

# Annual Report 2015

Deering  
New Hampshire



Muriel A. (Day) McAlister arrived in the Cork Plains Valley of West Deering on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1954 to become the bride of Everett McAlister of the McAlister Farm. Muriel and Everett raised two children Lisa and Chet on the farm, both stayed in the valley to raise their families.

Muriel and Everett donated a piece of land to the town and it became the home of the McAlister Fire Station. Muriel became involved in the fire department. In April of 1982 she became one of the first certified woman fire fighters in the state. Muriel also was one of the first to earn her CDL license to drive a fire truck.

Muriel stepped down from the department as a fire fighter, but her love for the community prompted her to start the Deering Fire and Rescue Auxiliary. The first Deering Fire and Rescue cookbook was a direct result of many hours of collecting, proof reading, and compiling recipes. This cookbook is found in many local kitchens today. Muriel worked on nearly every chicken bbq, ham & bean supper, painting and cleaning stations when needed. Muriel continued to loan their property for musters, trainings and fundraisers when needed.



Muriel served as Supervisor of the Checklist, she was a member of the Deering Connection, with the town hall makeover painting and stenciling. Muriel initiated the town hall flower gardens spending many hours planting and maintaining them. Muriel's baked goods were always a welcome sight to the highway department during storms, road jobs, or gravel crushing operations.

Muriel had many hobbies, but folk art painting and herb gardening were her passion and it showed. Muriel painted many hand saws, signs, and special request pieces for many in the area. Muriel's herb gardens were something to envy. A gifted seamstress, she would sew a button on your coat, mend a hole or make something fit just right.

Muriel was a natural care giver and she cared for many of the elderly in their homes. She always went above and beyond to make sure they got their favorite meal, a ride to see the fall foliage and a stop for that favorite ice cream on a hot day.

The biggest gift to Deering, was placing the McAlister Farm under conservation easement to permanently protect its agricultural and scenic values for the future.

On December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Deering lost a true friend, volunteer and neighbor!

Lou Ellen Beard

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Town of Deering  
New Hampshire  
Warrant and Budget  
2016

To the inhabitants of the Town of Deering in the County of Hillsborough in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in town affairs:

GREETINGS!

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Deering on **Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016 at 11:00 am** in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

- Article 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- |                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Selectmen                   | 3-year term |
| Library Trustee             | 3-year term |
| Cemetery Trustee            | 3-year term |
| (1) Trustee of Trust Funds  | 3-year term |
| (1) Trustee of Trust Funds  | 1-year term |
| Moderator                   | 2-year term |
| Supervisor of the Checklist | 6-year term |

**Article 2: Zoning Ordinance Amendment**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment to the zoning ordinance for Large Wind Energy Systems as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Deering zoning ordinance as follows?

**Topical Discussion:** The ordinance proposed would be enacted under authority granted to the Town by the RSAs of New Hampshire. The RSAs give Towns authority under their zoning ordinances to provide for the siting and characteristics of proposed Large Wind Energy Systems (wind farms) of not greater than 30 megawatts.

If this Zoning Ordinance is adopted, applications for a proposed Wind Farm under 30 megawatts would come before the Planning Board for Site Plan review and for approval to construct and for approval to operate if it met the Ordinance requirements. Once built and operating, it would also be monitored under the Ordinance and a fund would be created by the LWES and controlled by the Town to assure that it could be "decommissioned" were it to cease operation.

An LWES of 30 megawatts or greater must be approved by the Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) of the State, which is in the process of promulgating regulations to do so.

The SEC may also, at the request of an LWES applicant, decide to assert jurisdiction over an application for a wind farm of less than 30 megawatts, even if a Town has enacted its own Ordinance, but it would have to find reasons to do so. In any case, if adopted, the Ordinance would express the criteria adopted by Deering citizens for wind farms in our town.

The Ordinance assures that any LWES proposed for the Town will be consistent with our Master Plan, and protect our health, safety, and water resources. Among the issues that the proposed Ordinance addresses are:

- requirements for an LWES,
- monitoring after it is in operation,
- filing of complaints,
- required inspections and reports after construction,
- financial assurances including funds for decommissioning and site restoration,
- maximum noise levels,
- limits on shadowing and flickering from the blades and on ice and debris hazards,
- protection for wildlife, birds and bats
- impacts upon view sheds and recreation areas, and
- the financial and managerial experience and resources necessary to construct and operate an LWES.
- funds from applicants to allow the Town to hire experts to evaluate the proposal, to assess the LWES for tax purposes after it is built, to compensate the Town for increased costs for Fire Safety, and other potential costs.

The ordinance recognizes the rural character of Deering and assures any LWES would be consistent with it.

The Ordinance is modeled on ordinances adopted by the Towns of Temple, New Ipswich, Ashland, and Groton and contains language drawn directly from those Ordinances. The Temple and New Ipswich Ordinances were upheld by the SEC when challenged.

It has been reviewed by legal counsel.

### **Recommended by the Planning Board**

**POLLS WILL OPEN AT 11:00 am** and remain open until **7:00 pm**.

**ADDITIONALLY, pursuant to RSA 39:2-a, you are hereby notified that Articles 3 through 11 will be taken upon Saturday the 12th of March, 2015 next at 9:00AM in the morning at Town Hall.**

#### **Article 3: To Accept Town Reports**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the 2015 reports of the Town Officials, agents and committees, and to accept the 2014 auditor's report.

**The Board of Selectmen Recommends this Article.**

**Article 4: To Appropriate Operating Budget Funds for the Year 2016**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million five thousand seven hundred fifteen dollars (\$2,005,715) for the purpose of funding general municipal operations not including any amount raised and appropriated in any separate warrant article.

Acct	Function	Amount
4130	Executive	\$ 167,417.45
4140	Elections, Registrations, Vital Statistics	\$ 35,522.55
4150	Finance Administration	\$ 58,917.30
4152	Assessing Revaluation	\$ 32,059.93
4153	Legal Expense	\$ 18,000.00
4191	Planning & Zoning	\$ 8,906.00
4194	General Government Buildings	\$ 33,800.00
4195	Cemeteries	\$ 16,035.00
4196	Insurance	\$ 53,494.00
4197	Advertising & Regional Association	\$ 4,233.00
4210	Police	\$ 328,982.66
4215	Ambulance	\$ 39,797.50
4220	Fire	\$ 71,056.25
4240	Building Inspection	\$ 13,218.00
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 1.00
4299	Other Public Safety	\$ 34,705.00
4300	Highways	\$ 688,403.56
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 99,352.00
4415	Health Agencies & Programs	\$ 4,900.00
4442	Direct Assistance	\$ 17,645.00
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$ 25,000.00
4550	Library	\$ 1,850.00
4611	Conservation Commission	\$ 2,540.00
4711	Bonds, Notes - Principal	\$ 228,372.00
4722	Bonds, Notes - Interest	\$ 16,507.00
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 2,005,715.20</b>

**The Board of Selectmen Recommends this Article**

**Article 5: To Add Funds to Established Trust Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three hundred fourteen thousand five hundred thirty-six dollars (\$314,536) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve and/or Expendable Trust Funds and to fund the sum of EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$87,200) from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015 for the following accounts in said amounts:

4915-1-007	FD Vehicle CRF	\$30,000
4915-1-100	HD Vehicle CRF	\$30,000
4916-1-006	Government Bld Improve ETF	\$20,000
4916-1-009	FD Turnout Gear ETF	\$ 5,000
4916-1-023	Computer Equipment ETF	\$ 2,200
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>		<b>\$87,200</b>

Acct	Fund	Amount
4915-1-007	FD Vehicle CRF	\$ 50,000.00
4915-1-010	HD Vehicle CRF	\$ 50,000.00
4916-1-002	Road Maint / Improvement ETF	\$ 118,000.00
4916-1-004	Weed Control ETF	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-006	Government Bld Improve ETF	\$ 40,000.00
4916-1-009	FD Turnout Gear	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-011	Cemetery Repair & Maint ETF	\$ 2,500.00
4916-1-012	Health & Safety ETF	\$ 1,500.00
4916-1-014	Town Celebration ETF	\$ 1,000.00
4916-1-016	PD Vehicle ETF	\$ 11,000.00
4916-1-020	Reservoir Usage ETF	\$ 2,500.00
4916-1-021	FD Building ETF	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-022	Master Plan ETF	\$ 1,250.00
4916-1-023	Computer Equip ETF	\$ 10,000.00
4916-1-024	Assessing ETF	\$ 9,300.00
4916-1-025	PD Equipment Replace ETF	\$ 1,315.00
4916-1-026	Ballistic Vest ETF	\$ 1,171.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$314,536.00</b>

**The Board of Selectmen Recommends this Article.**

**Article 6: Gravel Pit Terrain Alteration Permit**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$26,000) to fund the Engineering costs associated with the gravel pit alteration permit that is required by the NH Department of Environment Services for the highway department to continue operating the Town owned gravel pit and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015. This appropriation shall not raise any taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**The Board of Selectmen Recommends this Article.**

**Article 7: Hiring a Part-Time Fire Chief**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) to fund the position of a part-time Fire Chief from July through December 2016 as recommended by the Deering Fire and Rescue Squad Study. Future costs of the position will be in the operating budget.

**The Board of Selectmen Recommends this Article.**

**Article 8: Recruitment of Part Time Fire Chief**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,000) to fund the recruitment of a part-time Fire Chief and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**The Board of Selectmen Recommends this Article.**

**Article 9: Fire Department Tanker Truck Refurbishment**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000) to fund the refurbishment of the fire department tanker truck and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

**Article 10: To Purchase Town Clerk Software**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$4,446) to purchase Auto and Boat Registration Software and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

**Article 11: Highway Building Improvement ETF**

To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Highway Building Improvement Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of providing funds for the improvement of the Highway Building and to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) to be placed into this fund and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015, and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**



**Article 12: New Purpose Language to Exotic Weed Control Expendable Trust (2003)**

Shall the Town vote to change the purpose of the Exotic Weed Control Expendable Trust Fund established at the 2003 Town Meeting. The proposed change is below:

For the purpose of paying the costs of monitoring the public boat launch area at the South end of Deering Reservoir (Deering Lake) during selected, primarily weekend hours, during the summer, in order to make users of the boat launch and the General Public aware of the threat of milfoil and other nuisance exotic aquatic weeds **and wildlife** carried by boats from nearby infested lakes, and to inspect boats for evidence of such weeds **and wildlife and to help fund removal of milfoil and other invasive exotic aquatic weeds and wildlife infesting the lake** and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (2/3 Ballot Vote Required to Pass).

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

**Article 13: Town Center Improvement Expendable Trust Fund**

To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Town Center Improvement Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of providing funds for the planning and development of a long range community use plan for the two parcels commonly referred to as the Town Common and Hotel Lot and to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,000) to be placed into this fund and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015, and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

**Article 14: Welcome to Deering Signage**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000) to plan, design, locate and install “Welcome to Deering” signs on each end of Deering Center Road and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2015. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

**Article 15: Town Beach Area Animal and Dog Restriction Ordinance**

Shall the Town vote to enact an ordinance that restricts animals and dogs from the Town beach area located at the Deering Lake from Memorial Day (the last Monday in May) through Labor Day (the first Monday of September)?

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

**Article 16: To Transact Other Business**

To transact any other business that may be brought before this meeting.

Given under our hands, February 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2015		
We certify and attest that on or before February 9 <sup>th</sup> we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Office, and delivered the original to the TOWN CLERK		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
Aaron Gill	Chair	
Sharon Fife	Selectman	
Allen Belouin	Selectman	



New Hampshire  
Department of  
Revenue Administration

2016  
MS-636

## Budget of the Town of Deering

Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Town Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: February 4, 2016

**For Assistance Please Contact:**  
**NH DRA Municipal and Property Division**  
Phone: (603) 230-5090  
Fax: (603) 230-5947  
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

### GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Governing Body Certifications		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
Aaron Gill	Chair	
Sharon Fife	Selectman	
Allen Belouin	Selectmen	

A hard-copy of this signature page must be signed and submitted to the NHDRA at the following address:

**NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
MUNICIPAL AND PROPERTY DIVISON  
P.O.BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487**

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
<b>General Government</b>						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	4	\$153,952	\$149,277	\$167,417	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	4	\$29,434	\$23,195	\$35,523	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	4	\$51,093	\$45,639	\$58,917	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	4	\$26,948	\$29,647	\$32,060	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	4	\$18,000	\$3,123	\$18,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	4	\$8,806	\$1,913	\$8,906	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	4	\$33,410	\$28,789	\$33,800	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	4	\$16,035	\$15,958	\$16,035	\$0
4196	Insurance	4	\$42,320	\$32,013	\$53,494	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	4	\$3,671	\$3,671	\$4,233	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total General Government</b>			<b>\$383,668</b>	<b>\$333,224</b>	<b>\$428,385</b>	
<b>Public Safety</b>						
4210-4214	Police	4	\$304,443	\$288,155	\$328,983	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	4	\$35,942	\$29,282	\$39,798	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	4	\$58,956	\$52,230	\$71,056	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	4	\$13,218	\$13,003	\$13,218	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	4	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)	4	\$35,005	\$34,622	\$34,705	\$0
<b>Total Public Safety</b>			<b>\$447,565</b>	<b>\$417,293</b>	<b>\$487,760</b>	
<b>Airport/Aviation Center</b>						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Highways and Streets</b>						
4311	Administration	4	\$402,962	\$384,581	422,703.56	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	4	\$267,800	\$200,266	\$262,200	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	4	\$3,200	\$3,540	\$3,500	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Hwy and Streets</b>			<b>\$673,962</b>	<b>\$588,388</b>	<b>\$688,404</b>	
<b>Sanitation</b>						
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	4	\$98,335	\$102,947	\$99,352	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Sanitation</b>			<b>\$98,335</b>	<b>\$102,947</b>	<b>\$99,352</b>	
<b>Water Distribution and Treatment</b>						
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Electric</b>						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
<b>Health</b>						
4411	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	4	\$3,900	\$3,900	\$4,900	\$0
<b>Total Health</b>			<b>\$3,900</b>	<b>\$3,900</b>	<b>\$4,900</b>	
<b>Welfare</b>						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	4	\$17,645	\$8,059	\$17,645	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Welfare</b>			<b>\$17,645</b>	<b>\$8,059</b>	<b>\$17,645</b>	
<b>Culture and Recreation</b>						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	4	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0
4550-4559	Library	4	\$1,800	\$1,460	\$1,850	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Culture and Recreation</b>			<b>\$26,800</b>	<b>\$26,460</b>	<b>\$26,850</b>	
<b>Conservation and Development</b>						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	4	\$1,890	\$1,725	\$2,540	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Conservation</b>			<b>\$1,890</b>	<b>\$1,725</b>	<b>\$2,540</b>	
<b>Debt Service</b>						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	4	\$228,372	\$226,883	\$228,372	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	4	\$21,089	\$19,972	\$16,507	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	4	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Debt Service</b>			<b>\$254,461</b>	<b>\$246,855</b>	<b>\$249,879</b>	
<b>Capital Outlay</b>						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0		\$30,000	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$70,000	\$46,958	\$60,446	\$0
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>			<b>\$70,000</b>	<b>\$46,958</b>	<b>\$90,446</b>	

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
<b>Operating Transfers Out</b>						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$16,000	\$16,000	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$100,000	
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	8	\$211,319	\$211,319	\$214,536	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Transfers</b>			<b>\$227,319</b>	<b>\$227,319</b>	<b>\$314,536</b>	
<b>Total Proposed Appropriations</b>			<b>\$2,205,545</b>	<b>\$2,003,127</b>	<b>\$2,410,697</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Special Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	5	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$100,000	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$203,319	\$203,319	\$214,536	\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	11	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$20,000	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	13	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$0
<b>Special Articles Recommended</b>			<b>\$227,319</b>	<b>\$227,319</b>	<b>\$340,536</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Individual Warrant Articles

Account Code	Purpose of Appropriation	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	6	\$50,000	\$27,598	\$26,000	\$0
	<b>Purpose:</b> Gravel Pit Terrain Alteration Permit					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	7	\$20,000	\$19,360	\$20,000	\$0
	<b>Purpose:</b> Hiring Part Time Fire Chief					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	8			\$6,000	\$0
	<b>Purpose:</b> Recruitment of Part-Time Fire Chief					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	10			\$4,446	\$0
	<b>Purpose:</b> Purchase Town Clerk Software					
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	14			\$4,000	\$0
	<b>Purpose:</b> Welcome to Deering Signage					
<b>Individual Articles Recommended</b>			<b>\$70,000</b>	<b>\$46,958</b>	<b>\$60,446</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Revenues					
Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>Taxes</b>					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	4	\$20,000	\$17,029	\$16,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	4	\$56	\$59	\$50
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	4	\$60,100	\$60,907	\$60,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Licenses, Permits, and Fees</b>			<b>\$77,995</b>		
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	4	\$500	\$590	\$500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4	\$270,000	\$294,647	\$280,000
3230	Building Permits	4	\$5,700	\$10,768	\$7,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	4	\$0	\$6,487	\$4,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government	4	\$2,148	\$13,519	\$5,000
<b>State Sources</b>			<b>\$326,012</b>		
3351	Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	4	\$92,999	\$92,283	\$92,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	4	\$82,299	\$89,035	\$85,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	4	\$125	\$214	\$125
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	4	\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$4,400	\$17,928	\$17,000
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Charges for Services</b>			<b>\$199,460</b>		
3401-3406	Income from Departments	4	\$6,360	\$3,806	\$4,000
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>			<b>\$3,806</b>		
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	4	\$8,548	\$6,250	\$1,000
3502	Interest on Investments	4	\$1,500	\$2,721	\$2,000
3503-3509	Other		\$0	\$38,355	\$25,000
<b>Interfund Operating Transfers In</b>			<b>\$47,326</b>		
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0

Revenues					
Account Code	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	PY Estimated Revenues	PY Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>			<b>\$0</b>		
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$78,000	\$183,646
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$23,000	\$23,000
<b>Total Estimated Revenues and Credits</b>			<b>\$554,735</b>	<b>\$755,598</b>	<b>\$805,821</b>

Budget Summary		
Item	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$1,908,226	\$2,005,715
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$227,319	\$314,536
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$70,000	\$106,446
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$2,205,545	\$2,426,697
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$678,059	\$805,821
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$1,527,486	\$1,620,876



**Proposed Appropriations by Function  
2016**

Acct	Function	Appropriated	Proposed
		2015	2016
4130	Executive	\$ 151,021.50	\$ 167,417.45
4140	Elections, Registrations, Vital Statistics	\$ 32,364.38	\$ 35,522.55
4150	Finance Administration	\$ 51,092.77	\$ 58,917.30
4152	Assessing Revaluation	\$ 26,947.50	\$ 32,059.93
4153	Legal Expense	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
4191	Planning & Zoning	\$ 8,806.00	\$ 8,906.00
4194	General Government Buildings	\$ 33,410.00	\$ 33,800.00
4195	Cemeteries	\$ 16,035.00	\$ 16,035.00
4196	Insurance	\$ 42,320.00	\$ 53,494.00
4197	Advertising & Regional Association	\$ 3,671.00	\$ 4,233.00
4210	Police	\$ 304,443.32	\$ 328,982.66
4215	Ambulance	\$ 35,941.50	\$ 39,797.50
4220	Fire	\$ 58,956.25	\$ 71,056.25
4240	Building Inspection	\$ 13,218.00	\$ 13,218.00
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00
4299	Other Public Safety	\$ 35,005.00	\$ 34,705.00
4300	Highways	\$ 673,962.00	\$ 688,403.56
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 98,335.00	\$ 99,352.00
4415	Health Agencies & Programs	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 4,900.00
4442	Direct Assistance	\$ 17,645.00	\$ 17,645.00
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
4550	Library	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,850.00
4611	Conservation Commission	\$ 1,890.00	\$ 2,540.00
4711	Bonds, Notes - Principal	\$ 228,372.00	\$ 228,372.00
4722	Bonds, Notes - Interest	\$ 21,089.00	\$ 16,507.00
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 1,908,226.22</b>	<b>\$ 2,005,715.20</b>

Acct	Fund	2015	2016
4915-1-007	FD Vehicle CRF	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
4915-1-010	HD Vehicle CRF	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
4916-1-002	Road Maint / Improvement ETF	\$ 116,369.00	\$ 118,000.00
4916-1-004	Weed Control ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-006	Government Bld Improve ETF	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
4916-1-009	FD Turn Out Gear	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-011	Cemetery Repair & Maint ETF	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
4916-1-012	Health & Safety ETF	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
4916-1-014	Town Celebration ETF	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
4916-1-016	PD Vehicle ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
4916-1-020	Reservoir Usage ETF	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,500.00
4916-1-021	FD Building ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-022	Master Plan ETF	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00
4916-1-023	Computer Equip ETF	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 10,000.00
4916-1-024	Assessing ETF	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 9,300.00
4916-1-025	PD Equipment Replace ETF	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,315.00
4916-1-026	Ballistic Vest ETF	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,171.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 219,319.00</b>	<b>\$ 314,536.00</b>

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		2016 Proposed	
		2015 Budget	Budget
<b>4100 GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			
<b>4130 EXECUTIVE</b>			
<b>4130-1 BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>			
01.4130.10.112	BOS - Wages	7,500.00	7,500.00
01.4130.10.220	BOS - FICA	465.00	465.00
01.4130.10.221	BOS - Medicare	109.00	109.00
01.4130.10.350	BOS - Training & Certification	400.00	400.00
<b>Total 4130-1 BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>		<b>8,474.00</b>	<b>8,474.00</b>
<b>4130-2 ADMINISTRATION</b>			
01.4130.11.110	Admin - F/T Wages	65,000.00	65,000.00
01.4130.11.111	Admin - P/T Wages	30,000.00	36,300.00
01.4130.11.210	Admin - Health Insurance	15,580.00	25,779.00
01.4130.11.220	Admin - FICA	5,890.00	6,280.60
01.4130.11.221	Admin - Medicare	1,377.50	1,468.85
01.4130.11.230	Admin - Retirement	6,000.00	6,500.00
01.4130.11.290	Admin - Life/Disability	750.00	1,350.00
01.4130.11.350	Admin - Training & Certification	800.00	800.00
01.4130.11.399	Admin - Other Professional Service	300.00	300.00
01.4130.11.410	Admin - Postage	2,000.00	2,000.00
01.4130.11.420	Admin - Telephone	4,000.00	2,800.00
01.4130.11.430	Admin - Mobile Phone	600.00	600.00
01.4130.11.440	Admin - Rentals & Leases	2,300.00	2,300.00
01.4130.11.460	Admin - Printing	1,750.00	1,750.00
01.4130.11.470	Admin - Office Supplies	2,500.00	2,200.00
01.4130.11.480	Admin - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	315.00
01.4130.11.490	Admin - Public Notices	1,000.00	1,000.00
01.4130.11.610	Admin - New Equipment	1,300.00	1,300.00
01.4130.11.620	Admin - Equipment Maintenance	400.00	400.00
01.4130.11.710	Admin - Mileage	1,000.00	500.00
<b>Total 4130-2 ADMINISTRATION</b>		<b>142,547.50</b>	<b>158,943.45</b>
<b>Total 4130 EXECUTIVE</b>		<b>151,021.50</b>	<b>167,417.45</b>
<b>4140 ELECTION, REG, VITAL STATS</b>			
<b>4140-1 TOWN CLERK</b>			
01.4140.12.112	Town Clerk - Wages	10,010.00	12,870.00
01.4140.12.135	Town Clerk - Deputy Wages	7,020.00	7,230.60
01.4140.12.220	Town Clerk - FICA	1,038.83	1,246.24
01.4140.12.221	Town Clerk - Medicare	160.21	291.46
01.4140.12.350	Town Clerk - Training & Certification	600.00	700.00
01.4140.12.410	Town Clerk - Postage	1,500.00	2,000.00

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		2016 Proposed	
		2015 Budget	Budget
01.4140.12.420	Town Clerk - Telephone	766.00	1,103.00
01.4140.12.450	Town Clerk - Software	2,004.00	2,000.00
01.4140.12.470	Town Clerk - Office Supplies	4,500.00	500.00
01.4140.12.480	Town Clerk - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	200.00
01.4140.12.490	Town Clerk - Public Notices	50.00	50.00
01.4140.12.610	Town Clerk - New Equipment	0.00	120.00
01.4140.12.620	Town Clerk - Equipment Maintenance	0.00	325.00
01.4140.12.710	Town Clerk - Mileage	400.00	500.00
<b>Total 4140-1 TOWN CLERK</b>		<b>28,049.04</b>	<b>29,136.30</b>
<b>01.4140. ELECTIONS</b>			
01.4140.13.112	Elections - Election Official Wages	1,225.00	4,006.00
01.4140.13.120	Elections - Ballot Clerk Wages	300.00	1,200.00
01.4140.13.220	Elections - FICA	93.23	322.77
01.4140.13.221	Elections - Medicare	22.11	75.49
01.4140.13.410	Elections - Postage	20.00	50.00
01.4140.13.470	Elections - Office Supplies	20.00	50.00
01.4140.13.490	Elections - Public Notices	135.00	382.00
01.4140.13.900	Elections - Miscellaneous	2,500.00	300.00
<b>Total 4140-2 VOTER REGISTRATION</b>		<b>4,315.34</b>	<b>6,386.26</b>
<b>Total 4140 ELECTION, REG, VITAL STATS</b>		<b>32,364.38</b>	<b>35,522.55</b>
<b>4150-3 TREASURY</b>			
01.4150.14.112	Treasurer - Wages	2,500.00	2,500.00
01.4150.14.220	Treasurer - FICA	155.00	155.00
01.4150.14.221	Treasurer - Medicare	36.00	36.00
<b>Total 4150-3 TREASURY</b>		<b>2,691.00</b>	<b>2,691.00</b>
<b>4150-4 TAX COLLECTING</b>			
01.4150.15.112	Tax Collector - Wages	10,010.00	12,870.00
01.4150.15.135	Tax Collector - Deputy Wages	7,020.00	7,230.60
01.4150.15.220	Tax Collector - FICA	1,038.83	1,246.24
01.4150.15.221	Tax Collector - Medicare	246.94	291.46
01.4150.15.310	Tax Collector - Research	1,000.00	1,000.00
01.4150.15.350	Tax Collector - Training & Certification	600.00	700.00
01.4150.15.360	Tax Collector - Recording Fees	400.00	500.00
01.4150.15.410	Tax Collector - Postage	3,000.00	3,000.00
01.4150.15.420	Tax Collector - Telephone	766.00	1,102.00
01.4150.15.450	Tax Collector - Software	2,500.00	2,500.00
01.4150.15.470	Tax Collector - Office Supplies	900.00	800.00
01.4150.15.480	Tax Collector - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	40.00
01.4150.15.490	Tax Collector - Public Notices	0.00	0.00
01.4150.15.610	Tax Collector - New Equipment	0.00	120.00
01.4150.15.620	Tax Collector - Equipment Maintenance	0.00	80.00
01.4150.15.710	Tax Collector - Mileage	400.00	500.00
<b>Total 4150-4 TAX COLLECTING</b>		<b>27,881.77</b>	<b>31,980.30</b>

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		2015 Budget	2016 Proposed Budget
<b>4150-5 AUDITING SERVICES</b>			
01.4150.16.300	Auditing - Professional Services	13,500.00	13,500.00
<b>Total 4150-5 AUDITING SERVICES</b>		<b>13,500.00</b>	<b>13,500.00</b>
<b>4150-8 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>			
01.4150.17.399	Info Tech - Professional Services	4,500.00	3,000.00
01.4150.17.450	Info Tech - Software	2,520.00	7,746.00
<b>Total 4150-8 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>		<b>7,020.00</b>	<b>10,746.00</b>
<b>Total 4150 FINANCIAL ADMIN</b>		<b>51,092.77</b>	<b>58,917.30</b>
<b>4152 ASSESSING / REVALUATION</b>			
01.4152.18.111	Assessing - Clerk Wages	15,000.00	15,450.00
01.4152.18.220	Assessing - FICA	930.00	957.90
01.4152.18.221	Assessing - Medicare	217.50	224.03
01.4152.18.399	Assessing - Professional Services	10,800.00	15,408.00
01.4152.18.460	Assessing - Printing	0.00	0.00
01.4152.18.470	Assessing - Office Supplies	0.00	0.00
01.4152.18.480	Assessing - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	20.00
<b>Total 4152 ASSESSING / REVALUATION</b>		<b>26,947.50</b>	<b>32,059.93</b>
<b>4153 LEGAL EXPENSES</b>			
01.4153.10.320	Legal - Professional Services	15,000.00	15,000.00
01.4153.30.340	Legal - Prosecution Police	0.00	0.00
01.4153.33.330	Legal - Code Enforcement	3,000.00	3,000.00
<b>Total 4153 LEGAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>18,000.00</b>	<b>18,000.00</b>
<b>4191 PLANNING &amp; ZONING</b>			
<b>4191-1 PLANNING</b>			
01.4191.20.111	Planning - P/T Wages	800.00	800.00
01.4191.20.220	Planning - FICA	50.00	50.00
01.4191.20.221	Planning - Medicare	12.00	12.00
01.4191.20.300	Planning - Professional Services	1,500.00	1,500.00
01.4191.20.320	Planning - Legal	2,000.00	2,000.00
01.4191.20.350	Planning - Training & Certification	150.00	150.00
01.4191.20.410	Planning - Postage	400.00	400.00
01.4191.20.460	Planning - Printing	150.00	150.00
01.4191.20.470	Planning - Office Supplies	150.00	150.00
01.4191.20.480	Planning - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	0.00
01.4191.20.490	Planning - Public Notices	500.00	600.00
<b>Total 4191-1 PLANNING</b>		<b>5,712.00</b>	<b>5,812.00</b>

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		2016 Proposed	
		2015 Budget	Budget
<b>4191-2 ZONING</b>			
01.4191.21.111	Zoning - P/T Wages	528.00	528.00
01.4191.21.220	Zoning - FICA	33.00	33.00
01.4191.21.221	Zoning - Medicare	8.00	8.00
01.4191.21.320	Zoning - Legal	1,500.00	1,500.00
01.4191.21.350	Zoning - Training & Certification	75.00	75.00
01.4191.21.470	Zoning - Office Supplies	100.00	100.00
01.4191.21.480	Zoning - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	0.00
01.4191.21.490	Zoning - Public Notices	500.00	500.00
01.4191.21.410	Zoning - Postage	350.00	350.00
<b>Total 4191-2 ZONING</b>		<b>3,094.00</b>	<b>3,094.00</b>
<b>Total 4191 PLANNING &amp; ZONING</b>		<b>8,806.00</b>	<b>8,906.00</b>
<b>4194 GEN GOVERNMENT BLDG</b>			
01.4194.10.370	Govt Buildings - Custodial Service	5,200.00	5,200.00
01.4194.10.380	Govt Buildings - Groundskeeping	3,610.00	4,000.00
01.4194.10.401	Govt Buildings - Heating Fuel	8,000.00	8,000.00
01.4194.10.405	Govt Buildings - Electricity	7,600.00	7,600.00
01.4194.10.470	Govt Buildings - Office Supplies	500.00	500.00
01.4194.10.655	Govt Buildings - Maintenance & Repairs	8,500.00	8,500.00
<b>Total 4194 GEN GOVERNMENT BLDG</b>		<b>33,410.00</b>	<b>33,800.00</b>
<b>4195 CEMETERIES</b>			
01.4195.22.300	Cemetery - Professional Services	0.00	0.00
01.4195.22.380	Cemetery - Groundskeeping	15,400.00	15,400.00
01.4195.22.499	Cemetery - Other Supplies	635.00	635.00
<b>Total 4195 CEMETERIES</b>		<b>16,035.00</b>	<b>16,035.00</b>
<b>4196 INSURANCE</b>			
01.4196.10.810	Insurance - Worker's Comp/Unemployment	17,240.00	19,369.00
01.4196.10.820	Insurance - Property Liability	25,080.00	34,125.00
<b>Total 4196 INSURANCE</b>		<b>42,320.00</b>	<b>53,494.00</b>
<b>4197 ADVERTISING/REGIONAL ASSOC</b>			
01.4197.10.480	Advertising/Reg. Assoc. - Dues & Subscription	1,549.00	2,111.00
01.4197.10.300	Advertising/Reg. Assoc. - Professional Service	2,122.00	2,122.00
<b>Total 4197 ADVERTISING/REGIONAL ASSOC</b>		<b>3,671.00</b>	<b>4,233.00</b>
<b>Total 4100 GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		<b>383,668.15</b>	<b>428,385.23</b>

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		2015 Budget	2016 Proposed Budget
<b>4200 PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			
<b>4210 POLICE</b>			
01.4210.30.110	4210-1-110 PD CHIEF WAGES	64,300.00	0.00
01.4210.30.110	Police - F/T Wages	46,945.00	118,500.00
01.4210.30.111	Police - P/T Wages	41,378.13	45,600.00
01.4210.30.113	Police - On Call Wages	6,000.00	6,000.00
01.4210.30.130	Police - Overtime Wages (grant funded)	18,000.00	19,700.00
01.4210.30.131	Police - Detail Wages	2,500.00	2,500.00
01.4210.30.210	Police - Health Insurance	42,065.00	45,655.00
01.4210.30.220	Police - FICA	2,565.44	2,827.20
01.4210.30.221	Police - Medicare	2,561.04	2,500.00
01.4210.30.230	Police - Retirement	28,745.71	38,699.46
01.4210.30.290	Police - Life/Disability Insurance	2,049.00	2,000.00
01.4210.30.340	Police - Prosecution	19,014.00	16,200.00
01.4210.30.345	Police - Animal Control	500.00	500.00
01.4210.30.350	Police - Training & Certification	3,000.00	4,000.00
01.4210.30.402	Police - Vehicle Fuel	9,000.00	9,000.00
01.4210.30.410	Police - Postage	100.00	100.00
01.4210.30.420	Police - Telephone	3,720.00	3,000.00
01.4210.30.430	Police - Mobile Phone	1,750.00	1,750.00
01.4210.30.445	Police - Uniforms	1,250.00	1,250.00
01.4210.30.450	Police - Software	700.00	700.00
01.4210.30.470	Police - Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,200.00
01.4210.30.480	Police - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	400.00
01.4210.30.493	Police - Youth Programs (Explorers)	500.00	500.00
01.4210.30.499	Police - Other Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00
01.4210.30.610	Police - New Equipment	0.00	1.00
01.4210.30.620	Police - Equipment Maintenance	1,100.00	1,200.00
01.4210.30.630	Police - Vehicle Maintenance/Repair	4,000.00	4,000.00
01.4210.30.720	Police - Witness Reimbursement	200.00	200.00
4210 POLICE - Other		0.00	0.00
<b>Total 4210 POLICE</b>		<b>304,443.32</b>	<b>328,982.66</b>
<b>4215 AMBULANCE</b>			
01.4215.31.113	Ambulance - On Call Wages	15,000.00	15,000.00
01.4215.31.220	Ambulance - FICA	932.00	930.00
01.4215.31.221	Ambulance - Medicare	159.50	217.50
01.4215.31.290	Ambulance - Life/Disability Insurance	450.00	450.00
01.4215.31.350	Ambulance - Training & Certification	3,500.00	3,500.00
01.4215.31.390	Ambulance - Paramedic Intercepts	5,200.00	6,000.00
01.4215.31.395	Ambulance - Billing	0.00	2,500.00
01.4215.31.401	Ambulance - Heating Fuel	0.00	0.00

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		2016 Proposed	
		2015 Budget	Budget
01.4215.31.402	Ambulance - Vehicle Fuel	1,000.00	1,000.00
01.4215.31.420	Ambulance - Telephone	800.00	800.00
01.4215.31.430	Ambulance - Mobile Phone	500.00	500.00
01.4215.31.445	Ambulance - Uniforms	0.00	500.00
01.4215.31.470	Ambulance - Office Supplies	200.00	200.00
01.4215.31.499	Ambulance - Other Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00
01.4215.31.620	Ambulance - Equipment Maintenance	4,200.00	4,200.00
01.4215.31.630	Ambulance - Vehicle Maintenance/Repair	2,500.00	2,500.00
	<b>Total 4215 AMBULANCE</b>	<b>35,941.50</b>	<b>39,797.50</b>
<b>4220 FIRE</b>			
01.4220.32.113	Fire - On Call Wages	16,000.00	16,000.00
01.4220.32.114	Fire - Stipends	2,500.00	4,300.00
01.4220.32.220	Fire - FICA	992.00	992.00
01.4220.32.221	Fire - Medicare	214.25	214.25
01.4220.32.290	Fire - Life/Disability Insurance	450.00	450.00
01.4220.32.350	Fire - Training & Certification	5,000.00	5,000.00
01.4220.32.385	Fire - Forestry	1,000.00	1,000.00
01.4220.32.401	Fire - Heating Fuel	6,500.00	6,500.00
01.4220.32.402	Fire - Vehicle Fuel	2,600.00	2,600.00
01.4220.32.405	Fire - Electricity	5,500.00	5,500.00
01.4220.32.420	Fire - Telephone	1,500.00	1,500.00
01.4220.32.430	Fire - Mobile Phone	500.00	500.00
01.4220.32.470	Fire - Office Supplies	800.00	400.00
01.4220.32.480	Fire - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	400.00
01.4220.32.493	Fire - Youth Programs	400.00	400.00
01.4220.32.610	Fire - New Equipment	8,000.00	8,300.00
01.4220.32.620	Fire - Equipment Maintenance	3,000.00	4,000.00
01.4220.32.630	Fire - Vehicle Maintenance/Repair	4,000.00	8,000.00
01.4220.32.655	Fire - Building Maintenance & Repairs	0.00	5,000.00
	<b>Total 4220 FIRE</b>	<b>58,956.25</b>	<b>71,056.25</b>
<b>4240 BUILDING INSPECTION</b>			
01.4240.33.111	Bldg Inspect - P/T Wages	12,000.00	12,000.00
01.4240.33.114	Bldg Inspect - Stipends (Phone)	0.00	0.00
01.4240.33.220	Bldg Inspect - FICA	744.00	744.00
01.4240.33.221	Bldg Inspect - Medicare	174.00	174.00
01.4240.33.350	Bldg Inspect - Training & Certification	0.00	200.00
01.4240.33.480	Bldg Inspect - Dues & Subscriptions	300.00	100.00
	<b>Total 4240 BUILDING INSPECTION</b>	<b>13,218.00</b>	<b>13,218.00</b>
<b>4290 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>			
01.4290.34.399	Emergency Mngmt - Other Professional Service	1.00	1.00
	<b>Total 4290 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>

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		2015 Budget	2016 Proposed Budget
<b>4299 OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			
01.4299.30.391	Other Public Safety - Police Dispatch	16,500.00	16,200.00
01.4299.32.391	Other Public Safety - Fire Dispatch	16,505.00	16,505.00
01.4299.40.391	Other Public Safety - Highway Dispatch	2,000.00	2,000.00
	<b>Total 4299 OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>35,005.00</b>	<b>34,705.00</b>
	<b>Total 4200 PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>447,565.07</b>	<b>487,760.41</b>
<b>4300 HIGHWAYS</b>			
<b>4311 HIGHWAY DEPT ADMIN</b>			
01.4311.40.110	Highway Admin - F/T Wages	218,000.00	224,540.00
01.4311.40.111	Highway Admin - P/T Wages	5,000.00	7,500.00
01.4311.40.130	Highway Admin - Overtime Wages	25,000.00	25,000.00
01.4311.40.210	Highway Admin - Health Insurance	94,260.00	102,300.00
01.4311.40.220	Highway Admin - FICA	15,215.00	15,936.48
01.4311.40.221	Highway Admin - Medicare	3,560.00	3,727.08
01.4311.40.230	Highway Admin - Retirement	12,625.00	12,625.00
01.4311.40.290	Highway Admin - Life/Disability Insurance	4,007.00	3,000.00
01.4311.40.350	Highway Admin - Training & Certification	1,800.00	800.00
01.4311.40.351	Highway Admin - Drug Testing/Background Cl	0.00	1,000.00
01.4311.40.401	Highway Admin - Heating Fuel	9,000.00	10,000.00
01.4311.40.405	Highway Admin - Electricity	4,000.00	3,000.00
01.4311.40.420	Highway Admin - Telephone	300.00	300.00
01.4311.40.430	Highway Admin - Mobile Phone	745.00	800.00
01.4311.40.445	Highway Admin - Uniforms	3,200.00	5,625.00
01.4311.40.470	Highway Admin - Office Supplies	250.00	300.00
01.4311.40.480	Highway Admin - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	0.00
01.4311.40.490	Highway Admin - Public Notices	500.00	500.00
01.4311.40.655	Highway Admin - Building Maintenance & Rep	5,500.00	5,500.00
01.4311.40.710	Highway Admin - Mileage	0.00	250.00
01.4311.40.830	Highway Admin - Tool Insurance	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total 4311 HIGHWAY DEPT ADMIN</b>	<b>402,962.00</b>	<b>422,703.56</b>
<b>4312 HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE</b>			
01.4312.40.381	Highway Maintenance - Crack Sealing	14,500.00	7,200.00
01.4312.40.382	Highway Maintenance - Roadside Mowing	6,500.00	6,500.00
01.4312.40.383	Highway Maintenance - Tree Removal	3,500.00	3,500.00
01.4312.40.384	Highway Maintenance - Gravel Crushing	25,000.00	30,000.00
01.4312.40.399	Highway Maintenance - Other Professional Ser	800.00	3,000.00
01.4312.40.402	Highway Maintenance - Vehicle Fuel	55,000.00	55,000.00
01.4312.40.481	Highway Maintenance - Culverts	0.00	1,500.00
01.4312.40.482	Highway Maintenance - Salt	55,000.00	59,000.00
01.4312.40.483	Highway Maintenance - Cold Patch	3,500.00	2,500.00
01.4312.40.484	Highway Maintenance - Dust Control	11,000.00	11,000.00
01.4312.40.485	Highway Maintenance - Sand	19,000.00	9,000.00



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		2016 Proposed	
		2015 Budget	Budget
01.4312.40.499	Highway Maintenance - Other Supplies	20,500.00	20,500.00
01.4312.40.610	Highway Maintenance - New Equipment	6,000.00	6,000.00
01.4312.40.620	Highway Maintenance - Equipment Maintenance	0.00	16,000.00
01.4312.40.630	Highway Maintenance - Vehicle Maint/Repair	47,500.00	31,500.00
	<b>Total 4312 HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>267,800.00</b>	<b>262,200.00</b>
<b>4316 STREET LIGHTING</b>			
01.4316.40.405	Street Lighting - Electricity	3,200.00	3,500.00
	<b>Total 4316 STREET LIGHTING</b>	<b>3,200.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>
	<b>Total 4300 HIGHWAYS</b>	<b>673,962.00</b>	<b>688,403.56</b>
<b>4324 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL</b>			
01.4324.41.406	Solid Waste - Transfer Station	69,283.00	69,300.00
01.4324.41.407	Solid Waste - Tipping Fees	27,000.00	28,000.00
01.4324.41.408	Solid Waste - Disposal Contract	2,052.00	2,052.00
	<b>Total 4324 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL</b>	<b>98,335.00</b>	<b>99,352.00</b>
<b>4415 HEALTH AGENCIES &amp; PROGRAMS</b>			
01.4445.50.495	Health Agencies - Community Education	400.00	400.00
01.4445.50.496	Health Agencies - Community Meals/Medical	1,200.00	1,200.00
01.4445.50.496	4415-1-393 ST JOSEPH COMM SERV	300.00	300.00
01.4445.50.498	Health Agencies - Community Seniors	2,000.00	3,000.00
	<b>Total 4415 HEALTH AGENCIES &amp; PROGRAMS</b>	<b>3,900.00</b>	<b>4,900.00</b>
<b>4442 DIRECT ASSISTANCE</b>			
01.4441.50.111	Welfare - Director Wages	2,457.00	2,457.00
01.4441.50.220	Welfare - FICA	152.00	152.00
01.4441.50.221	Welfare - Medicare	36.00	36.00
01.4442.50.510	Welfare - Medical Assistance	500.00	500.00
01.4442.50.520	Welfare - Housing Assistance	4,500.00	4,500.00
01.4442.50.530	Welfare - Food Assistance	2,000.00	2,000.00
01.4442.50.540	Welfare - Electric Assistance	3,000.00	3,000.00
01.4442.50.599	Welfare - Other Assistance	5,000.00	5,000.00
	<b>Total 4442 DIRECT ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>17,645.00</b>	<b>17,645.00</b>
<b>4520 PARKS &amp; RECS PROGRAMS</b>			
01.4520.55.440	Parks & Recreation - Reservoir Toilets	0.00	0.00
01.4520.55.409	Parks & Recreation - Hillsborough	25,000.00	25,000.00
	<b>Total 4520 PARKS &amp; RECS PROGRAMS</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>

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		2016 Proposed	
		2015 Budget	Budget
<b>4550 LIBRARY</b>			
01.4550.60.350	Library - Training & Certification	0.00	0.00
01.4550.60.405	Library - Electricity	200.00	200.00
01.4550.60.410	Library - Postage	0.00	0.00
01.4550.60.450	Library - Software	0.00	0.00
01.4550.60.470	Library - Office Supplies	150.00	150.00
01.4550.60.480	Library - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	50.00
01.4550.60.493	Library - Youth Programs	650.00	1,050.00
01.4550.60.495	Library - Community Education	0.00	0.00
01.4550.60.499	Library - Other Supplies	800.00	400.00
01.4550.60.610	Library - New Equipment	0.00	0.00
01.4550.60.620	Library - Equipment Maintenance	0.00	0.00
01.4550.60.655	Library - Building Maintenance & Repairs	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total 4550 LIBRARY</b>	<b>1,800.00</b>	<b>1,850.00</b>
<b>4611 CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>			
01.4611.65.111	Conservation - P/T Wages	0.00	0.00
01.4611.65.220	Conservation - FICA	0.00	0.00
01.4611.65.221	Conservation - Medicare	0.00	0.00
01.4611.65.310	Conservation - Research <i>Formerly Lake Testin.</i>	665.00	665.00
01.4611.65.350	Conservation - Training & Certification	25.00	25.00
01.4611.65.410	Conservation - Postage	50.00	100.00
01.4611.65.460	Conservation - Printing	150.00	0.00
01.4611.65.470	Conservation - Office Supplies	300.00	300.00
01.4611.65.480	Conservation - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	300.00
01.4611.65.490	Conservation - Public Notices	50.00	100.00
01.4611.65.491	Conservation - Roads & Trails	50.00	450.00
01.4611.65.493	Conservation - Youth Programs	500.00	500.00
01.4611.65.494	Conservation - Duck Boxes	0.00	0.00
01.4611.65.499	Conservation - Other Supplies	100.00	100.00
	<b>Total 4611 CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	<b>1,890.00</b>	<b>2,540.00</b>
<b>4711 BONDS &amp; NOTES-PRINCIPAL</b>			
40.4711.10.655	Debt Svc - Principal Town Hall Renovation	25,000.00	25,000.00
40.4711.40.491	Debt Svc - Principal Road Bond (2019)	125,000.00	125,000.00
40.4712.31.640	Debt Svc - Principal Ambulance (2016)	40,872.00	40,872.00
40.4712.40.640	Debt Svc - Principal Hwy Equipment	37,500.00	37,500.00
	<b>Total 4711 BONDS &amp; NOTES-PRINCIPAL</b>	<b>228,372.00</b>	<b>228,372.00</b>
<b>4722 BONDS &amp; NOTES-INT</b>			
40.4722.10.655	Debt Svc - Interest Town Hall Renovation	12,375.00	11,125.00
40.4722.40.491	Debt Svc - Interest Road Bond (2019)	6,620.00	4,569.00
40.4723.31.640	Debt Svc - Interest Ambulance (2016)	2,094.00	813.00
	<b>Total 4721 BONDS &amp; NOTES-INT</b>	<b>21,089.00</b>	<b>16,507.00</b>

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		2015 Budget	2016 Proposed Budget
<b>4723 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES</b>			
40.4723.10.900	Debt Svc - Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000.00	5,000.00
	<b>Total 4723 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
	<b>Total Operating Budget</b>	<b>1,908,226.22</b>	<b>2,005,715.20</b>
<b>4915 PAYMENTS TO CAP. RES. FUND</b>			
	4915-1-007 FD VEHICLE CAP RES	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
	4915-1-010 HD VEH CAP RES	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
	<b>Total CRF</b>	<b>\$ 16,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 100,000.00</b>
<b>4916 PAYMENTS TO EXP. TRUST FUND</b>			
	4916-1-002 ROAD MAINT/IMP EX TR	\$ 116,369.00	\$ 118,000.00
	4916-1-004 WEED CONTROL EXP TR	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
	4916-1-006 GOV BLDG IMP EXP TR	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
	4916-1-009 TURNOUT GEAR	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
	4916-1-011 CEMETARY REPAIR/MAIN	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
	4916-1-012 HEALTH&SAFETY EX TR	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
	4916-1-013 HERITAGE EX TRUST	\$ -	\$ -
	4916-1-014 TOWN CELEBR EX TRUST	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
	4916-1-016 PD EXPENDABLE TRUST	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
	4916-1-020 RESERVOIR USAGE EXP	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,500.00
	4916-1-021 FIRE DEPT. BDG. EXP	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
	4916-1-022 MASTER PLAN EXP TRUS	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00
	4916-1-023 COMPUTER EQUIP TRUST	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 10,000.00
	4916-1-024 ASSESSING EXP TRUST	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 9,300.00
	4916-1-025 PD EQUIP REPLACEMENT ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,315.00
	4916-1-026 BALLISTIC VEST ETF	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,171.00
	<b>Total ETF</b>	<b>\$ 211,319.00</b>	<b>\$ 214,536.00</b>
	<b>Total Trust Funds</b>	<b>\$ 227,319.00</b>	<b>\$ 314,536.00</b>
<b>Warrant Articles</b>			
	WA Gravel Pit Terrain Alteration Permit	\$ -	\$ 26,000.00
	WA FD Tanker Refurbishment	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00
	WA FD Part-Time Chief	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00
	WA FD Fire Chief Recruitment		\$ 6,000.00
	WA Establish Highway Building ETF	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00
	WA Town Clerk Software	\$ -	\$ 4,446.00
	<b>WA Total</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 106,446.00</b>
	<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>\$ 2,205,545.22</b>	<b>\$ 2,426,697.20</b>
	<b>Total Without Warrant Articles</b>	<b>\$ 2,135,545.22</b>	<b>\$ 2,320,251.20</b>

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Deering, New Hampshire

Additional Offices:  
Andover, MA  
Greenfield, MA  
Manchester, NH  
Ellsworth, ME

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Deering, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2014, and for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Deering's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

The Town's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Deering, as of December 31, 2014 and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Other Matters***Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

*Melanson Heath*

May 26, 2015

## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

As management of the Town of Deering, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Deering for the year ended December 31, 2014.

### **A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-wide financial statements.** The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges. The governmental activities include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, health and welfare, library and recreation, and conservation.

**Fund financial statements.** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds are considered governmental funds.

**Governmental funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements,

governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

**Notes to financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- As of the close of the current year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$7,001,192 (i.e., net position), a change of \$247,905 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,385,650, a change of \$253,040 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$772,778, a change of \$323,364 in comparison to the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current year was \$851,150, a change of \$(188,777) in comparison to the prior year.

## C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

### NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 3,395,507	\$ 3,769,067
Capital assets	<u>6,010,417</u>	<u>6,079,072</u>
Total assets	9,405,924	9,848,139
Long-term liabilities outstanding	923,953	1,039,927
Notes payable	-	400,000
Other liabilities	<u>1,480,779</u>	<u>1,654,925</u>
Total liabilities	2,404,732	3,094,852
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	5,086,464	5,039,145
Restricted	284,144	248,971
Unrestricted	<u>1,630,584</u>	<u>1,465,171</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 7,001,192</u>	<u>\$ 6,753,287</u>

### CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 82,530	\$ 32,820
Operating grants and contributions	18,301	22,788
Capital grants and contributions	-	27,667
General revenues:		
Property taxes	1,470,429	1,529,804
Excises	285,272	271,513
Penalties and interest on taxes	71,473	68,088
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	159,739	167,629
Investment income	8,211	12,419
Other	<u>77,173</u>	<u>80,945</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>	2,173,128	2,213,673



**Expenses:**

General government	356,087	426,583
Public safety	457,076	406,670
Highways and streets	969,947	864,895
Sanitation	69,901	84,166
Health and welfare	16,719	20,239
Library and recreation	31,203	34,795
Conservation	4,611	4,955
Interest on long-term debt	19,679	29,477
<b>Total expenses</b>	<u>1,925,223</u>	<u>1,871,780</u>
Change in net position before permanent fund contributions	247,905	341,893
Permanent fund contributions	<u>-</u>	<u>3,084</u>
Increase in net position	247,905	344,977
Net position - beginning of year, as restated	<u>6,753,287</u>	<u>6,408,310</u>
Net position - end of year	<u>\$ 7,001,192</u>	<u>\$ 6,753,287</u>

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent calendar year, total net position was \$7,001,192, a change of \$247,905 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position \$5,086,464 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net position \$284,144 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position \$1,630,584 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$247,905. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund revenues in excess of expenditures	\$ 218,084
Other changes	<u>29,821</u>
Total	<u>\$ 247,905</u>

## D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental funds.** The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the year.

As of the end of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,385,650, a change of \$253,040 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund revenues in excess of expenditures	\$ 218,084
Special revenue fund revenues in excess of expenditures	31,333
Trust fund revenues in excess of expenditures	<u>3,623</u>
Total	<u>\$ 253,040</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$772,778, while total fund balance was \$1,101,506. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>12/31/14</u>	<u>12/31/13</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>% of Total General Fund Expenditures</u>
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 772,778	\$ 449,414	\$ 323,364	39.8%
Total fund balance <sup>1</sup>	\$ 1,101,506	\$ 789,321	\$ 312,185	56.7%

<sup>1</sup>Includes Capital Reserve Fund.

The total fund balance of the general fund changed by \$312,185 during the current year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Close-out of Capital Project Fund	\$ 94,321
Revenues in excess of budget	79,630
Expenditures less than budget	56,266
Other	<u>81,968</u>
Total	<u>\$ 312,185</u>

Included in the total general fund balance are the Town's capital reserve accounts with the following balances:

	<u>12/31/14</u>	<u>12/31/13</u>	<u>Change</u>
Capital reserves	\$ <u>328,728</u>	\$ <u>339,907</u>	\$ <u>(11,179)</u>
Total	\$ <u><u>328,728</u></u>	\$ <u><u>339,907</u></u>	\$ <u><u>(11,179)</u></u>

## **E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

There were no differences between the original budget and the final amended budget.

## **F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**Capital assets.** Total investment in capital assets for governmental activities at year-end amounted to \$6,010,417 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$(68,654) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, infrastructure, and construction in progress.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

- \$121,476 for the construction of a fish/turtle ladder.
- \$110,300 for the purchase of a backhoe.
- \$33,383 for the purchase of a police cruiser.

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

**Long-term debt.** At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$851,150, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on long-term debt can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

## REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Deering's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Town Administrator  
Town of Deering  
762 Deering Center Road  
Deering, New Hampshire 03244



## Summary of Expenditures by Function – 2015 (unaudited)

Acct	Function	2015		Difference
		Budget	Expenditures	
4130	Executive	\$ 153,951.70	\$ 149,276.86	\$ 4,674.84
4140	Election & Registration	\$ 29,433.98	\$ 23,195.01	\$ 6,238.97
4150	Financial Administration	\$ 78,040.27	\$ 75,285.21	\$ 2,755.06
4152	Assessing & Revaluation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4153	Legal Expense	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 3,122.94	\$ 14,877.06
4191	Planning & Zoning	\$ 8,806.00	\$ 3,913.19	\$ 4,892.81
4194	General Gov't Buildings	\$ 33,410.00	\$ 28,788.66	\$ 4,621.34
4195	Cemeteries	\$ 16,035.00	\$ 15,957.90	\$ 77.10
4196	Insurance	\$ 42,320.00	\$ 32,013.03	\$ 10,306.97
4197	Advertising & Regional Association	\$ 3,671.00	\$ 3,671.00	\$ -
4199	Other Government	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4210	Police Department	\$ 304,443.32	\$ 288,155.46	\$ 16,287.86
4215	Ambulance	\$ 35,941.50	\$ 29,282.30	\$ 6,659.20
4220	Fire Department	\$ 58,956.25	\$ 52,229.72	\$ 6,726.53
4240	Building Inspection	\$ 13,218.00	\$ 13,003.00	\$ 215.00
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 1.00	\$ -	\$ 1.00
4299	Other Public Safety	\$ 35,005.00	\$ 34,622.37	\$ 382.63
4311	Highway Department	\$ 673,962.00	\$ 588,387.58	\$ 85,574.42
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 98,335.00	\$ 102,947.20	\$ (4,612.20)
4415	Health Agencies & Programs	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,900.00	\$ -
4442	Direct Assistance	\$ 17,645.00	\$ 8,058.60	\$ 9,586.40
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -
4550	Library	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,459.75	\$ 340.25
4611	Conservation	\$ 1,890.00	\$ 1,724.96	\$ 165.04
4711	Bonds & Notes - Principal	\$ 228,372.00	\$ 226,882.68	\$ 1,489.32
4721	Bonds & Notes - Interest	\$ 21,089.00	\$ 19,972.10	\$ 1,116.90
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 1,908,226.02</b>	<b>\$ 1,730,849.52</b>	<b>\$ 177,376.50</b>

Acct	Fund	2015		Difference
		Budget	Expenditures	
4915-1-007	FD Vehicle CRF	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ -
4915-1-010	HD Vehicle CRF	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4916-1-002	Road Maint / Improvement ETF	\$ 116,369.00	\$ 116,369.00	\$ -
4916-1-004	Weed Control ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-006	Government Bld Improve ETF	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-009	FD Turn Out Gear	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-011	Cemetery Repair & Maint ETF	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
4916-1-012	Health & Safety ETF	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-014	Town Celebration ETF	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
4916-1-016	PD Vehicle ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-020	Reservoir Usage ETF	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -
4916-1-021	FD Building ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-022	Master Plan ETF	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -
4916-1-023	Computer Equip ETF	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 6,300.00	\$ -
4916-1-024	Assessing ETF	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-025	PD Equipment Replace ETF	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
4916-1-026	Ballistic Vest ETF	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
WA	Fund Accounting Software*	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 47,598.37	\$ 2,401.63
WA	Fire Department Study	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,360.00	\$ 640.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 297,319.00</b>	<b>\$ 294,277.37</b>	<b>\$ 3,041.63</b>
<b>Budget Total</b>		<b>\$ 2,205,545.22</b>	<b>\$ 2,025,127.19</b>	<b>\$ 180,418.13</b>
* Includes \$20,000 Encumbrance				

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

		<b>Budget 2015</b>	<b>2015 Exp</b>
4100	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
4130	EXECUTIVE		
	4130-1 BOARD OF SELECTMEN		
	4130-1-110 SEL WAGES (STIPEND)	7,500.00	7,500.00
	4130-1-220 FICA	465.00	465.00
	4130-1-225 MEDICARE	109.00	108.75
	4130-1-392 TRAINING & CERT	400.00	0.00
	<b>Total 4130-1 BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>	<b>8,474.00</b>	<b>8,073.75</b>
	4130-2 ADMINISTRATION		
	4130-2-110 TOWN ADMINISTRATION	65,000.00	65,218.75
	4130-2-112 ADMIN WAGES	30,000.00	29,569.83
	4130-2-210 HEALTH INS	15,580.00	15,908.85
	4130-2-215 LIFE INS/DISABILITY	750.00	917.94
	4130-2-220 FICA	5,890.00	6,057.60
	4130-2-225 MEDICARE	1,377.50	1,411.99
	4130-2-230 RETIREMENT	6,000.00	6,076.31
	4130-2-340 SERVICE FEES	300.00	48.59
	4130-2-341 TELEPHONE	4,000.00	3,764.20
	4130-2-342 CELL PHONE	600.00	300.00
	4130-2-391 WEBSITE & SOFTWARE		0.00
	4130-2-392 TRAINING & CERT	800.00	326.22
	4130-2-400 RENTALS & LEASES	2,300.00	2,659.19
	4130-2-550 PRINTING	1,750.00	1,412.00
	4130-2-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	2,500.00	2,469.48
	4130-2-622 NOTICES	1,000.00	638.68
	4130-2-625 POSTAGE	2,000.00	1,295.65
	4130-2-630 EQUIP MAINT/REPAIR	400.00	0.00
	4130-2-681 MILEAGE	1,000.00	0.00
	4130-2-740 EQUIPMENT	1,300.00	1,027.73
	<b>Total 4130-2 ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>142,547.50</b>	<b>139,103.01</b>
	4130-3 MODERATOR/TOWN MTG EXP		
	4130-3-110 MODERATOR WAGES	100.00	100.00
	4130-3-120 BALLOT CLERK WAGES	300.00	224.76
	4130-3-220 FICA	24.40	0.00
	4130-3-225 MEDICARE	5.80	4.70
	4130-3-690 MISC EXP	2,500.00	1,770.64
	<b>Total 4130-3 MODERATOR/TOWN MTG EXP</b>	<b>2,930.20</b>	<b>2,100.10</b>
	<b>Total 4130 EXECUTIVE</b>	<b>153,951.70</b>	<b>149,276.86</b>

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

		Budget 2015	2015 Exp
	4140 ELECTION, REG, VITAL STATS		
	4140-1 TOWN CLERK		
	4140-1-110 TOWN CLERK WAGES	10,010.00	8,340.15
	4140-1-120 DEPUTY CLERK WAGES	7,020.00	6,240.23
	4140-1-220 FICA	1,038.83	905.04
	4140-1-225 MEDICARE	160.21	211.68
	4140-1-341 TELEPHONE	766.00	514.55
	4140-1-391 TOWN CLERK SOFTWARE	2,004.00	1,989.00
	4140-1-392 TRAINING & CERT	600.00	880.00
	4140-1-620 OFFICE SUPPLIES	4,500.00	1,655.22
	4140-1-622 NOTICES	50.00	0.00
	4140-1-625 POSTAGE	1,500.00	1,237.14
	4140-1-681 MILEAGE	400.00	346.92
	<b>Total 4140-1 TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>28,049.04</b>	<b>22,319.93</b>
	4140-2 VOTER REGISTRATION		
	4140-2-110 SUPERVISOR WAGES	1,125.00	715.50
	4140-2-220 FICA	68.63	44.37
	4140-2-225 MEDICARE	16.31	10.37
	4140-2-620 OFFICE SUPPLIES	20.00	0.00
	4140-2-622 NOTICES	135.00	101.00
	4140-2-625 POSTAGE	20.00	3.84
	<b>Total 4140-2 VOTER REGISTRATION</b>	<b>1,384.94</b>	<b>875.08</b>
	<b>Total 4140 ELECTION, REG, VITAL STATS</b>	<b>29,433.98</b>	<b>23,195.01</b>
	4150 FINANCIAL ADMIN		
	4150-3 TREASURY		
	4150-3-110 TREASURER (STIPEND)	2,500.00	2,500.00
	4150-3-220 FICA	155.00	155.00
	4150-3-225 MEDICARE	36.00	36.25
	<b>Total 4150-3 TREASURY</b>	<b>2,691.00</b>	<b>2,691.25</b>
	4150-4 TAX COLLECTING		
	4150-4-110 TAX CLLTR WAGES	10,010.00	8,375.13
	4150-4-120 TAX CLLTR PT WAGES	7,020.00	6,239.35
	4150-4-191 TAX LIEN RESEARCH	1,000.00	603.80
	4150-4-220 FICA	1,038.83	905.03
	4150-4-225 MEDICARE	246.94	211.64
	4150-4-341 TELEPHONE	766.00	514.57
	4150-4-391 SOFTWARE CONTRACT	2,500.00	2,222.00

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

		<b>Budget 2015</b>	<b>2015 Exp</b>
	4150-4-392 TRAINING & CERT	600.00	606.00
	4150-4-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	900.00	520.35
	4150-4-625 POSTAGE	3,000.00	2,042.62
	4150-4-681 MILEAGE	400.00	346.92
	4150-4-690 REGISTRY FEES	400.00	353.22
	<b>Total 4150-4 TAX COLLECTING</b>	<b>27,881.77</b>	<b>22,940.63</b>
	4150-5 AUDITING SERVICES		
	4150-5-301 AUDITING SERVICES	13,500.00	12,500.00
	<b>Total 4150-5 AUDITING SERVICES</b>	<b>13,500.00</b>	<b>12,500.00</b>
	4150-8 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
	4150-8-301 IT SERVICES	4,500.00	3,808.20
	4150-8-391 SOFTWARE CONTRACT	2,520.00	3,698.50
	<b>Total 4150-8 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>7,020.00</b>	<b>7,506.70</b>
	4152 ASSESSING / REVALUATION		
	4152-1-110 ASSESSING PT WAGES	15,000.00	15,808.82
	4152-1-220 FICA	930.00	980.14
	4152-1-225 MEDICARE	217.50	229.23
	4152-1-390 ASSESSING SVCS/MAPS	10,800.00	12,628.44
	<b>Total 4152 ASSESSING / REVALUATION</b>	<b>26,947.50</b>	<b>29,646.63</b>
	<b>Total 4150 FINANCIAL ADMIN</b>	<b>78,040.27</b>	<b>75,285.21</b>
	4153 LEGAL EXPENSES		
	4153-1-320 LEGAL SERVICES	15,000.00	122.94
	4153-1-321 CODE ENFORCEMENT	3,000.00	3,000.00
	<b>Total 4153 LEGAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>18,000.00</b>	<b>3,122.94</b>
	4191 PLANNING & ZONING		
	4191-1 PLANNING		
	4191-1-120 PB PT WAGES	800.00	585.75
	4191-1-220 FICA	50.00	36.32
	4191-1-225 MEDICARE	12.00	8.49
	4191-1-320 LEGAL SERVICES	2,000.00	2,054.00
	4191-1-390 OTHER PROF SERVICES	1,500.00	26.00
	4191-1-392 TRAINING & CERT	150.00	0.00
	4191-1-550 PRINTING	150.00	0.00
	4191-1-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	150.00	107.59
	4191-1-622 NOTICES	500.00	784.00
	4191-1-625 POSTAGE	400.00	150.44
	<b>Total 4191-1 PLANNING</b>	<b>5,712.00</b>	<b>3,752.59</b>



## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

		<b>Budget 2015</b>	<b>2015 Exp</b>
	4191-2 ZONING		
	4191-2-120 ZBA PT WAGES	528.00	0.00
	4191-2-220 FICA	33.00	0.00
	4191-2-225 MEDICARE	8.00	0.00
	4191-2-320 LEGAL SERVICES	1,500.00	0.00
	4191-2-392 TRAINING & CERT	75.00	0.00
	4191-2-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	100.00	0.00
	4191-2-622 NOTICES	500.00	101.00
	4191-2-625 POSTAGE	350.00	59.60
	<b>Total 4191-2 ZONING</b>	<b>3,094.00</b>	<b>160.60</b>
	<b>Total 4191 PLANNING &amp; ZONING</b>	<b>8,806.00</b>	<b>3,913.19</b>
	4194 GEN GOVERNMENT BLDG		
	4194-1-360 TH CUSTODIAL SERVICE	5,200.00	5,200.00
	4194-1-390 TH GROUNDSKEEPING	3,610.00	3,760.00
	4194-1-410 TH ELECTRICITY	7,600.00	7,607.50
	4194-1-411 TH HEAT & OIL	8,000.00	6,813.66
	4194-1-430 TH MAINT & REPAIRS	8,500.00	4,950.20
	4194-1-610 TH GEN SUPPLIES	500.00	457.30
	<b>Total 4194 GEN GOVERNMENT BLDG</b>	<b>33,410.00</b>	<b>28,788.66</b>
	4195 CEMETERIES		
	4195-1-490 MOWING CONTRACT	15,400.00	15,400.00
	4195-1-690 MISC/FLAGS/TREE RMVL	635.00	557.90
	<b>Total 4195 CEMETERIES</b>	<b>16,035.00</b>	<b>15,957.90</b>
	4196 INSURANCE		
	4196-2-260 WORKER'S COMP / UI	17,240.00	8,301.92
	4196-2-261 PROP LIABILITY INSUR	25,080.00	23,711.11
	<b>Total 4196 INSURANCE</b>	<b>42,320.00</b>	<b>32,013.03</b>
	4197 ADVERTISING/REGIONAL ASSOC		
	4197-1-001 NHMA DUES	1,549.00	1,549.00
	4197-2-001 CNHRPC	2,122.00	2,122.00
	<b>Total 4197 ADVERTISING/REGIONAL ASSOC</b>	<b>3,671.00</b>	<b>3,671.00</b>
	<b>Total 4100 GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>383,667.95</b>	<b>335,223.80</b>

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

		Budget 2015	2015 Exp
4200 PUBLIC SAFETY			
4210 POLICE			
	4210-1-110 PD CHIEF WAGES	64,300.00	66,342.69
	4210-1-115 PD FT WAGES	46,945.00	41,632.32
	4210-1-120 PD PT WAGES	41,378.13	38,655.15
	4210-1-130 OVERTIME	18,000.00	13,742.94
	4210-1-150 ON CALL	6,000.00	4,238.25
	4210-1-210 HEALTH INS	42,065.00	39,448.84
	4210-1-215 LIFE INS/DISABILITY	2,049.00	1,562.58
	4210-1-220 FICA	2,565.44	2,196.02
	4210-1-225 MEDICARE	2,561.04	2,315.25
	4210-1-230 RETIREMENT	28,745.71	32,263.74
	4210-1-290 DETAIL REIMBURSEMENT	2,500.00	1,085.98
	4210-1-341 TELEPHONE	3,720.00	2,671.64
	4210-1-342 CELL PHONE	1,750.00	1,636.65
	4210-1-390 ANIMAL CONTROL	500.00	0.00
	4210-1-391 SOFTWARE CONTRACT	700.00	600.00
	4210-1-392 TRAINING & CERT	3,000.00	2,935.15
	4210-1-610 GEN SUPPLIES	1,000.00	736.00
	4210-1-611 POLICE EXPLORER POST	500.00	624.76
	4210-1-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	1,500.00	1,595.21
	4210-1-625 POSTAGE	100.00	188.70
	4210-1-630 EQUIP MAINT & REPAIR	1,100.00	1,194.50
	4210-1-635 GASOLINE	9,000.00	6,710.60
	4210-1-660 VEHICLE REPAIRS	4,000.00	4,618.17
	4210-1-680 UNIFORMS	1,250.00	1,994.32
	4210-1-690 WTNSS REIMBURSEMENT	200.00	250.00
	4210-1-700 PROSECUTION (PD)	19,014.00	18,916.00
	<b>Total 4210 POLICE</b>	<b>304,443.32</b>	<b>288,155.46</b>
4215 AMBULANCE			
	4215-1-120 AMBULANCE WAGES	15,000.00	10,743.52
	4215-1-215 LIFE/DISABILITY INS	450.00	441.00
	4215-1-220 FICA	932.00	611.72
	4215-1-225 MEDICARE	159.50	143.08
	4215-1-341 TELEPHONE	800.00	0.00
	4215-1-342 CELL PHONE	500.00	412.32
	4215-1-350 PARAMEDIC INTERCEPTS	5,200.00	5,625.00
	4215-1-392 TRAINING & CERT	3,500.00	787.00
	4215-1-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	200.00	0.00
	4215-1-621 MED SUPPLIES/BILLING	1,500.00	3,648.60
	4215-1-630 EQUIP MAINT & REPAIR	4,200.00	5,532.96
	4215-1-635 GASOLINE	1,000.00	1,037.49
	4215-1-660 VEHICLE REPAIRS	2,500.00	299.61
	<b>Total 4215 AMBULANCE</b>	<b>35,941.50</b>	<b>29,282.30</b>

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

		<b>Budget 2015</b>	<b>2015 Exp</b>
4220 FIRE			
	4220-1-120 FD PAY ON CALL WAGES	16,000.00	10,125.06
	4220-1-121 AMBULANCE P/T WAGES		0.00
	4220-1-122 FIRE DEPT STIPENDS	2,500.00	3,050.00
	4220-1-215 LIFE/DISABILITY INS.	450.00	441.00
	4220-1-220 FICA	992.00	595.49
	4220-1-225 MEDICARE	214.25	141.23
	4220-1-341 TELEPHONE	1,500.00	1,953.90
	4220-1-342 CELL PHONE	500.00	582.90
	4220-1-350 MEDICAL SERVICES		0.00
	4220-1-392 TRAINING & CERT	5,000.00	1,545.88
	4220-1-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	800.00	873.95
	4220-1-630 EQUIP MAINT & REPAIR	3,000.00	2,834.06
	4220-1-635 GASOLINE	2,600.00	1,652.82
	4220-1-660 VEHICLE REPAIRS	4,000.00	5,092.40
	4220-1-683 FORESTRY	1,000.00	1,811.00
	4220-1-740 NEW EQUIPMENT	8,000.00	8,097.32
	4220-5-680 COMMUNITY EDUCATION	400.00	423.31
	4220-8-410 BLDG ELECTRICITY	5,500.00	5,825.35
	4220-8-411 BLDG HEAT & OIL	6,500.00	7,184.05
	<b>Total 4220 FIRE</b>	<b>58,956.25</b>	<b>52,229.72</b>
4240 BUILDING INSPECTION			
	4240-1-120 BLDG INSPECT WAGES	12,000.00	12,000.00
	4240-1-220 FICA	744.00	744.00
	4240-1-225 MEDICARE	174.00	174.00
	4240-1-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	300.00	85.00
	<b>Total 4240 BUILDING INSPECTION</b>	<b>13,218.00</b>	<b>13,003.00</b>
4290 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT			
	4290-1-695 MISC EXP	1.00	0.00
	<b>Total 4290 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
4299 OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY			
	4299-2-390 FD CONCORD DISPATCH	16,505.00	16,505.00
	4299-2-391 PD HILLS DISPATCH	16,500.00	16,117.37
	4299-2-392 HD HILLS DISPATCH	2,000.00	2,000.00
	<b>Total 4299 OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>35,005.00</b>	<b>34,622.37</b>
<b>Total 4200 PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		<b>447,565.07</b>	<b>417,292.85</b>

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

	Budget 2015	2015 Exp
4300 HIGHWAYS		
4311 HIGHWAY DEPT ADMIN		
4311-1-110 HD FT WAGES	218,000.00	215,422.01
4311-1-120 HD PT WAGES	5,000.00	2,727.00
4311-1-140 OVERTIME/COMP TIME	25,000.00	19,795.05
4311-1-160 COMP TIME	0.00	0.00
4311-1-210 HEALTH INS	94,260.00	94,992.17
4311-1-215 LIFE INS/DISABILITY	4,007.00	3,432.99
4311-1-220 FICA	15,215.00	14,197.62
4311-1-225 MEDICARE	3,560.00	3,320.41
4311-1-230 RETIREMENT	12,625.00	10,389.12
4311-1-341 TELEPHONE	300.00	308.27
4311-1-342 CELL PHONE	745.00	644.80
4311-1-392 TRAIN/CERT/DRUG TST	1,800.00	855.00
4311-1-410 BLDG ELECTRICITY	4,000.00	2,573.43
4311-1-411 BLDG HEAT & OIL	9,000.00	8,799.27
4311-1-430 BLDG MAINT & REPAIR	5,500.00	2,129.69
4311-1-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	250.00	82.98
4311-1-622 NOTICES	500.00	254.00
4311-1-680 UNIFORMS	3,200.00	4,657.43
<b>Total 4311 HIGHWAY DEPT ADMIN</b>	<b>402,962.00</b>	<b>384,581.24</b>
4312 HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE		
4312-1-610 GEN SUPPLIES	20,500.00	19,174.22
4312-1-635 VEHICLE FUEL	55,000.00	38,859.88
4312-1-740 NEW EQUIPMENT	6,000.00	5,686.97
4312-2-390 CONTRACT SERVICES	800.00	2,505.46
4312-2-631 CULVERTS	0.00	0.00
4312-2-632 SALT	55,000.00	51,100.21
4312-2-633 COLD PATCH	3,500.00	948.75
4312-2-634 DUST CONTROL	11,000.00	10,599.95
4312-2-635 CRACKSEALING	14,500.00	7,200.00
4312-2-636 ROADSIDE MOWING	6,500.00	6,375.00
4312-2-637 GRAVEL CRUSHING	25,000.00	7,749.00
4312-2-638 TREE REMOVAL	3,500.00	0.00
4312-2-639 SAND	19,000.00	5,092.50
4312-2-660 VEHICLE MAINT/REPAIR	47,500.00	44,974.00
<b>Total 4312 HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>267,800.00</b>	<b>200,265.94</b>
4316 STREET LIGHTING		
4316-3-410 ELECTRICITY	3,200.00	3,540.40
<b>Total 4316 STREET LIGHTING</b>	<b>3,200.00</b>	<b>3,540.40</b>
<b>Total 4300 HIGHWAYS</b>	<b>673,962.00</b>	<b>588,387.58</b>

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

	<b>Budget 2015</b>	<b>2015 Exp</b>
4324 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL		
4324-1-390 HILLSBORO TRANS STA	69,283.00	68,078.93
4324-2-390 TIPPING FEES	27,000.00	33,030.57
4324-3-390 DISPOSAL CONTRACT	2,052.00	1,837.70
<b>Total 4324 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL</b>	<b>98,335.00</b>	<b>102,947.20</b>
4415 HEALTH AGENCIES & PROGRAMS		
4415-1-391 PROJECT LIFT	400.00	400.00
4415-1-392 AMERICAN RED CROSS	1,200.00	1,200.00
4415-1-393 ST JOSEPH COMM SERV	300.00	300.00
4415-1-394 SENIOR CITIZENS SVCS	2,000.00	2,000.00
<b>Total 4415 HEALTH AGENCIES &amp; PROGRAMS</b>	<b>3,900.00</b>	<b>3,900.00</b>
4442 DIRECT ASSISTANCE		
4442-1-110 WELFARE OFFICER WAGE	2,457.00	2,252.03
4442-1-220 FICA	152.00	139.63
4442-1-225 MEDICARE	36.00	32.65
4442-1-690 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	500.00	0.00
4442-2-690 RENT ASSISTANCE	4,500.00	1,908.42
4442-3-690 UTILITY ASSISTANCE	3,000.00	3,676.32
4442-4-690 OTHER ASSISTANCE	5,000.00	0.00
4442-5-690 FOOD ASSISTANCE	2,000.00	49.55
<b>Total 4442 DIRECT ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>17,645.00</b>	<b>8,058.60</b>
4520 PARKS & RECS PROGRAMS		
4520-2-390 HILLSBORO PRK & REC	25,000.00	25,000.00
<b>Total 4520 PARKS &amp; RECS PROGRAMS</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>
4550 LIBRARY		
4550-1-410 ELECTRICITY	200.00	202.10
4550-1-610 GEN SUPPL/DUES/POST.	150.00	100.00
4550-1-640 BOOKS & INFORM. SVCS	800.00	735.00
4550-1-692 LITERACY PROGRAMS	650.00	422.65
<b>Total 4550 LIBRARY</b>	<b>1,800.00</b>	<b>1,459.75</b>
4611 CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
4611-2-392 TRAINING & CERT	25.00	60.00
4611-2-620 DUES/BOOKS/OFF SUPPL	300.00	270.00
4611-2-622 NOTICES	50.00	0.00
4611-2-625 POSTAGE	50.00	34.00

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

		<b>Budget 2015</b>	<b>2015 Exp</b>
	4611-2-680 MAPS/FILES/RESOURCES	150.00	0.00
	4611-2-690 MISC EXP	100.00	375.00
	4611-2-692 DEERING LAKE TESTING	665.00	460.00
	4611-2-694 ROADS & TRAILS	50.00	30.96
	4611-2-695 CONSERVATION CAMP	500.00	495.00
	<b>Total 4611 CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	<b>1,890.00</b>	<b>1,724.96</b>
	<b>4711 BONDS &amp; NOTES-PRINCIPAL</b>		
	4711-3-736 HD LOADER/BACKHOE	37,500.00	37,496.78
	4711-3-981 TOWN HALL RENOV BOND	25,000.00	25,000.00
	4711-3-984 AMBULANCE (2015)	40,872.00	39,385.90
	4711-3-985 ROAD BOND (2019)	125,000.00	125,000.00
	<b>Total 4711 BONDS &amp; NOTES-PRINCIPAL</b>	<b>228,372.00</b>	<b>226,882.68</b>
	<b>4721 BONDS &amp; NOTES-INT</b>		
	4721-3-981 TOWN HALL RENV. BOND	12,375.00	10,812.00
	4721-3-984 AMBULANCE (2015)	2,094.00	1,485.12
	4721-3-985 ROAD BOND (2019)	6,620.00	7,674.98
	<b>Total 4721 BONDS &amp; NOTES-INT</b>	<b>21,089.00</b>	<b>19,972.10</b>
	<b>4723 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES</b>		
	4723-1-980 DEBT SERVICE	5,000.00	0.00
	<b>Total 4723 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
	<b>4909 OTHER IMPROVEMENTS</b>		
	4909-1-500 FUND ACCTG SOFTWARE	50,000.00	27,598.37
	4909-1-501 FIRE DEPT STUDY	20,000.00	19,360.00
	<b>Total 4909 OTHER IMPROVEMENTS</b>	<b>70,000.00</b>	<b>46,958.37</b>
	<b>4915 PAYMENTS TO CAP. RES. FUND</b>		
	4915-1-007 FD VEHICLE CAP RES	16,000.00	16,000.00
	<b>Total 4915 PAYMENTS TO CAP. RES. FUND</b>	<b>16,000.00</b>	<b>16,000.00</b>
	<b>4916 PAYMENTS TO EXP. TRUST FUND</b>		
	4916-1-002 ROAD MAINT/IMP EX TR	116,369.00	116,369.00
	4916-1-004 WEED CONTROL EXP TR	5,000.00	5,000.00
	4916-1-006 GOV BLDG IMP EXP TR	10,000.00	10,000.00
	4916-1-009 TURNOUT GEAR	5,000.00	5,000.00
	4916-1-011 CEMETARY REPAIR/MAIN	1,500.00	1,500.00
	4916-1-012 HEALTH&SAFETY EX TR	10,000.00	10,000.00
	4916-1-014 TOWN CELEBR EX TRUST	500.00	500.00
	4916-1-016 PD EXPENDABLE TRUST	5,000.00	5,000.00

## Detailed Expenditures – 2015 (unaudited)

			<b>Budget 2015</b>	<b>2015 Exp</b>
	4916-1-020	RESERVOIR USAGE EXP	2,400.00	2,400.00
	4916-1-021	FIRE DEPT. BDG. EXP	5,000.00	5,000.00
	4916-1-022	MASTER PLAN EXP TRUS	1,250.00	1,250.00
	4916-1-023	COMPUTER EQUIP TRUST	6,300.00	6,300.00
	4916-1-024	A SSESSING EXP TRUST	35,000.00	35,000.00
	4916-1-025	PD EQUIP REPLACEMENT	5,000.00	5,000.00
	4916-1-026	PD BALLISTIC VEST	3,000.00	3,000.00
	<b>Total 4916 PAYMENTS TO EXP.TRUST FUND</b>		<b>211,319.00</b>	<b>211,319.00</b>
	6560 · Payroll Expenses			56.66
	<b>Total Expense</b>		<b>2,205,545.02</b>	<b>2,005,183.55</b>



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## Tax Collector's Report

Form Due Date: **March 1 (Calendar Year), September 1 (Fiscal Year)**

### Instructions

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#### For Assistance Please Contact:

**NH DRA Municipal and Property Division**  
Phone: (603) 230-5090  
Fax: (603) 230-5947  
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

### ENTITY'S INFORMATION ?

Municipality:  County:  Report Year:

### PREPARER'S INFORMATION ?

First Name  Last Name   
Street No.  Street Name  Phone Number   
Email (optional)





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Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2014	Year: 2013	Year: 2012	
Property Taxes	3110		\$350,082.42			
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120		\$6,320.00			
Yield Taxes	3185					
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance ?		(\$1,146.23)				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2014	Prior Levies	
Property Taxes	3110	\$5,104,516.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$10,400.00			
Yield Taxes	3185	\$17,028.53			
Excavation Tax	3187	\$59.01			
Other Taxes	3189				
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Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2014	2013	2012
Property Taxes	3110	\$13,532.96	\$3,070.00		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
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Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$3,906.70	\$22,229.75		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				

<b>Total Debits</b>		<b>\$5,148,296.97</b>	<b>\$381,702.17</b>		
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<b>Credits</b>				
<b>Remitted to Treasurer</b>	<b>Levy for Year of this Report</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Prior Levies</b>	
			<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
Property Taxes	\$4,780,172.80	\$200,034.56		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$9,130.00	\$6,320.00		
Yield Taxes	\$17,028.53			
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$3,805.74	\$19,735.25		
Penalties	\$100.96	\$2,494.50		
Excavation Tax	\$59.01			
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$148,600.86		
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Discounts Allowed				
<b>Abatements Made</b>				
	<b>Levy for Year of this Report</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Prior Levies</b>	
			<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
Property Taxes	\$2,712.00	\$4,517.00		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$1,270.00			
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
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Current Levy Deeded				



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2014	2013	2012
Property Taxes	\$334,633.31			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance ?	(\$615.38)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?				
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$5,148,296.97</b>	<b>\$381,702.17</b>		



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Summary of Debits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2014	Year: 2013	Year: 2012
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$96,706.13	\$124,753.10
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$161,997.92		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)		\$3,998.09	\$9,823.25	\$20,869.24
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<b>Total Debits</b>		<b>\$165,996.01</b>	<b>\$106,529.38</b>	<b>\$145,622.34</b>

Summary of Credits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2014	2013	2012
Redemptions		\$58,074.21	\$38,204.57	\$52,689.82
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Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190		\$3,998.09	\$9,823.25	\$20,869.24
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Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				\$19,121.96
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110		\$103,923.71	\$58,501.56	\$52,941.32
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>\$165,996.01</b>	<b>\$106,529.38</b>	<b>\$145,622.34</b>



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## DEERING (117)

### 1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name	Preparer's Last Name	Date
Carol	Baker	Jan 6, 2016

### 2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Services Advisor:

- Michelle Clark: [michelle.clark@dra.nh.gov](mailto:michelle.clark@dra.nh.gov)
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### 3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

### PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

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Preparer's Signature and Title



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## Tax Rate Breakdown Deering

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$1,537,155	\$175,234,776	<b>\$8.77</b>
County	\$217,836	\$175,234,776	<b>\$1.24</b>
Local Education	\$2,978,864	\$175,234,776	<b>\$17.00</b>
State Education	\$421,386	\$164,902,176	<b>\$2.56</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,155,241</b>		<b>\$29.57</b>

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
<b>Total</b>			

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$5,155,241
War Service Credits	(\$57,400)
Village District Tax Effort	\$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$5,097,841

 Stephan Hamilton Director of Municipal and Property Division New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration	10/8/2015
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## Appropriations and Revenues

## Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$2,205,545	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$580,892)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$78,000)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$73,000)
War Service Credits	\$57,400	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$6,102	
<b>Net Required Local Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$1,537,155</b>	

County Apportionment		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$217,836	
<b>Net Required County Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$217,836</b>	

Education		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$4,166,937	
Net Education Grant		(\$766,687)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$421,386)
<b>Net Required Local Education Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$2,978,864</b>	
State Education Tax	\$421,386	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
<b>Net Required State Education Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$421,386</b>	

## Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)		
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$175,234,776	\$197,195,832
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$164,902,176	\$186,959,632
Village (MS-1V)		

## Deering

## Tax Commitment Verification

## 2015 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$5,097,841
1/2% Amount	\$25,489
Acceptable High	\$5,123,330
Acceptable Low	\$5,072,352

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not be correct. The tax rate will need to be recalculated. Contact your assessors immediately and call us at 603.230.5090 before you issue the bills. See RSA 76:10, II

<b>Commitment Amount</b>	
Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)	
<b>Net amount after TIF adjustment</b>	

**Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2015 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.**

**Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:**

**Date:**

*Submit this signed verification form with a copy of the completed and signed warrant total page and an actual tax bill to your DRA municipal auditor.*

## Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

### Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times 1/2 of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times 1/2 the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

Deering	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2015 Tax Rate	\$29.57	\$14.79

Associated Villages



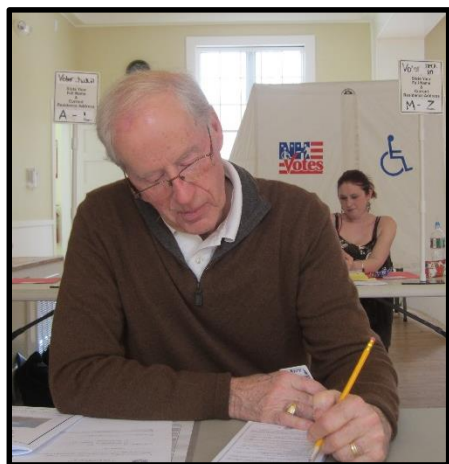


## Bank Reconciliation of Treasurer's Funds

### TD BANK AMBULANCE ACCOUNT

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>43,964.09</b>
Interest Income	+66.00
<b>Closing Balance 12/31/2015</b>	<b>44,030.09</b>

**Ambulance** **\$44,030.09**



### TOWN OF DEERING LIBRARY – Trustees Acct.

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>3,145.46</b>
Plus, Income	+390.00
Minus Expens	-900.00
<b>Closing Balance 12/31/2015</b>	<b>2,635.46</b>

**Library Trustees** **\$2,635.46**

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION – TD Bank

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>76,070.59</b>
Income from Interest	+114.15
From Current Use Change Tax	+9,098.00
<b>Closing Balance 12/31/15</b>	<b>85,282.74</b>

**Conservation Commission** **\$85,282.74**

## Report of the Trustees of the Trust Funds

For the year 2015, the Trustees of the Trust Funds wish to acknowledge and thank Marc Alpert for his years of service as one of the Trustee of the Trust Funds. We wish him and his family all the best in their new out of state residency.



Michelle Johnson was newly elected Trustee of the Trust Fund along with current member Barbara Cavanaugh. This year, the Trustees attended the yearly training for newly elected members, upheld the requirements set forth by the State of NH to archive files, submitted investment policies and reports as due, received and responded to requests for deposits and withdrawals from appropriate trust funds by the agents to expend, and monitored the Town's invested funds. The Trustees formed two new expendable trust funds voted in at last year's Town Meeting (Police Ballistic Vest and Police Department Equipment), and continued to maintain the Town's funds in the Lake Sunapee Bank (where most of the expendable trust funds are located in CD's) and LPL Financial Services (where part of the common trust funds, the bulk of which are perpetual care funds are invested).

The Trustees meet as needed to file and review statements, archive material and review and submit the investment policies and reports to the State of NH. Additionally, the

Trustees approved of new deposit and withdrawals request forms to be used by agents to expend, approved of a new Trustee of the Trust Fund Guide for newly elected members and worked toward completing the newly revised State MS 9 and MS 10 reports that are submitted in *draft form* for this year's Town Report.

The MS 9 and MS 10 reflect the funds and invested funds of the Town, both private and public funds. They are due to the State of NH Department of Revenue Administration and the Department of Justice by March 1 every year. These new forms require a new reporting format. As we, the Trustees, are working toward their completion for this last fiscal year a few questions regarding the correct disbursement of earned income accrued from the invested funds has come to the attention of the Trustees. We have a later appointment in February with the Department of Justice to review the current state of affairs before the final versions of the MS 9 and 10 are submitted to the proper state authorities. After which time the full and final version of the reports will be posted on the Trustees webpage on the Town's website. Our meeting minutes and investment policies may be found there as well.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Johnson  
Chair and Bookkeeper of the Deering Trustee of the Trust Funds



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## REPORT OF TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Form Due Date: **March 1st (Calendar Year), or September 1st (Fiscal Year)**

### Instructions

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- Select the Municipality name from the pull down menu
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#### Reporting:

- Complete all fields as necessary for the *Report of Trust Funds* and *Principal Only* sections.
- INVESTMENT POLICY - RSA 31:25 requires the trustees to adopt an investment policy and review and confirm this policy at least annually. A copy of this policy must be filed with the Director of Charitable Trusts (RSA 31:25, 34, 35:9).
- PROFESSIONAL BANKING AND BROKERAGE ASSISTANCE - RSA 31:38-a enables you to have a professional banking or brokerage firm assist you in performing your trustee duties. Refer to the law for further information. Attributable expenses may be charged against the trust fund involved, however, please be advised the fees can be taken from income only and not from principal.
- WEB SITE - A trustee handbook can be downloaded from the website for the Attorney General's Charitable Trust Division at [www.doj.nh.gov/charitable](http://www.doj.nh.gov/charitable)
- FAIR VALUE - Use this section to disclose the fair value (market value) of principal only. This information may be obtained from financial publications or from your professional banker or broker.
- CAPITAL RESERVE FUND - Must be kept in a separate account and not intermingled with any other funds of the municipality (RSA 35:9).
- WHEN and WHERE TO FILE - By March 1 if filing for a calendar year and by September 1 if filing for optional fiscal year. See instructions and address on the last page of this form. If you hold funds for the school, the school business administrator will also need a copy for the school's financial report.

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Concord, NH 03301-6397

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Fax: (603) 230-5947  
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#### ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality:  County:  Total of All Funds:

#### PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name  Last Name   
Street No.  Street Name  Phone Number   
Email (optional)



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Report of The Trust Funds ?		Trust Fund 1	Trust Fund 2	Trust Fund 3	Trust Fund 4	Trust Fund 5
Date of Creation		3/11/2003	03/11/2003	03/11/2003	03/11/2003	03/09/2005
Name of Trust Fund		Bridge Improvement	Computer Systems	Exotic Weed Control	Government Building Improvement	Highway Vehicle Replacement
Type of Fund ?		Capital Reserve Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Expendable Trust (RSA 31:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 31:19-a)	Capital Reserve Fund
Purpose of Trust		Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of bridge improvements and repairs	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing for the future upgrade and or replacement requirements of the Town's computer system	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of summer monitoring and inspection of the boat launch area at Deering Reservoir	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds for improvements and renovations to the Town Hall	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing for future vehicle replacement requirements for the Deering Highway Dept
How Invested ?		Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment
Balance Beginning of Year ?		\$35,359	\$3,988	\$18,313	\$19,372	\$30,248
New Funds Created ?			\$6,300	\$5,000	\$10,000	
Cash Gains or Losses on Securities ?						
Withdrawals ?			(\$9,667)	(\$3,247)		
Balance End of Year		<b>\$35,359</b>	<b>\$621</b>	<b>\$19,966</b>	<b>\$29,372</b>	<b>\$30,248</b>
Balance Beginning of Year ?						
Income During Year (Amount) ?		\$106	\$16	\$54	\$62	\$91
Expended During Year ?						
Balance at End of Year		<b>\$106</b>	<b>\$16</b>	<b>\$54</b>	<b>\$62</b>	<b>\$91</b>
<b>Grand Total Principal &amp; Income End of Year ?</b>		<b>\$35,465</b>	<b>\$637</b>	<b>\$20,020</b>	<b>\$29,434</b>	<b>\$30,339</b>
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	Trust Fund 6	Trust Fund 7	Trust Fund 8	Trust Fund 9	Trust Fund 10
Date of Creation	3/09/2004	3/09/2004	3/08/2005	3/08/2005	3/14/2006
Name of Trust Fund	Grants Reimbursable	The Fire & Rescue Dept. Vehicle	Turnout Gear Equipment	Dry Hydrant Installation & Maint	Road Reconstruction & Maint
Type of Fund	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Capital Reserve Fund	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)
Purpose of Trust	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)
	For the purpose of providing the Town's portion of any grants for municipal projects the Town might receive from a private or governmental source	For the purpose of providing for future vehicle replacement requirements for the Deering Fire and Rescue Dept	For the purpose of providing for the turn out gear requirements for the Deering Fire and Rescue Dept	For the purpose of providing funds for dry hydrants to be installed and maintained to the benefit of public safety in emergency related situations	For the purpose of providing funds to perform maintenance and road reconstruction for the road in the Town
How Invested	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment
Balance Beginning of Year	\$11,832	\$42,214	\$23,016	\$8,021	\$503
New Funds Created		\$16,000	\$5,000		\$116,369
Cash Gains or Losses on Securities					
Withdrawals	(\$1,829)		(\$1,213)		(\$78,863)
Balance End of Year	<b>\$10,003</b>	<b>\$58,214</b>	<b>\$26,803</b>	<b>\$8,021</b>	<b>\$38,009</b>
Balance Beginning of Year					
Income During Year (Amount)	\$36	\$127	\$71	\$24	\$121
Expended During Year					
Balance at End of Year	<b>\$36</b>	<b>\$127</b>	<b>\$71</b>	<b>\$24</b>	<b>\$121</b>
<b>Grand Total Principal &amp; Income End of Year</b>	<b>\$10,039</b>	<b>\$58,341</b>	<b>\$26,874</b>	<b>\$8,045</b>	<b>\$38,130</b>
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	Trust Fund 11	Trust Fund 12	Trust Fund 13	Trust Fund 14	Trust Fund 15
Date of Creation	3/14/2006	3/14/2006	3/14/2006	3/15/2008	3/15/2008
Name of Trust Fund	Health and Safety	Heritage	Cemetery	Deering Library	Municipal & Transportation Im
Type of Fund ?	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1-19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1-19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1-19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1-19-a)	Other (Enter Below)
Purpose of Trust	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds to perform clean up and disposal of health and safety hazards in the Town	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of compiling and preserving the history of Deering and to provide information to the public regarding his history	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds to perform maintenance repairs at the Town cemetery properties	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds for the operation and future expansion of the Deering Town Library (agents to expend Library Trustees)	Other (Enter Below) Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with (RSA 261:153 VI (a))
How Invested ?	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment
Balance Beginning of Year ?	\$1,796	\$1,761	\$6,042	\$5,151	\$12,329
New Funds Created ?	\$10,000		\$3,371		\$24,523
Cash Gains or Losses on Securities ?					
Withdrawals ?	(\$11,700)		(\$1,000)		
Balance End of Year	\$96	\$1,761	\$8,413	\$5,151	\$36,852
Balance Beginning of Year ?					
Income During Year (Amount) ?	\$12	\$5	\$17	\$15	\$68
Expended During Year ?					
Balance at End of Year	\$12	\$5	\$17	\$15	\$68
<b>Grand Total Principal &amp; Income End of Year ?</b>	<b>\$108</b>	<b>\$1,766</b>	<b>\$8,430</b>	<b>\$5,166</b>	<b>\$36,920</b>
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	Trust Fund 16	Trust Fund 17	Trust Fund 18	Trust Fund 19	Trust Fund 20
Date of Creation	3/15/2008	3/08/2011	3/08/2011	3/08/2011	3/13/2012
Name of Trust Fund	Police Vehicles	Youth Diversion	Deering Reservoir Usage Permit	Deering Recreation Program	Fire Dept Building Maintenance
Type of Fund	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)
Purpose of Trust	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds for future Police Vehicles	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds for Youth Diversion programs	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of improving & maintaining the Deering Reservoir beach & boat launch area	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing a variety of recreational programs	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing fund for maintenance and improvements to the Deering Fire Stations
How Invested	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment
Balance Beginning of Year	\$855	\$10,102	\$4,401	\$1,776	\$5,417
New Funds Created	\$5,000		\$6,029		\$5,000
Cash Gains or Losses on Securities					
Withdrawals					
Balance End of Year	\$5,855	\$10,102	\$10,430	\$1,776	\$10,417
Balance Beginning of Year					
Income During Year (Amount)	\$5	\$30	\$18	\$5	\$19
Expended During Year					
Balance at End of Year	\$5	\$30	\$18	\$5	\$19
<b>Grand Total Principal &amp; Income End of Year</b>	<b>\$5,860</b>	<b>\$10,132</b>	<b>\$10,448</b>	<b>\$1,781</b>	<b>\$10,436</b>
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	Trust Fund 21	Trust Fund 22	Trust Fund 23	Trust Fund 24	Trust Fund 25
Date of Creation	3/13/2012	3/16/2013	3/11/2014	3/14/2015	3/14/2015
Name of Trust Fund	Library Building Maintenance	Planning Board Master Plan	Assessing	Police Ballistic Vest	Police Dept Equipment
Type of Fund	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)	Expendable Trust (RSA 3:1:19-a)
Purpose of Trust	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds for the maintenance and renovations of the library building (agents to expend Library Trustees)	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds for updating and maintaining the Town's Master Plan	Other (Enter Below) For the purpose of providing funds for the Assessing Contract	Other (Enter Below) For the purchase of ballistic vests for police officers	Other (Enter Below) For the purchase of communications equipment for patrol vehicles, portable radios and radar guns
How Invested	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment
Balance Beginning of Year	\$55	\$10,792	\$15,866		
New Funds Created		\$1,250	\$35,000	\$3,000	\$5,000
Cash Gains or Losses on Securities					
Withdrawals		(\$6,000)	(\$50,492)	(\$1,829)	(\$1,315)
Balance End of Year	\$55	\$6,042	\$374	\$1,171	\$3,685
Balance Beginning of Year					
Income During Year (Amount)		\$33	\$65	\$3	\$4
Expended During Year					
Balance at End of Year		\$33	\$65	\$3	\$4
<b>Grand Total Principal &amp; Income End of Year</b>	\$55	\$6,075	\$439	\$1,174	\$3,689
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	Trust Fund 26	Trust Fund 27	Trust Fund 28	Trust Fund 29	Trust Fund 30
Date of Creation					
Name of Trust Fund	Celebration (A)	Friends of Deering	Celebration (Holiday)	Clement Arts	Common Trusts
Type of Fund ?	Trust Fund	Trust Fund	Trust Fund	Trust Fund	Trust Fund
Purpose of Trust	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)	Other (Enter Below)
					This is the total invested sum of the funds including the cemetery, perpetual, and school funds.
How Invested ?	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Single Investment	Common Fund
Balance Beginning of Year ?	\$3,275	\$1,922	\$63	\$6,322	\$138,667
New Funds Created ?	\$500				
Cash Gains or Losses on Securities ?					
Withdrawals ?	(\$115)				
Balance End of Year	<b>\$3,660</b>	<b>\$1,922</b>	<b>\$63</b>	<b>\$6,322</b>	<b>\$138,667</b>
Balance Beginning of Year ?					\$4,916
Income During Year (Amount) ?	\$10	\$6		\$19	\$1,220
Expended During Year ?					
Balance at End of Year	<b>\$10</b>	<b>\$6</b>		<b>\$19</b>	<b>\$6,136</b>
<b>Grand Total Principal &amp; Income End of Year ?</b>	<b>\$3,670</b>	<b>\$1,928</b>	<b>\$63</b>	<b>\$6,341</b>	<b>\$144,803</b>
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## REPORT OF COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS

Form Due Date: **March 1st (if operating on Calendar Year)**  
**September 1st (if operating on Fiscal Year)**

### Instructions

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- Select the Municipality name from the pull down menu
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- Enter the preparer's information

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- Please complete all fields as necessary for the *Report of the Common Trust Funds Investments, For the Year Ending, and Principal Only* sections

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### ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality:  County:

### PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name:  Last Name:   
 Street No.:  Street Name:  Phone Number:   
 Email (optional):



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**Report of The Common Trust Funds Investments For the Year Ending**

	Trust Fund 1	Trust Fund 2	Trust Fund 3	Trust Fund 4	Trust Fund 5
<b>How Invested</b>	# of Shares or Other Units 583.77 LPL FCCCX	834.68 LPL FNICX	277.61 LPL GCMCX	1,896.7 LPL LDLAX	577.76 LPL MCDVX
(Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) Put * by any delisted securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a & explain.					
Explanation for delisted securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a					
<b>PRINCIPAL</b>					
Balance Beginning of Year ?	\$6,494	\$19,807	\$8,884	\$7,534	\$8,651
Purchases	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cash Capital Gains	\$0	\$908	\$1,054	\$0	\$1,670
Proceeds from Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Gains/Losses from Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Balance End of Year	<b>\$6,494</b>	<b>\$20,715</b>	<b>\$9,938</b>	<b>\$7,534</b>	<b>\$10,321</b>
<b>INCOME</b>					
Balance Beginning of Year ?	\$32	\$0	\$9	\$947	\$458
Income During Year	\$135	\$0	\$0	\$267	\$121
Expended During Year	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Balance at End of Year	<b>\$167</b>	<b>\$9</b>	<b>\$9</b>	<b>\$1,214</b>	<b>\$579</b>
Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year	<b>\$6,661</b>	<b>\$20,715</b>	<b>\$9,947</b>	<b>\$8,748</b>	<b>\$10,900</b>
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	Trust Fund 6	Trust Fund 7	Trust Fund 8	Trust Fund 9	Trust Fund 10
<b>How Invested</b>	# of Shares or Other Units 634.15 LPL MCCLOX	4,894,486 LPL PMSTX			
(Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) Put * by any de-listed securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a & explain.					
Explanation for de-listed securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a					
<b>PRINCIPAL</b>					
Balance Beginning of Year ?	\$9,749	\$20,485			
Purchases	\$0	\$0			
Cash Capital Gains	\$881	\$0			
Proceeds from Sales	\$0	\$0			
Gains/Losses from Sales	\$0	\$0			
Balance End of Year	<b>\$10,630</b>	<b>\$20,485</b>			
<b>INCOME</b>					
Balance Beginning of Year ?	\$380	\$2,587			
Income During Year	\$32	\$489			
Expended During Year	\$0	\$0			
Balance at End of Year	<b>\$412</b>	<b>\$3,076</b>			
Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year	<b>\$11,042</b>	<b>\$23,561</b>			
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## From the Treasurer

Most of you might know by now that we have a Purchase and Sales agreement on our house in Deering. If all goes as expected, we will close on the sale early in June and be off to Florida. This means that in April or May I will have to resign my position as town treasurer, a position that I have held since 2002. I have loved serving as treasurer and being part of the work of the town which has brought me in contact with townspeople whom I otherwise might not meet. Some of you might also know that because of a recent loss of some vision on my part I have not been able to do my job as treasurer in the same manner as I have been doing it since I began. Fortunately, with the new software that has been implemented as of January 2016, the job of treasurer has changed to a more supervisory position which I can do until such time as a new treasurer takes my place. My efforts in the latter part of 2015 have been to review revenue and expenditures as transmitted to me by the Administrative Assistant, the Tax Collector/Town Clerk. and, of course, sign the checks as directed by the selectmen.

I cannot find enough words to express my gratitude to all those with whom I work for their support and kindness during a time that has been very difficult for me. All of them have offered whatever help they could to allow me to do my job. You, the townspeople, should

know that you have the best working group at the Town Hall that I have seen since we moved to Deering in 1997. The selectmen are young, relatively, and enthusiastic. They have a vision for the town and the energy to see that this vision becomes a reality while, at the same time, facing fiscal realities. The town offices are well organized and functioning as they should be. Each person working at the Town Hall adds to a friendly and welcoming atmosphere even in the face of some of us who become just a little cranky when we have to pay our taxes. So, I prepare to leave my position as treasurer knowing that all will be left in good hands and that the residents of Deering can rest assured that those who work for them have their best interests at heart. It is with mixed emotions that we contemplate leaving Deering. We will miss our friends and our beautiful home, but we know that it is time to move on. We will miss you all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stuart Huggard

*Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end. - Seneca*



## Report of the Board of Selectmen

It's an exciting time to call Deering home. There are new homes under construction, overall building permits are up, and home sales have increased while available homes on the market have declined. We also have new volunteers popping up while trusted and dedicated ones move on to their next chapter. And we had a few Presidential candidates stump in our humble Town Hall, Senator Lyndsey Graham, who brought Senator John McCain, and Carly Fiorina.

With all this as our backdrop this year, the Board of Selectmen settled on one goal to help steer everything we do: help make Deering a more desirable place to live. Remembering this before all decisions big and small helps make the role of Selectman easier and clearer.

At the March 2015 Town Meeting, the Board asked residents to invest \$20,000 in a comprehensive study of Deering's Fire and Rescue service. After explaining the report would be used to guide well-informed decisions for years to come, with the goal of improving service and thus helping make Deering a more desirable place to live, you all agreed. The completed report was presented to the Town in the fall, and the first proposals are seen within this year's warrant. We hope you agree the hiring of a paid part-time Chief will start the long process of addressing items within the report. If you haven't had a chance to read the study, it is available electronically on the Town's website, and there are hardcopies available to read in the Town Hall.



Over Labor Day, the Board invited all to participate in a Town BBQ picnic in the Town center, atop what's known as the 'Hotel Lot.' Many folks came; bringing dishes of their own, but more importantly, residents met new folks, were served by Chief Pushee and Administrator McAllister, and enjoyed one of the Town's greatest assets – a beautiful vista overlooking the Town Hall and Town Common, with Clark's Summit in the background. This year's Town Report cover picture is the folks who attended the event, taken from the Hotel Lot.

The Board believes better utilizing this parcel flexes our community strength, sculpts the character of the Town Center, and ultimately helps make Deering a more desirable place to call home. One warrant article this year asks residents to support a small investment from the fund balance toward planning future uses of the Lot and the overall Town Center's character. There's a similar warrant article, also funded from the fund balance, asking for 'Welcome to Deering' signage. We hope you support them both.

These are the more visible actions of the Board, but our main goal is behind everything we do within in the daily basics of Town Administration. We're fostering a spirit of teamwork and cooperation among staff and volunteers, which helps retain and attract great people, keeps human error low, and improves efficiency as all hands work together. We implemented weekly department head team meetings with the Town Administrator, keeping everyone informed of their coming challenges, any process changes, and opportunities to assist one another. We also reduced their requirement to meet monthly with the Board, asking them instead to come in quarterly, increasing their time with their families and increasing the Board's time to work on more strategic, long-term projects.



The new accounting system is fully implemented, improving tracking, budgeting, accountability, and reporting. The franchise contracts executed with telecom providers are beginning to provide revenue, albeit limited – but every bit helps! We held our second annual meeting with Lake property owners, improving lines of communication all around, and we reviewed all of our trust and capital reserve funds, which led to one warrant article this year asking for language revision. And we implemented a redesign of the Town's website.

We didn't gain victories everywhere we aimed for them. While we did reach the goal line on a long-term nuisance property in town, nobody involved took pleasure in doing it. We did formally apply with the US Postal Service for our own Zip Code, but were also formally denied as 03244 is not 'fully utilized.' And we tried all year to find a vendor willing to renovate / replace the Town Hall's front doors, but nobody seemed interested. We'll keep trying.

Looking forward to 2016, the Board plans to continue in our positive direction. With approval of the warrant article, we'll seek an appropriately qualified part-time Fire Chief, whom we'll expect to begin implementation of items within the Fire study and planning for future implementation, as necessary, of some of the larger items. Now that the website has been upgraded, we'll continue updating the content and making it easier to use, which gives us all a better community resource.

The Board thanks all who've contacted us over the past year. Your input helped us make better decisions.

Aaron Gill, Chair

Your Board of Selectmen:  
Aaron Gill - Sharon Fife - Allen Belouin

## Report of the Town Administrator

This year Deering completed its cyclical property revaluation. For the year 2014 Deering's total net assessed valuation used to calculate the town's tax rate was \$197,195,832. For 2015 the net assessed valuation used to calculate the town's tax rate declined \$21,961,056 to \$175,234,776 representing an overall decrease of 11.13%.

While not immediately obvious there exists a correlation between the range, level and quality of services provided in a community to individual home values. Many families make home purchase decisions based on the quality and reputation of the local schools. Older individuals may make home purchase decisions based on ambulance availability and the proximity to medical facilities. Still others prefer the outdoor recreational opportunities common in rural communities. Regardless of what drives purchase decisions community services play an important role in both home purchase and purchase price decisions. The level of fire service in a community determines fire insurance rates. The ability to respond to medical emergencies is a crucial service that may mean the difference between life and death. Police respond to accidents, deter crime, and are often the first responders to calls for help. Without maintained roads first responders may not be able to reach injured callers. Getting to work is made more difficult. Automotive repairs are costlier. The quality of services, or lack thereof, impacts resale value of individual homes. Budgets are more than resources used to provide services, they are also vehicles used to achieve long range goals. Without goals any budget will do.

This year the Deering Board of Selectmen is looking longer range in an effort to bolster the quality of emergency services and in so doing helping to address the resale value of individual homes. Several initiatives are in this year's budget including warrant articles seeking approval to hire and recruit a part-time fire chief who will be responsible for overall administrative duties as well as being a first responder for ambulance and fire calls during the week when Deering's volunteer first responders are out of town working. Please read Municipal Resources compilation of recommendations to the "Fire and Rescue Department Study," approved at the last Town meeting and completed in November 2015.

In an effort to foster greater community cohesion and participation the Board is seeking to establish a Town Center Improvement Fund and a committee that will plan and develop a long range community use plan for both the "Town Common" and the "Hotel Lot" located across from Town Hall. The Board also believes that "Welcome to Deering" signs located on each end of Route 149 are important in promoting a strong community image for Deering.

Given the impending equipment needs both in the highway and fire departments the Board has committed greater funding to capital reserve funds that will be used to fund new equipment purchases that will begin in 2017. Funding for the refurbishment of the tanker truck in the fire department is also requested this year. Funding for the majority of these improvements will come from the Town's unassigned fund balance which means it will not come from new taxes.

Deering remains an enviable community that enjoys immense un-fragmented forested tracts and conservation holdings that allow boundless recreational opportunities. These benefits have required dedicated stewardship and a shared community vision. Nothing can be done without community support. Deering's future remains yours to build.

Respectfully Submitted

Russell McAllister  
Town Administrator



## Building Inspector's Report

The housing market has made a jump this year and all over the region new homes are on the increase. Last year 1 new home was built in town; this year four new homes have started. We have 1 solar array being constructed which seems to be a trend today with large tax credits offered and technology making the process more affordable to more people. In some cases, you can have a system installed for the average cost of your electric bill for a Twenty Year period and then ride the wave for an additional Ten years with the average life expectancy for most installs at 30 years.

Energy conservation is on more people's minds and the cost of electricity continues to rise although at the time of this writing we are seeing fuel prices on the drop while the cost of wood heat is on the rise. Wood used for cordwood is now being processed into chips for Biomass heating at an alarming rate since the loggers are set up to chip anyway it's more cost effective for them to chip the hardwood and sell it in that form. Meanwhile dry wood for heating runs at about \$350.00 per cord at this time.

Most contractors are building lightweight construction homes these days with all of the engineered lumber we are now manufacturing and the furniture we fill our houses with is made of soft wood and polyurethane foam cushions. This tends to be problematic from a fire standpoint since we fill our home with fuel based furniture and since fire doubles every 30 seconds I must be careful not to miss fire stopping in my inspections. The homes are much tighter which eliminates oxygen, that's good from a fire stand point but not as good from a health standpoint. There is much to pay attention to in modern construction and it requires constant education and training and to be an educator to which I am committed.

The following is a summary of Building permits issued in 2015:

Additions	4	Mechanical	9
Barns/Sheds/Garages	12	New Homes	4
Deck	7	Plumbing	9
Demolition	2	Pools	1
Electrical	18	Renovations	4
Gas/Propane	21	Solar Arrays	1
Driveways	6	Septic Repair	2
		<b>Total</b>	<b>98</b>

Respectfully Submitted

Michael Borden  
Code Enforcement

## Report of the Assessing Department

2015 was the Town of Deering's cyclical update year. The cyclical update is composed of four years of field reviewing property record card and implementing their value the 5<sup>th</sup> year. The implementation of new property values is based on home sales in Deering using eighteen months of qualified sales prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> 2015. The next update year is 2020. The assessing office worked closely with our assessing company, Avitar Associates of New England, in reviewing properties, reviewing sales, updating, exemptions, conservation easements and current use records. A few current use property owners have not filled in their current use forms that were sent in May of 2015. Please call office for appointment if you need assistance. The current use update is required by the State of N.H. every five years.

The Town's overall assessed values were reduced based on sales in Deering. Our new tax rate for 2015 is \$29.57 per thousand dollars of evaluation. This new tax rate was implemented on your December 2015 bill. Taxpayers have until March 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 to apply for an abatement. The abatement form is available at the Town Hall, in the outer lobby (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) or from a staff member. These abatements should be submitted on assessed market value and not your tax bill.



Owners of Property in the Watershed Overlay Review Criteria 4.5.6., have continually helping us by submitting a copy of their septic pumping, however a few have difficulty getting a copy to the town office. A copy is needed from the property owner and is not the responsibility of the Septic Pumping service.

Thanks to all for assisting in keeping these records up to date and keeping our reservoir clean.

Please let us know if your address has changed, if you have moved, just changed your address or have just purchased a home. We need to know when to change your address so you receive all pertinent information.

Changes have happened over this past year. We have a new phone system, which allows us to transfer calls between our offices and the Tax Collector/Town Clerk. Computers have also had some changes to make us more efficient. Thank you to the voters of Deering.

Your staff at the Town Hall continues to work toward being friendly, helpful, and professional. Any questions or concerns please call 603-464-3248.

The following information will show sales activities, exemptions, charitable and current use statistics for the Town of Deering.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Mooney  
Assessing Clerk

## Assessing Activity Report

### AMOUNT EXEMPT

TYPE OF EXEMPTION	AFFECTED NUMBER	FROM TAX ASSESSMENT
Blind	1	\$ 15,000
Disabled	9	\$ 133,600
Elderly ages 65-74	26	\$ 1,039,700
Elderly ages 75-79	12	\$ 608,100
Elderly ages 80 +	21	\$ 1,409,300
	69	\$ 3,205,700

### Charitable

4 owners

- 1- Audubon 9 properties
- 2- His Mansion 5 properties
- 3- The Wilds 9 properties
- 4- Deering Historical 1 property

### Religious

- 1- Deering Community 1 property

TAX CREDIT	AFFECTED NUMBER	AMOUNT CREDITED FROM TAX BILL	TOTAL
VETERAN WAR SERVICE	105	\$500 PER EACH	\$ 52,500
VETERAN TOTAL DISABLED ABATEMENTS/REFUND	6	\$1400 PER EACH	\$ 8,400
	11		\$ 4,622.51
APPEALS TO THE BOARD OF TAX AND LAND APPEALS			NONE
1 APRIL 2015 TO 31 MARCH 2016 INTENTS TO CUT REQUESTS			15
INTENTS TO EXCAVATE			1

## Parcel Count

Deering Parcel Count		
	# of Parcels	Value
RESIDENTIAL LAND ONLY (not including current use):	150	\$ 5,957,600
RESIDENTIAL LAND ONLY WITH CURRENT USE:	264	\$ 2,052,708
RESIDENTIAL LAND & BUILDING (not including current use):	549	\$ 106,165,300
Median: \$ 181,800		
RESIDENTIAL LAND & BUILDING WITH CURRENT USE:	174	\$ 41,202,521
MANUFACTURED HOUSING ON OWN LAND:	49	\$ 4,623,508
MANUFACTURED HOUSING ON LAND OF ANOTHER:	174	\$ 2,492,400
RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS:	Included in Residential Buildings	
DUPLEX & MULTI-FAMILY:	14	\$ 3,341,494
COMMERCIAL/INDUST. LAND ONLY (not including current use):	3	\$ 968,400
COMMERCIAL/INDUST. LAND & BUILDING (not including current use):	3	\$ 402,200
COMMERCIAL/INDUST. WITH CURRENT USE:	4	\$ 2,849,134
UTILITY:	1	\$ 10,332,600
TOTAL TAXABLE:	1385	\$ 180,387,865
TOTAL EXEMPT/NONTAXABLE:	71	\$ 9,646,700
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS:	1456	
(TOTAL NUMBER OF CARDS):	1522	
PROPERTIES WITH VIEWS (included above):	94	
PROPERTIES WITH WATER FRONTAGE (included above):	204	
DRA CERTIFICATION YEAR:	2015	
<b>LARGEST PROPERTIES</b>		

You do not have any individual properties that either represent at least 10% of the total taxable assessed value or have an assessed value of at least \$25 million.



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## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Submit to the Department of Revenue Administration by September 1

### Instructions

Note: for ease of use please begin at the last section and work backwards

**REPORTS REQUIRED:** RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon reports prescribed for that purpose.

**NOTE:** The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions for individual items.

**For Assistance Please Contact:**

DRA Municipal and Property Division  
Phone: (603) 230-5090  
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

Data has been imported into the form from an external source. All form calculations have been disabled.

### ENTITY'S INFORMATION ?

Entity Type:  Municipality  Village

Municipality: DEERING

County: Hillsborough

Original Date 09/01/2015

Revision Date 09/01/2015

### ASSESSOR

Avitar Associates

Assessor's Name

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

### MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

Aaron Gill, Chair

Municipal Official 1

Allen Belouin

Municipal Official 3

Municipal Official 5

Under penalties of perjury, We declare that we have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of our belief it is true, correct and complete.

Sharon Fife

Municipal Official 2

Municipal Official 4

Municipal Official 6

### PREPARER'S INFORMATION

Ann Mooney

Preparer's Name

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

464-3248

Phone Number

assessing@deering.nh.us

Email (optional)



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Municipality Values		
Value Land Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A, 3B and 4) ?		
	Number of Acres	Assessed Valuation
1-A Current Use (At current values) RSA 79-A ?	14,475.01	\$1,228,818
1-B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B ?	16.77	\$1,792
1-C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C ?		
1-D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
1-E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
1-F Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved) ?	3,017.54	\$71,086,125
1-G Commercial/Industrial Land (excluding Utility Land) ?	110.78	\$914,800
1-H Total of Taxable Land ?	17,620.1	\$73,231,535
1-I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land ?	1,581.73	\$4,220,000
Value Buildings Only (Exclude amount listed in lines 3A and 3B) ?		
	Number of Structures	Assessed Valuation
2-A Residential ?		\$87,663,741
2-B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31 ?		\$4,023,000
2-C Commercial/Industrial (excluding Utility buildings) ?		\$3,189,600
2-D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D ?		
2-E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F ?		
2-F Total of Taxable Buildings ?		\$94,876,341
2-G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings ?		\$7,274,959
Utilities and Timber ?		
		Assessed Valuation
3-A Utilities ?		\$10,332,600
3-B Other Utilities ?		
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5 ?		
5) Valuation before Exemptions (Total of lines 1H, 2F, 3A, 3B and 4) ?		\$178,440,476



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Exemptions				
			Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
6	Certain Disabled Veterans (RSA 72:36-a) ?			
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA (72:38-b V) ?			
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities (RSA 72:37-a) ?			
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption (RSA 72:23-IV) ?			
10a	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?			
10b	Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption (RSA 72:12-a) ?			
11) Modified Assessed Valuation of all Properties (Line 5 minus lines 6,7,8,9,10a,10b) ?				\$178,440,476
<b>Summation of Exemptions</b> ?				
		Amount Per Exemption	Total # Granted	Assessed Valuation
12	Blind Exemption (RSA 72:37) ?	\$15,000	1	\$15,000
13	Elderly Exemption (RSA 72:39-a & b)		59	\$3,057,100
14	Deaf Exemption (RSA 72:38-b) ?			
15	Disabled Exemption (RSA 72:37-b) ?	\$15,000	9	\$133,600
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:70) ?			
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:62) ?			
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption (RSA 72:66) ?			
19	Add'l School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions (RSA 72:23 IV) ?			
20) Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions (sum of lines 12-19)				\$3,205,700
<b>Calculations</b>				
21 NET VALUATION: Used To Compute Municipal, County, and Local Education Tax Rates (Line 11 minus Line 20)				\$175,234,776
22 LESS UTILITIES: (Line 3A) Do not include the value of other utilities listed in Line 3B				\$10,332,600
23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES TO COMPUTE STATE EDUCATION TAX (Line 21 minus Line 22)				\$164,902,176
Notes:	town-wide valuation update for 4/1/15 ***AVITAR SYSTEM WARNING: Residential Buildings (2A) REDUCED by \$1,835,059 for Char/Reli/Educ Exemptions*** **AVITAR SYSTEM WARNING: Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable Buildings (2G) INCREASED by \$1,835,059 for Char/Reli/Educ Ex			



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**Utility Summary: Electric, Hydroelectric, Renewable - Misc., Nuclear, Gas/Pipeline, Water & Sewer**

Utility Value Appraiser ?

Who Appriases/Establishes the Utility Value in the Municipality? (If multiple, please list)

Avitar

If the Municipality Uses DRA Utility Values, is it Equalized By The Ratio?  Yes  No

**SECTION A**

List Electric Companies ?

Electric Company	Assessed Valuation
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	\$10,332,600

**A1 Total of all Electric Companies listed in this section:** \$10,332,600

List Gas Companies ?

Gas Company	Assessed Valuation

**A2 Total of all Gas Companies listed in this section:**





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List Water and Sewer Companies <span style="float: right;">?</span>	
Water/Sewer Company	Assessed Valuation
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<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>A3 Total of all Water and Sewer Companies listed in this section:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Grand Total Valuation of all Sect. A Utility Companies</b>	<b>\$10,332,600</b>

SECTION B	
List Other Utility Companies <span style="float: right;">?</span>	
Other Utility Company	Assessed Valuation
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<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>B1 Total of All Other Companies listed in this section (must agree with line 3B):</b>	<input type="text"/>



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Tax Credits and Exemptions			
<b>Veterans' Tax Credits</b> ?			
Credit Description	Limits	Number of Individuals	Estimated Tax Credits
? <b>Veterans' Tax Credit/Optional Veterans' Tax Credit (RSA 72:28)</b> (\$50 Standard Credit, \$51 up to \$500 upon adoption by city/town)	\$500	98	\$49,000
? <b>Surviving Spouse (RSA 72:29-a)</b> *The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States...* (\$700 Standard Credit, \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town)	\$700		
? <b>Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability (RSA 72:35)</b> *Any person who has been honorably discharged from the military service of the United States and who has total and permanent service-connected disability, or who is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service-connected injury...* (\$700 Standard Credit, \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town)	\$1,400	6	\$8,400
<b>Total Number and Amount</b>		<b>104</b>	<b>\$57,400</b>
*If both husband and/or wife qualify for the credit they count as 2. If someone is living at a residence such as a brother & sister, and one qualifies count as 1, not one-half.			
<b>Disabled and Deaf Exemption Report</b> ?			
	<b>Disabled Exemption Report (RSA 72:37-b)</b>		<b>Deaf Exemption Report (RSA 72:38-b)</b>
	<b>Single</b>	<b>Married</b>	<b>Single</b> <b>Married</b>
Income Limits ?	\$46,900	\$53,600	
Asset Limits ?	\$250,000	\$250,000	
<b>Elderly Exemption Report - RSA 72:39-a</b> ?			
<b>First Time Filers Granted Elderly Exemption for Current Tax Year</b>			<b>Total Number of Individuals Granted an Elderly Exemption for the Current Tax Year &amp; Total Number of Exemptions Granted</b>
<b>Age</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Amount Per Individual</b>	<b>Age</b> <b>#</b> <b>Max Allowable Exemption</b> <b>Total Actual Exemption Granted</b>
65-74	1	\$45,000	65-74    26    \$1,170,000    \$1,039,700
75-79		\$60,000	75-79    12    \$720,000    \$608,100
80+		\$75,000	80+    21    \$1,575,000    \$1,409,300
<b>Total</b>			<b>59</b> <b>\$3,465,000</b> <b>\$3,057,100</b>
<b>Income Limits</b>	<b>Single</b> \$46,900	<b>Asset Limits</b>	<b>Single</b> \$250,000
	<b>Married</b> \$53,600		<b>Married</b> \$250,000
<b>Community Tax Relief Incentive - RSA 79-E</b> ?			
Adopted: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Number of Structures: <input type="text"/>	



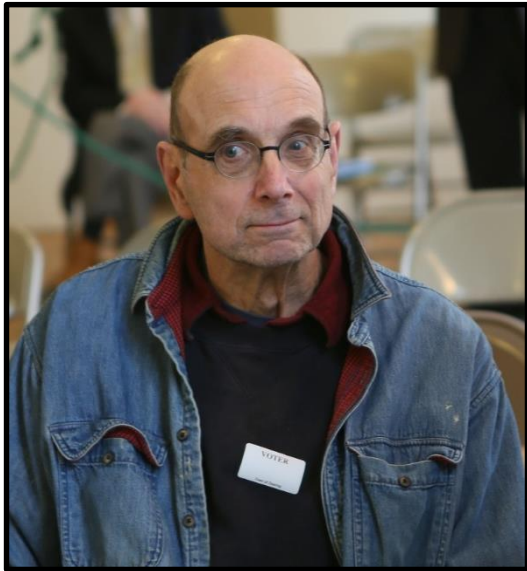
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Property Reports				
<b>Current Use Reports - RSA 79-A</b> <span style="float:right">?</span>				
	Total Number of Acres Receiving Current Use	Assessed Valuation	Other Current Use Statistics	Total Number of Acres
Farm Land	856.98	\$326,854	Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	6,324.08
Forest Land	7,851.92	\$730,638	Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	8.23
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	4,229.16	\$145,749	Owners in Current Use	265
Unproductive Land	295.79	\$4,969	Parcels in Current Use	450
Wet Land	1,241.16	\$20,608		
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,475.01</b>	<b>\$1,228,818</b>		
<b>Land Use Change Tax</b> <span style="float:right">?</span>				
<b>Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year (Jan 1 through Dec 31)</b>				\$220
Conservation Allocation	Percentage	100	And/Or Dollar Amount	
Monies to Conservation Fund				\$220
Monies to General Fund				
<b>Conservation Restriction Assessment Report - RSA 79-B (must file PA-60)</b> <span style="float:right">?</span>				
	Total Number of Acres Receiving Conservation	Assessed Valuation	Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics	Total Number of Acres
Farm Land	3	\$828	Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	8.47
Forest Land	8.3	\$809	Removed from Conservation During Current Tax Year	
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	5.47	\$155		
Unproductive Land				<b>Total Number</b>
Wet Land			Owners in Conservation	4
			Parcels in Conservation	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>16.77</b>	<b>\$1,792</b>		
<b>Discretionary Easements - RSA 79-C</b> <span style="float:right">?</span>				
Total Number of Acres	# of Owners	Assessed Valuation	Description of Discretionary Easements Granted (e.g. Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track)	
<b>Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures - RSA 79-F</b> <span style="float:right">?</span>				
Total Number Granted	Total Number of Structures	Total Number of Acres	Assessed Valuation Land	Assessed Valuation Structures

## Budget Advisory Committee

The Town of Deering Budget Advisory Committee held the first of six meetings in October. Returning members were Robert Fuller and Gale Lalmond. The committee welcomed new members, Gary Samuels and Nancy Donovan. Selectman Liaison Allen Belouin was present at all meetings. Town Administrator Russ McAllister provided invaluable knowledge and assistance throughout the meetings.



The committee met with each department head to review and discuss their budgets. On December 16, 2015 The budget advisory committee presented the Board with their budget recommendations for the ensuing year.

Recommendations for the following year included having even the smallest budgets (cemetery, conservation commission, planning and zoning boards) present their budget requests to the BAC.

Respectfully submitted,

The Budget Advisory Committee Members:

- Robert Fuller
- Gale Lalmond
- Gary Samuels
- Nancy Donovan



## Police Department Report

Well, another busy year has passed by for our townfolk and for your Police Department. We started 2015 with new Officer Ethan Vaillancourt adjusting back into the New Hampshire way, as he'd just moved back north after several years in Florida. In June, Officer Vaillancourt left his full time position with us in order to take a position as a Detective Sergeant in Antrim, though he has stayed on part-time/per-diem with the Deering Police.

We were very lucky to quickly find a suitable replacement for this full time police officer position, when we hired Officer Stephen Bell in July 2015. Officer Bell has been a Police Officer in New Hampshire for more than 20 years already, serving smaller communities such as Dublin, Greenfield, Peterborough, and Frankestown. Because of his vast experience in serving small communities, Officer Bell was able to acclimate into the Deering Police Department and start serving our community very quickly and easily.

We continue to be blessed with the services of Capt. Thomas Cavanaugh, a part time officer who in the past 13 years has shown unfailing dedication to the Department, his fellow officers, and his service to the Town of Deering. He has been hinting at retirement in the not so distant future, and while I can't blame him after serving nearly 40 years total in Law Enforcement, when the time comes Capt. Cavanaugh's presence will be missed. The Department also has a Cadre of five more Part Time Officers who are all employed as Full Time Officers in neighboring Departments. These Part Time Officers do not have regular schedules, but occasionally help fill open shifts for us.

Although we had some periods of change again this year, you will see from our statistics that our activity in 2015 rose nearly 7% overall (3466 CFS entries in 2014, as compared to 3714 CFS entries in 2015). We also saw a nearly 7% increase in MV Enforcement Activities in 2015. We believe both increases were primarily due to fewer periods when the Department was short staffed. These increases in Calls For Service and related MV Enforcement Activity translated into our Officers being more productive in taking Drunk & Drugged Drivers (11 arrests= 35% increase) and Drugs (20 arrests= 35% increase) off our streets and roads. Of the 20 drugs arrests, three cases involved suspected heroin possession/use, as well as several cases of suspected cocaine and/or powdered oxycodone type drug abuse.

The Police Department continues to actively participate in Community Events, logging more than 130 man hours while attending 33 specific community events in 2015. In addition to this, the Hillcat Police Cadet Post 612, which is a youth organization within the Deering Police Department, also served the community by providing over 290 man hours of Community Service during 18 local & regional public service events.

Finally, we continue to utilize various Grant Programs to offset costs of additional traffic safety patrols, to extend our coverages, and to offset costs of certain equipment items. In 2015, the Department received nearly \$19,000.00 in reimbursements from several grant programs. These includes hundreds of hours of supplemental highway safety enforcement patrols and the purchase of new equipment such as replacing worn out protective Ballistic Vests, purchasing "active shooter" ballistic vests capable of stopping high power rifle rounds, and purchasing "Stop Sticks" for our cruisers to have available if a high speed pursuit might be coming our way.

As always, we thank the Town and our residents for their continued support, and remember, we count on you to help us by acting as our eyes and ears.....we are a small Department and just can't be everywhere all the time!

## Deering Police Department Annual Statistical Report – 2015

GENERAL STATISTICS				
	2012	2013	2014	2015
Accidents	32	32	36	35
Arrest & Booking	100	45	63	73
Calls For Service	3609	3509	3466	3713
Citations (MVS,MVW,PK,ORD)	928	1006	1056	1140
Field Interviews	217	123	92	56
Incident Reports	207	181	177	173
Property Entries	189	92	141	182

CITATION/COMPLAINT TYPE AUDIT REPORT				
* There may be some inconsistent entries				
	2012	2013	2014	2015
Other/Not Reported	121	18	24	40
Animal Control	16	3	2	9
Criminal Complaint	130	65	114	331
Ordinance Violation	5	4	0	4
Parking Control	15	7	56	16
MV/OHRV Summons	24	13	33	43
MV/OHRV Warning	884	982	967	1079
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1095</b>	<b>1088</b>	<b>1196</b>	<b>1522</b>



DRUG SEIZURE REPORT 2015			
Heroin & Paraphrenalia		3 items seized	*
Marijuana & Paraphrenalia		26 items seized	*
Illegal Prescription Drugs		1 items seized	*
te: some cases had multiple items siezed			



<b>Motor Vehicle Crash Audit Report</b>				
	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total MV Crashes	35	35	38	35
Crashes w/Injuries	5	7	11	11
Total Persons Injured	5	9	12	13
Total Persons Killed	0	0	1	0

<b>HOUSE &amp; PROPERTY CHECK TOTALS- FY 2014</b>			
Requests Made		29	
Physical Prpty Checks Compl.		147	

<b>POLICE DEPT. GRANTS 2015</b>	
2015 Speed Enforcement	\$4,665.06
2015 DUI Enforcement	\$6,031.28
2015 Safe Commuter Enf.	\$3,855.95
2015 Stop Sign Enforcement	\$2,034.83
Stop Stick Pursuit Intrvntn	\$453.77
Ballistic Vests Partnership	\$1,829.50
<b>TOTAL GRANT REIMBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$18,870.39</b>



<b>POLICE VEHICLES</b>	
2013 Ford Interceptor Utility	60,452 miles (as of 12/31/15)
In Service July 2013	
2014 Ford Interceptor Utility	22,801 miles (as of 12/31/15)
In Service May 2014	

<b>COMMUNITY POLICING TOTALS- FY 2015</b>		
	Events	Ttl Hours
Police Dept.	33	133+/-
Cadets	18	293+/-
Cadet Meetings* (*2 hour meetings)	30	
Cadet Academy	2 Cadets Attended This Past Year	
Cadet Post 612	1 Attnd Univesity of Exploring	
	Post #612 Took 2nd Place Overall in State Competition	
	7 Active Cadets	
	2 Inactive Cadet (college & military)	
	2 Volunteer Civilian Advisors	
	2 Police Dept. Advisors	
	1 Civilian Committee Member	



## Report of the Hillcat Law Enforcement Post #612

First and Foremost, Congratulations to the members of the Deering Police Department sponsored Hillcat Law Enforcement Explorer Post #612, who in May 2015, took a 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall Trophy at the Annual NH Police Cadet Challenge Weekend competition!! The Deering Cadet team at this competition included Cadet Tyrell Dugre, Cadet Asher Clark, Cadet Tyler Davy, and Cadet Jason Carter. Job well done by all.

Another highlight of this past year for the Cadets from Post 612 was our “Summer Super Trip” to Washington, D.C. During this trip, we toured many museums and monuments, and also paid our respects to family members and Veterans in Arlington and Officers at the National Law Enforcement Memorial. We also met with Senator Ayotte, who graciously assigned a staff member to give us a very in-depth tour of the entire Senate and Capital Building. It was an incredible trip, though we were all pretty tuckered out when we finally got home!

We would be remiss not to address the success of the Deering/Hillcat Post 612 Cadets without mentioning the Head Advisor, Civilian Reserve Volunteer James Hargreaves, and his Assistant Advisor, a former Cadet herself, Civilian Reserve Volunteer Lindsay DeOrio. CRV Hargreaves previously served us in Deering as a Part Time Police Officer for 2 years after nearly 10 years with the Derry and Chester Police, and he continues to serve in this Civilian Capacity since he handed in his badge nearly 4 years ago. CRV DeOrio was a member of our original Chartering Post in 2006, and agreed to stay on as an Assistant Advisor when she “aged out” of the Post and headed off to College and work. Both Advisor Hargreaves and Advisor DeOrio provided hundreds of hours of volunteer time this past year to our Cadets. THANK YOU VERY MUCH! The Cadets from Explorer Post #612 also receive regular assistance from Chief James Pushee, Officer Stephen Bell, and occasionally received training and other assistance from the other Police Officers in the Department.

Currently, the Cadet Post has eight active members (some more active than others!!), but we are really hoping to recruit a few new members. So, if you know of any young adult (male OR female), age 14 ½ to 21, who has any interest at all in Public Safety Services or Law Enforcement, OR who is just looking for something to get involved in, PLEASE get in touch with us! Exploring is a great way to learn about public safety, police work, and to help serve our community. In fact, members often can fulfill their community service requirements for school just by participating in our events. Some events can also be used to earn school educational credits.

Additionally, Post #612 is a strong supporter of specialized training events, and always supports our members who want to participate in the Annual Cadet Training Academy, the Challenge Weekend Competition, the University of Exploring, and other training and experiences that Exploring in Deering and statewide can provide. If a member is interested in possibly heading to the military in the future, then his/her membership and activities in Law Enforcement Exploring can sometimes be accepted for automatic pay/rank grade increases following basic training and faster ascension to leadership positions within the military.

You can learn more about joining the Hillcat Law Enforcement Explorer Post #612 by contacting Chief James Pushee at the Police Department or via e-mail at [policechief@deering.nh.us](mailto:policechief@deering.nh.us)



## Report of the Fire and Rescue Squad

The Deering Fire and Rescue responded to 235 calls in 2015 which was about a 26% increase over 2014 totals. Of these calls, 155 were requests for Medical Aid which was also a 27% increase over 2014 totals. I am concerned that we could possibly see this trend continue due to the demographics of our community. The remaining incidents were broken down as follows. 11 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 4 Fire Alarm Activations, 24 requests for Mutual Aid, 3 Carbon Monoxide alarms, 6 Service Calls, 11 Structure Fires, 4 Brush/Wildland Fires, 5 non permit/illegal fires, 1 Hazardous Materials incident, 3 electrical emergencies/power lines down, 1 fire cause investigation, 2 Chimney Fires, 1 smoke investigation, and 4 other non-emergency or misc. dispatches.

I'm hoping that the majority of you have taken the time to read the entire extensive Deering Fire and Rescue Department study that Municipal Resources, Inc. has submitted to the town. \$20,000.00 of taxpayer money was set aside to complete the study and am hopeful that the town takes the issues that the report raises seriously and puts a plan in place to remedy the most critical needs that are listed in the study and will certainly offer my assistance where needed. There were no surprises to those of us that have a long history in town and to those with the department and was quite similar to the issues raised in the Primex audit just a few years ago that was of no cost to the town. We obviously know that this will not be an easy fix but with proper planning and support is not only doable but is necessary for the future fire and rescue needs of the town. Without a properly staffed and functional fire department not only will insurance rates rise, but will also be a deterrent for those that want to buy property and move into our community.

For those of you that don't know, I was appointed the Interim Fire Chief in February of 2015, taking over after the resignation of Chief Jim Tramontozzi. Chief Tramontozzi was a very dedicated Chief who always put the needs of the town and the department first, so our entire membership were saddened to see him leave. I can honestly say that it has been no easy task taking over his duties since I also work a 50 plus hour week at my job in Merrimack but do have a number of members that are always willing to assist me on a regular basis.





My situation is not unique in regards to the membership of the department as most of us do work out of town. I will be honest with you and say that it is becoming more difficult to recruit dedicated members that have the time to attend the required training to become either a trained NH Certified Firefighter or a Nationally Registered EMT or First Responder. I told the selectmen that my main focus this coming year is to find ways that we can recruit residents in town to not only be a part of the Fire and Rescue but to also commit to the required training. The main obstacle to our recruitment goal is that there are very few

employment opportunities in town so our young people are commuting to work or moving out of town entirely. While we do have some new members, only a few have taken the time to commit to the required training.

As you will see from our proposed budget we will try to address some of the short-term maintenance and equipment needs that were addressed in the MRI study. You will also notice a warrant article to refurbish Tanker 1 that is currently 20 years old and is the only tanker that the town currently has. This refurbishment will hopefully extend the life by another 5 or 6 years. Our second tanker that was involved in a serious accident was never replaced. Our tankers are vital to the town's fire suppression needs due to the lack of year round water supply and is one of the most important priorities pointed out in the MRI study. I do also want to point out that Engine 3 is now 30 years old and is well passed its recommended service life so we will be proposing a replacement in 2017.

On the training front we held our annual CPR and Blood Borne Pathogens required training. Our members also trained in proper use of Personal Protective Equipment, Motor Vehicle Extrication, Water Rescue, multiple Fireground Operation trainings, and ongoing required continuing education, NH Protocol updates, and Narcan training for our EMS folks. We also held a required 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm Capital Area fire mutual aid training with 7 area towns participating. We simulated a motor vehicle accident involving an LP tank with active leak as the scenario.

We continue to stay active with other activities, including annual inspections, occupancy permits, and fire drills at the Alternative High School in West Deering. We did participate in other fire prevention and career activities at our schools and also participated in local parades throughout the area during the summer. Other members and I also attended monthly Mutual Aid and Fire Warden Association meetings throughout the year.

Our annual Safety Day was held once again at the Town Hall during October. Special thanks go out to FF/EMR Chrissy Elliott for her coordination of this annual event. We had a special sprinkler demonstration trailer on hand from the NH Fire Marshal's Office along with other demonstrations. Numerous Fire and Safety handouts were provided for both young and old and of course we can't forget the special visit we received from Sparky and Smokey. Deering and Hillsboro PD did numerous demonstrations and the Deering Highway also participated for the first time as well.

In August, we held our 7<sup>th</sup> annual family barbecue once again at Oxbow Campground. Special thanks go out Tom Irving and his staff for allowing our members and families a place to unwind and enjoy good food and company together once again.

Unfortunately, we ended our year on a very somber note with the passing of long time members and supporters, Muriel McAlister and retired Assistant Chief and 20-year member Robert Pragoff. Muriel and Bob were both long time highly respected members of the Deering Fire and Rescue and both also dedicated many years of service and support for our entire community. I feel that it is extremely important that we recognize both of them for their dedication and support to our town.

In closing I would like to include our annual reminder to make sure that you have smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors in your home and that they are working properly. I strongly recommend that you have detectors that have a battery backup in case of a power failure and to please change them every 6 months regardless. Also, make and practice an emergency exit plan with your family. At the first sign of a fire or carbon monoxide alarm, call 911 and evacuate your home immediately and meet at a designated meeting spot to be sure all family members are safe well away from danger.



I ask all Deering residents that if you, family member or friend has an interest in Emergency Medicine or becoming a Firefighter, we will provide that training. All we ask in return is a commitment from you to assist us with meeting the current and future needs of the town's Fire and Rescue department.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

On behalf of our membership, we would like to thank you, because our goal is to serve all of you and to keep you and your family safe throughout the years to come.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Doug C.*

Doug Connor  
Interim Chief of Department  
Deering Fire and Rescue

## Deering Fire Warden's Report

Greetings fellow residents and taxpayers, numerous NH towns experienced a fairly busy spring fire season this past year and Deering was not exempt. Although most of our incidents were minor, we did have a fairly major incident on Hedgehog Mountain Road that involved a large slash pile that required numerous mutual aid departments along with heavy equipment provided by the Deering and Hillsboro Highway Departments to extinguish. This fire was contained to about a half-acre, although if the wind conditions had been extreme, we would have experienced a major wildfire incident. This area has been a thorn in our sides for numerous years because of the amount of slash left from a previous logging operation and is frequently used as a local party spot. The cause of this fire was suspected to be intentional due to the previous evening's weather conditions. I believe the property is currently owned by the Society for Preservation of NH Forests and have recommended that they do what they can to either remove or bury the remainder of this slash as it is the property owner's responsibility.

As noted in the Municipal Resources Fire Department study, they too noted the need for the town to have an all-wheel drive vehicle that could be utilized for wildland firefighting along with other needs. This vehicle is not in the current budget plan. Members of the department have already researched specifications and cost, so would be a recommendation to obtain in the near future.

As in years past we had a great turnout for those that took advantage of our annual Seasonal Fire Permit Day, with this year's date tentatively scheduled for Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup>. We also plan to have staff available at the May Lake Association meeting as well.

For those that aren't aware, we did sign up with the state to allow Deering property owners access to the on-line fire permit process this past summer. So far we haven't run into any major issues and the state is receiving positive feedback from other participating towns as well. There are restrictions in place to safeguard against abuse and the system allows the local fire warden full restrictive powers if needed.

Once again, I want to thank all of our Deputy Wardens that volunteered their time and gasoline to respond to the numerous permit requests we receive annually and your continued help and support throughout the year. I also want to thank all the residents in town for your cooperation in helping us keep Deering a fire safe community. In closing I do want to remind you that a current Warden listing is available on the Deering website for those who need a permit, have a question regarding the on-line permit, or just have a general question for one of us. You'll also see that I've enclosed the annual Fire Warden and State Ranger report for you to look at as well.

Respectfully submitted,

**Doug C.**

Doug Connor

Interim Fire Chief and Deering Fire Warden

## Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The ability to obtain fire permits on line was initiated in 2015. Approximately 120 towns participated in the online system with over 4,000 permits issued. To obtain a permit on line visit [www.NHfirepermit.com](http://www.NHfirepermit.com). The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or [www.des.nh.gov](http://www.des.nh.gov) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

This past fire season burned **661 acres** which was the most recorded since 1989 when 629 acres burned. The fire season began in early April with the first reported fire occurring on April 8th. The largest fire was the 275 acre Bayle Mountain fire in Ossipee. This fire started on May 5<sup>th</sup> and burned for several days. The Bayle Mt. fire was also the largest individual fire in NH in over 25 years. There were also a number of other sizable fires in May which definitely kept NH's wildland firefighting resources stretched to the limit. These larger fires increased the average wildland fire size to 5.12 acres. As usual our higher fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2015 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

### 2015 FIRE STATISTICS

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	15.3	11
Carroll	299.5	10
<b>Cheshire</b>	27.6	18
<b>Coos</b>	1.6	6
<b>Grafton</b>	22.6	17
<b>Hillsborough</b>	50.6	23
<b>Merrimack</b>	228	16
<b>Rockingham</b>	9.2	14
<b>Strafford</b>	5.5	15
<b>Sullivan</b>	1.1	4



## CAPITAL AREA MUTUAL AID FIRE COMPACT



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### 2015 ANNUAL REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The 2015 annual report is prepared for the Board of Directors of the Capital Area Mutual Aid Fire Compact as a summary of general activities and events occurring through December 31, 2015. It is also provided to the Town offices of the Compact's member communities for information and distribution as desired.

The Compact's operational area is 769 square miles with a resident population of 132,983. The Equalized Property Valuation in our coverage area is currently listed as over twelve billion dollars. We also provide and receive mutual aid responses with communities beyond our member area.

The Compact provides 24/7 emergency dispatch service to its twenty-two member communities. This service is contracted with the City of Concord Fire Department's Communications Center. Dispatched calls totaled 22,348 in 2015, an increase of 2.1% from the previous year. The detailed activity report by town/agency is attached.

The 2015 Compact operating budget was \$ 1,133,108. Funding of all Compact operations is provided by the member communities. We continue to apply for State and Federal Grant Funds when available. During 2015 we were awarded a grant of \$161,284.05 for Phase 3 of our communication system improvements. Work funded by this grant will begin during 2016. The Compact was also the recipient of a grant for \$5,250 on behalf of the Hazmat Team to fund their medical surveillance program. The Phase 1 and 2 communications work funded in 2014 with a \$499,403 grant has been started. Equipment purchases are being made and FCC licensing and tower site-use agreements are underway. During 2015 work for the \$19,500 grant for a continuity of operations plan to formalize our backup operations with the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid was completed and that plan is now in place. The Compact has received a total of \$1,499,225.59 in grant funding since 2007.

The Chief Coordinator responded to 196 incidents throughout the system in 2015, and provided command post assistance on those mutual aid incidents. He also aids all departments with response planning, updating addressing information, and represents the Compact with several organizations related to public safety.

Compact officers serving during 2015 were:

President, Chief Ray Fisher, Boscawen  
Vice President, Chief Jon Wiggin, Dunbarton  
Secretary, Chief Alan Quimby, Chichester  
Treasurer, Assistant Chief Dick Pistey, Bow

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## Report of the Highway Department

Well another year is in the history books for the Deering Highway Department. Lots happened this last year as everyone was busy in all areas of the job. So I guess I will just start from the beginning.

On January 12<sup>th</sup> Benjamin Knapp took the Road Agent's position that Retired Peter Beard held for over 31 years. He will be missed and I'm sure it will take everyone a while to get used to a new face. On that first day we got an inch of snow and it seemed to never end. The year 2015 set records for both the coldest and warmest winter temperatures.



January and February put us in the top 5 for being the coldest months on record. December made it to the top 5 warmest December's ever with Christmas shattering the record as warmest ever. Santa had to take his ski's off his sleigh and put wheels on.

The first quarter of the year we had over thirty days that required us to plow or sand the roads. Out of those we had five snow storms that the National Weather Service named, just like they name Hurricanes. The first big storm was named "Juno" and was deemed as the BLIZZARD of 2015! Although it wasn't the biggest one of the year right here, it did cause enough havoc to the Northeast for us to receive some FEMA money. With every week bringing snow and below zero temperatures and the last winter storm not being until April 9<sup>th</sup> it seemed winter would never end. Any days not plowing and sanding were spent trying to make room for more snow and repairing and maintaining the aging equipment. As soon as winter finally got over we went right into spring cleanup. That's the terrible thing about winter weather. It takes lots of time and money to keep the roads passable and as soon as its over its time to start cleaning up. We have to sweep the pavement, grade the dirt, and start preparing for the next year.

Well that's enough depression about last winter. As soon as nice weather hit we were happy to spring into summer mode. We had a few minor issues during mud season but nothing a few loads of stone didn't fix. Spring time is always the busy time for grading as we try to get the shape back into the dirt roads. We rented a screener and excavator and made our winter sand for the following winter. When we were all said and done we able to make it for under \$1.30 per yard.

We were without our Kenworth all winter due to the body self-destructing. So as soon as we could free up a bay in the shop for a while we pulled it in and started replacing it. We were able to purchase a brand new one for the cost of properly fixing that one. We installed a new 14 foot all Tenco Hardox side dump body. It come out looking good and works well. All the work was done in house.

After mud season was over and spring maintenance was caught up on we started our road job. We chose to finish Longwoods Rd and since we were there we fixed from the end of the dirt portion all the way to the Hillsborough town line. The highway department performed all the work ourselves with the exception of paving. The road job came out phenomenal and hopefully will last a long time. Once the road job was done we started drainage maintenance. We used our backhoe and went around and cleaned all the inlets and outlets to our culverts. In addition, we made a few short ditch lines to help direct the water into the



culverts. The backhoe is unable to get inside the catch basins to clean them so we so we hired the services of a catch basin vacuum truck. It worked very well, we were able to clean all six on Zoski Rd and fourteen others that have been full and causing problems. We hope to hire it again in the upcoming year and do some more. With really

nice weather lasting clear into December routine road maintenance like this and grading was made possible almost an entire month longer than usual. December hasn't thrown us much bad weather. Just a few skiffs of snow and a couple icy mourning's but nothing too serious.

Well that brings me to the end of the year 2015. The Highway department has enjoyed serving you this year and looks forward to maintaining the roads this coming year for you to all travel on without delay. Thank you very much and have a happy New Year.

Yours Truly,

The Highway Guys





## Report of the Town Clerk / Tax Collector

How quickly the time passes as we are once again closing out another year. The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office continues to be a busy place as we regularly find ourselves wearing many different hats on any given day handling duties which include processing Motor Vehicles & Boat Registrations, Elections, Vital Records (Birth, Death Certificates and Marriage License and Cert.), Tax Collection which has many facets., Dog Licensing, Parking Permits for the lake, along with so many other tasks like depositing, handling mailings, balancing books, keeping records and attending trainings, workshops and certification courses to keep us up to date on the most current laws and procedures the various state agencies require from us as agents for them. There is no shortage of things to do on a regular basis.

This past year I also successfully completed my 4<sup>th</sup> year of attending courses through a joint certification program held by the New Hampshire City and Town Clerk Association and the New Hampshire Tax Collector's Association to have graduated this past August as a NH Certified Town Clerk/Tax Collector. I must continue to attend yearly workshops and attend a renewal course every 5 years in order to maintain my certification. These courses are vital to the position of a Town Clerk/Tax Collector, they offer a lot of training on all the different aspects of our jobs as Town Clerks/Tax Collectors, teaching us how to properly complete tasks expected of us while doing what is expected by different laws in the State of NH, it also helps us in teaching us customer service tips, personnel skills, public speaking, records management and so much more. It also offers a wonderful network of other Clerks and Collectors throughout the State and in some cases neighboring states working for their municipality in much the same way, so we also learn a great deal from each other.

Sarah and I attended the Regional Spring Workshops in Concord and Manchester and Annual Conferences for both the NHCTCA and NHTCA held in North Conway this past year along with Vendor Software User Meetings. These workshops, like the week long certification courses offer us up to date information pertinent to our daily work and in keeping with state laws and the various software applications for Motor Vehicle and Tax Collection.

2016 will continue to keep me juggling as we hold 4 elections. Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> begins with the Presidential primary, followed by our Town election on March 8<sup>th</sup> and Town meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup>. The State Primary on Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> and the General Election on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>.

One of the changes this year is with the voter ID laws is that those voters without proper Identification on election day will not only have to fill out a challenge voter affidavit but will also have their picture taken with a Polaroid camera (to not have any kept files) which will be attached to their challenge voter affidavit form to be forwarded to the NH Secretary of State's office for follow-up. Please be sure to bring your ID when voting this year.

Any registered voter also wishing to get involved working on Election Days should please inform me or the Town Moderator that they are interested, there is sometimes a need for additional ballot clerks and or vote counters at the end of each election and it would be helpful to

have a list of alternates. If you are unable to work elections, not to worry, we simply hope you will come out and vote. We look forward to seeing you at the polls!

Our Office successfully completed an annual town audit earlier in the year and this past fall we passed our State of NH Dept. of Motor Vehicle inspection as Municipal Agents of the State which ensures that we continue to strive to be successful towards accountability. The town upgraded the phone system and the internet service and I have gotten an upgraded computer that works so much better. The office also completed a VPN conversion for communicating with the State Dept. of Motor Vehicle providing a more secure network for connecting and transmitting information to the state. The state contract terminating with Fairpoint communications prompted this change.

The other big change as you may have heard by now is that Sarah Gladu has given her resignation and has left her position as Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector to pursue full time employment with benefits. We wish her well in all her future endeavors and thank her for all her hard work and dedication she has given to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office during her tenure. Her valuable experience and upbeat personality will be greatly missed at the Town Hall. Please have patient with me as I handle the task of 2 people while working to find a replacement and help them get up to speed.

Dog licenses are available beginning Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year and due by April 30<sup>th</sup> of the same year. Please make sure your dog's rabies vaccination is currently up to date and bring your rabies vaccination certificate in when licensing your dog. By licensing them in timely fashion you will avoid late and civil forfeiture fees that are costly additions for failure in licensing your dog by the required due date in accordance to NH RSA chapter 466.

This past April was our first time attending the rabies clinic held by the Hillsboro Fire Department and Dr. Randall Snyder, DVM of Foxbend Veterinary Clinic at the Fire Station on Central Street joining our neighboring Hillsboro Town Clerk Deb McDonald in providing our residents the opportunity to purchase their dog licenses at the same day their dog(s) receive their rabies shots. Sarah and I were able to license several Deering dogs during this event and plan to attend again this coming spring. Please look for the Hillsboro Rabies Clinic date on our website or in the local newspaper as April approaches.

Just as a reminder that as of Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 all vehicles with Model year of 2000 or newer will always be required to be titled. No longer is the law 15 years or older. Title applications or (blue CTA's) from dealers will be accepted as VIN verification to register exempt vehicles.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol M. Baker  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

## Vital Statistics

Marriages 2015				
Date	Person A	Residence	Person B	Residence
05/10/15	Desmarais, Scott H.	Hillsborough	Nelson, Marina L.	Deering
07/11/15	Rioux, Sarah L.	Deering	Hamilton, Shawn J.	Stoddard
08/30/15	Lindner, Alexis P.	Deering	Sundstrom, Jeremiah C.	Deering
10/10/15	Sheets, Anthony A.	Deering	Davison, Krista M.	Deering
10/17/15	MacNeil, Maura A.	Washington	Theroux, Roger J.	Deering
12/9/15	Casper, Richard A.	Deering	Hodges, Patti L.	Deering

Births 2015				
Date	Name	Place	Father	Mother
01/29/15	Boutwell, Brielle Ann	Concord	Boutwell, Cody	Boutwell, Chelsea
02/18/15	Emerson, Brayden Tyler	Peterborough		Emerson, Rhiannon
05/05/15	Fournier, Sienna Grace	Concord	Fournier, Jared	Fournier, Sarah
06/23/15	Morris, Lincoln Reed	Concord	Morris, Peter	Morris, Amanda
07/08/15	Sigelman, Elise Matilda	Manchester	Sigelman, Matthew	Sigelman, Asya
08/01/15	MacCorvin, Greyson Michael	Concord	Petano, Terence	Zale, Laura
08/06/15	Drew, Marc Joseph	Concord		Lorette, Kearra
08/14/15	Basista, Tessa Adele	Concord	Basista, Brandon	Basista, Kerri
09/10/15	Dunlap, Jenna Elise	Concord	Dunlap Jr, James	Ostertag, Jacqueline
11/16/15	Heim, Westley Dean	Concord	Heim, Kirk	Heim, Jennifer
12/18/15	Smith, Lillian Jean Marie	Concord	Smith, Adrian	Smith, Kristine

Deaths 2015				
Date	Name	Place	Father's Name	Mother's Name
01/29/15	Babbin, Doris	Deering	Worster, Ernest	Carbone, Isabella
04/17/15	Bicknell, Ann	Concord	Carreau, Wilfred	Theodorou, Madeline
06/04/15	Byrne III, Edward	Concord	Byrne Jr, Edward	Walsh, Eileen
08/01/15	Casaletto, Garrick	Epping	Muniz, Andres	Dolan, Debra
08/30/15	Vayens, Sr., William	Vermont	Vayens, Sr. Arthur	Litchfiels, Caroline
09/15/15	Vanderschoot, Ada	Concord		
09/25/15	Grano, Brandon	Concord	Grano, John	Richard, Arlene
11/06/15	Hauptman, John	Concord	Hauptman, Percy	Reid, Lillian
12/02/15	Staley Jr, Richard	Goffstown	Staley Sr, Richard	Krymowski, Karen
12/14/15	McAlister, Muriel	Concord	Day, George	Murdough, Almira
12/18/15	Pragoff, Robert	Concord	Pragoff, Harry	Robertson, Cora

## Report of the Supervisors of the Checklist

Barbara Cavanaugh, Chair  
Joan Burke  
Diana Downward

During odd numbered years, only two elections occur. In 2015, Deering's Local Election was held March 10<sup>th</sup> followed by the Town Meeting March 14<sup>th</sup>. At the time of the Local Election, there were approximately 1268 eligible voters of which 179 voted; for 14%. At the time of the Town Meeting, of the 1268 eligible voters, 730 individuals attended; or 5.8%. This is the lowest voter turnout since 2007 when the Supervisors began submitting a report for the Annual Town Report.

At the conclusion of the 2015 election period, Joan Burke submitted her resignation as a supervisor having served since the fall of 2007. Patricia Groome (Samuels) was appointed to complete her term. We want to salute Joan for her 8 years of service as a Supervisor as well as her years of service to the Town of Deering.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Cavanaugh, Chair



## Trustees of the Deering Public Library

**VISION STATEMENT:** *The Deering Library Trustees envision a library as a creative, vibrant community center that will inspire curiosity, personal growth, and opportunities for life-long learning.*

### TRUSTEES IN 2015:

As of 1 January 2015 the trustees of the Deering Public Library were as follows:

Lou Ellen Beard 2015-2018

Sara Munson 2014-2016

Gary Samuels 2014-2017

Lou Ellen Beard was elected to a second one-year term in the town elections of 2015. Lou Ellen was reelected as chairman by the other trustees; Sara Munson was reelected as Treasurer; Gary Samuels took the position of Secretary. In the absence of a town librarian, Samuels took that role. Sara Munson resigned as a trustee in August. Brad Chacos was appointed Alternate Trustee by the remaining trustees.

**Programs:** To encourage the vision expressed in the Vision Statement, the Trustees provided the following programs to the residents of Deering:

- On 15 February New Hampshire author Rebecca Rule presented a program in Town Hall. The program was jointly presented by the trustees of the Deering Public Library and the Deering Association. Approximately 40 people attended.
- On 30 April the Curious Creatures program was presented in Town Hall to good attendance.
- 17 and 24 October the Trustees organized two Halloween-related events. On 17 October residents entered the first of what the trustees hope will be an annual scarecrow contest. Five scarecrows were placed on Town Hall lawn. The first place winner was the LeBlanc family and their prize was a gift card to Toadstool bookstores.
- On 24 October the second annual Halloween party was held in Town Hall. About 35 kids amused themselves at craft tables and games. There was a costume contest and stories. The highlight of the afternoon was a hay ride up Gregg Hill Rd. Bob Carter and the Carter family, and Bob Compton are thanked for helping to make the hayride a success. Music was provided by Mike Margules. Attendance at the party was respectable but not as high as the Trustees had wished. Hopefully attendance will grow over time.



- On 19 December the trustees produced the annual Deering Christmas Party in Town Hall. The party included several craft tables. Once again musical entertainment was provided by Roger Tincknell, and Santa made a visit. All children who attended were entered into a raffle for a locally made gingerbread house. Each attending child was given a new book Attendance was not as large as in previous years, possibly because of the proximity of the party to Christmas.

**Budget:** The Library Trustees thank Patty Samuels and the organizers of the Deering Plant Sale for a generous donation of a \$250.00, which was added to the Trustees personal account. For the operation of the library, including town activities, the Trustees remained within their annual budget.

**Library maintenance:** The Trustees of the Deering Public Library are responsible for maintaining the historic one-room schoolhouse located adjacent to Town Hall and the town garages. During the year a leak around the chimney was noted and repaired.



**Story hour:** Story hour continued in 2015, meeting alternate Saturdays at 9:30 in the School house library, during warm months, or in the Town Hall library. A small group of young readers and their families, including children from Deering, Weare and Hillsborough, attend regularly.

### Librarian's Report

Twenty-seven new books were purchased for the library. Of these, 6 were for children, one was non-fiction/history. The rest were current fiction. It is not

possible to know how frequently the library is visited and its resources used. Approximately one dozen residents charged books from the library during the year. Of them, four charged out more than four books each. Currently several books are 'over due' (there is no policy with regard to 'due' dates. Our honor system assumes that residents who charge books will return them in a timely manner. This is not necessarily the way it actually works.). The rather low rate of charging books from the library has lead the trustees to reduce by half the amount requested for the purchase of new books in 2016, preferring to emphasize literacy programs instead.

## Planning Board Annual Report

The 2015 calendar year was similar to 2014, with a few homeowners and developers coming before the Planning Board, primarily for reviews under the Watershed Protection Ordinance; the Board reviewed five applications under Article 4 Section 5 of the Zoning Ordinance, to review plans for development within the Watershed Overlay District to insure proper protections are in place to preserve the water quality of Deering Lake.

The Board continued to work on updating the Town of Deering’s Master Plan so that the goals and objectives of the plan continue to be met. This has been an ongoing endeavor for the Board; as stated in the Town regulations, the Master Plan should be updated every five to seven years. The Board intends to complete the update in the early months of 2016. The Master Plan is used to provide residences’ input to the various Boards and Commissions in Town, to reflects the wishes of the entire community, and provide a basis for working decision making in fulfilling the obligations of the respective Boards and Commissions. The Master Plan provides a basis for Town Planning and development, and assists all Town Boards and Committees when making decisions that may result in tax appropriations, and is the main document that defends court challenges to decisions made by all Boards.



The Planning Board has been working with Central NH Regional Planning Commission to achieve a Master Plan that is comprehensive and responsive to future resident demands, while insuring the protection and maintenance of the rural character and appreciation for natural resources, for which the Town has become known.

The Board spent considerable time working on completing a Large Wind Energy System Ordinance (LWES). The Ordinance, if passed, will provide the Town with a greater level of control in the event a Large Wind Energy System is proposed in Deering. The Ordinance was based on ordinances developed in similar communities, and reviewed by legal counsel with significant experience in such matters. The final version of the Ordinance to be presented to the Town was approved by the Board in January, 2016.

Each year the Planning Board reviews and updates the Town of Deering Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) as mandated by the Master Plan. The CIP shows various projected expenditures, of over ten thousand dollars each, for all town departments over a six-year period. The goal of a CIP is to achieve an equalized tax rate. After it passes Planning Board review, the CIP is presented to the Selectmen and Budget Committee as a mechanism for consideration of the annual budget.

The Board would like to express its appreciation to two long-term Board members who left the Board this year; Keith Johnson, and Stuart Huggard. They have both served the Town and the Board for several years. Their dedication to the Town, desire to fulfill their civic duties, wit, wisdom, and leadership, will be greatly missed.

The Board encourages public input on all projects. We meet on the second Wednesday (7:00 PM) of each month and hold an occasional workshop on the fourth Tuesday (7:00 PM) of each month. Minutes are posted at the Deering Town Hall and are online at [www.deeringnh.us](http://www.deeringnh.us). Serving on the Deering Planning Board is a rewarding experience. If you have been looking for an opportunity to serve your community, please consider joining us. All are welcome to sit in the audience and see if it might be a good fit.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Carter, Chair

Katherine Jenkins, Vice Chair

Robert Compton

Beth Kelly

Dan Goddu

Doug Craighead, Alternate

Peter Kaplan, Alternate

Sharon Fife, Selectman's representative

Lynda Winters, secretary





## Zoning Board of Adjustment

In 2015, the Deering Zoning Board of Adjustment considered 2 cases: the first involved a request for a variance; the second involved a request for a special exception, or in the alternative, a variance.

In Case No.: 2015-01 the ZBA granted a variance to permit construction of a new residence on an existing foundation on the property located at 227 Lake Shore Drive.

In Case No.: 2015-02 the ZBA determined that the proposed mixed uses of the property located at 118 Deering Center Road, consisting of a residential use and office operations for a commercial plumbing and HVAC business, were permitted non-conforming uses, and therefore neither a special exception nor a variance were necessary

The complete notices of decision and minutes discussing the Board’s consideration in each case are available at the Town Hall and on the Town’s web site.

The ZBA is currently in need of a new regular member, as well as, alternate members. If anyone is interested, requests for appointment to the ZBA should be submitted to the Board of Selectmen.

The ZBA normally meets on the fourth Thursday of each month beginning at 7:00 P.M. Exceptions to this schedule are usually made when the regular date would conflict with holiday observances.

David E. LeFevre, Chairman  
Deering Zoning Board of Adjustment



## CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Established in accordance with state law, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 communities in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Deering is a member in good standing of the Commission. Keith Johnson (CNHRPC Executive Committee) is the Town's representative to the Commission.

CNHRPC's mission is to comply with State statute (RSA 36:47) by preparing and adopting regional land use and transportation plans and a regional housing needs assessment. CNHRPC also evaluates developments of regional impact (RSA 36:54-58) and provides data, information, training, and high-quality, cost-effective services to our member communities. CNHRPC advocates for member communities and assists and encourages them in both municipal and regional endeavors.

In 2015, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission undertook the following local and region-wide activities:

- Provided technical assistance services for member communities, including zoning ordinance development, grant writing assistance, plan review services, local master plan development, capital improvements program development and guidance, hazard mitigation guidance, and planning board process training. In Deering, CNHRPC staff continued to provide assistance to the Planning Board on the Deering Master Plan Update, which is scheduled for completion in 2016.
- Provided Hazard Mitigation Plan update development assistance to seven community Hazard Mitigation Committees and developed Plan implementation and evaluation documents available for use by all communities.
- Finalized the Deering Hazard Mitigation Plan 2015 with the Hazard Mitigation Committee by incorporating the Piscataquog River's fluvial geomorphic assessment (FGA) data, developed a set of fluvial geomorphic feature maps and developed the resulting Piscataquog River FGA Addendum to the Hazard Mitigation Plan before coordinating the Plan's approval with the NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NH HSEM) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through funding from these agencies.
- Completed the preparation of the Central NH Regional Plan which was adopted by the CNHRPC Full Commission on February 12, 2015.
- Completed the preparation of the Central NH Region Broadband Plan which was adopted by the CNHRPC Full Commission on June 11, 2015.
- Began the development of the CNHRPC Regional Brownfields Program through funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Tasks completed in 2015 included the formation of the regional Brownfields Advisory Committee (BAC) and the initial steps to select qualified environmental professionals to prepare assessments of potential brownfields sites in the region. For more information on brownfields and the CNHRPC Brownfields Program please go to [www.cnhrpc.org/cnhrpc-brownfields-program](http://www.cnhrpc.org/cnhrpc-brownfields-program).
- Assisted the Currier and Ives Byway with its member towns of Henniker, Hopkinton, Webster, Warner, and Salisbury. In 2015, the Council continued to meet quarterly to support its efforts in public outreach to promote the Byway.
- Provided assistance to the Warner River Nomination Committee, including representatives from Bradford, Warner, Sutton, Webster, and Hopkinton, related to the possible future nomination of the Warner River into the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program. Work included drafting the nomination document which includes inventorying natural resources including

common, invasive, threatened and endangered species of animals and plants. Data on existing dams, community resources, and existing land use controls were also included. Regular meetings were held to discuss progress, various interests and to gain additional information from local knowledge.

- Coordinated the activities of the CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). In 2015, CNHRPC staff worked with the TAC to complete the preparation of the 2017-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to ensure that the region's needs were adequately addressed in the State Ten Year Highway Transportation Plan (TYP). Information related to the TIP update process can be found at [www.cnhrpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program-tip](http://www.cnhrpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program-tip).
- Offered its member communities a Road Surface Management System (RSMS) program, through transportation planning activities, which provides an overview and estimate of a municipal road system's condition and the approximate costs for future improvements.
- Completed over 200 traffic counts in the region as part of its annual Transportation Data Collection Program. In Deering, CNHRPC collected traffic volume data at four (4) locations. These figures are available on the CNHRPC website at [www.cnhrpc.org/gis-a-data/traffic-count-data](http://www.cnhrpc.org/gis-a-data/traffic-count-data).
- Assisted five communities with the preparation of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant applications for pedestrian and bicycle improvement projects.
- Continued to support an enhanced volunteer driver program (VDP) in our region that was established in November 2011 through CNHRPC's 2010 Coordinated Transportation Plan efforts. In 2015, the VDP provided over 5,000 rides to seniors and people with disabilities for essential medical appointments and vital services that help the residents of our region remain independent. The goal of the planning effort was to reduce transportation costs for those in need while increasing coordination between existing transportation providers. For more information, visit [www.midstatercc.org](http://www.midstatercc.org).
- Tracked state highway paving projects and coordinated with municipalities to ensure annual repaving and lane striping met community needs, with a particular emphasis on bicycle and pedestrian safety.
- CNHRPC provided assistance to the Regional Trails Coordinating Council, a coalition of local rail trail and shared-use path groups in roughly the Salem-Manchester-Concord corridor. In 2015, the group worked on implementing tasks recommended in the Regional Trails Plan for the region. Activities included awareness and outreach activities such as distributing trail marker signs, developing interactive maps for the public, and other activities to promote the use and development of rail trails in the region.
- Provided assistance to NH Department of Transportation's (NHDOT) Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Advisory Committee (BPTAC), advising NHDOT on bicycle and pedestrian related matters. BPTAC activities included various projects such as level of traffic stress analysis, lane striping policies, and the development of a statewide bicycle and pedestrian traffic counting program.
- CNHRPC provided assistance with the development of a regional transportation model comprised of over 400 traffic analysis zones as part of the I-93 Bow-Concord expansion project. The transportation model was developed using a base year of 2010 and a future year of 2035 using projections for population and employment. The model allows CNHRPC to demonstrate what effects specific demographic changes and roadway projects may have on traffic throughout the region.
- CNHRPC completed a NHDES 604(b) impervious cover study for the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) with its member towns of Bow, Concord, Boscawen, and Canterbury. CNHRPC completed the creation of an impervious cover GIS layer for the

UMRLAC region, developed several maps of the region and each town displaying impervious cover and other pertinent map layers. Reports with a detailed discussion of local areas of concern were developed for each community.

- Continued to acquire, update, and utilize Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data for planning, cartography, and analysis across all projects.

For additional information, please contact the CNHRPC staff or visit us at [www.cnhrpc.org](http://www.cnhrpc.org). CNHRPC Commission meetings are open to the public and interested citizens are encouraged to attend.



Section 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.

## TITLE LXIV PLANNING AND ZONING

### CHAPTER 674 LOCAL LAND USE PLANNING AND REGULATORY POWERS

#### Regulation of Subdivision of Land

##### Section 674:39-aa

###### **674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots. –**

###### I. In this section:

(a) "Involuntary merger" and "involuntarily merged" mean lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes without the consent of the owner.

(b) "Owner" means the person or entity that holds legal title to the lots in question, even if such person or entity did not hold legal title at the time of the involuntary merger.

(c) "Voluntary merger" and "voluntarily merged" mean a merger under RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

II. Lots or parcels that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 by a city, town, county, village district, or any other municipality, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

(a) The request is submitted to the governing body prior to December 31, 2016.

(b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. The municipality shall have the burden of proof to show that any previous owner voluntarily merged his or her lots.

III. All decisions of the governing body may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 676.

IV. Any municipality may adopt local ordinances, including ordinances enacted prior to the effective date of this section, to restore previously merged properties that are less restrictive than the provisions in paragraph I and II.

V. The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

VI. Municipalities shall post a notice informing residents that any involuntarily merged lots may be restored to premerger status upon the owner's request. Such notice shall be posted in a public place no later than January 1, 2012 and shall remain posted through December 31, 2016. Each municipality shall also publish the same or similar notice in its 2011 through 2015 annual reports.

**Source.** 2011, 206:4, eff. July 24, 2011.

## Annual Report Deering Conservation Commission

The primary responsibility of the Conservation Commission is annual monitoring of Town-owned conservation easements. Additional responsibilities include: care of wood duck boxes, submitting and reviewing wetland applications, town-wide spring roadside cleanup and quarterly Adopt-A-Highway cleaning; lake water testing.

### Membership

At 1 Jan 2015 the members of the Deering Conservation Commission were:

Keith Johnson, Chair

Jon Stuart, Vice Chair

Gary Samuels, Secretary

Aaron Gill

Eric Simon

Bob Welsh

During the year Arthur Walmsley resigned from DCC for reasons of health, and Kay Hartnett joined the DCC.

At the meeting of 09 March elections for officers of DCC were held with the following results:

Chairman: Bob Welsh

Vice Chair: Jon Stuart

Secretary: Gary Samuels

### Easements.

Deering holds twenty conservation easements. During the year members of DCC monitored all town-held easements. Significant ATV use was noted in the McAlister easement and run-off from Hedgehog Mt Rd is having an impact on the forest of the Samuels easement. The town has been alerted to the run-off problem. No significant problems were noted in any other easements.

There is some disorganization in documentation of the working books of the respective easements. A spreadsheet of easements has been made. Plans for preserving the monitoring books were discussed with the conclusion that the best option is to scan the books.

In August DCC received a request from the town to take on the expense of annual mowing the 'Carew' easement. DCC accepted this request for 2015 but questions remain as to the conservation status of the town-owned land referred to as the Carew Easement. No conservation deed can be located for the land, nor can a 'book' describing that the land has been placed in easement be located. The status of this land must be clarified.

During the summer DCC received one request from a Deering resident to place land in conservation easement. DCC forwarded the request to the Picscatquog Land Conservancy for evaluation. PLC concluded that the land had low priority for conservation given its being surrounded by privately held and developed land, and not in proximity to other conserved parcels. With this recommendation, and in the knowledge that the owner wished to limit access to the land, DCC declined to pursue the matter.

No other activity with regard to acquiring new lands for conservation easement was undertaken during the year. Approximately \$64K remains in the DCC trust fund for developing easements.

**Access to conservation easements.** A recurring theme of DCC meetings during the year was the need to make town-held easements more accessible to residents and others. The discussions included how to advertise the easements, outings in selected easements, and trail maps. This discussion will continue into 2016. During the year a major new trail was developed on Hedgehog Mt by the NH Society for Protection of Forests. The first phase of the trail runs from the Hedgehog Mt overlook in a southerly direction for about one mile. The second phase of the trail, which is set to run along the Hedgehog Mt ridge and to terminate at Falls Road with further extension to High Five. This trail has become popular.

**Wood duck box monitoring.**

DCC continued the ongoing program of maintaining wood duck nesting boxes.

**Conservation Camp 2015**

DCC joins annually with Deering Fish and Game Club and private donors to provide four scholarships to Deering residents aged 8 – 17 to attend summer conservation camp. Typically, the camp selected is one of the several UNH extension Barry 4-H camps. This year awards were made to Gregory LeBlanc, Katy Connarn, Tyler Klumb, Morgan Klumb and Riley Klumb.



**Deering Master plan**

At the February meeting Katie Nelson and JoAnne Cassulo, CNHRPC, presented and discussed proposed revisions to the 2004 Master Plan as regards natural features in Deering. DCC members responded to a set of 10 questions concerning a new revision to the 2004 Deering Town Masterplan. Images of some of Deering’s conservation easements were provided as was a list of wildflowers identified to occur in Deering.

**Roadside Cleanup**

Town roadside cleanup was undertaken in coordination with Deering Lakes Improvement Association on 2 May. Twenty-two individuals signed in at Town Hall for cleanup, including one Boy Scout and several residents of His Mansion and approximately 12 members of Deering Lake Improvement Association. The cleanup resulted in one town dump truck being completely filled. DCC members undertook additional, prescribed cleanups of the DCC adopted highway between Hillsborough town line and Wolf Hill Rd.

**DCC sponsored event.**

In July DCC co-sponsored with the Deering Association in a Falcon Event organized by the Cowans at the NE School of Falconry on Deering Center Rd. The event was attended by approximately 75 people.

**Lake Host Program.**

In October Larry Sunderland, who is in charge of the Deering Reservoir Lake Hosts program announced his intention to retire from this position in 2016. He proposed that at least as an interim measure DCC should appoint a representative to the Lake Hosts Program.

**Knotweed removal.**

Members of DCC undertook to remove the invasive plant Japanese knotweed from along Deering roads during the summer of 2015.

## Report of the Cemetery Trustees

Memorial Day weekend the Cemetery Committee placed flags on all the gravesites of our Veterans. The Veterans deserve a special Thank You for serving our country.

A special thank you to Terry Verville for planting and mulching the area around the two Veterans Memorial in the center of town.

The lawn maintenance contract with LaValley Northern services is in the second year of our three-year contract. Barry LaValley and his crew continue to do a great job of lawn maintenance of the cemeteries and town properties.

When the time comes and a cemetery plot needs to be purchased please contact one of the Cemetery Trustees. If you have an existing lot, please remember that the area to be dug whether it be ashes or casket, must be done by Holt/Woodberry Funeral Home. Steve Carson is the contact for the service.



I would like to thank the other Trustees on the Cemetery Committee for all their help and assistance this past year. Tom Cummings thank you for the cleanup of areas that are overgrown, and uncovering graves that we did not know were hidden in brush.

Wilkins and East Deering Cemeteries are the only cemeteries in Deering that have cemetery plots available to purchase.



Respectfully submitted

Donna Marzullo Trustee Chair  
Terry Verville  
Tom Cummings



## List of Town Employees

Department	Position		Years of Service
<b>Selectmen's Office</b>			
Carrie Goodwin	Administrative Assistant	PT	3
Russell McAllister	Town Administrator	FT	2
Ann Mooney	Assessing Clerk	PT	3
Brenda Slongwhite	Welfare Officer	PT	7
<b>Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office</b>			
Sarah Gladu	Deputy	PT	5
<b>Police Department</b>			
Stephen Bell	Police Officer	FT	<1
Travis Bennett	Police Officer	PT	2
Tom Cavanaugh	Captain	PT	12
Nicholas Hodgen	Corporal	PT	11
Chris Parsons	Police Officer	PT	3
Mark Philibert	Police Officer	PT	5
James Pushee	Chief	FT	13
Ethan Vaillancourt	Police Officer	FT/PT	2
<b>Highway Department</b>			
Tom Cummings	Mechanic/Foreman	FT	6
Brian Houghton	Assistant Road Agent	FT	3
George Johnson	Snow Removal	Per Diem	5
Alfred Kelley	Snow Removal	Per Diem	26
Hobart Kiblin	Equipment Operator	FT	10
Benjamin Knapp	Road Agent	FT	<1
Mark Poland	Equipment Operator	FT	18
<b>Fire &amp; Rescue Department</b>			
Brandon Alcus	Probationary Firefighter	On Call	<1
Arnold Anderson	Deputy Chief	On Call	20
William Bannister, III	Firefighter II	On Call	6
Cole Bannister	Probationary Firefighter	On Call	1
Logan Bannister	Probationary Firefighter	On Call	1
Deb Boyll	EMT	On Call	3
Douglas Connor	Interim Chief	On Call	9

**List of Town Employees Continued**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Position</b>		<b>Years of Service</b>
<b>Fire &amp; Rescue Department</b>			
Timothy Coombs	Firefighter I	On Call	8
Chrissy Elliott	Firefighter I / EMR	On Call	9
Cynthia Gidley	Lieutenant Paramedic	On Call	9
Jeff Iadonisi	Firefighter II	On Call	3
Daryl Mundy, Jr.	Captain	On Call	9
Sara Munson	Firefighter / EMT	On Call	1
Patrick Murdough	Captain	On Call	9
Brandi O'Donnell	Firefighter I	On Call	2
Kris Parece	Firefighter II	On Call	3
John Pearl	Firefighter II	On Call	5
Cory Porter	Firefighter I	On Call	4
Megan Sielicki	Probationary EMS	On Call	<1
Daina Tramontozzi	Firefighter / EMT	On Call	3
Mark Voorhees	Firefighter II	On Call	9
Andrea Wenzel	Firefighter III / EMT	On Call	<1
James Wilcoxon	Captain	On Call	8

**List of Town Officers**

**Elected Officials:**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN:**

Aaron R. Gill, *Chair*..... Term Expires 2016  
 Sharon M. Fife ..... Term Expires 2017  
 Allen A. Belouin ..... Term Expires 2018

**CEMETERY TRUSTEES:**

Donna Marzullo, *Chair*..... Term Expires 2016  
 Thomas Cummings..... Term Expires 2017  
 Terry Verville..... Term Expires 2018

## List of Town Officers Continued

### Elected Officials:

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

Vacant Seat ..... Term Expires 2016  
 Gary Samuels ..... Term Expires 2017  
 Lou Ellen Beard, *Chair*..... Term Expires 2018

#### MODERATOR:

Charles A. Gaides ..... Term Expires 2016  
 Marge Donovan Fritz, *Assistant Moderator*  
 Thomas Copadis, *Assistant Moderator*

#### SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST:

Joan Burke ..... Term Expires 2016  
 Barbara Cavanaugh, *Chair*... Term Expires 2018  
 Diana Downward..... Term Expires 2020

#### TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:

Carol Baker ..... Term Expires 2018

#### TREASURER:

Stuart Huggard ..... Term Expires 2017  
 Thomas Copadis, *Deputy Treasurer*

#### TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS:

Barbara Cavanaugh..... Term Expires 2016  
 Vacant Seat ..... Term Expires 2017  
 Michelle Johnson, *Chair*..... Term Expires 2018

### Appointed Officials:

#### BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Allen Belouin, *Selectmen Rep*  
 Robert Fuller  
 Gary Samuels  
 Gale Lalmond  
 Nancy Donovan  
 Russell McAllister, *Town Administrator*

## List of Town Officers Continued

### Appointed Officials:

#### CENTRAL NH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Keith Johnson..... Term Expires 2015  
 Vacant Seat ..... Term Expires 2017

#### CONCORD REGIONAL SOLID WASTE/RRC:

Keith Johnson..... Term Expires 2015  
 Vacant Seat ..... Term Expires 2017

#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Aaron Gill, *Selectmen Rep*.... Term Expires 2016  
 Eric Simon..... Term Expires 2016  
 Keith Johnson..... Term Expires 2016  
 Bob Welsh..... Term Expires 2017  
 Kay Hartnet..... Term Expires 2018  
 Jon Stuart, *Vice Chair*..... Term Expires 2018  
 Vacant Seat..... Term Expires 2018

Vacant Seat, Alternate..... Term Expires 2016  
 Vacant Seat, Alternate..... Term Expires 2017  
 Vacant Seat, Alternate..... Term Expires 2018

#### HAZARD MITIGATION COMMITTEE:

Stephanie Alexander, *CNHRPC*  
 Lou Ellen Beard  
 Benjamin Knapp, *Deering Road Agent*  
 Beth Kelly  
 Russell McAllister, *Town Administrator*  
 Patrick Murdough, *Fire Lieutenant*  
 James Pushee, *Deering Police Chief*  
 Douglas Connor, *Interim Deering Fire Chief*

#### HERITAGE COMMISSION:

Aaron Gill, *Selectmen Rep*  
 Tim Finn, *Chair*..... Term Expires 2016  
 Joan Burke..... Term Expires 2016  
 Donald Johnson..... Term Expires 2016  
 Vacant Seat..... Term Expires 2018

## List of Town Officers Continued

### Appointed Officials:

#### JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Carrie Goodwin, *Administrative Assistant*  
 Brian Houghton, *Assistant Road Agent*  
 Benjamin Knapp, *Road Agent*  
 Russell McAllister, *Town Administrator*

#### NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Doris Beane  
 Sharon Fife, *Selectmen Rep*  
 Gale Lalmond, *Chair*  
 Ray Petty

#### PLANNING BOARD:

Katherine Jenkins, *Vice Chr...* Term Expires 2016  
 Robert Compton..... Term Expires 2016  
 Peter Kaplan, *Alternate*..... Term Expires 2016  
 Beth Kelly..... Term Expires 2016  
 Robert Carter, *Chair*..... Term Expires 2017  
 Vacant Seat..... Term Expires 2017  
 Dan Goddu..... Term Expires 2018  
 Vacant Seat..... Term Expires 2018  
 Doug Craighead, *Alternate*... Term Expires 2019  
 Sharon Fife, *Board of Selectmen ex-officio*  
 Linda Winters, *Secretary*

#### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

David LeFevre, *Chair*..... Term Expires 2016  
 Vacant Seat..... Term Expires 2017  
 Phil Bryce..... Term Expires 2018  
 Larry Sunderland, *Vice Chr...* Term Expires 2018  
 Allen Belouin, *Selectmen Rep*

Vacant Seat, *Alternate Member*  
 Vacant Position, *Clerk*

**Contact List**

**Selectmen’s Office:**

Address: 762 Deering Center Road  
Deering, NH 03244

Office Phone ..... (603) 464-3248  
Email: Assistant@deering.nh.us

**Police Department:**

Dispatch (Emergency) Phone ..... (603) 464-3600  
Office Phone ..... (603) 464-3127  
Office Fax ..... (603) 464-2677  
Email: Police@deering.nh.us *OR*  
PoliceChief@deering.nh.us

**Highway Department:**

Dispatch (Emergency) Phone ..... (603) 464-3600  
Office Phone ..... (603) 464-5740  
Email: Highway@deering.nh.us *OR*  
RoadAgent@deering.nh.us

**Fire Department:**

Dispatch (Emergency) Phone ..... (603) 225-3358  
Murdough Station..... (603) 464-5255  
McAlister Station ..... (603) 464-3237  
Donovan Station .....(603) 464-3237  
Email: FireChief@deering.nh.us

**Committee Meeting Times**

<b>Board of Selectmen</b>	<b>Planning Board</b>	<b>Zoning Board of Adjustment</b>	<b>Conservation Commission</b>
First & Third Wednesday  Beginning at 7:00pm	Second Wednesday  Beginning at 7:00pm	Fourth Thursday  Beginning at 7:00pm	Second Monday  Beginning at 6:30pm
selectmen@deering.nh.us	planning@deering.nh.us	zoning@deering.nh.us	conservation@deering.nh.us

Unless otherwise posted, meetings are held at the Town Hall in the Conference Room/Library on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor.

**TOWN OFFICE HOURS**

Town Clerk's Office	Tax Collector's Office	Assessing	Board of Selectmen/ Administration
Mon. 8:30am – 2:50pm Wed. 8:30am – 5:50pm Thurs. 3:00pm – 6:50pm Last Saturday of the Month: 9:00am – 11:50am	Mon. 8:30am – 2:50pm Wed. 8:30am – 5:50pm Thurs. 3:00pm – 6:50pm	Mon. – Wed. 8:00am – 2:00pm	Mon. – Thurs. 8:00am – 4:00pm
Phone #: (603) 464-3244	Phone #: (603) 464-3244	Phone #: (603) 464-3248	Phone #: (603) 464-3248
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Motor Vehicle Reg.</li> <li>- Election Processes</li> <li>- Voter Registration</li> <li>- Birth Certificate</li> <li>- Death Certificate</li> <li>- Marriage License</li> <li>- Dog License</li> <li>- Wetlands App.</li> <li>- Tax Payments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tax Payments</li> <li>- Tax Liens</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Property Tax Cards</li> <li>- Property Tax Maps</li> <li>- Elderly Exemptions</li> <li>- Veteran's Credits</li> <li>- Current Use</li> <li>- Intent to Cut</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BoS Meeting Minutes</li> <li>- Permit Applications</li> <li>- State Statute</li> <li>- Human Services</li> <li>- Public Assistance</li> <li>- Town Hall Rental</li> <li>- Personnel Management</li> <li>- General Inquiries</li> </ul>



## Town Meeting Minutes – 2015

Moderator Charles Gaides called the meeting to order in the Town Hall at 9:00am on Saturday, March 14, 2015. He began with a few housekeeping details sharing that the microphones were having technical difficulties, but he was not worried about his voice carrying across the room and urged anyone coming forward to speak on an article to please speak up so everyone can hear them. He also reminded everyone that he as moderator needed to see their voter sticker when speaking.

Before proceeding with the official meeting he introduced Joyce Bosse from the Messenger for a special presentation. Joyce asked if the Deering Road crew were present or if the Road Agent Benjamin Knapp could come forward to accept for his crew. She began with sharing that she was here on behalf of the Messenger, the people of Deering, the people of Hillsboro and the people of Henniker who wanted to recognize the area Highway crews in various towns in the exceptional, over and above job they performed this past winter with extremely difficult weather conditions. To which they received a huge round of applause. She wanted to present each road crew members of Deering with a \$25 gift card to Appleseed Restaurant which Benjamin gracefully thanked Ms. Bosse and everyone and politely refused the gift for him and the road crew and asked if he could donate it to the Greater Hillsboro Seniors Group instead. To which the crowd applauded.

The Moderator then proceeded with a simple re-introduction of himself and officially welcoming everyone to the 2015 Deering Town Meeting. He reminded folks that if they are registered voters that they must check in with the Supervisors of the Checklist at the front door to receive all the necessary documents needed for this meeting. He asked that the voter identification sticker be placed in a visible location on your person and that you give your name and address before speaking for the record. If you are not a registered voter, you must be seated in the roped off area of the town hall.

All were directed to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance which was then given followed with the singing of the first verse of the song, America followed by a moment of silence to remember our neighbors who passed away during the 2014 year and for all of the men and women serving in the armed forces.

The moderator began with reading the results of the Deering Town Elections voted on by ballot vote held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015. All candidates were running unopposed and won their election seat with 2 write-ins candidates winning one for Library Trustee and the other for Trustee of the Trust Fund.

Selectmen (3 year term)	<b>Allen Belouin</b>	<b>147 votes</b>
Town Clerk/Tax Collector (3 year term)	<b>Carol Baker</b>	<b>170 votes</b>
Cemetery Trustee (3 year term)	<b>Terry Verville</b>	<b>154 votes</b>
Library Trustee (3 year term)	<b>Lou Ellen Beard</b>	<b>27 votes</b>
Trustee of the Trust Fund (3 year term)	<b>Michelle Johnson</b>	<b>7 votes</b>

### **Article 2: Zoning Ordinance Amendment:** (ballot vote)

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment to the zoning ordinance for Watershed Overlay Review Criteria Section 4.5.6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Deering zoning ordinance?

**YES 118 votes**

**NO 52 votes**

**Article Passed**

The results for the Town of Hillsboro and Deering combined for the Cooperative School District voted on by ballot vote on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 were read as follows:



**For Two School Board Member – At Large (3 year term)** , Nancy Egner Denu with 331 votes from Hillsboro, 78 votes from Deering with a combined total of **409 votes** and **Richard Pelletier** with 309 votes from Hillsboro, 82 votes from Deering with a combined total of **391 votes**.

**For Moderator (1 year term) Russell S. Galpin** 498 votes from Hillsboro, 144 votes from Deering with a combined total of **642 votes**.

On all the articles results were as follows:

<b>Article #2:</b>	Compensation of School District Officers	<b>Passed</b>
<b>Article #3:</b>	\$700,000 Bond for Modular Classroom Bldg.; \$75,000 First Year's Payment	<b>Failed</b>
<b>Article #4:</b>	School District Budget	<b>Passed</b>
<b>Article #5:</b>	Raise and Appropriate State and Federal Aid	<b>Passed</b>
<b>Article #6:</b>	SAU#34 Budget	<b>Failed</b>
<b>Article #7:</b>	\$250,000 for Replacement Heating System for the Middle School	<b>Passed</b>
<b>Article #8:</b>	\$100,000 to Establish a Trust for Maintenance & Improvements of operations & facilities	<b>Failed</b>
<b>Article #9:</b>	Discontinue Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund (contingent upon Article 7 & Article 8 passing)	<b>Failed (Article 8 failed)</b>
<b>Article #10:</b>	\$100,000 to Special Education Expendable Trust Fund	<b>Passed</b>
<b>Article #11:</b>	\$30,000 Replace Maintenance Truck	<b>Passed</b>
<b>Article #12:</b>	Accept Annual Report	<b>Passed</b>

The Moderator Chuck Gaides proceeded with offering a special Thank You to all the volunteers who give of themselves unselfishly not only today but throughout the year without conditions to help their town run smoothly, and to make the living in the town of Deering for everyone a pleasure, and honor and a privilege. A round of applause ensued.

He then continued on with introducing all the Deering Town Officials beginning with Selectmen, Aaron Gill, Sharon Fife and Allen Belouin. Town Administrator, Russell McAllister, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Carol Baker, Supervisors of the Checklist, Barbara Cavanaugh (chairman), Joan Burke and Diana Downward. Chief of Police, James Pushee, Highway Road Agent, Benjamin Knapp, and Assistant Highway Road Agent, Brian Houghton the Deering Fire and Rescue acting Chief, Doug Connor and lastly present Treasurer, Stuart Huggard.

The moderator shared that he had appointed and sworn in Robert Compton as Assistant Moderator Pro Tempore and Mike Terpstra as a Ballot Collector/Counter to assist with the Warrant and with ballot voting, in case any secret ballots are needed.

Continuing the moderator pointed out that there are a number of town employees who are not town residents and may be able to share important and critical information during the meeting. In order for them to participate they need to be given permission to speak at Town Meeting. **The moderator requested that Russell McAllister(Town Administrator), James Pushee(Chief of Police), Benjamin Knapp(Road Agent) and Brian Houghton (Assistant Road Agent) be given permission to speak at Town Meeting.**

**The Motion was Made, Second and voted on. The Ayes have it, motion carried.**

Next the moderator read the complete Deering Town Meeting Moderator's Rules of Procedure which can be now found on the Deering website at [www.Deering.nh.us](http://www.Deering.nh.us) and in the future these rules will be located in the Annual Town Report. Once done with reading all the rules the **Moderator called for a motion to accept the Deering Town Meeting Moderator's Rules of Procedure.**

**The motion was made, seconded and voted on. The Ayes have it, motion carried.**

**Article #3: To Accept Town Reports**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the 2014 reports of the Town Officials, agents and committees, and to accept the 2013 auditor's report. **The motion was made and seconded.**

Selectmen Aaron Gill pointed out that the Fire Warden's Report had been accidentally left out of the Town Report. He apologized and shared that copies of the report could be found at the Supervisor's table by the front door. The moderator asked if there were any questions regarding the town report. **None heard, moderator called for a vote. The Ayes have it, motion was carried.**

**Article #4: To appropriate Operating Budget Funds for the Year 2015**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million eight hundred ninety-seven thousand seven hundred twenty-six dollars (\$1,897,726) for the purpose of funding general municipal operations not including any amount raised and appropriated in any separate warrant article.

Account	Function	Amount
4130	Executive	\$ 153,951.70
4140	Election & Registration	\$ 29,433.98
4150	Financial Administration	\$ 51,092.77
4152	Assessing & Revaluation	\$ 26,947.50
4153	Legal Expense	\$ 18,000.00
4191	Planning & Zoning	\$ 8,806.00
4194	General Government Buildings	\$ 33,410.00
4195	Cemeteries	\$ 16,035.00
4196	Insurance	\$ 42,320.00
4197	Advertising & Regional Association	\$ 3,671.00
4210	Police Department	\$ 304,443.32
4215	Ambulance	\$ 31,691.50
4220	Fire Department	\$ 52,706.25
4240	Building Inspection	\$ 13,218.00
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 1.00
4299	Other Public Safety	\$ 35,005.00
4311	Highway Department	\$ 673,962.00
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 98,335.00
4415	Health Agencies and Programs	\$ 3,900.00
4442	Direct Assistance	\$ 17,645.00
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$ 25,000.00
4550	Library	\$ 1,800.00
4611	Conservation Commission	\$ 1,890.00
4711	Bonds & Notes - Principal	\$ 228,372.00
4721	Bonds & Notes - Interest	\$ 21,089.00

4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	\$	5,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	1,897,726.01

**The motion was made to accept this article, and seconded.**

Selectmen Sharon Fife spoke on the article. She wanted to give a quick overview of the budget. She began with sharing that the budget did have a slight increase from last year. \$144,187 with 17% is revenue offset from the Police Department grant for \$17,000, bringing the budget increase to \$127,187. Overall the Police Department budget did go up approx. \$38,500 primarily due to hiring a new Police Officer hiring him with a rate increase to retain him rather than losing him to another town. He is a highly trained officer who has already been on the job and is a positive asset for Deering. They also did a wage increase for the Chief and part time officers which also impacts the Retirement and Health Insurance line items which brings the difference to about \$34,300 with the balance of \$4,200 spread across the rest of his budget and the chief is present if anyone would like him to explain those increases. The Fire Department overall went up by \$12,600. The highlights consist of training cost going up about \$3,500, the equipment maintenance and repair went up approx. \$3,200, the vehicle repairs increase about \$2,500 along with Electricity cost which went up approx. \$2,700. Some of the steps taken to offset these increases, the wages were brought down about \$1,500 and heating cost down \$1,000. Sharon went on to Highway Department and shared that both the Highway Dept. Operating and the Highway Maintenance budgets both went up approx. \$9,900. She explained that they had hired a new Road Agent who was now a Salary employee. This increased the Health Insurance cost by \$6,900 which was most of why the Highway Dept budget went up. She moved on to the General Government which overall the budget went up about \$17,300. Sharon explained that the Retirement cost went up, we need new voting booths, lateral file cabinets, and of course the electricity increased. For other portions of the budget, Solid Waste increased by \$500, Health Agencies about \$200 increase, the Library \$60 increase, the Conservation Commission had a decrease by \$150 since they had a sufficient amount of duck boxes this year. Bonds, Notes & Principal went up by \$37,500 due to the new Loader/Backhoe lease payment. Bonds, Notes & Interest went down about \$2,500.

The Moderator then explained to everyone that he would read each account and the proposed budget amount for each line item beginning with Executive and would motion for a vote at the end. He reminded anyone who has information to share on a particular account should raise their hand to be recognized by the moderator. He began reading each account with no questions raised till reaching the Ambulance account.

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4215	Ambulance	\$ 31,691.50

Doug Conner came forward, introduced himself as the acting Fire Chief who took over for Jim Tramontozzi who recently resigned. He shared that he had lived around here for all his life, growing up in Hillsboro and moving to Deering. He is currently living in his second home and has been living there for the past 25 years. He shared that he had served all ranks in the Fire Department, including as chief 16 years ago. He went on to state that he had a couple of key points to make and requested Captain Patrick Murdough join him. He shared with everyone that a handout was available that outlined a couple points they were looking to amend regarding their pay. The reason why they were proposing these amendments was that back in 2012 he shared that they were made part-time employees of the town and since then on the department had been operating under those guidelines. He pointed out the Ambulance Pay On Call account in the budget was \$1.00 last year and this year for some reason he shared It was now \$11,000. He went on to say that the way they use to figure Ambulance on call pay was simple and that he didn't know and wasn't up to speed or what the reasons were for splitting the Ambulance cost from the Fire Department in the budget. As far as he was concerned he felt that they are one Department and as far as their payroll was concerned he felt it should come out of one area of the budget. So part of their request is to amend the budget regarding the Ambulance Pay On Call account. At that point he asked Captain Murdough to come forward to address the crowd.

Patrick Murdough started with sharing that he like Doug Connor had lived here his whole life and was a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation fire fighter for the town. He asked if everyone had received their proposal handout. Patrick began by saying that he would like to make a motion to amend the Ambulance Pay On Call from \$11,000 to \$15,000 and the Fire Department Pay On Call from \$10,000 to \$16,000 to reflect the per-member pay increase. He went on to explain their proposal and pointed out the comparison chart of surrounding towns Fire & Rescue Call Department Pay Scale. He felt that the Deering Fire & Rescue should be compatible pay wise with these other towns in order to prevent members from leaving Deering Fire & Rescue to join another town with a higher pay scale. He felt what they were proposing was very fair.

Gail Lalmond spoke up to offer a comment and share information on the Fire Department proposal. She shared that she had looked up the population of the towns that were compared in the Fire Department proposal and found that the only town close in size to Deering was Antrim with a population of 2000 residents. The other 3 town had populations over 8,000, 6,000 and 5,000 and she felt that people should take this fact into consideration, She didn't want to discount the importance of the work that the Fire Department performs on a daily basis, but when you look at the tax base of the larger sized town like Weare, Hillsboro and Henniker compared to what Deering has, it comes down to the amount of money that can be paid in which the taxpayer's can afford.

Beth Kelly wanted to remind everyone that the reason the Ambulance was being separated into its own account was due to it becoming self-funded through billing. It was set up to help determine exactly how much the ambulance service was costing the town.

Joanne Devine shared the basis behind the previous year's \$1.00 budget amount and that the employee wages were not included in this budget. She remembered working with Chief Anderson to develop it. When someone needed ambulance service, they were taken to Concord Hospital, Concord in the past processed the billing for the town, Bandages and supplies were replenished at Concord Hospital and if anyone couldn't afford the ambulance cost then the charges were waived. That way of handling these cost disappeared when Hospital supply cost began rising and these billing services were no longer provided. The town had to do it's own billing and fortunately many residents have included in their private insurance policy coverage for ambulance services and so the town was able to recover the cost to fund the ambulance budget, but it was never to include the salaries of the EMT's into this account.

The Moderator asked if anyone else had anything to add to this topic.

Allen Belouin spoke up to address an issue he had hoped to speak on. He shared that he didn't believe that there was any legal paperwork that clearly states that the Fire Department employees were made part-time employees of the town. The moderator felt this statement was just that and refused to allow discussion on this matter to remain on topic with the current discussion for the moment. He asked if there were any further questions and returned the floor to Chief Connor to comment when no more questions were brought forth.

Chief Connor wanted to re-iterate what Joanne Devine had stated that the payroll was not part of the billing process in the past. The ambulance budget was to maintain the ambulance and replace the ambulance. He shared that he seen recently seen an amount that reflected the revenue that the ambulance had generated for the town which was approx. \$29,000 or \$30,000 for supporting the operations of the ambulance. He shared that the department was on a 10-year cycle as far as replacement of the ambulance, so he felt the town was well on pace to pretty much pay for a new ambulance in 10 years, and that was the goal when it was set up.

Next Gordon MacDonald wanted to know if this amendment being considered on raising the Ambulance Pay On Call line item passes, then wouldn't the FICA line items of the budget be impacted with such increase?

Chief Connor felt that yes Gordon MacDonald was correct in saying that those budget line items would probably be affected by increasing the Pay On Call amount, but was unable to provide what that amount would be. Gordon added that he mentioned it because they were added cost that would need to be considered.

The Moderator asked for any further comments that speak to the amendment being discussed.

Gail Lalmond asked folks to turn to page 106 of the annual report and referenced a Legal Question & Answer from the NH Town and City, March/April 2013: on How State Law Regulates Volunteer and On-Call Firefighters and Other Emergency Staff. Deering falling under that On-Call department status she warned that each Department member must be very careful not to exceed \$5,000 for services annually or they run into some trouble as does the town.

Chuck Gaides, one last time asked for any further questions regarding the amendment, hearing none he proceeded to take a vote. **A motion to amend the 4215 Ambulance budget amount by an additional \$4,000 for the (Ambulance Pay On-Call a increase of \$11,000 to \$15,000.) This increases the 4215 Ambulance budget amount from \$31,691.50 to \$35,691.50. And the 4220 Fire Department budget amount by an additional \$6,000 for the (Fire Department Pay On-Call an increase of \$10,000 to \$16,000.) This increases the 4220 Fire Department budget amount from \$52,706.25 to \$58,956.25.**

**The vote was taken the Moderator called it that the Ayes had it and the motion to amend was carried.**

Account #	Department Budget	Proposed Budget	Amended Amount
4215	Ambulance	\$ 31,691.50	\$ 35,691.50
4220	Fire Department	\$ 52,706.25	\$ 58,706.25

Ralph LaChance inquired as to whether this change actually changes allocation of the salary levels as proposed by the Fire Department or is it simply an administrative operation that changes the warrant numbers. The moderator shared that all that this amendment does is change the amount that carries

through to the corresponding budget line item for this particular warrant article. Any Administrative details are handled by the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen.

Chief Doug Connor came forward once again to point out another shortfall that is projected this year in the budget for the Fire Department. He pointed out on page 19 in the Town Report the line in question was the 4220-1-630 Equipment Maintenance & Repair line in 2014 there was \$4,000 in the budget this year it is down to \$3,000. He shared that there were some major expenses coming up this year, the main expense is the breathing apparatus that is critical when going into a fire or fighting a fire, it's part of the protective equipment. All of the SCBA bottles are due for hydrostatic testing, the compressors that fills the air bottles is due for an inspection. He felt that cost alone is going to be about \$2,500 to \$3,000 for that one expense. That doesn't leave much left for the rest of the year. So Chief Connor asked to make an amendment to increase the Equipment Maintenance & Repair line item from \$3,000 to \$4,000. He also went on to share that the Vehicle Repair line is budgeted at \$4,000 and he would like to increase that to \$8,000 due to the major repair that was done to the one remaining Tanker left in town. For those who do not know the Department used to have 2 Tankers and one was involved in a serious accident on Rte 149 last year when coming back from a fire and that Tanker had been taken out of service. The one Tanker that is left is 20 years old and it recently responded to a big fire in New Boston in mutual aid. They experienced freezing temperatures on the call with wind chills reported to -25 degrees and it caused major freeze ups on the Tanker costing almost \$2,000 to repair it, eating up half of projected vehicle repair budget. The Department is responsible for maintaining 3 pumpers, a tanker, an ambulance and a boat. He compared the Police Department vehicle maintenance budget to the Fire Department. He shared that the Police Department has 2 brand new cruisers and has \$4,000 to maintain them. The Fire Department has 6 vehicles to maintain and they are a lot older. One Engine is 30 years old and the Tanker is 20 years old. He shared they have a few antiques in the Fire Department that are still in operation and they need to continue to remain in operation and in doing so he requested that the Fire Department Vehicle Repair budget line increase from \$4,000 to \$8,000.

**The moderator then made a Motion to amend the Fire Department vehicle repairs line from \$4,000 to \$8,000 and the Fire Department equipment maintenance & repair line from \$3,000 to \$4,000. The Motion was read, moved and seconded.**

The moderator asked for any questions or comments on the amendment? Aaron Gill spoke up to point out that they did split the budget and have already put in place funding for both the ambulance and fire department equipment maintenance & repair and vehicle repairs. So if you add them together you will find that there is already an increase from last year. The new combined amounts are a \$3,200 increase combining \$4,200 for the Ambulance maintenance & repair and \$3,000 for the Fire Dept. maintenance & repair a total of \$7,200 last year \$4,000 was budgeted. The same is true for the Vehicle Repair account. Combining \$2,500 for Ambulance vehicle repair and \$4,000 for the Fire Department vehicle repair a new total of \$6,500 is already proposed, an increase from last year's \$4,000 figure. He just wanted to make sure that everyone understood that there were already some increases built into the budget they were just split between the two accounts.

Pete Williams asked if there was still a budget committee in place and could the town please hear from a member in regards to the fire department budget. Gail Lalmond stood up and shared that the budget committee looked over the budget extensively and the input from the previous fire chief was minimal. So separating the Ambulance from the Fire Department made sense for the Selectmen and the Town Administrator and to simplify matters. So you need to consider the Fire Department and Ambulance together even though they are listed in separate accounts now. The dollar amount on the Ambulance and the Fire Department, look at what last year's budget amount was and you will notice an increase on top of what the selectmen gave them of \$20,000. She shared that she didn't know what was best for other towns or what was best for the taxpayers of Deering, but these were all items that needed to be considered.

Another question was raised inquiring if the Board of Selectmen had any intentions of buying a new Tanker since the town lost one and the one Tanker left was 20 years old? Allen Belouin stated that it hadn't been proposed on this budget nor was a warrant article put forth. Aaron Gill spoke up to respond to the question. He stated that this would be addressed when we got to article #7 proposing a complete comprehensive study of the Fire & Rescue Department which includes the vehicles and it will help to determine what the town may need today and in the future. They don't have a definite idea of what is needed at the moment, but this study will help them to understand what is needed to move forward.

The moderator began with re-reading the amendment to amend the 4215 Ambulance Budget line from \$31,691.50 to \$35,691.50. I spoke up to remind him that before we voted on this amount, I thought we should wait for the town administrators figures for the increase to include adjustments for the FICA and Medicare amounts which will be affected by increasing the Pay On-Call wage amounts. Charles Gaides said that this is what he was trying to avoid he shared that it's not possible to go through each line item of the budget to make adjustments for this proposed amendment. The amendment is just for a specific amount and what happens to that amount after it's approved is not what is being used for when requesting the amendment.

Gordon MacDonald spoke up to help explain that the floor is open to anyone wanting to motion for an amendment and felt that was the for the request that I was referring to, in which we should amend the amount to cover the FICA and Medicare since this amendment is for the increase of Pay-On Call wages. That is 100% correct responded the moderator, but this amendment was not brought forward to include any amounts for FICA or Medicare it was simply to amend the 4215 Ambulance line item in the operating budget.

Richard Staley was concerned that the group was passing amendments on the fly and that he thought that folks should slow down, he didn't feel like there was any planning in these amendment changes. He felt that there was a lack of planning in this amendment increase as he saw the conversation spiraling out of control in what was actually needed. Granted it wasn't for large amounts of money, but adding extra here and there was confusing and moving too quickly. His feeling was that there was already an increase in place by the Board of Selectmen in the budget and by adding all these different items he felt like the meeting was moving somewhat out of control or not in a very organized manner.

Bob Compton inquired as to whether the amount allocated for the Ambulance fund in the budget as Chief Connor shared that they were one department, could those funds be used for the Fire Department if there was a need and not one for the Ambulance. Aaron Gill spoke up and explained that it is a bottom line budget. So that if there is a need then of course the Fire Chief has that option to use those funds, but these figures were developed by the Fire Chief and gone through by the Budget Advisory Committee and through the Board of Selectmen.

Deb Boyll a member of the Fire Rescue wanted everyone to know that on the Ambulance there is quite a bit of money that needs to be put into maintaining the equipment onboard. There is a machine that performs CPR automatically so that we are able to perform other medical procedures to the patient. That machine alone has batteries that need to be changed and replaced. She was not able to give any amount. There are many other items that need to be replaced. As far as the vehicle maintenance, we have a brand new ambulance, but it has a special system that takes a special additive to the fuel which cost extra money. To have the ambulance serviced it must be taken to a Ford dealer or by our town mechanic who is required to purchase Ford oil and specific Ford parts in order to stay under the warranty requirements. She stated that these are some of the reason why the amount requested for maintaining and repairing the Ambulance are so high.

Ray Petty shared that although he appreciated what Deb Boyle was sharing, he pointed out that there is a process that is in place to set the budget. These changes to the budget should have been brought forward by the Chief and discussed through the BOS and the Budget Advisory committee. The fact that the Fire & Rescue Department is requesting to make all these changes to the budget is frankly after the fact. He felt that the amounts should stay the same this year and perhaps next year the budget process will be utilized in order to secure the funds needed for their department.

Sharon Fife just wanted to take a moment to remind everyone that the list of amounts that Chief Connor put in for the amendment for vehicle repairs is for all vehicles, including the ambulance and the rescue boat. He is requesting to increase from \$4,000 to \$8,000. She pointed out that if you combine the amounts that the BOS have put in place is \$6,500. So she wanted everyone to take that into consideration when voting on this amendment.

Michael Dean inquired about whether the Old Tanker that was taken out of service had insurance? Aaron Gill replied that there was insurance on the Tanker and that the town had received some funds for it that ended up in the General Fund, approx. \$6,000 was received.

Last questions on the amendment were requested before voting on the amendment by the moderator. Chief Connor came forward and had a couple last things to add, he started with saying that Deb Boyll brought up a point on the batteries that need to be replaced for the Auto Pulse machine. He wished his Rescue Captain was present to explain the whole maintenance line. He shared that he felt to just replace the batteries alone, was about \$2,000. He also shared that he had requested to be on the Budget Advisory Committee, but was refused as they felt it was a conflict to have an employee of the Fire Department serve on the Budget Advisory Committee.

**The moderator re-read the amendment and asked for a vote. The Nays had it, the motion failed.**

Gordon MacDonald asked to make **a motion to increase the 4215 Ambulance and 4220 Fire Department budget amounts by \$250.00 each for the purpose of covering the town's obligation for FICA and Medicare. This would change the 4215 Ambulance from \$35,691.50 to \$35,941.50 and the 4220 Fire Department from \$58,706.25 to \$58,956.25.**

**The motion was moved, seconded and voted on. The Ayes have it and the motion to amend carried.**

Account #	Department Budget	New Budget Amount	Amended Amount
4215	Ambulance	\$ 35,691.50	\$ <b>35,941.50</b>
4220	Fire Department	\$ 58,706.25	\$ <b>58,956.25</b>

The Moderator went on to continue reading each line item and stopping for any questions or comments. The following items were read without questions raised.

Account	Function	Amount
4240	Building Inspection	\$ 13,218.00
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 1.00
4299	Other Public Safety	\$ 35,005.00
4311	Highway Department	\$ 673,962.00
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 98,335.00
4415	Health Agencies & Programs	\$ 3,900.00



When arriving at the Health Agencies & Programs the moderator excluded himself as he was a member of the Board of Directors for one of these organizations. So he asked Bob Compton if he would come forward as Moderator Pro Tempore to take over while covering 4415 Health Agencies & Programs.

Bob Compton asked if there were any questions regarding 4415, Beth Kelly inquired as to why if we are giving money to the Greater Hillsborough Seniors group, which states under the activities that Hillsboro residents come first. She felt that it should be first come first serve if these are services shared by both towns.

Chuck Gaides addressed this concern and explained that the money given by the Town of Deering went directly to the Greater Hillsboro Seniors group and that these same concerns were brought forth to the Town of Hillsboro to change their policy to make the events or activities available to residents of both towns equally. This change has in fact been made at the Hillsboro Town Meeting addressing this exact discrepancy.

No other questions were brought forth and so the moderator continued to read the following budget line items.

Account	Function	Amount
4442	District Assistance	\$ 17,645.00
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$ 25,000.00
4550	Library	\$ 1,800.00
4611	Conservation Commission	\$ 1,890.00
4711	Bonds & Notes Principal	\$ 228,372.00
4721	Bonds & Notes Interest	\$ 21,089.00
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	\$ 5,000.00

Once no other comments or questions were raised the **moderator asked for a vote on Article 4: To Appropriate Operating Budget Funds for the Year 2015 with the new total of \$1,908,226.01. The Ayes have it and the motion carried.**

Account	Function	Amount
4130	Executive	\$ 153,951.70
4140	Election & Registration	\$ 29,433.98
4150	Financial Administration	\$ 51,092.77
4152	Assessing & Revaluation	\$ 26,947.50
4153	Legal Expense	\$ 18,000.00
4191	Planning & Zoning	\$ 8,806.00
4194	General Government Buildings	\$ 33,410.00
4195	Cemeteries	\$ 16,035.00
4196	Insurance	\$ 42,320.00
4197	Advertising & Regional Association	\$ 3,671.00
4210	Police Department	\$ 304,443.32
4215	Ambulance	\$ 31,691.50
	<b>New Amended Total</b>	<b>\$ 35,691.50</b>
4220	Fire Department	\$ 52,076.25
	<b>New Amended Total</b>	<b>\$ 58,956.25</b>
4240	Building Inspection	\$ 13,218.00
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 1.00
4299	Other Public Safety	\$ 35,005.00

4311	Highway Department	\$	673,962.00
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$	98,335.00
4415	Health Agencies & Programs	\$	3,900.00
4442	District Assistance	\$	17,645.00
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$	25,000.00
4550	Library	\$	1,800.00
4611	Conservation Commission	\$	1,890.00
4711	Bonds & Notes Principal	\$	228,372.00
4721	Bonds & Notes Interest	\$	21,089.00
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	\$	5,000.00
	Total	\$	1,897,726.01
	<b>New Amended Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,908,226.01</b>

The moderator broke for a 10 minute recess at approx. 10:30am. The meeting was called back to order and the moderator continued on to the next article.

**Article #5: To Add Funds to Established Trust Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two hundred thirteen thousand three hundred nineteen dollars (\$213,319) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve and/or Expendable Trust Funds (ETF), **was Read, Motioned, and Seconded.**

ACCOUNT	TRUST FUND	AMOUNT
4915-1-007	FD Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 10,000.00
4916-1-002	Road Maintenance & Improvement ETF	\$ 116,369.00
4916-1-004	Weed Control ETF	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-006	Government Buildings & Improvements ETF	\$ 10,000.00
4916-1-009	FD Turn Out Gear ETF	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-011	Cemetery Repair/Maintenance ETF	\$ 1,500.00
4916-1-012	Health & Safety ETF	\$ 10,000.00
4916-1-014	Town Celebration ETF	\$ 500.00
4916-1-016	PD Expendable Trust Fund	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-020	Reservoir Usage ETF	\$ 2,400.00
4916-1-021	Fire Department Building Improvement ETF	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-022	Master Plan ETF	\$ 1,250.00
4916-1-023	Computer Equipment ETF	\$ 6,300.00
4916-1-024	Assessing ETF	\$ 35,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 213,319.00</b>

Selectmen Allen Belouin shared that this article was basically as it states, the accounts listed have all been pre-established and this article is to continue to fund them. The moderator began with saying that each line item will be read and a vote will be taken for the whole article. He requested any questions or comments be raised at any time. He started reading the line items and as he began the question was raised that he was missing the first account listed, realizing this error, the moderator restarted reading the list with the first line item 4915-1-007 FD Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund for \$10,000.00. Joanne Devine inquired about the Tanker that was taken out of service which was said to have gotten approx. \$6,000 for it. She wondered if that money could be added to the FD Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund to increase this fund. It stated that she would need to make a motion to increase that line item. **A Motion was made to amend the 4915-1-007 FD Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund from \$10,000 to \$16,000, an increase of \$6,000. The motion was seconded.**

The Moderator opened the floor for questions or comments. Richard Staley stood up to ask how this \$6,000 was going to be raised if there was nothing stating it was being offset from the General Fund. He wanted to know if there was actually money available to cover this increase or will this \$6,000 be raised by taxation.

Aaron Gill shared that the way the motion is written the increase will be raised by taxation, but as the BOS would be present when the tax rate is set in the fall. He went on the share that just before they set the tax rate, the DRA (Department of Revenue) will ask the town how it would like to handle the unassigned fund balances and at that time, the BOS would recommend using those funds to cover this cost. Richard Staley skeptically replied, "So we can just Trust you?" it brought a roar of laughter and it was assumed to be. The moderator moved on to the next question, Joanne Tramontozzi had a question, she wondered if there was a balance list available on these Trust Fund? Allen Belouin responded "yes on page 56."

The moderator paused for a moment, and inquired if there were any further questions, hearing none, he moved for a vote on the amendment. **He re-read the motion to amend and voted, the Ayes have it and the motion carried.**

Account	Trust Fund	Amount	New Amended Amount
4915-1-007	FD Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund <b>To be increased by \$6,000.00</b>	\$10,000.00	<b>\$ 16,000.00</b>

Chuck Gaides our moderator continued to Read through the list of all the Trust Funds and their budgeted amount ending with a new total of two hundred nineteen thousand three hundred nineteen dollars (\$219,319.00)

ACCOUNT	TRUST FUND	AMOUNT
4915-1-007	FD Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund <b>Increased by \$6,000.00</b>	\$ 10,000.00 <b>\$ 16,000.00</b>
4916-1-002	Road Maintenance & Improvement ETF	\$ 116,369.00
4916-1-004	Weed Control ETF	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-006	Government Buildings & Improvements ETF	\$ 10,000.00
4916-1-009	FD Turn Out Gear ETF	\$ 5,000.00
4916-1-011	Cemetery Repair/Maintenance ETF	\$ 1,500.00
4916-1-012	Health & Safety ETF	\$ 10,000.00
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4916-1-024	Assessing ETF	\$ 35,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 213,319.00
	<b>NEW AMENDED TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 219,319.00</b>

A question was requested to have someone please explain the Health & Safety Trust Fund and what it is used for? Aaron Gill replied that currently the BOS has been working on a nuisance property in a part of town the better part of the year and the town will likely incur some charges to raise and dispose of the articles that are on the property.

Bob Compton inquired about the Assessing Trust Fund for \$35,000 and on page 56 it should that we had expended about \$22,000 with \$15,000 left making it approx. \$50,000. Bob enquired if the town expected to spend that amount on assessing, and was this an annual expense? Aaron Gill replied that it was not an annual expense this was due to it being the 5<sup>th</sup> year in their contract, a year a town wide evaluation. So the following year we would begin a new contract. He shared that the idea behind this trust fund was to put in \$10,000 every year, but on the fifth it would increase like this. So since there was already a year in there they added the \$35,000 to cover the balance.

No further questions were raised **the moderator called for a vote on Article #5, the article was re-read in full, The Ayes have it and the motion carried.**

**Article #6: To Fund the Purchase of Municipal Fund Accounting Software**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to purchase Municipal Fund Accounting Software and to be funded from the fund balance as the December 31, 2014. This appropriation shall not raise any taxes and have no effect on the tax rate.

**The article was read, moved and seconded.**

Aaron Gill spoke first on he wanted to just give an overview, he would like Russ McAllister our town administrator to speak on the next article. Aaron mentioned the fact that these next 4 articles were being funded by the outstanding fund balance and these appropriations were being raised by taxation. He shared that folks may have noticed that some of the forms or line items did not line up, and the Department of Revenue has changed all their forms and their requirements for our submissions. If we don't line up with the DRA, the town spends a lot of time manipulating items and it creates an increase in the potential for human error. This Municipal Fund Accounting Software will help to eliminate that threat. The current software the town is using is Quick Books and although if you are an expert you can use it, it is not very user friendly and not adequate for accounting purposes that are being required by the DRA.

Russ McAllister came forward to share that although there are honest people working in Deering, there is no way to monitor when anyone logs in or makes changes or adjustments to accounts, leaving the risk for error and accountability very high in a security stand point. The need for tracking journal entries is because sometimes people make mistakes. He gave examples of how having a Accounting Software that tracks information creates transparency and accountability. There is a need to have a way to track journal entries so that is someone changes an amount someone is able to track when and where that change was made. They want to prevent anyone from creating vendors that don't exist or create phony bills. Most people don't get rich stealing from municipalities, it generally develops over a long period of time and they think they will be able to pay it back. He shared that the town previous used a municipal fund software program but it was replaced over the years by Quick Books. This is much more difficult to use. With the municipal fund software more accounting transactions are generated automatically reducing the amount of human mistakes made. The \$50,000 maximum covers the core account suite that covers accounting for the general ledger, budgeting, check manager, bank reconciliation, revenue accounting, procurement payroll, user security administration, all that along with state reporting and continued support in the development of state required forms. The more time you have different people keyboarding information the more chances there are for a mistake to occur.

Russ continued with a breakdown of what the cost of implementation and support of this software would be, he envisioned that although there was \$50,000 requested he hoped that the town would only need to use approx. \$32,000. The continued support charge was approx. \$1,700 a year.

Gordon MacDonald wanted to commend the Board of Selectmen on the next four articles are being drowned down from the general fund balance, no new taxes are being raised by these articles if they are approved, because essential there is a balance in the town checking account that lapses from year to year.

He inquired as to what exactly was the balance of the general fund and how much room is there that can be drawn down from it?

Russ McAllister asked folks to turn to page 51 in the town report and look at the tax rate computation worksheet for 2014. He pointed to the Unassigned Fund Balance that currently has \$449,414.00 and he shared that this was an audited amount. He went to say that the town generated a bit more unassigned fund balance this year, but those numbers had not been audited, so he felt like there might be another \$100,000 available.

Gordon asked to look at page 11 of the town reports and asked about Account 9999 the Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes for \$23,000 was being used for tax relief? Russ explained how that amount was figured sharing the details in process of setting the tax rate. This amount is used to help stabilize the tax rate once the audit is completed the town will have a better idea of the actual amount available in the unassigned fund balance. A recommendation of 7 to 15% of the unassigned fund balance is retained to keep the town operating, much like a private enterprise that has retained earnings, because they might only make their money a couple times a year. This buffer is used to maintain the cash flow to help reduce the need to purchase tax anticipation notes. These are the types of things the BOS is trying to address and avoid, working to reduce costs. He went on to share an example using the town hall as model to explain how much money was being spent on the bond for the Town Hall addition which would be paid off in about 6 years and how the utility cost for the Town Hall was actually half of what we were paying for the new addition and that these were they types of that the town needs to work on in getting the operating and down to help alleviate our tax rate in the future. He continued on to say that it's not good for the town to borrow money and try to pay it off quickly, it really dings the town budget when you vote to pay off a \$750,000 road bond in 5 years and prevent the town from addressing any other issues that come up. These are some of the examples the BOS is working on how to get some of the numbers down and achieve better efficiencies and be more effective so that when folks look at the budget they will be able to understand better what your taxes are being spent on. That is what they are trying to measure, accountability and transparency.

Gordon MacDonald wanted to thank the BOS for drawing down from the unassigned fund balance to cover the cost of the next 3 articles.

Beth Kelly also wanted to Thank Russ McAllister for the thorough work he does. She said it felt awesome to have someone available in the Town that knows what is going on. She added that had he given his speech earlier in the day, the Town Meeting could of ended a few hours earlier. Laughter filled the hall and the crowd applauded.

Doug Connor wanted to know what the yearly cost of supporting this municipal fund software? Russ replied approx. \$1,700 to \$2,000 for the license cost. The other plus is that the vendor continues to develop the product and support it.

Joanne Devine wanted to know how many people have access to the current quick books being used? Russ shared that only 1 person the administrative assistant is the person accessing the software and the Treasurer Stuart uses his own copy of quick books which are separate from each other. With the new system they will be able to have different options for users to have access to the software, look only, look and able to make changes, and authorization needed to make certain changes. This way there is more accountability. Joanne felt that the employees of the town were dishonest so she didn't see why quick books software wasn't sufficient. Aaron Gill pointed out that the Treasurer had his own set of books. Stuart spoke up explaining the current process of balancing and how cumbersome it is. With the new software he will be able to access the same books being kept by the administrative assistant to balance and reconcile the bank statements and will make his job a lot easier and less chance of errors with having

2 separate sets of books and only 1 person inputting data. This will make the monthly balancing much more efficient and with better accountability.

Richard Staley also wanted to Thank Russ for a little structure and getting the efficiencies there and the accountability, he felt there was just an overall more professional approach to explaining the budget expenditures and accountability.

At this time no further questions were brought forward. The moderator re-read Article #6 in full and asked for a vote. **The Ayes have it and the motion passed.**

### **Article #7: To Fund a Fire Department Study**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) to fund a study of the Deering Fire Department that will establish the equipment and building needs for the next 20 years and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2014. This appropriation shall not raise any taxes and have no effect on the tax rate. **The Motion was moved and seconded.**

Debernie Carpenter wanted to share that he felt that the Fire Department does a good job. They have Antique Equipment according to the Chief. Debernie wanted to see a Study done on what it would cost to have the Hillsboro Fire Department cover the Town of Deering compared to what we currently spend. He wanted to make sure that those on the Deering Fire Department didn't feel that this had anything to do with the great they do, just that it might be more cost effective for the town.

Sharon Fife explained that this Study was an all inclusive study of the Fire Department and they had received 4 different bids that are waiting to be approved or denied. There are currently 3 different Department houses and also the Rescue Squad. These Fire houses are in desperate need of updates and modernization. There are a lot of options that need to be reviewed as to what is needed for the Fire Department. This is exactly what this study will be identifying. They will work directly with the people who are involved with the Fire Department, and take the facts of how many calls is the Fire Department or the Rescue Squad responding to, or what type of calls they are, what type of equipment is being used, the condition of them and the buildings. These companies put together a compressive study for the town to see what level of service does the town want and how much does the town wish to spend in order to structure it the way the townspeople would like to structure it. Aaron Gill said one of the things that the Board liked about this study was that this was an independent study that asks for the towns input. Part of what they will do is look into the call system to know the amount and type of calls they are responding to, they will talk with all the people on the Fire Department and Rescue Squad. Everyone has a different opinion of what is needed, but this study done by Professionals will actually show us the options we have and what the benefits are, the BOS would bring this study to a public discussion to see what makes sense for the Town. This is simple the vehicle to help us see that. The BOS felt that this was good spending of the unassigned fund balance in referring to improving town efficiencies and make smart choices on what is best needed for the Fire Department.

What Allen Belionun liked is that it removed the politics out of it. This is what companies like this do all the time. They are all Professionals a lot of them have been Fire Chiefs in other communities and understand what is needed. He strongly recommends that the Town does pass this article.

Doug Connor said all you have to do is compare the differences in cost that other neighboring towns are spending and that you would get a pretty good idea of what it cost. Hillsboro is also going through some problems as well. They are not responding as well to calls as people think. For anyone who has a scanner would hear that. All towns around are also having trouble getting people to volunteer to be a member. Those currently in the Department are getting older and the number of members is declining. Folks are

not beating down the doors to join like they were 20 years ago. There use to be 33 members now there are 22. As far as building maintenance, no money has been invested to correct any problems and no maintenance has done on the buildings. The computer system was donated by a member. Doug Connor reminded folks of the Primex evaluation that was done a year ago came back with several code violations were reported, but no money was available to address those issues. He was torn on the Study because he was afraid that the outcome of this study would reveal a lot of issues that need to be addressed and it could cost the Town a bunch of money.

Ray Petty wanted to speak in favor of this proposal and he felt it was time to do this study. Like the Chief stated that times have change, the traditions of the past while they might have been good in the past may not be what we need in the future. While he was not privy to all of it, he does know that there were significant problems within the Fire Department. So why not have an outside company come in not to make decisions for us to give us options. Obviously the Fire Department is very important to Ray he lives in a wooden house.

Gail Lalmond also supports the Study. All this does is gives the Selectmen the information that they need to make good choices for the town. They don't have to follow any of the options from the study, it just to be used to guide them. The \$20,000 was their top bid, but there was one for \$12,000. She felt it was money well spent.

Russ McAllister wanted to also add that as homeowners the level of fire protection available in the Town could change the valuation of your home. So if the town said let's go with Hillsboro, that would impact the Fire Rating for the town, which could potentially increase your premium rates for Fire Protection. All the choices made by the town should be reflective of maintaining or increasing the value of your property. So having adequate services for the type of responses that the Town requires is important to the value of your home.

Aaron Gill talked about what the original study done by Primex shared with them was that there was extensive cost to update the buildings, which is what prompted this independent study to develop in order to make sure that the town is looking at all their options before just spending money. This independent study will be able to look into the next decade as to what the Town really needs. He also didn't realize that the Chief was still having computer trouble and advised him to speak with Russ to address that. The BOS did support the Chief's request for a computer.

Allen Belouin spoke on the Primex Study, 2 items that were in crisis, Sprinkler system put into each Fire Station that alone was approx. \$100,000 per station. The other thing was the Vehicle Exhaust Systems a vacuum that attaches to the vehicle exhaust when they start them and stop them. That was \$20,000 to \$30,000 per station. There is a lot of money that will be needed to update and bring the buildings up to code which doesn't include some of the other needs like the leach field conditions.

Richard Staley liked the BOS was looking at these situations, he liked having options and thanked whoever was responsible for getting more organization in town operations.

Debernie understood what was being discussed but he still wanted to see town comparisons reviewed.

Joanne Devine wanted to know why the BOS just didn't form a study of their own by inquiring information from the people in town, the Fire Department and Rescue Squad. The BOS affirmed to Joanne that this study does make that part of their study to speak to all those who have information on what the needs of the town are. And Joanne also agreed with Russ McAllister that if the town doesn't have their own Fire Department you will indeed see a rise in the cost of your homeowner's insurance policy especially if you have to depend on another town to support us.

Patrick Murdough spoke that the Primex Study already pointed out there is a lot of items in need of attention. What he felt was that just shows the lack of funding that should have been in place to maintain it. This is still a lot of money that will need to be raised.

Pete Williams prefers making informed decisions not emotional decisions. He feels this study is exactly what is needed and it's not a lot of money. There may even be more studies. This is going to help us decide what the Town will need 20 years from now.

Doug Connor wanted to go over what Allen Belouin spoke about the vehicle Exhaust system that is needed. That is one of the highest recommendation is because the cancer rates in the Fire Service is going through the roof. Andy Anderson the former chief is actually going around the state with others speaking on cancer awareness. He offered that presentation to the townspeople to some of the dangers that the Fire Fighters face.

The Moderator re-read **Article #7** and called for a vote. **The Ayes have it. The motion carried.**

### **Article #8: To Establish a PD Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund**

To see if the town will vote to establish a Police Department Equipment Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purchase of communications equipment for patrol vehicles, portable radios and radar guns and to raise and appropriate (\$5,000) Five Thousand Dollars to put in the fund and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2014; further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate. **The motion was moved and seconded.**

Chief Pushee proceeded to speak on this article. In basic terms he explained that when the Police Dept. needs a cruiser a warrant article is created. That is based on the capital improvement plan of the town, in order to settle out events and that is why a warrant article is needed for those items. But then he explained that there are much smaller expenditures that are taken out of the police department and part of the budget planning process. This particle fund is being created for those items that fall between the \$10,000 for capital improvement and the \$100 expenditures that come of the budget on a weekly or monthly basis. This is for items that cost, \$3,000 or \$5,000 and they don't have a definitely life span, most times these items last a long time, but when they expire you need to replace them right away. It's not usually planned for. A cruiser radio when it dies can cost approx. \$3,700 to \$4,700 to replace. He went on to say that the department cannot do without a cruiser radio but it is also not an item that can just be absorbed into the budget on short notice, it needs to be planned for. However the uncertainty of when it needs to be replaced makes it difficult to plan. This article creates a fund that can be drawn upon outside of the normal operating budget for such expenses.

Hearing no questions or comments from anyone, **the moderator re-read Article #8** and called for a vote. **The Ayes have it and the motion carried.**

### **Article #9: To Establish a PD Ballistic Vest Expendable Trust Fund**

To see if the town will vote to establish a Police Department Ballistic Vest Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purchase of vests for the Police officers and to raise and appropriate (\$3,000) Three Thousand Dollars to put in the fund, and to be funded from the fund balance as of December 31, 2014; further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. This appropriation shall not raise any new taxes and have no effect on the tax rate. **The Motion was moved, and seconded.**

The moderator asked for any questions or concerns from the townspeople, hearing none, he **re-read the article in full and asked for a vote. The Ayes have it and the motion carried.**



## **Article #10: To Transact Other Business**

To transact any other business that may be brought before this meeting.

The moderator reminded everyone that before beginning that nothing of substantive can be brought forth under this article.

Bob Compton made a request to see if the Capital Improvement Program be printed in next year's town report.

Gail Lalmond stood up to thank me, Carol Baker for doing the minutes. She shared that if anyone read the minutes from last year she felt they were the most complete minutes she had ever read.

Doris Beane wanted to say that she was super impressed with the way business was being conducted now by the Town of Deering, The Professionalism, the transparency, the ethics, and every actions taken to her knowledge has been taken for the greater good. She thought that was Awesome and wanted to say Thank You.

**Chuck Gaides made a motion to dissolve the meeting at 11:45am. The motion was moved and seconded, A vote was called the Ayes have it and the motion to dissolve was passed.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Carol M. Baker  
Town Clerk/Tax  
Collector  
Town of Deering**



## DEERING TOWN MEETING MODERATORS' RULES OF PROCEDURE

Unless changed by the voters at the Meeting, the Town Moderator will use the following Rules of Procedure to conduct the Town Meeting:

1. The Moderator will **not** follow Robert's Rules. The Moderator will use the following general rules of procedure, whose main purpose is to keep the meeting moving, and not get bogged down in procedural quagmires.
2. By majority vote, the voters can overrule any decision that the Moderator makes and any rule that the Moderator establishes. A voter can raise such a request by Point of Order.
3. The Moderator will take Articles in the order in which they appear on the Warrant unless the Moderator announces the intent to take Articles out of order.
4. The Moderator will read the Moderator's Rules of Procedure and request a motion to accept the rules. After a second and any questions the Meeting will then vote on this motion.
5. The Moderator will request a series of motions to grant permission from the Meeting to allow certain non-voters who are at the meeting such as the Town Department Heads, the Town Legal Counsel and any other consultants or experts that may provide information about an Article that do not live in Deering to speak.
6. Before the Articles are read the Moderator will request a motion to dispense with the reading of the entire Warrant. After a second and any questions the Meeting will then vote on this motion.
7. The Moderator will consider each Article, as follows:
  - a. The Moderator will announce the Article number, and the text of the Article will be read.
  - b. The Moderator will then recognize a member of the Board of Selectmen, or the petitioner (if a petitioned Article) to move the adoption of the Article.
  - c. If the Motion is seconded, the Moderator will recognize a member of the Board of Selectmen or the petitioner to explain the article.
  - d. The Meeting will debate and then vote on the Article.
  - e. No one may have the floor unless they are recognized by the Moderator.
  - f. Only registered voters may speak unless a majority of the voters present decide otherwise.
  - g. Those registered voters wishing to speak to an article should raise their hands or stand and once the Moderator recognizes you, you must state your full name and address.
  - h. Only one person, the one recognized by the Moderator, may speak at any one time.
  - i. No one may speak unless s/he has the floor.
  - j. Even if a voter does not have the floor, a voter may speak to raise a Point of Order, to challenge a Moderators ruling, or to overrule the Moderator.
  - k. All speakers are expected to address the Moderator, and no conversations to other at the meeting will be allowed.

8. When you have the floor to speak, you should confine your remarks to the issue under consideration, or you will be ruled out of order.

9. The Moderator will allow only one motion on the floor at a time. There are two exceptions to this rule:

- a. A voter may raise a Point of Order at any time, and
- b. If a voter has the floor, the voter may make
  - i. A motion to amend the pending motion, or
  - ii. A motion to Call the Question.

10. The Moderator shall have the right to refuse to recognize a Motion to Call the Question, if in the Moderator's opinion, the voters have not yet had an adequate opportunity to speak and discuss an issue.

11. The Moderator will not accept motions to "pass over", "table", or "indefinitely postpone" an article. If the majority is opposed to an article, they should simply vote it down. This prevents the confusion of people having to vote positively to, in effect, defeat an article.

12. The Moderator will **not** accept negative motions, which are motions that require a "no" vote to vote in the affirmative such as "I move that we not adopt the budget".

13. Non-voters may not speak at the Meeting without the permission of the voters.

14. All speakers must be courteous and must speak to the issues, not the individuals raising them. The Moderator will not allow loud outbursts, personal attacks or any type of inappropriate language.

15. If any person behaves in a disorderly manner, and after notice (warning) from the Moderator, persists in such behavior, or shall in any way disturb the Meeting, or willfully violate any rule of proceeding, the Moderator may have a police officer, or any legal voter of the town, remove such person from the meeting. (RSA 40:8)

16. All questions and comments should be addressed to the Moderator. The Moderator will choose who responds to the questions.

17. With the exception of initial presentations on the Articles which the Moderator requests be limited to ten (10) minutes, all speakers in debate will be limited to three (3) minutes.

18. Each speaker may only speak once until everyone has spoken.

19. The Moderator may determine the method of voting except as determined by law. However, any voter who doubts the accuracy of any non-counted vote may require the Moderator to determine a vote by a counted show of hands or by a secret ballot vote.

20. If the Moderator's ruling on the outcome of a voice vote or show of cards is questioned by at least seven (7) voters, the issue will be decided by secret ballot. Such a call for a secret ballot must be made before any other business occurs.

21. Any five (5) voters may require that the vote on any Article or question be by secret ballot. To do so:

- a. All five (5) voters must be present and identified, and
- b. The request must be presented in writing to the Moderator prior to the end of debate on the Article or question.

22. Any vote on a bond issue of over \$100,000 must be voted on by secret ballot.

23. Motions to reconsider an Article may only be made immediately after the vote on the Article, and may only be made by a voter who voted on the prevailing side of the vote to be reconsidered.

However, the following limits may apply to the reconsideration of an Article:

- a. **Mandatory Restriction:** In accordance with RSA 33:8-a, if a motion to reconsider a ballot vote on a bond issue of over \$100,000 passes, the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened Meeting that is at least seven (7) days after the original vote. With respect to bond votes, the restriction on reconsideration automatically applies without the need for the Meeting to vote for it.
- b. **Optional Restriction:** Voters may postpone reconsideration of any Article at this Meeting by voting to restrict reconsideration of the Article in accordance with RSA 40:10. If the Meeting passes such a motion, then the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened Meeting held at least seven (7) days after the date of the original vote.

**Reminder:** Since any rule of the Moderator or decision of the Meeting can be reversed or changed at any time prior to the end of the meeting by a majority vote of the Meeting, there is no rule that can be adopted that can absolutely prevent the reconsideration of an Article.

24. The Moderator may vote on all Articles. However, the Moderator plans to vote only in two (2) instances:

- a. To break a tie
- b. To make a vote a tie vote if a motion the Moderator opposes would otherwise carry by one (1) vote.

25. If the Meeting is not finished at 4 P.M., the Moderator will recess the Meeting to a future date.

Dr. Charles A. Gaides Deering Town Moderator