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Annual Report Town of West Bath, Maine

Audited Year Ending June 30, 2012





219 Fosters Point Road
West Bath, ME 04530

Over the Hill ATV Riders Club
204 State Road
West Bath, Maine 04530

April 8, 2013

Municipal Resolution

The 2013 Maine Spirit of America Foundation Tribute honors the Over the Hill ATV Riders Club for commendable community service.

Be it Resolved by the Selectmen of the Town of West Bath as follows:

Whereas, the Over the Hill ATV Riders Club took a leadership role in maintaining and providing oversight of local ATV trails for the benefit of all citizens.

Whereas, the Over the Hill ATV Riders Club planned and implemented multiple road side cleanup operations throughout the Town of West Bath. These efforts promoted the volunteer spirit and community pride.

Whereas, the Over the Hill ATV Riders Club organized multiple ATV safety classes that encouraged local youth to take an interest in outdoor activities while promoting responsible recreational land use.

Whereas, the Over the Hill ATV Riders Club promotes a collaborative effort within the Town of West Bath through land owner outreach. Establishing these relationships with local land owners and being responsive to their voice will continue to ensure trail usage and recreational opportunities for future generations.

Be it Resolved by the West Bath Selectmen that the Over the Hill ATV Riders Club is hereby recognized for their outstanding achievements and honors they have brought upon this community with the 2013 Spirit of America Foundation Tribute.

Board of Selectmen
Abigail Yacoben, Chair
David Bourget
Paula Nelson



Annual Report

for the

Town of West Bath

Maine

For Audited Year Ending June 30, 2012

Budget Town Meeting

Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 6:00 pm

& if necessary,

Friday, May 24, 2013 at 6:00 pm

West Bath Elementary School

26 New Meadows Road

Note that our Municipal Election (Annual Town Meeting)

has now been moved

to November of each year.

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WEST BATH TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday, 8:30am-5:00pm, *and* Tuesday-Friday, 8:30am to 4:00pm.

During inclement weather, please call us at 443-4342 to make sure the Town Office is open. Delays and cancellations are announced on WCSH (NBC channel 6), WMTW (ABC channel 8), and WGAN (560AM).

For assistance in contacting a **Selectperson**, the **Town Administrator**, **Roads Commissioner**, **Harbor Master**, or any **member of a West Bath board or committee**, please consult the town website (www.westbath.org), or call the town office (443-4342).

The **Assessing Agent** (Ron Beal, 442-8598) is available at the Town Hall on Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm. The **Codes Enforcement Officer** (Ellis Reed, 522-2465) is available at the Town Hall on Mondays from 1:00pm to 5:00pm, and on Thursdays from 3:00pm to 5:00pm.

WEST BATH BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Board of Appeals

Justin Hennessey, Chair

Gregory Bridgman, Debra Bruce, David Hall, Maria Renaud

Board of Assessment Review

Juanita Wilson-Hennessey, Chair

Richard Totten, Peter Oceretko, Paul Mateosian (alternate), Lawrence Renaud (alternate)

Budget Advisory Committee

David Hennessey, Chair

Darlene Estabrook, Justin Hennessey, Donna Merry, Lawrence Renaud, Stephen Winter, Peter Oceretko (alternate)

Energy Committee

Stephen Hinchman, Avery Hunt Meyers, Abbe Yacoben (ex officio)

Marine Resources Board

Warren Swanson, Chair

James Hennessey (vice chair), Paul Mateosian (secretary), Tim Davis, Dale McNelly, David Morin, Shawn Schutt, Blaine F. Wallace, Jr. (alternate)

Planning Board

Darlene Estabrook, Chair

Matthew Cashman, Erik Hansen, Wayne Renshaw, Kyle Yacoben, Scott Andresen, (alternate), Jay Paris (alternate)

Recycling Committee

Avery Hunt Meyers

Waterways and Harbors Committee

Bruce Gadaree, Chair

Joe Vaillancourt, Jim Williams, Peter Francisco

Winnegance Alewives Commission (West Bath appointees)

David Hennessey, Robin Hansen

New Meadows River Watershed Project

Paul Mateosian (West Bath appointee)

MEETING SCHEDULES

The Town of West Bath website (www.westbath.org) contains the official listing of meetings, times, locations, and agendas. It is the most accurate source of scheduled meetings. To confirm a meeting, please call the Town Office at 443-4342.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS AT THE TOWN HALL

The **Board of Selectmen** normally meets at 5:30pm on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. Meetings are scheduled around holidays and other important events. Additional meetings are scheduled as needed, and are announced on the town website and in *The Times Record*. To discuss an agenda item, please contact the Town Administrator.

The **Planning Board** meets at 6:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, with other meetings and hearings scheduled as needed.

The **Marine Resources Board** meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm during daylight savings time, and at 6:00 pm during the rest of the year.

Other town-sponsored boards and committees meet on less formal schedules. Please check the Town of West Bath website, call the Town Office, or contact the appropriate board or committee chairperson for the next meeting date.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Police, Fire, Ambulance (emergency) 9-1-1
Fire Station (non-emergency) 443-1500
Morse High School 443-8250
West Bath Elementary School 443-9145
Shellfish Warden 443-3114
Maine District Court in West Bath 442-0200
Bureau of Motor Vehicles 1-800-452-1937
Department of Human Services 287-3707
West Bath Grange Hall –Rental 725-5301
West Bath Fire Hall – Rental 751-3489

Sheriff 's Department (non-emergency) 443-8201
RSU 1 Superintendent 443-6601
Bath Middle School 443-8270
Animal Control Officer 319-4715
Red Tide Hotline 1-800-232-4733
Bath Superior Court 443-9734
Topsham DMV 725-6520
County Registry of Deeds 443-8214
West Bath Meeting House – Rental 443-4449
West Bath Historical Society 443-4449



April 22, 2013 – Board of Selectmen Meeting with some of our staff. Seated left to right: Selectman Paula Nelson; Selectman Abbie Yacoben, Chairman; Selectman David Bourget. Standing left to right: Rob Morris, Town Clerk; Darlene Estabrook, Planning Board Chairman; Peter Oceretko, Budget Advisory Committee member; Ron Beal, Assessing Agent; Ellis Reed, Codes Enforcement Officer; David Hennessey, Budget Advisory Committee Chair; Jon Davis, Town Administrator.

Municipal Information

Visit the West Bath website (www.westbath.org) or stop by the Town Office at 219 Fosters Point Road for information regarding each official and their duties, and upcoming scheduled meetings.

If you'd like an e-mail notification of any Town or Committee work session or other public meeting, please call 443-4342 or submit your email address to the Town Clerk at townclerk@westbath.org. Emails of Meetings for West Bath will be sent to undisclosed recipients.

Population: 1,877 (2010 Census) Area: 11.8 sq miles of land; 3.2 sq miles of water
Longitude: W 69:51:35 Latitude: N 43:52:30

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Abbe Yacoben	443-4049	Chair	Term expires November 2013
Paula Nelson	443-3631	Selectperson	Term expires November 2014
David Bourget	442-7477	Selectperson	Term expires November 2015

West Bath Municipal Staff and Officials

Town Administrator

Jonathan Davis, ext. 15

Email: townadministrator@westbath.org

Town Clerk/Registrar

Rob Morris, ext. 11

Email: townclerk@westbath.org

Codes Enforcement Officer

Ellis Reed, ext. 16

Phone: 522-2465

Shellfish Warden

Doug Alexander

Phone: 443-3114 or 504-1523

Red Tide Hotline 1-800-232-4733

Harbor Master

Joseph Vaillancourt

Phone: 443-6362

James Williams, Assistant Harbor Master

Health Officer

Jodie C. Lenardson

Phone: 450-4711

Treasurer/Tax Collector

Julie House, ext. 13

Email: treasurer@westbath.org

Assessing Agent

Ronald G. Beal, ext. 14

Phone: 442-8598

Road Commissioner

James Whorff

Phone: 406-1163

Fire Chief, Forest Fire Warden, & EMA Director

Chester Swain Jr.

Phone: 522-2584

Animal Control Officer

Todd Stead

Phone: 319-4715

Kathy Stead, Deputy ACO

Other Officials that serve West Bath

Superintendent of Schools, RSU #1

Patrick Manuel
Phone: 443-6601

West Bath School Principal

Emily Thompson
Phone: 443-9145

Regional School Unit #1, District 2:

David Barber, Board of Directors – 442-9335 email: dbarber@rsu1.org
(north of State Rd including odd numbered addresses of State Road)

Regional School Unit #1, District 4:

Kyle Yacoben, Board of Directors – 443-4049 email: kyacoben@rsu1.org
(south of State Rd including even numbered addresses of State Road)

Sagadahoc County, District 3 – Commissioner Lawrence Dawson – 443-8200

Maine State Representatives

Maine House of Representatives 207-287-1400 (voice)
2 State House Station 207-287-4469 (TTY)
Augusta, ME 04333-0002
Maine Legislative Internet Web Site: <http://www.maine.gov/legis/house>
Year-Round Toll Free House of Representatives Message Center: 1-800-423-2900

District 64

(South of State Rd including even numbered addresses 68-338 and odd numbered addresses 1-27 of State Rd, and west of Berry's Mill Rd including odd numbered addresses of Berry's Mill Rd.)

Jeremy G. Saxton
52 Hildreth Road Web Site: <http://www.maine.gov/legis/house/hsebios/saxtjg.htm>
Harpwell, ME 04079 Email: RepJeremy.Saxton@legislature.maine.gov
Cell: 207-751-7616

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(North of State Rd including even numbered addresses 2-66 and 340-436, and odd numbered addresses 29-435 of State Rd, and east of Berry's Mill Rd including even numbered addresses of Berry's Mill Rd.)

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2 Portland Fish Pier
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(207) 774-5019

1318 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-6116
www.pingree.house.gov

West Bath Municipal Holidays

Fiscal Year End Audit (close at noon)	Friday, June 28, 2013
Independence Day	Thursday, July 4, 2013
Labor Day	Monday, September 2, 2013
Columbus Day (observed)	Monday, October 14, 2013
Veterans Day	Monday, November 11, 2013
Thanksgiving Eve Day (close at 2 pm)	Wednesday, November 27, 2013
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 28, 2013
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday, November 29, 2013
Christmas Eve Day (close at noon)	Tuesday, December 24, 2013
Christmas Day	Wednesday, December 25, 2013
New Years Day	Wednesday, January 1, 2014
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, January 20, 2014
President's Day	Monday, February 17, 2014
Patriot's Day	Monday, April 21, 2014
Memorial Day	Monday, May 26, 2014

**West Bath School – Recipient of the Board of
Selectmen’s
*2013 Special Recognition Award***



It is with great pleasure that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of West Bath award the West Bath School its *2013 Special Recognition Award* in appreciation of its many years of dedicated service to the citizens of West Bath.

The West Bath School has been an essential piece of our community for many years. The professionalism of the staff and leadership of the principal, Mrs. Emily Thompson, sets the example for all other RSU 1 schools to follow. We are very fortunate to have such admirable educators and administrative personnel serving the Town. Their daily efforts create a safe and welcoming environment for our children to enjoy. Additionally, their commitment to high standards and expectations are consistently reflected in the School’s overall superior academic performance.

It is therefore fitting that the West Bath School be recognized and sincerely thanked for its extensive service to our community with this Award.

Board of Selectmen
Abbe Yacoben, Chair
David Bourget
Paula Nelson

Board of Selectmen

It has been a pleasure to serve the citizens of the Town of West Bath during FY 2011-2012! The board of selectmen is honored to work with all of the Town's many volunteers, staff members, and other contributors each year, and especially recognizes all of the good service during these tough economic times when it is most difficult to find the time to volunteer time and effort. Thank you!

The Town is very fortunate to have such a talented and dedicated fire department; during FY 2012, the department responded to 197 calls, including 1 structure fire. They conducted 1 training burn in order to train new firefighters and allow more senior members to practice their techniques. During FY 2012, the Town said a fond farewell to retiring Chief Barry Macarthur as he enters a new phase in his life, and welcomed incoming Chief Chet Swain.

The 22.7 acre Wing Farm Parkway construction was completed during FY 2012, and the project will formally be closed and nine lots will be ready for marketing and sale during FY 2013. The West Bath Economic Development Corporation was formed in order to oversee the property and lots for sale. The members of the WBEDC offer much expertise in fields such as banking, shipbuilding, architecture, economic development, government service, and planning. The board of selectmen is very grateful to the members of the new EDC for volunteering their valuable time.

It was noted during FY 2012 that the RSU #1 private and special law LD 910 which included a cost-sharing formula of one third valuation, student enrollment, and population had been implemented incorrectly for the four fiscal years FY 2009-FY 2012. Immediately upon realizing this, the five towns in the RSU formed a "cost-sharing committee". West Bath's representatives Selectman David Bourget and Administrator Jon Davis spent many hours during between June and December of 2012 working with representatives from the other Towns in RSU #1 working on a compromise funding formula. The board of selectmen recognizes their dedication and hard work, and is thankful for their representation. There are too many details of all discussions to discuss them in this letter, but the board of selectmen would like to invite any residents who are interested to contact us with questions. The schools are important to all of us, and we would like to encourage questions and discussion.

It is notable that the Townspeople changed the election for selectmen from the June election which had historically low turnout to November; the November election normally has a higher turnout due to the State and National issues on the ballot in the fall. Please begin to look for the municipal candidates for election on the November ballot.

The board of selectmen is very sensitive to the tough economic times we are in, and maintains a very frugal attitude towards budgeting. One way this is seen at the local level is through the collection of excise (local roads) tax; during FY 2011, the Town conducted 82 new auto registrations, and in FY 2012, only 92 new autos were registered. This is a very small improvement, and the Town did collect approximately \$16,000 more in excise tax year-over-year. However, times are still tough for residents, and other than the shellfish enforcement and fire department training boat the Town meeting authorized during the 2011 town meeting, there are no new programs or objectives included in the FY 2014 budget to be presented at Town meeting. Comparisons from FY 2013 are included in the warrant articles, and there is only a 4.1 percent increase between the appropriations from FY 2013 to the proposed FY 2014 budget. Please note that this does not include the Sagadahoc County or RSU #1 budgets, as these are approved by the County Board of Commissioners and the RSU #1 budget validation referendum processes. The Board of Selectmen encourages residents to become involved in those processes, as they have a 15.8 and 56.1 percent impact on the total budget.

The Board of Selectmen is very grateful for the privilege of serving such a great Town; please remember that we and the Town staff have "open door" policies and encourage public participation at meetings or via phone or e-mail at home. Our telephone numbers are listed in this book and our e-mail addresses are available at the Town office. Thank you for allowing us to serve you!

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

This has been a year full of challenges and hard work for our Town. Matters such as the RSU Cost Sharing Referendum, record setting snowstorms, and State budget cuts have kept everyone extremely active at the Town Hall. All of these situations continue to illustrate the need for West Bath citizens to pull together and turn out to vote on local matters in order for our community to prosper. Your individual efforts and active participation in local, RSU 1, and County business make a direct impact. West Bath citizen involvement will improve our relationship with these entities by democratically voicing what is important to us and our community.

It has been an honor to have served the citizens of West Bath during the past year and a privilege working with our professional staff. I would like to remind everyone that we have an open door policy and we will always make time to listen to public opinion. As always, we will continue to work hard on your behalf. The following represent a few of the more significant activities:

- This year RSU 1 held a cost sharing referendum that will change the method in which expenses are shared amongst the RSU 1 municipalities. The cost sharing method that was chosen by RSU voters will increase the amount of funding required by the citizens of West Bath in the 2013-2014 school year.
- In a continuing effort to maximize our Town's economic and administrative potential, the Town created the West Bath Economic Development Corporation. This EDC, comprised of West Bath citizens, will seek to improve the business atmosphere in West Bath and market the Wing Farm Industrial Park.
- I would like to thank the Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, department heads, committee chairs, and tax collector/treasurer Julie House for their hard work and fiscal awareness in the preparation of the proposed FY 2013-14 budget. We've made every attempt to keep the municipal operations portion of the budget as low as possible while continuing critical services and operations for the Town.
- The Road Commissioner and Town Hall leadership led the effort on two road engineering studies impacting Mountain and Sabino Road. These studies will assess the road improvement needs for each uniquely distinct improvement project. Please feel free to stop in and discuss your opinions on these matters.
- The Town boat continues to be integrated into Marine Resources, Shellfish Warden, and Fire Department operations. The boats operational spectrum, when fully implemented, will include Marine Shellfish Warden patrols, Fire Department maritime operations, and State mandated water testing. The Town is excited about this new capability and look forward to expanding the benefit it provides over the years.
- Recycling efforts within the Town have grown over the past year, join the movement! Please take advantage of the FREE curbside single stream recycling being offered to our citizens. I participate in this program and have cut my non-recycled waste in half this year. If I can do it, so can you.

Respectfully yours,
Jonathan Davis, Town Administrator

2013 SPECIAL BUDGET TOWN MEETING WARRANT

TOWN MEETING ARTICLES FOR CONSENT AGENDA

In an effort to help improve the efficiency of the Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen have agreed to propose a motion for Articles 3 through 19 as they are presented, written and recommended in the Warrant by both the Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee. *If anyone would like to discuss a particular Article s/he may request that it be removed from the motion.*

This one page handout is a quick reference guide, and the full text of each Article is included in the Warrant.

Article #	Summary	Approved 2012
2	Attend and Act Upon Annual Reports	YES
3	Taking of Alewives at New Meadows Lake	YES
4	Taking of Alewives at Winnegance	YES
5	Appropriate Alewives Account Revenues	YES
6	Raise and Appropriate \$34,780 for 4th Payment of Wing Farm Loan	YES
7	Raise and Appropriate \$18,252 for Final Payment of the Fire Department SCBA Loan	YES
8	Apply Transfer Station Rent Account in Excess of \$50,000 to Reduce Tax Commitment	YES
9	Set Rate of 7% Interest (or State Maximum) on Unpaid Taxes	YES
10	Set Rate of 3% Interest (or State Maximum) on Refunds for Tax Abatements	YES
11	Apply Portion of Undesignated Fund Balance to Reduce the Tax Commitment	YES
12	Authorize Tax Collector to Accept Pre-payment of Taxes Without Interest	YES
13	Authorize Selectmen to Sell and Dispose of Tax Titles Held by Town	YES
14	Authorize Treasurer to Waive Foreclosure of a Tax Lien Mortgage	YES
15	Authorize Selectmen to Appropriate up to \$10,000 From Unappropriated Fund Balance for Unanticipated Financial Obligations	YES
16	Authorize Administrator and Selectmen to Apply for and Expend Grants; Accept and Expend Donated Monies/Equipment/Land; Dispose of Surplus Equipment; Accept donated equipment and land; Dispose of surplus equipment valued over \$500 by sealed bid.	YES
17	Authorize Selectmen to Set Annual Fees for Returned Checks, Copies, Notary Services, Planning Board Services	YES
18	Appropriate funds from 2012 Overlay to Pay Tax Abatements and Interest	YES

WARRANT

Sagadahoc, ss:

To Ellis Reed, a Constable of the Town of West Bath:

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of West Bath, in the said County, qualified by law to vote at town affairs, to meet at the West Bath Fire Hall, in said Town, on Thursday, the 23rd day of May, A.D. 2013, at six o'clock at night, then and there to act on the following Articles., set out to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To attend and act upon the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor; Town Administrator; Assessor; Treasurer; Tax Collector; Town Clerk; Public Health Officer; Animal Control Officer; Road Commissioner; Fire Chief; Harbor Master; Harbor & Waterways Committee; Marine Resources Board; Budget Advisory Committee; Shellfish Warden; Planning Board; Codes Enforcement Officer; Board of Appeals; Board of Assessing Review; and Cemetery Association.

[NOTE: All budget articles are recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee unless otherwise noted. All other Articles are recommended by the Selectmen unless otherwise noted.]

ALEWIVES

Art. 3. To see what action the Town will take in regards to the taking of Alewives at New Meadows Lake, subject to the terms and conditions specified at the March 1977 Town Meeting.

Art. 4. To see what action the Town will take in regards to the taking of Alewives at Winnegance in accordance with the terms set at the June 1988 Town Meeting, in cooperation with the City of Bath and the Town of Phippsburg.

Art._5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all alewives account revenues received during the upcoming fiscal year. This Article would authorize expenditures by recommendation of the Alewives Committee and by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Selectmen. This fund is designated as the "West Bath Alewives Reserve Fund" and any funds accumulated in this account in future years may not lapse into surplus.

LOANS

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,780 for the fourth of twenty (20) payments on the Wing Farm Loan

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,252 for the final of three (3) payments on the Fire Department SCBA Loan.

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to apply all funds in the ‘Transfer Station – Rent’ account in excess of \$50,000, and not otherwise appropriated herein, to reduce the tax commitment for the ensuing fiscal year.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of 7% interest (or whatever is the State maximum rate) on unpaid taxes 60 days after the commitment date.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of 3% interest (or whatever is the State maximum rate less 4%) on refunds for taxes that are paid but later abated.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to apply the undesignated fund balance (surplus) in excess of 12% of the total non-capital expenditures for FY 2012-13, and not otherwise appropriated herein, to reduce the tax commitment for the ensuing fiscal year.

Art. 12. To see if the Town, in accordance with M.R.S.A Title 36 Section 506, will authorize the Tax Collector/Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed and to pay no interest thereon.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell and dispose of all tax titles held by the Town on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Quit Claim Deeds for such property.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will authorize the municipal Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of a Tax Lien Mortgage by recording a Waiver of Foreclosure in the Registry of Deeds in which the Tax Lien Certificate is recorded, prior to the right of redemption expiring, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. Section 944.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate from the unappropriated fund balance up to \$10,000 to meet unanticipated financial obligations.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator and Selectmen to:

1. Apply for available grants, receive said grants, expend the grant funds for purposes stated in the grant;
2. Accept donated monies for specified purposes, expend donated monies as specified;
3. Accept donated equipment;
4. Accept donated land, and
5. Dispose of surplus equipment valued over \$500 by sealed bid.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to annually set fees for returned checks, copies of Town ordinances and other documents, Planning Board Service, notary services, and various other fees.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, from the overlay generated by the 2012 tax commitment, money to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during FY 2012-13.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to carry forward the following end of year account balances:

- a) General Assistance
- b) Marine Resources/Harbor and Waterway
- c) Transfer Station – Rent
- d) Excise Tax/URIP (*for Major Road Projects*)
- e) General roads
- f) Public Works Roads Capital Improvement Fund
- g) Boat excise (*for Harbor & Waterways/Marine Resources expenses*)
- h) Fire Department – Operating Fund
- i) Fire Department – Capital Fund
- j) Alewives Revenue
- k) Planning Board Expenses (*Permit Application Fee Account*)
- l) Fire Department – Reimbursement for Services
- m) Business/Economic Development
- n) Ambulance
- o) Municipal Capital Improvement Fund

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, for the purpose specified, the following carry forward, end of year account balances:

- a. General Assistance (*An additional \$7,500 will be raised and appropriated elsewhere in this Warrant.*)
- b. Planning Board Expenses/Permit Application Fee Account (*This account is used by the Planning Board to pay its advertising expenses and other administrative costs.*)
- c. Ambulance
- d. Business/Economic Development (*for expenses related primarily to the Wing Farm Business Park expansion*)

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the balance of funds in the Comprehensive Plan Implementation carry forward account into the general fund.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$4,000 from the Planning Board Expenses/Permit Application Fee Account carry forward account into the general fund.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the balance in the “West Bath Alewives Reserve Fund” as of June 30, 2013, into the general fund.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to approve a transfer of property with Donald L. Lashley and Nancy L. Lashley at the end of the Mountain Road and to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents necessary, appropriate or convenient to the exchange.

TAX CAP LIMIT

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$519,205 established for the Town of West Bath by State law, only in the event that the municipal budget approved under the articles herein will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit. [*Note: This Article requires a written ballot.*]

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$322,700 from motor vehicle excise tax revenue, the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) account, the E-911 account, and any end of year account balances that may be carried forward, for the maintenance of public roads, hot-topping, construction, salt shed utilities, signs, plowing and sanding of Town roads and parking lots, the Roads Commissioner's annual stipend (\$5,000) and other public works related projects.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any motor vehicle excise tax revenue not otherwise appropriated elsewhere in this Warrant for deposit in a dedicated Roads Capital Improvements Sinking Fund for future road projects.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, from income generated from the Town's 'Transfer Station - Rent Account':

1. \$11,750 to operate the public Drop-Off/Recycling Center, and
2. \$1,000 for use by the Recycling Committee for hazardous waste drop-offs and other special events.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will appropriate \$35,000 from the dedicated Roads Capital Improvements Sinking Fund for improvements on Birch Point Road. *(Note: An additional allocation of \$35,000 is being appropriated within Article 26 for improvements to Birch Point Road.)*

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$51,825 and to appropriate any funds carried forward in the FY 2012-13 operating fund and in the "Reimbursement for Services" account for the Fire Department General Operating Budget.

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any "Reimbursement for Services" funds that are received by the Fire Department during Fiscal Year 2013-14 for purposes approved by a two-thirds vote of the Selectmen

Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,000 for the Fire Department Fire Protection Account to be used for the fire fighter reimbursement and incentive program.

Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 from the Fire Department General Operating Budget for the Fire Department for the purchase of a Life Pak Heart Monitor.

Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$19,800 from the Fire Department Capital Improvement Fund for, but not limited to:

- a. Natural Gas Conversion
- b. Town Boat Lights
- c. Tool Twin Line Pump
- d. Capnography Waveform Monitor

Town Boat Communication Gear *(This appropriation is for half the cost of the Boat Communication Gear. The remaining \$550 is being appropriated out of the Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account)*

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$15,000 for deposit in a dedicated Fire Department Capital Improvement Fund for future purchases.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

Art. 36. To see what amounts the Town will vote to set as the maximum wages and stipends:

BOS RECOMMENDS: BAC RECOMMENDS:

Selectman, Chairman	\$ 3,900	\$ 3,900
Selectman	3,600	3,600
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Town Administrator	46,880	46,880
Treasurer, Tax Collector, Deputy Town Clerk	38,296	38,296
Town Clerk, Deputy Tax Collector	36,276	36,276
Shellfish Warden	9,607	9,607
Codes Enforcement Officer (LPI, BI)	24,926	24,926
Assessing Agent	21,464	21,464
Fire Chief/EMA	5,500	5,500
Road Commissioner	5,000	5,000
F.D. Maintenance (& Burn Permits)	2,500	2,500
Harbor Master	2,000	2,000
Animal Control Officer	1,800	1,800
Assistant Fire Chief (2) (\$1,250 each)	2,500	2,500
Fire Captains (2) (\$500 each)	1,000	1,000
Health Officer	300	300
Total	\$209,149	\$209,149

Art. 37. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for wages and stipends, payroll taxes, workers compensation insurance, unemployment payments, and benefits (health insurance for full-time employees and retirement for full-time employees, the assessing agent and CEO). *[Note: The amount excludes Shellfish Warden wages and Harbor Master and Roads Commissioner stipends, which are funded by associated revenue accounts.]*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: \$248,787

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$248,787

Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$84,037 for municipal operating expenses, which include but are not limited to utilities, advertising, elections, supplies, property/casualty/liability insurance, postage, animal control expenses, grounds and building maintenance, janitor service, training/seminars, travel, deed fees, and all computer-related network support and support contracts.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer to the Animal Control Officer, as an additional payment for his services, all dog licensing fees and penalties collected during FY 2013-14, with the exception of the recording fee that is retained by the municipal clerk pursuant to state law.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the accounts below:

Ambulance	\$ 39,000
General Assistance	7,500
Hydrant Rental	25,860
Street Lights	1,200
Cemetery Repairs/Maintenance	3,800
Selectmen's Contingency Fund	5,000 (Expenditures require 2/3 vote of Selectmen)

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, from unappropriated reserves, up to \$10,000 for unanticipated legal fund and litigation fund expenses for the time period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$81,113 for professional services/dues/memberships (MMA, MCBDP, Lincoln County Animal Shelter, town maps, annual report, auditing and legal services, litigation expenses.

Art. 43. The following applies only to Articles 33, 34, 36 and 38: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer not more than ten (10) percent of the funds appropriated for any Article to another Article if such a transfer is deemed to be necessary for the proper financial management of the Town.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: YES

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$5,000 for the dedicated Municipal Capital Improvements Sinking Fund for repairs to the Town Hall.

COMMUNITY AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following donations for community agencies:

a. Tedford Shelter	\$ 450
b. Bath Senior Citizens	875
c. Jesse Albert Dental Clinic	900
d. Elmhurst	1,000
e. Coastal Trans Inc.	900
f. Senior Spectrum	1,365
g. Sweetser/Shoreline Mental Health	2,353
h. Midcoast Maine Community Action	730
i. Patten Free Library	30,063
Total:	\$ 38,636

WATERWAYS & HARBORS

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$2,735 from the Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account to be used for the Harbor Master's stipend (\$2,000) and reimbursements/expenses (\$735).

MARINE RESOURCES

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$13,423 from the Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account for Marine Resource expenses (Shellfish Warden salary of \$9,607 and expenses of \$3,816).

Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$550 from the Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account for the purchase of Town boat communications gear.

Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,792 from the dedicated Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources joint Revenue Account to be used for storage, maintenance, equipment, fuel, and servicing of the Town boat.

Art. 50. To see if the Town will vote to enact the following: Ordinance for the Recall of Elected Municipal Officers

Ordinance for the Recall of Elected Municipal Officers

Section 1: Authority

This ordinance is enacted under the authority of municipalities to generally enact ordinances under Constitutional Home Rule Authority (Maine Constitution Article VIII, Section 1), Statutory Home Rule Authority under 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 2101 et. seq., and the authority of municipalities to enact ordinance under 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3101 et. seq..

Section 2: Purpose

To provide a procedure for the recall of elected officials in the Town of West Bath where there is cause to remove the official.

Section 3: Basis for Removal

The basis for recall addressed in Section 5(c) and Section 6(b)(4) below, shall be directly related to the requirements, duties and obligations of the position for which the recall is sought. The basis for removal shall relate to one or more of the following:

- a. Malfeasance in office – acts which are in and of themselves illegal or contrary to the performance of specific requirement of an official duty or obligation.
- b. Misfeasance in office – acts which involve the improper and unlawful execution of an act that in and of itself is legal and proper and lawfully related to the duties and obligations of the office.
- c. Nonfeasance in office – the omission or refusal to perform an act or fulfill a duty or responsibility of the office. Failure to perform some action which is officially required as a duty or obligation of the office.
- d. Lack of qualifications – where the office holder if at any time during the term of office, loses any of the qualification prescribed by law for the position.
- e. Oath of office – violation of any express provision of the oath of office for the position including violation of any confidentiality requirements.
- f. Criminal conviction – being convicted of any crime or offense during their term of office which is reasonably related to the ability to serve as an elected official.

Section 4: Outline of Recall procedure steps

- a. File a notice of intention to recall.
- b. External Review.
- c. Obtain petition Forms.
- d. Collect and submit petition signatures.
- e. Obtain Clerk's certification.
- f. Public Hearing.
- g. Call the recall election.
- h. Act on the Recall Election Result.

Section 5: Notice of Intention

Any twenty-five (25) registered voters in the Town of West Bath may initiate a recall by filing a notice of intention to recall with the Town Clerk. A notice of intention to recall must include all of the following:

- a. Name, address, contact information of the person filing the notice (Initiator).
- b. Name and position of the official to be recalled.
- c. A statement which clearly and succinctly describes the reason(s) for the recall, in accordance with the basis for removal in Section 3 above.

Notice of intention to recall form is available from the Town Office and shall be submitted under oath.

Section 6: Petition Forms

- a. Within three (3) business days of receipt of a Notice of Intention to Recall, the Town Clerk shall prepare petition forms for the collection of signatures. The Town Clerk will notify the Initiator that the petition forms are available.
- b. A Petition form under this Section must include at the top of each page:
 1. The name and position of the official subject to recall.
 2. The name and contact information of the Initiator.
 3. The date that signatures must be submitted to the Town Clerk, including notice that the final deadline is close of business that day even if closure is influenced by inclement weather or other unplanned conditions.
 4. The statement describing the reason for the recall filed with the notice of intention.
 5. Spaces on petition form for each voter's signature, actual residence address, and printed full name.
 6. Space at the bottom of petition form for name, physical residence address, mailing address, and signature of the person circulating the petition form. This person is identified as a Circulator (see Section 6B).
- c. If a recall of more than one official is being sought, there shall be a separate petition for each individual whose removal is being sought.
- d. The official who has been proposed to be recalled shall be notified of, and provided a copy of, the notice of intention to recall and the recall petition form.

Section 7: Collection and Submission of Petition Signatures

- a. The Initiator may designate Circulator(s) for the purpose of gathering signatures. Circulator(s) must be registered to vote in the Town of West Bath and signatures must be in ink. Circulator(s) may submit signatures gathered on separate petition forms to the Initiator along with an Affidavit of Circulator.
- b. Affidavit of Circulator: Each petition or set of petitions collected by an individual shall have attached to it when filed an affidavit executed by the Circulator and acknowledged by a Notary Public. The Circulator shall attest in the affidavit:
 - 1] Circulator personally circulated that portion of the petition;
 - 2] Total number of signatures thereon;
 - 3] Each signature was affixed in the Circulator's presence;

4]Circulator believes each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be;
5]Circulator believes each signer is a registered voter in the Town of West Bath;
6] Prior to signing each signer had an opportunity to read the full name, address and office of the person sought to be recalled and the statement detailing the reason for the recall petition.

7] Verification that *If any voter was unable to sign due to a physical disability the voter authorized another voter to sign at the voter's direction and in the voter's presence.*

The Circulator's Affidavit must be completed before a Notary prior to the Registrar of Voters certification of valid registered voter's signatures. If the circulator requests that a municipal official notarize their Affidavit, the municipal official may do so and still certify the petition.

c. Note: At any time prior to the issuance of the Clerk's certificate, a petition signer may have his or her name removed from the petition by filing a signed written request with the Clerk that this be done. Such removal will not cause other signatures on the petition to be voided.

d. The Initiator shall collect the petition forms from all Circulators and submit the signed petition forms with signed associated affidavits to the Town Clerk by hand, not by mail, fax or email within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date of receipt of notice from the clerk that petition forms are prepared and available for circulation.

e. The Municipality may not accept a petition form more than fourteen (14) calendar days after sending notice of form availability to the Initiator, and any voter signatures on that form are invalid.

Section 8: Town Clerk's Certification

a. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the petition, the Town Clerk shall certify the signatures contained on the petition are valid and shall determine if the petition meets all of the qualifications as set forth in this ordinance. The petition will be filed in the clerk's office and the initiator of the petition, and the official who has been proposed for recall, will be notified of the results of the clerk's certification.

b. The total number of valid signatures on the recall petition must be a minimum of seventy five (75) or at least 25% of the number of voters casting ballots at the immediately previous gubernatorial election, whichever is greater for the recall process to proceed.

c. If the petition is certified by the Town Clerk to be sufficient the Town Clerk shall immediately notify the Selectmen and the official whose removal is being sought. If the petition is found to be insufficient by the Town Clerk, the Clerk shall notify the Selectmen, the initiator, and the official whose removal is being sought, of the insufficiency and shall state the reason(s) therefor.

d. The next step in the recall process will be initiated by the Town Clerk adding the submittal of the certified Petition for Recall as an agenda item for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen, whereupon the Petition for Recall will be deemed formally received by the municipal officials.

Section 9: External Review

Within five (5) working days of being advised by the Town Clerk of the filing of a recall petition that has been certified as sufficient, the official who has been proposed to be recalled may request the Board of Selectmen, by a majority vote, to appoint an independent thirty-party examiner, who is not a property owner, business owner, taxpayer, or resident of the Town of West Bath and who has experience in municipal matters and in mediation, arbitration, or legal proceedings, for the purpose of reviewing the notice of intention stating the basis for recall, in order to determine the sufficiency of those reason(s) in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 3 above. This appointment shall occur at the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen or the Board may elect to call a special meeting to make the appointment. The examiner shall have full authority to conduct such investigation as may be deemed appropriate to determine the validity of the basis for the filing of the notice of intention to recall.

The examiner shall submit a written report to the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk with copies to the official proposed for recall and the person(s) filing the notice of intention to recall, stating whether or not the petition meets the criteria and the basis for the determination. If it is determined that the criteria are not met, then the petition will go no further and have no further effect.

The written report shall be submitted within twenty-one (21) days of appointment unless another time is designated by the Board of Selectmen. Any time frame for the submission of the report may be extended by the Board of Selectmen.

Section 10: Public Hearing

Subsequent to the determination of sufficiency of the petition, and subsequent to the receipt of the determination by the external examiner, if an external exam is requested, the Board of Selectmen shall convene a public hearing in order to allow the members of the public to attend and have an opportunity to discuss the recall and the basis and criteria for the recall. If the matter had been referred to an external examiner and determined to be sufficient, then, if possible, the external examiner will chair the public hearing. If no external examiner has been appointed or is unavailable, then the chair of the Board of Selectmen shall appoint another individual to chair the public hearing.

The public hearing shall be scheduled to occur not more than twenty-one (21) days or less than seven (7) days before the scheduled election called to consider the recall. Notice of the public hearing shall be posted in a similar manner to notice of a Town Meeting at least seven (7) days before the date of the public hearing.

Section 11: Calling the Recall Election

a. The Selectmen upon receipt of the certified petition shall within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt issue a warrant calling a municipal election by written ballot to be held not less than forty-five (45) nor more than seventy-five (75) days thereafter, provided that a regular municipal election will not be held within ninety (90) days of receipt of the certified petition. In this case the selectmen may, at their discretion, provide for the holding of the recall election on the date of the regular municipal election. In the event that the Town Selectmen fail or refuse to order an election as herein provided, the Town Clerk shall call the election to be held not less than forty-five (45) days or more than seventy-five (75) days following the Selectmen's failure or refusal to order the required election.

b. The incumbent shall continue to perform the duties of the office until the affirmative result of the recall election are recorded or a written letter of resignation to the Selectmen is submitted.

c. Unless the official whose removal is being sought has resigned within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the petition by the Board of Selectmen, the Clerk shall have ballots printed. The ballots in accordance with Title 30-A M.R.S.A. §2505 must read:

"Do you authorize the recall of (name of official) from the position of (name of office)?

() Yes () No

Section 12: Result of Recall Election

a. An official shall be recalled when a majority of those voting thereon shall have voted in the affirmative so long as the total number of votes cast for and against recall is at least equal to ten percent (10%) of the total number of qualified voters who cast votes for the governor in the most recent gubernatorial election.

b. If not recalled, the official shall continue the capacities of their office for the remainder of the unexpired term, subject to any subsequent recall. If recalled, the official shall be deemed removed from office immediately.

Section 13: Vacancies to be filled

A vacancy resulting from removal from office under this ordinance shall be filled in accordance with Title 30-A M.R.S.A., §2602.

Section 14: Validity and Separability

Each section of this ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other sections and if any provision within this ordinance is declared invalid, all other sections shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 15: Amendments

This ordinance may be amended by a majority vote of any regular town meeting when such amendment is published in the warrant calling for the meeting.

Section 16: Effective date

This ordinance shall be in full force and in effect immediately upon adoption at a regular Town Meeting.

Art. 51. To see if the Town will vote to enact the following: Town of West Bath Municipal Fire Department Ordinance

Section 1. Authority – Title.

This Ordinance establishing a municipal Fire Department for the Town of West Bath is enacted under the general home rule authority of municipalities, and specific authority under Title 30-A M.R.S.A. Sections 2001 et seq., 3001 et seq., and 3151 et seq. This Ordinance shall be known as the Town of West Bath Municipal Fire Department Administrative Ordinance.

Section 2. Establishment.

A municipal Fire Department for the Town of West Bath is hereby established pursuant to the specific provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3151(1) and Section 3152(1)(A). This municipal Fire Department shall supersede any and all other forms of organization of fire protection within the Town of West Bath whether by quasi municipal corporation, volunteer department, or otherwise.

Section 3. Definitions.

As used in this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise indicated, the definitions set forth in 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3151 are hereby adopted.

Section 4. Purpose and Duties.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish in the manner provided by law, a municipal Fire Department and to define the powers and duties of the Department. The further purpose of this Ordinance is to provide the maximum legal protection available to all Department members, and to best protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Town of West Bath and their property. It is the further purpose of this Ordinance to provide an administrative structure and authority for the firefighting, emergency service and prevention functions for the Town of West Bath. Additionally, the Department shall prevent and extinguish fires and deal with other hazardous circumstances within the Town of West Bath and within other communities with which West Bath has Mutual Aid Agreements, to handle emergencies affecting the health, safety and welfare of the Town, and to provide emergency and rescue services and medical transport services within the Town and elsewhere as per agreement.

Section 5. Fire Chief.

A. Appointment, Term and Compensation.

The Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for an indefinite term. The hiring will be based on education, training, professional credentials, relevant experience, and any other factors deemed by the Selectmen as may pertain to the position. The Fire Chief shall be a paid employee of the Town and considered a Department Head/Supervisor under the Town Personnel Policy. The compensation of the Fire Chief shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen, within the limit of appropriations available. The Fire Chief shall exercise those duties and powers described in 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3153, and as this Section may be from time to time amended.

B. Duties.

- (1). The Fire Chief shall perform such duties required by his office, by this Ordinance, or other laws and Statutes, and shall perform such duties, not in conflict therewith, as may be assigned by the Board of Selectmen.
- (2). The Fire Chief shall be immediately responsible to the Board of Selectmen for the effective administration of the Department.
- (3). The Fire Chief shall submit Annual Reports of the finances and activities of the Department and such additional reports as may be requested by the Board of Selectmen.
- (4). The Fire Chief shall prepare and submit annually to the Town Administrator a line item Budget related to Fire Department, Rescue and Emergency activities.
- (5). The Fire Chief shall establish and maintain a system of records and reports in sufficient detail to furnish all information necessary for proper control of Department activities, to fulfill all Department reporting requirements, and to form a basis for reports as required for the Annual Report and/or the Board of Selectmen.
- (6). The Fire Chief shall provide for the maintenance, custody and repair of all Town property and equipment used by or in possession of the Department.
- (7). The Fire Chief shall generally direct and control all officers and members of the Department and all other firefighting or rescue personnel in the performance of their duties and in regard to fire and/or rescue operations.
- (8). The Fire Chief shall provide a training program for Fire Department and rescue personnel in cooperation with appropriate government agencies.
- (9). The Fire Chief shall have the authority to suppress, disorder and discard at the scene of a fire and generally to direct all operations to prevent further destruction and damage and to obtain assistance from persons at the scene of a fire, to extinguish the fire and protect persons and property from injury.
- (10). The Fire Chief shall exercise the power of the Fire Inspector with respect to dangerous buildings as described in 25 M.R.S.A. Section 2360, as may be amended from time to time.
- (11). The Fire Chief or his designee shall exercise the power to issue fire permits as Fire Warden in accordance with the Maine Department of Conservation Rules and Regulations.
- (12). The Fire Chief shall have the power to delegate to members of the Department such duties and responsibilities as the Chief may deem advisable, together with proportional authority for the fulfillment of the dedicated duties and responsibilities. In no case, however, may overall responsibility or accountability be delegated.

Section 6. Personnel.

A. Nomination/Appointment.

All Department personnel shall be nominated for appointment to the Department by the Fire Chief and the appointment approved by the Board of Selectmen.

B. Applications.

Applications for membership in the Department shall be submitted to the Town and shall be reviewed by the Fire Chief. Membership standards may be promulgated in accordance with the Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures for the Department. Upon review, the Fire Chief shall make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen for acceptance of the member.

C. Probationary Period.

All new memberships and the reappointment of lapsed members shall be subject to a six (6) month probationary period. At the end of that probationary period, a performance review will be conducted by the Fire Chief and the member will be considered for full membership only after successful conclusion of the probationary period. The membership of any probationary member may be terminated during the probationary period without cause by the Board of Selectmen and/or the Fire Chief.

D. Medical Exam.

Membership in the Department shall be contingent upon undergoing and successfully completing a pre-employment medical examination to determine the potential member's fitness for duty, in accordance with 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3154(3). No member of the Department performing fire suppression or rescue work may continue serving in that capacity if it is determined that member is not capable of physically performing the required duties.

E. Officers.

The Department shall establish, through the Fire Chief, such officer positions as may be necessary, appropriate and convenient to the effective operation and administration of the Department. These officer positions shall be filled by nomination from the Fire Chief and approval of the nomination by the Board of Selectmen.

F. Junior Firefighters.

Junior Firefighters, being individuals of the age of sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) may operate within the Department according to the limits for Junior Firefighters under Title 26 M.R.S.A. Section 772. Junior Firefighters shall be under the direct supervision of the Incident Commander, the Fire Chief, or his/her designee. The Junior Firefighter shall be subject to the application and appointment requirements of other members of the Department.

G. Compensation.

Members may be compensated consistent with the Department's appropriation policy as determined by the Board of Selectmen and as funded through the Town's Budget process.

H. Disciplinary Procedures.

All discipline, suspension and dismissal of all members, including the Fire Chief, shall be handled in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Town of West Bath Personnel Policy as it may from time to time be amended.

Section 7. Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures.

A. Regular Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures.

The Fire Chief shall have the right to promulgate Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures for the Department and Department operations. The Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures documents will include current Departmental Job Descriptions, employee handbooks, operating rules, member qualifications, training standards and officer responsibilities, and such other operational and administrative outlines as may be deemed necessary, appropriate or convenient for the effective administration and operation of the Department. The Selectmen shall review the Rules, Regulations and Standards Operating Procedures.

B. Emergency Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures.

The Fire Chief shall have the authority to adopt Emergency Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures when he/she deems it necessary to respond to an immediate need or change in circumstances. These Emergency Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures shall be in effect for no more than sixty (60) days, unless adopted within that time frame as part of the Regular Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures.

Section 8. Mutual Aid.

The Board of Selectmen may authorize from time to time Agreements which will authorize the West Bath Municipal Fire Department to aid in the extinguishment of fires, providing search and rescue services, and other related fire safety services, and to provide other emergency related services, in other municipalities.

Pursuant to these agreements, the West Bath Municipal Fire Department may assist other municipalities as its resources are available and as may be needed in a cooperative effort for mutual aid purposes.

Section 9. Department Funds.

A. Municipal Appropriation.

All funds raised and/or appropriated for the Department at any Town Meeting shall be treated as municipal funds under the provisions of Title 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 5652 et. seq., as amended. No expenditures of such raised and/or appropriated funds may be made unless approved by the Selectmen on a properly submitted Disbursement Warrant.

B. Other Funding.

Any additional funds that are raised from time to time or donated in the name of the quasi municipal corporation known as the West Bath Fire/Rescue Department or any other association, auxiliary, volunteer group or other organization and held in an account bearing a tax identification number other than that of the Town of West Bath, are not subject to the requirements regarding municipally appropriated funds. However, if any such funds donated or raised are applied for the purchase of Department equipment, then the Town’s purchasing policy shall apply to the purchase.

Section 10. Privileges and Immunities.

All members of the West Bath Municipal Fire Department shall enjoy the privileges and immunities provided under the Maine Tort Claims Act, when acting in their capacity as firefighters/EMT’s and within the scope of all Rules, Regulations and Standard Operating Procedures.

Town of West Bath Board of Selectmen

Abigail Yacoben, Chair

David Bourget

Paula Nelson

TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

YEAR END BALANCE: RESOURCES

PETTY CASH	\$200.00	
ANDROSCOGGIN SAVINGS CHECKING	\$253,199.41	
BATH SAVINGS GEN FUND CD's	\$215,399.35	
ANDROSCOGGIN SAVINGS GEN FUND CD	\$752,154.79	
Year End Balance:		<u>\$1,220,953.55</u>

REAL ESTATE & PROPERTY TAX REVENUES

REAL ESTATE TAXES 2012 (Prepayments)	\$4,720.55	
REAL ESTATE TAXES 2011	\$3,375,889.28	
TAX LIENED PROPERTY 2010 AND OLDER	\$185,259.94	
TOTAL TAX REVENUE:		<u>\$3,545,669.77</u>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT REVENUES

AGENT FEES	\$8,993.50	
APPEALS BOARD	\$15.00	
BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS	\$10.00	
PLUMBING PERMITS	\$1,615.00	
BUILDING PERMITS	\$2,120.15	
PLANNING BOARD	\$2,660.00	
SHELLFISH CONSERVATION	\$6,915.00	
BOUNCED CHECK FEES	\$87.00	
FINES	\$348.00	
DEATH, BIRTH, MARRIAGES	\$1,125.40	
MDOT ROAD ASSISTANCE	\$25,504.00	
FIRE DEPARTMENT DONATION	\$5,000.00	
MOORING FEES	\$1,365.00	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$1,776.50	
EXCISE TAX	\$317,057.61	
BOAT EXCISE TAX	\$7,690.70	
FRANCHISE FEE	\$18,770.47	
SNOWMOBILE REFUND	\$463.40	
VETERANS REIMBURSEMENT	\$1,145.00	
INTEREST INCOME	\$3,261.31	
TRANSFER STATION RENT	\$46,800.00	
TRANSFER STATION FEES	\$44,921.95	
SALT SHED RENT	\$3,100.00	
SEPTIC FEES	\$785.00	
ENERGY EFFICIENCY GRANT	\$19,589.00	
INTEREST ON TAXES	\$27,979.02	
LIEN FEES	\$4,697.20	
STATE REVENUE SHARING	\$76,084.86	
TREE GROWTH & BETE REIMBURSEMENT	\$4,007.85	
HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION	\$24,589.00	
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES:		<u>\$658,476.92</u>
TOTAL ALL REVENUES:		<u>\$4,204,146.69</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 (cont.)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES

FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS	\$51,733.11	
FIRE DEPARTMENT INCENTIVE	\$15,331.10	
FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL	\$0.00	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT SALARIES & BENEFITS	\$262,224.27	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND MEMBERSHIPS	\$58,901.88	
MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS	\$52,921.28	
PUBLIC WORKS	\$351,115.87	
COMMUNITY SUPPORT	\$37,987.00	
MISCELLANEOUS	\$68,846.83	
HARBORS AND WATERWAYS/MARINE RESOURCES	\$13,568.73	
SOLID WASTE RECYCLING CENTER/COMMITTEE	\$12,214.22	
SMALL COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT	\$850.00	
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	\$4,405.00	
COUNTY TAX	\$563,391.00	
EDUCATION	<u>\$2,509,932.00</u>	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES:		<u>\$4,003,422.25</u>

LIABILITIES

WING FARM INDUSTRIAL LOAN PAYMENT	\$315,000.00	
REVALUATION LOAN	\$0.00	
FIRE DEPARTMENT SCBA LOAN	<u>\$34,727.47</u>	
TOTAL LIABILITIES:		<u>\$349,727.47</u>

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Frank J Fowler	\$283.07	
Ruth F Coombs	\$685.35	
Fred D Winter	\$299.47	
Martha D Oliver	\$219.00	
Odie M Rich	\$513.71	
Lee Brothers	<u>\$563.29</u>	
TOTAL CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS:		<u>\$2,563.89</u>

TRUST FUND

Marietta T Atwood Memorial		<u>\$1,624.75</u>
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS:		<u>\$4,188.64</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Julia M. House, Treasurer

**TOWN OF WEST BATH
SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES AND ABATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2012**

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

2011 Personal Property

AEL Financial LLC	\$ 121.50	
U.S. Mobility Wireless	30.25	
		\$ 151.75

2011 Real Estate

Cressey, Thomas & Patricia	\$ 73.63	
Cressey, William & Maureen	117.41	
Cressey, William & Maureen	110.44	
		301.48
		\$ 453.23

ABATEMENTS

2008

Fitzgerald, Keith & Doreen		\$ 129.36
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2009

Fitzgerald, Keith & Doreen		136.71
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2010

Fitzgerald, Keith & Doreen		144.06
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2011

AEL Financial LLC	\$ 116.42	
Bank of America Leasing	29.63	
Bradley, Lauren & Aceto, Matthew	97.52	
Bradley, Lauren & Aceto, Matthew	700.48	
Cressey, Thomas & Patricia	480.93	
Cressey, Thomas & Patricia	117.41	
Cressey, William & Maureen	73.63	
DFS-SPV-LP	4.81	
Helitzer, Jon & Michelle	110.45	
Vend Leasing Co. LLC	71.66	
USA Mobility Wireless	107.98	
Maine Audubon Society	1,045.74	
Pitney Bowes Inc.	12.71	
Mac-Grey Services Inc.	30.16	
Sommer, Jeff & Dominique	594.02	
West Bath, Town of	1,575.55	
Johnston, Robert & Teresa	864.66	
Swanson, Holly & Ferrera, Peter	864.66	
Renaud, Lawrence & Maria	77.61	
Kates, James & Swanson, April	540.29	
NKS, LLC MW Sewall	548.90	
Willertz, Daniel & Donna	442.71	
USA Mobility Wireless	30.25	
Reno Auto Repair	208.30	
USA Mobility Wireless	152.73	
		8,899.21
		\$9,309.34

Unpaid Real Estate Property Taxes

2011 TAXES RECEIVABLE 30 June 2012

("**" after the name means Taxes were Paid in Full after 6/30/2012)

2011 Real Estate

Alan Howard Ireland Family Trust	\$	999.97 *
Arbuckle, Bethel		1,049.32 *
Babine, Shawn		136.31 *
Babine, Shawn		199.00 *
Babine, Shawn A.		221.88 *
Berry, Robert		2,287.50 *
Bertrand, Jared		1,765.13 *
Bickford, Alice E. (Wyman)		620.88
Bisson, Barbara E.		901.72 *
Brackley, Matthew R.		2,238.75 *
Bresnahan, Robert F. & Dorothy A.		530.33 *
Bresnahan, Robert F. & Dorothy A.		969.13 *
Bresnahan, Robert F. & Dorothy A.		697.49 *
Broomhead, Edmund & Susan		4,336.21
Burnette, Kenneth & Laurie		582.07
Carver, John E. & Cynthia C.		2,410.88
Crimmins, Frances		1,496.48
Doyle, Stephen		3,221.81
Fitzgerald, Brian A.		571.48
Fox Properties LLC		1,720.35
Fraser Enterprises, Inc.		2,790.97
Gardner, Gerald J.		519.39 *
Gilbert, James		560.32 *
Gilliam, Joseph D.		1,842.74
Green Acres Limited Partnership		22,636.25
Hagen, Charles D.		2,858.64
Haggett, Samuel E.		174.12
Haggett, Samuel E.		3,069.58 *
Haggett, Samuel E.		122.39
Hallowell, Clifton E.		752.22
Hallowell, Clifton E.		847.74
Harris, Michelle		588.66 *
Hasenfus, Curt R.		3,358.12 *
Havey, Wayne		4,158.10 *
Hill, Elizabeth R.		1,333.35
Hill, James, Sr.		1,105.45
Howard, Greg		1,850.70 *
Jenks, Tolanda E.		1,712.39
Keating, Adrian		5,636.67 *
Keating, Angela G.		655.71
Kelly, Denise J.		132.33
Kirk, Chad S.		783.07
Labonte, Albert J.		3,088.48 *
Levesque, Carol		525.18 *
Little Brothers, LLC		675.60
Little Brothers, LLC		675.60
Little Brothers, LLC		2,401.93 *
Lozier, Michael L.		2,374.07 *
Lozier, Michael L.		997.98 *

Unpaid Real Estate Property Taxes

2011 TAXES RECEIVABLE 30 June 2012 (cont.)

("**" after the name means Taxes were Paid in Full after 6/30/2012)

2011 Real Estate (Cont'd)

Maine RSA 1, Inc. US Cellular	\$	826.84 *
McNeil, Gregory L.		812.91
Mitchell, Everett		663.67 *
Mitchell, Virginia		945.12
Morris, John F. & Diane		4,155.12 *
Mosse (Bailey), Joanne		33.83
Murray, Edward F., Jr.		78.60
New Meadows Ledges LLC		2,918.33 *
New Meadows Ledges LLC		3,977.01 *
New Meadows Ledges LLC		8,060.49 *
Otis, Jeremy B.		1,394.00 *
Popejoy, Suzanne L.		2,737.24 *
Powers, Linda F.		243.77 *
Powers, Phillip W., Jr. ET ALS		5,995.87 *
Preston, Laura M.		1,479.19 *
R A Cummings Inc. - DBA Auburn Concrete		1,162.16 *
Rand, Scott C.		1,663.64 *
Reed, Ellis A.		1,194.00 *
Reno, John, Sr.		1,605.93
Rose, Frank		639.79
Rose, Stanley		1,517.37
Ryan, Lori A.		1,130.32
Sanford, Heidi L.		409.61 *
Sanford, Donald		2,264.62
Sanford, Donald		4,398.89
Sanford, Donald A. & Rowena L.		2,561.13 *
Schenk, Edward R.		3,902.39 *
Schenk, Edward R.		72.63 *
Schenk, Edward R.		61.69 *
Sewall, Mark		2,483.52 *
Swanson, Warren B.		2,670.58 *
Sweeney, Robert W.		1,599.96 *
Trimble, Don		1,575.08 *
Vigue, Beth D.		369.37 *
Whisterler's Cove, LLC		96.51
Whistlers Cove LLC		1,082.56
Whistlers Cove LLC		91.54
Whistlers Cove LLC		1,730.30
Whistlers Cove Road		2,244.72
White, Joel D.		433.82
White, Linda L.		2,451.68 *
Whorff, Jeremie R.		2,474.56
Whorff, William		1,191.01 *
Whorff, William & Sandra		215.91
Whorff, William & Sandra		849.73 *
Whorff, William J., Sr.		268.65
Whorff, William, Sr.		3,966.07 *
Williams, Owen H., Jr. & Laurel J.		6,184.92 *
Withers, Jack		1,667.37 *

Unpaid Real Estate Property Taxes

2011 Taxes Receivable 30 June 2012 (cont.)

("*" after the name means Taxes were Paid in Full after 6/30/2012)

2011 Real Estate (Cont'd)

Youngs Real Estate	\$ 5,078.48 *	\$ 190,816.94
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2010 Real Estate

Popejoy, Suzanne L.	*	5.17
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Unpaid Personal Property Taxes

2011 Taxes Receivable 30 June 2012

("*" after the name means Taxes were Paid in Full after 6/30/2011)

Personal Property

AD Wear	\$ 42.96 *	
Adams, Heather	34.71	
Ambrose, Merle	32.39	
American Tower Corporation	648.74 *	
Auburn Concrete	2,240.08	
Bath Electrical	47.35	
Brawn, Bruce	241.35	
Cotter, John	17.05	
CTE Inc.	183.08	
Dell Financial Services	40.47 *	
Everett, Steve	113.77	
GE Capital Info Tech	302.79 *	
Green Acres Associates LP	4.48	
Hoare, James	17.79	
McIntire, Dean	119.79	
McNeill, Jeanne	8.15	
Murray, Ed	15.10 *	
Nicole Estates	20.83 *	
Patton, Rick & King, David	61.22	
Pfizer, Inc.	17.91 *	
Rent A Center	85.02	
Richards, Steven	92.94	
S Corp	586.08	
Sanford, Don	125.65 *	
Santiago, Michael	47.81	
Schenk, Edward R.	95.67	
Schenk, Ed	26.85	
Schenk, Ed	29.35	
Shutt, Eric	1.96	
Velocita Wireless, LLC/DBA SK	31.02	
	<hr/>	5,332.36
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		\$ 196,154.47

TOWN OF WEST BATH
PRIOR YEARS TAXES RECEIVABLE (Schedule A-1)
JUNE 30, 2012

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	TOTALS
Personal Property												
AD Wear	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42.32	\$ 42.32
Adams, Haulier							34.31	30.69	32.44	34.18	34.18	131.62
Andrews Auto Repair				64.33	53.89	54.88	56.98					229.48
Andrews, Mark							28.52	28.64	30.27	31.90	31.90	120.33
Auburn Concrete					70.64	71.67	74.17	43.90	41.88	44.26	46.64	2,498.36
Bath Electrical										3,484.89	3,672.25	393.16
Bill Whorff & Sons							6,593.79	3,336.45	3,281.56			7,157.14
Bisson Moving and Storage			438.33	399.65	438.33	444.77	460.24					13,411.80
CC Net, Inc.							167.52	48.48				2,181.32
CitiCapital Vendor Finance							105.31	48.48				216.00
CitiCorp Vendor Finance, Inc.												153.79
Cowsey, Lynn							58.52					58.52
CTE, Inc.		410.33	477.42	449.42	492.92	500.16	517.56	183.31	161.92	171.12	180.32	698.67
Custom Hardwood Floors								250.62				2,827.81
Degussa Adhesives, Inc.							21.90					250.62
DPS Equipment Holdings						1.24	12.50	190.39				21.90
DPS Funding LP							633.31	6.31	4.25		4.73	204.13
DPS-SPV LP							61.70					668.60
DPS-SPV LP												61.70
Erwent, Steve								28.22	100.62	106.34	112.05	347.23
Fisher Auto Repair						226.84	294.73					461.57
GE Capital Info Tech									83.71	84.04	188.50	356.25
GE Capital Info Tech		15.25	17.00			7.42	7.68					79.24
Hardin's Metals												32.25
Hilroy Reclamation				6.67	7.31	7.42			15.73	16.63	17.52	29.08
Hours, James									10.57		11.77	49.88
Lavalley Lumber												22.34
Lyon Financial Services							198.87					158.87
Mac-Gary Services, Inc.												37.04
Maine Table Co.									156.04	164.91		320.95
McIntire, Dean							113.83	105.08	111.05	111.05	117.02	446.98
McNeil, James							7.13	7.21	7.62	8.03	8.03	29.99
Mobile Media/Arch Printing							229.05	180.26				409.31
Murray, Ed												42.36
New Meadows Inc-Coburn						114.89	118.88					233.77
Phar, Inc.												17.64
Reno's Metal Fabrication	66.85	70.30	78.37	71.46	78.37							363.35
Reno's Metal Fabrication-Leased Eq			27.54	25.11	27.54							80.19

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TOWN OF WEST BATH
PRIOR YEARS TAXES RECEIVABLE
JUNE 30, 2012

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	TOTALS
Bart A Center								83.23	75.20	79.47	83.74	321.64
Richard, Steven								89.80	82.20	86.87	91.54	350.41
Robbins Junk Yard				15.50	17.00	17.25	17.85					67.60
S Comp							32.24			10.07	577.25	587.32
Safety Kasea Corp.								128.90	111.13	117.44	123.75	481.22
Stanford Don								11.27	9.33			20.60
Stanford Greg												786.93
Stanford's Auto Center				34.10	37.40	387.09	399.84					71.50
Stanford's Towing								1.71	1.73	1.83	1.83	7.20
Slant, Eric									23.60			23.60
Slysel Corporation											4.41	4.41
Stanford Management												302.92
Stow's Auto						148.87	154.05					821.47
Sun Villages, Inc.			165.07	150.51	165.07	167.50	173.32					58.56
Vokosin Wireless, LLC/DBA SK							273.73			29.00	30.56	273.73
VFS Lease Monthly Holding LLC												
TOTALS	\$ 66.85	\$ 495.88	\$ 1,183.73	\$ 1,216.75	\$ 1,388.47	\$ 2,342.38	\$ 10,502.92	\$ 5,099.54	\$ 4,344.45	\$ 5,246.73	\$ 7,373.21	\$ 39,060.91

**TOWN OF WEST BATH
TAX LIENS - June 30, 2012**

("*" Tax Liens shown below for 2010 were paid in full after 6/30/2012)

2010

Berry, Robert	\$ 2,253.02 *
Carver, John E. & Cynthia C.	2,374.54 *
Crimmins, Frances	1,473.92
Doyle, Stephen	2,590.83 *
Fraser Enterprises, Inc.	2,748.90 *
Gardner, Gerald J.	110.17 *
Gilliam, Joseph D.	1,814.96 *
Green Acres Apartment Complex	22,295.00
Hallowell, Clifton E.	113.07 *
Hallowell, Clifton E.	834.96 *
Heirs of Janet E. Babine	218.54 *
Heirs of Janet E. Babine	134.26 *
Heirs of Janet E. Babine	196.00 *
Hill, James, Sr.	1,088.78 *
Jenks, Tolanda E.	1,686.58 *
Keating, Adrian	5,551.70 *
Kelly, Denise J.	130.34 *
Kirk, Chad S.	771.26 *
Labonte, Albert J.	3,041.92 *
Lozier, Michael L.	2,338.28 *
Lozier, Michael L.	982.94 *
Mitchell, Everett	215.06 *
Mosse (Bailey), Joanne	33.32 *
Powers, Phillip W., Jr., ET ALS	5,905.48 *
Reno, John, Sr.	1,581.72 *
Rose, Frank	630.14 *
Rose, Stanley	1,494.50 *
Ryan, Lori A.	1,113.28 *
Sanford, Donald	4,332.58 *
Sanford, Donald A. & Rowena L.	64.05 *
Trimble, Don	753.84 *
Whisterler's Cove LLC	95.06 *
Whistler's Cove LLC	1,066.24 *
Whistler's Cove LLC	90.16 *
Whistler's Cove LLC	1,704.22
Whistler's Cove Road	2,210.88 *
White, Linda L.	2,414.72 *
Whorff, William	1,173.06 *
Whorff, William & Sandra	212.66 *
Whorff, William & Sandra	836.92 *
Whorff, William J., Sr.	264.60 *
Whorff, William, Sr.	3,906.28 *
Wyman, James T.	611.52
	<u>\$ 83,460.26</u>

TOWN OF WEST BATH
TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY (Schedule A-10)
JUNE 30, 2012

AMIDEA TARBOX TRUST		
2004	\$	481.10
2005		488.18
2006		505.16
		\$ 1,474.44

TOWN OF WEST BATH
TRUST FUNDS (Schedule A-13)
JUNE 30, 2012

	PRINCIPAL	UNEXPENDED INCOME	TOTAL
TRUST FUNDS:			
Cemetery:			
Lee Brothers	\$ 100.00	\$ 463.29	\$ 563.29
Ruth B. Coombs	100.00	585.35	685.35
Frank J. Fowler	50.00	233.07	283.07
Oddie M. Rich	100.00	413.71	513.71
Fred D. Winter	50.00	249.47	299.47
Martha D. Oliver	50.00	169.00	219.00
Music:			
Marietta T. Atwood	1,806.87	(182.12)	1,624.75
	\$ 2,256.87	\$ 1,931.77	\$ 4,188.64

SPECIAL REVENUE (Schedule A-14)
JUNE 30, 2012

	FUND BALANCE 7/1/11	INCOME	EXPENSES AND TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND	FUND BALANCE 6/30/12
Wing Farm Project	\$ (450,848.70)	\$ 711,033.81	\$ 251,821.81	\$ 8,363.30
	\$ (450,848.70)	\$ 711,033.81	\$ 251,821.81	\$ 8,363.30

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
William H. Brewer
Certified Public Accountant

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of West Bath, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of West Bath's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Town of West Bath as of June 30, 2012 and 2011, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of West Bath's financial statements as a whole. The introductory section, combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and statistical section, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole. The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

July 24, 2012

Note: The complete audit is on file at the Town Office for review.

TOWN OF WEST BATH
STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS (Schedule A-4)
JUNE 30, 2012

	BALANCE FORWARD 7/0/11	APPROPRIATIONS	CASH RECEIPTS	OTHER CREDITS	TOTAL	CASH DISBURSED	OTHER CHARGES	TOTAL	UNEXPENDED (OVERDRAFT)	BALANCE FORWARD 6/30/12
EDUCATION:										
Common School	\$ -	\$ 2,599,124.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,599,124.00	\$ 2,599,124.04	\$ -	\$ 2,599,124.04	\$ (0.04)	\$ -
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:										
Selectmen's Contingency	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,423.00	\$ -	\$ 1,423.00	\$ 3,577.00	\$ -
Town Maps		2,300.00			2,300.00	2,060.00		2,060.00	240.00	
Insurance - WC		4,800.00	308.00		5,108.00	4,148.75		4,148.75	959.25	
Insurance		51,630.00			51,630.00	40,664.60		40,664.60	12,965.40	
Municipal Operations		59,340.00	637.96		59,977.96	52,921.26		52,921.26	7,056.70	
Officer's Salaries		201,495.00			201,495.00	191,651.72		191,651.72	9,843.28	
Revolution Loan		33,501.00			33,501.00	33,500.80		33,500.80	0.20	
Historical Reimbursement				24,825.25	24,825.25		24,825.25			11,663.31
Planning Board	10,157.93	1,000.00	2,660.00		13,817.93	2,154.62		2,154.62	1,394.60	
Retirement Employee		8,790.00	2,667.92		11,457.92	10,063.32		10,063.32	1,419.48	
Tree Growth Reimbursement/BETE Reimbursement			5,444.85		5,444.85	4,419.08	1,419.48	4,419.08	4,023.37	
General Assistance	1,512.72	5,000.00	2,723.69		9,236.41	2,350.00		2,350.00	250.00	
Town Report		2,600.00			2,600.00	9,300.00		9,300.00	500.00	
Town Audit		9,300.00			9,300.00	31,118.24		31,118.24	15,567.76	
Legal Services		46,500.00	186.00		46,686.00	5,000.00		5,000.00		
Capital Improvements	5,000.00	5,515.00			10,515.00	5,496.00		5,496.00	19.00	
Professional Membership - MCOO & MMA		18,100.00	104.11		18,204.11	15,675.88		15,675.88	2,508.23	
Social Security		400.00			400.00				400.00	
Unemployment										5,000.00
Business and Economic Development	5,000.00				5,000.00					6,980.22
Wing Industrial Park	6,980.22				6,980.22					
Small Community Block Grant				425.00	425.00	850.00		850.00	(425.00)	
Wing Industrial Loan Payment		36,310.00			36,310.00	36,253.00		36,253.00	57.00	
	\$ 28,679.87	\$ 694,081.00	\$ 14,732.33	\$ 25,250.25	\$ 762,743.45	\$ 449,090.27	\$ 26,344.73	\$ 475,435.00	\$ 38,938.70	\$ 28,469.86
PROTECTION:										
Ambulance	\$ 17,890.96	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,890.96	\$ 37,489.25	\$ -	\$ 37,489.25	\$ -	\$ 10,401.71
Hydrex Rental		25,860.00			25,860.00	25,852.00		25,852.00	8.00	
Street Lights		1,200.00			1,200.00	1,042.25		1,042.25	157.75	
Fire Department - Operations	311.62	40,040.00	2,065.47		42,417.09	46,733.11		46,733.11	5,423.98	
Fire Department - Incentives		15,500.00			15,500.00	15,331.10		15,331.10	168.90	
Fire Department - Capital Equipment Fund		15,000.00			15,000.00					15,000.00
Fire Department - Senior Grant		18,252.00	5,000.00		23,252.00	5,000.00		5,000.00		
Fire Department - Equipment Loan SCBA		18,252.00	2,500.00		20,752.00	18,251.77		18,251.77	0.23	
Fire Department - Contingency	\$ 18,202.38	\$ 154,852.00	\$ 10,305.47	\$ -	\$ 183,360.05	\$ 149,699.48	\$ -	\$ 149,699.48	\$ 334.88	\$ 2,500.00
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:										
County Tax	\$ -	\$ 563,391.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 563,391.00	\$ 563,391.00	\$ -	\$ 563,391.00	\$ -	\$ -
Overlay		51,457.07			51,457.07	1,358.17	3,983.17	9,309.34	42,147.73	
	\$ -	\$ 614,848.07	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 614,848.07	\$ 564,749.17	\$ 7,983.17	\$ 572,732.34	\$ 42,147.73	\$ -

TOWN OF WEST BATH
STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS (Schedule A-4 Cont.)
JUNE 30, 2012

	BALANCE FORWARD 7/1/11	APPROPRIATIONS	CASH RECEIPTS	OTHER CREDITS	TOTAL	CASH DISBURSED	OTHER CHARGES	TOTAL	UNEXPENDED (OVER/DRAFT)	BALANCE FORWARD 6/30/12
HEALTH, SANITATION, AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT:										
Overhead (Discharge License)	\$ (2,415.07)	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,415.07)	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,415.07)
Community Health and Nursing Services	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	3,600.00	900.00	900.00	1,800.00	900.00	900.00
Lisecote County Animal Shelter	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	3,600.00	900.00	900.00	1,800.00	900.00	900.00
Jeanie Albert Dental Clinic	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	3,600.00	900.00	900.00	1,800.00	900.00	900.00
Coastal Transportation	825.00	825.00	825.00	825.00	3,300.00	825.00	825.00	1,650.00	825.00	825.00
Both Senior Citizens	2,158.00	2,158.00	2,158.00	2,158.00	8,632.00	2,158.00	2,158.00	4,316.00	2,158.00	2,158.00
Swanier	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fireman's Association	1,365.00	1,365.00	1,365.00	1,365.00	5,460.00	1,365.00	1,365.00	2,730.00	1,365.00	1,365.00
Senior Spectrum	27,699.00	27,699.00	27,699.00	27,699.00	110,796.00	27,699.00	27,699.00	55,398.00	27,699.00	27,699.00
Patrons Fire Library	780.00	780.00	780.00	780.00	3,120.00	780.00	780.00	1,560.00	780.00	780.00
CEJ	480.00	480.00	480.00	480.00	1,920.00	480.00	480.00	960.00	480.00	480.00
Refined Shelter	96,800.29	46,800.00	46,800.00	46,800.00	187,200.29	46,800.00	46,800.00	93,600.00	46,800.00	46,800.00
Transfer Station - Rent	44,921.95	44,921.95	44,921.95	44,921.95	179,687.80	44,921.95	44,921.95	89,843.80	44,921.95	44,921.95
Transfer Station - Tip Fees	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Solid Waste/Recycling Committee Expense	11,480.00	11,480.00	11,480.00	11,480.00	45,840.00	11,480.00	11,480.00	22,960.00	11,480.00	11,480.00
Solid Waste Deposit - Recycling Center	3,100.00	3,100.00	3,100.00	3,100.00	12,400.00	3,100.00	3,100.00	6,200.00	3,100.00	3,100.00
Salt Shed Rent	94,385.22	56,427.00	94,821.95	-	245,634.17	94,821.95	94,821.95	190,000.00	94,821.95	94,821.95
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:										
General Road	\$ 96,287.51	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	\$ 25,940.00	\$ 162,227.51	\$ 72,389.62	\$ -	\$ 72,389.62	\$ 89,837.89	\$ 89,837.89
Snow Removal	11,790.00	125,000.00	25,500.00	25,500.00	267,290.00	136,416.00	25,500.00	161,916.00	136,416.00	136,416.00
MOOT Road Road Assistance	35,000.00	186,700.00	195,700.00	141,288.00	558,688.00	141,288.00	141,288.00	282,576.00	141,288.00	141,288.00
Roads - Capital Projects	141,077.51	325,700.00	25,500.00	25,940.00	518,217.51	380,073.62	25,940.00	406,013.62	112,143.89	112,143.89
UNCLASSIFIED:										
Planning and Building Inspection	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,625.15	\$ -	\$ 4,625.15	\$ 890.00	\$ -	\$ 890.00	\$ 3,735.15	\$ -
Appeals Board	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	400.00	100.00	100.00	200.00	100.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	13,098.54	13,098.54	13,098.54	13,098.54	52,394.22	13,098.54	13,098.54	26,197.11	13,098.54	13,098.54
Alexandra Reserve Fund	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	12,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Maine Association Harbor and Waterways	47,564.61	16,690.70	63,665.31	13,568.73	141,489.35	13,568.73	13,568.73	27,137.46	13,568.73	13,568.73
Interest and Charges on Taxes	32,236.61	32,236.61	32,236.61	32,236.61	128,946.44	32,236.61	32,236.61	64,473.22	32,236.61	32,236.61
Supplementals	433.23	433.23	433.23	433.23	1,732.92	433.23	433.23	866.46	433.23	433.23
Special Projects - Comprehensive Plan	9,411.87	4,600.00	9,411.87	433.23	23,862.97	4,600.00	4,600.00	9,200.00	14,662.97	9,411.87
Cemetery Maintenance	3,238.41	3,238.41	3,238.41	3,238.41	13,000.00	3,238.41	3,238.41	6,476.82	3,238.41	3,238.41
Interest on Cash Accounts	18,770.47	18,770.47	18,770.47	18,770.47	75,081.88	18,770.47	18,770.47	37,540.94	18,770.47	18,770.47
Cable TV Franchise	348.00	348.00	348.00	348.00	1,392.00	348.00	348.00	696.00	348.00	348.00
Fees Revenue	60,296.48	4,600.00	88,467.38	433.23	153,797.09	19,492.23	-	19,492.23	134,304.86	62,184.45
	344,611.66	4,240,642.07	233,831.85	51,207.48	7,870,333.06	4,181,946.03	113,981.90	4,295,927.93	274,405.13	350,687.11

TOWN OF WEST BATH
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	PROGRAM REVENUES				NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	
	EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS	2012 TOTALS	2011 TOTALS
Primary Government:						
Governmental Activities:						
Education	\$ 2,599,124.04	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,599,124.04	\$ 2,509,932.00
General Government	647,375.28	15,257.53	-	710,933.81	(78,816.06)	757,605.28
Protection	170,536.40	305.47	5,000.00	-	165,230.93	60,952.01
Health, Sanitation, and Welfare	59,119.22	94,821.95	-	-	(35,702.73)	(36,468.75)
Highways and Bridges	334,164.62	-	25,504.00	-	308,660.62	299,416.39
Special Assessment	563,391.00	-	-	-	563,391.00	558,328.00
Unclassified	19,040.23	85,229.47	-	-	(66,189.24)	(61,985.84)
Note Payments - Interest	20,253.80	-	-	-	20,253.80	22,795.68
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 4,413,004.59	\$ 195,614.42	\$ 30,504.00	\$ 710,933.81	\$ 3,475,952.36	\$ 4,110,574.77
General Revenues:						
Property Taxes					\$ 3,580,607.23	\$ 3,540,616.46
Home-Head Reimbursement					24,825.25	25,186.00
Excise Taxes					330,200.00	379,500.00
Intergovernmental					72,800.00	63,336.00
Interest and Investment Earnings					3,238.41	4,008.62
Total General Revenues					\$ 4,011,670.89	\$ 4,012,647.08
Changes in Net Assets					\$ 535,718.53	\$ (97,927.69)
Net Assets, July 1					2,870,246.28	2,968,173.97
Net Assets, June 30					\$ 3,405,964.81	\$ 2,870,246.28

**TOWN OF WEST BATH
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

Unappropriated Surplus, July 1, 2011		\$ 639,260.58
INCREASE:		
Operating Account Balances Lapsed (Net) (Schedule A-4)		221,678.00
		\$ 860,938.58
DECREASE:		
Regular Town Meeting	\$ 165,684.00	
Increase in Deferred Taxes	31,668.38	
		197,352.38
Unappropriated Surplus, June 30, 2012		\$ 663,586.20

**TOWN OF WEST BATH
RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH BALANCE (Schedule A-6)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

Cash on Hand		\$200.00
Cash in Banks:		
Androscoggin Savings Bank		
Balance Per Bank Statement	\$ 280,216.86	
Add: Deposits in Transit	1,563.10	
Deduct: Outstanding Checks	28,580.55	
Balance Per Books		253,199.41
Bath Savings Institution		
Certificate of Deposit - General Fund		215,399.35
Androscoggin Savings Bank		
Certificate of Deposit - General Fund		752,154.79
Cash Balance, June 30, 2012		\$ 1,220,953.55

**TOWN OF WEST BATH
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011**

	2012	2011
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES:		
Unassigned (Schedule A-3)	\$ 663,586.20	\$ 639,260.58
Assigned for Subsequent Years' Expenditure (Schedule A-4)	350,687.11	344,611.66
Committed for Capital Projects	8,363.30	(450,848.70)
Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 1,022,636.61	\$ 533,023.54
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statements of Net Assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds	2,498,961.93	2,550,983.38
Notes payable are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds	(349,727.47)	(416,186.00)
Property taxes not collected within the 60 days after year end are deferred as revenue in the fund financial statements. In the government-wide financial statements the revenue is income in the year it is assessed.	234,093.74	202,425.36
Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibit A)	\$ 3,405,964.81	\$ 2,870,246.28

TOWN OF WEST BATH
BALANCE SHEETS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011

	WING FARM		TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)	
	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	2012	2011
ASSETS:				
Cash	\$ 1,220,953.55	\$ -	\$ 1,220,953.55	\$ 757,930.89
Accounts Receivable	62,665.06		62,665.06	25,744.62
Taxes Receivable	235,215.38		235,215.38	228,132.39
Tax Liens	83,460.26		83,460.26	60,027.38
Tax Acquired Property	1,474.44		1,474.44	1,474.44
Prepaid Expense	281.47		281.47	116.04
Due From Other Funds		8,363.30	8,363.30	450,848.70
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,604,050.16</u>	<u>\$ 8,363.30</u>	<u>\$ 1,612,413.46</u>	<u>\$ 1,524,274.46</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:				
Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -
Deferred Excise Taxes	306,447.20		306,447.20	319,641.35
Deferred Revenues (Note N)	15,872.61		15,872.61	18,335.51
Deferred Tax Revenue (Note F)	234,093.74		234,093.74	202,425.36
Due To Other Funds	8,363.30		8,363.30	450,848.70
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 589,776.85</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 589,776.85</u>	<u>\$ 991,250.92</u>
Fund Equity:				
Committed for Capital Projects (Note E)	\$ -	\$ 8,363.30	\$ 8,363.30	\$ (450,848.70)
Assigned for Subsequent Years' Expenditure (Note E)	350,687.11		350,687.11	344,611.66
Unassigned	663,586.20		663,586.20	639,260.58
Total Fund Equity	<u>\$ 1,014,273.31</u>	<u>\$ 8,363.30</u>	<u>\$ 1,022,636.61</u>	<u>\$ 533,023.54</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u>\$ 1,604,050.16</u>	<u>\$ 8,363.30</u>	<u>\$ 1,612,413.46</u>	<u>\$ 1,524,274.46</u>

TOWN OF WEST BATH
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
FOR YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011

	WING FARM		TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)	
	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	2012	2011
REVENUES:				
Property Taxes	\$ 3,548,938.85	\$ -	\$ 3,548,938.85	\$ 3,474,466.30
Excise Taxes	330,200.00		330,200.00	379,500.00
Intergovernmental Revenue	72,800.00		72,800.00	63,336.00
General Roads	25,504.00		25,504.00	28,224.92
General Government	15,157.53	711,033.81	726,191.34	807,793.32
Protection	5,305.47		5,305.47	87,016.14
Unclassified	85,229.47		85,229.47	81,974.93
Health, Sanitation, and Welfare	94,821.95		94,821.95	98,850.69
Interest on Investments	3,238.41		3,238.41	4,008.62
Homestead Reimbursement	24,825.25		24,825.25	25,186.00
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 4,206,020.93</u>	<u>\$ 711,033.81</u>	<u>\$ 4,917,054.74</u>	<u>\$ 5,050,356.92</u>
EXPENDITURES:				
Education	\$ 2,599,124.04	\$ -	\$ 2,599,124.04	\$ 2,509,932.00
General Government	379,336.47	251,821.81	631,158.28	1,567,174.60
Protection	144,699.48		144,699.48	311,557.39
Health, Sanitation, and Welfare	50,201.22		50,201.22	53,463.94
Highways and Bridges	350,073.62		350,073.62	334,493.31
Special Assessments	563,391.00		563,391.00	558,328.00
Unclassified	19,040.23		19,040.23	19,989.09
Note Payments	69,753.80		69,753.80	72,295.68
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 4,175,619.86</u>	<u>\$ 251,821.81</u>	<u>\$ 4,427,441.67</u>	<u>\$ 5,427,234.01</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>\$ 30,401.07</u>	<u>\$ 459,212.00</u>	<u>\$ 489,613.07</u>	<u>\$ (376,877.09)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Operating Transfer - In	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,900.00
Operating Transfer - Out				(4,900.00)
Loan Proceeds - SCBA				51,686.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 51,686.00</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>\$ 30,401.07</u>	<u>\$ 459,212.00</u>	<u>\$ 489,613.07</u>	<u>\$ (325,191.09)</u>
Fund Balance (Deficit), July 1	983,872.24	(450,848.70)	533,023.54	858,214.63
Fund Balance, June 30	<u>\$ 1,014,273.31</u>	<u>\$ 8,363.30</u>	<u>\$ 1,022,636.61</u>	<u>\$ 533,023.54</u>

**TOWN CLERK ANNUAL REPORT
(2012 Statistics)**

Dog Licenses:

Male/Female: 13 Neuter/Spay: 98 Kennel License: 1

Inland Fisheries & Wildlife:

Hunting License Authorities: 207 Fishing Licenses: 101
Boat Registrations: 358 ATV Registrations: 71
Snowmobile Registrations: 69 Documented Boats: 15

Other Counter Transactions:

BMV Registrations: 2,610 Moorings: 246
Shellfish Licenses: 77 Tax Payments: 1,757
Clerk; Vitals, Misc.: 334

Front counter hours on Mondays only (except Holidays) are from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. Hours Tuesdays through Fridays are 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. The Town of West Bath's web site at www.westbath.org provides detailed information about the town office, meetings, events and many notices of interest to the public.

If you would like to be added to an email list to receive weekly updates of meetings, events and the home page of the web site, contact us at 443-4342 or email to townclerk@westbath.org. Your email address will not be disclosed to other recipients or the public from our office.

Births - January 1 – 31 December 2012 - Total Births: 7

Weddings - January 1 – 31 December 2012

	Date Married
Michael Phillip Dyer and Lisa Smith Cooper	4/6/2012
Jason Eli Greenblatt and Eileen Theresa Flynn	4/15/2012
Christopher Michael Conti and Jessica Ruth Powers	5/20/2012
Arthur James Reno and Kerri Lynne Bouchard	5/19/2012
Donald Raymond Houde and Terri Lynn Milner	5/26/2012
Joseph William Cox and Kate Marie Roberts	7/2/2012
Jaben Foster Kilbourn and Veronica Sanchez	7/21/2012
Joel Gabriel Castillo and Erika Lynn Stuart	7/22/2012
Andrew C. Hill and Rebecca J. Dionne	7/27/2012
Joel Christopher Betz and Leta Michele Gillis	8/10/2012
Peter W. Eichleay and Katherine A. Upton	8/11/2012
Jon Thomas England and Courtney Susan Jennings	9/1/2012
Daniel Louton Wallace Jr. and Madeleine Leona Hill	9/15/2012
Todd Michael Stead and Ann-Marie Levasseur	10/11/2012
Wayne David Earl and Elizabeth Anne Guth	10/20/2012
Donald Stephen Whorff Jr. and Tricia Elaine Thomas	11/15/2012
Brandon Lloyd Glidden and Jessica Lynn Hogan	12/12/2012

Deaths - January 1 – 31 December 2012

	Date of Death
Archie Leon Johnson	1/30/2012
Virginia Mary Ambrose	4/15/2012
Regina J. Paradis	4/19/2012
John Wesley Waterhouse Jr.	5/19/2012
Jeanette F. Burton	7/13/2012
Owen Douglas Stephens	7/24/2012
Elford Austin Stover Jr.	10/5/2012
Suzanne Marie Robshaw	11/1/2012
Everett Warren Waterman	11/6/2012
Thomas Edward Elliott Jr.	12/14/2012

Registrar of Voters Report (2012)

The "Registrar" is the appointed municipal official who has the exclusive authority (subject to appeal) to determine voter eligibility and maintain the Central Voter Registration System (CVR). You must be a West Bath registered voter to vote at all elections, town meetings and to have your signature counted on any petition. To register and exercise your constitutional right to vote, contact me at the Town Office during normal business hours.

We had the following elections and town meetings and voter turnout in 2011:

Date	Election	Voters	% of Total Voters*
6/6/2012	RSU#1 Budget	20	1.32%
6/12/2012	Primary, Municipal & RSU#1 Budget Vote	267	17.72%
6/13/2012	Annual Town Meeting	61	4.05%
11/6/2012	General and Referendum	1,222	76.86%
11/6/2012	RSU#1 Board of Director District 4 only	1,005	76.54%

* Percent is based on number of active registered voters on day of election.

Active Voter Party Affiliation as of November 5, 2012:

Democrat: 471
Republican: 459
Green Independent: 71
Unenrolled in a party: 538
Total: 1539

Thank you to our group of dedicated Election/Ballot Clerks and Deputy Moderators for their work!

Election/Ballot Clerks:

Beth Brewer	Phylis McNelly
Debra Bruce	Joseph Pluto
Evelyn Desmond	Janet Chapin
Maryjane Donley	Judy Stallworth
Sandra Tuttle	Maria Morris
Robin Hansen	Robin Whorff

Deputy Moderators:

Margaret Totten
Paula Nelson
Richard Totten
Maria Renaud
Jonathan Davis
Martha Garrison
Kyle Yacoben
Maria Morris

Note regarding Municipal Elections: At our Town Meeting 2012 it was voted and approved to move West Bath Municipal Elections from June to November each year.

Robert K. Morris
Registrar of Voters

Road Commissioner Report

During 2012 we met many of goals while staying within the budget appropriated.

The following projects were completed during FY 12-13:

- Replaced approximately 8 culverts
- Shim and pave on Mountain Road
- Ditching on Hill Road (two locations)
- Ditching, mowing, sweeping and striping
- Replaced 13 Street Signs
- Completed shoulder grading on selected roads
- Paved a heavily traveled section of Fosters Point Road
- Installed gravel and reclaim on shoulder of new hot top on Fosters Point Road
- An engineering study was completed for Mountain Road supporting an extensive storm water management plan.

The following are goals for upcoming year:

- Replace approximately 20 culverts throughout the town
- Finish last phase of Birch Point Road
- Ditching and paving on Hill Road
- Hot topping select roads
- Ditching, mowing, sweeping and striping
- Repair salt shed

I am still employed as an assistant superintendent at REED & REED of Woolwich, Maine I successfully completed the Vermont project and have begun work at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. This opportunity will keep me at that location for roughly the next year. I still take calls from citizens of West Bath and will immediately rectify any problems or concerns presented to me. Additionally, as a citizen of West Bath I will be located in the Town on weekends. I still answer all calls and have been to all meetings, pre-bid meetings, and appointments that require my appearance. I will continue to do so for the rest of my term and hopefully for the new appointed position.

I hope I'm meeting the towns' expectations and goals. If you have any questions or concerns regarding our roads, please contact me 24/7 at (207) 841-6211.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Whorff
Road Commissioner

Codes Enforcement Officer

Total permits issued in calendar year 2012: 38 (31% increase from 2011)

Total fees: \$3,725.15

Type of occupancy for which permits were issued		District in which permits were issued	
Dwelling	9	Summer colony	4
Commercial	2	Commercial	2
Farm or outbuilding (shed)	7	Residential	7
Garage	6	Rural Residential	13
New residence created	9	Rural residential shore land	12
Deck	1		
New structure	6		
Alterations	6		
Demolitions	1		
Docks and floats	6		

Respectfully submitted,

Ellis Reed
Codes Enforcement Officer

Plumbing Inspector

Plumbing permits issued during calendar year 2012

Internal plumbing	13	
External plumbing	12	
Seasonal conversion	0	
Total issued	25	(40% increase from 2011)
Total pending	0	

Amount of fees:

Total collected	\$5,320.00
Total sent to state (1/4)	\$972.50
Total retained by town	\$4,347.50

Respectfully submitted,

Ellis Reed
Plumbing Inspector

Assessor's Report

Date of Commitment: August 13, 2012

TAXABLE PROPERTY VALUATION

Real Estate	\$359,698,313.00
Personal Property	+ 4,775,116.00
Total Taxable Valuation	\$364,473,429.00

Homestead Exemption and BETE Reimbursement Valuation	+ 2,653.171
Total Valuation Base	\$367,126,600.00

APPROPRIATIONS

County Tax	\$ 607,898.00
Municipal	+ 1,002,937.00
Education	+ 2,158,028.00
Total Appropriation	\$ 3,768,863.00

REVENUES

Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 76,308.00
Other Revenues (Excise, MDOT, others)	+ 573,874.00
Total Revenue	\$ 650,182.00

ASSESSMENT

Total Taxable Valuation	\$ 364,473,429
Mil Rate of .0087% (commonly referred to as 8.70)	X .0087
Tax Commitment	\$ 3,170,918.83

OVERLAY

Tax Commitment	\$ 3,170,918.83
Homestead Reimbursement	+ 21,489.00
BETE Reimbursement	+ 1,593.59
Total	\$ 3,194,001.42

Total Appropriation	\$ 3,768,863.00
Total Revenue to Reduce Commitment	- 650,182.00
Net Raised by Property Tax	\$ 3,118,681.00

Total Commitment + Homestead and BETE Reimbursement	\$ 3,194,001.42
Net raised by property tax	- 3,118,681.00
Overlay (2.42% of the Net Raised by Property Tax)	\$ 75,320.42

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Beal
Assessor

Local Health Officer Report

By Maine state law, each municipality must have a Local Health Officer. This appointed member of the community is responsible for answering general questions and concerns regarding local public health. This person is the liaison to the services available in our area.

My name is Jodie Lenardson and I have been given this great opportunity with the appointment as your Local Health Officer. I was born in Bath and grew up in Nobleboro, Maine. My husband and I moved to West Bath last year and will be building here this summer. I look forward to serving and gaining knowledge to be a beneficial member of our community.

Your Local Health Officer participates in Bi-monthly meetings with the representatives from surrounding towns in Sagadahoc County. These meetings consist of trainings, coordination of services and informational packets. The brochures in these packets are placed into the Kiosk located at the Town Hall. The information consists of seasonal awareness, health services and what is happening in our community.

Code Red has been established in Sagadahoc County as an Emergency Notification System. This enables the Emergency Management Agency the ability to alert residents of emergencies in your area. Directions for participation are available at the: www.WestBath.govoffice.com and you can call with any questions.

Your Local Health Officer can be reached by calling the Town Hall at 207-443-4342 or by email at JodieLenardson@aol.com.

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy,

Jodie C. Lenardson RN, CLHO

West Bath Shellfish Warden

It was a pleasure to serve the people of West Bath as your Shellfish Warden. There were fewer closures this year for red tide, but there were a couple of State flood closures.

I checked 351 diggers, 244 bushels of shellfish, 7 complaints and issued 3 warnings.

The Marine Resource Committee works hard to keep all the landings cleaned up and litter free.

Please check for closures on the Town Hall bulletin board outside the Hall or call me at 504-1523 (cell) or 443-3114 (home).

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Alexander

West Bath Harbor Master

If you are a West Bath boater, please remember that when you register your moorings each year, the Town Office will issue you a new sticker to go along with your mooring number. Both the sticker and the number MUST be placed on your mooring ball, and if you can, please place your name on the ball, that too would be helpful. If I don't see a current year sticker, I assume the mooring is not registered.

As requests for new moorings are received each year, and that approximately 34% of mooring registrations are not being renewed each year, and many more are not properly marked, the Town of West Bath is compelled to strictly enforce the provisions of our Waterways and Harbors Ordinance.

Please notify the Town Office if you no longer own, maintain or wish to renew your mooring for so we may update our records. If you do not intend to renew your mooring you need to remove it in its entirety which includes the marker, chain or rope and whatever method of weight you are using (anchor, cement block, etc).

If you wish to keep your mooring, you are expected to renew your 2013 registration and properly identify it accordingly whether you are planning to moor a boat to it this year or not.

Town of West Bath boat owners can now re-register their boats on line at www.maine.gov/ifw.

If you have any problems on the water, please call me at 443-6362. Have a safe and great boating season!

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Vaillancourt
Harbor Master

Animal Control Officer

Let me start off by thanking the dog owners of this Town. For the first time since becoming the ACO, I can report that "Dogs Running at Large" is not the problem it has been in years past! The problem this year has been the "Non-Registered Dogs" and feral cats. That being said, the feral cat issue is finally becoming under control, however the licensing of new dogs as well as renewals is still a problem. Please come to the Town Hall at your earliest convenience and register your dog(s). Please remember you need a current rabies certificate for your dog(s) in order to register.

The Town now participates in the State's on-line dog registration service for your added convenience. You can complete a new or renewal license with this service, and it is available from October 15th through January 31st each year.

Thank you.

Few numbers from the past year:

Deer vs. car:	3	Feral cats:	36	Fox vs. car:	1
Cat vs. car:	11	Skunk calls:	3	Mange fox:	1
Dog vs. car:	2	Raccoon calls:	6	Other wildlife:	4

Todd Stead
Animal Control Officer

West Bath Fire Department

In 2012 we responded to 192 calls for service. These calls included, Fire suppression, Medical Emergencies, Motor vehicle Accidents, Hazardous Materials Spills, Mutual Aid, Traffic Control and Miscellaneous Citizen Assists.

The membership put in countless hours in 2012 doing all the State and Federal required training as well as additional training keeping all their Fire and EMS skills up to date. We also had 3 Firefighters complete the advanced firefighter I&II certification in 2012. This year we already have members enrolled in programs to obtain their firefighter certifications.

Our 2002 Tanker/Pumper went out last fall and had some body corrosion repair done as well as update to the water dump system. The work was completed in a very timely manner and we are very pleased with the repairs and updates.

This past fall along with our basic fire drills at West Bath School we worked with the principal and the Sagadahoc Sherriff's Department on safety and lock down procedures in the school. We preformed a mock drill with the students and were very pleased with how well the students did. This spring we will be doing more drills and practice a mass evacuation of the students to another location.

We were very fortunate and extremely grateful that we received some anonymous donations of equipment in 2012. Donations include money towards materials to replace the floor in our upstairs dayroom, new gas meter to monitor CO levels, new gas meter to monitor H2S gas levels, 2 new wild land firefighting jackets for firefighters to wear while fighting brush and woods fires.

As we work into 2013 and the future, public education and life safety is a big priority and we will be focusing on our businesses in town. This year we have started an inspection program and will performing inspections throughout the town. Our purpose will be first and foremost fire and life safety education. We will conduct fire and life safety inspections and work with each business to make sure they are operating as safely as possible. We also will provide fire extinguisher training with anyone who is interested and help arrange CPR classes as well.

This year we need to purchase a new cardiac monitor/defibrillator for our squad truck. Our current monitor manufactured in 1998 was given to us by the City of Bath. This monitor now longer meets current standards and if not replaced we will lose our advanced life support license. After researching all of the options and what would best fit our needs we have decided to purchase a remanufactured unit from a distributor. This will save the town approximately \$20,000.00.

We want to remind everyone of a few important safety tips. Replace the batteries in your smoke and CO detectors and test them monthly. Please help us help you by making sure your address number is visible from the roadway. Practice fire safety at home every day and have fire drills with your family. Have your chimneys cleaned and inspected at least once a year.

In Closing I want to thank the community for your continued support. Please feel free to contact us anytime if you have any questions or concerns. We invite you to Like West Bath Fire Department on Facebook to keep up to date with community events, Wbfd events and safety information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chet Swain Jr.
Fire Chief

West Bath Budget Advisory Committee

Once again the taxpayers of West Bath are faced with potential and costly funding cut backs from the State of Maine. It is becoming all too common for the State to balance its budget by passing the tax burden to communities which in turn raises your property tax. Unfortunately we will not have any details from Augusta until much later in their budget year which may mean reducing some budget recommendations at Town Meeting.

The Town's budget has been held in check for the most part excepting expenses relating to the school and RSU1. As a result of a recent vote by the communities of RSU1, West Bath's share of that budget will probably increase by over \$400,000.

Our legal account is also higher due to the Town's ongoing law suit concerning the funding formula that was used by RSU1 in previous years.

The Budget Advisory Committee is very diligent in reviewing all budget requests and takes the budget process very seriously.

During the past year Julie House, the Town Treasurer, has organized the Town's budget accounts to make them more efficient and easier to work with. Her efforts are greatly appreciated.

I also wish to thank the Budget Advisory Committee for all their time and efforts as well as the West Bath town officials for doing their part to control the mill rate for the Town. As always the Budget Advisory Committee will be at the Town Meeting to answer all questions and concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

David P. Hennessey, Chairman

Waterways & Harbors Committee Report

The Town of West Bath Waterways and Harbors ordinance is very effective and no changes are recommended this year. As you know our ordinance is linked to the State of Maine Title 38 statutes for Operation of Vessels, and we endeavor to treat everyone fairly.

Our account has a positive budget and this year we are continuing to donate a portion of it to the Marine Resource account. This is for the benefit of everyone using the West Bath waters.

The Harbormaster has requested that everyone make sure to identify his or her moorings according to the regulations. He will be checking all moorings for registration. Please ensure that you all comply with the ordinance. Failure to comply with the Harbormasters instructions on moorings will result in a \$100 fine.

Our committee wishes you all a long and safe boating experience in 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Gadaree, Chair

Town of West Bath
Board of Assessment Review (BAR)

The Board of Assessment Review (BAR) had a quiet year with zero appeal hearings for the tax Commitment effective April 1, 2012.

Each year any taxpayer who feels an error or irregularity has occurred in the assessment of his/ her property has 185 days from formal tax commitment (usually in the fall) to first discuss the concern with the Assessing Agent and then to file a formal request for abatement if the taxpayer's concern is not alleviated. If the abatement is denied by the elected Assessors the taxpayer may then appeal the denial to the local BAR. The decision of the BAR may be appealed directly to Superior Court by either the taxpayer or by the town.

Respectfully submitted,
Juanita Wilson-Hennessey, Chair
Richard Totten, Secretary
Peter Oceretko
Paul Mateosian (Alternate)
Lawrence Renaud (Alternate)

West Bath Board of Appeals
Calendar Year 2012

The first paragraph of the Maine Municipal Board of Appeals Manual introduces the duties of the West Bath Board of Appeals best. It states, "Serving on a municipal board of appeals is probably one of the most difficult jobs that a citizen can volunteer to do. The board of appeals, more than any other board, generally performs the same function at the local level as an appeals court judge. Like a judge, the appeals board must decide difficult questions in accordance with local ordinances, State laws, and court cases. Often those decisions will seem harsh and contrary to "common sense," both to board members and to the general public. This is particularly true when the board is asked to decide a request for a variance. However, the board is bound to follow the law until the law is changed. Explaining this to citizens seeking help from the board probably is one of the board's most unpleasant tasks."

The Board of Appeals takes action on the first Tuesday of each month at the Town Office, provided there is business for the Board to address. If you need to request a hearing, please pick up an application at the Town Office. Make sure the entire application is completed before submitting it along with the filing fee, so a date may be scheduled with no delay.

In 2012 there was one application made to the appeals board.

Shoal Cove Development Corporation applied for an Undue Hardship Dimensional Variance related to its property identified as a common right of way shown on Town of West Bath Tax Map U26 between lots 14 and 17. On June 20, 2012 the Board of Appeals held a public hearing to act on the application. After review of the applicable ordinance, by unanimous vote the Board granted the dimensional variance for a sideline setback.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Hennessey
Board of Appeals, Chair

Winnegance Alewife Commission Report

The 2012 Alewife harvest season produced 197 bushels between April 19 and May 28 which was an increase of 62 bushels harvested in 2011. Hopefully this an indication of a better harvest in the future.

This year's harvest resulted in the Winnegance Alewife Commission receiving \$838.00 in revenue bringing the total in our savings account to \$9,689.62 and \$100.07 in our checking account as of July 31, 2012.

This year was Greg Gilliam's (fish agent) third year of a three year bid contract so the Commission will have to go out to bid next year. The Commission will start the bid process after January 1, 2013. Also, there has been discussion with the Department of Marine Resources and Wright-Pierce of improvements to the fish way ladder. We should know more later this year.

The representatives on the tri-town Winnegance Alewife Commission are as follows:

Bath: Steve Wilson and Meadow Merrill

Phippsburg: Brent Gilliam and Mark Alexander

West Bath: Robin Hansen and David Hennessey

The Commission wishes to thank Phippsburg Town Administrator Mike Young for his continued managing of our overall operations.

Respectfully submitted,

David P. Hennessey

West Bath Recycling Committee

The committee is responsible for oversight of recycling and waste management for the Town, with a mission to increase community awareness of and participation in recycling.



The good news is that the town more than met the State of Maine's guidelines for recycling. Our rate for this period was almost 45%, which means that almost half of all our trash has been saved for recycling, for which the community should be very proud. Over 85 tons of single stream recycling was delivered by individuals to the drop-off center, while an additional 62.5 tons were left out for curbside pick-up. Please note: while we have moved to single stream recycling which makes it much easier to toss all recyclables in the same bin, do not package any of it in plastic bags, which clogs the recycling machines. Again, No plastic bags, please!

Revenues to the town from Pine Tree Waste's rent of the town-owner Carter Drop Off and Transfer Center were \$46,600 and transfer (so-called "tipping") fees for trash amounted to \$37,516. Offsetting that was the \$11,150 that the town pays to Pine Tree for their curbside pick-up throughout the town on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month.

In 2012, in addition to meeting its ongoing responsibilities, the committee help facilitate West Bath residents' participation in two hazardous household waste collection days. In addition, the committee's bylaws (set in 2001) have been revised to better reflect the committee's actual functions today. A copy of the bylaws can be found on the town's website.

Please note that we need at least two new committee members who are interested in recycling issues. Contact Town Hall if you are interested.

Respectfully submitted,

AveryHunt Meyers, Interim Chair

West Bath Administrative Review Task Force - Annual Report

Lawrence Renaud, Juanita Wilson-Hennessey, Justin Hennessey, Steve Winter, Darlene Estabrook,

David Hennessey and Peter Oceretko, co-chairs

Abbe Yacoben, Selectmen Liaison

The Administrative Review Task Force was organized three years ago by the Selectmen in order to examine the workings of the Town and to recommend adjustments or other solutions which may assure greater efficiencies within the workings of town government. Comprised of experienced members of other committees and Town function, the task force looks carefully at each element of the government “machine” and how each of those elements work together with others, serve the overall issues which the Town must address, and how well the Town can deal with issues from outside government.

Of special note is the care and careful attention devoted to accomplishing our work. We must understand how and why things are being done, how they affect other things being done, and how all of this fits together to assist the Town to deliver its function in the most efficient and cost effective manner. As the business which a Town must address, so to must the Town evolve to effectively, efficiently, and cost consciously address that business.

Our work is carried out in an objective rather than critical approach. We work with individual committees and officers along with the Selectmen in order to try to meet the needs of doing Town Government, best serving the interests of the voter and tax payer and working to continue a smooth mechanism with which to accomplish that mission.

Sadly, we will lose the valuable contribution of Lawrence “Buddy” Renaud. The experience that he has brought to the table and the thoughtfulness and dedication which he shared with us will be missed. Buddy and his lovely bride Maria plan to move to their new home located in Harpswell, of all places. We certainly are going to miss them and both their contribution to the Town, but we still wish them the very best.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Oceretko
David Hennessey

The Planning Board

Dear Townspeople of West Bath:

The Planning Board exists to encourage appropriate use of land within the Town of West Bath through regulations outlined in our ordinances. The Board consists of volunteers from the community, five (5) regular members and two (2) alternates. A quorum of three (3) members is required to conduct a meeting. The documents used when conducting Planning Board business are the Land Use Ordinance and Development Review Ordinance. Copies are available at the Town Offices or online at www.westbath.govoffice.com

The Planning Board meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm. Additional meetings for ordinance work sessions are scheduled as needed throughout the year and are posted in the Times Record and on the Town web site.

This past year has seen a steady flow of applicants. There have been a few shoreland expansions, subdivision modifications, business expansions, a few new businesses move into existing spaces, an entirely new business building located on State Road, and a windmill.

In addition to the monthly meetings, work continues to bring West Bath's ordinances on par with adjacent communities, to become more aligned with the West Bath Comprehensive Plan and comply with the ever changing State of Maine laws and mandates. The Board feels these changes in our ordinances will make West Bath a more competitive community for both business and residential projects.

Last June you voted in the last round of Shoreland Ordinance changes mandated by the State and so the Maine DEP has since given us full approval of our Shoreland Ordinances.

Lastly, the Board has been working toward replacing our current "catch-all" application with new applications tailored to each specific need (i.e. shoreland expansion, subdivision, new business, etc.). We are also adjusting and improving the application process to better serve the applicant and provide more guidance when needed.

The public is always welcome and encouraged to attend any and all Planning Board meetings. Public input, support and awareness is an important element to the success of the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene

Darlene Estabrook, Chair

Matt Cashman
Erik Hansen
Wayne Renshaw
Kyle Yacoben
Scott Andresen (Alternate)
Jay Paris (Alternate)

Marine Resources Committee

The Town of West Bath has purchased a new boat in 2012 and we'll be using it this coming season for water quality testing as well as the Shellfish Warden's enforcement use. The boat will also be used by the Fire Department island and water emergencies as needed. We would like to thank the Town for its overwhelming support in the purchase of this valuable Town asset.

This year the harvesters participated in three reseeded events. The clams collected ranged in size from ¼" to 1¼". These clams were transported on both the mill cove and back cove sides of town. When these clams mature the result is usually 7 fold.

Phippsburg and Woolwich once again participated in the harvesting of the seed clams. Incredibly, West Bath had seed populations so thick in some areas that it needed to be redistributed throughout West Bath to ensure optimal sustainable yield throughout our Town. The supporting effort from these Towns helped greatly in our redistribution efforts, meanwhile they benefited from the portion of seed we shared with them.

The Marine Resources Committee also conducts random water quality tests all year long to identify any pollution sources and ensure that any such sources are corrected in a timely manner. This includes shoreline surveys to maintain or correct any pollution problems that may occur. These are done on a tri-annual basis. In addition, accelerated testing is being done twice a month to re-categorize and re-open areas that have been closed due to pollution problems that have been resolved.

West Bath is proud of our Marine Resources conservation efforts. We feel that our shellfish fisheries are important and implement our own sustainability program. To maintain a commercial shellfish license, clammers must complete 12 hours of conservation time. This conservation time is a combination of reseeded, surveys, clean up, meetings and water quality tests. These hours have resulted in the cleanup of all overboard discharges, repair of faulty systems and a much cleaner water quality. Our water along the coast of West Bath now meets Department of Marine Resource quality standards. Money is often available to help repair shoreline pollution problems.

The town's Shellfish Warden, Doug Alexander has been patrolling and monitoring the clam flats for illegal diggers. Feel free to contact Doug if you have any questions regarding clam digging, suspicious shoreline activity or whether areas are open or closed.

The Shellfish Committee meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 6 pm from October to March and 7 pm from April to September. Please contact me regarding surveys, harvesting, pollution or potential pollution problems, or with any shellfish questions in general. Also, please feel free to attend any of our committee meetings. The Town of West Bath gave out three new commercial licenses this year.

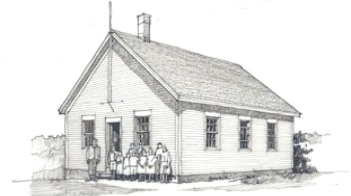
Respectfully submitted,
Warren Swanson, Chairman



Marine Resource Committee members gather on a chilly spring morning to transplant seed clams to help ensure a continuing harvest!
(Cover photo: Reseeded clams at Kings Point)



WEST BATH HISTORICAL SOCIETY



West Bath's Historical Society is now in its 13th year as an active non-profit volunteer organization, dedicated to improving our town's sense of community. Our mission is to:

- Preserve the history and traditions of West Bath, Maine.
- Identify, research, and record locations of historical sites, buildings, and artifacts.
- Identify, record, and catalog photos and the written and oral history of West Bath.
- Publish quarterly historic/current events newsletters, *The Middle Ground*.
- Serve as a resource for the WB School and Patten Free Library's History Room.
- Hold events with historical content for membership & open to the public.

As part of that mission, over the past 7 years, we have spearheaded the challenging restoration of West Bath's two important historical building: **The Old West Bath Meeting House** and **The Littlefield School**. For both those efforts we have enjoyed had a great deal of community support, both financially and with volunteer efforts.

The **Meeting House**, built in 1839, needed a great deal of help, including shoring up the building, repairing and repainting walls and exterior, refinished the floors, modernizing the electricity within a historic perspective while preserving the old kerosene lamps, and repairing the stained glass windows. The **Littlefield School**, one of Maine's few remaining one-room school houses, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was in even worse shape. Built in 1853, it is a classic one-story Greek Revival timber-framed building; by 2007 it was in precarious condition. Its foundation had shifted and was collapsing, in part because of road runoff from the upgraded Berry's Mill Road. The rafters and frame were shaky. The south corner of the building was propped with an I-beam and the north wall had separated from the floor. In short, the whole building was unsafe, and in danger of collapse. At one point about a decade ago, it was slated to be burned in a fire department exercise! Only community outrage stopped that from happening. In 2008 we began an aggressive effort to restore, with the help of a generous bequest from the late Bruce Burden, whose mother attended the school and a federal grant.

WBHS is pleased to have been able to restore these historic structures (the first in 2003 and the school in 2009) which have been so important to the community over the years. Both buildings, while still needing maintenance and some upgrades, are now able to be open to the public. For our restoration efforts, WBHS has received several major preservation awards. Note: we plan an open house at both buildings over the July 4 Heritage Days weekend. Please plan to stop by!

Other highlights of our events during this year:

*We participated once again, in the Town History Series at Patten Free Library, in January 2013, with a graphic presentation from our president on the history of the old radar tower on top of Witch Spring hill, which was a top secret military radar tracking "soldier" during the Cold War

*We also helped fund new shelving in the PFL History Room, to house the West Bath archives for public access, thanks to the organizational efforts of Kerry Nelson.

*And, once again, for the grand finale of 2012, we sponsored our traditional candlelight community Christmas Service. It was held December 14th with Rev. Janet Leighninger presiding and was well attended. WBHS donated half the evening's offering to the Bath Area Food Bank; the rest went toward maintenance of the Meeting House and Littlefield School.

We thank the town and its citizens for continued support of our efforts. We encourage our members - about 130 strong and growing - to become involved with us: sign up for a committee, provide us with historical photos or tidbits, or just get friends and neighbors to join! The WBHS meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 9 am in Town Hall. We welcome your involvement in any way. And most important, we encourage you to join us!

Respectfully submitted,

Avery Meyers, President

W.N. (Pete) Pete Guild, Treasurer/Secretary

Board Members Bob Bittner, Raisa Bittner, Beth Brewer, Ivon Boyer, Cindy Fahay, Sally Graves, Nicole Nelson

Kerry Nelson, Archivist and Betty Fitzjarrald, Littlefield School Chair.

For more information, call: 443.4449.

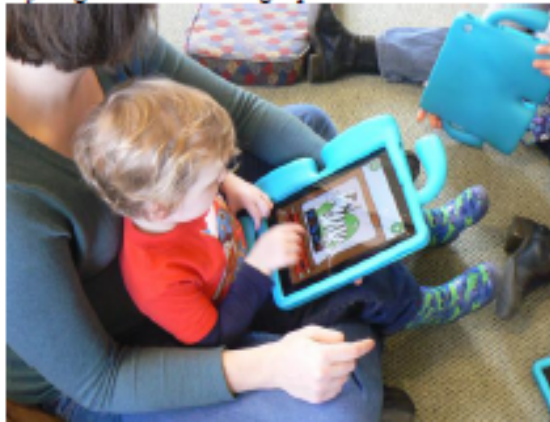


The pump organ, donated by Karen and Bill Gallagher, proudly awaits entry into the Littlefield School. Pictured from left: Raisa Bittner, Karen Gallagher, and Pete & Sandy Guild.

Snapshot of 2012

164,512 people visited the Library
136,658 items were borrowed
29,005 public computer sessions were scheduled
3,113 eBooks and audio books were borrowed
10,550 reference questions were answered
26,880 items borrowed and loaned through interlibrary loan

A young reader-in-training explores an iPad at the Library.



The Patten Free Library has been hard at work transforming lives, inspiring lifelong learning, preserving local history and building community through joyful, creative exploration and dialogue for the citizens of Arrowsic, Bath, Georgetown, Phippsburg, Woolwich, and West Bath. Municipal contributions make up only 40% of the Library's budget, which means taxpayers get more than twice their investment in services. With a new 3 year strategic plan in 2012, the Library board, staff and volunteers are focused on expanding programming and technological tools.

Among the highlights of the Library's service in 2012 are:

- The 416 children's programs held in 365 days, which attracted 6,311 people
- Its renewed focus on literacy, energized by the addition of six iPads available for circulation and brought into pre-K classrooms for one-on-one instruction from library staff and volunteers
- The twelve mentoring relationships between Morse High School students and area grade school students, fostered through the Library
- The creation of the "Book a Librarian" program for patrons to get tailored instruction in eReaders, setting up email accounts, developing résumés, downloading audio books and more
- The eighth annual Town History Series, in partnership with the Bath Historical Society, which featured presentations about each town the Library serves
- The creation of a Teen Summer Reading Program



Outreach & Instruction Librarian Roberta Jordan helps with an eReader.

Respectfully submitted,
Lesley Dolinger
Director

WEST BATH CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL REPORT

To The Town Of West Bath

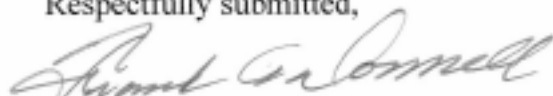
The following is a report of the West Bath Cemetery Association for the year ending December 31, 2012.

One new lot was sold at the Orchard Hill Cemetery this year. To date, 115 families or individuals have purchased a total of 206 grave spaces.

Since bank interest rates are at an all time low and are likely to remain there for a number of years to come, annual income from Perpetual Care is insufficient to pay for the maintenance of the cemetery grounds. Mowing is not a problem as we have the necessary equipment and volunteers for this. However, it would be most helpful if lot owners were to trim grass and locate flags, flowers and ornamentals in close proximity to the monuments. This would permit a better job of mowing.

Approximately 50 lot spaces remain available. Sixty percent of the \$400.00 lot purchase price goes to the Perpetual Care Fund. The remainder goes toward operating costs. Those interested in purchasing a lot or offering their services for minor cemetery maintenance, should contact Frank A. Donnell or Ronald G. Beal.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank A. Donnell, President

Ronald G. Beal

Mary J. McGloin

Everett J. McNelly

CEMETERY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

West Bath Elementary School

To the Citizens of West Bath,

Your community school is continuing to grow and thrive! As 1 of only 6 Expeditionary Learning schools in the state, our students are fortunate to be engaged in an authentic and rigorous curriculum that is designed to promote critical thinking skills and habits, high academic achievement, high-quality work, and personal development through the use of in-depth expeditions or investigations that engage students in the community. An expedition brings experts in to the classroom, takes students into the field, and engages students in real-world learning experiences.



Our spring expeditions are currently in full swing. At this time visitors to our school are able to see a variety of experts working with children, students making close observations in the natural space behind our school, students participating in gallery walks to deepen their learning, and workshops allowing for students to build upon their conceptual knowledge. Students are participating in outside fieldwork, and experts are bringing fieldwork opportunities into our school as well. Final products this spring will range from a calendar, to note cards, to community welcome baskets, to a full-scale newspaper, to documentation of public inquiry regarding the process for changing the name of a local body of water.



This spring's expeditions will seek to answer the following guiding questions:

- K – How are oviparous life cycles the same? How are they different?
- 1st – What's the weather and why does it matter?
- 2nd – Who contributes to a community? How can we?
- 3rd – What's in a name?
- 4th – What does it mean to be a Mainer?
- 5th – What is history and how do we know it is accurate?

We are truly grateful to our Parent/Teacher Organization, which has financially supported a large amount of our fieldwork this spring. Fieldwork in Expeditionary Learning Schools is used to build curiosity and background knowledge. It has a clear purpose (data collection, conducting interviews, learning from experts, or doing structured observations) that furthers the work of the expedition. This spring our students have been involved in fieldwork opportunities at the Chewonki Foundation, Pineland Farms, the Darling Marine

Center, the Blaine House, the Maine State Museum, at Higmo's Lumber and Logging, and on the Freedom Trail and Paul Revere House in Boston. Students have worked with experts from the Mt. Washington Weather Observatory, Bigelow Laboratories for Ocean Sciences, the New Meadows Watershed, and several community agencies including the Bath Police Department, Midcoast Hospital, and West Bath Town Office.

Spring expeditions will be highlighted at our school Celebration of Learning on May 29th at 3 PM. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend!

For the third year in a row, the West Bath School staff was selected to present at the Expeditionary Learning National Conference in Baltimore, Maryland, enabling us to share promising practices with an international network of schools and educators. Our master class this year was titled: Preparing Student Leaders: Building Students' Capacity and Leadership Skills through the development of a student Code of Character and School-wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports. Through a student-centered instructional model, we immersed participants in our school's use of the data-based, collaborative problem solving approach that we use

to enhance our students' development as leaders, scholars and citizens. Additionally, our school was one of three schools in the national Expeditionary Learning network that was recognized for exemplary leadership and a consistent focus on student instruction and engagement.

This year we have had the opportunity to develop on-going partnership with Bowdoin College. Students taking education 101 classes at Bowdoin spend time observing and working within our classrooms.. Students then use those observations as the foundation to develop their understanding of public education. Additionally, this year we have been able to host a mentoring program with our Bowdoin College friends. This mentoring program is called SMART (Students Mentoring through Art) and allows for 17 of our students to participate in weekly art-based mentoring projects with the college students. Watching these relationships unfold this spring has been delightful and rewarding.



We had several 4th and 5th graders participate in the District 3 Elementary Music Festival in the late fall. Additionally, we've been told that we have the largest percentage of elementary school aged children enrolled in a band program in all of Southern Maine. The norm for band participation across the state is approximately 50% of students participating. At West Bath School, we have 77% of our students enrolled in band! We have enjoyed seeing our students perform at our school concerts and district concerts. We will have one more band performance on May 21st at 5:30 PM. All are welcome!

Our Odyssey of the Mind teams have demonstrated great success at the recent state tournaments. Our division 1 team, coached by Mrs. Alaboudi, placed 3rd in the state. Our primary team, coached by Mrs. Bowdish, also received wonderful reviews. Of both teams, judges commented on the students' creativity, public speaking ability, excellent teamwork, and stage presence. Congratulations to all!



During the latter part of the summer, Target sponsored an online campaign to encourage people to vote for schools to receive funding from Target. The support that we received during this campaign was truly amazing. We finished the campaign with the 7th most votes of any school in Maine and we were presented with \$225 worth of gift cards to be used at Target to support our students. Additionally, this fall we received fantastic news from our local Target in Topsham that they had chosen WBS to receive \$500 for books. This selection is largely due to two Target employees who volunteer many hours at our school – Mr. Havens and Mrs. Crews. We also were notified just this week that we are once again recipients of Exxon Mobil's Math and Science

Education Alliance Grant. The award provides us with \$500 to support math and science expeditions. West Bath School truly is the community's school!

On behalf of the West Bath School staff, I'd like to sincerely thank the students and parents of West Bath, and of the extended West Bath School community, for the continued support of our wonderful school.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Thompson
West Bath School Principal



Regional School Unit 1

The Schools of Arrowsic – Bath – Phippsburg – West Bath - Woolwich

*Patrick M. Manuel, Superintendent
Ruth E. Moore, Business Manager*

*Judith A. Harvey, Assistant Superintendent
Sharon L. Brown, Director of Special Services*

“Education of a lifetime – for a lifetime”

March 4, 2013

Dear Citizens,

It is a pleasure for me to work with the RSU #1 community to provide the best possible education for students. The communities of Arrowsic, Bath, Phippsburg, West Bath and Woolwich are committed to supporting effective schools that are a source of pride for students, parents and community members.

The mission of RSU #1 is to support and challenge students to develop and apply the skills, knowledge, and character to be responsible and productive learners, citizens, and leaders in a global society. RSU #1 goals focus on continuous improvement in the areas of student achievement, safe and supportive school environment, and a well articulated and coordinated curriculum that supports 21st century learning. The Board of Directors have also established goals for the system that concentrate on accountability in such areas as staff evaluation, scheduling, curriculum, educational priorities, and increasing public relations.

There are many student and staff success stories to share with you, if space permitted, but instead I urge you to visit our district and school websites to read about their accomplishments. There is much to be proud of in RSU #1. We are fortunate to have a dedicated staff that focus on the individual needs of students, students who demonstrate pride in their school and community, and supportive communities. While we are proud of many accomplishments, our district will always encounter challenges and adversity. It is my hope that the school system, the Board of Directors, and the communities will continue to work collaboratively to resolve issues that arise.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parent groups, athletic boosters, Education Foundation, other organizations, and volunteers whose efforts enhance the educational opportunities offered to our students. Thank you to all the residents who continue to support our school system in a variety of ways.

Sincerely,

Patrick Manuel
Superintendent of Schools



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SAGADAHOC COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Emergency Management is a forum of emergency responders, fire department, law enforcement and emergency medical services working together to plan mitigation strategies for potential natural and man-made disaster. These plans focus on preservation of life and minimizing adverse impact on property and the environment.

Who is Emergency Management? West Bath's Local Emergency Management Director is Chet Swain. Sagadahoc County's Director is Misty D. Mixon and the State Director (MEMA) is Robert McAleer. Maine falls under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region I with the headquarters out of Boston.

What is your responsibility? Be prepared for a disaster; the magnitude of a disaster can only be measured by its impact on those affected by it. Preparation begins at home; be prepared to leave your home immediately for 72 hours. Develop an Emergency "Go Bag". Each member of your family should have a Go Bag. For great information of what should be included in a "Go Bag", go to www.ready.gov and follow their directions. Some items that should be included in a Go Bag are food, water, flashlights with extra batteries, first aid kit, and a manual can opener. Develop a Family Communications Plan for what to do and where to meet in an emergency.

What has the Town of West Bath done to prepare? Emergency Responders and Town Officials have attended a variety of trainings. Some training was required by FEMA to maintain compliance with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and so the Town could be eligible to receive grant monies. Through a series of federal grants awarded to Sagadahoc County, emergency responders have been able to upgrade local communication capabilities and transition to the federally mandated Federal Communication Commission narrowband communication system.

What has Sagadahoc County done? This year they implemented CodeRED, a mass emergency communications capability system that allows officials to send emergent messages to citizens in an affected area of Sagadahoc County via home, VOIP or cell phone numbers. How do you sign up to receive emergency notifications to your home, VOIP or cell numbers? You can do so via the Sagadahoc County Emergency Management website at http://sagcounty.com/sag_emergency_management.html (half way down the page you will see where you click to sign up) or you can email your information (physical address and contact #'s) to sagama@sagcounty.com and we can sign you up as well.

What about the American Red Cross, Salvation Army, Public Works Department, Churches, Community Clubs, businesses and organizations? Please do your part, be prepared and spread the word. Remember the Titanic Effect "The effect of a disaster is directly proportional to the extent people believe they can and will happen and then take steps necessary to minimize their effect."

Sagadahoc County Communications (9-1-1) Center Report for West Bath 2012

- Requests for Police Response 1058
- Requests for Fire Response 87
- Requests for Ambulance Response 131

- ❖ Police had an increase of 51 calls from 2011
- ❖ Fire had an decrease of 29 calls from 2011
- ❖ Ambulance had an increase of 6 calls from 2011

Cellular phones are quickly becoming the primary source of telephone service in many homes. Sagadahoc County residents should be aware that all calls made to 911 from a cellular phone are now going direct through our center. This is a significant change from last year as these calls used to go to State Police and then transferred to our center. AT & T is currently in the process of having their cell calls directed to our center. Once that is completed than we will have all the major carries go directly to us. This should be completed by the end of 2013.

Sagadahoc County has partnered with Communities Against Substance Abuse to provide the County with an anonymous tip line to report underage drinking or illegal drug use. A link to utilize this system is on our home page at sagcommunications.com. This has been a very valuable tool over the last year and has been a great asset to our county to report these types of calls. We also encourage our deaf community to utilize this system if they want to report any crime that is not in progress.

Remember to use 9-1-1 for all fire, medical and police emergencies.

- ✓ If you dial 9-1-1 by mistake, don't hang up! Stay on the line when the dispatcher answers. We'd rather know the call was made in error than not know if a real problem exists.
- ✓ Don't be shy, and don't delay. If it seems like an emergency, dial 9-1-1. We're here to help you.
- ✓ Cordless phones don't work when the electricity is out. Always have a conventional phone available to plug in during power outages.
- ✓ Phones using Voice Over Internet Protocol also do not work when the power is out. Users may wish to have a back up plan, such as an agreement with a neighbor or a cellular phone.

For more information about the Sagadahoc County Communications Center and public safety services throughout our county, please call Brodie Hinckley at 386-5800 or email at director@sagcommunications.com.

Please check out our website at www.sagcommunications.com.



**Sagadahoc County
Sheriff's Office**

Joel A. Merry, Sheriff
Brett R. Strout, Chief Deputy

Sheriff's Report

To the Residents of the Town of West Bath:

On behalf of the members of the Sagadahoc County Sheriff's Office I want to thank the residents of West Bath for their continued support. Over the past year the Sheriff's Office has been patrolling our communities and answering calls to help keep you and your family safe. Specifically to the Town of West Bath, the Sheriff's Office responded to 927 incidents, an increase of 2% from 2011. Of that total, 33% were for motor vehicle related incidents. There were 71 motor vehicle accidents reported last year, a 23% decrease from 2011. Of that total, 11 involved personal injury, about half as many as the previous year. Fortunately, there were no fatalities. As for criminal activity, actual crimes reported remained at a level similar to the past few years.

The Sagadahoc County Sheriff's Office is committed to a proactive approach in keeping our communities safe and healthy. We continue to work with schools as well as service providers for seniors and the elderly, such as Merrymeeting Bay TRIAD and AARP driver safety course. We continue to be involved in the National Medicine Collection and Safe Disposal program, as well as working closely with the Sagadahoc Emergency Management Agency (EMA).

The Sheriff's Office continues to provide a public works program where inmates from Two Bridges Regional Jail can give back to the community. In 2012 our public works program saved taxpayers in Sagadahoc County over \$58,000 in potential labor costs.

Regarding corrections, Sagadahoc County continues to utilize alternative sentencing practices such as Adult Day Reporting and Pre-Trial programs that saved taxpayers and the correctional system over \$570,000 in direct costs in 2012.

The Sagadahoc County Sheriff's Office is committed to the prevention of crime, the protection of life and property, and the preservation of peace. By doing so, we can help make West Bath a safe place in which to live, work, and raise a family.

It is my pleasure to serve you. Please feel to get in touch with us by calling my office at 443-8228 or through our new website at www.sagsheriff.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel A. Merry

Joel A. Merry, Sheriff



COUNTY OF SAGADAHOC

COMMISSIONER MAX DAWSON

District 3 – Arrowsic, Bath and West Bath

Citizens of West Bath,

It has been my honor to continue serving you as a Sagadahoc County Commissioner. After completing six years on the Board, I am increasingly confident that the services provided by the County are delivered in the most cost effective and professional way possible. The only increase in our tax levy over the past five years has been to reflect the legislatively mandated increase in our jail cap. We have otherwise been able to maintain the scope and quality of our services without raising additional funds, which strongly reflects our commitment to Sagadahoc's citizens.

As we move forward in this challenging economic climate, which is accentuated by looming cuts in state revenue sharing, the Commissioners remain acutely aware of the impact the County tax assessment has on Sagadahoc municipalities and remain committed to minimizing increases as we enter into the FY 2013-14 budget process. Unfortunately, however, our reserves cannot continue to subsidize the increases in operating and capital costs that we have experienced over the past several years and we must try to find other savings to reduce the impact on our citizens.

During 2012, the County's many activities and accomplishments included the following: **Administration** spent a great deal of time overseeing the completion of extensive renovations to the exterior of the Courthouse. In addition, the finance department was reorganized to allow the addition of a human resources director within the existing budget. **Probate Court** processed 218 new filings and 343 passport requests and continued to back-scan its records into an electronic database; **Deeds** continued its efforts to make all deeds, plans and surveys available for viewing at sagadahocdeedsme.com; **Emergency Management Agency** planned and implemented regional training, assisted local EMA Directors and community officials in meeting federal emergency preparedness requirements, implemented a new Reverse E-911 Emergency Notification System, obtained a number of public safety grants, and worked closely with area emergency responders and public health agencies including the **Sagadahoc County Board of Health**; the **Communications Center** filled four vacancies during the past year and also made upgrades to improve communications between towers, which eliminated periodic signal interruptions.

In 2012, the **Sheriff's Office** saw a decrease of approximately 1% in the number of calls, with a very slight decrease in reportable crimes. The **District Attorney's Office** continued to handle a high volume of court cases. The **Patrol Division** and **Detective Divisions** were challenged by staff shortages throughout the year, with three deputies leaving the department. The S.O. continues to work collaboratively with various task forces to solve our most serious crimes. The **Transport Division** handled over 900 transports last year and has also assumed responsibility for monitoring inmates on home release. The community public works program resulted in the performance of 2,500 hours of labor in Sagadahoc County. The **Civil Division** continues to serve orders and writs in a consistently professional manner.

In order that I may represent constituents effectively, it is important that I am aware of your questions and concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 443-8200. And I encourage interested persons to attend Board of Commissioners' meetings, which are held at 3:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month and 5:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday (if needed), in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the County Courthouse, 752 High Street, Bath, Me. (For details, call 443-8202.)

Respectfully,
Lawrence "Max" Dawson, Sagadahoc County Board of Commissioners



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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is an honor and privilege to be representing West Bath in the Maine House of Representatives.

The national economy is slowly turning the corner, but here in Maine, we face more stagnant growth and job losses. Our state continues to experience budget and revenue shortfalls as well. Strengthening the state's middle class and rejuvenating our sluggish economy remain our most important focus at the State House.

We have already passed a budget that brings Maine's finances into balance through the end of June. By this summer, we will balance Maine's budget for the next two years. Jobs, education, transportation, energy, fisheries management and health care are all important budget priorities, and I know that lawmakers will find common ground to pass a budget that protects property taxpayers and our local schools.

I am pleased to have been appointed to serve on the Marine Resources Committee. There is a lot of work we can do to ease the regulatory burden on our local fishermen while protecting our pristine coastline.

Whether we're dealing with our fisheries or any other policy area, I pledge to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to achieve the best possible results for Maine families.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me with any questions or concerns or if you need assistance navigating state government. I can be reached by email at repjeremy.saxton@legislature.maine.gov or by phone, either at home (751-7616) or at the legislative message line (1-800-423-2900).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeremy Saxton", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jeremy Saxton
State Representative



Senator Seth A. Goodall
Senate Majority Leader

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Dear Residents of West Bath,

It is my great pleasure and honor to serve a third term as your State Senator during the 126th session of the Maine State Legislature. In January, the newly elected Legislature, along with Governor Paul LePage, began work on legislation across all areas of government, including the two-year budget that funds state government and provides assistance to municipalities and schools.

At the time of writing this letter, the two-year budget process is underway but not yet complete. There is significant disagreement with the Governor's proposal to address state budgetary shortfalls by shifting over \$400 million onto municipalities, which would inevitably raise property taxes on Maine homeowners and businesses. Just as has been done in the past, it is my hope that the Legislature will find common ground and solve these financial challenges together in a bipartisan fashion that limits the impact on municipalities and the property tax.

This year elected officials and policy makers are overwhelmingly focused on working with the private sector to help our economy grow. While Maine's economy is beginning to show signs of growth, the state still lags behind most states. We were the only New England state to have an economy that shrank in the past two years and still today there are approximately 50,000 Mainers unemployed and many more underemployed in their current position. We must do better.

One area of common focus is to strengthen our economy by addressing the skills gap so that we can improve educational and job opportunities for the workforce of today and tomorrow. The Legislature formed the Joint Select Committee on Maine's Workforce and Economic Future, which I co-chair, to work closely with business leaders, workforce advocates and educational leaders to make sure that we are training our workforce for the skills that are required to succeed in today's knowledge-based economy.

This Legislative session, I was honored by my Senate Democratic colleagues by being elected Senate Majority Leader. In this leadership role, I will continue to work across the aisle in the Legislature and with the Executive Branch to craft solutions to the challenges facing the state.

The Town of West Bath is a wonderful community that I am proud to represent. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, or if you are in need of assistance with state government. I can be reached by email at senseth.goodall@legislature.maine.gov or by phone either at home (837-9203) or at the State Capitol (287-1515).

Best regards,

Seth A. Goodall
State Senator, representing Sagadahoc County and Dresden in Lincoln County



Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

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April 1, 2013

Dear West Bath Citizens:

Maine has a great tradition of civil involvement and citizen participation in the decision making process. Thank you for taking the time to become informed.

In the fall of 2011, a prominent national business magazine published a business climate ranking that put the country on notice that Maine is the toughest state in our nation to grow a business and create jobs. As a result of our challenging business climate, our per capita income is just 80 percent of the national average.

One of my top priorities for getting Maine moving is regulatory reform. The objective is a cooperative approach to how the State and municipalities work with the private sector rather than a weakening of standards or oversight. This is why I have created a new "Certified Business Friendly Community" program which is geared towards helping towns reduce red tape, and work with our job creators.

Plenty of good paying jobs and a growing tax base are what is needed to solve many of our public sector problems. Given the chance, Maine's private sector can create prosperity for our communities and working families.

If we want to make Maine prosperous, we also need to address our high energy prices and our educational system. Maine needs to be able to compete nationwide, and I am focused on reducing the high cost of electricity for Maine people. In addition, businesses need a qualified workforce to fill jobs of tomorrow, and it is critical that we put our students first, and reform our educational system.

Another top priority is fiscal reform. We will never have enough to spend on our priorities if we do not get our state indebtedness and welfare spending under control. In previous sessions, we made some progress in reforming our welfare system. However, there is still work to do. I have put forth budgets that are focused on reining in welfare spending, and offering tax relief to Mainers.

It is a pleasure serving as your Governor. If ever I can be of assistance to you or you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor/lepage/.

Sincerely,


Paul R. LePage
Governor



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1ST DISTRICT
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AND FORESTRY

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES
SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL
SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER AND
EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 22, 2013

Dear Friend,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. It continues to be an honor to represent you, and I wanted to take a moment to share with you some of the work I've done in Washington and Maine over the last year and look ahead to the rest of this year.

Given the partisan environment and lack of compromise in Washington, I have been looking for ways to help Maine people and the Maine economy that rise above those partisan differences.

One issue I worked hard on last year was local food and local farming. Farming—particularly smaller, sustainable farms—is a growing part of Maine's economy. For too long national farm policy has primarily benefitted giant agribusinesses in other parts of the country. So I introduced the Local Farms, Food and Jobs Act to bring local farmers the resources they need to keep growing.

Every five years, Congress is supposed to pass a farm bill, which sets the nation's farm policy. As we debated a farm bill last year, we were able to get most of the provisions in the Local Farms, Food and Jobs Act included in the legislation. Congress has yet to pass that farm bill, however, but we are working to make sure those important provisions that will help local farms in Maine remain included when they do.

Sometimes the most practical solutions don't even involve legislation or Washington. For example, as the lobster industry struggled with low prices and an oversupply of lobster last summer, I wrote to the heads of all the cruise ship companies that visit Maine. I was surprised to learn that none of them were buying local, fresh lobster for their passengers and I asked the CEO's of each company to consider doing so. I'm happy to say that a number of them agreed to buy lobster locally when their cruise ships made stops in Portland, and ordered thousands of pounds of Maine lobster for their passengers.

I am beginning this year with a new assignment to the House Appropriations Committee. This is a big responsibility, since it is the committee where virtually all the spending decisions are made. These decisions can have a real impact on Maine, from how much funding is available to shipbuilding to things like funding for first responders and schools.

Everyone agrees we need to reduce the deficit, but how we go about that is a matter of great debate. I believe we need to cut unnecessary spending but at the same time keep investing in the things that will grow our economy and provide a bright future for our children. And I'm sure we will debate those issues on the Appropriations Committee.

I want to also take this opportunity to remind you that I am always ready and willing to help you out if are having an issue with a federal agency. My office can make inquiries to a federal agency on your behalf; connect you with resources and more. No question is too small and we are always happy to hear from you. If there is anything I can do, please don't hesitate to contact me at (888) 862-6500 or www.pingree.house.gov.

Hope to see you in Maine soon,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chellie P.", written over a white background.

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress

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Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to represent Maine in the United States Senate, and I am deeply grateful for the trust the people of Maine have placed in me. Public service is a responsibility I take seriously. In 2012, I reached a milestone by casting my 5,000th consecutive roll-call vote. I have never missed a single roll-call vote, a record unique among current Senators.

As we enter 2013, the economy and jobs remain my top priorities. As a senior member of the Defense Appropriations subcommittee, I am committed to keeping our nation secure and our skilled defense workers on the job. I secured funding to increase the shipbuilding programs at Bath Iron Works and advance essential modernization projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. I was honored to receive the Navy League's Congressional Sea Services Award for 2012 as the leading advocate for our maritime services and US shipbuilding.

Maine's economic future recently received a boost with significant federal funds for deep-water, offshore wind energy research and development at the University of Maine and in private sector firms. Maine has some of the strongest and most consistent winds off our coast, and we have some of the world's leading researchers. These funds will help Maine be a world leader in developing this clean, renewable energy source, ultimately resulting in the creation of thousands of good-paying jobs for our state.

As a leader on the Transportation Appropriations Subcommittee, I am also working to ensure that investments are made in our transportation infrastructure. Early last year, construction began on a modern, safe, and efficient replacement for the Memorial Bridge at Kittery, a project for which I worked to secure funding. Working with the State Department of Transportation, I also secured federal funding to replace the aging Martin Memorial Bridge in Rumford and the decrepit Richmond-Dresden Bridge. In 2013, I will continue to seek funding for improvements in our roads and bridges to make traveling safer and more efficient for our citizens and to facilitate commerce. It is also gratifying to see the heaviest trucks on the Interstates where they belong rather than on our downtown streets and country roads. This is the result of a law I authored in 2011.

Maine's environment is critical to our economy and the health of our residents. I opposed efforts in 2012 that would have weakened the landmark Clean Air Act and would have exposed our state to emissions from coal-fired power plants elsewhere. At the same time, I have continued to work with a bipartisan group of Senators to ensure that federal regulations on industrial boilers

protect our environment without imposing onerous burdens on our forest-products industry and other manufacturers.

Many Mainers contacted me last year to express concern about the Postal Service, which is essential to our economy and our way of life. Last year, the Senate approved legislation I co-authored to help put the Postal Service on a sound financial footing since it has been losing billions of dollars. Although the House failed to act on our bill, the Postal Service has heeded my requests to keep open the vital mail processing center in Hampden. I will continue to work to ensure that all Mainers, regardless of the size of their communities, have access to the postal services upon which they rely.

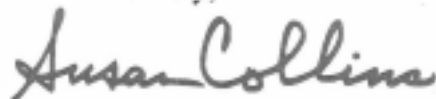
As the daughter of a World War II veteran wounded in combat, I know how important quality, accessible health care is for our veterans. This past year, I worked to ensure that our rural veterans' health care facilities are fully staffed and to strengthen our Veterans' Homes. Federal health agencies also began an investigation into whether Maine veterans were exposed to toxic defoliant chemicals while training at Gagetown, New Brunswick.

With shortages of medications putting patients at risk, I co-sponsored legislation to encourage manufacturers to report anticipated production problems to help avert shortages. Through this voluntary approach, more than 200 potentially life-threatening shortages were prevented last year.

While Congress averted a huge increase in tax rates for middle-income American families and small businesses, there remains a lot of work to be done to reduce our unsustainable \$16.4 trillion debt. It is essential that we do so in a responsible way, but that Washington stop delaying decisions that will help shape our economy and future prosperity.

I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2013. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact my state office in your area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Collins".

Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

United States Senate

February 6, 2013

Town of West Bath
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Dear Friends,

As I begin my service as your new Senator, I wanted to report to you on my first days in Washington. I have been assigned to four committees: Armed Services, Budget, Intelligence, and Rules. These appointments provide a great opportunity for me to take important and substantial action on behalf of Maine.

My position on the Armed Services Committee will allow me to honor our obligations to servicemen and veterans, as well as ensure the strength, efficiency, and sustainability of our military. Serving on the Intelligence Committee will similarly allow me to help guarantee the continued safety of all Americans. Our intelligence community plays a pivotal role in identifying and understanding security threats around the world, and I welcome the chance to engage in this vital process.

Without question, the expanding federal debt must be addressed in a significant and timely manner. Our federal government's systems of revenue and spending are out of balance; we cannot continue to spend beyond our means and pass on debt to future generations. As a new member of the Budget Committee, I will work to ensure that necessary spending is tempered with fiscal responsibility. There is no single solution to this multi-faceted problem, and any realistic budget plan must include both increased revenues and decreased spending.

And finally, one of the most pressing issues that we face is the inability of Congress to get things done. Our Government has been slowed by bitter partisan gridlock, and this level of inaction is inexcusable. From my position on the Rules Committee, I intend to push for procedural reforms – including changes to the filibuster and requiring the disclosure of all political campaign donors. Our citizens deserve to know who is funding the outside expenditures that are now such a big part of political campaigns, even here in Maine.

Please remember that your individual perspectives are critical in helping me represent the diverse interests of Maine. Do not hesitate to share any thoughts, questions, or concerns that you may have. You can visit my website at <http://www.king.senate.gov> and provide your input there, or call my Washington office at (202) 224-5344. I also encourage you to visit or contact any of my

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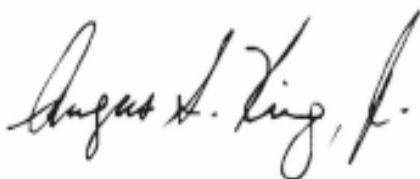
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United States Senate

six state offices, which are listed on the website. Finally, you can keep in touch with me on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SenatorAngusSKingJr>.

Again, I appreciate this opportunity to let you know what I am working on; in all of these matters, I am determined to be a strong voice for the people of Maine.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angus S. King, Jr." in a cursive script.

ANGUS S. KING, JR
UNITED STATES SENATOR

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF WEST BATH'S
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 12th & 13th, 2012**

A legal Town Meeting was held at the West Bath Fire Hall and West Bath Elementary School in the Town of West Bath, Maine on the 12th and 13th of June 2012. The meeting was called to order at the West Bath Fire Hall on June 12, 2012 at 8:00 am by Robert Morris, Town Clerk for the Town of West Bath, who subsequently read the warrant through to Article 2.

Art. 1. Roger R. Therriault was nominated as moderator by Evelyn Desmond and then seconded. It was moved and seconded that the nominations close. By way of written ballot, Mr. Therriault was voted as Moderator (5-0) and sworn in by Robert Morris at 8:01 am.

Art. 2. The polls were then opened at the West Bath Fire Hall for the townspeople to cast their ballots for: One (1) Selectman, who shall also be an Assessor and Overseer of the Poor, for a three year term. Ballots for the RSU#1 Budget Validation Vote, provided by the RSU#1, were cast also at this election.

At the close of the polls the following results were announced by Deputy Moderator Paula Nelson – with a total of 267 ballots cast:

One Selectman, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor – 3 year term:

David Bourget	- 248
Darlene Estabrook	- 1 (write-in)
Patricia Cressey	- 1 (write-in)
Ellis Reed	- 1 (write-in)
Chester Garrison	- 1 (write-in)
JoAnne Powers	- 1 (write-in)
Blank Ballots Cast	- 14
Total Ballots Cast	- 267

The meeting was recessed at 8:00 pm as the polls were closed, until the next day, Wednesday, June 13th, 2012, at the West Bath Elementary School where the voters met to act on Articles 3 through 56.

Moderator Roger Therriault reopened the Town Meeting on Wednesday, June 13th, 2012 at the West Bath Elementary School at 6:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chair Yacoben presented Peter Oceretko with this year's Board of Selectmen's Special Recognition Award.

Chair Yacoben introduced Town Administrator Jonathan Davis to the Town Meeting.

Motion made and seconded to allow Treasurer Julie House, Fire Chief Chester E. Swain Jr., Lu Lozano of Fields For Our Future and Senator Seth Goodall, to speak if necessary. Motion made, seconded and **Approved at 6:06 pm.**

Moderator Roger Therriault described the Town Meeting process to be followed, and then read the results of previous day's Board of Selectmen's election results. David Bourget was re-elected for a fourth three-year term with 248 votes, with a total votes cast of 267.

TOWN MEETING ARTICLES FOR CONSENT AGENDA

In an effort to help improve the efficiency of the Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen have agreed to propose a motion for Articles 3 through 19 as they are presented, written and recommended in the Warrant by both the Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee. *If anyone would like to discuss a particular Article s/he may request that it be removed from the motion.*

This one page handout is a quick reference guide, and the full text of each Article is included in the Warrant.

Article #	Summary	Approved 2011
3	Attend and Act Upon Annual Reports	YES
4	Taking of Alewives at New Meadows Lake	YES
5	Taking of Alewives at Winnegance	YES
6	Appropriate Alewives Account Revenues	YES
7	Raise and Appropriate \$36,310 for 3 rd Payment of Wing Farm Loan	YES
8	Raise and Appropriate \$18,252 for 2 nd Payment of Fire Department SCBA Loan	YES
9	Apply Transfer Station Rent Account in Excess of \$50,000 to Reduce Tax Commitment	YES
10	Set Rate of 7% Interest (or State Maximum) on Unpaid Taxes	YES
11	Set Rate of 3% Interest (or State Maximum) on Refunds for Tax Abatements	YES
12	Apply Portion of Undesignated Fund Balance to Reduce the Tax Commitment	YES
13	Authorize Tax Collector to Accept Pre-payment of Taxes Without Interest	YES
14	Authorize Selectmen to Sell and Dispose of Tax Titles Held by Town	YES
15	Authorize Treasurer to Waive Foreclosure of a Tax Lien Mortgage	YES
16	Authorize Selectmen to Appropriate up to \$10,000 From Unappropriated Fund Balance for Unanticipated Financial Obligations	YES
17	Authorize Administrator and Selectmen to Apply for and Expend Grants; Accept and Expend Donated Monies/Equipment/Land; Dispose of Surplus Equipment; Accept donated equipment and land; Dispose of surplus equipment valued over \$500 by sealed bid.	YES
18	Authorize Selectmen to Set Annual Fees for Returned Checks, Copies, Notary Services, Planning Board Services	YES
19	Appropriate funds from 2012 Overlay to Pay Tax Abatements and Interest	YES

Art. 3. To attend and act upon the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor; Town Administrator; Assessor; Treasurer; Tax Collector; Town Clerk; Public Health Officer; Animal Control Officer; Road Commissioner; Fire Chief; Harbor Master; Harbor & Waterways Committee; Marine Resources Board; Budget Advisory Committee; Shellfish Warden; Planning Board; Codes Enforcement Officer; Board of Appeals; Board of Assessing Review; and Cemetery Association.

[NOTE: All budget articles are recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee unless otherwise noted. All other Articles are recommended by the Selectmen unless otherwise noted.]

ALEWIVES

Art. 4. To see what action the Town will take in regards to the taking of Alewives at New Meadows Lake, subject to the terms and conditions specified at the March 1977 Town Meeting.

Art. 5. To see what action the Town will take in regards to the taking of Alewives at Winnegance in accordance with the terms set at the June 1988 Town Meeting, in cooperation with the City of Bath and the Town of Phippsburg.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all alewives account revenues carried forward plus any received during the upcoming fiscal year. This article would authorize expenditures by recommendation of the Alewives Committee and by a two-thirds vote of the Selectmen. This fund is designated as the “West Bath Alewives Reserve Fund” and is not to lapse into surplus.

LOANS

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,310 for the third of twenty (20) payments on the Wing Farm Loan.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,252 for the second of three (3) payments on the Fire Department SCBA Loan.

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to apply all funds in the ‘Transfer Station – Rent’ account in excess of \$50,000, and not otherwise appropriated herein, to reduce the tax commitment for the ensuing fiscal year.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of 7% interest (or whatever is the State maximum rate) on unpaid taxes 60 days after the commitment date.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of 3% interest (or whatever is the State maximum rate less 4%) on refunds for taxes that are paid but later abated.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to apply the undesignated fund balance (surplus) in excess of 12% of the total non-capital expenditures for FY 2012-13, and not otherwise appropriated herein, to reduce the tax commitment for the ensuing fiscal year.

Art. 13. To see if the Town, in accordance with M.R.S.A Title 36 Section 506, will authorize the Tax Collector/Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed and to pay no interest thereon.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell and dispose of all tax titles held by the Town on such terms as they deem advisable and execute Quit Claim Deeds for such property.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will authorize the municipal Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of a Tax Lien Mortgage by recording a Waiver of Foreclosure in the Registry of Deeds in which the Tax Lien Certificate is recorded, prior to the right of redemption expiring, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. Section 944.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appropriate from the unappropriated fund balance up to \$10,000 to meet unanticipated financial obligations.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator and Selectmen to:

1. Apply for available grants, receive said grants, expend the grant funds for purposes stated in the grant;
2. Accept donated monies for specified purposes, expend donated monies as specified;
3. Accept donated equipment;
4. Accept donated land, and
5. Dispose of surplus equipment valued over \$500 by sealed bid.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to annually set fees for returned checks, copies of Town ordinances and other documents, Planning Board Service, notary services, and various other fees.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, from the overlay generated by the 2012 tax commitment, money to pay tax abatements and applicable interest granted during FY 2012-13.

**MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ARTICLES 3 THROUGH 19 AS PRINTED.
VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:11 PM**

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to carry forward the following end of year account balances:

- a. General Assistance
- b. Marine Resources/Harbor and Waterway
- c. Transfer Station – Rent
- d. Excise Tax/URIP (*for Major Road Projects*)
- e. General Roads
- f. Comprehensive Plan Implementation
- g. Boat Excise (*for Harbor & Waterways/Marine Resources expenses*)
- h. Fire Department – Operating Fund
- i. Alewives Revenue
- j. Planning Board Expenses (*Permit Application Fee Account*)
- k. Fire Department – Reimbursements for Services
- l. Business/Economic Development
- m. Ambulance

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Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, for the purpose specified, the following carry forward, end of year account balances:

- a. General Assistance (*An additional \$5,000 will be raised and appropriated elsewhere in this Warrant.*)
- b. Comprehensive Plan Implementation
- c. Planning Board Expenses/Permit Application Fee Account (*This account is used by the Planning Board to pay its advertising expenses and other administrative costs.*)
- d. Ambulance

- a. Business/Economic Development (*for expenses related primarily to the Wing Farm Business Park expansion*)

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TAX CAP LIMIT

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of \$508,715 established for the Town of West Bath by State law, only in the event that the municipal budget approved under the articles herein will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit. [*Note: This Article requires a written ballot.*]

WRITTEN BALLOT RESULTS: YES - 44
NO - 9

ARTICLE PASSED BY SECRET BALLOT VOTE AT 6:24 PM

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$285,700 from motor vehicle excise tax revenue, the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) account, the E-911 account, and any end of year account balances that may be carried forward, for the maintenance of public roads, hot-topping, construction, salt shed utilities, signs, plowing and sanding of Town roads and parking lots, the Roads Commissioner's annual stipend (\$5,000) and other public works related projects.

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Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any motor vehicle excise tax revenue not otherwise appropriated elsewhere in this Warrant for deposit in a dedicated Roads Capital Improvements Sinking Fund for future road projects.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:30 PM

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, from income generated from the Town's 'Transfer Station - Rent Account':

1. \$11,750 to operate the public Drop-Off/Recycling Center, and
2. \$1,000 for use by the Recycling Committee for hazardous waste drop-offs and other special events.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:31 PM

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to change the position of Road Commissioner from an elected position with a three year term to a position appointed by the Municipal Officers for a one (1) year term, effective at the expiration of the incumbent Road Commissioner's term at the Annual Town Meeting in June of 2013.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,565 and to appropriate any funds carried forward in the FY 2011-12 operating fund and in the “Reimbursement for Services” account for the Fire Department General Operating Budget.

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Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any “Reimbursement for Services” funds that are received by the Fire Department during Fiscal Year 2012-13 for purposes approved by a two-thirds vote of the Selectmen.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:55 PM

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,000 for the Fire Department Fire Protection Account to be used for the fire fighter reimbursement and incentive program.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:57 PM

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$15,000 from the Fire Department Capital Improvement Fund for the following: (1) vehicle repairs; (2) to contribute to the City of Bath for the purchase of a new SCBA refilling CASCADE system for use by the Town of West Bath Fire Department, with the approval of the Selectmen.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:57 PM

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$15,000 for deposit in a dedicated Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Sinking Fund for future purchases.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:59 PM

GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

Art. 32. To see what amounts the Town will vote to set as the maximum wages and stipends:

	BOS RECOMMENDS:	BAC RECOMMENDS:
Selectman, Chairman	\$ 3,650	\$ 3,650
Selectman	3,350	3,350
Selectman	3,350	3,350
Town Administrator	44,000	44,000
Treasurer, Tax Collector, Deputy Town Clerk	36,565	36,565
Town Clerk, Deputy Tax Collector	34,584	34,584
Shellfish Warden	9,607	9,607
Codes Enforcement Officer (LPI, BI)	24,926	24,926
Assessor	21,464	21,464
Fire Chief/EMA	4,500	4,500
Road Commissioner	5,000	5,000
F.D. Maintenance (& Burn Permits)	2,500	2,500
Harbor Master	2,000	2,000
Animal Control Officer	1,800	1,800
Assistant Fire Chief (2) (\$1,000 each)	2,000	2,000
Fire Captains (2) (\$500 each)	1,000	1,000
Health Officer	300	300

Part-Time Help	1,000	1,000
	\$201,596	\$201,596

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Art. 33. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for wages and stipends, payroll taxes, workers compensation insurance, unemployment payments, and benefits (health insurance for full-time employees and retirement for full-time employees, the assessor and CEO). *[Note: The amount excludes Shellfish Warden wages and Harbor Master and Roads Commissioner stipends, which are funded by associated revenue accounts.]*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: \$238,503.00
BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: \$238,503.00

MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO AMEND WORDING FROM “ASSESSOR” TO “ASSESSING AGENT”. VOTED APPROVED AT 7:04 PM

ARTICLE VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:04 PM

Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,870 for municipal operating expenses, which include but are not limited to utilities, advertising, elections, supplies, property/casualty/liability insurance, postage, animal control expenses, grounds and building maintenance, janitor service, training/seminars, travel, bank and deed fees, and all computer-related network support and support contracts.

MOTION BY BOARD TO AMEND (CORRECT) FIGURE TO \$85,870.00.
MOTION APPROVED AT 7:06 PM

ARTICLE VOTED APPROVED AS AMENDED AT 7:06

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer to the Animal Control Officer, as an additional payment for his services, all dog licensing fees and penalties collected during FY 2012-13, with the exception of the recording fee that is retained by the municipal clerk pursuant to state law.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:07 PM

Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the accounts below:

Ambulance	\$ 39,000
General Assistance	5,000
Hydrant Rental	25,860
Street Lights	1,200
Cemetery Repairs/Maintenance	2,800
Selectmen’s Contingency Fund	5,000 (Expenditures require 2/3 vote of Selectmen)

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:09 PM

Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, from unappropriated reserves, up to \$10,000 for unanticipated legal fund and litigation fund expenses for the time period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:10 PM

Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,850.00 for professional services/dues/memberships (MMA, Lincoln County Animal Shelter, town maps, annual report, auditing and legal services, litigation expenses, Planning Board technical support).

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:10 PM

Art. 39. The following applies only to Articles 33, 34, 36 and 38: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer not more than ten (10) percent of the funds appropriated for any Article to another Article if such a transfer is deemed to be necessary for the proper financial management of the Town.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:11 PM

Art. 40. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to support Fields for our Future, enabling them, together with other funding sources, to start the construction of the synthetic turf field at the McMann Field Complex. (Note: This article has been placed on the warrant at the request of a Voters Petition paper received and certified by the Town Clerk on 28 March 2012.)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: YES

MOTION MADE TO MOVE THE \$5,000 FOR FIELDS FOR OUR FUTURE FROM ART. 42 TO THIS ARTICLE. MOTION VOTED APPROVED AT 7:13 PM

MOTION TO MOVE ON THE AMENDMENT AT 7:32 VOTED APPROVED AT 7:32 PM.

ARTICLE VOTED APPROVED AS AMENDED TO FUND AT \$5,000 AT 7:32 PM

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$5,000 for the dedicated Municipal Capital Improvements Sinking Fund for repairs to the Town Hall.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:32 PM

COMMUNITY AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following donations for community agencies:

a. Tedford Shelter	\$ 450
b. Bath Senior Citizens	825
c. CHANS	800
d. Jesse Albert Dental Clinic	900
e. Elmhurst	1,000
f. Coastal Trans Inc.	900
g. Senior Spectrum	1,365
h. Sweetser/Shoreline Mental Health	2,252
i. Midcoast Maine Community Action	730
j. Patten Free Library	30,063
k. Fields For Our Future	5,000
	\$ 44,285

(Note: Fields For Our Future provided a qualified petition to enable its addition to the Warrant.)

MOTION MADE TO DELETE THE \$5,000 FOR FIELDS FOR OUR FUTURE FROM THIS ARTICLE AS IT WAS MOVED TO ART. 40. VOTED APPROVED AT 7:34 PM.

ARTICLE VOTED APPROVED AS AMENDED AT 7:38 PM

WATERWAYS & HARBORS

Art. 43. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$3,185 from the Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account to be used for the Harbor Master's stipend (\$2,000) and reimbursements/expenses (\$1,185).

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:39 PM

MARINE RESOURCES

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$14,307 from the Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account for Marine Resource expenses (Shellfish Warden salary of \$9,607 and expenses of \$4,700).

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 7:40 PM

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$17,900 from the dedicated Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account for the Marine Resources Board and Shellfish Warden for the purchase of a Town boat.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: TO BE ANNOUNCED AT TOWN MEETING
BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: NO**

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 8:02 PM

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,600 from the dedicated Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account to be used for storage, maintenance, fuel, and servicing of the town boat.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 8:04 PM

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2,000 from the Boat Excise/Mooring Fee/Marine Resources Joint Revenue Account to be used for Town marine water testing expenses.

DEFEATED AS PRINTED AT 8:05 PM (This article was not needed due Article 45 & 46 being approved.)

Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to enact the following: Ordinance Exempting Eligible Active Duty Military Personnel from Vehicle Excise Tax.

Town of West Bath, Maine

**ORDINANCE
EXEMPTING ELIGIBLE ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL
FROM VEHICLE EXCISE TAX**

Section 1. Authority.

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 1483-A, which expressly authorizes such ordinances.

Section 2. Excise tax exemption; qualifications.

Vehicles owned by a resident of this municipality who is on active duty serving in the United States Armed Forces and who is either permanently stationed at a military or naval post, station or base outside this State or deployed for military service for a period of more than 180 days and who desires to register that resident's vehicle(s) in this State are hereby exempted from the annual excise tax imposed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 1482.

To qualify for this exemption, the resident must present to the municipal excise tax collector certification from the commander of the resident's post, station or base, or from the commander's designated agent, that the resident is permanently stationed at that post, station or base or is deployed for military service for a period of more than 180 days.

For purposes of this section, "United State Armed Forces" includes the National Guard and the Reserves of the United States Armed Forces.

For purposes of this section, "deployed for military service" has the same meaning as in 26 M.R.S.A. § 814(1)(A).

For purposes of this section, "vehicle" has the same meaning as in 36 M.R.S.A. § 1481(5) and does not include any snowmobiles as defined in 12 M.R.S.A. § 13001.

Section 3. Effective date; duration.

This ordinance shall take effect at the adjournment of the Town Meeting at which it is adopted and shall remain in effect until it or 36 M.R.S.A. § 1483-A is repealed.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: YES

ENACTED AS PRINTED AT 8:08 PM

Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to enact the following Ordinance which changes the term of office of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor from the June Town Meeting to the November election.

Ordinance

Be it ordained by the Town Meeting of the Town of West Bath as follows:

1. The Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, and any other Town Official elected by secret ballot at a referendum vote shall be elected annually at the election on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each year, the terms of office will coincide with that date.

2. The terms of the current Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor shall be extended to coincide with the new term. Where the term of a Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor is scheduled to expire at the June Town Meeting in 2013, the term shall be extended to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of 2013. Where the term of the Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor is due to expire at the June 2014 Town Meeting, the term shall be extended to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of 2014. Where the term of the Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor is due to expire at the June 2015 Town Meeting, the term shall be extended to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of 2015.

1. Each elected Selectmen, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor shall serve for his or her prescribed term and thereafter, if necessary, until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND APPROVED TO WAIVE THE READING AT 8:09 PM

ENACTED AS PRINTED AT 8:09 PM

PLANNING & LAND USE/DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Art. 50. To see if the Town will vote to adopt minor amendments to its Land Use Ordinance as recommended by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection to bring the Town into compliance with shoreland requirements, as follows:

(Note: New language is shown as underlined; deleted language is shown as lined out.)

LAND USE ORDINANCE

ARTICLE I -GENERAL PROVISIONS

D. NON-CONFORMANCE

4. Non-conforming Structures: (Page 6)

Any non-conforming STRUCTURE which is removed, or damaged or destroyed, regardless of the cause, by more than 50% of the market value of the STRUCTURE before such damage, destruction or removal may be reconstructed or replaced provided a permit is obtained from the Board within one year of the date of said damage, destruction, or removal provided that such reconstruction or replacement is in compliance with all SETBACK requirements to the greatest practical extent as determined by the PLANNING BOARD in accordance with the purpose of this Ordinance and the criteria specified below and in Article I, Section D(6). In no case shall a STRUCTURE be reconstructed or replaced so as to increase its non-conformity. If the reconstructed or replacement structure is less than the required setback it shall not be any larger than the original structure, except as allowed pursuant to Article I, Section D(5) below, as determined by the non-conforming floor area and volume of the reconstructed or replaced structure at its new location.

If the total amount of floor area and volume of the original structure can be relocated or reconstructed beyond the required setback area, no portion of the relocated or reconstructed structure shall be replaced or constructed at less than the setback requirement for a new structure.

ARTICLE III – LAND USE STANDARDS

L. ROADS AND DRIVEWAYS IN THE SHORELAND OVERLAY ZONE (Page 43)

In order to prevent ROAD and driveway surface drainage from directly entering water bodies, tributary streams or wetlands, ROADS and driveways shall be designed, constructed, and maintained to empty onto an unscarified buffer strip at least (50) feet plus two times the average slope, in width between the outflow point of the ditch or culvert and the normal high-water line of a WATER BODY, TRIBUTARY STREAM, or UPLAND EDGE of a WETLAND. ROAD Surface drainage which is directed to an unscarified buffer strip shall be diffused or spread out to

1. promote infiltration of the runoff and to minimize channelized flow of the drainage through the buffer strip.
2. Ditch relief (cross drainage) culverts, drainage dips and water turnouts shall be installed in a manner effective in directing drainage onto unscarified buffer strips before the flow in the ROAD or ditches gains sufficient volume or head to erode the ROAD, driveway or ditch. To accomplish this, the following shall apply:
 - a. Ditch relief culverts, drainage dips and associated water turnouts shall be spaced along the ROAD or driveway at intervals no greater than indicated in the following table:

b.	ROAD Grade (Percent)	Spacing (Feet)
	0-2	250
	3-5	200-135
	6-10	100-80
	11-15	80-60
	16-20	60-45
	21+	40

- c. Drainage dips may be used in place of ditch relief culverts only where the ROAD grade is ten (10) percent or less.

ARTICLE III – LAND USE STANDARDS

X. SMALL WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS

5. Submission Requirements (Page 51)

- h) Clearing: If any clearing/tree cutting is proposed for development of the site, a clearing plan shall be submitted. Within the shoreland zone, tree and other vegetation removal for the development or construction of a small wind energy conversion system shall fully comply with the standards in Article III, Section I.

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 8:11 PM

Art. 51. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Land Use Ordinance by expanding the Commercial Zone line north to U.S. Route 1 to include the 250’ south of U.S. Route 1 not included in the Zone, as follows:

(Note: New language is shown as underlined; deleted language is shown as lined out.)

LAND USE ORDINANCE

ARTICLE II - LAND USE DISTRICTS, OVERLAY ZONES AND REQUIREMENTS

A. DISTRICT BOUNDARY DESCRIPTIONS, OVERLAY ZONES AND MAP

4. DISTRICT 4. Business & Commercial (Page 13)

Beginning at a point at the high water mark of the New Meadows Lake on the north side of Route #1; thence southerly along the high waterline of New Meadows Lake and River to a point offset 500' southerly of the State Road (Old Route #1); thence easterly paralleling said Road to a point offset 300' westerly of Fosters Point Road; thence southerly paralleling the west side of Fosters Point Road to the southern boundary of map U-12 Lot 10; thence easterly along the southern boundaries of map U-12 Lots 10, 10A and 9 and continuing across the Fosters Point Road to the

northern boundary of map U-12 Lot 15D and continuing easterly along said boundary to a point offset 300' from said Road; thence northerly paralleling the Fosters Point Road to a point offset 300' southerly of the Bull Rock Road; thence easterly paralleling the Bull Rock Road at an offset of 300' to a point that is also offset 500' southerly of the State Road; thence easterly paralleling the State Road at an offset of 500' to the Bath town line; thence northerly along the Bath town line to a point on the offset 500' northerly from the Stat Road; thence westerly paralleling said Road to a point offset 250' southerly boundary of Route 1, the divided highway, thence westerly along paralleling said highway to a point 2,000' easterly of the New Meadows Road thence southerly paralleling said Road to a point offset 500' from the State Road; thence paralleling the north side of the State Road to the west side of the New Meadows Road; thence northerly along the west side of New Meadows Road to a point on the north side of Route #1; thence westerly to the point of beginning.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND APPROVED TO WAIVE THE READING AT 8:12 PM
VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 8:14 PM**

Art. 52. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Land Use Ordinance to increase the number of children allowed at home daycare from eight (8) to twelve (12), to be consistent with State Regulations regarding home daycare, as follows:

(Note: New language is shown as underlined; deleted language is shown as lined out.)

LAND USE ORDINANCE

ARTICLE II - LAND USE DISTRICTS, OVERLAY ZONES AND REQUIREMENTS

B. USE REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS (Page 25)

TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS

		PRINCIPAL USES		LAND USE DISTRICTS					
		I. ACCESSORY USES	HDS	R	RR	MHP	BC	UDP	RP
14	Home Daycare with eight (8) <u>twelve (12)</u> or less attendees.		P	P	P	P	P		

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Art. 53. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Land Use Ordinance to require toilet facilities during construction activities, as follows:

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LAND USE ORDINANCE

ARTICLE III - LAND USE STANDARDS

O. SANITARY STANDARDS (Page 45)

1. Toilet Facilities for Workers: Suitable toilet facilities shall be provided and maintained in a sanitary condition for the use of workers during construction.
2. Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems: 1. All subsurface sewage disposal systems shall be installed in conformance with the State of Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules and the following:
 - a. 1. All new systems, excluding fill extensions, to be constructed no less than one hundred (100) horizontal feet from the normal high-water line of a perennial water body. The minimum setback distance for a new subsurface disposal system may not be reduced by variance.

b. 2. Clearing or removal of woody vegetation necessary to site a new system and any associated fill extensions, shall not extend any closer than seventy-five (75) feet, horizontal distance, from the normal high water line of a water body or the upland edge of a wetland.

a. 3. A holding tank is not allowed for a first-time residential use in the Shoreland Zone.

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Art. 54. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Land Use Ordinance to decrease the required front setback of commercial lots in the Business and Commercial District from 100’ to 75’ measured from the center of the roadway, as follows:

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LAND USE ORDINANCE
ARTICLE III - LAND USE STANDARDS

A. *MINIMUM LOT STANDARDS (Page 26)*

District	LOT Size	Shore Setback ^{1,16}	Shore Frontage	Road Setback ^{1, 6}	Road Frontage ^{2, 11}	Side & Rear Setback ^{1, 9}
1. High Density Shoreland						
a. Legally Non-Conforming Sized LOTS		75’	100’	40’	100’	15’
b. All Other LOTS 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, 1e, & 1g	1 acre	75’	125’	56’	137’	20’
All Other LOTS 1f (Birch Point)	2 acres	75’	150’	56’	175’	20’
2. Residential ^{3, 10} 2a, 2b, 2c	2 acres ⁴	75’	150’	56’	175’	20’
2d. Winnegance ^{3, 10}	2 acres ⁴	100’	200’	56’	175’	20’
3. Rural Residential ¹⁰	3 acres	75’	150’	56’	200’	20’
4. Mobile Home Park	1 acre	75’	150’	100’	100’	35’
5. Business and Commercial Residential Uses, Not On MAJOR ROADS ⁵	1 acre	75’	150’	56’	150’	35’
All Other Uses	1 acre	75’	150’	100’ 75’ ⁸	200’	35’
6. Urban Development Park ^{7&12}	1 acre	75’	150’	50’ ¹³	100’	35’

Footnote 8 – In the Business and Commercial District the ROAD SETBACK for parking LOTS and side SETBACKS may be reduced by the PLANNING BOARD when necessary for functional or topographic

reasons however the vegetative boundary strip requirement cannot be waived. When side SETBACKS are reduced special screening requirements may be imposed.

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Art. 55. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Subdivision Ordinance by adding a requirement for building envelopes to be included on the preliminary plan and final plan, as follows:

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ARTICLE V – PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR SUBDIVISION

6.2 SUBMISSIONS, C. PRELIMINARY PLAN (Page 75)

27. Building envelopes for each proposed lot within the Subdivision shall be shown. They shall represent front, rear and side setbacks along with any additional setbacks required from easements, shoreland or wetland areas.

28. 27. A copy of any access management DRIVEWAY and/or entrance permit(s) required for the proposed SUBDIVISION under 17-229 Maine Administrative Rules, Chapter 299.

29 28. Copies of any other federal, state or local permits required for the proposed SUBDIVISION.

ARTICLE VI – FINAL PLAN FOR SUBDIVISION

7.2 SUBMISSIONS (Page 79)

P. Building envelopes for each proposed lot within the Subdivision shall be shown. They shall represent front, rear and side setbacks along with any additional setbacks required from easements, shoreland or wetland areas.

Q P. If any portion of the proposed SUBDIVISION is in the watershed of Campbell POND and is not a Small SUBDIVISION as defined in Article 10.6, Section F., the following shall be submitted or indicated on the plan.

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Art. 56. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Subdivision Ordinance to require road inspection and verification of specifications prior to the issuance of buildings permits, as follows:

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ARTICLE VI – FINAL PLAN FOR SUBDIVISION

7.3 FINAL APPROVAL AND FILING (Page 80)

F. Building Permits will not be issued on Subdivision Lots unless the Subdivision Road has been inspected and determined to be built to Town specifications by the Road Commissioner and Code Enforcement Officer.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND APPROVED TO WAIVE THE READING AT 8:17 PM
VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 8:17 PM**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made and seconded, by verbal acclamation, the town voted to adjourn at 8:17 PM on June 13, 2012.

Town of West Bath Board of Selectmen
Abigail Yacoben, Chairman
David Bourget
Paula Nelson

I attest that this is a true copy of the Minutes of the Town of West Bath's Annual Meeting of June 12th and 13th, 2012.

ATTESTED BY: _____
Robert K. Morris, Town Clerk
Town of West Bath, Maine

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF WEST BATH
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, February 25, 2013**

A legal Special Town Meeting was held at the West Bath Fire Hall in the Town of West Bath, Maine, on the 25th of February, 2013. The meeting was called to order at the West Bath Fire Hall at 6:00 pm by Robert Morris, Town Clerk for the Town of West Bath, who subsequently read the warrant through to Article 1.

All said Articles being set out to wit:

Article 1. Mr. Ervin Snyder was nominated as moderator. It was moved and seconded that the nominations close. By way of written ballot, Mr. Ervin Snyder was voted as Moderator (4-0) and sworn in by Robert Morris at 6:04 pm.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, from unappropriated reserves, up to \$55,000 for unanticipated legal fund and litigation fund expenses for the time period February 25, 2013 to June 30, 2013.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: YES

VOTED APPROVED AS PRINTED AT 6:38 PM.

Motion made and seconded, by verbal acclamation, the town voted to adjourn at 6:39 pm.

Town of West Bath Board of Selectmen
Abigail Yacoben, Chairman
David Bourget
Paula Nelson

I attest that this is a true copy of the Minutes of the Town of West Bath's Special Town Meeting of February 25, 2013.

Attested By: Robert K. Morris, Town Clerk
Town of West Bath, Maine