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A park bench is dedicated to Dick Houghton for years of service to the town.

*Front Cover:* Kent Lepkowski, resident, volunteers to help remove snow from the roof at Town Hall during the epic winter snows of 2015. The Lepkowski's moved back to Texas in the late summer of 2015, for employment reasons.

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#### **TOWN OFFICERS FOR 2015**

*Moderator* Frederick Green Term expires 2016 Assistant Moderator Donald Melvin Wallace Dunham

## **Board of Selectmen**

Joseph B. Moriarty Robert E. Sterndale Bruce E. Hodsdon Term expires March 2018 Term expires March 2016 Term expires March 2017

Administrative Assistant Eric Fiegenbaum

*Town Clerk-Tax Collector* Katherine K. Cornwell, 2016

*Deputy Clerk/Collector* LeeAnn Simpson, Appointed 2008 Asst Clerk/Collector Diedre Lepkowski, 2013-2015 Lisa Amarosa, Appointed 2015

*Treasurer* Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom, 2016

*Town Auditors* Susan Cilia, 2017 • Linda Stewart, 2016

Trustees of Trust FundsRobyn Gault, 2018 • Molly Hodgson, 2016 • Diane Hodgson, 2017

*Cemetery Trustees* William Leslie, 2018 • Noreen Gaetjens, 2016 • Roderic Hutton, 2017

Library Trustees Betsy Renshaw, 2016 • Noreen Gaetjens, 2017 Molly Wade, Alt, 2017 • Mary Ellen Reisch, Alt, 2017 • Lisa Amarosa, 2018

Supervisors of the Checklist Kathleen O'Shea, 2016 • Mary Ellen Reisch, 2018 • Patricia Lawrence, 2020

#### Planning Board

Wallace Dunham, 2018 • Julie McCabe, 2016 • Marcia Goodnow, 2016
Thomas Burbank, 2017 • Frederick Green, Chair, 2017
Douglas Hoff, 2017 • Bruce E. Hodsdon (*ex officio*)

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#### **Conservation Commission**

Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair, 2018 • Alison Cloutier, 2016 Indulis Gleske, 2016 • John Crooks, 2017 • Katherine Frid, 2017 Emily Marshal, Alt, 2018

#### **Zoning Board**

Donald Sylvester, Chair, 2018 • Janet Wall, 2018 • Alan Munroe, 2016
 Richard Erickson, 2017 • William Taylor, Vice chair, 2017
 Gray Cornwell IV, Alt, 2016 • Rhonda Hodsdon, Alt, 2016
 Lorraine Morong, Alt, 2016

#### **Recreation Commission**

George Mattson, 2018 • Susan Cilia, 2016 Justin Corrow, 2016 • Barry Kaplan, 2016 • Joan Sundberg, 2016 Bruce E. Hodsdon (*ex officio*)

#### Water Resources Board

Garret Ahlstrom, Chair, 2018 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2018 Michael O'Sullivan, 2016 • Janet Wall, 2016 Robert E. Sterndale (*ex officio*)

> Building Inspector Justin Corrow

*Health Officer* Robert Gaetjens Deputy Health Officer Toni Kaplan

Overseer of Public Welfare Board of Selectmen

Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden Thomas Perley

> *Police Chief* Joseph E. McGann

*Road Agent* Board of Selectmen

Assistant Fire Chief W. Jim Davis

*Emergency Management Director* Thomas Perley

Strafford Regional Planning Commission Wallace Dunham, 2016 • Thomas Burbank, 2017 • C. Thomas Crosby, 2018

> Lamprey Regional Solid Waste Cooperative Joseph Moriarty, Representative

*Oyster River Cooperative School District* Daniel Klein, Board Member, 2018

*Oyster River Local Advisory Committee* Tom Falk, 2018 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2018

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#### RECORD OF TOWN MEETING MARCH 10, 2015

Moderator Frederick Green called the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire, to order Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 11:00 AM. The polls were declared open and the following Ballot Clerks were sworn in by the Moderator:

Mary Ellen Duffy Diane Hodgson Melissa Walker During the day Joan Sundberg was sworn in as Assistant Moderator and Doreen Sterndale was sworn in as Ballot Clerk.

At 7:03 PM Moderator Green explained his expectations for the deliberative session to the assembled citizens (approximately 60). He introduced the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk. He then asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence for those Madbury citizens who passed away in 2014 and to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those deceased include: Rollin Nelson, Frances Linzey, Glenice Swenson, Terry Hanson, Phyllis Davison, Linda Sten, Nicolas Engalichev, Robert MacLachlan, Nicoletta Vatistas, James W. Hodgson, Aaron Wilkinson, Jean A. Gahan, Carleton Wentworth, Nettie McGee, Neil Smith, Joanne Stewart, Barbara Houston, Donna Lewis, and Richard Drake.

Town Clerk Katherine Cornwell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator announced that the polls would remain open until 7:30pm. He explained the rules of order and introduced Sam Perley, a Boy Scout who had agreed to carry the portable microphone to anyone wishing to speak.

ARTICLE 1: The following Town Officers were e	lected by Official Ballot:
Selectman for the ensuing three years	Joseph B. Moriarty
Treasurer for the ensuing year	Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom
Auditor for the ensuing two years	
Trustee of Trust Funds for the ensuing three yea	ars Robyn Gault
Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years	William Leslie
Library Trustee for the ensuing three years	Lisa Amarosa

ARTICLE 2: To vote to amend Town Zoning Ordinances as recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

AMENDMENT 1: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to revise the language of lot size dimensional requirements for consistency and clarity? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

YES (242) NO (34)

AMENDMENT 2: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to incorporate a statement explaining that any references to other documents in the ordinance intend reference to the latest revision of those documents or to their successor documents? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

> YES (238) NO (33)

AMENDMENT 3: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances Flood Hazard Overlay District language to incorporate changes required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to maintain compliance with flood insurance qualification criteria? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

> YES (229) NO (32)

AMENDMENT 4: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances revising and standardizing the process of applying for and granting Conditional Use Permits where currently required in the Zoning Ordinance? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

> YES (226) NO (34)

AMENDMENT 5: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Building Regulations to define inspections for septic system construction and to accept the State standard for minimum depth to bedrock under septic systems? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

> YES (225) NO (38)

ARTICLE 3: Selectman Robert Sterndale moved, and Tom Perley, of Littleworth Rd., seconded, a motion authorizing the Selectmen to choose all other town officers. (Majority vote required) PASSED

Hearing no discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote.

ARTICLE 4: Selectman Sterndale moved, and Treasurer Deborah Ahlstrom seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Three Hundred Eleven Thousand Sixty-two Dollars (\$1,311,062) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Sterndale spoke in support of the motion. He remarked on the months of work that go into creating a budget for the town. It is a complex process with the budget being set today, but the tax rate not set by the state until <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the way through the year; tax revenue arrives twice during the year, and other revenues at varying times. He encouraged residents to attend the work sessions as well as the Budget Hearings. He noted there is an approximate 3.2% increase over last year. The increases are spread across the town and include anticipated higher utility bills, salary increases and other costs. With fewer volunteers there is more work being done by staff. He reminded

the audience that all employees are part-time and as such receive no substantial benefits.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 5: Fire Chief Tom Perley, of Littleworth Rd., moved, and Roberta Stearns, of Bunker Lane, seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$42,500) to add to the existing Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting, and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required) Hearing no discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 6: Selectman Bruce Hodsdon moved, and Richard Erickson, of Moharimet Dr., seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to add to the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of the revaluation of town properties. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon explained that the state requires revaluation of all town properties at least every five years. This was completed in 2010 and will happen again this year. The town does incur costs for assessing every year. It is better for the town to spread these costs across the five years. He further explained that, historically 1/3 of properties in the town will see an increased value, 1/3 will see no change, and 1/3 will decrease. This doesn't necessarily mean property taxes will decrease as the town is obligated to meet its own budget requirements as well as those for the state, county and school district. Hearing no discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 7: Selectman Sterndale moved and Carol Loughlin, of Hayes Rd., seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2000 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchase of property and/or easements. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required).

Selectman Sterndale explained that the Board of Selectmen act as agents for this fund which allows them to purchase property that may become available during the year, as in 2014 when a purchase of the Schreiber property on Cherry Lane was completed.

Hearing no discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 8: Library Trustee Betsy Renshaw, of Town Hall Rd., moved, and Joan Valentine, of Fern Way, seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000) to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town

Meeting for a library building fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Chuck Sullivan, of Madbury Woods Rd., stated that he is in support of the library. He asked to know the current balance in this fund. The amount, shown on p.28 of the Town Report, was \$255,877.95 as of 12/31/2014. He then asked the current cost to build the library. He wanted to know how long it will take to raise the one million dollars (or more) needed if we continue to add just \$50,000 or so each year.

Jennifer Goldberg, of Old Stage Rd., asked to speak to the question. She explained the history of the library beginning with the cart in a Town Hall closet in 2001. The Friends of the Madbury Library organization was established to support the library through fundraising, advocacy, etc. Lately they have been discussing ways to increase funding. A Campaign Steering Committee has been created and will spearhead the mission. A mass mailing done in 2014 was considered a success with a number of new donors, and some substantial gifts received.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 9: Selectman Moriarty moved, and Assistant Fire Chief Jim Davis, of Mill Hill Rd., seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Iafolla Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of reclamation of land purchased by the Town from the Estate of Michael Iafolla. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke to the history of the Iafolla property. The town wants to keep it mowed and generally in good shape for the future. David Hopkins, of Evans Rd., asked why money is sitting in this fund not being used for other needs in the town. He asked if it would be better to wait until it is decided what to do with the property and then appropriate funds. Selectman Moriarty responded that these funds are used for maintenance of the property. \$6,000 has already been spent this year and it is likely another \$6,000 will be needed. The Iafolla estate gave \$25,000 to the town for the property work. Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

After noting that the time was 7:28 PM, the Moderator advised anyone who had not voted on Articles 1 and 2 they should do so.

ARTICLE 10: Joan Sundberg, of Nute Rd., moved and Susan Cilia, of Champernowne, seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of planning and development of recreational facilities within the town. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Mrs. Sundberg spoke about the progress being made on the fitness trail at Tibbetts Field. Trail maintenance is ongoing, equipment is being added and

more development is planned. She noted that this area in particular will benefit all ages of residents in the town.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

At 7:35 PM the Moderator declared the polls closed.

ARTICLE 11: Selectman Hodsdon moved, and Roberta Stearns seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to add to the existing Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing police equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon spoke about moderating expenses by the use of Capital Reserve Funds. He listed the vehicles currently in use by the Police Department and explained how they are distributed and eventually passed on to the Fire Department, sold or donated. The plan this year is to purchase another Charger for use by the officers. Linda Heath, of Moharimet Dr., asked if there are any other acquisitions planned for this year. Selectman Hodsdon said that earlier this year Chief of Police Joseph McGann proposed acquiring a Hummer as an adjunct to emergency operations. This vehicle is available at no cost to the town. The Board of Selectman approved the proposal and the Chief has submitted an application and is waiting to hear the status. This vehicle would be used during natural or man-made disaster situations when its particular attributes are needed. It would not be used as a regular patrol vehicle.

ARTICLE 12: Selectman Hodsdon, moved, and Tom Perley seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for purchasing grounds maintenance equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon spoke to the time spent and good work being done on the ball fields. The older equipment is breaking down and with more fields in use more often we need more equipment in good repair.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 13: Selectman Moriarty moved, and Tom Perley seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke to the need for a new roof at the Safety Complex. Sandi Straus, of Lee Rd, asked if the builder bears any responsibility because this is a relatively new building. Selectman Moriarty stated that the builder has done some repairs but the Board of Selectmen has decided that the work needs to be accomplished. Lindsay Raynes, of Old Stage Rd, asked if the roof would be in such disrepair that the lives of those working there would be at risk. Selectman Moriarty replied that the damage is certainly a threat to morale; but couldn't say if it was life-threatening.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 14: Selectman Moriarty moved, and Nancy Pape, of Nute Rd., seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke to the history of this article. He explained that the state and federal governments will have some funds available for necessary bridge work in 2022. This fund will go towards work on the Nute Rd. Bridge and a bridge on Freshet Rd. Connie Eppich of Moharimet Dr. asked if consideration had been giving to NOT repairing/replacing these bridges and closing the roads as was done on Perkins Rd. (now Miles Lane) some years ago. Selectman Moriarty noted that the cost of replacing the bridge over the railroad tracks was prohibitive due to the height and other safety requirements of that project. Vicki Myers of Moharimet Dr. asked if trucks are permitted on the Nute Rd. Bridge and could the weight be limited. Selectman Moriarty said they are permitted and he would look into limitations as heavy trucks certainly do increase wear and tear on roads. Lindsay Raynes reminded the audience that fire trucks, which are heavy, need to use the bridges at times. Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 15: Treasurer Ahlstrom moved and Cemetery Trustee Noreen Gaetjens, of Nute Rd, seconded, a motion to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to add to the Madbury Memorial Park Fund-Expendable Trust established in Article 6 at the 1994 Town Meeting for the purpose of maintenance and operation, to be funded by \$50.00 from the December 31, 2014 fund balance, which was increased by \$50.00 during 2014 from cemetery lot sales. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Ms. Ahlstrom explained that Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) from each lot sold goes into this trust fund. Betsy Renshaw asked if we do this every year. Mrs. Ahlstrom replied that state law requires it to be done each year. Rick Erickson said this seems like 'small potatoes' and asked what this money is used for. Mrs. Ahlstrom explained that this trust fund goes toward maintenance as directed by the Cemetery Trustees.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 16: Madbury Conservation Commission Chair Eric Fiegenbaum of Moharimet Dr., moved and Kevin Drees, of Hayes Rd., seconded, a motion to vote the retention of the unexpended portion of the 2015 Conservation Com-

mission appropriation; said monies to be placed in the Madbury Conservation Fund. (Majority vote required)

Mr. Fiegenbaum explained that this is a recurring article. This fund allows the Conservation Commission to set aside money for purchase of land or conservation easements. Kathy Frid, of Hayes Rd., asked if the article should read 2014 instead of 2015. Ed Charle, of Nute Rd., noted that the 2014 minutes say 2013. Following some discussion it was explained that there was an error in the 2014 minutes. This article allows for the transfer of any unexpended money at the end of the current fiscal year, in this case, 12/31/2015. Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 17: Nancy Pape moved and Timothy Drugan-Eppich, of Moharimet Dr., seconded, a motion to request that the Town of Madbury, NH, stand with communities across the country to defend democracy from the corrupting influence of big money in our political system, by calling upon our legislators to amend the United States Constitution to establish that:

- 1. Only individual human beings are endowed with constitutional rights, and
- 2. Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech.

And that the People of Madbury, NH hereby instruct our state and federal representatives to enact resolutions and legislation to advance this effort, and to reduce the influence of big money and increase transparency and voter participation in our electoral system. And that the record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Madbury's Congressional delegation, and to Madbury's State Legislators, and to the Governor of New Hampshire, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by the Town Administrator's office within 30 days of the vote. (Article by Petition.)

Mrs. Pape spoke to the article discussing the history of the New Hampshire Constitution, specifically Article 10, campaign finance reform, and the ideal of one person/one vote. She referred the audience's attention to a poster held by Sandi Straus showing areas of the state, and the country, where similar resolutions have been passed. Tim Drugan-Eppich spoke in support of the article. Rhonda Hodsdon, of Hayes Rd., wondered if the small group of citizens present represented the town as a whole. Connie Eppich, of Moharimet Dr., spoke in support noting that she gathered signatures on a petition for 2 hours during the day and felt a majority of the people she spoke with did support this article. The following residents also voiced support for the article: Rick Erickson, Mark Fahnestock, Linda Heath and Michael O'Sullivan, all of Moharimet Dr., Lindsay Raynes of Old Stage Rd., and Sandi Straus of Lee Rd. Bruce Hodsdon of Hayes Rd. rose to voice his opinion that he feels the meeting is not the appropriate forum for this resolution, and that the small percentage of residents who are in attendance at Town Meeting don't necessarily speak for 1,800 residents. Bob Sterndale, of Moharimet Dr., spoke in support of the body working in this way and urged voters to contact their representatives. Rick

Erickson stated "if it's not appropriate to vote on this tonight, nothing we voted on is appropriate". Sandi Straus stated that this is a Madbury issue. Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 18: To hear the reports of any Committees, Town Boards, and/or Commissions, and act on any motion thereto.

Selectman Moriarty spoke about the recent evacuation of students from the Moharimet Elementary School due to concerns about the safety of the roof following the buildup of snow and ice. Mr. Moriarty stated that Dr. James Morse, Superintendent of the Oyster River Cooperative School District, thanked the Madbury Fire and Police Departments, the town and the parents for their cooperation during this unexpected event.

Selectman Moriarty thanked all the town employees for their hard work and commended Jim Davis in particular for his efforts during this very snowy winter.

Betsy Renshaw reminded the assembly that the Library Basket Raffle would be drawn immediately following the meeting.

Eric Fiegenbaum announced that the Water Resources Board may be offering water testing again to certain households. Interested residents should send an e-mail to adminmadbury@comcast.net.

Nancy Pape wants to create a photo collage to thank Sylvia Grimes for allowing trail access and Haven Hayes for the partial donation of a conservation easement on his property. Mrs. Pape has placed a burlap bag at the trailhead and hopes that residents will share pictures she can add to the collage. Madbury Day is coming! The first planning meeting will be on Friday, March 13, at 1:30pm at the Library. All are welcome.

Chris Levesque, of Miles Lane, asked for an update on the cleanup of the old greenhouses. Selectman Hodsdon said that the Board has not met with the owner, Mr. Diberto, but he is progressing, having removed an oil tank. Mr. Levesque stated that he has been waiting over ten years for this property to be cleaned up as it is adjacent to his property. Planning Board Chair Frederick Green stated that he felt the owner is cooperating. Mr. Levesque respectfully disagreed and stated that he would like to see the laws enforced as he has been looking at "a dump" for 13 years and is very frustrated.

ARTICLE 19: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Carol Loughlin, of Hayes Rd., expressed appreciation for the floodlights placed in the church parking lot this evening and asked to whom the lights belong. The Fire Department has custody of this equipment.

Fire Chief Tom Perley thanked the town for help with fundraising for a thermal imaging camera. A unit was recently purchased for \$10,000. Department members have been trained on use of the camera and will be ready to put it into use when it arrives. A date has not been set for the Pancake Breakfast but it will happen! Sam Perley, of Littleworth Rd, representing Boy Scout Troop 154, asked to speak to the assembly. He thanked the Board of Selectmen and the town for the use of Tibbetts Field and the new trail during the recent Klondike Derby. He presented a plaque to the town, and expressed gratitude for the use of the land, and to Arthur Hartford for clearing snow. He stated it was a very successful and fun event.

Selectman Hodsdon thanked Scout Perley and noted that the town decided to keep the lot at Tibbetts Field open for the rest of the winter and urged residents to make use of the trails for skiing and snowshoeing while there is still snow on the ground.

Clerk Cornwell stated that a few more volunteers would be appreciated to help count ballots. She noted that there will be four elections during 2016 and this would be a good opportunity for new volunteers to learn the system.

Moderator Green adjourned the meeting at 8:50PM.

Residents shared a social time with refreshments while the ballots were counted.

Katherine K. Cornwell, Town Clerk

Formally accepted by the Board of Selectmen on March 20, 2015

Bruce E. Hodsdon Joseph B. Moriarty Robert Sterndale



#### **AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE**

We have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds, Selectmen and Treasurer, including Cemetery Trust Funds and Conservation Funds, according to the instruction of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

> Susan Cilia Linda Stewart

# TOWN CLERK

	Vehicle Permits Title Fees Clerk/Municipal Agent Fees	\$330,370.08 \$768.00 <u>\$10,915.00</u>	
Deel	Lange Langed (405)		\$342,053.08
Dog Li	censes Issued (405) Town Fees	¢1 702 50	
	State Fees	\$1,703.50 \$960.50	
	State Pees	\$900.30	
127	Late Fees	\$269.00	
	Civil Forfeiture Fees	<u>\$25.00</u>	
		<u>+=0.00</u>	\$2,958.00
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Marria	ge Licenses Issued		
7	Town Fees	\$49.00	
7	State Fees	<u>\$301.00</u>	
			\$350.00
Vital R	lecord Search/Copy Fees		
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65	Town Fees	\$397.00	
65	State Fees	<u>\$433.00</u>	
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Other (	Office Receipts		
	Assessment Card Copies	\$232.00	
109	General Copy Fees	\$54.50	
65	Transfer Station Permits	\$65.00	
25	Pistol Permit Fees	\$250.00	
6	Returned Check Fees	\$180.00	
1	Planning and Zoning Regulation		
4	UCC Filing Fees from State	\$330.00	
13	Voter Checklists	<u>\$325.00</u>	
			\$ <u>1,448.50</u>

Total

\$347,639.58

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Year Ending 12/31/2015

DEBITS Uncollected Taxes	PRIOR LEVIES			
Beginning of Year: Property Taxes	Levy of 2015	<b>2014</b> \$340,893.44	2013	2012+
Land Use Change Taxes			<u>ቀ1 (71 5</u>	<b>-</b>
Yield Taxes Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$534.44)		\$1,671.5	2
Taxes Committed this Year				
Property Taxes	\$6,272,274.00			
LUCT	10,000			
Yield Taxes	1,175.72			
Excavation Tax	2,571.60			
Overpayments:				
Property Taxes	995.90			
Interest & Penalties on Late Tax	<u>2,237.03</u>	18,345.27	<u>338.79</u>	<u>)</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$6,288,719.81	\$359,238.71	\$ <b>2,010.3</b> 1	L
CREDITS				
<b>Remitted to Treasurer:</b>				
Property Taxes	\$5,964,162.02	\$200,802.14		
LUCT	10,000.00			
Timber Yield Taxes	1,175.72		\$1,671.5	
Interest (Include Lien Conv)	,	17,389.27	338.7	9
Penalties	30.00			
Excavation Tax	2,571.60			
Converted To Liens (Prin. only)		140,091.30		
Abatements Made:				
Property Taxes	1,814.15			
Uncollected Taxes End of Year				
Property Taxes	307,027.28			
Property Tax Credit Balance	<u>(267.99)</u>			
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# TOTAL CREDITS \$6,288,719.81 \$359,238.71 \$2,010.31

# SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

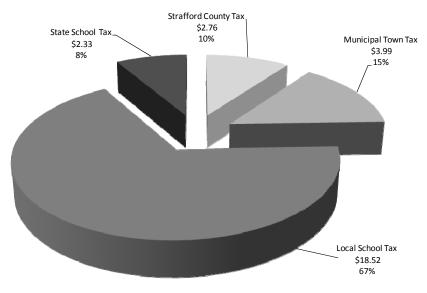
## DEBITS

	Last				
Unredeemed &	Year's				
Executed Liens	Levy	2014	2013	2012+	
Unredeemed Liens					
Beginning of FY			\$141,068.65	\$76,420.88	
Liens Executed					
During FY		\$150,701.17			
Interest & Costs Col-		• • • • • •	1 < 20 < <0		
lected		<u>2,802.89</u>	<u>16,396.68</u>	<u>26,004.38</u>	
TOTAL DEBITS		\$153,504.06	\$157,465.33	\$102,425.26	
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CREDITS					
Remitted to Treasurer					
Redemptions		\$40,585.78	\$76,424.44	\$76,420.88	
Interest & Costs		+,	+	+,	
Collected		2,802.89	16,396.68	26,004.38	
Unredeemed Liens					
End of FY		<u>110,115.39</u>	<u>64,644.21</u>		
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$153,504.06	\$157,465.33	\$102,425.26	
CREDITS		\$155,504.00	\$157 <b>,<del>4</del>05.55</b>	φ <b>102,<del>4</del>25.20</b>	
C					
Summary of Elderly Liens					
Beg. of FY		\$579.81	\$569.75	\$35,955.87	
Executed During FY	\$421.49	<i>\$3171</i> 01	<i>\$507115</i>	\$35,955.67	
Total Elderly Lien					
Debits:	\$421.49	\$579.81	\$569.75	\$35,955.87	
Line de core d El de d					
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY	\$421.49	\$579.81	\$569.75	\$35,955.87	
Total Elderly Lien	Ψ <b>-</b> 21.+7	φ379.01	ψυυν.1υ	φ.5.,755.07	
Credits:	\$421.49	\$579.81	\$569.75	\$35,955.87	

# **2015 INVENTORY**

Land, Impro	wed & Unimproved		\$83,790,171.00
Buildings:	Residential	\$123,883,300.00	
	Commercial	4,767,500.00	
			128,650,800.00
Public Utilit	ies, Electric & Gas		15,519,400.00
Manufacture	ed Housing		<u>2,876,700.00</u>
Total Valuat	tion before Exemptions		\$230,837,071.00
Exemptions			
Blind Ex	emptions	\$0.00	
Elderly E	Exemptions	(974,550.00)	
	stance Exemptions	(342,200.00)	
Total Exemp	ptions Allowed		<u>(\$1,316,750.00)</u>
Net Value of	n which tax rate computed		\$229,520,321.00
Total Proper	ty Tax Assessed		\$6,268,600.00
Veterans Ta	x Credit		<u>(29,750.00)</u>
Total Proper	ty Tax Committed		\$6,238,850.00
Property	Taxes	\$6,272,274.00	
Timber T	ax	1,175.72	
Excavation	on Yield Tax	2,571.60	
Land Use	e Change Tax	10,000.00	
Total Taxes	Committed to Collector		\$6,286,021.32

WHERE IT GOES						
	2014		2015			
Local School Appropriations	\$4,056,365		\$4,250,398			
State Education Tax	512,301		498,983			
County Assessment Ta	604,463		633,901			
Municipal Ta	905,879		915,318			
Breakdown of Current Tax Rate	•					
Municipal Town of Madbury Tax	\$3.82	15%	\$3.99	15%		
Strafford County Tax	2.54	10%	2.76	10%		
Local School (ORCSD) Tax	17.06	66%	18.52	67%		
State School Tax	2.28	9%	2.33	8%		
TOTAL	\$25.70	100%	\$27.60	100%		
from DRA Tax Rate Calculation sheet						



2015 Madbury Property Tax Rate of \$27.60

#### TREASURER'S REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2015

# SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF JANUARY 1, 2015

TOWN OF MADBURY:		
TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	\$2,295,559.02	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	250,316.94	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	32,154.55	\$2,578,105.51
LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:		. , ,
TD Banknorth - Checking	1,180.40	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	1,522.15	2,702.55
CONSERVATION COMMISSION:		,
TD Bank - Checking	14,131.46	
TD Bank - Certificate of Deposit	20,119.54	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	-	34,251.00
TOTAL CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2014		\$2,615,059.06
DEPOSIT MONIES RECEIVED:		
Tax Collector	\$6,574,476.44	
Town Clerk / Administrative	580,025.63	
Board of Selectmen	250,000.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	144,090.00	
Conservation Commission	6,042.09	
Library Dedicated Funds	1,110.80	
Interest on Investments	2,984.80	7,558,729.76
LESS ORDERS PAID PER:		
Board of Selectmen	\$(7,433,374.84)	
Conservation Commission	(1,000.00)	
Library Dedicated Funds	(294.27)	\$(7,434,669.11)
CASH AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2014		\$2,739,119.71
SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF DECEM	ABER 31, 2015	
TOWN OF MADBURY:		
TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	2,162,880.89	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	501,173.27	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	32,178.38	\$2,696,307.54
LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:		
TD Banknorth - Checking	1,351.15	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	2,167.93	3,519.08
CONSERVATION COMMISSION:		
TD Banknorth - Checking	39,293.09	
TD Bank - Certificate of Deposit	-	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		39,293.09
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2015		\$2,739,119.71

### CONSERVATION FUNDS Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2015

AVAILABLE FUNDS JANUARY 1, 2015	\$34,251.00
Added Revenue from the Town	
Unexpended Portion of Budget (Article 16) \$977.71	l
One Half Land Use Change Tax Received 2015 5,000.00	)
Total Revenue from the Town	5,977.71
Added Revenue from Other Sources	
Interest from Savings and Investments 64.38	3
Total Revenue from Other Sources	64.38
Total Funds Available	40,293.09
Less Expenditures:	
Contrib. toward SATWaSR Renna addition 1,000.00	)
Close NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	-
Total Expenditures	1,000.00
AVAILABLE FUNDS DECEBMER 31, 2015	\$39,293.09
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2015	
TD Bank - Checking Account \$39,293.09	)
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2015	\$39,293.09

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#### 2015 FINANCIAL REPORT BALANCE SHEET Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2015

	General Fund	Lib. Ded. Fund	Grant Fund	Capital Proj	Total Gov'tFunds
Assets				9	
Cash & cash equiv.	\$2,165,670.89	\$1,351.15	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,167,022.04
Investments	533,351.65	2,167.93	-	-	535,519.58
Investments held					
for Conservation	39,293.09	-	-	-	39,293.09
Taxes Receivables	267,001.21	-	-	-	267,001.21
Liens Receivables	220,003.68	-	-	-	220,003.68
Accounts Receivable	6,923.98	-	-	7,850.00	14,773.98
Interfund Receivable	-	-	25,780.51	3,000.00	28,780.51
Prepaid Expense		-	-	-	
Total Assets	\$3,232,244.50	\$3,519.08	\$25,780.51	\$10,850.00	\$3,272,394.09
Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$50,754.26	-	-	\$10,850.00	\$61,604.26
Tax Credits Payable	267.99	-	-	-	267.99
Due to State	465.00	-	-	-	465.00
Due to School Distric	t 2,018,365.00	-	-	-	2,018,365.00
Interfund Payables	28,780.51	-	-	-	28,780.51
Deferred Revenue	32.00	-	-	-	32.00
Conservation					
Deposit Payable	39,293.09	-	-	-	39,293.09
Total Liabilities	\$2,137,957.85	\$ -	\$ -	\$10,850.00	\$2,148,807.85
Fund Balance					
Unassigned Fund Bal	\$1,093,849.56	-	-	-	\$1,093,849.56
Restricted Fund Bal.	-	. ,	\$25,780.51	-	27,131.66
Committed Fund Bal.	-	2,167.93	-	-	2,167.93
Assigned Fund Bal.	437.09	-	-	-	437.09
Total Fund Bal.	\$1,094,286.65	\$3,519.08	\$25,780.51	\$ -	\$1,123,586.24
Total Liabilities		<b>**</b>	*** <b>*</b> ***		*** ***
& Fund Balance	\$3,232,244.50	\$3,519.08	\$25,780.51	\$10,850.00	\$3,272,394.09

\$953,126.99 General Fund Balance - December 31, 2014 \$1,094,286.65 General Fund Balance - December 31, 2015

#### \$141,159.66 Net Change In General Fund Balance

#### 2015 FINANCIAL REPORT Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2015

	General Fund	Lib. Ded. Fund	Grant Fund	Capital Proj.	Total Gov't Funds
Revenues					
Taxes & Interest	\$6,341,393.97	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$6,341,393.97
Motor Vehicle	344,844.08	-	-	-	344,844.08
State Shared Rev.	138,553.73	-	-	-	138,553.73
Vitals, Licenses &					
Permits	21,149.40	-	-	-	21,149.40
Charges for Services	27,378.13	200.75	-	-	27,578.88
Sale/Rent. Town Prop.	4,251.00	-	-	-	4,251.00
Reimb. & Donations	8,782.04	705.00	-	4,000.00	13,487.04
Intragovernmental	-	-	-	151,940.00	151,940.00
Interest on Invests	2,984.80	0.78	-	-	2,985.58
Grant Funds	-	-	4,698.00	-	4,698.00
Capital Project Fund		-	-	6,143.18	6,143.18
Total Revenues	\$6,889,337.15	\$906.53	\$4,698.00	\$162,083.18	\$7,057,024.86
Expenditures					
General Government	\$198,742.63	_	\$1,576.00	\$31,500.00	\$231,818.63
Boards & Coms.	15,010.60		\$1,570.00	1,000.00	. ,
Public Safety	285,363.99	_	900.00	26,460.00	312,723.99
Facilities, Streets	205,505.77	-	200.00	20,400.00	512,725.77
& Sanitation	524,863.40			42,643.18	567,506.58
Health & Welfare	29,262.05	-	-	42,045.18	29,262.05
Culture and Rec.	88,102.82	90.00	1,442.00	60,480.00	150,114.82
Trf. to Cap. Reserves	223,550.00	70.00	1,442.00	00,400.00	223,550.00
Trf. to Capital Proj.	223,350.00	-	-	-	223,330.00
Transfer to	-	-	-	-	-
Conservation Fund					
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-
County Allocation	633,901.00	-	-	-	633,901.00
School Allocations	4,749,381.00	-	-	-	4,749,381.00
Grant Funded Projects	4,749,381.00	-	- 3,455.43	-	4,749,381.00
Capital Projects	-	-	5,455.45	-	5,455.45
Total Expenditures	\$6,748,177.49	\$90.00	- \$7 272 12	- \$162.092.19	\$6,917,724.10
Total Expenditures	\$0,740,177.49	\$90.00	\$7,575.45	\$102,065.16	\$0,917,724.10
Net Change in Fund					
Balances	\$141,159.66	\$816.53	\$(2,675.43)	\$ -	\$139,300.76
Dalalites	φ1+1,139.00	φ010.33	ψ(2,075.45)	φ -	φ157,500.70
Fund Bals., begin.	\$953,126.99	\$2 702 55	\$28 455 94	\$ -	\$984,285.48
Fund Bals., end.	\$1,094,286.65			<u> </u>	\$1,123,586.24
r ullu Dals., Cllu.	φ1,077,200.05	ψ5,517.08	φ25,780.51	φ-	φ1,123,300.24

Dept #	Description	2015 Adopted/ Adjusted Budget	2015 Actual Unaudited Exp as of 12/31/15	2016 Proposed Budget
4130	Executive	50,230	44,285.48	54,900
4140	Election and Registration	1,000	791.01	4,520
4150	Financial Administration	75,450	67,823.88	80,007
4152	Assessing / Valuation	10,255	6,296.24	10,110
4153	Legal	30,000	11,469.21	30,000
4155	Personnel Administration	41,700	30,147.79	40,200
4191	Planning Board	13,160	9,178.43	13,195
4192	ZBA	1,000	637.17	1,000
4194	General Government Buildings	94,250	99,957.87	98,610
4195	Cemeteries	6,400	4,570.47	6,400
4196	Insurance	38,000	37,818.15	41,000
4210	Police Department	214,370	197,058.96	220,161
4215	Ambulance	3,528	3,528.00	3,750
4220	Fire Department	65,270	53,533.74	66,425
4225	Forest Fire	500	-	500
4240	Building Inspection	14,460	11,862.42	14,025
4242	Inspections Department	3,500	2,255.00	3,500
4290	Emergency Management	3,500	3,209.12	1,000
4299	Special Details	45,000	13,851.75	45,000
4312	Highway & Streets	345,500	341,555.22	350,000
4313	Bridges	-	5,073.26	-
4316	Street Lighting	1,500	1,282.14	1,500
4323	Hazardous Waste Collection	1,100	896.70	1,100
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	101,500	60,209.92	85,050
4329	Recycling	15,000	11,317.82	15,000
4338	Water	5,000	3,695.00	5,000
4411	Health	200	-	200
4414	Animal / Pest Control	18,000	17,955.00	18,000
4415	Health & Welfare Agencies	2,500	2,500.00	2,500
4442	Direct Assistance	15,000	7,057.05	15,000
4445	Other Assistance	1,750	1,750.00	1,000
4520	Parks & Recreation	9,800	9,186.49	9,800
4550	Library	57,589	53,853.60	58,734
4583	Patriotic Purposes	550	-	100
4589	Oyster River Youth Association	23,000	23,000.00	23,690
4619	Conservation Commission	1,500	1,500.00	1,500
4710	Debt Service	-	-	-
4810	Use of Donations	-	2,238.60	-
4913	Transfers to Capital Prj. Fund	-	-	-
	TOTAL OPERATIONAL	\$1,311,062	\$1,141,345.49	\$1,322,477

# 2016 PROPOSED BUDGET - Appropriations

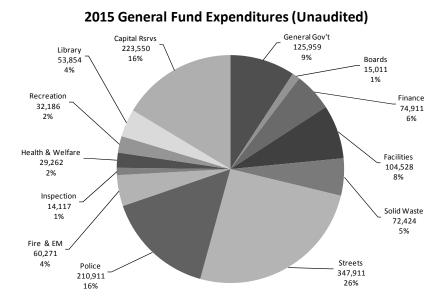
Dept #	Description	2015 Adopted/ Adjusted Budget	2015 Actual Unaudited Exp as of 12/31/15	2016 Proposed Budget
Special	/ Individual Warrant Articles	*		
4915	Transfers to Capital Reserves	\$223,500	\$223,500.00	\$265,000
4916	Transfers to Expendable Trust	50	50.00	250
	GRAND TOTAL	\$1,534,612	\$1,364,895.49	\$1,587,727

*The breakdown below provides specifics on this section of the budget.				
Special Warrant Articles:		2015	2,016	
Capital Reserve - Fire Equipment	2016 Article 5	\$42,500	\$49,000	
Capital Reserve - Property Revaluation	2016 Article 6	11,000	11,000	
Capital Reserve - Purchase Property/Easement	2016 Article 7	50,000	50,000	
Capital Reserve - Library Building	2016 Article 8	55,000	60,000	
Capital Reserve - Iafolla Reclamation	2016 Article 9	5,000	5,000	
Capital Reserve - Recreational Facilities	2016 Article 10	10,000	10,000	
Capital Reserve - Police Equipment	2016 Article 11	20,000	20,000	
Capital Reserve - Grounds Maint. Equip.	2016 Article 12	5,000	5,000	
Capital Reserve - Government Build. Repairs	2016 Article 13	10,000	10,000	
Capital Reserve - Bridge Repairs & Maint.	2016 Article 14	15,000	15,000	
Capital Reserve - Hayes Rd Repair & Repave	2016 Article 15	-	30,000	
Expendable Trust - Madbury Memorial Park	2016 Article 16	<u>50</u> \$223,550	$\frac{250}{$265,250}$	

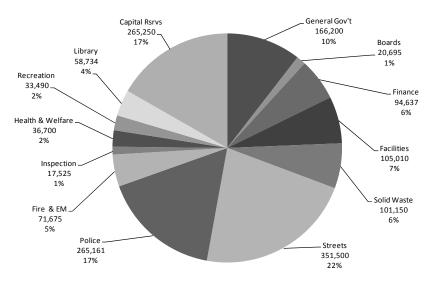


		2015	2015 Actual	2016
$\Delta ccount#$	Description	Town Meeting	Unaudited as of 12/31/2015	2016 Proposed
3120	Land Use Change Tax Revenue	\$ -	\$5,000.00	Proposed \$7,500
3120	Timber Yield Tax Revenue	φ-	1,175.72	1,000
3185	Excavation Yield Tax Revenue	-	2,571.60	2,000
	Interest & Penalties on Prop. Taxes	18,000	20,564.57	2,000
	Interest & Penalties on Tax Liens	22,000	45,203.95	24,000
	Int. & Penal. on Timber Yield Tax	-	338.79	-
	Planning Board Revenues		1,800.00	1,000
	Zoning Board Revenues		240.00	1,000
3210-027	Motor Vehicle Permits	280,000	344,844.08	312,650
3220	Building Permit Fees	280,000	13,500.90	7,000
3230 3290	Vital Records, Lics. Permits, Fees	2,500	2,548.50	2,550
3290-055	Transfer Station Permits	2,500	65.00	2,330
	UCC Filings	-	330.00	200
3290-030	Pistol Permits	-	250.00	200 100
3291	Excavation Permit Fees	-	150.00	100
3292 3293	Inspection Fees	- 500	2,265.00	500
3295	NH Rooms & Meals	70,000	2,263.00	70,000
3353		37,000	,	,
3359	NH Highway Block Grant NH Railroad Tax	,	49,674.22	40,000
		-	416.67	-
3360	NH Dept. of Safety Grant LEOP	2,500	2,500.00	-
3401-71	Town Office Fees	500	725.50	500 750
3401-73	Police Department Revenue	750	998.40	750
3401-74	Fire Department Revenue	-	960.00	-
3401-78	Library Revenue	-	20.29	-
3401-81	Cemetery Revenue	-	400.00	-
3401-83	Water Board Revenue	-	1,800.00	-
3410	Special Detail Revenue	40,000	22,262.50	45,000
3501	Sale of Town Property	-	3,500.00	-
3502	Interest on Investments	2,200	2,984.80	2,200
3503	Rental of Town Property	1,000	751.00	1,000
3504	Returned Check Fee	-	211.44	60
3506	Insurance Reimbursements	-	1,981.52	-
3508-71	Donations - Administrative	-	150.00	-
3508-73	Donations - Police	-	300.00	-
3508-77	Donations - Prk. & Rec.	-	300.00	-
3508-78	Donations - Library	-	1,732.97	-
3509	Welfare Reimbursements	-	4,317.55	-
3510	NH Reimbursements	-	172.14	-
3911	Transfers from General Fund	100,000		100,000
	General Fund Revenue Total	581,950	622,797.81	637,250
3110	Est. Amt. of Taxes to be Raised	952,662	883,257.34	950,477
(	General Fund Revenue Grand Total	\$1,534,612	\$1,506,055	\$1,587,727

# 2016 PROPOSED BUDGET - Estimated Revenues



## 2016 Proposed General Fund Budget



Date of Creation     Fund Name       3/8/1989     Cem. Com. Trust       1/2/1914     Literary       2/3/1937     Demerrith Cem.	Purpose     Depo     Balance     New     With-     Balance     INUUST FUNDS       Purpose     Depo     Balance     New     With-     Balance     IN       Purpose     Citzn     Beginning     Funds     With-     Balance     IN       Perpetual Care     Cop     27,250,00     1,250     0     28,500.00     7,317,54       Education     -02     228,00     0     0     228,00     7,317,54       Care of Lot     -04     100,00     0     0     20,000     7,217,54	Depo Citzn -09 -04 -04 -04	<b>Balance</b> <b>Balance</b> <b>Beginning</b> <b>Year</b> 27,250.00 100.00	PRIN( PRIN( New Funds Created 1,250	PRINCIPAL PRINCIPAL mds with- mds drawals asted drawals 1,250 0 0 0 0 0	<b>Balance</b> <b>Balance</b> <b>Year End</b> 28,500.00 228.000 100.000	Balance Baginning Year 7,317.54 2,011.47 729.62	0 2 3 5	Balance Year End 7,403.57 2,017.02 731.69	Grand Total 35,903.57 2,245.02 831.69
7/21/1921 Jenkins Cem.	Care Dementin Prk Care of Lot -07 Subrotal of Trust Funds	-07 Funds	2,241.00 200.00 30,319.00	$\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 0\\ 1,250 \end{array}$		2,241.00 200.00 31,569.00	6.727,8 1,701.18 20,487.39	4.66 126.14	0,/23.41 1,705.84 20,613.53	11,290.41 1,905.84 52,182.53
3/8/1994 Memorial Park Expndbl Trust 3/8/1994 Fire Equipment 3/14/2000 Property Reval. 3/14/2000 Buy Prop/Ease.	Cem. Maint. Fire Equip. Periodic Reval Buy Prop/ Easement	-10 -11 -12 -13	5,374.17 157,253.14 22,451.33 121,441.00	50 42,500 11,000 50,000	$\begin{array}{c}0\\31,500\\0\end{array}$	5,424.17 199,753.14 1,951.33 171,441.00	1,717.18 $506.95$ $60.80$ $31,128.87$	17.66 422.24 57.30 415.19	1,734.84 929.19 118.10 31,544.06	7,159.01 200,682.33 2,069.43 202,985.06
3/12/2002 Library Bldg. 3/9/2010 Police Equipment 3/9/2010 Rec. Facility 3/13/2012 Grounds Maint. 3/13/2012 Grounds Maint.	Library Police Equip Plan & Develop Land Reclam. Equipment Maior Bldor Re-	-14 -16 -17 -18 -19	250,000.00 17,368.20 46,000.00 55,000.00 15,000.00	55,000 20,000 5,000 5,000 5,000	10,630 26,460 33,000 9,000 13,500	294,370.00 10,908.20 23,000.00 51,000.00 0.00	5,877.95 23.49 51.86 65.84 4.63 14.48	673.92 49.96 111.01 137.77 34.57 40.11	6,551.87 73.45 162.87 203.61 39.20 54.59	300,921.87 10,981.65 23,162.87 51,203.61 39.20 12,682,59
3/12/2013 Bridge Repair Subtotal of Capital Reserves & Gen	Augor Drug WC     -21       pairs     -22       & General Fund Expendable Trust Funds	-21 -22 rust Funds	25,000.00 731,015.84 <b>761,334.84</b>	10,000 15,000 223,550 <b>224,800</b>	000,01 0 144,090 <b>144,090</b>	40,000.00 810,475.84 <b>842,044.84</b>	33,455.40 <b>59,427.79</b>	73.28 2,033.01 <b>2,159.15</b>	76.63 41,488.41 62,101.94	40,076.63 851,964.25 904,146.78

Madbury Trustees of Trust Funds: Diane Hodgson, Molly Hodgson, Robyn Gault

Madbury, NH Town Report 2015

#### WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING TOWN OF MADBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 8, 2016

To the inhabitants of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Madbury on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in the morning for the purpose of voting on Articles 1 and 2, and at 7:00 o'clock in the evening for action on Articles 3 through 23.

The polls, which open at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of voting on Articles 1 and 2 will close at 7:30 p.m. unless extended by vote of the meeting.

ARTICLE 1: To choose the following Town Officers: (Majority vote required)

A Moderator for the ensuing year

A Selectman for the ensuing three years

A Town Clerk/Tax Collector for the ensuing three years

A Treasurer for the ensuing year

An Auditor for the ensuing two years

A Trustee of the Trust Funds for the ensuing three years

A Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years

A Library Trustee for the ensuing three years

A Supervisor of the Checklist for the ensuing 6 years

ARTICLE 2: To vote to amend Town Zoning Ordinances.

AMENDMENT 1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1 to revise Article XIII, Section 3, to clarify the requirements for building on nonconforming lots? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 3: To choose all other Town Officers. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Million Three Hundred Twenty-two Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-seven Dollars (\$1,322,477) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$49,000) to add to the existing Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting, and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to add to the Property Revaluation Capital

Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of the revaluation of town properties. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2000 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchase of property and/or easements. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Iafolla Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of reclamation of land purchased by the Town from the Estate of Michael Iafolla. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of planning and development of recreational facilities within the town. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to add to the existing Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing police equipment.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for purchasing grounds maintenance equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the town will vote to establish a Hayes Road Repair and Repave Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of repairing and repaving Hayes Road and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250) to add to the Madbury Memorial Park Fund - Expendable Trust established in Article 6 at the 1994 Town Meeting for the purpose of maintenance and operation of the Madbury Memorial Park, to be funded by \$250 from the December 31, 2015 fund balance, which was increased by \$250 during 2015 from Cemetery Lot Sales. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 289:2-a, to deposit \$50 from the future sale of each cemetery lot into the Madbury Memorial Park Expendable Trust Fund, established in Article 6 of the 1994 Town Meeting, for the purpose of maintenance and operation of the Madbury Memorial Park. Recommended by the Selectmen and the Cemetery Trustees. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Madbury, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, as provided in RSA 72:39-a and 72:39-b, to be as follows:

For a person 65 years of age and up to 75 years - \$90,000

For a person 75 years of age and up to 80 years - \$110,000

For a person 80 years of age or older - \$130,000

To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five consecutive years preceding April 1st, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$40,000 or, if married, a combined income of not more than \$50,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$180,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Ballot vote- majority vote required)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the town will vote to authorize the conservation commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2016 appropriation as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, said funds to be placed in a conservation fund account held by the municipal treasurer (RSA 41:29). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will delegate to the Board of Selectmen the authority to accept dedicated streets in accordance with RSA674:40-a. This would authorize the Selectmen to accept subdivision streets as public roads without a warrant article at Town Meeting. This authorization remains in effect unless and until rescinded by vote of the Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town should help facilitate encumbering the recently purchased "Schreiber Property" and approximately 227 acres of abutting "Goss Properties" (in Madbury, Lee and Durham) with Conservation Easements (with public access), by authorizing the Selectmen to:

- Grant a Conservation Easement on the town owned "Schreiber Property" (Map 6 Lot 13-C) to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests if it purchases abutting "Goss Properties,"
- Accept a Conservation Easement on those portions of the Goss Properties the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests purchases to own in Madbury, and
- Negotiate terms and conditions relating to this three town conservation effort, including the granting of "executory interests" and/or "easement enforcement rights" to participating governmental funding agencies.

If this Article is approved, the Selectmen will expend funds from the Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund, and the Conservation Commission will expend funds from the Conservation Fund following Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission Public Hearings. In addition to acquiring approximately 192 acres of Goss Properties to own, the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests intends to acquire and hold a Conservation Easement on approximately 32 acres of property the Goss family intends to retain. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 22: To hear the reports of any Committees, Town Boards, and/or Commissions, and act on any motion thereto.

ARTICLE 23: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal the 15th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and sixteen.

Bruce E. Hodsdon	Joseph B. Moriarty	Robert E. Sterndale
	Board of Selectmen	

We certify that on the 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and sixteen, we posted a copy of the warrant at the Town Hall, Library, and the Town Clerk's Office being three public places in the Town of Madbury, as required by law.

Bruce E. Hodsdon	Joseph B. Moriarty	Robert E. Sterndale
	Board of Selectmen	

Strafford County, SS Town of Madbury and the State of New Hampshire. personally appeared before me, the above mentioned Selectmen, and took oath to the above statement.

Katherine K. Cornwell, Town Clerk

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 2015

Description Town Hall, Land & Buildings Furniture & Equipment	<u>Value</u> \$756,500 75,000	<u>Map/Lot</u> 7-13, 7-3A & B
Gangwer Purchase	65,800	7-21, 7-22
Hix Hill (Wentworth Property)	28,700	7-17A
Library: Estes Property Furniture & Equipment	258,500 75,000	7-14
Old Fire Dept, Land and Buildings	165,200	8-16
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	737,600	4-22, 4-23, 6-1, 8-26, 9-5A, 9-60, 9-60-L
Town Cemetery	145,900	6-4C
Hayes Rd/Cherry Ln Town Forest	14,600	5-14
Tibbetts Property	18,500	6-4
Schreiber Property	275,800	6-13
Safety Complex, Bellamy Water Rights	1,092,900	8-27
Police Furniture, Equip., Vehicles Fire Furniture, Equip., Vehicles	125,000 475,000	
Bellamy Conservation Parcel A Bellamy Conservation Parcel B	87,800 17,800	2-16A 2-16B
Hoyt Pond Conservation Area	27,800	9-68K
Tasker Lane Conservation Area	29,900	8-30
G & R Associates/Old Stage Rd	314,600 124,600	3-16 3-16A
Solid Waste Landfill, Land	633,100	8-4
All Land and Buildings acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds	<u>405,400</u>	1-31, 1-31A, 31B, 1-40 1-41, 1-44, 3-54, 3-32,
TOTAL:	\$5,826,400	

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

#### Looking Back

The year 2015 was a somewhat busy year for Town government.

In the roads department, some noteworthy items: Perkins and French Cross roads received major improvements and a large culvert on Cherry Lane was replaced on short notice.

This year's warrant includes the usual array of capital reserve appropriations designed to level the budget impact of large periodic expenses. Also included are a couple housekeeping items: updating the elderly property tax exemption parameters (Article 18) and delegating authority to accept new roads to the Selectmen (Article 20).

The Recreation Commission completed the half-mile fitness path at Tibbetts Field this year. Add another outdoor recreation opportunity in Madbury.

The Planning Board has put forth Article 2 designed to reduce the red tape associated with situations that really don't need their involvement. We appreciate their concern for the people they serve.

Other housekeeping tasks this past year: dealing with the State's decision to close the Town's liability insurer, updating old town safety ordinances (parking and fireworks) and implementing the State-mandated periodic town reassessment. Judging from the small number of issues arising, reassessment went well.

#### **Looking Forward**

If you live at one of Madbury's 700 or so mailing addresses, you received the booklet you are holding in the mail. The Selectmen decided to invest the cost of printing and mailing this year in order to better inform residents (especially voters) about Town affairs and to stimulate higher attendance at Town Meeting. Yes, Town Meeting in Madbury is traditionally a bit of a snooze (count your blessings), but we need you to stay informed and involved so it stays that way.

Thanks to Lorraine Morong's petition work and Janet Wall's follow-up, the State DOT has promised to do some (modest) work on Town Hall road in 2016. Sadly one of our busiest roads is in poor condition because the State has asserted responsibility for its maintenance but has not properly funded that responsibility.

Trees are becoming a growing concern: they keep growing... over and under our roads, and aging. Those grand old pines become hazards in their old age. Tree maintenance will be a priority in the coming year's road budget.

The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests has entered a contract to purchase and conserve the Powder Major property on Cherry Lane. Several State grants have been committed to support the project. This and a related proposed agricultural easement offer the very real prospect of protecting this very important piece of land from development in perpetuity. The Selectmen believe this is an enormously important prospect for the Town and have recommended a significant Town contribution to the project. Madbury would contribute a total of about \$75,000 in cash from Town and Conservation Commission funds and agree to a conservation easement (Article 21) on the Schreiber property (abutting the Powder Major tract) which the Town now owns with no encumbrances.

Our Library Trustees and Steering Committee are working to develop a proposal for a new library. Funding for this project will be considered at the 2017 Town Meeting. Their proposal will represent a new opportunity for the Town and a significant expense. Public information and input sessions will be held through the coming year. We will have an important cost-benefit decision to make next year: stay informed!

Recent proposals from the School District portend significant increases in the school tax rate.

#### Looking further down the road...

Madbury appears to be growing. Population is now estimated to be just over 2000! School population (average daily membership as reported by the ORCSD) is trending upward. A few new house lots have been created in each of the last two years. This is not a dramatic change but a continuing long term trend. Apparently people continue to find Madbury a desirable place to live.

Some big capital expenses lie ahead:

- Our 1988 fire truck will need replacement in a few years. We have a capital reserve in place (Article 5) but fire truck prices have gone up dramatically every time we buy one!
- We have two bridges that are nearing end-of-life. The State will pay 80% of the bridge replacement costs (when it has funds available) but our 20% share is significant, on the order of \$300,000. This is 5 years or so ahead (Article 14).
- Hayes Road will need a costly periodic repair and repaying (it has been 15 or 20 years). This is a much larger project than our typical road fix-ups and it does not fit in the annual road budget. A capital reserve is proposed (warrant Article 14) to spread that cost over multiple years.
- The Selectmen foresee a day when Madbury may need to establish a Public Works Department with plow trucks, road maintenance equipment and a facility. Our capital plan would have us open a new capital reserve fund as a small "insurance policy" for that eventuality at the 2017 Town Meeting.

Do you perceive a theme here? The Selectmen are concerned that expenses will grow faster than our tax base does. Implication: higher taxes. We need to start thinking about how to deal with this trend. For example: Do we wish to introduce other-than-residential zoning in town? This might add to the tax base with minimal increase in service costs. Our tax base is almost exclusively residential property, a difficult fiscal situation given New Hampshire's tax structure.

We residents choose Madbury for its rural, small town character. With these virtues comes a commensurate responsibility: participate. With a small population to draw from we need a high rate of participation to make the Town work: become informed, attend Town Meeting, vote. Give of your time and talents to support the operation of the Town.

The Selectmen greatly appreciate the civility with which we are treated by you the folks who look to us to deal with the Town's needs and problems. We are able to maintain a practical and low key approach to running the Town (in stark contrast to the heated rhetoric we sometimes hear elsewhere). The Town and the Selectmen are also very fortunate to enjoy the support of a capable and conscientious staff who also recognize that Town government exists to support you, not the other way around. We feel fortunate to live here and we hope you do too. Let's continue to work together to keep it that way.

Robert E. Sterndale, Chair

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Another year has come and gone, we remain focused on serving the community of Madbury. The department continues to train; I am committed to maintaining a high standard of well trained, professional officers for the town of Madbury. We continue to train with the Strafford County Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Unit and take part in other specialized trainings with the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council in Concord. We continue to hold joint training events at our station serving as a "host agency" for specialized trainings, not only for Madbury officers, but for other local agencies

This year we said good-bye to a few Madbury police officers, we wish all of them well in the future and thank them for their service. We also welcomed new faces to the department. Officer Steven Hyde was hired as a part-time officer and has been assigned to Police Prosecution due to he is an attorney by trade. Officers Austin Biery and Kelsey Townsend attended the part-time academy in the fall and have been assigned to patrol.

We remain committed to work with school officials for the safety of our children. I have asked for a School Resource Officer again this year, school officials have denied that request.

Our officers continue to work with and support members of our community who have become victims of crimes this year. We have had a number of complaints of computer related crime and bogus IRS calls. Please do not give out any of your personal information to anyone calling over the phone. Please report all suspicious activity to the police department and we will continue to assist you to the best of our ability.

We continue to assist parents whose children have made contact with the Madbury Police. Our efforts have allowed many juvenile first-time offenders to complete a court diversion program which performs community service instead of prosecution. This program helps them realize the importance of making responsible choices.

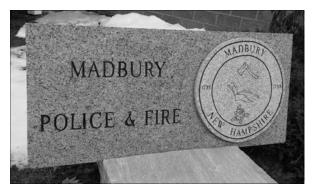
In another effort to reach out to Madbury's youth, the department has collaborated with the Madbury Fire Department to establish an Explorer Post. This program introduces children between the ages of 14 to 21 to emergency services so they can learn more about police and fire careers. This program meets Tuesday nights from 6-8pm at the safety complex.

The department is continuing to focus their efforts on making Madbury's roads safe for everyone. We have increased our radar patrols as well as placed our radar trailer in areas where residents noticed an issue of speed in his/her neighborhood. Residents are encouraged to contact the department for placement of the radar if they feel that it is needed.

I would now like to take the time to thank each individual officer on the Madbury Police Department for their dedication and hard work over the past year. Thank you to the Madbury Board of Selectman for their continued support of the police department, as well as the members of the Madbury Volunteer Fire Department, Strafford County Attorney's office, members of the UNH Police Department and the Troopers of the NH Troop A barracks. Finally, I take the opportunity to thank you, the citizens of the town Madbury

Respectfully submitted, Joseph E. McGann, Jr., Chief of Police

Madbury Police Department Act	ivities, 2015
Aid to Citizens	219
Aid to Other Agencies	58
Aid to Officers	5
Development Checks	1,781
Parking Tickets	46
Building Checks	10,264
House Checks	1,220
Escorts	3
Radar Checks	558
Motor Vehicle Warnings Issued	390
Criminal Warnings Issued	4
Summonses Issued	114
Motor Vehicle Arrests	1
Criminal Arrests	9
Other Department Arrests	3
Complaints	91
Accidents	66
Criminal Investigations	38
Reservoir Checks	875
Training	95
Off-Duty Court Appearances	1
Total	15,841



Safety Complex sign remounted by LandCare.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would like to thank the citizens of Madbury for their continued support over the past year. This year we welcomed new member Ben Wachowiak to the department. Ben came to us from Colorado, where he had completed his Firefighter 2 Certification. He resides with his wife and daughter on Hayes Road. In December we recognized Matthew Carter for 5 years of service and Captain Artie Boutin was named Firefighter of the year.

As a reminder, Fire Permits are required for ALL outside fires except when the ground is completely snow covered. Fire Permits may be obtained by contacting the Fire Department Duty Officer at (603) 617-0563, including Seasonal Fire Permits for fire pits, outdoor fireplaces, and chimeas. In addition, fire permits may now be obtained online through the NH Forest and Lands website https://nhdflweb.sovsportsnet.net. There is no cost for permits issued by any of the towns Deputy Forest Fire Wardens, but there is a \$3 service charge to utilize the States online service.

We are always in need of volunteers, especially town residents. If you have an interest in Emergency Service or helping your neighbors, please come and talk to us. If you have members of your household that are between the ages of 14 and 21 that are interested in Emergency Services or a possible career in the Fire Service, EMS or Law Enforcement, the Madbury Fire Department and Police Department jointly sponsor Public Safety Explorer Post 401, which meets every Tuesday evening.

Respectfully submitted, Thomas Perley, Fire Chief

2015 Madbury Fire Department Calls	for Service
Building Fire	7
Chimney Fire	1
Vehicle Fire	4
Outside Fire	15
Medical Aid	54
Vehicle Accident w/injury	7
Vehicle Accident w/o injury	11
Service Call	29
Good Intent	14
Cancelled enroute	5
Mutual Aid Station Coverage	5
Fire/Smoke Alarm	22
CO Alarm	1
Total Calls for Service	175

### PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board approved several applications received during 2015.

- 1. Subdivision for 7 lots on Hayes Road;
- 2. Subdivision for 2 lots on Littleworth Road;
- 3. Site Plan Review for home expansion on Bunker Lane;
- 4. Site Plan review for commercial building expansion on Route 108;
- 5. Site Plan review for commercial building expansion on Route 9;
- 6. Request to trim trees on a scenic road.

Eversource presented a review of its plan to install a 13-mile transmission line connecting the Madbury and Portsmouth substations.

Туре	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	Total
Subdivision	2	2	1	1	2	0	1	2	3	14
Site Plan Review	3	2	2	1	1	0	2	1	1	13
Home Occupation	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Voluntary Merger	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lot Line Adjust.	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	5
Other	2	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	7
Total	7	5	7	3	3	0	7	3	6	41

The following table shows the activity by the Planning Board since 2007.

Please note that the Planning Board maintains a website detailing Documents, Maps, Applications and Meetings. Give us a look at www.madburynh.org.

Respectfully submitted, Fritz Green, Chairman

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Madbury Zoning Board of Adjustment held three deliberative meetings during 2015:

Oct 15- A Special Exception request, approved pursuant to Article XIII, Section 1(c) to Gary Bissell, Map 3, Lot 13, at 212 Littleworth Road, to permit a 7 foot expansion on an existing garage.

Nov 9 - A Special Exception request, approved pursuant to Article V, Section 2(a) and Article XV, Section 2(b) to Sarah Greenshields, Map 10, Lot 7 at 314 Route 108, to permit an 800 sq ft addition to the north side of the building.

Dec 8 - A Special Exception request, approved pursuant to Article XIII, Section 3 (a) to James and Pamela Curran to replace a 14' x 60' modular home with a 28' x 65' modular home at 33 Bunker Lane also documented as Tax Map 11 Lot 13:33.

Respectfully submitted, Donald Sylvester, Chair

### MADBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Introduction

The trustees, volunteers, and staff of the Madbury Public Library have worked hard this past year to accomplish our mission to support reading, learning, information gathering, and idea sharing. Just as important is our role in creating a welcoming environment in a place that's neither home, work, nor school, though just as accessible. We strive to provide both the space and the reason to come together to create, share, imagine, and play. We look forward to nudging this vision of a uniquely Madbury library further along in 2016. First let's look back at a busy, vital 2015, where the statistics show how we've already tried to turn this vision into reality.

### Library Services & Statistics

**Collection.** The library collection consists of 14,251 books, audiobooks, and DVDs. In 2015, there were 6,293 visits to the library and our total circulation was 8,245. Our policy for acquiring new material is simple: If you ask, you will receive. (In other words, no reasonable request is turned down.)

**Downloadable ebooks and audiobooks.** Through the library's subscription to the New Hamp-shire Download Library, we have access to nearly 18,305 ebooks and 7,470 audiobooks. In 2015 our patrons downloaded 2,054 titles in both formats, a significant increase over 2014.

**Interlibrary loans.** We borrowed 682 books for our patrons and we loaned 527 to libraries across the state.

**Databases.** Madbury patrons continue to be enthusiastic users of the 23 NH State Library data-bases, many of which they are able to access from their own devices. There were 208 searches submitted to EBSCO, a magazine and news-paper database, and 114 articles were viewed. Two genealogy databases are also available: AncestryLibrary Edition and HeritageQuestOnline. In 2015, there were 6,226 searches in HeritageQuest and 2,150 in Ancestry.

### Programs

A library program can be almost anything that brings people together: a story time, book group, one-on-one computer training, a quilting bee, filmmaking workshop, a concert. In 2015 Madbury sponsored more than 150 individual programs, serving every age group.

### Children and Teens

In August we said farewell to Crystal Lisbon, who had been the Children's Librarian since early 2012. In October we welcomed her successor, Kayla Morin, who has jumped into the role with creativity and energy. By the end of December Kayla had added a third story time—one for school-aged children, kindergarten through fourth grade—and had included us among the libra-ries receiving MakerSpace kits from the NH State Library. Look for monthly STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) programs in 2016. Kayla also resumed the library's regular visits to Little Tree Child Care Center and has collaborated with her counterparts in Lee and Durham on school vacation events. One of our most successful programs is Read to Rosa, which took

place the first Monday of each month during the school year. We are grateful to Marsha Barden and her dogs Rosa, Grover, and Louie. Read to Rosa has, in fact, become so popular we plan to make this a twice monthly program in 2016. In April, middle and high school students were able to participate in a filmmaking workshop with Shay Willard. In June middle school students were able to have "Fun with Robotics," thanks to the efforts of Karen Jin and Camp EPIC, UNH's Summer Computer Camp.

### Summer Reading Program

Fifty-seven children signed up for the 2015 Summer Reading Program, with the theme "Every Hero Has a Story." We once again held several joint programs with our fellow ORSD libraries. Magician Andrew Pinard performed at our kick-off party, held at the Lee Safety Complex, which was attended by 145 eager readers. Wildlife Encounters and Lindsay & her Puppet Pals each held events in July at the Madbury Town Hall, and they attracted a combined audience of 275. We closed the summer with "Super Cold Science," a traveling show from the Museum of Science, Boston. In between the kick-off and close we held special super-hero story hours, stamped reading logs, gave away prizes, and had a very good time. We look forward to another busy summer in 2016, when the theme - Ready, Set, Read! - is all about sports. We are grateful to the Friends of the Madbury Library for making these rich offerings possible.

### Adults

Once again our calendar was full of programs for adults. There are two monthly book groups, a writing group, a weekly quilting group, and much more. We received two grants from the New Hampshire Humanities Council. The first was for a four-part (January through April) facilitator-led book discussion, "Making Sense of the Civil War." This intrepid group of 12-15 participants, led by Professor Emeritus Denise Askin, read widely from books, essays, and primary sources about the lead up to the Civil War, the war years, and the bitter legacy of Reconstruction. The evaluations were glowing: "… Gained so much awareness," "Thoughtful, meaningful dis-cussion," and "We

actually made sense of the Civil War!" The second grant was for an evening with New Hampshire author and craftsman, Kevin Gardner, called "Discovering New England Stone Walls." This took place at Town Hall on November 18, and the presentation coincided with the



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monthly meeting of the Madbury Community Club, who provided refreshments. Seventy attended the talk, during which Kevin, who brought a large bucket of stones, constructed a miniature stone wall.

### Volunteers

We could not have accomplished our mission without the help of volunteers. Many thanks to those who assisted with interlibrary loan requests, compiled photo albums documenting library events, cleaned and maintained the building and grounds, planted flowers and bulbs, kept com-puter hardware and software running smoothly, helped setting up the new website, and so much more. Thanks especially to, in alphabetical order, Lisa Amarosa, Marcia Barden, Janet Dunham, Eric Fiegenbaum, Noreen Gaetjens, Girl Scout Troop 22916, Don Melvin, Martha Mercer, Lorraine Morong, Suzie Noronha, Dorie Sterndale, Priscilla Polichronopoulos, Joan Valentine, and Ken Wolcott.

### Friends of the Madbury Library

We are so fortunate to have such good Friends! This active, supportive group met monthly to plan fundraisers and other activities, and their efforts made many programs possible. Among the special programs they funded include summer reading performers, school vacation events, and museum passes. We especially appreciated their help in 2015 with the start-up costs of our new website. Their fundraisers include the annual basket raffle, Madbury Day book sale, weekly book sales, and the annual appeal.

Officers of the Friends are: Peggy Wolcott (President), Vickie Myers (Vice President), Susan Cilia (Secretary), Joan Valentine (Treasurer).

### Trustees of the Library

Chairperson: Noreen Gaetjens Secretary: Betsy Renshaw Treasurer: Lisa Amarosa Alternate: Edna O'Sullivan Alternate: Laura Price

### Staff

Director: Susan Sinnott Children's Librarian: Kayla Morin Assistant Librarian: Peggy Wolcott Assistant Librarian (Saturdays): Liz Burbank Substitute: Patricia Banafato, Nancy Bergeron, Susan Morong



The library banner is carried in the Madbury Day parade.

### NEW LIBRARY BUILDING STEERING COMMITTEE

In 2015, significant progress was made in planning for our new library building. Since the Capital Reserve for the Library Building Fund was established at town meeting on March 12, 2002, Madbury residents have voted annually to support the construction of a new library facility. The Selectmen have designated a parcel of land adjacent to the Town Hall as the site for the new library. The new library building is intended to be a Public-Private partnership. In February of 2015, a Capital Campaign Steering Committee was formed consisting of Library Trustees, Friends, Staff, Selectmen and community members. The Committee determined that in order to begin to reach out to potential donors, a building design and accurate cost estimate were needed. To this end, a Building Steering Committee began the process of selecting an architectural firm to produce a conceptual design and cost estimate for the new building. In June, a Request for Qualifications was widely distributed to architectural firms and from the many responses four were chosen to submit proposals. The Committee conducted a site walk and discussion with representatives of the firms in July. Detailed proposals were received and reviewed in late August and interview presentations were held in September. After careful deliberation, Manypenny Murphy Architects of Portsmouth was chosen. It was felt that this firm had devoted considerable time and effort to learn about our town and community. They are a local firm, enthusiastic, innovative and sensitive to economic and budget concerns.

The Committee met with the Madbury Board of Selectmen on September 28<sup>th</sup> and the Board voted to approve the selection of Manypenny Murphy and to expend \$26,680 from the Library Building Capital Reserve Fund for the schematic design development process.

Committee members have been meeting regularly with architects, Brian Murphy and Emily Corbett. A survey of the site has been completed and conceptual drawings are being prepared. A community forum will be held in the near future to engage all residents in the design process.

We hope all residents will share in the excitement and challenge of working towards the goal of a new library building. With your help, the new Madbury library will not only be a cultural gathering center for learning and enrichment, but also uniquely Madbury, reflecting our appreciation of both the natural environment and one another. It will be a place all residents can gather; where as our logo says, "our community comes together.

Campaign Steering Committee Members: Noreen Gaetjens, MPL Trustee Chair; Peg Wolcott, FOML President; Susan Sinnott, MPL Director; Robert Sterndale, Selectman, Town of Madbury; Gene Anderson, EA, Tax and Financial Consultant and Madbury resident; Dan Clapp, Energy Consultant and Madbury Resident.

### **CEMETERY TRUSTEES**

The trustees continue to work to find the best balance between volunteer input and contracted professional work to produce the most cost-effective and satisfying results in maintaining the Madbury Memorial Park grounds. A rainy growing season and ongoing grounds maintenance programs in 2015 produced near optimal results. In other words, the grounds looked great and the grass and shrubs were healthy and lush. Also, because last winter's snow was so deep and long-lasting, there was almost no browse damage from deer.

The trustees would like to remind residents and those who maintain burial plots in the cemetery to use discretion when placing ornamental memorials and plants on monuments. This will assist the grounds crew when trimming close to the stones and help to keep the park uncluttered and free of decorations that will fade and blow away. The rules that govern use of the cemetery can be found on the town website. Granite posts on the fence by Town Hall Road and Cherry Lane are available for purchase to mount memorial plaques. There is also space in the Memorial Garden for placement of small memorial benches.

After many years of service Noreen Gaetjens is stepping down as a trustee, partly to concentrate on her other avenues of service to the town.

Finally, we hope that the quirk in state law that made necessary a warrant article each year to move the small amount of money earned from the sale of burial lot licenses into the Memorial Park Fund can finally be put to rest. Recent legislation to rectify the situation, and the article on this year's warrant, should allow the transfer of such funds to be automatic from now on.

In 2015, five lot licenses were sold and there were two burials.

Respectfully submitted, Roderic Hutton William Leslie Noreen Gaetjens



Snow was deep everywhere in 2015.

photo by R. Hutton

### WATER RESOURCES BOARD

The Madbury Water Resources Board concerns itself with issues of water quality and quantity in Madbury and the watersheds of the region. The many areas of interest are guided by the Town's Master Plan.

Kicked off by a display at Madbury Day, the Board offered water well sampling for town residents. The program was voluntary and the Board provided an incentive for sharing the data with the town by offering a discount funded by the Board's budget. The Board has done surveys in the past for volatile organic compounds and radon. This summer's survey repeated a previous survey from 2006 and tested well water for the standard analysis recommended by the state and EPA. In general, the results show that arsenic is the contaminant of most concern. It is dependent on the bedrock geology that the well is drilled in. Another common contaminant was coliform bacteria which is quite common in the environment, but of concern because it can indicate that a well may not be completely sealed from contamination by infiltration of surface water.

The Board reviewed several applications relating new drinking water supply wells proposed in or near Madbury. In Madbury, the Portsmouth Water Treatment plant applied for a replacement well near Johnson Creek. Portsmouth drilled an additional exploratory well as part of their well field, but will have to apply to NH DES if they wish to bring that well on line. Their intention is not to draw more water from the field, but to stagger well use under a seasonal management scheme. The City of Dover is developing a new well in Dover near their public works facility to replace a well in Madbury that has contamination issues from the New England Metal Recycling site in Madbury. The Board also reviewed communications between NH DES and New England Metal Recycling as they continue to work on the contamination issue and a long term permit for their site.

Revised FEMA flood plain maps went into effect in September of 2015. There is a hard copy set at the town hall and they are easily found on the internet. Overall, the new delineations show less flood plain in Madbury and fewer houses effected.

Research and testing continues on the town's Bellamy-Hick's Hill Water System. This system, originally developed for the Elliott Rose greenhouses, can draw water from the Bellamy River and store it in a reservoir on Hick's Hill. Selectmen Sterndale has been working with the Fire Department to test the integrity of the system. Some water was pumped into the reservoir and the system held pressure so it would appear the underground pipe is contiguous. Additional testing is planned for the coming year. One goal is to use the system to provide water to the hydrant at the corner of Rt. 155 and Madbury Rd.

The Madbury Water Board meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall. Interested residents are invited to attend and participate in the discussions.

Respectfully submitted, Garret Ahlstrom, Chairman

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission saw few wetland applications in 2015. There were a couple permit-by-notifications associated with power line maintenance. A minimum expedited application for a driveway access associated with a two lot subdivision on Littleworth Rd was signed by the Commission. The Commission did take some interest and commented to the Planning Board on Madbury's Shoreland Protection District as it applied to this subdivision. We were also attentive to a muli-lot frontage subdivision on Hayes Rd. Plans did not impact wetlands, but intermittent stream drainage was of concern.

The Commission learned of the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests' plan to purchase and conserve some 225 acres of land in Madbury, Durham and Lee owned by the Goss family. The land lies between Cherry Ln and Rt. 155 and surrounds some 60 acres of land owned by the town (Schreiber parcel). The Society plans to hold the land as a reserve making it available for low impact recreation, water and habitat protection. Historically, the land is associated with Chief Moharimet and Major John Demerritt, who is known as the Powder Major because he helped bring gunpowder to the Battle of Bunker Hill. The Powder Major's Farm and Forest Project is a private initiative, although tri-town support will be needed to complete the project. The Commission is supportive of assisting in the funding, as well as the town's granting an easement on the Schreiber parcel and receiving an easement interest in the Goss property in Madbury. There will be a significant private fundraising campaign associated with this project. It is unlikely that the town could complete the land protection on its own, and it should benefit from the property and trail management that the Society will bring to the land.

The Commission completed its monitoring of the four easements held in part by the town and did not find activities that would be in conflict with the terms of the easements. A modest sugar shack was built on the Fernald easement to support the production of maple syrup, which is an allowed use under the easement. Of concern to the Commission are some mountain bike trails built on the Hayes easement and town property. The trails are not a violation of the easement, but were not built with the permission of the landowners.

Last year the Commission was asked to help fund the purchase of the last privately held parcel in the 1,500 acre Samuel A Tamposi Water Supply Reserve in Barrington. This year at a public hearing, the Commission voted to provide \$1,000 in support of the purchase and an easement. We also agreed to fund with Portsmouth an appraisal for a parcel in Madbury abutting the Reservoir.

We welcome Emily Marshal as a alternate member. She has interests in conservation and local agriculture. In 2016, we hope to establish a subcommittee to allow Madbury residents interested in local agriculture discuss and plan.

As always, we encourage town residents to bring us their concerns, comments and ideas by letter, email, or attendance at our meetings. We meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair



One of several locations in Madbury that offer local products.



Volunteers count ballots after town meeting.

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# Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2015 and Dec 31, 2015

Date	Project	Dumming I crimes issued Deferention 1, 2012 and Dec 21, 2012 Owner L	Location	Est. Cost
1/26/15	Additions to existing home	Donahue, Jeffrey J	335 Knox Marsh Rd	179,000
4/13/15	New home as per plans	Horr, Andrew F.	21 Mill Hill Rd	300,000
4/27/15	Assisted living facility as per plans	Berndtson-Nadeau Prop. Mgt.	306 Knox Marsh Rd	1,300,000
5/4/15	Re-roof house	Hagen, Stephen C.	15 Garrison Lane	8,000
5/4/15	16 x 24 deck as per plans provided	Mckenna Jr, Conrad	2 Bunker Lane	6,000
5/18/15	12x16 shed as per plan provided	Grebeldinger, Randall	4 Fern Way	5,243
5/28/15	Re-roof of home	Staugaard, Burton	60 Cherry Lane	16,000
6/4/15	Replace kitchen cabinets	Rogers, Michael L	1 Moss Lane	5,700
6/15/15	24x26 garage with 12x20 breezeway	Kiefer, Abbie Nixon	3 Freshet Rd	101,000
7/16/15	26x24 detached garage	Maftei, Danut C	7 Garrison Lane	15,000
7/16/15	12x24 deck	Lababidi, Ziad	21 Garrison Lane	1,500
7/20/15	Re-roof of home	Dale, Lisa L	10 Jenkins Rd	5,000
7/20/15	14x16 deck with screened in porch	Cilia Revocable Trust	9 Champernowne	10,000
7/20/15	Re-roof home	Litvaitis, John	3 Hook Mill Rd	15,000
7/20/15	Kitchen and bath remodel	Gelsey, Giana	86 Hayes Rd	15,000
7/27/15	Add egress doors	Shaheen Enterprises, LLC	316 Route 108	3,500
8/3/15	Renovations as discussed	Couch, Joshua T	302 Knox Marsh Rd	7,500
9/10/15	Remodel bathroom area	Avery, Devin B	48 Moharimet Dr	8,000
9/14/15	Swimming pool - 20x38 inground pool	Eddy Revocable Trust, Catherin	2 Champernowne	42,826
9/14/15	New home as per plans provided	One Home Builders, LLC	Long Hill Circle	225,000
10/8/15	New home as per plans provided	Shaheen, William H	75 Perkins Rd	325,000
10/8/15	Porch re-build and re-roof	Diberto, Robert	326 Knox Marsh Rd	5,000
10/12/15	New home as per plans provided	One Home Builders, LLC	2 Long Hill Circle	270,000
10/15/15	Residential addition	Keith, Theodore & Jane	77 Hayes Rd	200,000
10/19/15	Re sheath, side and trim exterior of home	Mercer, David C	20 Garrison Lane	30,000
10/29/15	Add 7x7 roof over doorway	Raynes, Stephen J	52A Old Stage Rd	2,000
11/16/15	Addition per plans provided	Brown, Allan	22 Freshet Rd	34,000

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	Electrical Permits I	Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2015 and Dec 31, 2015	, 2015	
	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
	New home electrical	Taylor, Erica	172 Littleworth Rd	10,000
	Install 16 kw generator	Anderson II, Gene Carl	37 Nute Rd	2,698
	install mini split hvac	Zezula Revoc Liv Tr, Jerilee A	26 Town Hall Rd	800
	Upgrades to electrical system	Meeves, Martin L	25 Moharimet Dr	1,500
	200 amp service change	Cathcart, Hubert R	6 Sarah Paul Hill	600
	Electrical for assisted living facility	Berndtson-Nadeau Prop. Mgt. LLC	306 Knox Marsh Rd	130,000
	Electrical work for new home	Sedgewick, Lindsay	52B Old Stage Rd	10,000
	New nome electrical	Horr, Andrew F.	21 Mill Hill Rd	15,000
	New home electrical	Evans Revoc Trust, Dane	5 Evans Rd	7,000
	200 amp service and ac circuits	Shaheen Enterprises, LLC	316 Route 108	1,000
	Kitchen and bath plumbing	Gelsey, Giana	86 Hayes Rd	1,500
	New boiler	Linker, L Christian	17 Hayes Rd	5,500
	Repairs to home	Couch, Joshua T	302 Knox Marsh Rd	100
	Install heat pump	Melvin, Donald W	61 Moharimet Dr	18,000
	Install 10000 watt pv solar array	Janetos Jr., Paul E	123 Perkins Rd	18,000
	Electrical for breezeway/garage	Kiefer, Abbie Nixon	3 Freshet Rd	3,000
1	Kitchen electrical	Drugan, Robert C	15 Moharimet Dr	800
	200 amp service change	Brown, Kendra	53 Nute Rd	1,000
	Generator and electrical	Ramsbotham, Thomas	54 Nute Rd	7,550
	20 amp sub panel for garage	Maftei, Danut C	7 Garrison Lane	1,000
111	Electrical upgrades	Mercer, Joint Rev Trust 2014	79 Hayes Rd	3,000
	Solar array	Litvaitis, John	3 Hook Mill Rd	24,000

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Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2015 and Dec 31, 2015	Owner	Eddy Revocable Trust, Catherine	New Hampshire, University of	Jennison Revoc Tr, Allyn & Pat	Raynes, David	Diberto, Robert	Philbrook, Richard	Oyster River Coop School Dist	MB & GB Prop. Mgt LLC	Clapp, Daniel J	Melvin, Donald W	Sanders Rev Liv Trust, Marilyn	Mullen, Lori	Daigle, Robert N	Mechanical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2015 and Dec 31, 2015	Owner	Taylor, Erica	Clark Jr, Robert F	Prostkoff, Melvin E	Sedgewick, Lindsay	Anderson II, Gene Carl	Ramsbotham, Thomas	Berndtson-Nadeau Prop. Mgt	Boryszewski, Deirdre A	Evans Revoc Trust, Dane	Eastman, Carolyn Karatzas	Horr, Andrew F.	Jennison Revoc Tr, Allyn & Pat	One Home Builders, LLC
	Project	Underground electrical	Service upgrade to 400 amp	Stand by generator	Install 14 Kw generator	Upgrades to electrical	Solar array	Stand by generator	Electrical to garage addition	Add solar array to home	Solar array	Install 10 Kw generator	Alter generator system	Generator install	Mechanical Permits	Project	New home heat/ac and gas lines	Unitil to bring natural gas	20' gas piping for new range	New home mechanical, boiler	Gas line to generator	Generator gas line	Gas piping for generator	Gas piping	3/4" x 40' gas piping	New oil fired boiler	25' gas piping	Gas piping for stand by generator	New home mechanical
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Gas piping New home gas piping New home gas piping Tank and generator installation 15' gas piping Gas line for generator	Plumbing Permits Is Project New home plumbing Renovation plumbing New home plumbing New home plumbing Kitchen and bath plumbing Kitchen and bath plumbing Install 2 sinks and sewerage ejector Washer hookup Plumbing rough in for bathroom remodel Upgrades to plumbing New home plumbing New home plumbing	Summary of Permits: Building Permit Electrical Permit Mechanical Permit
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### OYSTER RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

In 2011, the Oyster River was added as a designated river to the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program and a Local Advisory Committee was established. The Oyster River Local Advisory Committee (ORLAC) is made up of representatives from the four towns through which the designated river flows. Currently, there is representation from the following communities: Barrington (1), Durham (1), Lee (1), Madbury (2) and UNH (vacant). The ORLAC would like to increase the representation to at least two per town. If anyone has an interest, the governing body of the town nominates representatives who are then appointed by the Commissioner for the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES). The duties of the committee include: advising on plans or actions that would alter the resource values or characteristics of the river, developing a local river corridor management plan, and reporting biennially to the State and annually to the towns.

In 2015, the Committee, with help from the Strafford Regional Planning Commission through a grant from NHDES, completed the corridor management plan for the river. The plan, which is not regulatory in nature, should go toward identifying actions towns might consider to continue protection of the river. It is available at oysterriverlac.org. The committee has also begun work on a virtual document library which will be a publically accessible depository for materials about the river. In the long term, NHDES has the responsibility to prepare and adopt a long-range comprehensive plan for each designated river which will address the management and protection of instream values.

The committee commented positively on three projects in the river corridor. We looked favorably on a proposal to replace an undersized culvert at Topaz Dr. in Barrington. The replacement structure would better handle high water levels and provide fish passage and refuge habitat. There was also a habitat improvement project, involving the removal of invasive species, along the river at the Spruce Woods easement in Durham. Finally, the IBEW training site on Rt. 4 in Barrington proposed a redesign which should improve the site's stormwater runoff into the river. Currently, the committee is awaiting information about Eversource's crossing of the river in connection with their Seacoast Reliability Project.

The committee currently holds meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at the Madbury Town Hall. The committee can be contacted through a general email address at: info@oysterriverlac.org.

Respectfully Submitted, Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair

### DRAGON MOSQUITO CONTROL

The epic winter of 2014-2015 lingered well into April. Snow and cold temperatures delayed the much anticipated arrival of spring weather. While winter weather may delay the start of mosquito season by a week or two, the adult mosquito emergence will catch up once the warmer temperatures arrive. In 2015, the first adult mosquitoes hatched by mid-May. The dry summer had a negative impact on anything that needed water for survival including mosquitoes.

Mosquitoes tested positive for West Nile Virus (WNV) in East Kingston, Manchester and Keene. A raven in Holderness has tested positive for WNV. One batch of mosquitoes caught in Newton and one batch in Candia tested positive for Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) this season. No human cases were reported in NH. Maine reported one human death from EEE in 2015. Massachusetts had nine human cases of WNV with two deaths and no human cases of EEE. Nationwide, drought stricken states had little to no EEE activity in 2015. Dry conditions favor WNV.

Adult mosquitoes were monitored at four locations throughout town. Nearly 1000 mosquitoes were collected in light traps, identified to species, and select species were sent to the State Lab where they are tested for diseases. None of the mosquitoes collected in Madbury tested positive for disease in 2015. Drag-on has identified 85 larval mosquito habitats in Madbury. Crews checked larval habitats 383 times throughout the season. There were 29 sites treated to eliminate mosquito larvae. In addition, 67 catch basin treatments were made to combat disease carrying mosquitoes. Spraying to control adult mosquitoes was not conducted last season.

The proposed 2016 Mosquito Control plan for Madbury includes trapping mosquitoes for disease testing, sampling wetlands for larval mosquito activity, larviciding where mosquito larvae are found, efficacy monitoring, and emergency spraying when a public health threat exists. The control program begins in April when mosquito larvae are found in stagnant water such as red maple and cedar swamps, ditches, and woodland pools. The mosquito control program ends in October when temperatures drop and daylight diminishes.

Homeowners can reduce the number of mosquitoes in their yard by emptying any outdoor containers that hold standing water such as buckets, trash barrels, and boats. Tires collect enough water for mosquitoes to survive.

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use our No-Spray Registry online at DragonMosquito.com or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, and a description of your property with boundaries. Otherwise, your property may be treated. Anyone who submitted a request in 2015 may contact the office to reaffirm your request. Inquiries may be emailed to info@dragonmosquito.com or call the office at 734-4144.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah MacGregor

### STRAFFORD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Established by state legislation in 1969 the regional planning commissions serve in an advisory role to local governments and community organizations. The Strafford Regional Planning Commission is composed of eighteen municipalities including all thirteen in Strafford County, three in Rockingham County, and two in Carroll County. Its mission is to assure that the region is responsive to the needs of its residents through cooperative actions with municipalities and federal and state agencies, through the implementation of regional plans, and through local planning assistance. Together these actions foster sustainable development and improve the quality of life in the region. The Commission's professional staff provide transportation, land use, economic development, hazard mitigation, water, public health, and natural resource planning services; geographic information services (GIS); data collection and analysis; facilitation; and project management.

2015 Specific Accomplishments in Madbury:

- Worked with municipal officials to identify vulnerable culverts that will receive a GIS hydrologic and hydraulic modeling analyses as part of a Coastal grant project of special merit.
- Held SRPC Annual Meeting at the Madbury Town Hall in May.
- Worked with Madbury (in addition to others on the byway) to create a Mills Scenic Byway Committee, which will develop a Strategic Marketing Plan for the route with assistance from SRPC.
- Conducted 1 supplemental traffic count (speed count) to support local and statewide planning efforts.
- Met with Town officials to solicit transportation projects for the Statewide Ten Year Transportation Plan.
- Distributed New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation books to local land use boards.
- Adopted an update to the Regional Master Plan Local Solutions for the Strafford Region.
- Adopted a Regional Broadband Plan and an updated Regional Housing Needs Assessment.

Goals for 2016 for the Region:

- Provide technical assistance through mapping efforts.
- Develop online web maps and applications for use by the public using ArcGIS online.
- Carryout Brownfields assessment grant for the region.
- Update the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Carry out SHRP2 performance measure project with NHDOT, MPOs, our communities, and other stakeholders.
- Continue to implement regional data collection and analysis in preparation for performance metrics.

- Continue local transportation planning tasks in support of safety, mobility, and access management.
- Use federal designation as an Economic Development District to provide municipalities with access to additional infrastructure and program development grants.
- Work with municipalities and businesses to attract new public and private investments to the Strafford region.
- Provide technical assistance to communities updating their floodplain and/ or stormwater regulations.
- Pilot an accounting and tracking tool in order to assist the region in complying with MS4 requirements.
- Continue to work with municipalities on efforts that improve drinking water protection.
- Boost the implementation of green infrastructure projects.
- Continue to provide education and outreach on multi- hazard mitigation strategies, and low impact development.
- Continue development in the following three planning program areas to benefit the region's communities: energy/utilities, community health and safety, and resiliency to climate adaptation.
- Enhance public health in the region through participation on the Public Health Advisory Council and Executive Committee for Strafford County.

We look forward to working with the citizens and officials of Madbury in 2016. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and for your continuing support of regional planning. Further questions or comments can be referred to Cynthia Copeland, AICP, Executive Director at cjc@strafford.org. We can be found on Twitter and Facebook! We also have a blog at http://strafford.org/magazine/.

Please visit our website at www.strafford.org for more information.

If you would like to receive E Bulletins from SRPC, please go to our home page of our website noted above.

Cynthia Copeland, AICP, Executive Director



### OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The 2015-16 adopted Strategic Plan continues to guide ORCSD initiatives. The School Board has established clear expectations that administration and staff are expected to accomplish. The Strategic Plan guides our work, the state and federal government mandates certain requirements, the NEASC accreditation process and community needs all influence our work. In order to successfully accomplish this work requires engaging the staff in meaningful conversation, regardless of their role in the District. Whatever is accomplished needs to be in concert with building leadership and directors whose success, in turn, depends upon staff engagement. Ultimately decisions need effective communication, thoughtful implementation and most importantly, focus on the needs of ORCSD students.

A few of the ongoing challenges include:

- The adoption of Eureka Math in grades K-5 is the first time the two elementary schools and 5th grade at the middle school united to implement one math program. It was the result of extensive research and discussion among all three schools. The choice of Eureka Math is tangible evidence that our schools are engaged in "system" thinking.
- The proposed 2016-17 budget includes Full Day Kindergarten. Historically, ORCSD has had a half day program. New and expanded expectations by the state and the District necessitates expanding to full day. ORCSD has been involved in this conversation since 2008.
- The middle and high school have begun conversations focused on ensuring continuity in programs and smooth transition for students moving from Grade 8 to Grade 9.
- ORCSD continues to be a high performing District exceeding state and national scores on the SAT and ACT. The District also exceeds state average on the new Smarter Balanced Assessment.
- High academic expectations by parents and teachers also means additional stress on the children. With that in mind, the District established a goal related to the mental health of our students.
- Research indicated that adolescent brains develop in such a way that high school should start later in order to maximize student engagement. The District is investigating a later start for the middle and high school.
- The NH School Approval Process and state law related to high school graduation require the investigation and implications of applying competencies and standards toward academic achievement. The elementary schools have been working toward this for the past three years. This year the middle school is investigating a competency based education model.
- A new teacher evaluation model was implemented this fall. A Districtwide team of administrators and educators developed a new approach that is based upon more numerous, but shorter visits by administrators into

classrooms. Another new feature of the adopted evaluation model is that every teacher must have three goals. A personal, a building, and a District goal, and at least one goal must be based upon data.

• ORCSD in concert with other NH school districts asked the state to abandon Smarter Balanced for high school students in favor of the SAT. As a result, this year's 11th grade class will all take the SAT, a test that has built in credibility for students and parents and provides the District with an indicator of college readiness.

These major discussions are on-going and reflect action on the strategic plan. It is a credit to all who work here that we work collaboratively and support efforts to improve student learning. We continue to be one of New Hampshire's finest public school Districts.

Sincerely, Dr. James C. Morse, Sr. Superintendent



Oyster River Middle School Jazz Band entertains at Madbury Day.

Decedent's Name Hatch Randy	<u>Death Date</u> 1/∩4/15	<u>Death Place</u> Madbury		Father's/Parent's <u>Name</u> Hatch I ann	<u>Mother's/Parent's Name Prior</u> to First Marriage/Civil Union Camenter Winifred
Walker, Ian	1/09/15	Dover		Walker, Ian	Carpenter, winned Peckham, Frances
Semprini, Eileen	1/26/15	Portsmouth		Walsh, William	Burchill, Sarah
/inslow	2/08/15	Franklin		Lobdell, Reginald	Winslow, Mae
Hubert	3/22/15	Madbury		Cathcart, Roland	Laney, Pauline
Mroz, Louis	5/22/15	Madbury		Mroz, Joseph	Hiller, Irene
Labrie, Marc	8/13/15	Wolfeboro		Labrie, Marc	Narcissi, Regina
Zarembo, Deborah	8/23/15	Rye	Graha	Graham Sr, Richard	Wilson, Vivian
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Pellegrini, Ryker Teixeira	2/	2/1/15	Dover, NH	Pellegrini, Stephen	Pellegrini, Vanessa
Keefe, Cassius Michael	3/1	3/18/15	Madbury, NH	Keefe, Michael	Keefe, Jessica
Rand, Jackson Philip	6/2	6/23/15	Dover, NH	Rand, Matthew	Rand, Rachael
Herring, Arabella Rae	3/	3/7/15	Lebanon, NH		Herring, Stephanie
Konieczko, Cila Prow	7/2	7/21/15	Madbury, NH	Konieczko, Stanley	Soucie, Rachael
Melvin, Lily Ann	10/	10/19/15	Dover, NH	Melvin, Alexander	Melvin, Erica
Losee, Edison Charles	10/	10/30/15	Portsmouth, NH	Losee, Andrew	Losee, Gretchen
Kelley, Odin Alexander	11/	11/21/15	Dover, NH	Kelley, Brandon	Kelley, Chloe

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<b>Person A's Name and Residence</b>	<b>Person B's Name and Residence</b>	Town of Issuance	Town of Issuance Place of Marriage	Date
Sasenbury Jr, Paul R; Madbury, NH	Colprit, Jeffrey D; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Madbury	8/2/15
Bassett, Emilie J; Madbury, NH	Martin, Craig M; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Harrisville	12/9/15
Valentine, Henry J; Madbury, NH	Boston, Christine M; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Madbury	9/19/15
Janelle, Leah M; Madbury, NH	Eastman, Parker L; New Castle, NH		Madbury	10/10/15
Meijers, Auke Gouda; Netherlands	Cole, Beverly R; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Madbury	10/19/15
Gormady, Christine A; Madbury, NH	Arnold, Lindsay T; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Stratham	10/24/15

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