURES FOR TOWN MEETING

Registered Voters must check in with the Registrar or their designee prior to the start of town meeting. During the check-in process registered voters will be provided the proper materials for voting.

Annual Town Meeting begins at 9:00 am – this means you should arrive prior to the start of meeting to obtain your voting materials - keep in mind there could be a line of residents ahead of you – do not wait until 9:00 am. For those that wait please know this is frustrating for all, for the persons who planned the meeting and for those who were on time. You are subconsciously exerting power over the group of residents already seated and ready for the meeting to begin at 9:00am.

The Moderator presides over Town Meeting in accordance with MRSA Title 30-A §2524. The Moderator further facilitates the meeting in accordance with MMA's Maine Moderators Manual

Procedure: The Moderator will read each article aloud and ask if someone will make a motion on the article; usually someone will respond "so moved", then "second".

Amendments: An amendment may be motioned and seconded to propose a change to an article; please note capped articles with specific monetary amount(s) contained in the wording are limited in that they can only be decreased (not increased).

Ordinances cannot be amended from the floor; only up or down. If an amendment does not pass, then the original motion is voted upon.

Voting: The Moderator will ask for a show of hands, if required - please keep your hand raised (or voting card) until the Moderator (and his/her designees) have concluded counting.

Challenge: A voter who wishes to challenge the Moderator's determination should immediately seek to be recognized, if necessary, the Moderator will make the determination more certain by using a designated other method of voting.

Written Ballots: any voter can move an article to be voted on by written ballot any time before the article is voted upon, the motion must be seconded; no discussion is allowed before voting on the motion to vote by written ballot.

Discussion: If you wish to speak on an article: wait until the Moderator has opened the floor to public comment discussion; raise your hand (or card) and wait for the Moderator to recognize you:

- Direct discussion or questions directly to the Moderator.
- State your name for the record & whom you represent, if applicable.
- State your business in a brief & concise manner; relevant to the current article/motion.
- Keep in mind the Moderator has the right to set a time limit for comments.

Moderator Order:

- Personal or accusatory comments are out of order; comments should be respectful and courteous.
- Profanity, and disorderly; conduct, language, or gestures at meetings are out of order.
- At no time will the public be allowed to argue debate or introduce a topic that is not on the agenda.

Voters & attendees may not speak during Town Meeting unless recognized by the Moderator; the audience shall not disturb the proceedings by whispering, talking or other engaging in other distractions. Cellular phones must be turned off or placed on vibrate unless you are emergency personnel.

If any person, after a command for order by the Moderator, continues to act in a disorderly manner, the Moderator may direct that person to leave the meeting. If the person refuses to leave, the Moderator may have that person removed until the meeting is adjourned.

Understanding Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Under state law it is the municipal officers who have sole authority to determine what articles shall be included in a warrant. Any article requested by a town resident will be considered for inclusion, as a matter of the discretion of the municipal officers.

The Municipal Officers have complete control to list, not list, or even lower a request in a town meeting warrant.

The Town of Kingfield uses the "capped" approach meaning that we exercise our exclusive power to determine this aspect of the format of the warrant.

Therefore, the municipal officers can consciously limit the flexibility of the voters in town meetings. The "capped" format gives some assurance to voters who read the warrant but do not attend the meeting.

The "capped" format is used to limit the potential for an intimidating or dominating atmosphere created at town meetings by a "single-issue" faction of voters to have things their own way.

The use of the "capped" format is not a legal issue, but may occasionally be a political one, at the instance of either a disappointed faction or of any voter who feels generally (but incorrectly) that some legal power has been taken from him or her.

Assume, for example that a voter read a warrant for a special town meeting at which a single appropriation from surplus revenues is called for to support some relatively non-controversial purpose: the voter decides that he or she has no objection to an expenditure of up to the amount stated for the stated purpose and can skip the meeting. The "cap" assures this voter that if he or she goes fishing a majority of those present can in no event determine to spend more than the stated amount. (Taken from MMA Legal)

Examples:

Article ____. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$314,300.00** for the Public Works Department.

The way this article is written the amount of this article cannot exceed the \$314,300.00 – it is "capped".

Article ____. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$6,000.00** for Maine's Northwestern Mountains (formerly Maine's High Peaks). **\$2,000.00 Recommended by Selectmen by vote 3/1. \$2,000.00 Recommended by Budget Committee by vote 12/1.**

The way this article is written the amount cannot exceed the \$6,000.00 as written but is open to discussion for an amount up to that amount.

Article ____. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for Kingfield SnoWanderers from TIF Revenue. **Requested \$2.00. \$2.00 Recommended by Selectmen by vote 3/2. \$5,000.00 Recommended by Budget Committee by vote 7/5.**

The way this article is written the amount is completely open-ended and not capped. It is open to discussion - meaning it could be zero dollars up to one million (or more) dollars.

