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Front Cover: Old dishwater mill site on the Oyster River at the Powder Major Forest. Credit: Jerry Monkman/EcoPhotography.

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 2017

Moderator

Donald Goodnow (appointed)
Term expires 2018

Assistant Moderator

Wallace Dunham

Board of Selectmen

Joseph B. Moriarty	Term expires March 2018
Robert E. Sterndale	Term expires March 2019
Frederick W. Green	Term expires March 2020

Administrative Assistant

Eric Fiegenbaum

Town Clerk-Tax Collector

Lisa Amarosa, Term expires 2018 (appointed)

Deputy Clerk/Collector

Amy Avery, appointed 2017

Asst Clerk/Collector

Katherine K Cornwell, appointed 2017

Treasurer

Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom, 2018

Town Auditors

Linda Stewart, 2018 • Susan Cilia, 2019

Trustees of Trust Funds

Robyn Gault, 2018 • Judith Engalichev, 2019 • Diane Hodgson, 2020

Cemetery Trustees

William Leslie, 2018 • Sandra O'Neil, 2019 • Roderic Hutton, 2020

Library Trustees

Noreen Gaetjens, Chair, 2020 • Hope Flynn, 2018 • Elizabeth Cilley, 2018
Betsy Renshaw, Alt, 2018 • Edna O'Sullivan, Alt, 2018

Supervisors of the Checklist

Mary Ellen Reisch, 2018 • Patricia Lawrence, 2020 • Kathleen O'Shea, 2022

Planning Board

Mark Avery, Chair, 2019 • Marcia Goodnow, 2019 • Douglas Hoff, 2020
Thomas Burbank, 2020 • Casey Jordan, 2020
Wallace Dunham, Alt, 2018 • Robert E. Sterndale (*ex officio*)

Conservation Commission

Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair, 2018 • C. Thomas Crosby, 2019
Indulis Gleske, 2019 • John Crooks, 2020 • Katherine Frid, 2020
Alison Cloutier, Alt, 2019 • Elizabeth Cilley, Alt, 2019

Zoning Board

Gary Cilley, Chair, 2019 • William Taylor, Vice chair, 2020
Janet Wall, 2018 • Jack Meyer, 2019 • Sandra Heald, 2020
Gray Cornwell IV, Alt, 2019 • Lorraine Morong, Alt, 2019
Richard Erickson, Alt, 2020 • Donald Sylvester, Alt, 2020

Recreation Commission

Justin Corrow, Chair, 2019 • Susan Cilia, 2018
Nancy Hoff, 2019 • Matthew Parise, 2020
Frederick Green (*ex officio*)

Water Resources Board

Garret Ahlstrom, Chair, 2018 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2018
Michael O'Sullivan, 2019 • Janet Wall, 2019
Frederick Green (*ex officio*)

Building Inspector

Justin Corrow

Health Officer

Robert Gaetjens

Deputy Health Officer

Toni Kaplan

Overseer of Public Welfare

Bruce E. Hodsdon

Road Agent

Board of Selectmen

Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden

Thomas Perley

Assistant Fire Chief

W. Jim Davis

Police Chief

Joseph E. McGann

Emergency Management Director

Thomas Perley

Stafford Regional Planning Commission

C. Thomas Crosby, 2018 • Mark Avery, 2021

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

**RECORD OF TOWN MEETING
MARCH 16, 2017**

Moderator Frederick Green called the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire, to order on Thursday, March 16, 2017 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 Doreen Sterndale Melissa Walker

At 7:02 PM Moderator Green explained his expectations for the deliberative session to the assembled citizens (approximately 100). 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 2016 and to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those deceased include: Marilyn Sanders, Lois Polson, Amos Townsend, Connor Jacobsen, Allyn Jennison, Roberta Stearns, Jacob Carter, David Colprit, Jeanne Brown, Dorothy Lacey, Joan Burkholder, Barbara Busby, Laurretta Buddelmann, Virginia Lanoue, William Morrison, Robert Upton, Janet Dunham, Ruth Jakubowski.

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.

Article 1: The following Town Officers were elected by Official Ballot: (sample ballot on file)

Selectman for the ensuing three years.....Frederick Green
Treasurer for the ensuing year.....Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom
Auditor for the ensuing two years.....Susan Cilia
Trustee of Trust Funds for the ensuing three years.....Diane Hodgson
Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years.....Roderic Hutton
Library Trustee for the ensuing three years.....Noreen Gaetjens

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 for “accessory apartments” in Article V Section 4 to be consistent with NH RSA 674:71-73? Recommended by the Planning Board.
(Majority vote required)

YES (142) NO (13)

Amendment 2: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2 as proposed

by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to introduce language for “agritourism” in Articles III and V and to establish the requirement for a Conditional Use Permit consistent with NH RSA 21:34-a? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

YES (140) NO (17)

Amendment 3: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to eliminate embedded references to fees? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

YES (140) NO (17)

Amendment 4: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to clarify the requirements for Site Plan Review? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

YES (146) NO (12)

Amendment 5: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances to remove redundant statements? Recommended by the Planning Board. (Majority vote required)

YES (152) NO (6)

Article 3: Robert Hodgson of Freshet Rd. moved, and Thomas Perley of Littleworth Rd. seconded, a motion authorizing the Selectmen to choose all other town officers.

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

Article 4: Selectman Bruce Hodsdon moved, and Treasurer Deborah Ahlstrom seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Three Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-four Dollars (\$1,377,284) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles.

Selectman Hodsdon spoke in support of the motion. He stated that the Board had set a goal of a 2% overall increase and the actual increase is 2.12%. He remarked on the reasonableness of the budget and encouraged residents to attend the work sessions as well as the Budget Hearings. The budget is recommended unanimously by the Board of Selectmen.

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

PASSED (1 nay vote)

Article 5: Fire Chief Tom Perley of Littleworth Rd. moved, and Gray Cornwell of Nute Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise

and appropriate the sum of Fifty-three Thousand Dollars (\$53,000) 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.

Chief Perley spoke in support of the motion. The town has been putting aside funds for a number of years in expectation of purchasing a fire truck in 2018. There is an opportunity to purchase a ‘show’ vehicle which would be used this year as a demonstration model and then come to Madbury in late 2018. Selectman Sterndale explained this would be a lease/purchase, most likely there would be four installments and a multi-year commitment needs an approval of 2/3 of the voter. There may be a Special Town Meeting later this year, or there may be time to wait to vote for the remainder at the 2018 Town Meeting. The full cost will not be voted on tonight as it is not on the warrant. The Selectmen urge approval of this article.

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

Article 6: Selectman Bruce Hodsdon moved, and Chuck Goss of Cherry Lane 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.

Selectman Hodsdon explained the history, necessity and convenience of having some funds available to purchase property as it comes on the market. Without these funds a Special Town Meeting would be required to approve a property purchase. Michael Williams of Pendexter Rd asked if there is a ‘target’ amount of money for this fund. Selectman Hodsdon stated there is not a cap on the fund, nor do the Selectmen have an amount in mind. There has been a suggestion that if the fund reaches \$500,000.00 the Board of Selectmen would discuss a limit. Something usually comes up for purchase before this account reaches a point where it would be considered fully funded.

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

PASSED (1 nay)

Article 7: Selectman Sterndale moved and Tom Perley of Littleworth Rd. 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.

Selectman Sterndale explained that the state requires revaluation of all town properties at least every five years. 2015 was the most recent year for a complete revaluation. The town does incur costs for assessing every year, with a spike in the 5th year. It is better for the town to spread these costs across the five years.

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

PASSED

Article 8: Selectman Joseph Moriarty moved and Craig Stephan of Moss

Lane seconded, a motion 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.

Selectman Moriarty explained the history and purpose of this fund. The Board of Selectmen has no plan for the use of this land but wants to maintain it in usable condition for future use. About \$5,000.00 was spent on mowing, brush hogging and other maintenance in 2016.

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

PASSED (several nay)

The Moderator noted the time was 7:27pm. He stated the polls would close at 7:30pm so anyone who had not voted should do so without delay.

Article 9: Recreation Commission Chair Justin Corrow moved and Nancy Hoff of Hayes Rd seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum 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.

Mr. Corrow reported that the fitness trail at Tibbetts Field was completed last year, using most of the funds allocated to the commission. Funds are needed to maintain trails, trim trees and purchase equipment. A bench was installed to honor longtime resident and commission member George Mattson.

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

PASSED

The Moderator closed the polls at 7:32pm.

Article 10: Selectman Hodsdon moved and Tom Perley of Littleworth Rd. seconded, a motion 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.

Selectman Hodsdon explained the history of this fund. He said the department plans to replace one cruiser this year.

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

PASSED (several nay)

Article 11: Selectman Moriarty moved and Justin Corrow of Nute Rd seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) 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.

Selectman Moriarty explained the history and purpose of this fund. The selectmen expect to replace a small riding mower this year. Moderator Fritz

Green asked how many acres are mowed. Jim Davis responded that the town is responsible for 27.5 acres.

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

PASSED (several nay)

Article 12: Selectman Sterndale moved and Justin Corrow 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 Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting.

Selectman Sterndale explained the history and purpose of this fund.

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

PASSED (1 nay)

Article 13: 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.

Selectman Moriarty explained the history of the issues with the bridge on Nute Rd. which is on the state's 'red list'. State and Federal aid will cover about 80% of the cost to replace the bridge. Some money will be needed this year to have a study done on the wetlands and animal species affected by the placement and type of bridge.

Peter Rhoades of Sarah Paul Hill asked if we need to put away more money than requested. Selectman Moriarty said that the board will probably ask for more next year.

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

Article 14: Selectman Moriarty moved and Jim Kach of Nute 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 Hayes Road Repair and Repave Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 15 at the 2016 Town Meeting.

Selectman Moriarty explained the history of this fund. He stated that about 12 culverts will need to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$50,000. That work will probably be done this year.

Justin Corrow asked about driveway culverts. Selectman Moriarty stated that the landowner is responsible for driveways; however if town work impacts a private culvert the town may participate in remediation.

Wendy Beagen of Moharimet Dr. asked if the plan is to use traditional round culverts or the newer, flat bottom design. Selectman Moriarty said that has not been decided but that all plastic culverts will be used as they give about 15% more flow. Ms. Beagen stated her understanding that the flat bottomed ones are better for wildlife.

Selectmen Moriarty added that the town consults with the Strafford Regional

Planning Commission (SRPC) on possible sea rise/climate change issues which suggest we may need to make culverts larger.

Rick Ericson of Moharimet Dr. asked how long the project will last. Selectman Moriarty restated that the culvert work would happen this year and the repaving would be done over a 2-3 year period.

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

PASSED (1 nay)

Article 15: Selectman Sterndale moved and Library Trustee Noreen Gaetjens seconded, a motion 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.

Selectman Sterndale requested that a library representative speak to the motion. Peggy Wolcott of Old Stage Rd. thanked all who have supported the library over the years. She gave a history of the Madbury Public Library from it's beginnings in 1999, to having a warrant article in 2001, the move from a closet in the Town Hall to its current location in 2003. She praised the many programs offered, the connections created among neighbors and stated she believed it is a project worthy of support.

Trustee Gaetjens thanked the volunteers, professional and part-time staff. She talked about the history of the building fund including the creation of the Building Steering Committee (BSC) in 2015. The BSC has chosen ManyPenny Architects and has had a site survey, cost estimate and building plans created. The completion cost is estimated at \$1.3 million. The BSC is working to reduce this amount. It will be a public/private partnership. Private funding is sponsored by the Friends of the Library which has raised about \$130,000.00 in donations and pledges. The cost impact on tax bills is estimated to be about \$28.00/year on \$100,000. There would be about a 5% increase in the town's operating budget which equals about \$4.00/year on \$100,000.

Selectman Sterndale discussed the board's decision to contribute land and \$750,000. This article is similar to what has been warranted in past years. The library hopes to start building in 2018 and will need more money. To date the town has previously voted about \$365,000 to be placed in this fund. This leads to Article 16 which is a request for \$130,000 this year. A similar request is expected at the 2018 Town Meeting. Mr. Sterndale explained that the fund balance is money left at the end of each year that the town holds and may use in various ways. Some is used to offset the following year's taxes. Experts recommend anywhere from 5-17% of annual expenditures be held in the fund balance. In December of 2016 the fund balance was at 17%. The town has various known obligations with about 62% of taxes raised going to the ORCSD, 15% to the county and state, and the town keeping about 23%.

Constantine Engalichev of Freshet Rd said that he has always been proud of Madbury's debt-free status and tradition of saving for projects. He said there is a difference between wants and needs. Each year our public safety departments ask for meager amounts and explain why in detail. The library fund is at

\$365,000 and this is the first year we have had some detailed information at Town Meeting. Between Articles 15 and 16 the library wants \$190,000 this year. That is money that came from property taxes. Mr Engalichev has lived here since 1985 and appreciates the responsible fiscal policies. He believes the town is spending money on a potentially obsolete project. Public Safety will change as the population density changes. Crime is on the rise. He believes we will need a Police Department with full-time, more experienced officers. The Fire Department will also need to move to a paid model. Those are long term needs. There is new, state-of-the-art library 1.2 miles away in Durham. He has calculated that the cost per visit based on the projected building and operating costs of the Madbury project after ten years will be \$33.42 per visit, after twenty years will be \$22.49 per visit and after thirty years will be \$8.88 per visit.

Patricia Bastianelli of Miles Lane said she supports everything Mr. Engalichev said. She believes this is a lot of money for a small town. Property taxes will continue to rise and libraries are available in other towns.

Jim Kelley of Freshet Rd. said he is familiar with cost budgeting of projects. He thinks it is too much money for Madbury. He stated people in other towns are jealous of our Board of Selectmen because they have a history of being sensible with finances of the town. He is not in favor of this project.

Danielle Heaton of Moharimet Dr. stated she was told that her children could use the Durham Public Library once they were enrolled in school but that she could not patronize the DPL.

MPL Librarian Susan Sinnott asked permission to speak (she is not a resident of Madbury). A voice vote approved her request. She stated that the library is about more than visits. Many people use services from home as evidenced by the number of downloads. Libraries are not globally obsolete, they are being used differently. She sees a robust use of the MPL services.

Ms. Bastianelli asked if more than half of the use is off-site, why do we need this bigger building?

Indulis Gleske of Moharimet Dr. stated he is in favor of the project. He respects the reasonable decisions made by the Board of Selectmen. The idea of the library is to create community.

Brooke Keeler of Cherry Lane said she has two 9 year old daughters who use the library. She sees it as a need: a place to meet others, to work, to connect. It is a beautiful building that will add value to the town. She asked how much further the fundraising has to go. Trustee Gaetjens said that the more active phase of fundraising has just begun. About \$450,000 more is needed.

Gray Cornwell of Nute Rd. said he is not speaking for or against the project. He applauds and appreciates the people on both sides who have made their views known. He believes this discussion is what makes democracy great. He hopes that we can remember each person's opinion is important. He wants it known that he intends to ask for a paper ballot on Article 16 and thinks it might make sense for this article as well.

Vicki Myers of Moharimet Dr. sees many, many ways people are and will

use the library. She sees it as a “If you build it they will come” project. She has heard from many parents who support a local library.

Kevin Dreese of Hayes Rd said his family uses the library and feels it is awesome and has a great staff. He is concerned that this project is cost-prohibitive and wonders how much coordination with neighboring towns would be needed to have a great system?

Jim Kach of Nute Rd. appreciates the fiscal responsibility exhibited over the years by the Board of Selectmen. He thinks this goes back to needs versus wants. He noted that the interlibrary loan system works well.

A request for a paper ballot from 5 residents was submitted to the Moderator who verified they were in attendance. (Appendix A).

Molly Wade of Huckins Rd said she has lived in Madbury for 8 years but doesn’t know that many people. She believes the library is creating ways for people to connect and learn new skills. She urged residents to consider the power and potential of the library.

Selectman Sterndale stated that he appreciates the civil discourse of the meeting. He believes timing of the project is worthy of considerations. The money set aside is not growing and, in fact, may shrink over time. The Board of Selectmen is keenly aware of other needs in the town. The board is in support of building the library at this time.

At 8:55pm the Moderator declared the polls open. Inspector of Election Diane Hodgson explained the voting process. Registered voters proceeded to the polls. The moderator closed the polls at 9:10pm.

Article 16: Selectman Sterndale moved and Marcia Goodnow of Garrison Lane seconded a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000) to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. This sum to come from December 31, 2016 fund balance available for transfer. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Selectman Sterndale stated he thought the discussion of Article 15 had covered much of what might be said about this article. Gray Cornwell of Nute Rd said he believes there are 3 things to keep in mind: 1. The difference between wants and needs, the town already funds a lot of wants; 2. This money could be used to reduce next year’s taxes; and 3. That he is requesting a secret ballot. The Moderator verified that the 5 voters requesting the secret ballot were present. (Appendix B)

The Moderator announced the results of the vote on Article 15:

74 Yea 23 Nay PASSED

Tom Perley of Littleworth Rd moved the question,

The Moderator declared the polls open at 9:12pm. The polls were closed at 9:26pm.

Article 17: Eric Fiegenbaum of Moharimet Dr moved and Garret Ahlstrom of Drew Rd seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2017 appropriation as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, said funds to be placed in a conservation fund account held by the municipal treasurer.

Conservation Commission Chair Fiegenbaum explained the purpose of the fund. Some of the money is used to maintain trails. A little more than usual may be needed this year to take care of some illegal mountain bike trails.

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

The Moderator thanked Girl Scout Lea Chevalier who carried the portable microphone to speakers throughout the evening.

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

Conservation Commission Chair Fiegenbaum announced that the Powder Major land purchase had closed and Madbury, in cooperation with the Goss family, Durham, Lee and the Society for the Protection of NH Forests had preserved a large piece of land for the future. He thanked everyone who contributed to the project.

Lorraine Morong of Piscataqua Bridge Rd. shared a petition she wrote addressing concerns about well #5 the City of Portsmouth wants to put on line. Her petition requests the DES deny permission. (Appendix C)

The Moderator announced the results of the vote on Article 16:

Yea 58 Nay 35 **PASSED**

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

Selectman Sterndale rose to acknowledge the dedicated service of retiring selectman, Bruce Hodsdon. Mr. Hodsdon has faithfully served the town as selectman for 28 years and that time was preceded by service in many other ways. He coached youth sports, was a Planning Board member and then chair of the board. As Welfare Officer he has been compassionate and fair, working hard to help residents find what they need. He was presented with a plaque honoring his service. The audience gave a standing ovation.

Selectman Hodsdon stated that it has been an honor and a privilege to serve the town. He praised the quality of the people who worked with him, Treasurer Deb Ahlstrom, Administrative Assistant Eric Fiegenbaum, and the other two selectman, Bob Sterndale and Joe Moriarty. The audience responded with a longer standing ovation.

Peggy Wolcott announced that there was a cake honoring Selectman Hodsdon that would be served at the end of the meeting. She also announced the Ham and Bean Supper hosted by the Madbury Church on Saturday, March 18 at the Town Hall. All are welcome!

Selectman Sterndale added that town Clerk/Tax Collector Kitty Cornwell had told the Board of Selectmen that she and her husband are moving to Montana later this year and thus she will resign sometime in the next few months. He presented her with a plaque acknowledging 8 years of service to the town and thanked her for her dedication to the position. Treasurer Ahlstrom and Administrative Assistant Fiegenbaum also spoke thanking Kitty for working so well as a team with the Town Hall crew. The audience responded with a standing ovation.

Clerk Cornwell thanked the Selectmen, the other town staff, and the assembled residents for their constant support and encouragement. She said she is excited about the long anticipated move to be closer to family but will leave a large piece of her heart in Madbury.

Hearing no further business the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 9:55pm.

A social time was enjoyed by all present.

Katherine K. Cornwell, Town Clerk

Formally accepted by the Board of Selectmen on April 15, 2016.

Bruce E Hodsdon
Joseph B Moriarty
Robert E Sterndale



AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE for 2016

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



Madbury Day participant explores bubbles.



Retiring Moharimet School principal, Dennis Harrington, admires a driveway sign to honor his long and dedicated service to the children.

TOWN CLERK

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$388,965.25	
Title Fees	780.00	
Town Clerk/Municipal Agent Fees	<u>15,798.00</u>	
		\$405,543.25
Dog Licenses Issued (374)		
Town Fees	\$1,387.00	
State Fees	763.00	
28 Late Fees	83.00	
23 Civil Forfeiture Fees	<u>200.00</u>	
		\$2433.00
Marriage Licenses Issued		
6 Town Fees	\$35.00	
6 State Fees	<u>215.00</u>	
		\$250.00
Vital Record Search/Copy Fees		
45 Town Fees	\$148.00	
45 State Fees	<u>167.00</u>	
		\$315.00
Other Office Receipts		
79 250th Commemorative License Plate	\$1,580.00	
39 250th Commemorative	780.00	
101 Assessment Card Copies	200.50	
1 Deferred Town Clerk Revenue	3.00	
153 General Copy Fees	76.50	
51 Transfer Station Permits	51.00	
15 Pistol Permit Fees	150.00	
19 Rental Town Property	1,401.00	
2 Returned Check Fees	60.00	
1 Planning and Zoning Regulations	12.00	
2 UCC Filing Fees from State	450.00	
12 Voter Checklists	<u>300.00</u>	
		<u>\$5,064.00</u>
Total		\$413,605.25

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Year Ending 12/31/2017

DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes

Beginning of Year:

	Levy of 2017	2016	2015	2014 +
Property Taxes		\$231,902.60	\$584.00	
Land Use Change Taxes		15,020.00		
Yield Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$967.00)			

PRIOR LEVIES

Taxes Committed this Year

Property Taxes	\$6,700,630.00
LUCT	27,200.00
Yield Taxes	1,509.62
Excavation Tax	2,491.90

Overpayments:

Property Taxes	10,414.50			
Interest & Penalties on Late Tax	2,432.49	<u>14,922.08</u>	<u>9.46</u>	

TOTAL DEBITS	\$6,743,711.51	\$263,419.68	\$593.46	
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CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$6,719,839.43	\$126,928.23	\$57.00	
LUCT	27,200.00	14,994.91		
Timber Yield Taxes	1,509.62			
Interest (Include Lien Conv)	2,402.49	13,212.58		
Penalties	30.00	1,709.50		
Excavation Tax	2,491.90			
Converted To Liens (Prin. only)		104,917.37		

Abatements Made:

Property Taxes	\$2,925.75	\$1,632.00	\$152.00	
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Uncollected Taxes End of Year

Property Taxes	\$184,762.66		\$375.00	
LUCT	15,020.00			
Property Tax Credit Balance	<u>(197,450.34)</u>			

TOTAL CREDITS	\$6,743,711.51	\$263,419.68	\$593.46	
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SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

DEBITS

Unredeemed & Executed Liens	Levy of 2017	2016	2015	2014+
Unredeemed Liens				
Beginning of FY			\$85,058.33	\$57,749.32
Liens Executed				
During FY		\$114,315.94		
Interest & Costs Col- lected		<u>1,302.59</u>	<u>9,908.31</u>	<u>19,401.27</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$115,618.53	\$94,966.64	\$77,150.59

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer

Redemptions		\$54,133.19	\$49,415.58	\$57,749.32
Interest & Costs Collected		1,302.59	9,908.31	19,401.27
Abatements of Unre- deemed Liens		1,550.63	561.22	
Unredeemed Liens		<u>58,632.12</u>	<u>35,081.53</u>	

TOTAL LIEN CREDITS

	\$115,618.53	\$94,966.64	\$77,150.59
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Summary of Elderly Liens

Beg. of FY	<u>\$20,414.90</u>	<u>\$421.49</u>	<u>\$37,105.43</u>
Executed During FY			
Interests and Cost Collected			

Total Elderly Lien Debits:

	\$20,414.90	\$421.49	\$37,105.43
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Elderly Redemptions
Interests and Cost
Collected

Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY	<u>\$20,414.90</u>	<u>\$421.49</u>	<u>\$37,105.43</u>
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Total Elderly Lien Credits:

	\$20,414.90	\$421.49	\$37,105.43
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2016 INVENTORY

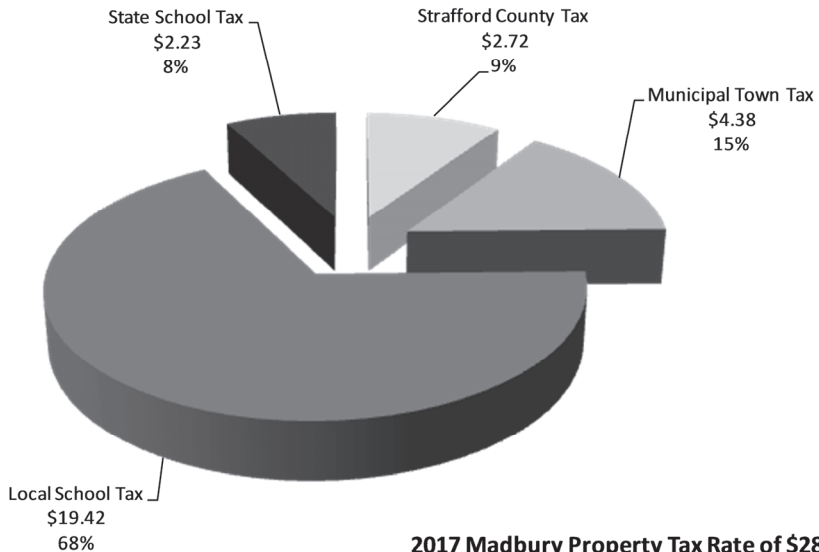
Land, Improved & Unimproved		\$85,411,898.00
Buildings: Residential	\$127,648,216.00	
Commercial	<u>5,763,700.00</u>	
	133,411,916.00	\$133,411,916.00
Public Utilities, Electric & Gas		15,519,400.00
Manufactured Housing		2,996,400.00
Discress. Preser. Easement		<u>(17,784.00)</u>
Total Valuation before Exemptions		\$237,357,398.00
Exemptions		
Blind Exemptions	\$0.00	
Elderly Exemptions	(1,504,871.00)	
VA Assistance Exemptions	(342,200.00)	
Solar Energy Exemptions	(167,300.00)	
Total Exemptions Allowed	(2,014,371.00)	<u>(\$2,014,371.00)</u>
Net Value on which tax rate computed		\$235,343,027.00
Total Property Tax Assessed		\$6,731,504.00
Veterans Tax Credit		<u>(32,250.00)</u>
Total Property Tax Committed		\$6,699,254.00
Property Taxes	\$6,700,630.00	
Timber Tax	1,509.62	
Excavation Yield Tax	2,491.90	
Land Use Change Tax	<u>27,200.00</u>	
Total Taxes Committed to Collector		\$6,731,831.52



WHERE IT GOES

	2016		2017	
Local School Apporpriations*	\$4,540,877		\$4,571,238	
State Education Tax*	507,800		490,740	
County Assessment Tax*	619,087		641,206	
Municipal Tax	945,160		1,028,320	
Breakdown of Current Tax Rate				
Local School (ORCSD) Tax	19.52	69%	19.42	68%
State School Tax	2.34	8%	2.23	8%
Strafford County Tax	2.66	9%	2.72	9%
Municipal Town of Madbury Tax	\$4.07	14%	\$4.38	15%
TOTAL	\$28.59	100%	\$28.75	100%

*from DRA Tax Rate Calculation sheet



**TREASURER'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2017**

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF JANUARY 1, 2017

TOWN OF MADBURY:

TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	\$2,789,991.20	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	325,101.03	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>32,346.27</u>	\$3,147,513.50

LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:

TD Banknorth - Checking	1,567.44	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	<u>2,319.34</u>	3,886.78

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

TD Bank - Checking	37,251.25	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>-</u>	<u>37,251.25</u>

TOTAL CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2017

\$3,188,651.53

DEPOSIT MONIES RECEIVED:

Tax Collector	\$7,132,611.30	
Town Clerk / Administrative	732,044.49	
Board of Selectmen	-	
Trustees of Trust Funds	335,155.05	
Conservation Commission	39,115.54	
Library Dedicated Funds	271.27	
Interest on Investments	<u>7,213.11</u>	\$8,246,410.73

LESS ORDERS PAID PER:

Board of Selectmen	\$(7,970,587.96)	
Conservation Commission	(25,000.00)	
Library Dedicated Funds	<u>(-)</u>	<u>\$(7,995,587.96)</u>

CASH AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

\$3,439,474.30

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

TOWN OF MADBURY:

TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	\$2,688,835.50	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	662,392.23	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>32,646.73</u>	\$3,383,949.46

LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:

TD Banknorth - Checking	1,784.52	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	<u>2,373.53</u>	4,158.05

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

TD Banknorth - Checking	51,366.79	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>-</u>	<u>51,366.79</u>

TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2017

\$3,439,474.30

CONSERVATION FUNDS
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2017

AVAILABLE FUNDS JANUARY 1, 2017		\$76,218.39
Added Revenue from the Town		
Unexpended Portion of Budget (Article 17)	\$1,114.00	
One Half Land Use Change Tax Received 2017	<u>18,030.00</u>	
Total Revenue from the Town		19,144.00
Added Revenue from Other Sources		
Interest from Savings and Investments	<u>148.40</u>	
Total Revenue from Other Sources		<u>148.40</u>
Total Funds Available		95,510.79
Less Expenditures:		
Contrib. to toward Powder Major Project	25,000.00	
Total Expenditures	<u> </u>	25,000.00
		<u> </u>
AVAILABLE FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2017		<u><u>\$70,510.79</u></u>
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2017		
TD Bank - Checking Account	\$51,366.79	
Deposit in transit at year end credit Jan'17	19,144.00	
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u> </u>	
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2017		<u><u>\$70,510.79</u></u>



2017 FINANCIAL REPORT
BALANCE SHEET
Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2017

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Lib. Ded. Fund</i>	<i>Grant Fund</i>	<i>Capital Proj</i>	<i>Trustees of Trust Funds</i>	<i>Total Gov't- Funds</i>
Assets						
Cash & cash equiv.	\$2,763,511.98	\$1,784.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,765,296.50
Investments	695,038.96	2,373.53	-	-	1,160,049.70	1,857,462.19
Investments held for Conservation	51,366.79	-	-	-	-	51,366.79
Taxes Receivables	129,456.86	-	-	-	-	129,456.86
Liens Receivables	93,713.65	-	-	-	-	93,713.65
Accounts Recvbl	3,109.51	-	-	-	-	3,109.51
Interfund Recvbl	2,441.54	-	13,187.61	-	-	15,629.15
Prepaid Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	\$3,738,639.29	\$4,158.05	\$13,187.61	-	\$1,160,049.70	\$4,916,034.65

Liabilities

Accounts Paybl	\$47,725.63	-	-	\$590.00	-	\$48,315.63
Tax Credits Paybl	197,450.34	-	-	-	-	197,450.34
Due to State	304.50	-	-	-	-	304.50
Due School District	2,112,765.00	-	-	-	-	2,112,765.00
Interfund Payables	13,187.61	-	-	2,441.54	-	15,629.15
Deferred Revenue Conservation	8.00	-	-	-	-	8.00
Deposit Payable	51,366.79	-	-	-	-	51,366.79
Total Liabilities	\$2,422,807.87	-	-	\$3,031.54	-	\$2,425,839.41

Fund Balance

Unassigned Fund .	\$1,315,831.42	-	-	-	-	\$1,315,831.42
Restricted Fund .	-	\$1,784.52	\$13,187.61	(\$3,031.54)	\$36,319.00	48,259.59
Committed Fund.	-	2,373.53	-	-	1,023,730.70	1,126,104.23
Assigned Fund .	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Fund Bal.	\$1,315,831.42	\$4,158.05	\$13,187.61	(\$3,031.54)	\$1,060, 49.70	\$2,490,195.24
Total Liabilities						\$2,425,839.41
& Fund Balance	\$3,738,639.29	\$4,158.05	\$13,187.61			\$4,916,034.65

\$1,313,898.77 **General Fund Balance - December 31, 2016**

\$1,315,831.42 **General Fund Balance - December 31, 2017**

\$1,932.65 Net Change In General Fund Balance

2017 FINANCIAL REPORT

Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2017

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Lib. Ded. Fund</i>	<i>Grant Fund</i>	<i>Capital Proj.</i>	<i>Trustees of Trust Funds</i>	<i>Total Gov't Funds</i>
Revenues						
Taxes & Interest	\$6,717,850.85	-	-	-	-	\$6,717,850.85
Motor Vehicle	405,533.25	-	-	-	-	405,533.25
State Shared Rev.	147,161.83	-	-	-	-	147,161.83
Vitals, Licenses & Permits	24,121.90	-	-	-	-	24,121.90
Charges for Services	42,841.95	\$212.08	-	-	-	43,054.03
Sale/Rent Town Prop.	2,001.00	-	-	\$2,360.00	\$2,750.00	7,111.00
Reimb. & Donations	30,889.43	55.00	\$188.00	17,901.82	-	49,034.25
Intragovernmental	(66,044.00)	-	-	43,000.18	429,550.00	406,506.18
Interest on Invests	7,213.11	4.19	-	-	10,655.76	17,873.06
Grant Funds	-	-	47,115.35	-	-	47,115.35
Capital Project Fund	-	-	-	335,155.05	-	335,155.05
Total Revenues	\$7,311,569.32	\$271.27	\$47,303.35	\$398,417.05	\$442,955.76	\$8,200,516.75
Expenditures						
General Government	\$230,590.11	-	\$1,678.80	\$12,971.54	\$7,080.00	\$252,320.45
Boards & Comms.	12,565.81	-	-	25,000.00	300.00	37,865.81
Public Safety	328,312.43	-	-	274,280.00	245,878.00	848,470.43
Facilities, Streets & Sanitation	486,219.45	-	52,544.23	89,197.05	82,197.05	710,157.78
Health & Welfare	25,317.14	-	-	-	-	25,317.14
Culture and Rec.	94,447.73	-	877.51	-	-	95,325.24
Trf. to Cap. Reserves	429,000.00	-	-	-	-	429,000.00
Trf. to Capital Proj.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Conservation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
County Allocation	641,206.00	-	-	-	-	641,206.00
School Allocations	5,061,978.00	-	-	-	-	5,061,978.00
Grant Funded Proj.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$7,309,636.67	-	\$55,100.54	\$401,448.59	\$335,455.05	\$8,101,640.85
Net Change in Fund Balances						
	\$1,932.65	\$271.27	\$(7,797.19)	\$(3,031.54)	\$107,500.71	\$98,875.90
Fund Bal., begin.						
	\$1,313,898.77	\$3,886.78	\$20,984.80	-	\$1,052,548.99	\$2,391,319.34
Fund Bal., end.						
	\$1,315,831.42	\$4,158.05	\$13,187.61	\$(3,031.54)	\$1,160,049.70	\$2,490,195.24

2018 PROPOSED BUDGET - Appropriations

Dept #	Description	2017 Adopted/ Adjusted	2017 Actual Unaudited	2018 Proposed
4130	Executive	\$60,680	\$58,907.21	\$64,410
4140	Election and Registration	1,400	576.00	3,280
4150	Financial Administration	83,933	78,072.00	90,068
4152	Assessing / Valuation	10,120	9,174.75	10,120
4153	Legal	30,000	16,521.34	25,000
4155	Personnel Administration	41,300	31,355.81	46,000
4191	Planning Board	13,455	6,095.55	13,150
4192	ZBA	1,000	200.26	1,000
4194	General Government Buildings	100,000	75,590.26	100,610
4195	Cemeteries	6,400	5,694.63	6,400
4196	Insurance	37,800	35,983.00	37,948
4210	Police Department	231,839	203,939.81	241,249
4215	Ambulance	3,098	3,098.00	5,009
4220	Fire Department	67,725	61,023.57	83,876
4225	Forest Fire	500	-	500
4240	Building Inspection	14,025	12,590.11	14,248
4242	Inspections Department	3,500	3,667.50	3,500
4290	Emergency Management	1,000	480.12	1,000
4299	Special Details	45,000	26,111.50	45,000
4312	Highway & Streets	355,000	342,681.51	394,400
4313	Bridges	5,000	2,280.00	7,000
4316	Street Lighting	1,500	1,297.39	1,500
4323	Hazardous Waste Collection	1,100	1,028.00	1,200
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	82,000	47,709.69	65,478
4329	Recycling	15,000	8,609.79	12,000
4338	Water	5,000	-	2,500
4411	Health	200	35.00	200
4414	Animal / Pest Control	18,000	16,720.00	18,000
4415	Health & Welfare Agencies	3,000	3,000.00	3,500
4442	Direct Assistance	15,000	4,562.14	15,000
4445	Other Assistance	1,000	1,000.00	1,000
4520	Parks & Recreation	9,800	8,295.22	9,800
4550	Library	59,859	57,808.43	60,918
4583	Patriotic Purposes	500	122.00	6,500
4589	Oyster River Youth Association	24,250	24,250.00	24,850
4619	Conservation Commission	1,500	1,500.00	1,500
4808	Use of Wentworth Family Trust	25,000	26,000.00	26,000
4810	Use of Donations	1,800	1,472.08	-
TOTAL OPERATIONAL		\$1,377,284	\$1,177,452.67	\$1,443,714

Dept #	Description	2017 Adopted/ Adjusted	2017 Actual Unaudited	2018 Proposed
Special / Individual Warrant Articles*				
4710	Debt Service (individual article)	-	-	\$54,000
4915	Transfers to Captl Rsrvs Raised	\$299,000	\$299,000	440,000
4915	Transfer to Captl Rsrvs Fund Bal	130,000	130,000	256,128
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,806,284	\$1,606,452.67	\$2,193,842

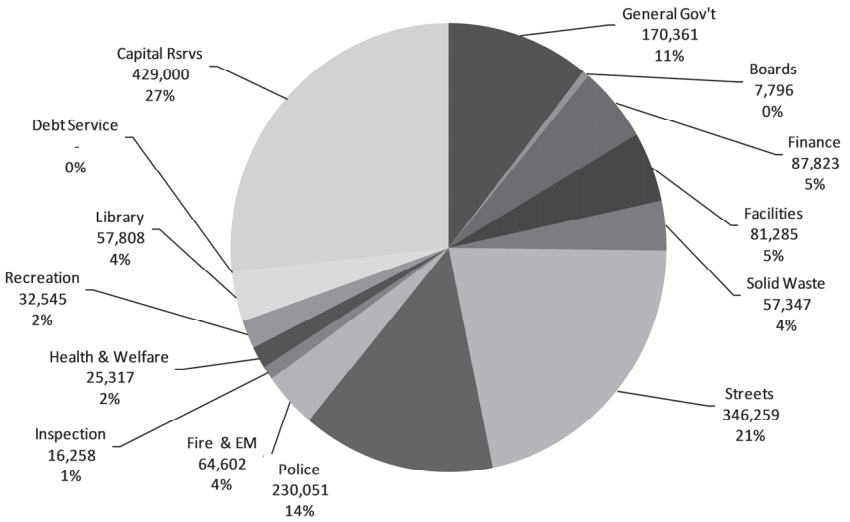
*The breakdown below provides specifics on this section of the budget.

Individual and Special Warrant Articles:	2018 Article	2017	2018
	Article 5		
Capital Reserve - Purch Prop./Easment	Discontinues	\$50,000	\$ -
Capital Reserve - Library Bldg (Fund Bal)	Article 6 contg.	130,000	226,000
Capital Reserve - Purch Prop./Easment	Article 7 contg.		30,128
Capital Reserve - Library Bldg	Article 8	60,000	195,000
Capital Reserve - Fire Equipment	Article 9	53,000	53,000
Lease/Purchase Fire Pumper Truck Body	Article 10	-	54,000
Capital Reserve - Property Revaluation	Article 11	11,000	11,000
Capital Reserve - Iafolla Reclamation		5,000	-
Capital Reserve - Recreational Facilities	Article 12	10,000	5,000
Capital Reserve - Police Equipment	Article 13	20,000	20,000
Capital Reserve - Grounds Maintnc Eqp.	Article 14	10,000	10,000
Capital Reserve - Govrnmnt Bldg Repairs	Article 15	15,000	15,000
Capital Reserve - Bridge Repairs & Maint	Article 16	15,000	25,000
Capital Reserve - Hayes Rd Repr & Pave	Article 17	50,000	50,000
Capital Reserve - Fire Communication Project	Article 18	-	50,000
Capital Reserve - CPA Audit	Article 19	-	6,000
		\$429,000	\$750,128

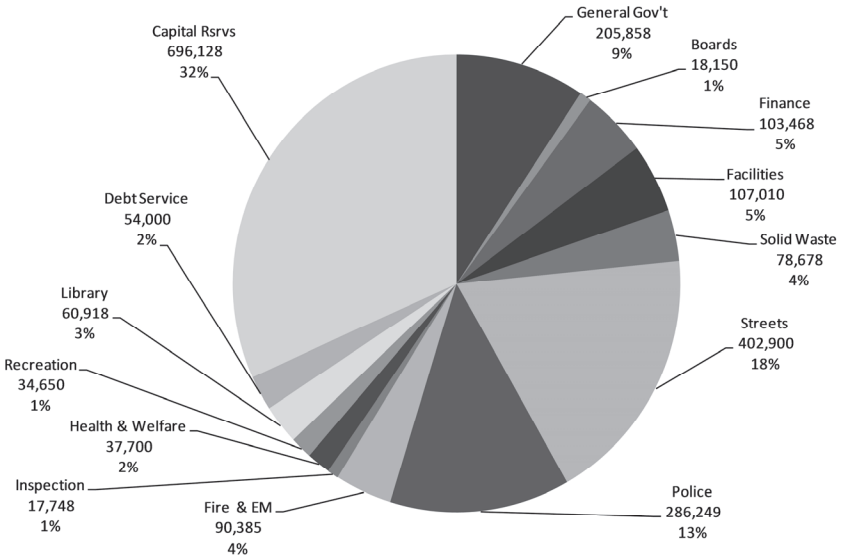
2018 PROPOSED BUDGET - Estimated Revenues

<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>Description</u>	2017 Town <u>Meeting</u>	MS-434 <u>'17 Ad- justed</u>	2017 Actual <u>Unaudited</u>	2018 <u>Proposed</u> Estim.
3120	Land Use Change Tax Revenue	\$5,000	\$9,170	\$3,010.00	\$10,000
3185	Timber Yield Tax Revenue	-	1,509	1,509.62	-
3187	Excavation Yield Tax Revenue	-	2,491	2,491.90	2,400
3190-020	Intrst & Penlts on Prop Tax	20,000	18,746	16,397.01	20,000
3190-021	Intrst & Penlts on Tax Liens	25,000	30,000	30,612.17	25,000
3190-022	Interest & Penalties on LUCT	-	-	948.52	-
3190-024	Interest & Penalties on Excav.	-	-	18.50	-
3190-025	Intst Elderly Tax Defrl Liens	-	-	-	23,500
3190-026	Intrst & Penlts Gnrl Asst Liens	-	-	30.02	-
3210-028	Planning Board Revenues	1,000	1,500	1,500.00	1,000
3210-029	Zoning Board Revenues	100	155	155.00	100
3220	Motor Vehicle Permits	312,650	380,203	405,533.25	352,650
3230	Building Permit Fees	7,000	12,274	16,449.40	7,000
3290	Vital Recrd License,Permit,Fee	2,550	2,234	1,849.00	2,550
3290-055	Transfer Station Permits	40	45	51.00	40
3290-056	UCC Filings	200	450	450.00	200
3291	Pistol Permits	100	100	150.00	100
3292	Excavation Permit Fees	100	100	100.00	100
3293	Inspection Fees	500	1,805	3,417.50	500
3352	NH Rooms & Meals	85,000	92,630	92,630.47	85,000
3353	NH Highway Block Grant	50,000	54,316	54,316.34	50,000
3359	NH Railroad Tax	-	215	215.02	-
3401-71	Town Office Fees	500	550	622.00	500
3401-73	Police Department Revenue	750	950	1,045.00	750
3401-81	Library Revenue	-	90	209.95	-
3401-81	Cemetery Revenue	-	-	150.00	-
3410	Special Detail Revenue	45,000	35,000	40,755.00	45,000
3501	Sale of Town Property/Equip	-	1,000	1,000.00	-
3502	Interest on Investments	2,500	6,421	7,213.11	5,000
3503	Rental of Town Property	1,000	450	1,001.00	1,000
3504	Returned Check Fee	60	60	60.00	60
3507-48	Wentworth Family Trust Gift	25,000	26,000	26,000.00	26,000
3508-71	Donations - Administrative	1,800	1,800	334.87	-
3508-73	Donations - Police	-	-	500.00	-
3508-78	Donations - Library	-	959	1,472.08	-
3509	Welfare Reimbursements	-	832	832.98	-
3511	Other Reimbursements	-	1,749	1,749.50	-
3911	Transfers from General Fund	230,000	94,160	(66,044.00)	306,128
General Fund Revenue Total		\$815,850	\$777,964	\$648,736.21	\$964,578
3110	Property Tax Revenue	\$990,434	\$1,028,320	\$959,649.11	1,229,264
General Fund Revenue Grand Total		\$1,806,284	\$1,806,284	\$1,608,385.32	\$2,193,842

2017 General Fund Expenditures (Unaudited)



2018 Proposed General Fund Budget



REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF MADBURY TTF ON DECEMBER 31, 2017

Date of Creation	Fund Name	Purpose of Fund	Depo Citzn CAP	PRINCIPAL (\$)				INCOME (\$)				Grand Total
				Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	With-drawals	Balance Year End	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Exp During Year	Balance Year End	
3/8/89	Cem. Com. Trust	Perpetual Care	-09	30,500.00	2,750.00	0.00	33,250.00	7,552.86	323.75	0.00	7,876.61	41,126.61
1/2/14	Literary	Education	-02	228.00	0.00	0.00	228.00	2,026.06	16.93	300.00	1,742.99	1,970.99
2/3/37	Demerritt Cem.	Care of Lot	-04	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	735.05	6.87	0.00	741.92	841.92
3/1/75	Adams/Jennison Btcenten.	Care Demerritt Prk	-05	2,541.00	0.00	0.00	2,541.00	8,800.81	93.47	0.00	8,894.28	11,435.28
7/27/21	Jenkins Cem.	Care of Lot	-07	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1,713.50	15.75	0.00	1,729.25	1,929.25
		<i>Subtotal of Trust Funds</i>		33,569.00	2,750.00	0.00	36,319.00	20,828.28	456.77	300.00	20,985.05	57,304.05
3/8/94	Memorial Park Expnbl Trust	Cem. Maint.	-10	6,074.17	550.00	0.00	6,624.17	1,765.03	66.65	0.00	1,831.68	8,455.85
3/8/94	Fire Equipment	Fire Equip.	-11	223,253.14	53,000.00	211,598.00	64,655.14	1,815.63	2,070.45	0.00	3,886.08	68,541.22
3/14/00	Property Reval.	Periodic Reval	-12	12,951.33	11,000.00	7,080.00	16,871.33	144.71	146.36	0.00	291.07	17,162.40
3/14/00	Buy Prop/Ease.	Buy Prop/Ease.	-13	221,441.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	221,441.00	32,443.17	2,244.63	0.00	34,687.80	256,128.80
3/12/02	Library Bldg.	Library	-14	311,398.33	190,000.00	0.00	501,398.33	7,824.73	3,741.12	0.00	11,565.85	512,964.18
3/9/10	Police Equip.	Police Equip.	-16	30,908.20	20,000.00	34,280.00	16,628.20	150.88	298.86	0.00	449.74	17,077.94
3/9/10	Rec. Facility	Plan & Develop	-17	0.00	10,000.00	8,750.00	1,250.00	39.14	32.33	0.00	71.47	1,321.47
3/9/10	lafolla Reclam.	Land Reclam.	-18	50,920.00	5,000.00	0.00	55,920.00	412.92	444.60	0.00	857.52	56,777.52
3/13/12	Grounds Maint.	Equipment	-19	5,000.00	10,000.00	6,947.05	8,052.95	47.67	75.89	0.00	123.56	8,176.51
3/13/12	Gov't. Bldgs	Major Bldg Repairs	-21	6,128.00	15,000.00	16,500.00	4,628.00	121.08	95.25	0.00	216.33	4,844.33
3/12/13	Bridge Repair	Repair/Replace	-22	55,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	70,000.00	262.67	520.02	0.00	782.69	70,782.69
8/24/16	Hayes Rd Repair & Repave	Repair/Repave	-7797	30,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	80,000.00	49.91	462.83	0.00	512.74	80,512.74
		<i>Subtotal of Capital Reserves & Expendable Trust Funds</i>		953,074.17	429,550.00	335,155.05	1,047,469.12	45,077.54	10,198.99	0.00	55,276.53	1,102,745.65
				986,643.17	432,300.00	335,155.05	1,083,788.12	65,905.82	10,655.76	300.00	76,261.58	1,160,049.70

Madbury Trustees of the Trust Funds: Diane Hodgson, Robyn Gault, Judy Engalichev

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF MADBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 13, 2018

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 thirteenth day of March, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in the morning for
the purpose of voting on Article 1, and at 7:00 o'clock in the evening
for action on Articles 2 through 25.

The polls, which open at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of voting on Article 1,
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 Selectman for the ensuing three years
- A Moderator for the ensuing two years
- A Supervisor of the Checklist for the ensuing six years
- A Town Clerk / Tax Collector for the ensuing year
- 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 Library Trustee for the ensuing year

Article 2: To see if the town will vote, pursuant to RSA 231:62, to authorize the select board to appoint a road agent to have charge of the construction, maintenance, and repair of all town highways and bridges and the maintenance and repair of all sidewalks within the town.

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

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Forty-three Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$1,443,714) 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 discontinue the Purchase of Land and/or Easements Capital Reserve created in Article 9 at the 2000 Town Meeting. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. 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 Two Hundred Twenty-six Thousand Dollars (\$226,000) to add to the existing

Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article is contingent on the passage of Article 05. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to establish a new Purchase of Land and/or Easement Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing land and/or easements, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand One Hundred Twenty-eight Dollars (\$30,128) to be placed in this fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. And further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. This article is contingent on the passage of Article 05. 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 One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$195,000) 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 Fifty-three Thousand Dollars (\$53,000) 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 10: To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a 5 year lease agreement in the amount of \$215,000 for the purpose of leasing a Fire Pumper Truck Body, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$54,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. 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 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 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 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 13: 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 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) 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 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) 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 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) 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 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Hayes Road Repair and Repave Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 15 at the 2016 Town Meeting. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 18: To see if the town will vote to establish a Fire Communications Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of participating with other departments in the region to upgrade the communication system, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund: and further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 19: To see if the town will vote to establish a CPA Audit Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a completing a CPA audit of the Town in a few years, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to be placed in this fund: and further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 20: To see if the town will vote to authorize the conservation commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2018 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 21: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify from Class VI to Class V the portion of Huckins Rd (formerly known as Long Hill Rd) from a point .19 miles from the junction of Huckins Rd and Long Hill Rd to the intersection of Long Hill Circle. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify from Class VI to Class V the portion of Hook Mill Rd from the intersection with Nute Rd. to and including, as noted on Plan 57-82 of 12-29-1999, the frontage along Map 2 Lot 11-A. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify from Class VI to Class V the portion of Cherry Ln from 1.4 miles from the junction of Town Hall Rd to the westerly side of the driveway for Map 6 Lot 11, being approximately 430 feet. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 24: To hear the reports of any Committees, Town Boards, and/or Commissions, and act on any motion thereto.

Article 25: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal the 19th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

Frederick W. Green

Joseph B. Moriarty
Board of Selectmen

Robert E. Sterndale

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.

Lisa Amarosa, Town Clerk

We certify that on the 26th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eighteen, 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.

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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 2017

<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Map/Lot</u>
Town Hall, Land & Buildings	\$756,500	7-13, 7-3A & B
Furniture & Equipment	76,000	
Gangwer Purchase	65,800	7-21, 7-22
Hix Hill (Wentworth Property)	28,700	7-17A
Library: Estes Property	258,500	7-14
Furniture & Equipment	75,000	
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	6-13C
Safety Complex, Bellamy Water Rights	1,092,900	8-27
Police Furniture, Equip., Vehicles	125,000	
Fire Furniture, Equip., Vehicles	495,000	
Bellamy Conservation Parcel A	87,800	2-16A
Bellamy Conservation Parcel B	17,800	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	3-16
	124,600	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:	\$5,972,000	

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

This annual report comes due following a difficult budget season. Right now it seems like 2017 has been...

THE YEAR OF MONEY.

The Selectmen have spent an unusual amount of time and energy this year on big money issues:

- What path can bring us to a new library?
- How should we arrange payment for that new fire truck?
- How do we ensure the Town is ready with its share of bridge funding when State funds become available for the Nute Road/Bellamy and Freshet Road/Johnson Creek bridges?
- How soon can we rebuild Hayes Road?

In the midst of these Madbury challenges, the State government is considering changes to rules for part time work by recipients of State retirement benefits that would adversely affect our current staffing and probably lead to substantial cost increases for Town payroll.

But that's not all! The distribution of State education funds to Madbury drops dramatically this year as a result of complex rules governing those funds. A significant tax impact results.

We could make a longer list but those are the elephants in the room. We will deal with these in various ways with various uncertainties, costs and tax impacts. Juggling all of them for an optimum result is like solving a Rubik's Cube.

Respecting a key objective of the Master Plan and the taxpayers' imperative, the Selectmen strive to keep the Town's share of taxes "stable", avoiding Town budget spikes that would hurt your budget. Realize that the Town keeps about one out of every seven dollars of your property tax dollars, the balance goes to school, county and state.

Toward this end, the Town has traditionally used installment payments to capital reserves (a kind of official piggy bank) to save up enough money for major expenses over a period of years. This pay-as-you-go (actually pay-in-advance) approach has served us well and been the source of considerable civic pride for many years. Today, however, our current schedule of capital projects does not reconcile nicely with both a stable tax rate and our pay-as-you-go tradition.

We see two fundamental concerns with the pay-in-advance approach:

- In recent years, the money held in capital reserves is essentially shrinking over time. Inflation exceeds the meager interest available on our savings.
- The benefits of these investments accrue to residents in years subsequent to the expenditure, not necessarily to those who made the installment payments in advance.

Prudent financial management requires us to pay attention to the first concern. The latter is a matter of fundamental fairness.

Decades ago, our population consisted of more life-long residents for whom paying now and using later was a fair proposition. Now a significant portion of

our population consists of families who will be here for the duration of their child rearing and then move on perhaps to communities less attractive for families but with lower tax rates and housing options more appropriate for their circumstance. In this current situation, borrowing would shift costs toward the beneficiaries of future investments (e.g. the people who benefit from a new fire truck are those who live here when the truck is in service, not necessarily the same people who paid in advance for a truck we didn't own yet).

The Selectmen have marshalled the budget elephants into the warrant published in the annual Town Report but this much seems clear:

- Borrowing will likely have a place in Madbury's financial planning in the near future.
- The Town's portion of your property tax rate will not be shrinking
- A broader tax base would help slow Town tax rate increases.

This last item deserves consideration. Is the Town willing to consider zoning changes that would allow non-residential uses in some areas? If so, what uses? in what areas? ...and how much tax benefit could we really hope to achieve?

Respectfully submitted.
Robert Sterndale, Selectman



Ageing culvert on Hayes Rd.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

2017 has come to an end. This year the members of the police department again remain committed to serving you.

2017 was a busy year. Again, we experienced turnover in our staff. Officers have left to pursue either full time police employment or are leaving the career altogether. Times are changing for law enforcement nationwide. This has caused some officers to leave the field of law enforcement. We wish them all well in their future endeavors.

In 2017, we hired Officer Derek Poirier – a full time certified Officer with the New Castle Police Department and Ms. Jean Ewen as our new Police Administrative Assistant.

The department continues with annual specialized training in various fields as required by New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council.

We continue to seek highly – qualified individuals who want to serve this community. Additionally, we work cooperatively with our neighboring police agencies. At this time, I would like to thank the members of the NH State Police, Troop A; the University Police Department, under Chief Paul Dean, the UNH Dispatch Center; the Strafford County Attorney’s Office, the Strafford County Child Advocates Domestic Violence Unit; the Strafford County Superior Court; and the 7th District Court in Dover.

In closing a special thanks to my staff, to the Madbury Board of Selectmen, Madbury Fire Department – Chief Perley and Assistant Chief Jim Davis for their continued support, and to you the Madbury Community.

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



“To Protect and Serve”

Madbury Police Department Activities, 2017

Aid to Citizens	96
Aid to Other Agencies	72
Development Checks	869
Building Checks	4,477
Escorts	6
Radar Checks	317
Parking Tickets	10
MV Warnings Issued	161
Criminal Warnings Issued	1
MV Summonses	50
MV Arrests	2
Criminal Arrests	9
Complaints	156
Accidents	49
<u>Criminal Investigations</u>	<u>6</u>
Total	6,281



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

During 2017 there was one Zoning Board of Adjustment deliberation meeting. We granted two variances to Lone Oak Realty Trust, Map 2, Lot 21 at 50 Huckins Road. The first was a variance from Article IX, Section 4.B.1, allowing the construction in the Wet Area Conservation Overlay District. The second variance from the same article, but Section 4.B.3, allowed the applicant to alter the surface configuration of the land, including associated buildings by setbacks from wet areas, as proposed in the plan submitted on November 18, 2016. The variance was granted with no conditions.

An additional meeting was held in May to elect officers. One new regular member and one new alternate member were added.

Gary Cilley, Chair

FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would like to thank the citizens of Madbury for their continued support over the past year. We would like to recognize Artie Boutin for 20 years of service and Ken Wolcott for 55 years of faithful service.

This year our members completed many hours of training this year including Driver-Operator Training, Breathing Apparatus, Cold Water/Ice Rescue, Scene Safety, Rescue Tool Operation, ATV Operation, Ventilation, Hose Operations, Ladders and Chimney Fires.

We are always in need of volunteers. The United States is experiencing a severe shortage of fire service volunteers, and the Madbury Fire Department is no exception, if you have an interest in Emergency Service or helping your neighbors, please come and talk to us. Even if you don't feel that responding to emergencies is for you, we could use help around the station making sure that our equipment is always ready. Additionally, 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, contact the Madbury Fire Department (742-1164) or the Madbury Police Department (742-5566) for more information.

Respectfully Submitted,
Thomas Perley
Fire Chief

2017 Madbury Fire Department Calls for Service

Building Fire	7
Vehicle Fire	1
Outside Fire	7
Medical Aid	97
Vehicle Accident w/injury	9
Vehicle Accident w/injury	13
Hazardous Condition	37
Service Call	10
Good Intent	5
Mutual Aid Station Coverage	11
<u>Alarm Activation</u>	<u>24</u>
Total Calls for Service	221

PLANNING BOARD

This past year the planning board saw several membership changes. Fritz Green departed the board to assume duties as a Selectman. It was a pleasure working with Fritz and we appreciate his continued service to the town. Jack Mettee stepped down as the town's planning consultant. Jack served Madbury for many years and has been an invaluable source of knowledge and guidance for the board. He will be greatly missed. The board also welcomed Casey Jordan as a new member and Desirea Owens as the new Recording Secretary.

During the year the board held numerous preliminary hearings providing property owners the opportunity to discuss development possibilities. The board also approved a new three lot subdivision on Hayes Road, lot line adjustments on Evans and Jenkins Roads, and minor changes to existing plans on Cherry Lane and Knox Marsh Road. Significantly, the board also approved the town's first agritourism permit, which will allow the Powder Major's Farm to host a variety of on-farm events.

The board also worked to update several of Madbury's ordinances and regulations. The board finished revising Madbury's accessory apartment ordinance and completed zoning changes that will allow agritourism operations in Madbury. Both of these issues were approved by voters at the 2017 town meeting. Additionally, the board initiated efforts to revise expiration dates for conditions of approval and to clarify requirements for lot line adjustments.

As part of its ongoing revision of the Town's Master Plan, the board also conducted public outreach events to gather recommendations on the town's character, growth, and development. Overall, residents supported Madbury's vision as, "a quality residential community that preserves and maintains the Town's historic and rural character." Additional public suggestions are welcome.

In addition to the above, the board worked collaboratively with the Selectmen, UNH Cooperative Extension and UNH Sea Grant to hold a community workshop on climate change and emergency preparedness. As part of this effort, both the board and the community were educated on possible impacts of sea level rise and reviewed steps that could be taken to help prepare. As a result, we now have a clearer picture of steps needed in the community and among town leadership to minimize the impacts of sea level rise to Madbury.

Please note that the Planning Board maintains a website providing planning documents, applications, and meeting information at www.madburynh.org.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Avery, Chair

MADBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library Mission

The first sentence of the Madbury Library's mission statement, written early in our history, states that the library strives to "augment the center of community life." Since 2001, technological advances have made the role of libraries as community centers even more essential. If you can do research, browse on Amazon, pick out, purchase, and read a book virtually, why would you need an actual library building? The answer is in the word "community," a place that's not home or work, where you come to discover what you have in common with your neighbors. That is why again and again in recent years when new libraries are built or existing ones renovated, the goal is to create usable space for the public. Not surprisingly these libraries go on to become essential to the fabric of the communities they serve, which is exactly what our small public library can be for Madbury.

In 2017 we met the other goals of our mission statement—providing free and open access to ideas and information that support education for all ages—despite the challenges of our space limitations and the need to stretch resources, especially personnel, very thin to keep up with expectations for a 21st century library. Here is a sample of what we provided in 2017:

For Children and Teens

Programs

We held nineteen different kinds of children's programs during 2017, including weekly preschool and toddler story times, after-school C.L.I.M.B (children learning, inventing, making, building), twice monthly visits to Little Tree Child Care Center. Once again, our canine friends stole the limelight: Grover the gentle English setter was on hand the first Monday of the month during the school year to listen to beginning and reluctant readers. Grover's pal Digby came the third Monday of the month to work his own magic with young readers. Many thanks to their owners Marsha Barden and Liz Marcotte.

Summer Reading

Last summer 87 of you signed up to help us "Build a Better World." Once again we held several joint programs with our fellow ORSD public libraries. Cactus Head Puppets performed at the June 28 kick-off at the Durham Public Library, and 127 came out to celebrate the beginning of summer. The ever-popular Wildlife Encounters brought an even bigger crowd than usual: 240 came to Madbury Town Hall on a very rainy July day. In between opening the summer and closing it with storyteller Simon Brooks on July 31 at Town Hall, we played library mini-golf, touched a fire truck, made slime, had a DIY workshop with the helpful folks from Home Depot, learned to draw like Brian and Emily from Manypenny Murphy Architecture, investigated Seacoast Science Center's indoor tidepool. And we gave away prizes ranging from Fisher Cat tickets to Water Country passes to free Golick's ice cream cones. We're already looking forward to Summer 2018 when "Libraries Rock" will have us definitely turning up the music. Many thanks to the Friends of the Madbury

Library for funding our 2017 Summer Reading programs!

We received a CLIF grant!

Thanks to the efforts of Children’s Librarian Kayla Morin, Madbury was one of twelve libraries in New Hampshire and Vermont to receive a 2017-2018 CLiF (Children’s Literacy Foundation) Rural Library Grant. This grant included \$2,000 worth of new children’s books for our library, \$500 for new books for the school library, and two author visits at Moharimet Elementary School, one in the fall of 2017 and one in the spring of 2018.

And a Grant from the Wentworth Family Trust

Thanks to \$2000 from the Wentworth Family Trust, we purchased new book browsing units for the Children’s Room. They allow our children and adults alike to more easily look for their new favorite books. They work in the current small space and will be perfect in our hoped-for more spacious children’s area.

Kayla Morin named NH Children’s Librarian of 2017!

Many congratulations to Kayla for this honor given in recognition of her tireless devotion to the Goodwin Library in her hometown of Farmington. Madbury is lucky to be able to make use of Kayla’s energy and talent for seventeen hours each week.

Adults

Once again our calendar was full of special programs for adults. We held three monthly book groups, including a new one at Carriage Hill Assisted Living, a writing group, and weekly quilters meetings. In addition, we learned about essential oils and in November we hosted Abraham Lincoln and Sarah Josepha Hale, who helped us understand the true origins of our Thanksgiving holiday. We are grateful to New Hampshire Humanities and role players Steven and Sharon Wood for this entertaining evening. The delicious pies were brought by members of the Madbury Community Club. And let’s not forget the Eclipse Viewing Party, which 92 people attended on August 21, 2017—it was fun for all ages!

Library Statistics

Collection

The library collection consists of 14,663 books, audiobooks, and DVDs. In 2017 the total circulation of these physical items was 8,091—meaning we pressed the check-out button that many times—which is a two percent increase over 2016.

Downloadable Ebooks and Audiobooks

Through the library’s annual subscription to the New Hampshire Download Library we have access to more than 8,062 audiobook titles and 11,783 ebooks. In 2017 our patrons downloaded 1,962 titles, including 977 audios and 990 ebooks. This represents a decrease in downloads from the year before, which mirrors an 11% decrease in new NHDL users at the state level.

Interlibrary Loans

ILL usage was brisk in 2017 with many books being borrowed by our patrons and many of our materials requested by other libraries. Exactly how brisk we can't say since the server where all the NH State Library interlibrary loan data is stored suffered a catastrophic failure in early December and, as of this writing, is not back up yet. Libraries also informally check out material to one another via email requests and in 2017 we loaned 191 items to other libraries and borrowed 133 for our patrons.

Attendance

4,888 of you walked through our front door in 2017. 3,246 attended our library programs, many of which were not held inside the library (and so are not part of the 4,888). In fact, 2017 saw an increase in library outreach as 1,600 participated in MPL-sponsored programs held at other locations, such as Carriage Hill, Little Tree Child Care, Madbury Town Hall, and the Demeritt Park playing fields.

Volunteers

We could not have accomplished our mission without the help of volunteers, including the dedicated Suzie Noronha, who comes in each Wednesday to sort and process materials brought on the statewide Interlibrary loan van and generally keep that system in order. Joan Valentine runs the weekly book sales and generally makes the cellar and parking area tidy for visitors. Don Melvin collects our recycling and takes it to Dover each week, Marcia Barden brings Grover each month for the popular "Read with Grover" session and Liz Marcotte brings little Digby. Many others help maintain and enhance the appearance of the building and grounds, keep up with our computer hardware and software, and lend a hand for special activities. Thanks go to, in addition to those mentioned, Ken Wolcott, Eric Fiegenbaum, Martha Mercer, Lorraine Morong, Dorie Sterndale, Priscilla Polichronopolus, and many others.

Staff & Trustees

Trustees of the Library

President: Noreen Gaetjens

Secretary: Beth Cilley

Treasurer: Hope Flynn

Alternate: Edna O'Sullivan

Alternate: Betsy Renshaw

Staff

Director: Susan Sinnott

Children's Librarian: Kayla Morin

Assist. Librarians: Liz Burbank and Peggy Wolcott

Substitute: Trish Banafato

NEW LIBRARY BUILDING STEERING COMMITTEE

In 2017, considerable progress was made toward the goal of providing a permanent home for our Library. Since its humble beginning in 2001 as a small collection of books housed in a closet of Town Hall, our Library has grown beyond expectations to become an essential presence in our town. With our impressive collection and many ongoing programs and activities, the Library serves not only to connect residents to resources and information but more importantly to one another.

We are now at a critical point in our Library's history. The current facility, a town-owned ranch house, was never intended to be the permanent home for the Library and is no longer able to meet the needs of our community. There is insufficient space, it does not comply with contemporary building codes and is not ADA compliant. Work space for staff, patrons and community programming is seriously limited.

For 16 years, citizens and selectmen have supported the Library Capital Reserve Fund for the construction of a new building. In 2014, a Steering Committee (comprised of Trustees, Friends of the Library, Library Director, Selectmen and residents with professional expertise) began to formulate plans for the new building with architects from Portsmouth's Manypenny Murphy Architecture.

Last year, detailed building plans were completed and are on display at the Library and Town Hall. The preliminary cost estimate is \$1.3M and funding will be a public-private partnership. We hope the residents of Madbury will support the Library warrant articles at Town Meeting to complete the town portion of the partnership.

The Capital Campaign is underway, and we are grateful to our friends and neighbors who have already contributed to this important project. Recently, we received grant challenge pledges from the McIninch and Samuel P. Hunt Foundations for \$25,000 each. We hope to match these pledges with new donations and begin construction in time to celebrate Madbury's 250th birthday this year.

We are asking all residents to consider a generous donation to the Campaign. Your gift will serve as a reminder to others that the value of a Library matters not only to current and future residents, but is also a tribute to all who fondly regard Madbury as a unique community worthy of a vibrant modern facility.

Tax deductible donations specifically designated to: Friends of Madbury Library Capital Campaign can be mailed to: FOML, 9 Town Hall Road, Madbury, NH 03823. For more information on ways to donate please contact us: mplsteeringcommittee@gmail.com; or visit the library website, www.madburylibrary.org, and click on: "New Library Building Project" for updated information.

Noreen Gaetjens

WENTWORTH FAMILY TRUST GIFT

When Carl Wentworth passed away in 2014 he left a generous Trust Fund to the town titled the Wentworth Family Trust which he and his wife Dorothy had established. It provides scholarship funding for the benefit of Madbury residents with financial need intending to pursue post secondary education with input from the Town's School Board Representative, and it directs the Board of Selectmen to provide a prioritized list of projects each year to the Trustee that meet the criteria "... for the use of the Town of Madbury and or its inhabitants for charitable, educational and recreational purposes to the benefit of the Town of Madbury and its inhabitants and for the acquisition, repair and or replacement of maintenance, fire safety or other equipment necessary or desirable for the safe, efficient operation of the Town of Madbury."

The Board of Selectmen reviewed submissions and provided the following list of projects to Charter Trust, who approved them for 2017 disbursement:

\$14,000, Air Packs and Bottles. This project replaced the breathing apparatus equipment used by the Fire Department.

\$4,000, Reprinting of "Madbury It's People and Places" As the Town prepares to celebrate 250 years the Historical Society would like to clarify, update, index and reprint this publication that was written for the Town bicentennial.

\$1,500, Folding Tables Replacement of old folding tables at Town Hall.

\$170, Historical Society transfer of film. The Historical Society would like to transfer some aged film housed in the archives to a digital format.

\$600, War Memorial Garden on Town Common Restoration. The Community Club is funding removal of invasive plant material, preparation of the area and redesign of the garden. They have requested funding to assist with the purchasing of an assortment of drought resistant native spring and fall flowering shrubs and perennials.

\$2,000, Picture Book Display Shelving. The Trustees of the Library requested funding to purchase a book display system for the Children's Room.

\$500, 250th Anniversary Celebration. The Committee currently is brainstorming and organizing the celebration which will occur in 2018 will utilize these funds toward activity deposits and/or commemorative memorabilia.

\$3,230+, Marion Custom Pumper. The Town is replacing the 1989 Ford Engine with a Marion Custom Pumper. In 2017, payment for the chassis totaling \$225,000 is being funded this request along with the Fire Department budget and the Capital Reserve for Fire Equipment.

Additionally, Charter Trust approved the School Board Representative's recommendation for:

\$12,000, Scholarships. Divided into three scholarships and awarded to Madbury students graduating from high school and pursuing post secondary education.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The cemetery trustees would like to report that we have been able to keep the cemetery looking as beautiful as ever within our budget. We have used local businesses to provide the lawn services and mulching services and have done the plantings ourselves to keep costs down.

New plantings in the cemetery include two sugar maples, four lemon thread cypresses, two magic carpet spirea, two potentilla shrubs, five alberta spruces, eight azalea shrubs, and a rhododendron, along with some perennial plants. Every effort has been made to ensure that the plant materials were purchased at a reasonable cost. Some of the shrubs were donated.

The trustees do foresee some projects that we are interested in pursuing in the next few years. They include:

1. Trimming large branches from two trees that overhang the maintenance shed. The limbs are over-hanging the shed and potentially can cause damage to the shed.
2. Enriching the soil at the front of the cemetery that is not irrigated. There are large areas that do not have grass. The soil seems poor and sandy. We feel that an addition of loam or “super-loam” (compost & loam) would be an appropriate addition along with over-seeding the existing grassy areas.
3. There are trees that need to be thinned along the east side of the cemetery adjacent to the pumpkin patch area of the field. We are cognizant of the fact that these trees were donated by townspeople, but they have grown considerably and are beginning to crowd out the crowns of the trees.
4. Potentially we will need to add stone dust to the Memorial Garden labyrinth if raking and loosening it does not discourage the weed growth.

Every effort will be made to complete projects in a fiscally responsible manner.

During 2017 there were five burials and eleven lot licenses were sold.

The trustees ask that all lot owners and interested parties read and abide by the rules and regulations as accepted by the Madbury Board of Selectmen in 1993. These rules are available on the Town of Madbury website.

Respectfully submitted:

Roderic Hutton, William Leslie, Sandra O’Neill



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.

The City of Portsmouth's proposal to site a new 720,000 gallon per day large groundwater withdrawal well (#5) at its well field at Johnson Creek was of concern to many in Madbury, including the Water Board. We attended the NH DES public hearing on February 23, 2017 and came away with many questions. In conjunction with the Selectmen and the Conservation Commission, the Water Board responded to the application with written comments which included concern about the sustainability of the withdrawals from the Johnson Creek aquifer, the risk to water quality from nearby plumes of contamination, the need for future regional water supplies and planning, and a concern that Portsmouth use of the Bellamy Reservoir may not be allowing for adequate downstream flow. Also included was a list of issues that should be taken into consideration during NH DES's review of the application. Ultimately, Portsmouth chose to change the application to a replacement well permit, which took away much of the public input process. Results of the well pump test are expected in 2018.

The Board commented on a conditional use permit for two driveway crossings at a subdivision on Hayes Rd.

A Board member, Michael O'Sullivan, had been a member of the NH Coastal Risk and Hazards Commission and supplied a review of the commission's findings. There are expected to be significant impacts on critical infrastructure and natural and cultural resources in coastal NH. For Madbury, extreme precipitation events may hold the most significance. The greatest hazard to Madbury may be to our roads and culverts. It would seem incumbent upon the town to review our current design standards in these areas.

The Selectmen and the Board are apprised on remedial work being done at the New England Metal Recycling facility and note that NH DES is directing more testing to better quantify the contamination at the site.

Board Chair, Garret Ahlstrom, was appointed by the Selectmen to be the Town's representative to the legislature's newly formed Seacoast Commission on Long-Term Goals and Requirements for Drinking Water.

The Board was encouraged by the Selectmen's consideration of an upgrade to the Hayes Road crossing of Dube Brook in preparation of a major repaving of Hayes Rd. The current culvert has some deficiencies in terms of flow and aquatic organism passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Garret Ahlstrom, Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission saw one wetland application for an intermittent stream crossing and one for driveway crossings. We commented to the Planning Board on driveway crossings associated with a subdivision on Hayes Rd. Prompted by a residents concern, the Commission worked with the Building Inspector to make sure new owners of a new lot understood their wetland buffer setbacks. We also continued to discuss the agritourism issue.

Early 2017 brought word that the Society for the Protection of NH Forests' plans to purchase and conserve some 252 acres of land in Madbury had been accomplished. The project, known as the Powder Major Farm and Forest, received wide spread regional and state wide support. The Commission offered monetary assistance to have an appraisal made on a piece of property abutting the Bellamy River and Reservoir. The City of Portsmouth and the landowner used the appraisal to begin discussions on an easement purchase.

Along with the Selectmen and residents, the Commission attended a public hearing on Portsmouth's proposal to permit a new well at their well field on Freshet Rd. Through a letter to the NH DES, the Commission expressed concerns over the withdrawal rates and the effects on Johnson Creek. Portsmouth ultimately chose to change their proposal to a replacement well, which reduced their permitting obligations. They offered that they would not withdraw more water than their historical average.

The Commission continued to investigate a proposal by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to establish a Great Thicket National Wildlife Refuge which has a focus area in Madbury. The proposal is in support of early succession forest habitat and the animals which depend on it. There were several site walks to Town owned properties to see if any would be suitable for New England cottontail rabbit. The Bolstridge Forest seemed the most promising, however more investigations are necessary.

The Commission moved to close the rogue mountain bike trails on the Hayes Farm Conservation Easement. We did so, through a prolonged campaign to notify users of the closures, followed by a decommissioning in the fall. Throughout the closing, some runners and mountain bikers ignored the closed signage, so they had to be reposted many times. The placing of substantial amount of bush in the rouge trails seems to have had a considerable affect on their use. After some discussions the Commission agreed to enter into a memorandum of understanding agreement with the Southern New Hampshire chapter of the NE Mountain Biking Association. The Chapter did an evaluation of town trails behind Town Hall and will organize a work day to address some areas where erosion is a concern. The trail are seeing heavy use by the recreation community and will require more care than in the past.

As always, we encourage town residents to bring us their concerns, comments and ideas by letter, email, or attendance at our meetings. In 2018 we will meet on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair



Sam Perley stands on a newly constructed boardwalk over a wet area, which was part of his Eagle Scout project.



Rogue trail being closed and decommissioned.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/5/2017	New home	Rockwell Homes, LLC	94 Hayes Rd	\$300,000
1/9/2017	Re-roof existing home	Justin Pasay	31 Freshet Rd	9,200
1/26/2017	New home	One Home Builders, LLC	5 Long Hill Circle	260,000
1/26/2017	Remodel of home	Higginson, Matthew J	42 Cherry Lane	400,000
1/26/2017	Addition	Dickerson Rev Trust, D Anne	255 Littleworth Rd	65,000
1/28/2017	Re-locate electrical service	Raynes, Brian P	54 Old Stage Rd	10,000
1/28/2017	Kitchen remodel	Hardenbrook, Bruce N	8 Kelley Road	15,000
2/6/2017	Build 26'x28' garage	Young, Colin	4 Fancy Hill	30,000
2/6/2017	New 56'x14' home	Lavault, Roger E	39 Bunker Lane Mhp	50,000
2/16/2017	New roof	Straus, Sandra	22 Lee Rd	20,000
2/23/2017	Renovation to home	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	58,000
3/9/2017	Revised permit to replace 2016-29	Sherman, Hilary	59 Freshet Rd	400,000
3/9/2017	Kitchen and bath upgrades	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	14,000
3/27/2017	Remodeling	Stern, Brian T	221 Littleworth Rd	70,000
3/30/2017	Upgrades to home	Pigeon, Morris	263 Littleworth Rd	25,000
4/3/2017	Family room and remodel master bedroom	Maher, William E	10 Tasker Lane	55,000
4/20/2017	Insulate and sheetrock garage	McMahon, Cheryl J Family Trust	120 Perkins Rd	12,000
5/8/2017	New home	One Home Builders, LLC	3 Long Hill Circle	400,000
5/11/2017	New roofing and siding	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	10,000
5/22/2017	16x16 sun room addition	McEwan, Robert & Rebecca Trsts	80 Perkins Rd	-
6/29/2017	Family room and kitchen addition	Jakobs, Peter S	55 Evans Rd	160,000
6/29/2017	15'x 30' shed for livestock	Willer, Susan E	13 French Cross Rd	5,000
7/6/2017	Master bedroom addition and bath	Fletcher, Daniel C	174 Madbury Rd	90,000
7/10/2017	New kitchen, 2 baths	Tedeshi Contracting LLC	4 Garrison Lane	40,000
7/10/2017	Replace sun room with deck	Clark, Kenneth P	13 Pendexter Rd	8,000

Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
7/10/2017	14x28 addition and misc. renovations	Evans Revoc Tr, Dane N	12 Evans Rd	\$ 9,000
7/10/2017	32x40 storage barn	Goss II, Charles L	6 Cherry Lane	20,000
7/10/2017	12x16 shed	Lockhardt, Michael A	45 Pudding Hill Rd	5,000
7/10/2017	80x30 roof overhang	Charles Street Holding LLC	282 Knox Marsh Rd	40,000
7/17/2017	Addition	Gustin, Paul K	26 Bunker Lane Mhph	44,000
7/13/2017	Renovate master bath	Laliberte, Michael A	3 Champernowne	19,845
7/31/2017	New home	Rabenius, Paul	3 Mill Hill Rd	175,000
7/31/2017	Bathroom remodel	Durant, Yvon G	13 Champernowne	20,000
8/7/2017	siding and windows	Amarosa Revc Trust, Pj & La	19 Cherry Lane	40,000
8/17/2017	Finish bathrooms in basement	Bohan R & K Family Revoc Trust	125 Perkins Rd	1,000
8/17/2017	18'x26' addition as outlined	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	40,000
8/21/2017	30'x40' workshop	Fender, James E	354 Route 108	75,000
8/28/2017	12x16 shed	Niland, Keven P	5 Haynes Rd	2,500
8/28/2017	Bathroom remodel	Raynes, Brian P	54 Old Stage Rd	6,500
9/18/2017	Build 24x24 garage	Piedmont, Carl F	8 Sarah Paul Hill	30,000
9/25/2017	Deck addition	Gagnon, Deborah A	55 Nute Rd	34,000
9/25/2017	16x20 garage	Diharce, Robert C	19 Moss Lane	15,000
10/5/2017	New home	One Home Builders, LLC	4 Long Hill Circle	300,000
10/9/2017	New home	Vanasco, Steven & Lara	96 Haynes Rd	800,000
10/12/2017	Re-build deck as needed	Pigeon, Morris B	273 Littleworth Rd	4,000
10/12/2017	New roof and enclose porch	Pappas Revoc Trust, Carolyn M	330 Knox Marsh Rd	10,000
10/16/2017	Bathroom remodel	Powell, Thomas A	75 Cherry Lane	10,000
10/23/2017	Handicap ramp	Constantino, Peter	11 Bunker Lane Mhph	2,500
11/2/2017	16x28 storage shed	Levesque, Christopher	6 Miles Ln	6,000
11/13/2017	16x16 sunroom	Ellsworth, F William	83 Perkins Rd	10,000
11/27/2017	10x16 shed as outlined	Amarosa Revc Trust, Pj & La	19 Cherry Lane	5,000
11/30/2017	24x28 detached barn w/10x20 shed roof	Zarembo, Mark 2014 Revc Trust	27 Nute Rd	25,000

Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/28/2017	Generator	Spielman, Steven B	10 Fern Way	\$5,500
1/28/2017	New home electrical	Curley II, Robert T	98 Hayes Rd	12,000
1/28/2017	Generator installation	Staugaard, Burton	60 Cherry Lane	5,800
2/6/2017	Garage electrical	Young, Colin	4 Fancy Hill	1,200
2/6/2017	Solar array	Abbott, Kevin R	42 Huckins Rd	31,000
2/23/2017	Install new water heater	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	4,357
3/6/2017	Addition electrical	Dickerson Rev Trust	255 Littleworth Rd	3,500
3/13/2017	Solar array	Heaton, Scott J	51 Moharimet Dr	19,300
3/16/2017	Minor electrical upgrades	Madbury, Town of	13 Town Hall Rd	-
3/20/2017	Electrical work	Higginson, Matthew J	42 Cherry Lane	35,000
3/23/2017	Wiring for diesel pump	Charles Street Holding LLC	282 Knox Marsh Rd	5,000
3/30/2017	Remodel	Pigeon, Morris	263 Littleworth Rd	4,000
4/3/2017	Generator installation	McMahon, Cheryl Trust	120 Perkins Rd	8,800
4/13/2017	Add 100 amp panel in garage	Raynes, Brian P	54 Old Stage Rd	1,640
4/13/2017	Add 100 amp panel in garage	McNahon, Cheryl Trust	120 Perkins Rd	2,000
4/20/2017	Electrical for new work	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	3,000
5/11/2017	Upgrades	Harali LLC	221 Littleworth Rd	6,400
5/15/2017	Upgrades to electrical	Maher, William E	10 Tasker Lane	5,000
5/15/2017	New home electrical	Sherman, Hilary	59 Freshet Rd	14,000
5/25/2017	Swimming pool	Eisenberg, Eric W	10 Hoyt Pond Rd	-
7/17/2017	Upgrades to bathroom	Laliberte, Michael A	3 Champernowne	1,500
7/17/2017	Electrical for addition	Gustin, Paul K	26 Bunker Lane	1,500
7/31/2017	200 amp panel change	Lewis, Eric W.	21 Moharimet Dr	1,000
7/31/2017	Bath electrical upgrades	Durant, Yvon G	13 Champernowne	500
8/10/2017	Underground conduit	Goss II, Charles L	6 Cherry Lane	5,000
8/10/2017	Wiring for air compressor	Madbury, Town of	334 Knox Marsh Rd	-
8/10/2017	Wiring for remodel	Tedeshi Contracting LLC	4 Garrison Lane	4,000

Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
8/10/2017	Solar array	Straus, Sandra	22 Lee Rd	\$24,000
8/17/2017	Residential addition	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	1,000
8/28/2017	Bath electrical	Raynes, Brian P	54 Old Stage Rd	2,500
8/28/2017	Electrical upgrades	Raynes, Brian P	54 Old Stage Rd	1,400
8/28/2017	Pool electrical	Andersen, Kelly M	6 Fern Way	1,500
8/31/2017	Solar array	Strogen, Joan A Cadorette	28 Huckins Rd	50,156
10/16/2017	Garage wiring	Horr, Andrew F.	21 Mill Hill Rd	3,000
10/16/2017	Remodel bathroom	Powell, Thomas A	75 Cherry Lane	3,000
10/26/2017	Generator installation	Evans Revoc Tr, Dane N	4 Evans Rd	8,000
10/26/2017	Gas piping	Dresser, Herbert	14 French Cross Rd	8,000
10/26/2017	Generator installation	Mahadevan Trust, Meera	3 Raynes Farm Rd	5,800
10/26/2017	Add wiring to porch	Milliken, Mark C	19 Moharimet Dr	1,300
11/9/2017	Add car outlet	Mahadevan Trust, Meera	3 Raynes Farm Rd	1,000
11/9/2017	Add solar array	Squires, Peter B	34 Hayes Rd	28,835
11/9/2017	Add solar array	Mahadevan Trust, Meera	3 Raynes Farm Rd	20,000
11/20/2017	Frame shop electrical	Fender, James E	354 Route 108	12,000
11/20/2017	Upgrades to electrical	Morrison, William G & Eleanor	181 Littleworth Rd	9,660
11/20/2017	Electrical for addition	Fletcher, Daniel C	174 Madbury Rd	4,500
11/20/2017	Add solar panels	Anderson Family Revoc Trust	181 Madbury Rd	4,000
12/18/2017	New home electrical	Rabenius, Paul	3 Mill Hill Rd	8,500
12/21/2017	New home electrical	One Home Builders, LLC	3 Long Hill Circle	10,000
8/10/2017	Underground conduit	Goss II, Charles L	6 Cherry Lane	5,000
12/28/2017	New home electrical	One Home Builders, LLC	4 Long Hill Circle	15,000
12/28/2017	New home electrical	One Home Builders, LLC	5 Long Hill Circle	15,000
12/28/2017	Generator electrical	Curtis, Stephen J	269 Littleworth Rd	5,800
12/28/2017	Generator electrical	Baker, Larry E	15 Hayes Rd	5,800
12/28/2017	Generator electrical	Hale, Patricia	245 Littleworth Rd	7,200

Mechanical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/9/2017	Install gas line and tank	Staugaard, Burton	60 Cherry Ln	\$ 900
1/28/2017	Gas tank and line for generator	Spielman, Steven B	10 Fern Way	500
2/6/2017	Water heater and heat pump	Abbott, Kevin R	42 Huckins Rd	5,254
2/23/2017	Mechanicals for water heater	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	4,357
2/27/2017	Gas piping	Curley II, Robert T	98 Hayes Rd	10,000
3/2/2017	Gas tank and piping	Hardbrook, Bruce N	8 Kelley Rd	850
3/6/2017	Plumbing permit	Higginson, Matthew J	42 Cherry Ln	300
3/6/2017	Install gas fireplace	Curley II, Robert T	98 Hayes Rd	1,367
4/10/2017	New oil burner	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	15,000
4/20/2017	Install LP gas to generator	McMahon, Cheryl Trust	120 Perkins Rd	2,500
4/24/2017	Gas piping for kitchen addition	Dickerson Rev Trust, D Anne	255 Littleworth Rd	900
7/10/2017	Install HVAC and lp gas piping	Burkholder, Joan C	4 Garrison Ln	800
7/10/2017	New heating system	Tedeshi Contracting LLC	4 Garrison Ln	8,000
7/20/2017	Boiler and air handler	Higginson, Matthew J	42 Cherry Ln	33,000
8/10/2017	Gas piping ang gas fireplace	Tedeshi Contracting LLC	4 Garrison Ln	3,140
8/14/2017	Low pressure gas piping	New Hampshire, University of	333 Knox Marsh Rd	2,000
8/24/2017	Mechanical work	Oyster River Coop School Dist	11 Lee Rd	87,000
10/12/2017	Gas fireplace install and piping	Rabenius, Paul	3 Mill Hill Rd	-
10/26/2017	Gas piping as needed	Dresser, Herbert	14 French Cross Rd	800
11/6/2017	Gas piping	Vardo, Joycelyn H	34 Evans Rd	1,600
11/6/2017	Kitchen plumbing	Jakobs, Peter S.	55 Evans Rd	10,000
11/9/2017	HVAC	Curley II, Robert T	98 Hayes Rd	15,000
11/17/2017	Relocate lp gas tank	Houston, Robert	74 Cherry Ln	600
11/17/2017	HVAC	One Home Builders, LLC	5 Long Hill Circle	14,000
11/17/2017	New home mechanical	Sherman, Hilary	59 Freshet Rd	20,000
11/27/2017	HVAC system and gas piping	Rabenius, Paul	3 Mill Hill Rd	10,000

Mechanical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
11/30/2017	Gas piping	Mahadevan Trust, Meera	3 Raynes Farm Rd	\$1,000
11/30/2017	Gas piping with tank	Kamberis, George T	21 Moharimet Dr	500
12/14/2017	Gas piping	Vardo, Joycelyn H	34 Evans Rd	800
12/18/2017	Add generator to propane line	Higginson, Matthew J	42 Cherry Ln	900
12/18/2017	Add gas line for heater	Miliken, Mark C	19 Moharimet Dr	900
12/21/2017	New home	One Home Builders, LLC	3 Long Hill Circle	21,000
12/28/2017	Boilers and furnaces	New Hampshire, University of	333 Knox Marsh Rd	100,000

Plumbing Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
2/6/2017	New home plumbing	Rockwell Homes, LLC	94 Hayes Rd	\$14,000
2/27/2017	New home plumbing	Curley II, Robert T	98 Hayes Rd	10,000
3/6/2017	Addition electrical	Dickerson Rev Trust	255 Littleworth Rd	800
3/6/2017	Addition plumbing	Higginson, Matthew J	42 Cherry Lane	20,000
3/30/2017	Plumbing upgrades	Pigeon, Morris	263 Littleworth Rd	5,000
4/10/2017	New oil burner	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	5,500
5/11/2017	New plumbing as outlined	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	5,500
5/11/2017	Plumbing upgrades	Harali LLC	221 Littleworth Rd	6,950
7/10/2017	Plumbing upgrades	Tedeshi Contracting LLC	4 Garrison Lane	4,000
7/17/2017	Plumbing upgrades to bathroom	Laliberte, Michael A	3 Champernowne	1,500
7/31/2017	Plumbing upgrades	Durant, Yvon G	13 Champernowne	5,300
8/24/2017	Mechanical work	Oyster River Coop School Dist	11 Lee Rd	-
8/28/2017	Bathroom remodel	Raynes, Brian P	54 Old Stage Rd	2,500
10/16/2017	Bathroom remodel	Powell, Thomas A	75 Cherry Lane	6,000
11/6/2017	Kitchen plumbing as outlined	Jakobs, Peter S.	55 Evans Rd	20,000
11/17/2017	Pool plumbing	Coppola, David J	7 Cherry Lane	6,000

Plumbing Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
11/17/2017	Add sink and washing machine	Siegels, Stefan	339 Knox Marsh Rd	\$500
11/17/2017	New home plumbing as outlined	One Home Builders, LLC	5 Long Hill Circle	11,000
11/17/2017	New home plumbing	Sherman, Hilary	59 Freshet Rd	15,000
11/20/2017	Plumbing for bathroom addition	Fletcher, Daniel C	174 Madbury Rd	8,500
11/27/2017	New home plumbing	Rabenius, Paul	3 Mill Hill Rd	10,000

Demo Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2017 and Dec 31, 2017

Date	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
4/20/2017	Hubbard, Robert V	10 Moharimet Dr	\$10,000

Summary of Permits:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Fees</u>
Building Permit	52	\$13,834.40
Electrical Permit	55	1,250.00
Mechanical Permit	35	700.00
Plumbing Permit	22	500.00
Demo Permit	1	60.00
Driveway Permit	1	25.00
Total of all Fees	166	\$16,369.40

OYSTER RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Oyster River Local River Advisory Committee (OR LAC) works to protect the river's identified outstanding natural and cultural resources. OR LAC is made up of representatives from the four towns through which the designated river flows: Barrington, Durham (UNH), Lee, and Madbury. The duties of the committee include advising on projects 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.

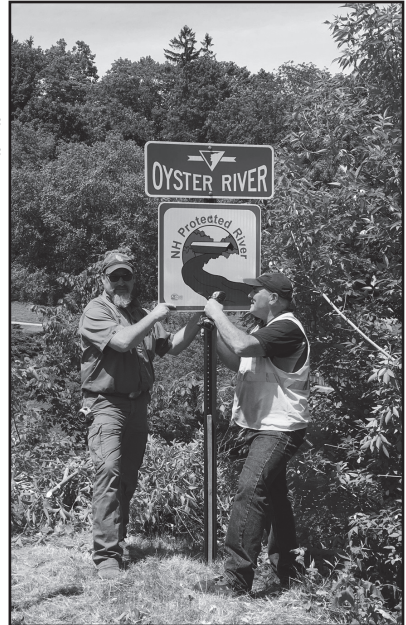
During 2017, the Committee continued a discussion on bringing the corridor management plan, which is not regulatory in nature, to the towns. We worked on a simple survey to the towns which we hope will help focus our future attentions on the towns' priorities. With funding from the UNH Water Supply and assistance from the Lee and Durham highway departments we initiated the placement of Designated River signs at the highway crossings over the Oyster River at Rt. 4 and Rt. 155 in Lee, and Rt. 108 in Durham. The signs will bring additional visibility, awareness, and interest to the river. We researched but were unsuccessful in discovering the cause of what appears to be periods of regular rises in the Oyster River hydrograph as operated by the USGS. Several members attended a workshop in Concord for LAC's presented by NH DES and the NH Rivers Council.

The committee received submissions for two projects in the river corridor. We expressed concerns over possible residual contaminated soil and components of a proposed stormwater treatment system at a redevelopment site at the Lee traffic circle.

We again supported a grant to replace an undersized culvert at Emerald Dr. in Barrington. The replacement structure would better handle high water levels and provide fish passage and refuge habitat at a critical point.

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



Dwight Richard and Mike Sullivan install a Designated River sign.

DRAGON MOSQUITO CONTROL

The 2017 mosquito season had wet months and dry months but overall ended on the dry side. After an extreme drought the previous year, I had no idea what to expect regarding mosquito species. By August, it was clear that a few species did not rebound after the drought while one species was having a good year. In total, the 2017 mosquito population was below normal yet still greater than the record low of 2016.

West Nile Virus (WNV) was found in NH last season. One human case in North Hampton and nine batches of mosquitoes tested positive for WNV in NH. No animal cases were identified. The first WNV batch was trapped in Manchester on July 31st and the last WNV batch was trapped in Danville on October 5th. There were nine WNV positive mosquito batches in eight communities including Madbury. There was no Eastern Equine Encephalitis found in NH in 2017. There were two human cases of Jamestown Canyon Virus in Goffstown and Hanover and one case of Powassan Virus in Dover last year.

Adult mosquitoes were monitored at four locations throughout town. Nearly 1400 mosquitoes were collected in light traps, identified to species, and select species were sent to the State Lab in Concord where they were tested for diseases. One batch of mosquitoes collected in Madbury tested positive for WNV in 2017. Dragon has identified 87 larval mosquito habitats in Madbury. Crews checked larval habitats 295 times throughout the season. There were 53 treatments to eliminate mosquito larvae. In addition, 87 catch basin treatments were made to combat disease carrying mosquitoes. Spraying to control disease carrying mosquitoes was conducted at Tibbetts Fields last season.

The proposed 2018 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. Trapping adult mosquitoes begins in July. 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. It is also a good idea to change the water in bird baths every two or three days.

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use our No-Spray Registry online at www.DragonMosquito.com/No-Spray-Registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, description of your house, and acreage. Anyone who submitted a request in 2017 may contact the office to reaffirm your request. Inquiries may be emailed to: help@dragonmosquito.com or call the office at 734-4144.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah MacGregor

STRAFFORD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Strafford Regional Planning Commission's 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. 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.

2017 Specific Accomplishments in Madbury:

- Completed a vulnerability assessment and a set of 12 maps for Madbury as part of the Climate Risk in the Seacoast (C-RiSe) project.
- Provided technical assistance to the town in identifying potential hazards related to climate adaptation as part of the Setting SAIL project. This included the facilitation of an emergency preparedness workshop held in fall 2017.
- Presented to the Planning Board on the Coastal Risk and Hazards Commission Report.
- Solicited local volunteers to serve as members on the Coastal Adaptation Workgroup.
- Met with Town officials to solicit transportation projects for the Statewide Ten Year Plan.
- Conducted seven NHDOT requested traffic counts to support state and local planning efforts.
- Checked for any necessary updates to the completed culvert inventory for the town.
- Distributed New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation books to land use boards.

Goals for 2018 for the Region:

- Offer GIS data and mapping services to assist communities.
- Populate SRPC's MapGeo database through contracts with regional communities.
- Provide municipalities with access to additional infrastructure and program development grants.
- Carryout regional Brownfields assessment grant with the potential receipt of additional funding.
- Implement the 2017-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, which includes the integration of performance-based planning.
- Develop an MS4 technical assistance program for affected communities.
- Provide transportation planning services in support of safety, mobility, and access management.
- Work with municipalities to improve drinking water protection, and provide technical assistance related to floodplain and/or stormwater regulations.

- Provide technical assistance on climate adaptation and multi- hazard mitigation strategies.
- Provide land use & planning services in support of local land use boards and non-profits.
- Compile a regional trail network by collecting trail data and mapping the results.

We look forward to working with the citizens and officials of Madbury in 2018. 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



UNH Master Gardeners, members of the MOS:DEF Fraternity, and Madbury residents updated the Town Commons which honors area soldiers who served in the Civil War and Major John DeMerritt who served in the Spanish American War.

VITAL STATISTICS

Deaths

<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Death Date</u>	<u>Death Place</u>	<u>Father's/Parent's Name</u>	<u>Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union</u>
Watkins, Nancy	01/05/2017	Madbury	Ayers, Ralph	McAleer, Edythe
Mansell, Richard	01/19/2017	Exeter	Mansell Sr, Raymond	Dineen, Dorothy
Mattson, George	02/12/2017	Madbury	Mattson, Emil	Huttinen, Hilma
Berkeley, Alice	05/04/2017	Madbury	Doyon, Albert	Martin, Eva
Goldberg, Miles	05/08/2017	Madbury	Goldberg, Matthew	Natt, Jennifer
Goodwin, David	05/11/2017	Dover	Goodwin, Donald	Fitzgerald, Ruth
Mattson, Gloria	06/04/2017	Dover	Handyside, Hugh	Hope, Eleanor
Lewis, John	06/05/2017	Dover	Lewis, Herbert	Leary, Florence
Heald, Kenneth	06/26/2017	Madbury	Heald, Frederick	Kelley, Roberta
Loubier, Dana	07/23/2017	Dover	Loubier, Roland	Ellis, Bette
Tillman, Jacqueline	08/06/2017	Dover	Smith, Frederick	Woolson, Vera
Harrington, Donald	08/24/2017	Madbury	Harrington, Gerald	Murphy, Frances
Gray, Stephen	10/01/2017	Madbury	Gray, Clyde	Osborne, Nancy
Herlihy, Rita	10/19/2017	Dover	Shea, Leo	Fullem, Christina
Hale, Patricia	11/22/2017	Dover	Hayes, Willis	Atkinson, Fredina
Thomson, Phyllis	12/30/2017	Madbury	Chandler, Robert	Jenkins, Virginia

Resident Births

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Father's/Partner's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Raymond, Castiel Lee	2/22/2017	Dover, NH		Raymond, Callia
Caucis, Andrew Parker	4/26/2017	Dover, NH	Caucis, Thomas	Caucis, Stephanie
Fletcher, Colton Voss	5/5/2017	Dover, NH	Fletcher, Daniel	Fletcher, Bethany
Ciccione, Brysen Bai	6/23/2017	Dover, NH	Ciccione, Stephen	Bai, Yang
Ross, Casen Willow	7/8/2017	Rochester, NH	Ross, Michael	Keefe, Jennifer
Childs, Cecelia Lee	10/10/2017	Dover, NH	Childs, Andrew	Childs, Kathy
Maclea, Elliott Francis	11/10/2017	Portsmouth, NH	Maclea, Kyle	Maclea, Holly
Alnazer, Raneem Ahmed	12/26/2017	Dover, NH	Alnazer, Ahmed	Ghazal, Shima
Mahmoud Mohamed				
Konieczko, Sabine Trefle	11/15/2017	Madbury		Soucie, Rachael Anne

Town Births

Marriages

<u>Person A's Name and Residence</u>	<u>Person B's Name and Residence</u>	<u>Town of Issuance</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Date</u>
Ballestero, Joel C; Madbury, NH	Eames, Erin L; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Durham	6/24/2017
Watson, Janis P; Dover, NH	Cooper, Giles R; Dover, NH	Madbury	Madbury	7/31/2017
Thompson Jr, Wilfred A; Madbury, NH	Wheeler, Karen L; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Dover	9/16/2017
Howard, Amanda S; Madbury, NH	Serfass, Benjamin R; Madbury, NH	Madbury	Portsmouth	10/17/2017

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