

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF BRADFORD
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FOR CALENDAR YEAR
JANUARY 1, 2022 ~ DECEMBER 31, 2022
&
THE WARRANT
FOR
CALENDAR YEAR
JANUARY 1, 2023 ~ DECEMBER 31, 2023

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2022 Bradford Town Report

Is Dedicated

To

Vance Corliss and Arthur Richard



Vance Corliss:

This past winter we lost a very special resident, especially to those who work in the office. For the past few years Vance was dealing with some difficult health issues that led to him quietly passing away this past January. Along being dearly missed by his family we who have worked in the office for some time are truly missing him too.

Vance came to Bradford by the way of Caribou. And we are ever so lucky that he landed here in Bradford and choose to raise his boys here with his wife Rebecca.

Vance was on the Fire Department for several years and continued to support the Fire Department and the new fire station while serving as a Selectman for the Town. He was a great believer in giving back to the community and was a strong example for his boys to learn this from. Several times a year, Vance and his boys would be seen slowly going over the town roads cleaning up the trash found on the side of the road. He would quietly do this hoping to better the community he loved and never looking for recognition. They would fill that trailer up many times in a day and make the trip over to the transfer station. It was not just an hour or two but a full day of cleaning up the roadside. We could also count on him every year to deliver our food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

If Vance was not volunteering then you could find him working in his wood shop creating some of the most beautiful wood pieces that he would sale at craft fairs and Bradford Day's. This became a family project that the family could do together, with each member having a job to do.

Thank you, Vance, for all the many things you did for the town and passing on to the boys the gift of giving back to your community.



Arthur Richards:

If you ask any one to describe Arthur Richards what you will most likely get for a respond is that Arthur is a very hardworking man and for many years the Town of Bradford benefited from his hard-working ethics. The town was very fortunate when that Arthurs' family moved to Bradford from Connecticut when he was young boy.

Arthur helped with the family chicken farm until he when into the Marines at the age of 17. When his time was done with the Marines, Arthur came back home to Bradford and married Adaline and the two of them raised their two boys at the family homestead. Arthur worked at the B & A railroad in Derby until he retired.

When Arthur became a selectman for the town, he was what you would call a working selectman. He was always willing to extend a hand and help. For many years he volunteered many, many hours of grading, rock raking and keeping the equipment in in good condition. He not only volunteered but while he was volunteering, he would be teaching those around him how to do the task at hand.

One task he taught others was how to get stranded on Reeves Rd. It was a tough spring and the roads and culverts were paying the price for a long snowy winter and a rainy spring. Arthur went down the Reeves Rd. to check out the culverts to see how they were standing up to the flooding for one had already collapsed and there was water coming over the road. The time he got down to the collapsed culvert and started back, the other culvert gave way, leaving Arthur stranded between two broken culverts. And that is where he spent most of the day until the two culverts could be repaired.

When Arthur was not working or volunteering for the town you could find him at the race track racing his famous #0 stock car. Many enjoyable weekends were spent there with the family and community members cheering him on. If he wasn't working on the stock car then he would be repairing one of his antique vehicles. In between these activities Arthur also enjoyed going coon hunting with the boys or showing his dog.

Thank you, Arthur for all you have done for the Town of Bradford we are very grateful that you chose to stay in Bradford and keep it as your home town. Your strong work ethic has not gone unnoticed by many of your fellow residents.

2022 – TOWN CLERK REPORT

2022 – BIRTH RECORDINGS **12**

2022 – MARRIAGE RECORDINGS **7**

LaPlant, Kristen Sue	See, Jacob Emmanuel	01/28/2022
Duquette, Julianne E.	French, Blake Spinney	05/28/2022
Riethmuller, Brenda L.	Ward, Timothy C. Sr.	05/29/2022
Love-Searles, Cassie M.	Dyer, Walter Jason	07/22/2022
Payson- Neale, Sarah Ann	Allard, Shawn Michael	07/30/2022
Trafton, Tabitha Lynn	Easler, Joshua David	12/27/2022
Francis, Isabella E.	Winters, Joseph Thomas	12/31/2022

2022 - DEATH RECORDINGS **9**

Gonsalves, Michael A.	58	01/04/2022
Hoffman, Marjorie E.	92	01/22/2022
Rankins, Richard Allen Jr.	64	02/11/2022
Strawn, Tamarra L.	46	04/17/2022
Ouellette, Cori Marie	50	05/16/2022
Bowler, Gregory L.	86	06/13/2022
Pelletier, Jeffrey L.	69	10/30/2022
Searfoss, Gertrude E.	83	11/06/2022
Hall, Warren Isaac Sr.	77	12/11/2022

Town Manager's Letter

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Bradford:

As every year the first thing I like to do is take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Office Staff, Code Enforcement Officer, Assessors Agent, Animal Control Officer, Fire Chief and the Fire Dept., Recreation Dept., Planning Board, the Future Fire Station Committee, Election Clerks and the many volunteers who help to make this Town be the place we all like to call Home. I truly appreciate all that you do for the Town and without the support of the community, I would not be able to do my job. Thank you once again for all your cooperation and support. It has been my great pleasure to work with you all these past 8 years.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to all of those who have chosen to make Bradford their new home. It is so exciting to have so many new families moving to Bradford and wanting to become part of the community. It has been such a joy meeting and getting to know all of you as you come into the office to do your town business. I wish you the best as you settle into your new home here in Bradford. My family and I were you 37 years ago, it seems just like yesterday A great way to get to meet and know your neighbors and fellow citizens is by becoming a volunteer or joining one of the many different organizations we have in town. There is the Recreation Committee, Bradford Days Committee, Fire Dept- EMS, ATV Club, Snow Blazers and the Historical Society just to name a few.

Things have been very busy in the office this spring. Please remember we are open to the public Tuesday and Thursday 8 to 5pm and Wednesday 8 to 6pm. Please remember to bring in your old registrations when you come in to register your vehicle, boat, ATV or snowmobile for the State no longer send us copies. If you lose your registration, please take a picture of the plate or stickers so we can look them up. Due to changing DMV agent the State is looking over our registrations very closely. Please bear with us while we double checking the information and update the registration. Please keep an eye out for hopefully by this fall we will be braking ground for the new fire station.

Once again, I would like to thank everyone who works so tirelessly to try to make this community a better one. When we work together, we can all accomplish the goals the Town has set for itself to become a better community. If you have any questions or ideas you would like to share, please feel free to come into the Town Office our door is always opened to new ideas and constructive criticism.

Respectfully summitted,

/S/

Vittoria J.B. Stevens
Town Manager

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors, & Overseers of the Poor

Amber Hines (Chairman of the Board) – 2023
Timothy Bubar – 2023 Errol Hanson – 2024
Carlene Oakes – 2025 Julie McCarthy – 2025

Vittoria Stevens

Town Manager,
Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Local Health Officer,
General Assistance Administrator, Public Access Officer, Director of Emergency
Management, Deputy Registrar of Voters, Deputy Warden

Bonnie Chase

Deputy Town Clerk, Deputy Tax Collector, Deputy Treasurer,
Deputy Warden, Registrar of Voters

Carlene Oakes

Office Help, Warden

Tax Assessor's Agent

Lillian Smith

MSAD #64 Directors

Robert Young – 2025 Nicole Kelley – 2023
Hailey Emery – 2024

Budget Committee

Ronald Jack	2023	Jason Spearing	2023
Derk Hines	2024	Dustin Kelley	2024
Brian Parker	2025	Jenny Worster	2025
Erik Hanson	2026		2026
Matthew McCarthy	2027	Jesse Young	2027

PLANNING BOARD

Ronald Jack, Brian Parker, Thomas Allen
Randall Margraf and William Buzzard, Alternate Andrew Miller

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Courtney- Jo Arrants- chair,
Jess Webb,
Marissa Lawson

BOARD OF APPEALS

Erik Hanson, Valerie Kane, Janette McLaughlin, Sally Smith,
Vittoria Stevens, Jason Spearing- alternate

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Gary Sudsburry cell-343-4389 home-564-2931

Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector

Dwight Tilton 327-2121

CENTRAL PENOBSCOT SOLID WASTE

Edward Nevells

BRADFORD VOLUNTEER EMS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dustin Bibber, Robert Bibber, Dan Brasslett, Riley Brasslett,
Tara Brasslett, Logan Butera, Aaron Correia, Camron Doak,
Cohen Doak, Caliber Doak, Paul Doak, James Keenan, Hayden Lufkin,
Desi Murray- Assistant Chief, Noah Morris Steve Saunders,
Andrew Tatlock, Matt Vinal, Jesse Young Fire Chief

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Bradford Town Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday- 8am – 5pm. Starting July 6th Wednesday will be 8am – 6pm; **closed** on Mondays and Fridays. The Town of Bradford observes the following holidays and will be closed: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, President's Day, Patriot's Day, Memorial Day, June 19th, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, closing at noon on November 22nd, Thanksgiving Day, closing at noon on Dec 21st and closed on the December 28th to close out the Office for the end of the year finances.

Selectmen's Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, except when holidays fall on Monday then they will meet that Thursday. At present, the meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. Anyone wishing to be on the agenda should notify the Town Office, no later than Thursday before the next meeting.

Central Penobscot Solid Waste Transfer Station located in East Corinth is open Wed., Fri., and Sat. from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Stickers are available at the town office.

\$2.00 a sticker per bag up to 40 lbs.

The John B. Curtis Free Public Library hours are: Saturdays-10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., Monday and Wednesdays nights- 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Summer hours include: Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. for ABC Read-To-Me Program. There is a book drop at the town office for your convenience.

Code Enforcement Officer/ Local Plumbing Inspector- Dwight Tilton office hours are Tuesday 12 to 4pm and Thursday 8am to 12 pm.

Tax Assessor's Agent- Lil Smith – office hours 8:30 am to 4:00 pm the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Appointments are encouraged call 327-2121.

Code Enforcement Officer's Report
& Plumbing Inspector's Report

Town of Bradford, Maine 04410
P.O. Box 26 – 345 East Road
Code Enforcement Department

January 2022-December 2022 Permits Issued

Building Permits: Residential Home- 4
 Utility- 1
 Additions- 4
 Mobile Homes- 1
 Garages- 4
 Sheds- 9
 Camps- 2
 Barns- 6
 Porch- 0
 Demo- 1
 Deck- 3

Total Permits- 35

Plumbing permits:
 Subsurface Wastewater Disposal- 10
 Internal- 2

Total 12- Permits

The number of building and plumbing permits are consistent with last year. Considering the difficulty obtaining building materials and the increase in cost I feel that this was a good year in regard to construction.

As your CEO I look forward to a working with you making Bradford the best it can be. I urge everyone who is building a new structure, taking down an old structure, adding to a structure and adding a septic or plumbing to their property please first come first to apply for a permit issued by the Code Enforcement Officer / Local Plumbing Inspector. I look forward to working with you in the upcoming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwight Tilton
Code Enforcement Officer/ Local Plumbing Inspector
tiltonceo@gmail.com 207-794-

BRADFORD TAX ASSESSOR'S REPORT 2022

Hello Bradford residents, I am Lillian Smith a Certified Maine Assessor and your current Assessor. I worked for RCS, Josh Berry's company when he was the Town's Assessor's Agent from spring of 2021 until September, 2022. His advancement in municipal government at another municipality caused him to have to end his company's agreement with Bradford. With nearly 40 years of Assessing experience, I was asked to step in to continue with providing the Town's Assessing needs.

I do have historical roots with your town. My Great Aunt, Myra Trask was your Town Clerk for fifty years dating back to when she ran the Clerk's office from her home. I visited Bradford often at her residence on the corner of Storer and East Road in my younger years.

Property owners and businesses should know there are several exemptions which you may qualify for to provided property tax relief. They are: Homestead, Veteran, and Blind Exemptions for qualified property owners. For businesses there are the Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE) and Business Equipment Tax Refund (BETR) programs. To the Town's Senior residents, I want to make sure you are aware of two new senior tax assistant programs which were made into law this past year.

- ❖ Maine offers a **property Tax Deferral Program for seniors who are 65 or older and earn less than \$40,000 per year**. The program allows eligible individuals to defer payment of property taxes on their homesteads until they pass away, move, or sell their property. During the deferral period, the state reimburses the municipality for the deferred taxes, but the state has the authority to obtain a lien on the applicant's real estate. To qualify, all owners must have combined liquid assets of less than \$75,000 (\$50,000 if a single owner) and be enrolled in the Homestead Exemption Act for at least 10 years.
- ❖ Maine also has a Property Tax Stabilization Program that allows many senior citizens to freeze the amount of property taxes they pay each year. The program allows senior citizens who meet some straightforward criteria to freeze their property tax bills in perpetuity, even if they sell their homes and relocate to other primary residences in Maine – as long as they annually file application forms.

Qualifying individuals are eligible for the program **only if they apply in advance** by December 1 each year. By completing the application, they assert that by the following April 1 (April 1 being the beginning of the tax year for which the application is made) they will meet the specific criteria:

1. The applicant must be at least 65 years of age,
2. Be a permanent resident of Maine,
3. Have owned a Maine home for at least 10 years, and
4. Is eligible for a homestead exemption on the property.

Benefits often come with a lot of restrictions, but this program's guardrails are placed far wider than most. For instance:

1. If the property is owned jointly, only one owner needs to meet the above criteria.
2. The 10 years of ownership do not have to be consecutive.
3. There is no claw back provision; if a property is removed from the program, the benefit does not have to be repaid by the participant.

My schedule is to be available in the office the third Tuesday of each month for you. On other occasions when you may have a question for me, you may leave a message with the Office Staff in which I will reply when I am back in the office.

It is my pleasure to work for you the residents and your town, Lillian "Lil" Smith, CMA

ACO 2022 REPORT

To The Taxpayers & Pet Owners of Bradford

I am Gary Sudsbury, Sr. from Dover- Foxcroft, because of my concern (but mostly my love for animals!) I once again will assume the responsibility as the Animal Officer for Bradford. Please free to contact me at 564-2931 or 343-4389.

If you have a complaint, I will do my best to answer them or try to find the answer for you. Please understand that sometimes the answer I have may not be the answer you would like to hear but it will be what the Maine Animal Welfare law states.

Please remember that as owners or the keepers of cats & dogs they must be vaccinated against rabies under 7-3916. You will need to show proof of up-to-date shots in order for your town to issue you a license for your dog(s). Dogs over 6 months of age must be licensed by January 1st every year under 7-3921. Please keep in mind of the late fee after January 31st is \$25.00

In addition, any dog that reaches the age of 6 months January 1st thru October 15, of any year must be vaccinated against rabies and be licensed within 10 business days, 7-3916.

If you no longer have your dog, please notify your Town Office so they can update their records.

I understand that when any one finds an injured animal our first thought is to get it to a veterinarian for help: but in doing so **you could be held responsible for all expenses for the treatment and boarding of the injured animal.** As Animal Control Officer, I have the responsibility under 7-3948 paragraph 2, to take an injured stray to its owner if known or seek medical attention for the injured animal under Maine law if owner cannot be found.

Please always be aware on the Danger of Rabies when approaching any Domesticated or Undomesticated animals that may be acting strangely.

False calls or calls for feral cats are a big drain on any budget please makes sure the calls are needed to help keep the budget under control.

Please always remember that any stray dogs or cats are someone's pet and should be treated in a respectful way.

Gary Sudsbury Sr. ACO

Bradford Volunteer Fire Department

Dear Residents and Fellow Firefighters,

I would like to take a minute to thank the Town of Bradford for your continuous support with the new fire station and putting public safety as a priority. We are very excited to be moving forward with the project and having the finished design done soon. We know it is a huge undertaking for the town and we appreciate your support for the Department in this project. We try to show our appreciation by helping the town out in any way we can. We know it isn't much but by washing the bridges off it helps the life span of the bridge and we get to practice our pumping skills. It is very nice when we all can work together towards one goal.

If you find yourself free on a Tuesday night and looking for something to do. Why don't you come on down and check the fire department out. It is a volunteer municipal department but the town does support the firefighter with a small stipend check based on the amount of training time and calls we respond to. Training starts at 7pm every Tuesday night. No pre skills needed we will train. If you have any interest in EMS please come and find out more about it. Looking forward to meeting new members.

I would also like to recognize all members of the Bradford Fire Department for the hard work and true dedication and thank all the residents who have supported us through the year.

Fire Chief Jesse Young, Assistant Chief Desmond Murray, Captain Logan Butera, Lieutenant Paul Doak, Lieutenant Dan Brasslett, EMS Lieutenant Tara Brasslett, Safety Officer Steve Saunders, Firefighter Dustin Bibber, Firefighter Robert Bibber, Firefighter Hayden Lufkin, Firefighter Andrew Tatlock, Firefighter Matt Vinal, Firefighter Camron Doak, Firefighter Aaron Correia, Firefighter James Keenan, Jr Firefighter Caliber Doak, Jr Firefighter Cohen Doak, Jr Firefighter Riley Brasslett and Jr Firefighter Noah Morris.

Call numbers for 2022

Total EMS Calls: 37

Total Fire Calls: 73

Total Work details: 73

Total Call Man Hours: 455 hours

Total Training Calls: 150 hours

Average Call Attendance: 3.5

Bradford Heritage: Museum and Historical Society

The purpose of the Bradford Heritage is to educate and act as a historical resource through the exhibition of donated artifacts, availability of historical records and provision of educational programs. This is Bradford's history and we want to share it with those who are curious as well as those who are seeking to discover their own history and ancestry.

Many activities were accomplished at Bradford Heritage during 2022. We put up a rod allowing us to display the articles of clothing we have. We refurbished the interior of a steamer trunk where we also have a few articles of clothing. We organized stacks of documents which either went onto our shelves or into the file cabinets. There is a great deal of material available for research on many local families. We also held our Family History Class again, which was well attended. The flower garden was spectacular. Two of our members, Bev Hanson and Lorraine Randall, worked in the Mills Cemetery, cleaning stones, finding stones and making suggestions to the Select Board for tree removal and fence building. We had our usual dinners, drive thru BBQ, and hotdogs at the Town Meeting. We also helped the Recreation Committee out with Bradford Days Bingo.

We have extraordinary members who are dedicated to Bradford Heritage. They donate a great deal to our efforts in collecting artifacts and research materials which are subsequently made accessible to the public. In 2022, our members donated \$757.30 and they donated over 386 hours of their time to our efforts. Our operating budget is minimal and tightly managed. We hope for and appreciate donations but the historical society cannot rely on them as a primary source of income.

We have restarted our programs (educational dinners, living demos and a family history class). We also hope to involve new people in Bradford Heritage: Museum and Historical Society through volunteerism. In 2022, we welcomed 304 visitors to Bradford Heritage. There is a waiting list for the family history class. Call Peggy Nevells to get on the list.

Our hours are: Thursday 3 PM – 5 PM and Saturday 10 AM – 12 PM or by appointment. You can call Peggy Nevells with questions (207-327-1532).

2022 Annual Report

Income		Expenditures	
Town of Bradford	2,000.00	Insurance	1,149.00
Memberships	125.00	Postage	85.60
		Supplies	70.09
Donations:		Electricity	1,135.75
Cash	272.85	Meals	898.17
		Building	139.84
Members Donations:		Scholarship	500.00
Office Supplies	70.09	Miscellaneous	
Meals	687.21	Town Reports	2,405.49
Building	0	Yearbook	62.00
		Total	6,445.94
Sales			
Cookbooks and Booklets	65.00		
Fundraising	3,355.55		
Total	6,575.70		

John B. Curtis Free Public Library

140 books added (adult 98, juvenile 42) DVDs added: 31
Circulation: 3,709 (adult 516, juvenile 3,193), audio/visual 286)
Computer users: 521, Attendance at Special Programs: 448

It was a busy year, especially since we were again able to hold our Summer ABC Read-to-Me program. We had over 35 kids participate in our “Explore Your World” theme. We “traveled” around the world learning about deserts, jungles, volcanoes, coral reefs and much more This summer’s program begins n May 24, 9:00-11:00. Our theme is “Exploring 38 years of ABC”. The Summer Program was so popular, that we continued getting together at the library once a month from September through April of 2022. And will do so again this next year.

We were also able to hold our Summer Reading Contest again this year. Our youth read over 78,000 pages. We had three reading groups and the winners of the contest were Jayden Webb, Ruthie Partridge and Ellissa Worster. Congratulations to all our readers for a job well done. We will start the contest up again this year beginning May 24. At the end of this year’s program, we took a Field Trip to the Maine Wildlife Park in Gray, Maine. We had 38 attend this fun day.

We were able to again offer a Vehicle State Park Pass to our patrons and it was used regularly. We are offering it again in 2023. Just stop by the Library whenever we are open to take it out.

We are still offering CLYNK bags as a fund raiser. Come in and pick up a bag, fill it with returnables and take to a Hannaford store in Bangor. We get the money. If you don’t go to Bangor much, bring it to us here at the library and we will take it in. We still soon have **NEW** Book Bags for sale designed by Jenny Worster. Just \$15/bag which also entitles you to a free fill up at our Book Sale which is still ongoing whenever the Library is open.

Thanks again to Sherry Roberts for keeping our Facebook page up to date. And a very big **THANK YOU** to our trustees for all their hard work volunteering to staff the library, clean, tend gardens, decide policy, handle finances and support the work of this great town institution.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brenda Mowdy, Librarian

Our hours are:
Mondays & Wednesdays: 5:00-7:00 PM
Saturdays: 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
May-August: ABC Read-to-me Summer Program
Wednesday- 9:00-11:00AM
Phone: 217-9826, (327-2111, Librarian)

**John B. Curtis Free Public Library
Financial Report 2023**

Budget—2023

Insurance	\$2,450
Maintenance	475
Books/DVDs	1,300
Salary	3,878
Worker's Comp	300
Social Security	550
Electric	800
Heating Oil	1,500
Office Supplies	300
Phone/Internet	200
ABC Children's Program	300
Special Programs	100
State Park Pass	105
State Corporation Fee	<u>50</u>
TOTAL	\$12,218

BRADFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Members: Courtney Arrants, Jess Webb, Marissa Lawson

Meetings by ZOOM: 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 PM

The Bradford Recreation Committee is pleased to present our 2022 Annual Report highlighting the projects, activities, and progress made over the year. I want to begin by expressing how incredibly grateful I am to be surrounded by such innovative and resilient volunteers. Despite the ever-changing regulations set forth by the state and local health departments, our committee rose to the challenge and made every effort to provide safe programs, services, facilities, parks, and open spaces for the community to enjoy. We'd like to thank you, our community, for your patience and flexibility.

In 2022 we saw improvements made to our existing snack shack facilities and new and better methods of communicating via a permanent sign in the middle of town. We brought back all our athletic programming and plan to add more non-athletic offerings as we can in 2023 and beyond.

To offer more programming, we are actively seeking more of the community to become involved in the department. If you have young children who participate in the activities that are provided by the department, we strongly encourage you to consider volunteering your time and ideas to help strengthen the department. If you do not have young children but are interested in supporting the department, we are always looking for financial support as well in the way of sponsorships and gift cards to Sam's Club for our snack shack.

Thank you for your continued support of the Bradford Recreation Department. We look forward to seeing you at a park, program, or facility soon. Please follow us on social media as we have a lot of great things happening and we want to share it all with you.

Warmly,

Courtney -Jo Arrants Chairperson for the Bradford Recreation Dept

BRADFORD DAYS COMMITTEE

Courtney-Jo Arrants (Co-Chair), Jess Webb (Co-Chair)

Meetings: 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30 PM from December – July

By the time you are reading this Bradford Days 2023 will be nearly upon us. Only a few months of planning remain, and we are very excited to see what this year brings. We want to again publicly thank all the volunteers and donors who helped to make the 2022 event a success. Without your tremendous support this event would never happen.

This event is a huge undertaking and with only two members on the committee the workload can get quite heavy at times. We are actively seeking to fill our ranks with people who are interested in making this event a success. The more people we have helping plan the event and doing some of the legwork, the more we are able to offer and the better this event can become. If you are interested in volunteering your time towards this committee, please reach out to either of the members or show up to the next planning meeting.

We would love to hear from you what you think worked and/or didn't work in prior years and how we can make this event better than before. Please shoot us a message at BradfordDaysEvent@gmail.com with any suggestions you might have.

Thank you,

Courtney- Jo Arrants and Jessica Webb Bradford Days Committee



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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January 2023

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We are just beginning the first year of the 131st Legislative session, where I would like to thank the residents of Bradford again for giving me the opportunity to serve as your State Representative.

I continue to be on the ***Joint Standing Committee for Labor and Housing*** and new this session, I will also be on the ***Joint Standing Committee of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife***. This year I will continue to push against government overreach, vaccine mandates and the inequalities associated with those mandates. One of my bills concerns a *Parent's Bill of Rights* and I am looking forward to working with other members to secure parental perogatives for their children.

This past year, the State of Maine returned surplus tax monies to qualified taxpayers within certain parameters. If you have filed a Maine 2021 income tax form and qualified to receive the previous \$850 check you should be eligible to receive the forthcoming \$450 check towards heating assistance.

I encourage you to participate in your local government and school board. Phone calls and letters are always welcome; and due to the wider use of technology, meetings and hearings are even more accessible. Using the homepage of the Maine Legislature: **Legislature.Maine.Gov**, you will find access to committee hearings via Zoom, where you can observe or testify for or against a bill from the comfort of your home.

I send a weekly email newsletter with current state news. If you wish to receive these updates, please contact me at Gary.Drinkwater@legislature.maine.gov, and we will gladly add you to our list. Again, thank you for giving me the honor of serving you at the State House and may you all have a safe and healthy 2023.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gary A. Drinkwater".

Gary Drinkwater

State Representative

House of Representatives



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February 2023

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

Warmer temperatures in mid-February seem to be negating Punxsutawney Phil's prediction of six more weeks of winter. Nonetheless, we all know how quickly the weather can change in the Pine Tree State.

Society continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, with a sense of normalcy gratefully unfolding as demonstrated by the gathering of lawmakers at the State House on swearing-in day, December 7, 2022. I am both appreciative and honored for the privilege of having the opportunity to be your voice at the capital.

Although fears of a recession are an enduring topic of discussion by the media, State revenue forecasts above projections persist. In the months to come, I look forward to working with my colleagues, on both sides of the aisle, in crafting the next biennial budget that will hopefully end the collection of excess revenue, thus allowing taxpayers a means of battling high inflation by keeping more of the money they worked so hard to earn.

For the 131st Legislature, legislative leadership has assigned me as the ranking minority member of the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Technology. This panel oversees energy policy, including energy resources, wind energy development, biomass energy, hydropower, and solar energy; efficiency and conservation; the electric industry, including supply, transmission, and distribution; the natural gas industry; the telecommunications industry, including telephone, Internet, broadband, and cable television services; E-9-1-1; water and sewer utilities, including district charters; the Public Utilities Commission; the Office of the Public Advocate; the Governor's Energy Office; ConnectME Authority; and the Efficiency Maine Trust.. With the cost of energy continuing to rise, the task of securing reliable and sustainable sources at a price Maine consumers can afford is among the challenges I am eager to address.

Again, thank you for placing your trust in me to serve you in Augusta. In the event you ever have a question or concern pertaining to State Government, please do not hesitate to contact me. Only by hearing from my constituents can I truly be effective in representing their interests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steven D. Foster". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steven D. Foster

State Representative

United States Senator Agnus S. King Jr

January 1, 2023

Dear Friends,

I've often thought that Maine is just one big small town connected by long roads. Well, in the past year or two, those roads have gotten steeper and bumpier as we dealt with an unprecedented pandemic and the resulting economic troubles.

As we faced the historic challenges, something impressive happened. We came together and lent a hand to our neighbors wherever we could to keep things running and spirits high.

Down in Washington, Congress tried to help Maine communities get through this struggle, so that our state would come out stronger. To do that, we put in the work and set some things into motion that are already helping Maine people. That's why you hired us, after all.

The pandemic made something we'd known for a while clear: those roads and networks that connect our big town needed repair, improvements, and expansion – from bridges to broadband. So, while Maine was uniting towards a common purpose, Congress came together to pass the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* – legislation that makes generational investments in physical infrastructure, broadband connections, harbors, and the energy grid. These efforts will lay the foundation for Maine's 21st century economy and make sure even the most rural areas aren't left behind.

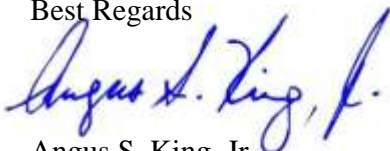
Over the last two years, as we drove up and down our state, you couldn't help but see storefronts in trouble and prices rising as the economy struggled through a global recession. And again, while you focused your efforts on getting through the difficult times, Congress took meaningful action. We passed the *American Rescue Plan* in 2021, which enabled Governor Mills and the state of Maine to better meet the health and economic difficulties of the pandemic. At a critical moment it expanded healthcare efforts to confront COVID and invested in the state to keep the economy in far better shape than most others nationwide.

Congress didn't stop there. This year, we took even more concrete steps to cut costs, create jobs, and provide more affordable, cleaner energy. The bipartisan *CHIPS Act* will bring home the manufacturing of the technical components known as "chips" that are used in everything these days – from smartphones to microwaves to cars – and in doing so reduce prices and create good American jobs. We also passed the *Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)* to lower healthcare costs, allow Medicare to negotiate drug prices, and cut energy bills with new rebates for things like heat pumps and solar panels.

Beyond these major investments, we also passed vital legislation to improve the day-to-day lives of Maine people and Americans nationwide. On a bipartisan basis, we expanded health care for veterans exposed to toxins, strengthened protections for marriage equality, supported Ukraine as it fought off a bloody Russian invasion, secured our elections and the peaceful transfer of power, and delivered millions in federal investments to projects up and down our state.

So, as Maine worked to get through hard times, Congress took steps to support our state – and we're already starting to see brighter days ahead. I'm proud to have played a small part down here; it's a true privilege to listen to you, work with you, and build a brighter future for all the incredible people up and down the roads that connect our big small town. Mary and I wish you a happy, and safe 2023.

Best Regards



Angus S. King, Jr.



Jared Golden
Congress of the United States
2nd District of Maine

United States Senator

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I've been working on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District.

In August, I voted for the *Inflation Reduction Act* because it represented a dramatic turnaround from misguided efforts to pass sweeping, ill-designed legislation that tried to accomplish too many things through budget gimmicks, setting up problematic fiscal cliffs in numerous programs and refusing to make the difficult decisions to allow for a fiscally responsible bill.

The *Inflation Reduction Act*, which was signed into law by the president, was fiscally responsible and targeted four key priorities: reducing our national debt and putting our country back on a more sustainable path, lowering the cost of prescription drugs, and making health care more affordable, investing in an all-of-the-above energy strategy to significantly increase oil, gas, and renewable energy production to lower energy costs for Americans, and cracking down on the tax avoidance of billion-dollar multinational corporations. This bill was the first major legislation in the last decade to use the reconciliation process to create a fiscally responsible budget to reduce deficits. The Congressional Budget Office estimated it would reduce deficits by approximately \$300 billion.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I also helped pass the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act, which among other things, included key wins for Bath shipbuilders, Umaine, and servicemembers and their families. For shipbuilders, the bill secured authorization for a third DDG-51 destroyer; established a new contract for up to 15 DDG-51 destroyers over the next five years, many of which will be built at Bath Iron Works; and included funding for shipyard infrastructure. The bill also authorized over \$25 million for defense research programs, including Umaine's large-scale manufacturing program. Finally, the bill authorized a 4.6% pay increase to help servicemembers and their families deal with rising costs due to inflation.

Additionally, at the end of 2022, Congress passed a spending bill to fund the government through September of 2023. The bill funds nearly \$27 million in funding for community projects across the Second Congressional District, a lifeline for our lobster industry that freezes any regulatory action for at least six years, and secures millions in additional funding for the Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to help Mainers heat their homes.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help answer questions about and navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

- **Caribou Office:** 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou, ME 04736. Phone: (207) 492-6009
- **Lewiston Office:** 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767
- **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Suite 101, Bangor, ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2023. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come

Sincerely,

Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress



Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for the trust that Mainers have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments for our state.

Last year, I secured more than \$500 million for 285 projects from Aroostook County to York County that will promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; improve public safety, infrastructure, and community resources; and protect our environment. To address the crisis of soaring inflation and high energy prices, I led efforts to provide \$2 billion in supplemental funds to the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In the new Congress that begins in 2023, I expect to be the Vice Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and will continue to champion investments to support Maine's communities and families.

Strengthening our economy and supporting good jobs remain a top priority. Along with the Governor and the rest of the Maine Delegation and the associations representing the lobster industry, I worked to protect our hardworking lobstermen and women by pausing for six years the onerous federal regulations that jeopardize our lobster fishery's very existence. Another ongoing threat to Maine's small businesses is the shortage of workers. That's why I led an effort to push the Administration to nearly double the number of H-2B visas that are critical to our hospitality industry. Additionally, when the Administration proposed to cut the construction of a destroyer to be built by Bath Iron Works, I restored this funding to protect Maine jobs and our national security.

When Maine Veterans' Homes announced last year that it planned to close its facilities in Caribou and Machias, I opposed that decision which would have had such a devastating effect on rural veterans and their families. I am glad that the decision was reversed, and I have secured \$3 million to help with upgrades to these facilities. My *AUTO for Vets Act* also became law, which will help disabled veterans maintain their independence by supporting the purchase of a new adaptive vehicle once a decade.

This past year, Congress demonstrated how effective it can be on behalf of the American people when both parties work together. A few of the bipartisan achievements that I was involved in include the *Respect for Marriage Act*, which will provide certainty to millions of loving couples in same-sex marriages while protecting religious liberties, and the *Electoral Count Reform Act*, which establishes clear guidelines for our system of certifying and counting electoral votes for President and Vice President.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and I have honored that work ethic by showing up for every vote. During my Senate service, I have cast more than 8,500 consecutive votes, never having missed one. I remain committed to doing all that I can to address your community's concerns in 2023. If I may be of assistance to you in any way, I encourage you to contact one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan M. Collins".

Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

2022 AUDIT REPORT

Town of Bradford offers this management's discussion and analysis report that will provide information that should be used in conjunction with the outside audit report for year ending December 31, 2022.

Overview of the Financial Statements:

The discussion and analysis report is intended to serve as an introductory to the full audit report. The audit report consists of three components: government-wide financial statements; fund financial statements, and the notes to the financial statements. This report is intended to explain some of these financial statements in a concise and non-financial terminology.

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The government-wide financial statements present the financial picture of the Town as a whole and are designed to provide readers with a long-term overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to the private sector. They include a Statement of Net Position, which shows information on all the Town's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating. The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event occurs, regardless of when cash is received or disbursed. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future periods.

Governmental Activities – The Town's basic functions are reported here which include general government, public health and sanitation, public safety, public works, debt service, and culture and recreation. Property taxes, intergovernmental revenues, permits and fees, and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

The government wide financial statements can be found on pages 10-11 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements:

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Town's funds, focusing on its most significant or major funds, rather than the Town as a whole. A fund is a group of related accounts that is used to maintain control and accountability over resources that have been segregated for specific activities. The Town's funds are divided into two fund categories: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds (*Statements 3 and 4*) – Most of the Town's basic functions are reported in the governmental funds, which focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources and balances remaining at year end that are available for spending. These funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements are designed to show a short-term view of the Town's general government operations and the services it provides. The differences between the governmental activities as reported in the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements are itemized in reconciliations to the fund financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds (*Statements 5 and 6*) - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Town government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the Town's own programs.

The fund financial statements can be found on pages 12-16 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements:

The notes provide the reader with additional information about the Town that will help understand the financial data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 17-30 of this report.

Required Supplementary Information

The basic financial statements and accompanying notes are followed by a section of required supplementary information. This section includes a budgetary comparison schedule of the Town's General Fund. This section also includes the OPEB schedules required by GASB Statement # 75. Required supplementary information can be found on pages 31-32 of this report.

In addition to the required elements, we have included a schedule of unpaid taxes, and a schedule of departmental operations for additional analysis. The supplementary schedules can be found on pages 33-34 of this report.

Financial Highlights:

Net position – The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the period ending December 31, 2022 by \$3,520,525 – this is referred to as “Net Position”. Of that amount, \$2,025,750 was considered unrestricted net position. Unrestricted net position represents the amount available to be used to meet the Town's ongoing financial obligations.

The Town's net position increased by \$305,269 which can be seen on Statement 2 of the financial statements.

Fund balance – The Town's governmental funds reported on a current financial resources' basis, had a combined ending fund balances of \$1,817,022 an increase of \$101,967 from the prior year.

The total unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$1,313,184, which represents 68% of the total general fund expenditures.

Government Wide Financial Analysis:

Approximately 42% of the Town’s net position is its investment in capital assets such as land, buildings, equipment and infrastructure (roads, bridges, etc), less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The Town uses these assets to provide services to the community; these capital assets are not available for future spending. While the Town’s investment in the capital assets is reported net of the related debt, it is important to note that the resources required to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves are not liquid assets.

	Governmental Activities	
	12/31/2022	12/31/2021
Current Assets	\$ 2,047,676	\$ 1,938,569
Capital Assets	1,961,385	1,890,171
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>4,009,061</u>	<u>3,828,740</u>
<i>Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	1,495	1,450
<i>Total Assets & Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<u>\$ 4,010,556</u>	<u>\$ 3,830,190</u>
Current Liabilities	\$ 132,047	\$ 126,262
Long term liabilities	337,272	466,937
Net OPEB Obligations	7,478	6,757
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>476,797</u>	<u>473,694</u>
Property Taxes Collected in Advance	5,503	6,476
Related to OPEB	7,731	8,502
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>13,234</u>	<u>14,978</u>
NET POSITION:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,494,775	1,297,468
Unrestricted	2,025,750	1,917,788
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>3,520,525</u>	<u>3,215,256</u>
<i>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position</i>	<u>\$ 4,010,556</u>	<u>\$ 3,830,190</u>

Approximately 66% of the Town’s total revenue was made up by taxes – property and excise, approximately 27% was from State revenues and grants, and approximately 7% was made up of interest, charges for services (agent fees and service fees), and other miscellaneous revenues.

	Governmental Activities	
	12/31/2022	12/31/2021
Revenues:		
<i>Program Revenues:</i>		
Charges for Services	\$ 32,867	\$ 33,248
Operating Grants and Contributions	30,331	30,203
<i>General Revenues:</i>		
Taxes	1,335,241	1,409,484
Licenses and permits	4,212	4,202
Interest and investment earnings	23,089	23,241
Grants and contributions	523,941	412,759
Miscellaneous	78,026	42,973
TOTAL REVENUES	2,027,706	1,956,112
 Expenses:		
General government	280,815	246,552
Protection	87,534	49,010
Public works	382,292	362,882
Recreation	21,027	10,602
Country tax	111,415	100,126
Education	682,658	693,026
Social services	11,010	11,686
Interest expense	18,575	21,802
Depreciation	127,112	127,041
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,722,437	1,622,728
 <i>Changes in Net Position</i>	 305,269	 333,384
Beginning Net Position	3,215,256	2,881,872
Ending Net Position	\$ 3,520,525	\$ 3,215,256

Financial Analysis of the Fund Financial Statements:

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

At the end of the year, the Town’s governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$1,817,022, an increase of \$101,967 from the prior year. Approximately 72% of the total is the Town’s unassigned fund balance. The remainder is reserved to indicate that it is not available for spending due to being committed to liquidate contracts and commitments of the prior year, or for a variety of other purposes.

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget include budget appropriations carried over from the prior year and other revenues collected during the fiscal year.

Actual revenues and other financing sources were more than the budgetary estimated by approximately \$152 thousand.

Actual expenditures were below final budgeted estimates by approximately \$305 thousand due to savings in all departments and the utilization of carry forward balances.

For further detail, a budget to actual comparison for the General Fund can be found on Schedule A, page 29 of the financial statements.

Capital Assets:

The Town's investment in capital assets for the governmental activities is \$3,596,877, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,635,492, giving a net book value of \$1,961,385. Additions to capital assets for the year include; road improvements, a snack shack at the recreation field, and fire department equipment.

The Town's capital asset activity for the year can be found in the footnotes on page 24 of this report.

Long-Term Debt:

At year end, the Town had \$466,610 of total debt outstanding, versus \$592,703 in the prior year, a decrease of \$126,093. The outstanding debt is made up of general obligation notes payable and a bond payable backed by the full faith and credit of the Town.

The Town's long-term debt activity for the year can be found in the footnotes on pages 26-27 of this report.

Contacting the Town's Management:

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all interested parties. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Town Office at 345 E Road, Bradford

TOWN OF BRADFORD, MAINE
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Schedules of Required Supplementary Information start with one year of information as of the implementation of GASB No. 75, but eventually will build up to 10 years of information. The schedule below shows changes in total OPEB liability and related ratios required by GASB No. 75.

	FYE 2022	FYE 2021	FYE 2020	FYE 2019	FYE 2018
Total OPEB Liability					
Service cost (BOY)	\$ 1,045	\$ 926	\$ 769	\$ 845	\$ 803
Interest (includes interest on service cost)	165	169	585	489	460
Changes of benefit terms	0	0	(100)	0	0
Differences between expected and actual experience	454	0	(10,714)	0	789
Changes of assumptions	(943)	404	1,251	(1,122)	9
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	0	0	(85)	(82)	(28)
Net change in total OPEB liability	\$ 721	\$ 1,499	\$ (8,294)	\$ 130	\$ 2,033
Total OPEB liability – beginning	\$ 6,757	\$ 5,258	\$ 13,552	\$ 13,422	\$ 11,389
Total OPEB liability – ending	\$ 7,478	\$ 6,757	\$ 5,258	\$ 13,552	\$ 13,422
Plan fiduciary net position					
Contributions – employer	0	0	85	82	28
Contributions – member	0	0	0	0	0
Net investment income	0	0	0	0	0
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	0	0	(85)	(82)	(28)
Administrative expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	0	0	0	0	0
Plan fiduciary net position – beginning	0	0	0	0	0
Plan fiduciary net position – ending	0	0	0	0	0
Net OPEB liability – endings	\$ 7,478	\$ 6,757	\$ 5,258	\$ 13,552	\$ 13,422
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Covered employee payroll	\$ 37,800	\$ 35,700	\$ 71,700	\$ 71,700	\$ 71,700
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	19.8%	18.9%	14.7%	18.9%	18.7%

Town of Bradford, Maine
Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2022

		Total Governmental Activities
ASSETS:		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,769,624	\$
Taxes receivable, net	192,207	
Tax liens receivable	85,845	
Total current assets		\$ 2,047,676
Non-current assets:		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	1,961,385	
Total non-current assets		1,961,385
Deferred outflows of resources:		
OPEB related outflows	1,495	
Total deferred outflows of resources		1,495
TOTAL ASSETS		4,010,556
		\$ 4,010,556
LIABILITIES:		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	2,709	\$
Current portion of notes payable	121,052	
Current portion of bonds payable	8,286	
Total current liabilities		132,047
Non-current liabilities:		
Notes payable	225,234	

Bonds payable	112,038	
OPEB liabilities	<u>7,478</u>	
Total non-current liabilities		<u>344,750</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		476,797
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:		
Taxes collected in advance	5,503	
OPEB related inflows	<u>7,731</u>	
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		13,234
NET POSITION:		
Net investment in capital assets	1,494,775	
Unrestricted	<u>2,025,750</u>	
TOTAL NET POSITION		<u>3,520,525</u>
		<u>\$</u>
		<u>4,010,556</u>

Town of Bradford, Maine
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position				
	Expenses	Program Revenues		Governmental	Total
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Primary Government Activities	
<i>Governmental activities:</i>					
General government	\$ 280,815	\$ 32,867	\$ -	(247,948)	(247,948)
Public works	382,292	-	29,376	(352,916)	(352,916)
Public safety	87,534	-	-	(87,534)	(87,534)
Recreation	21,027	-	616	(20,412)	(20,412)
County tax	111,415	-	-	(111,415)	(111,415)
Education	682,658	-	-	(682,658)	(682,658)
Social services	11,010	-	339	(10,671)	(10,671)
Interest expense	18,575	-	-	(18,575)	(18,575)
Depreciation	127,112	-	-	(127,112)	(127,112)
<i>Total governmental activities</i>	<i>1,722,437</i>	<i>32,867</i>	<i>30,331</i>	<i>(1,659,239)</i>	<i>(1,659,239)</i>
Total primary government	\$ 1,722,437	\$ 32,867	\$ 30,331	\$ (1,659,239)	(1,659,239)

General revenues:

Property taxes, levied for general purposes	1,127,833
Excise taxes	207,408
Interest and lien fees	20,773
Licenses and permits	4,212

Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs:

Homestead exemption	113,541
State revenue sharing	312,750
Tree growth	16,179
Veteran's reimbursement	1,057
BETE reimbursement	15,490
ARPA	64,923
Unrestricted investment earnings	2,316
Miscellaneous revenues	78,026
<i>Total general revenues and transfers</i>	<i>1,964,508</i>

Changes in net position 305,269

NET POSITION - BEGINNING 3,215,256

\$
3,520,525

NET POSITION - ENDING

**Town of Bradford, Maine
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2022**

		General Fund
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,453,410
Taxes receivable, net		192,207
Tax liens receivable		85,845
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,731,463
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LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES		
<i>Liabilities:</i>		
Accounts payable	\$	2,709
<i>Total liabilities</i>		2,709
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<i>Deferred inflows of resources:</i>		
Taxes collected in advance		5,503
Uncollected property taxes		222,442
<i>Total deferred inflows of resources</i>		227,945
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<i>Fund balances: (see footnotes for breakdown)</i>		
Committed		4,065
Assigned		183,560
Unassigned		1,313,184
<i>Total fund balances</i>		1,500,809
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TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$	1,731,463

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (Stmt. 1) are different because:

- Depreciable and non-depreciable capital assets as reported in Stmt. 1
- Long-term liabilities as reported on Stmt. 1
- Deferred property taxes not reported on Stmt. 1
- Deferred outflows of resources - OPEB related expenditures
- Deferred inflows of resources - OPEB related inflows
- OPEB liabilities

NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Town of Bradford, Maine
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
	\$	\$	\$
Property taxes	1,121,933	-	1,121,933
Excise taxes	207,408	-	207,408
Intergovernmental revenue	554,272	-	554,272
Charges for services	32,867	-	32,867
Licenses and permits	4,212	-	4,212
Interest and costs on liens	20,773	-	20,773
Investment income	1,873	443	2,316
Other revenue	78,026	-	78,026
<i>Total revenues</i>	2,021,362	443	2,021,806
EXPENDITURES:			
General government	280,910	-	280,910
Public works	456,542	-	456,542
Public safety	87,534	-	87,534
Recreation	26,152	-	26,152
County tax	111,415	-	111,415
Education	682,658	-	682,658
Social services	11,010	-	11,010
Unclassified	263,617	-	263,617
<i>Total expenditures</i>	1,919,839	-	1,919,839

<i>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures</i>	101,524	443	101,967
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Operating transfers in	33,579	75,000	108,579
Operating transfers (out)	(75,000)	(33,579)	(108,579)
<i>Total other financing sources (uses)</i>	(41,421)	41,421	-
<i>Net change in fund balances</i>	60,103	41,865	101,967
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	1,440,706	274,349	1,715,055
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 1,500,809	\$ 316,213	\$ 1,817,022

Town of Bradford, Maine
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Statement 4)	\$ 101,967
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (Stmnt. 2) are different due to the following items:	
Depreciation expense recorded on statement of activities, yet not required to be recorded as expenditures on governmental funds	(127,112)
Purchase of new fixed asset recorded as an expenditure on statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance yet not required to be recorded on statement of activities	198,326
Revenues in the Statement of Activities (Stmnt 2) that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. More specifically, this amount represents the change in deferred property taxes.	5,900
Principal payments on long-term debt expensed on the fund statements (Stmnt. 4), not considered expenses on the Statement of Activities (Stmnt. 2)	126,093
OPEB expenses under GASB #75 are not reported in the governmental fund statements	95

Changes in net position of governmental activities (see Stmt. 2)

\$
305,269

Town of Bradford, Maine							
Schedule of Departmental Operations							
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022							
	Balance			Total		Balances	
	1/1/2022	Appropriations	Other	Available	Expenditures	Lapsed	Carried
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Personnel services	\$ -	\$ 85,200	\$ -	\$ 85,200	\$ 78,729	\$ 6,471	\$ -
Professional services	-	45,739	-	45,739	38,592	7,147	-
Tax maps	1,500	2,000	-	3,500	-	-	3,500
Boards and committees	-	6,600	-	6,600	5,919	681	-
Operating	-	24,900	-	24,900	20,150	4,750	-
Preservation	911	1,000	-	1,911	-	-	1,911
Civil emergency	1,700	50	-	1,750	-	-	1,750
Risk management	-	38,750	-	38,750	32,103	6,647	-
Incidental	2,436	-	0	2,437	-	-	2,437
Equipment	-	4,500	-	4,500	2,914	1,586	-
Town maintenance	-	46,010	-	46,010	49,120	(3,110)	-
CPSWF	-	36,962	-	36,962	36,962	0	-
Cemetery	6,081	16,600	-	22,681	16,421	-	6,260
Parker tax incentive fund	-	25,000	-	25,000	-	25,000	-
Town hall account	-	-	1,116	1,116	-	-	1,116
Community advisor	2,175	-	-	2,175	-	-	2,175
Total	14,802	333,311	1,116	349,230	280,910	49,172	19,148
PUBLIC WORKS							
Roads	-	27,387	-	27,387	16,039	11,348	-
Road construction	69,440	10,000	-	79,440	78,904	-	536
Road construction - gravel	2,958	35,000	40,000	77,958	50,451	-	27,507
Winter roads	-	171,217	-	171,217	171,357	(140)	-
Sand	20,903	20,000	-	40,903	43,022	(2,119)	-
Salt	10,008	20,000	-	30,008	33,939	(3,930)	-
Sand/salt shed	1,536	480	-	2,016	537	-	1,479
Tractor	11,718	-	-	11,718	33	-	11,685
Grader maintenance	4,990	-	(3,990)	1,000	1,000	-	(0)
Grading expense	-	15,000	3,990	18,990	23,045	(4,055)	-
Highway maintenance	48,991	10,000	(31,645)	27,346	26,544	-	801
Public works	-	29,500	-	29,500	11,672	17,828	-
Total	170,544	338,584	8,355	517,483	456,542	18,933	42,008

PUBLIC SAFETY							
Fire department operations	-	63,225	-	63,225	58,407	4,818	-
First responders	-	-	-	-	241	(241)	-
Fire department savings	28,026	-	14	28,040	20,000	-	8,040
Fire department reserve	10,134	-	47	10,181	-	-	10,181
Animal control	-	9,700	-	9,700	8,886	814	-
<i>Total</i>	<u>38,160</u>	<u>72,925</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>111,146</u>	<u>87,534</u>	<u>5,391</u>	<u>18,221</u>

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Town of Bradford, Maine
Schedule of Departmental Operations
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Balance			Total		Balances	
	1/1/2022	Appropriations	Other	Available	Expenditures	Lapsed	Carried
RECREATION							
Recreation	-	3,770	8,105	11,875	10,753	1,123	-
Ballfield maintenance	3,842	5,000	5,115	13,957	8,254	-	5,703
Snowmobile	-	-	616	616	616	-	-
Bradford days	-	575	10,406	10,981	6,530	4,451	-
<i>Total</i>	<u>3,842</u>	<u>9,345</u>	<u>24,242</u>	<u>37,429</u>	<u>26,152</u>	<u>5,574</u>	<u>5,703</u>
COUNTY TAX	<u>-</u>	<u>111,415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>111,415</u>	<u>111,415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
EDUCATION	<u>21,158</u>	<u>661,501</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>682,659</u>	<u>682,658</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>
SOCIAL SERVICES							
General assistance	-	4,500	264	4,764	430	4,334	-
Library	-	8,500	-	8,500	8,500	-	-
Museum	-	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	-	-
Emergency heat	1,262	-	200	1,462	-	-	1,462
Food cupboard	1,518	-	788	2,306	80	-	2,226
<i>Total</i>	<u>2,780</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>1,252</u>	<u>19,032</u>	<u>11,010</u>	<u>4,334</u>	<u>3,688</u>
UNCLASSIFIED							
TIF	-	33,448	-	33,448	-	33,448	-
Capital reserves	-	67,500	53,950	121,450	118,950	2,500	-

ARPA	64,818	-	29,973	94,792	-	-	94,792
Debt service	-	120,002	26,565	146,567	144,667	1,900	-
<i>Total</i>	<u>64,818</u>	<u>220,950</u>	<u>110,488</u>	<u>396,257</u>	<u>263,617</u>	<u>37,848</u>	<u>94,792</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 316,105</u>	<u>\$ 1,763,031</u>	<u>\$ 145,515</u>	<u>\$ 2,224,651</u>	<u>\$ 1,919,839</u>	<u>\$ 121,252</u>	<u>\$ 183,560</u>

2022 OUTSTANDING REAL ESTATE TAX

ACCT	2022 REAL ESTATE TAX	PRINCIPAL TAX DUE
1088	ADAMS, DAVID J &	\$481.58
127	ADLERSTEIN, L.	\$551.23
424	AHMED, L.	\$1,425.83
252	ALLEN, GEORGE R.	\$99.50
306	ALLEN, GEORGE R.	\$457.70
938	ARRANTS, MARY L	\$766.15
606	BAKER, E. & WILLIAM JT	\$1,821.84
432	BANDY, L.	\$306.46
639	BEATHAM, GEORGE	\$349.24
422	BOUCHARD, COLE	\$519.39
411	BUBAR, EDDIE A JR	\$1,697.47
227	BUBAR, TIMOTHY R	\$59.70
869	BUBAR, TIM R JR.	\$817.89
693	BURGESS, SUSAN	\$1,095.49
16	BURNS, KATELYN M	\$587.05
491	BURRILL, JAMES A JR	\$553.22
658	CAHILL, JENNIFER A	\$486.55
27	CANNON,RICK	\$616.90
759	CHASE, CRAIGE A	\$1,054.70
313	CROSSON, RONDA L.	\$549.24
862	DEMORANVILLE, SCOTT	\$1,254.70
431	DIAZ, LISVAN	\$1,862.64
828	DOAK, PAUL	\$349.24
355	ELLIS K & CLAYTON JT	\$437.80
661	EVANS, EVE	\$4,629.73
800	GALLAGHER, J.	\$2,715.35
119	GALLANT, GARY JR	\$390.04
844	GARDNER, A.	\$461.68
885	GONSALVES, JOSEPH P	\$563.17
494	GONSALVES, MICHAEL A HEIRS OF.	\$491.53
389	GRASS, TEDDY A.	\$1,020.87
372	GRAY, TRACY	\$1,354.20
849	GREATOREX, C. E. JR.	\$388.05
782	GREGORY, KEVIN P.	\$2,379.04
691	HALE, HAZEL	\$447.75
427	HALL, M	\$1,275.59

229	HALL, ROBERT R.				\$549.24
42	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$1,331.31
181	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$2,101.44
451	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$792.02
502	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$957.19
507	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$1,303.45
523	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$1,060.67
524	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$1,448.72
525	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$626.85
528	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$1,462.65
663	HANSON, ERIK J.				\$1,363.15
366	HARMON MCLEOD, CHRISTINA RAVEN				\$177.11
887	HASEY, WILLIAM A				\$208.95
273	HURD,DANIEL O JR. & RICHARD E SR.				\$1,086.54
874	IRELAND, DAVID A.				\$750.23
221	JOHNSON, MARCUS R HEIRS OF				\$668.64
233	JONES, NATHAN P & SANDRA				\$1,756.17
1055	JONES, NATHAN P & SANDRA				\$760.18
292	JOST, WILLIAM K.				\$2,570.08
659	JURCZAK, ANNETTE J				\$1,833.79
386	KILBY, TROY M. HEIRS OF				\$1,100.47
857	KILL, DOUGLAS N				\$288.55
861	KITRELL JOSHUA ABRAHAM & LASH				\$445.76
738	KNIGHT, WALTER W.				\$1,245.74
464	KOPPER, ADELA B. HEIRS OF				\$1,456.68
259	LANDERS, DANIEL				\$638.79
116	LEE, BRANDY M				\$196.02
284	LOREDA, LISA				\$1,441.76
753	LORETTE, PERCY J				\$2,869.58
321	LUFKIN, TODD A				\$2,297.46
106	MARTIN, ROSEMARIE HEIRS OF				\$794.01
107	MARTIN, ROSEMARIE HEIRS OF				\$389.04
178	McBRIDE, LUCY				\$288.55
357	MCCUE, KEVIN				\$1,081.56
676	MCCULLOGH, STEVEN K.				\$2,003.93
279	MCCULLOUGH, STEVEN				\$354.22

387	MCGOWAN, STEVEN D.			\$1,105.45
536	MICHELSSEN, GRAY NATALIE VIDALIA &			\$1,355.19
375	MILLER, ROBERT E JR			\$608.94
93	MOON, SCOTT A.			\$1,976.07
990	NEILL, GORDON F.			\$514.42
426	NILES, ANNETTE			\$472.62
238	NORTHEAST TIMBER HOLDINGS LLC			\$845.75
332	PARENT, EDWARD		s	\$69.65
198	PEACOCK, IAN R &			\$620.88
425	PEACOCK, IAN R &			\$338.30
643	RANDALL, AUSTIN W.			\$387.05
760	RANDALL, GREGORY			\$1,129.32
18	RANDALL, MARY L.			\$778.09
510	RANDALL, MARY L.			\$1,468.62
514	RANDALL, MARY L.			\$2,290.49
742	RANDALL, MARY L.			\$1,335.29
1009	RENDELL, LARRY E.			\$629.85
148	RICHARD, SHANNON T.			\$551.23
336	RICHARDS, DANIEL W & RITA M.			\$1,411.90
433	ROMAN, ROBERT F. & JANE M.			1,679.56
565	ROMAN, ROBERT F. & JANE M.			2498.44
672	ROSEI, THOMAS A.			\$2,295.46
865	SANBORN, MELINA			\$241.78
217	SAUCIER, MICHAEL G.			\$382.08
129	SCHMIDT, DOUGLAS			\$738.29
468	SCHULTZ, LINDA C.			\$702.27
	SMITH, GAYLE			\$1,172.11
192	SMITH, PATRICK			\$189.05
204	SOKOLOSKI, DAVID J & LAURIE A.			\$197.01
631	SOUTHARD, GAYLE S. & DAVIS AMBER S.			\$2,044.72
750	SPRAGUE, ANDREW J.			\$609.93
804	STONER, JACLYN G.			\$943.26
317	STORER, RALPH			\$646.75
318	STORER, RALPH			\$328.15
319	STORER, RALPH			\$602.97

777	1 WEST LLC	0071.47
1036	TATE BROOK TIMBER COMPANY	\$204.97
231	THE HANOVER LIVING TRUST	\$356.21
297	THE HANOVER LIVING TRUST	\$384.07
269	THE IRA CLUB FBO PATRICIA J.	\$2,817.84
223	TRASK, DAVID A	\$127.36
254	TRASK, DAVID A	\$238.80
410	TRASK, DAVID A	\$143.28
76	TRASK, RUTH M.	\$360.19
77	TRASK, RUTH M.	\$390.04
946	TRASK, RUTH M.	\$1,609.91
696	TROTT, DANIEL J.	\$753.21
40	WAKELY, LINDA K	\$75.62
36	WASSON, KEVIN	\$1,993.98
99	WHEELER, VERNARD L	\$184.08
180	WHITE, TROY & BRENDA A JT	\$481.58
189	WHITE, TROY & BRENDA A JT	\$636.80
453	WHITE, TROY & BRENDA A JT	\$374.12
19	WICKETT, CYNTHIA	1,377.08749.23
773	WILEY, MARY A.	\$183.08
767	WOOD, BRENDA	\$571.13
501	WU, YOUNG C JT	1,007.93
957	YORK, KATHLENE H E & LANCE G II	\$571.13
1006	YOUNG, ROBERT S	\$1,007.93
	TOTAL	\$118,002.52
Amount reflects balance due at the time of Commitment		

2021 OUTSTANDING REAL ESTATE TAX

Account	Tax	Principal Tax Due
127	ADLERSTEIN, LAWRENCE	\$684.94
424	AHMED, LUKE A	\$1,640.44
938	ARRANTS, MARY L	\$926.90
411	BUBAR, EDDIE A JR	\$1,975.36
16	BURNS, KATELYN M	\$725.27
313	CROSSON, RONDA L.	\$691.66
862	DEMORANVILLE, SCOTT D	\$1,443.28
828	DOAK, PAUL	\$423.95
661	EVANS, EVE	\$5,263.00
800	GALLAGHER, JANINE R	\$3,087.67
844	GARDNER, ALEX	\$498.80
494	GONSALVES, JOSEPH P.	\$608.45
389	GRASS, TEDDY A.	\$1,202.45
849	GREATOREX, CHALMA E. JR.	\$501.24
42	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$1,563.14
181	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$2,430.14
451	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$956.02
502	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$1,141.96
507	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$1,531.78
523	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$1,258.46
524	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$1,695.32
525	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$770.07
528	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$1,711.00
663	HANSON, ERIK J.	\$1,598.99
273	HURD, DANIEL O JR. & RICHARD E SR.	\$1,567.62
874	IRELAND, DAVID A.	\$908.97
233	JONES, NATHAN P & SANDRA	\$2,551.11
292	JOST, WILLIAM K.	\$2,924.13
386	KILBY, TROY M. HEIRS OF	\$1,303.27
738	KNIGHT, WALTER W.	\$1,466.81
464	KOPPER, ADELA B. HEIRS OF	\$1,704.28
284	LOREDA, LISA	\$1,653.88
357	MCCUE, KEVIN	\$1,248.37
93	MOON, SCOTT A.	\$2,289.00
18	RANDALL, MARY L.	\$940.34

510	RANDALL, MARY L.				\$1,717.72
742	RANDALL, MARY L.				\$1,567.62
1009	RENDELL, LARRY E.				\$779.04
336	RICHARDS, DANIEL W & RITA M.				\$1,153.30
672	ROSEI, THOMAS A.				\$2,614.96
129	SCHMIDT, DOUGLAS				\$895.53
468	SCHULTZ, LINDA C.				\$612.85
121	SMITH, GAYLE				\$1,383.92
631	SOUTHARD, GAYLE S. & DAVIS AMBER S.				\$2,332.69
750	SPRAGUE, ANDREW J.				\$963.20
317	STORER, RALPH				\$792.48
318	STORER, RALPH				\$247.32
319	STORER, RALPH				\$743.19
269	THE IRA CLUB FBO PATRICIA J.				\$3,233.72
696	TROTT, DANIEL J.				\$878.73
19	WICKETT, CYNTHIA				\$1,614.67
773	WILEY, MARY A.				\$464.28
797	WOOD, BRENDA				\$873.01
				TOTAL	\$65,551.22
	Amount reflects balance due at the time of Commitment				

Treasurer's Report

General Estimated Account Balance for Checking:

Beginning Cash Balance, January 1, 2022: \$ 859,421.88

Ending Cash Balance, December 31, 2022: \$ 840,844.37

EXECUTIVE		2022 Approved	2022 Rounded	2023 Proposed
10-10-01	Town Manager	\$42,000.00	\$41,560.00	\$43,680.00
10-10-02	Deputy Town Clerk	\$35,000.00	\$31,694.00	\$36,000.00
10-10-03	Code Enforce Officer	\$7,200	\$7,230.00	\$7,200.00
10-10-12	Office Support	\$1000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
10-11-01	Assessor's Agent	\$13,000.00	\$11,913.00	\$13,500.00
10-11-02	Maine Municipal Dues	\$2,139.00	\$2,139.00	\$2,288.00
10-11-03	Municipal Audit	\$5,300.00	\$5,359.00	\$5,600.00
10-11-04	Legal & Professional Fees	\$5,000.00	\$240.00	\$5,000.00
10-11-06	Registry of Deeds	\$4,500.00	\$3,268.00	\$4,500.00
10-11-07	Trio Licensing Fees	\$15,000.00	\$15,733.00	\$16,756.00
10-11-08	Tax Maps	\$2000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
10-12-01	Selectmen Stipend	\$4,300.00	\$4,300.00	\$4,300.00
10-12-03	Election Services	\$2,300.00	\$1,619.00	\$1,500.00
10-13-01	Advertising Expense	\$800.00	\$286.25	\$500.00
10-13-03	Books & Forms	\$1,500.00	\$903.00	\$1,500.00
10-13-06	Dues & Memberships	\$300.00	\$320.00	\$350.00
10-13-07	Equipment Repair	\$400.00	\$40.00	\$400.00
10-13-08	Preservation	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$800.00
10-13-09	Bank Fees	\$100.00		\$100.00
10-13-10	Fica /Medi Maintenance	\$10,000.00	\$8,743.00	\$10,000.00
10-13-12	Agreement	\$5,500.00	\$4,922.00	\$5,500.00
10-13-13	Miscellaneous			\$250.00
10-13-14	Newsletter	\$500.00	\$601.00	\$700.00
10-13-15	Office Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$1,112.00	\$1,500.00
10-13-16	Postage	\$2,500.00	\$2,775.00	\$2,800.00
10-13-19	Training/Seminars	\$1,300.00	\$1,494.00	\$1,500.00
10-13-20	Vehicle Reimbursement	\$500.00	\$44.00	\$300.00

10-13-38	Civil Emergency	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
10-14-01	Health Insurance	\$13,800.00	\$13,083.00	\$13,700.00
10-14-02	Income Protection	\$650.00	\$542.00	\$600.00
10-14-04	W/C Insurance	\$6,600.00	\$3,036.00	\$3,000.00
10-14-05	MMA Prop/Casualty Unemployment	\$17,000.00	\$16,358.00	\$17,000.00
10-14-06	Insurance	\$700.00	\$656.00	\$750.00
10-15-01	Incidental	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10-24-01	Equipment Purchase	\$4,500.00	\$2,914.00	\$4,000.00
	Total	\$208,739.00	\$182,888.00	\$208,624.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT		2022 Proposed	2022 Rounded	2023 Proposed
11-10-07	Fire Chief Stipend	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
11-10-08	Assist FC Stipend	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
11-10-10	Captain Stipend	\$500.00	\$500.0	\$500.00
11-10-11	Lieutenant Stipend	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$600.00
11-13-07	Equipment Repair	\$1,500.00	\$2,171.00	\$1,800.00
11-13-15	Office Supplies	\$200.00	\$109.00	\$200.00
11-13-19	Fire Dept Training	\$5,000.00	\$4,844.00	\$5,000.00
11-13-24	Physicals	\$1,000.00	\$372.00	\$600.00
11-13-28	EMT License Fees	\$450.00	\$455.00	\$350.00
11-13-32	Veh. Fuel-Fire Trucks	\$2,000.00	\$1,980.00	\$2,300.00
11-13-33	Muni Fire Dept Stipends	\$10,000.00	\$9,423.00	\$10,000.00
12-13-32	Vehicle Fuel-EMS	\$500.00	\$241.00	\$500.00
11-14-07	Vol. FF Insurance	\$800.00	\$544.00	\$700.00
11-18-01	Building Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$1,244.00	\$1,500.00
11-18-03	Electricity	\$1,800.00	\$1,948.00	\$2,800.00
11-18-04	Heating Expense	\$6,000.00	\$5,883.00	\$10,500.00
11-18-05	Telephone	\$625.00	\$625.00	\$675.00
11-18-06	Online Expense	\$500.00	\$683.00	\$1,044.00
	Equipment			
11-18-14	Test/Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$2,773.00	\$2,800.00
11-18-15	Propane	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
11-18-16	Trash Disposal	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
11-24-01	Equipment Purchase	\$10,000.00	\$8,167.00	\$10,000.00
11-24-04	Pager/Radio Repair	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
11-26-04	FD 17-7 - Van	\$0.00	\$131.00	\$0.00
11-26-05	FD 17-1 - Pumper	\$5,000.00	\$4,365.00	\$5,000.00
11-26-07	FD 17-2 - Pumper	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
11-26-08	FD 17-6 - Brush Truck	\$3,000.00	\$2,381.00	\$3,000.00
11-26-09	EMS Vehicle	\$2,000.00	\$2,227.00	\$2,000.00
	Total	\$62,950.00	\$43,845.00	\$63,225.00

TOWN MAINTENANCE		2022 Approved	2022 Rounded	2023 Proposed
13-13-32	Town Mowing	\$12,600.00	\$12,596.00	\$12,500.00
13-18-01	Building Maintenance	\$15,000.00	\$17,227.00	\$19,500.00
13-18-03	Electricity	\$5,000.00	\$5,335.00	\$7,215.00
13-18-04	Heating Expense	\$7,500.00	\$9,738.00	\$15,000.00
13-18-05	Telephone/Online	\$2,800.00	\$2,783.00	\$2,900.00
13-18-06				
	Cen Penob Solid Waste Facility	\$36,962.00	\$36,961.00	\$36,962.00
13-18-10	Blinking Light	\$960.00	\$483.00	\$600.00
13-18-11	Alarm System	\$750.00	\$672.00	\$750.00
13-18-15	Propane	\$600.00	\$801.00	\$800.00
13-18-16	Trash Disposal	\$800.00	\$780.00	\$920.00
	Total	\$82,972.00	\$87,377.00	\$97,147.00

CEMETERY				
13-19-01	Flags/Flowers	\$1,000.00	\$382.00	\$1000.00
13-19-02	Equipment Repair	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
13-19-04	Cemetery Maintenance	\$15,600.00	\$19,650.00	\$23,000.00
13-19-05	Supplies	\$0.00	\$585.00	\$500.00
	Total	\$16,600.00	\$20,827.91	\$24,500.00

ROAD BUDGET

14-18-01	Bldg Maint - S/S Shed	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
14-18-03	Utilities - SS Shed	\$480.00	\$537.00	\$2,070.00
14-30-01	Magnesium	\$16,500.00	\$10,159.00	\$5000.00
14-30-02				
14-30-03	Brush cutting	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
14-30-04	Grading	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
14-30-05	Highway Maintenance	\$10,000.00	\$26,544.00	\$10,000.00
14-30-06	Construction gravel	\$35,000.00	\$50,451.00	\$15,000.00
14-30-10	Construction pave	\$10,000.00	\$78,904.00	\$10,000.00
14-30-08	Road Signs	\$500.00	\$428.00	\$1000.00
14-30-09	Roadside Mowing	\$2,925.00	\$3,855.00	\$7,887.00
	Subtotal	\$97,867.00	\$201,011.00	\$71,00.00

WINTER ROADS

	Snow Removal			
14-32-01	Contract	\$171,217.00	\$171,357.00	\$207,900.00
14-32-02	Sand	\$20,000.00	\$43,022.00	\$47,500.00
14-32-03	Salt	\$20,000.00	\$33,939.00	\$41,000.00
	Subtotal	\$211,217.00	\$248,317.00	\$296,400.00
	Road Budget Total	\$309,084.00	\$449,329.00	\$367,970.00

Animal Control

15-10-09	ACO Stipend	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
15-13-13	Miscellaneous	\$150.00	\$326.00	\$300.00
15-13-20	Vehicle Reimbursement	\$2,200.00	\$1,410.00	\$2,000.00
15-13-35	Impound Fees	\$2,350.00	\$2,350.00	\$3,025.00
15-13-36	ACO Supplies	\$200.00	\$127.00	\$200.00
	Total	\$9,700.00	\$9,013.00	\$10,325.00

RECREATION

16-14-07	Volunteer Insurance	\$220.00	\$156.00	\$220.00
16-18-07	Ballfield Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$3,139.00	\$1,000.00
16-18-08	Ballfield electric	\$400.00	\$493.00	\$700.00
16-24-01	Equipment Purchase	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
	Subtotal	\$6,370.00	\$4,539.00	\$2,670.00

Activities

16-40-01	Little League	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
16-40-02	Farm Team	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
16-40-04	T-Ball	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
16-40-05	Soccer	\$300.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
16-40-06	Cheering/ TKD	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
16-40-09	Porta Potty	\$1,300.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,600.00
16-40-10	Monthly Activates	\$550.00	\$486.00	\$0.00
	Subtotal	\$2,400.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,700.00

Bradford Days

16-45-08	Events	\$575.00	\$575.00	\$575.00
	Subtotal	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$575.00
	Recreation Total	\$9,345.00	\$7,713.00	\$5,945.00

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

17-60-08	Air bottles fire Dept.			
17-60-03	C.C projects	\$0.00	0.00	\$2,000.00

Capital Reserves

17-70-03	Fire Apparatus	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
17-70-07	Paving	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
17-70-08	Revaluation	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
17-70-17	Future Town Truck	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
17-70-14	Middle Branch Bridge	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00
17-70-50	Fire House	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
17-70-13	Storm water run- off	\$500.00		\$500.00
	Total	\$90,500.00	\$90,500.00	\$72,500.00

DEBT SERVICE

18-50-01	Interest Expense	\$19,235.00	\$22,371.00	\$19,235.00
18-50-04	Paving	\$82,706.00	\$104,853.00	\$82,706.00
18-50-07	Community Bldg.	\$7,939.00	\$7,606.00	\$8,286.00
18-50-10	Gravel Loan	\$10,122.00	\$9,838.00	\$10,415.00
	Total	\$120,002.00	\$141,212.00	\$145,017.00

GENERAL SERVICES

19-71-01	General Assistance	\$4,500.00	\$430.00	\$4,500.00
19-71-02	Library	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00
19-71-03	Museum	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
19-71-04	Charities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
19-71-05	Emergency Heat		\$0.00	\$0.00
19-71-06	Food Cupboard	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total	\$14,500.00	\$10,930.00	\$13,500.00

PUBLIC WORKS

		2021 Proposed	2021 Rounded	2022 Proposed
20-10-06	Grounds	\$20,000.00	\$50,001.00	\$3,000.00
20-13-32	Vehicle Fuel	\$4,500.00	\$4,220.00	\$800.00
20-26-01	Town Truck Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$6,347.00	\$5,000.00
20-26-03	Tractor Maintenance	\$500.00	\$1,007.00	\$0.00
	Total	\$29,500.00	\$13,688.00	\$3,800.00

SPECIAL

22-70-06	TIF	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
22-80-01	County Tax	\$111,415.00	\$100,126.00	\$119,070.00
22-80-02	Education	\$661,501.00	\$693,026.00	\$720,000.00

Total **\$797,916.00** **\$793,152.00** **\$839,070.00**

Total Budget **Total Budget** **\$1,752,583.00** **\$1,866,101.00** **\$1,858,417.0**

Revenue Budget		2022 Proposed	2022 Rounded	2023 Proposed
10-100	Excise-Boat	\$1,100.00	\$1,489.00	\$1,100.00
10-101	Excise-Auto	\$195,000.00	\$205,918.00	\$200,000.00
10-102	Homestead Exemption	\$100,000.00	\$113,541.00	\$105,000.00
10-103	Veteran's Exemption	\$900.00	\$1,057.00	\$900.00
10-104	Interest & Fees on Taxes	\$12,500.00	\$14,142.00	\$13,500.00
10-105	Lien Costs	\$5,000.00	\$6,825.00	\$5,500.00
10-106	BETE Reimbursement	\$15478.00	\$15490.00	\$12,058.00
10-200	Maine State Revenue Sharing	\$200,000.00	\$312,750.00	\$250,000.00
10-201	MDOT Road Assistance	\$28,500.00	\$29,376.00	\$28,500.00
10-202	Snowmobile fee Reimburse			
10-203	G/A Reimbursements		\$137.00	
10-205	Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$10,000.00	\$16,178.00	\$14,500.00
10-206	Bank Account Interest Income	\$250.00	\$1,827.00	\$1,900.00
10-301	Building Fee	\$500.00	\$2,301.00	\$500.00
10-300	Plumbing			\$500.00
10-304	Sale of Cemetery Lots		\$200.00	
10-305	Recreation Income		\$2,882.00	
10-306	Miscellaneous			
10-307	Copies & Faxes	\$250.00	\$1,491.00	\$450.00
10-308	Town Hall Rental & Deposit	\$0.00	\$1,650.00	\$600.00
10-309	Rental of Tables & Chairs		\$0.00	
10-311	Notary Fees		\$52.00	\$20.00
10-312	Cell Tower Lease	\$17,000.00	\$21,013.00	\$21,720.00
10-313	Newsletter Ads	\$100.00	\$360.00	\$300.00
10-400	Hunt & Fish Agent Fees	\$200.00	\$139.00	\$100.00
10-401	Dog Agent Fees	\$200.00	\$379.00	\$200.00
10-402	Animal Control Fee	\$300.00	\$492.00	\$350.00
10-403	RV Agent Fee	\$300.00	\$333.00	\$250.00
10-404	Town Clerk Fee	\$700.00	\$1,095.00	\$900.00
10-405	MV Agent Fee	\$6,500.00	\$6,329.00	\$5,500.00
10-406	CPSWF Stickers			
10-501	Supplemental Taxes			
10-503	Sale of Town Owned Assets			\$7,500.00
19-100	Food Cupboard		\$	
19-101	Emergency heating		\$	

**TOWN WARRANT
FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 28th & 29th, 2023**

To: Mary Wiley a resident of the Town of Bradford, in the County of Penobscot and State of Maine.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Bradford, in said County, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Bradford Community Center, in said town, on Friday, April 28, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., then and there to act on Article 1 and by secret ballot on Articles 2 and 3. The polling hours therefore to be from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.; and to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at the Bradford Community Center, in said town on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at 10:00 am, then and there to act on Articles 4 through 29 as set out below:

Article 1: To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2: To elect two people as Selectmen, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor, for a term of three (3) years.

Article 3: To elect one member to the School Board of Directors #64, for a term of three (3) years.

Article 4: To elect two members to the Budget Committee to serve a 5-year term, to elect one member to the Budget Committee for 3 years.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to make final determination for the closing of roads in winter pursuant State statute 23- M.R.S.A. § 2953.

Article 6: To see if the Town of Bradford will authorize the Selectmen to within the confines allowed by state statute, to accept or apply for and expend gifts, donations, bequest and grants on behalf of the Town of Bradford should such funds become available.

Article 7: To see if the Town of Bradford will authorize the Selectmen to within the confines allowed by state statute, to accept State funds from the State of Maine.

Article 8: To see if the Town of Bradford will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town, for all non-Homestead residents and Homestead residents under the age of a 64yrs to sell and/ or dispose of any property acquired by tax liens after offering the property to the previous owners for payment of all back taxes, fees and interest and if they decline, advertising for sealed bids on same and starting the lowest bid acceptable and to allow the Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to waive automatic lien foreclosures when it is in the best interest of the Town. "Except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special process required by 36 M.R.S § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the

former owner(s).”

Article 9: To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A § Section 506, will authorize the Tax Collector and Town Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed and to pay no interest there on.

Article 10: To see if the Town will set a rate of interest to be paid after the due dates on delinquent taxes.

Recommended by Budget Committee: 8% charged after September 28, 2023 on unpaid taxes. (MRSA § 36, Sec, 505 4-A)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to establish that 4% interest will be paid per year on the amount of overpayment to the taxpayer who is determined to have paid an amount of real estate or personal property taxes in excess of amount finally assessed on April 1, 2023. (MRSA §36, Sec, 506-A)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed 5/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2023 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2024 to the 2024 Annual

Town

Meeting.

Article 13: To see if the Town of Bradford will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer funds between operating accounts, except the education account, approved in this warrant, based upon changes and the un-anticipated needs of the Town during the current fiscal year period provided. The total expenditure of all accounts shall not exceed the projected need to balance all accounts within the approved budget. All such transfers shall be so identified at the next annual Town Meeting.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the amount of the snowmobile refund from the State to the Bradford Snow Blazers Club for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails.

The 2022 refund amount was \$602.42

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to sign a three (3) year winter maintenance contract for the years 2023-2026 with a two-year added extension option.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to use \$110,000 from undesignated funds to pave the Pond Rd.

Article 17: To see if the Town will appropriate moving \$6,000 from Fire Dept. / Ems Savings account to the Fire Dept. / EMS Reserve account.

Article 18: To see what sum of money the Town of Bradford will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Executive Budget**.

Budget Committee Recommends: \$208,624.00

Article 19: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Bradford Fire & Rescue Department**.

Budget Committee Recommends: \$70,019.00

Article 20: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Town Maintenance Budget**.

Budget Committee Recommends: \$97,147.00

Article 21: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for The **Cemetery Department**.

Budget Committee Recommends: \$24,500.00

Article 22: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Road Budget**.

Budget Committee Recommends: \$367,970.00

Article 23: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the **Animal Control Budget**.

Budget Committee Recommends: \$10,325.0

Article 24: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for the

Recreation Budget.

Budget Committee Recommends: \$5,945.00

Article 25: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate to the **Capital Improvement/Reserves Budget.**

Budget Committee Recommends: \$72,500.00

Article 26: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate to the **General Services Budget.**

Budget Committee Recommends: \$13,500

Article 27: To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate to the **Public Works Budget.**

Budget Committee Recommends: \$3,800.00

Article 28: To see what revenue accounts the Town will vote to fund approved articles 18 to 27.

Excise accounts, MDOT Road Assistance, LaGrange TIF, Maine Revenue Sharing, Homestead Reimbursement along with all other State reimbursement funds, Taxes, a variety of Town revenue accounts and up to \$70,000 from Undesignated Funds.

Budget Committee recommends a YES vote.

Article 29: To see if the Town of Bradford will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to increase the LD 1 Growth Limitation Factor if needed for the 2023 calendar year.

This is a written vote

Adjourn:

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