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Front Cover: Madbury flag from the 1968 bicentennial.

Back Cover: Consider the robin outside Town Hall, who instinctively waits for spring to come and melt the snow covering his nest. Photo by Brenna Lepkowski.

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 2014

Moderator

Frederick Green
Term expires 2016

Assistant Moderator

Donald Melvin
Wallace Dunham

Board of Selectmen

Joseph B. Moriarty	Term expires March 2015
Robert E. Sterndale	Term expires March 2016
Bruce E. Hodsdon	Term expires March 2017

Administrative Assistant

Eric Fiegenbaum

Town Clerk-Tax Collector

Katherine K. Cornwell, 2016

Deputy Clerk/Collector

LeeAnn Simpson, Appointed 2008

Asst Clerk/Collector

Diedre Lepkowski, Appointed 2013

Treasurer

Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom, 2015

Town Auditors

Susan Cilia, 2015 • Linda Stewart, 2016

Trustees of Trust Funds

Robyn Gault, 2015 • Molly Hodgson Smith, 2016 • Diane Hodgson, 2017

Cemetery Trustees

William Leslie, 2015 • Noreen Gaetjens, 2016 • Roderic Hutton, 2017

Library Trustees

Edna O'Sullivan, 2015 • Betsy Renshaw, 2016 • Noreen Gaetjens, 2017
Molly Wade, Alt, 2017 • Mary Ellen Reisch, Alt, 2017

Supervisors of the Checklist

Kathleen O'Shea, 2016 • Mary Ellen Reisch, 2018 • Patricia Lawrence, 2020

Planning Board

Wallace Dunham, 2015 • Julie McCabe, 2016 • Marcia Goodnow, 2016
Thomas Burbank, 2017 • Frederick Green, Chair, 2017
Douglas Hoff, 2017 • James Kach, Alt, 2015
Robert E. Sterndale (*ex officio*)

Conservation Commission

Eric Fiegenbaum, Chr, 2015 • Alison Cloutier, 2016
Indulis Gleske, 2016 • John Crooks, 2017 • Katherine Frid, 2017

Zoning Board

Donald Sylvester, Chr, 2015 • Janet Wall, 2015 • James Kach, 2015
Alan Munroe, 2016 • Richard Erickson, 2017 •
William Taylor, Vice chair, 2017 • Gray Cornwell IV, Alt, 2016
Rhonda Hodsdon, Alt, 2016 • Lorraine Morong, Alt, 2016

Recreation Commission

George Mattson, 2015 • Susan Cilia, 2016
Justin Corrow, 2016 • Barry Kaplan, 2016 • Joan Sundberg, 2016
Bruce E. Hodsdon (*ex officio*)

Water Resources Board

Garret Ahlstrom, Chr, 2015 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2015
Michael O’Sullivan, 2016 • Janet Wall, 2016
Joseph B. Moriarty (*ex officio*)

Building Inspector

Justin Corrow

Health Officer

David Reeves, MD

Deputy Health Officer

William Maher

Overseer of Public Welfare

Board of Selectmen

Road Agent

Board of Selectmen

Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden

Thomas Perley

Assistant Fire Chief

W. Jim Davis

Police Chief

Joseph E. McGann

Emergency Management Director

Thomas Perley

Stafford Regional Planning Commission

Wallace Dunham, 2016 • Thomas Burbank, 2017 • C. Thomas Crosby, 2018

Lamprey Regional Solid Waste Cooperative

Joseph Moriarty, Representative

Oyster River Cooperative School District

Edwin Charle, Board Member, 2015

Oyster River Local Advisory Committee

Tom Falk, 2015 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2015

RECORD OF TOWN MEETING
MARCH 11, 2014

Moderator Joan Sundberg called the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire, to order Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 11:00 AM. The polls were declared open and the following Ballot Clerks were sworn in by the Moderator: Mary Ellen Duffy and Diane Hodgson. During the day Wallace Dunham was sworn in as Assistant Moderator and Doreen Sterndale was sworn in as Ballot Clerk.

At 7:03 PM Moderator Sundberg asked the assembled citizens (approximately 85) to stand for a moment of silence for those Madbury citizens who have died since last year's Town Meeting and to remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those deceased include: Marguerite Benedict, Wesley Brett, Wayne Cromeenes, Barbara Jones, David Linker, Shaler McReel, George Marshall, Paul Martin, Raymond Matson, Edna Merritt, Richard Merritt, Robert Monroe, Patricia Nelson, William O'Shea, Elene Petrovitsis.

Town Clerk Katherine Cornwell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator announced that the polls would remain open until 7:30pm. She explained the rules of order and introduced Laura Kelly, a Girl Scout who had agreed to carry the microphone to anyone wishing to speak.

ARTICLE 1: The following Town Officers were elected by Official Ballot:

Selectman for the ensuing three years.....Bruce E. Hodsdon
Moderator for the ensuing two years..... Frederick W. Green
Treasurer for the ensuing year.....Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom
Auditor for the ensuing years..... Susan J. Cilia
Auditor for the ensuing two yearsLinda Stewart
Trustee of Trust Funds for the ensuing three yearsDiane C. Hodgson
Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years Roderic Hutton
Library Trustee for the ensuing three years..... Noreen Gaetjens
Supervisor of the Checklist for the ensuing six years Patricia Lawrence

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

“Are you in favor of adopting Amendment 1 to add to Article III, Definitions, and revise the existing Article IX-A, Aquifer and Wellhead Protection Overlay District. “

YES: 165

No: 24

PASSED

ARTICLE 3: Selectman Bruce Hodsdon moved, and Tom Perley of Littleworth Rd., seconded, a motion authorizing the Selectmen to choose all other town officers.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 4: Selectman Hodsdon moved, and Selectman Joseph Moriarty seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,262,753 for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon spoke in support of the motion. He noted there is a 4% increase over last year. The increases are spread across the town including anticipated higher utility bills, salary increases and other costs.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 5: Selectman Jay Moriarty moved, and Roberta Stearns of Bunker Lane, seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke in support of the motion relating the work required on the Nute Rd. bridge in 2012 after the bridge was deemed unsafe by state inspectors. The bridge that is currently in use is considered temporary with an anticipated life of 15 years. The Selectmen want to start putting aside money now to have funds available in the future for other bridge repairs as well as the installation of the permanent bridge on Nute Rd. They hope to apply for state money in an 80/20 split when funds become available (perhaps by 2022).

Gray Cornwell of Nute Rd. asked if the split is 80% from the state and 20% from the town or the reverse. Selectman Moriarty explained the state would cover 80% of the cost.

Michael O’Sullivan commended the Selectmen for thinking ahead and saving money for costly projects.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 6: Selectman Bruce Hodsdon moved, and Tom Perley seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon stated that last year the town spent less than anticipated on repairs so the Board feels \$5,000 should be enough to cover costs this year.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 7: Selectman Moriarty moved and Chuck Goss of Cherry Lane, seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to add to the existing Iafolla Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of reclamation of land purchased by the Town from the Estate of Michael Iafolla. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Moriarty spoke in support of the motion stating there is some brushwork and other cleanup due at the property. He also said that the town needs to think about what might be done with the property in the future.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 8: Selectman Sterndale moved, and Susan Cilia, of Champerowne, seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to add to the existing Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of planning and development of recreational facilities within the town. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Sterndale explained this is another continuing fund. The current project is a fitness trail at Tibbetts Field.

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

PASSED

After noting that the time was 7:25PM, the Moderator advised anyone who had not voted on Articles 1 and 2 they had five minutes left to do so.

ARTICLE 9: Selectman Hodsdon moved, and Roberta Stearns seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to add to the existing Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing police equipment. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon explained that this is, again, in the interests of pre-planning. This fund may be used for vehicles or equipment. The Board hopes to replace vehicles routinely and wants to spread the costs over several years. He believes Fire Chief Tom Perley hopes the PD Tahoe will be passed to the Fire Department to replace the older Crown Victoria.

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

PASSED

At 7:30 PM the Moderator declared the polls closed.

ARTICLE 10: Selectman Sterndale moved and Fritz Green of Garrison Lane, seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to add to the existing Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2000 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchase of property and/or easements. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Sterndale explained that this is another ongoing fund allowing for the purchase of land that becomes available during the year. It is not tied to conservation of land so could be used to purchase other property the town would find valuable.

Anthony St. Louis of Hayes Rd. asked how much money is in the fund. Selectman Sterndale answered that the exact amount is in the 2013 Town Report

on page 15. Voters will be asked about spending some of the money in Article 17.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 11: Selectman Sterndale moved, and Deb Ahlstrom of Drew Rd., seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000 to add to the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of the revaluation of town properties. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Sterndale explained that the state requires revaluation of all town properties at least every five years. This was completed in 2010 and will happen again in 2015. The town does incur costs for assessing every year. It is better for the town to spread these costs across the five years.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 12: Selectman Moriarty, moved, and Rick Erickson of Moharimet Dr., seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000 to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. (Majority vote required)

Peggy Wolcott of Old Stage Rd explained this is a way of saving money the old-fashioned way and urged voters to support the library.

Matt Lynch of Perkins Rd. asked if anyone had considered putting money into Durham's library instead of building another library in Madbury. Ms. Wolcott said yes but we want our own space. The ORCSD hasn't been equal and they don't think a library would be either. Noreen Gaetjens of Nute Rd. said that some Madbury residents have not felt welcomed in Durham. She said the Madbury Library is a special place and they need more space to offer more programming. She urged voters to support this article. Michael O'Sullivan spoke in support of the library and the many services it provides residents.

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

PASSED (1 nay vote)

ARTICLE 13: Fire Chief Tom Perley moved, and Roberta Stearns seconded, a motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,500.00 to add to the existing Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purchase of fire equipment. (Majority vote required)

Chief Perley explained that this is a savings fund for Fire Department equipment. The town currently has 1988 and 2004 fire engines and 1 tank truck. Replacement of the 1988 truck is overdue and will cost three to four hundred thousand dollars when the time comes.

Moderator Sundberg shared a bit of town history: the first Madbury fire truck was a converted DF Richard tanker truck donated to the town in 1946. This was a common practice in the 1940's due to circumstances related to metal

shortages during World War II.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 14: Selectman Hodsdon moved, and Justin Corrow of Nute Rd., seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for purchasing grounds maintenance equipment. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Hodsdon praised the upkeep of the various fields and outdoor spaces in town. He explained the necessity of having the proper equipment and that it is expected that one of the large mowers will need to be replaced in the next 1-2 years at an approximate cost of \$20,000.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 15: Selectman Moriarty moved and Treasurer Deb Ahlstrom, seconded, a motion to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to add to the Madbury Memorial Park Fund-Expendable Trust established in Article 6 at the 1994 Town Meeting for the purpose of maintenance and operation, to be funded by \$250.00 from the December 31, 2013 fund balance, which was increased by \$250.00 during 2013 from cemetery lot sales. (Majority vote required)

Ms. Ahlstrom explained that Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) from each lot sold goes into this fund. The transfer must be approved by Town Meeting each year.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 16: Madbury Conservation Commission Chair Eric Fiegenbaum of Moharimet Dr. moved and Alison Cloutier of Hayes Rd., seconded, a motion to vote the retention of the unexpended portion of the 2013 Conservation Commission appropriation; said monies to be placed in the Madbury Conservation Fund. (Majority vote required)

Mr. Fiegenbaum explained that this is a recurring article. This fund allows the Conservation Commission to set aside money for purchase of land or conservation easements.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 17: Selectman Sterndale moved and Eric Fiegenbaum seconded, a motion to see if the town is in favor of purchasing approximately 61 acres of undeveloped land at 42 Cherry Lane (Map 6, Lot 13) and to raise and appropriate \$285,000 for the purchase of said acreage including transaction costs, further to authorize the withdrawal of \$285,000 from the Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectman Sterndale explained this is the Schreiber property and recalled

Joann Schreiber's many years of service to the town. This land will be subdivided, a 12 acre parcel will remain with the house and there will be several lots with road frontage. This will leave approximately 61 acres of land with a 50' access road to that parcel from Cherry Lane. No contract has been signed with the current owner but negotiations are ongoing. We are waiting on the final survey and will need Planning Board approval. The town has no use planned for the property and it will not be placed in an easement or have any other obligations imposed. In the future the town could trade an easement on this land in exchange for grant money to purchase other property. The cost will be about \$275,000.00 plus \$10,000 in transaction fees. The money for the purchase exists in a reserve fund and the Board of Selectmen has the authority to expend from that fund without further approval from the town. The Board believes this is the right way to proceed but would like the approval of Town Meeting before continuing with the purchase.

Rhonda Hodsdon of Hayes Rd. asked if this property abuts Tibbetts Field. Selectman Sterndale stated it does not; but it is not far away and there are existing trails.

Susan Trahan of Piscataqua Bridge Rd. asked what kind of easements would be considered in the future. Selectman Sterndale said that the town prefers to own land without restrictions. Someday if the town needs land we might be able to trade an easement on this property as an "in-kind" contribution on another property.

Chuck Goss stated that we are fortunate to live in a town with the vision to create open spaces. He is proud of Madbury for taking this step.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 18: Daniel Clapp of Nute Rd. moved and Matt Lynch seconded a motion to see if the Town will vote to establish, in accordance with RSA's 72:27-a and 72:62, an exemption from a property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, when the property is equipped with one or more solar energy systems as defined by NH RSA 72:61. Such exemption shall be for 100% of the amount, if any, by which installation of solar energy systems on the property increases the total assessed value of the property. (Majority vote required)

Dan Clapp explained that this article is 'tax-neutral' meaning it will not take away any money currently being collected by the town. 92 cities and towns in the state have adopted this exemption as a way to promote installation of solar energy systems. Our country remains dependent on fossil fuels and solar energy is one way to increase renewable energy resources. Solar systems help keep money in our towns as opposed to the bills we pay to power suppliers.

Matt Lynch pointed out that both the federal and state governments grant money to encourage installation of alternative energy sources and the town shouldn't 'swim against the stream'. He is in support of this article.

Fritz Green asked if the Selectmen have an opinion. Selectman Sterndale state that the board has not taken a position.

Rhonda Hodsdon asked if this exemption is just for solar installations and was answered affirmatively.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 19: Rachel Cilley of Moharimet Dr. moved and Michael O’Sullivan of Moharimet Dr. seconded a motion to request that the town of Madbury urge: That the New Hampshire State Legislature join nearly 500 local municipalities and 16 other states, including all other New England states, in calling upon Congress to move forward a constitutional amendment that guarantees the right of our elected representatives and of the American people to safeguard fair elections through authority to regulate political spending, and clarifies that Constitutional Rights were established for people, not artificial entities such as corporations. That the New Hampshire Congressional delegation support such a constitutional amendment. That the New Hampshire State Legislature and Governor support such an amendment once it is approved by Congress and sent to the State for ratification. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Madbury's congressional delegation, and to Madbury's state legislators, and to the President of the United States informing them of the instructions from their constituents by the Town Administrator's office within 30 days of the vote. (Majority vote required)

Rachel Cilley said that she believes that it’s important for the future of democracy that people, not corporations, should be in control of the money going to politicians.

Susan Trahan asked if Political Action Committees are included in this statement. Ms. Cilley answered that any artificial entity (ie. no heartbeat) would not be allowed to give money toward a campaign.

Michael O’Sullivan said he supports this amendment though it is not a typical Madbury Warrant article. He referred to a 2010 US Supreme Court ruling concerned with Citizens United and a video production that political funding is ‘messed up’. We spend too much money and not enough of it on the people’s business.

Rod Hutton of Mill Hill Rd. stated that in spirit he agrees with this amendment but philosophically he wonders if this is in the scope/purview/competence of this body. He is in sympathy with the article but opposed to its passage.

Sandy Straus of Lee Rd. stated that an amendment to the United States Constitution needs a 2/3 or ¾ vote of all the states. It must start somewhere and it is our job to say this needs to be addressed.

Gray Cornwell said that he agrees with Rod. He doesn’t believe the town should make what could be considered a partisan statement. He would prefer to see a ballot vote and doesn’t believe Town Meeting is the venue for this discussion.

Ms. Cilley added that the state senate is addressing this issue. She said a majority of Americans support this idea.

Selectman Hodsdon read a prepared statement asserting that at Town Meet-

ing we meet to consider town business and do not discuss or approve county or school district issues, legalizing gambling, marijuana or other issues falling under Federal law. We have only heard one side of this debate tonight. He urged individuals to contact their representatives and stated that the Board of Selectmen urges rejection of this article.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote. The result was inconclusive so the Ballot Clerks were asked to count a show of hands.

Ayes 20

Nays 38

FAILED

ARTICLE 20: To hear the reports of any Committees, Town Boards, and/or Commissions, and act on any motion thereto.

Fritz Green, Planning Board Chair, requested participation in the Resident Survey the Planning Board is conducting as a part of updating the Master Plan. Survey forms and a place to return them will be placed at the Town Hall and the Madbury Library.

Roberta Stearns announced that there will be a planning meeting for Madbury Day at 9AM on March 20th at the Madbury Library.

Harry Valentine of Fern Way said that Town Hall Rd. needs some repair work done. Selectman Moriarty replied that despite its name this is a state road and the state is responsible for its upkeep. The town may be able to do some minor repairs and will try to find the state! (laughter)

Eric Fiegenbaum shared that 157 acres between Perkins Rd. and Evans Rd. have been placed in a federal conservation easement by the owners, Jesse and June Gangwer. He thanked the Gangwer's for preserving this land and showed a photograph that will be presented to them as a token of gratitude from the town. A round of hearty applause followed this announcement.

Clerk Cornwell thanked the many volunteers who do so much work for the town, pointing out that even some of the paid officials are really volunteers as the salary is not much and we couldn't function as we do without so many residents being willing to help. She noted especially the many years of service by former Selectman and Moderator Dick Houghton and former Selectman and retiring Moderator Joan Sundberg. (applause)

As Madbury Community Club President Kitty Cornwell urged residents to purchase advertising in the annual calendar and to thank merchants who advertise in the calendar. The MCC is open to all women in Madbury and she urged them to join the fun!

Lorraine Morong of Madbury Beach talked about Ready Rides, and organization offering free rides to medical appointments for elderly and disabled resi-

dents of the town. Volunteer drivers from Madbury are needed to sign up before rides can be offered in town. Information is available at the Town Hall. Rick Erickson said he had heard a speaker about this program at a recent Rotary meeting and was impressed by the organization and its service.

Chuck Goss encouraged attendance at Historical Society Meetings.

Jim Kach of Nute Rd moved and Fritz Green seconded adjournment of the meeting. Hearing no objection the Moderator declared the 2014 Madbury Town Meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.

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

Katherine K. Cornwell, Town Clerk

Formally accepted by the Board of Selectmen on March 28, 2014.

Bruce E. Hodsdon

Joseph B. Moriarty

Robert Sterndale



AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

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

Susan Cilia
Linda Stewart

TOWN CLERK

Motor Vehicle Permits		\$323,957.75	
Title Fees		\$620.00	
Town Clerk/Municipal Agent Fees		<u>\$6796.00</u>	
			\$331,373.75
Dog Licenses Issued (405)			
Town Fees		\$1704.50	
State Fees		\$947.00	
127	Late Fees	\$267.50	
16	Civil Forfeiture Fees	<u>\$480.00</u>	
			\$3,399.00
Marriage Licenses Issued			
10	Town Fees	\$70.00	
10S	State Fees	<u>\$380.00</u>	
			\$450.00
Vital Record Search/Copy Fees			
38	Town Fees	\$232.00	
38	State Fees	<u>\$253.00</u>	
			\$485.00
Other Office Receipts			
113	Assessment Card Copies	\$226.00	
117	General Copy Fees	\$58.50	
54	Transfer Station Permits	\$54.00	
26	Pistol Permit Fees	\$260.00	
4	Returned Check Fees	\$120.00	
1	Planning and Zoning Regulations	\$12.00	
4	UCC Filing Fees from State	\$315.00	
7	Voter Checklists	<u>\$175.00</u>	
			<u>\$1,220.50</u>
Total			\$336,928.25

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Year Ending 12/31/2014

DEBITS

PRIOR LEVIES

Uncollected Taxes

Beginning of Year:	Levy of 2014	2013	2012	2011+
Property Taxes		\$315,026.85		
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes		\$2,228.90		
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$649.59)			

Taxes Committed this Year

Property Taxes	\$6,047,253.00
Yield Taxes	490.90
Excavation Tax	2,970.22

Overpayments:

Property Taxes	30,406.96	
Interest & Penalties on Late Tax	<u>3,011.88</u>	<u>16,891.78</u>

TOTAL DEBITS \$6,083,483.37 \$334,147.53

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$5,736,035.37	\$125,919.10
Timber Yield Taxes	490.90	557.38
Interest (Include Lien Conv)	2,951.88	15,742.28
Penalties	60.00	1,149.50
Excavation Tax	2,970.22	
Converted To Liens (Prin. only)		189,107.75

Abatements Made:

Property Taxes	616.00
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Uncollected Taxes End of Year

Property Taxes	340,893.44	
Yield Taxes		<u>1,671.52</u>

Property Tax Credit Balance	<u>(534.44)</u>
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TOTAL CREDITS \$6,083,483.37 \$334,147.53

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

DEBITS

Unredeemed & Executed Liens	Last Year's Levy	2013	2012	2011+
Unredeemed Liens				
Beginning of FY			\$109,345.32	\$35,893.25
Liens Executed				
During FY		202,326.54		
Interest & Costs Collected		<u>4,391.90</u>	<u>8,111.16</u>	<u>12,399.68</u>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$206,718.44	\$117,456.48	\$48,292.93

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer

Redemptions		\$61,257.89	\$32,924.44	\$35,893.25
Interest & Costs Collected		4,391.90	8,111.16	12,399.68
Unredeemed Liens				
End of FY		<u>141,068.65</u>	<u>76,420.88</u>	

TOTAL LIEN CREDITS

	\$206,718.44	\$117,456.48	\$48,292.93
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Summary of Elderly Liens

Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$569.75	\$551.36	\$35,404.51
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$579.81			
Total Elderly Lien Debits:	\$579.81	\$569.75	\$551.36	\$35,404.51
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY	\$579.81	\$569.75	\$551.36	\$35,404.51
Total Elderly Lien Credits:	\$579.81	\$569.75	\$551.36	\$35,404.51

2014 INVENTORY

Land, Improved & Unimproved		\$93,164,782.00
Buildings: Residential	\$124,885,000.00	
Commercial	3,974,100.00	
		128,859,100.00
Public Utilities, Electric & Gas		13,331,100.00
Manufactured Housing		<u>4,001,700.00</u>
Total Valuation before Exemptions		\$239,356,682.00
Exemptions		
Blind Exemptions	(\$0.00)	
Elderly Exemptions	(1,278,348.00)	
VA Assistance Exemptions	<u>(358,400.00)</u>	
Total Exemptions Allowed		<u>(1,636,748.00)</u>
Net Value on which tax rate computed		\$237,719,934.00
Total Property Tax Assessed		6,079,008.00
Veterans Tax Credit		<u>(34,250.00)</u>
Total Property Tax Committed		\$6,044,758.00
Property Taxes	\$6,047,253.00	
Timber Tax	490.90	
Excavation Yield Tax	2,970.22	
Land Use Change Tax	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Taxes Committed to Collector		\$6,050,714.12

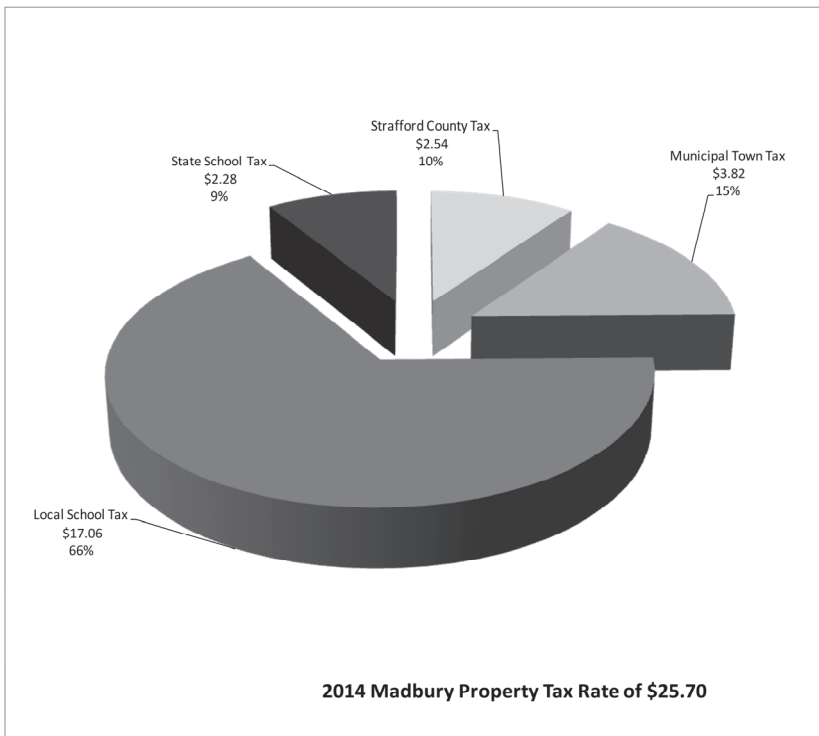
WHERE IT GOES

	2013	2014
Local School Appropriations	\$4,027,756	\$4,056,365
State Education Tax	540,678	512,301
County Assessment Tax	607,394	604,463
Municipal Tax	766,949	905,879

Breakdown of Current Tax Rate

Municipal	\$3.24	13%	\$3.82	15%
County	2.57	10%	2.54	10%
Local School Tax	17.01	67%	17.06	66%
State School Tax	<u>2.42</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>2.28</u>	<u>9%</u>
TOTAL	\$25.24	100%	25.70	100%

from DRA Tax Rate Calculation



**TREASURER'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2014**

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF JANUARY 1, 2014

TOWN OF MADBURY:

TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	\$2,946,640.73	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	-	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>32,148.39</u>	\$2,978,864.12

LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:

TD Banknorth - Checking	1,150.40	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	<u>1,411.40</u>	2,561.80

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

TD Bank - Checking	12,312.16	
TD Bank - Certificate of Deposit	20,090.11	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>3,400.44</u>	<u>35,802.71</u>

TOTAL CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2014

\$3,017,228.63

DEPOSIT MONIES RECEIVED:

Tax Collector	\$6,229,962.70	
Town Clerk / Administrative	567,722.78	
Board of Selectmen	250,000.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	354,032.00	
Conservation Commission	4,348.73	
Library Dedicated Funds	811.08	
Interest on Investments	<u>2,380.56</u>	7,409,257.85

LESS ORDERS PAID PER:

Board of Selectmen	\$(7,804,856.65)	
Conservation Commission	(5,900.44)	
Library Dedicated Funds	<u>(670.33)</u>	<u>\$(7,811,427.42)</u>

CASH AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2014

\$2,615,059.06

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2014

TOWN OF MADBURY:

TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	2,295,559.02	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	250,316.94	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	<u>32,154.55</u>	\$2,578,105.51

LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:

TD Banknorth - Checking	1,180.40	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	<u>1,522.15</u>	2,702.55

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

TD Banknorth - Checking	14,131.46	
TD Bank - Certificate of Deposit	20,119.54	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	-	34,251.00

TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2014

\$2,615,059.06

CONSERVATION FUNDS
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2014

AVAILABLE FUNDS JANUARY 1, 2014		\$35,802.71
Added Revenue from the Town		
Unexpended Portion of Budget (Article 16)	\$918.00	
One Half Land Use Change Tax Received 2014	-	
Total Revenue from the Town		918.00
Added Revenue from Other Sources		
Interest from Savings and Investments	30.29	
Transfer in from NHPDIP	3,400.44	
Total Revenue from Other Sources		3,430.73
Total Funds Available		40,151.44
Less Expenditures:		
Contrib. toward SATWaSR Lahey addition	2,500.00	
Close NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	3,400.44	
Total Expenditures		5,900.44
AVAILABLE FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2014		<u>\$34,251.00</u>
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2014		
TD Bank - Checking Account	\$14,131.46	
TD Bank - Certificate of Deposit	20,119.54	
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	-	
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2014		<u>\$34,251.00</u>

2014 FINANCIAL REPORT
BALANCE SHEET
Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2014

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Lib. Ded. Fund</i>	<i>Grant Fund</i>	<i>Capital Proj</i>	<i>Total Gov't- Funds</i>
Assets					
Cash and Cash Equiv	\$2,295,634.02	\$1,180.40	-	-	\$2,296,814.42
Investments	282,471.49	1,522.15	-	-	283,993.64
Investments for					
Consrv	34,251.00	-	-	-	34,251.00
Taxes Receivable	299,451.96	-	-	-	299,451.96
Liens Receivable	259,194.57	-	-	-	259,194.57
Accounts Receivable	25,634.29	-	-	-	25,634.29
Interfund Receivable	-	-	28,455.94	1,807.50	30,263.44
Prepaid Expense	1,862.50	-	-	-	1,862.50
Total Assets	\$3,198,499.83	\$2,702.55	\$28,455.94	\$1,807.50	\$3,231,465.82
Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	\$88,000.96	-	-	\$1,807.50	\$89,808.46
Tax Credits Payable	534.44	-	-	-	534.44
Due to State	524.00	-	-	-	524.00
Due to School Dist.	2,091,773.00	-	-	-	2,091,773.00
Interfund Payables	30,263.44	-	-	-	30,263.44
Deferred Revenue	26.00	-	-	-	26.00
Conservation					
Deposit Payable	34,251.00	-	-	-	34,251.00
Total Liabilities	\$2,245,372.84	-	-	\$1,807.50	\$2,247,180.34
Fund Balance					
Unassigned Fund Bal.	\$952,734.27	-	-	-	\$952,734.27
Restricted Fund Bal.	-	1,522.15	28,455.94	-	29,978.09
Committed Fund Bal.	-	1,180.40	-	-	1,180.40
Assigned Fund Bal.	392.72	-	-	-	392.72
Total Fund Bal.	\$953,126.99	\$2,702.55	\$28,455.94	-	\$984,285.48
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$3,198,499.83	\$2,702.55	\$28,455.94	\$1,807.50	\$3,231,465.82

\$856,807.42 **General Fund Balance - December 31, 2013**

\$953,126.99 **General Fund Balance - December 31, 2014**

\$96,319.57 **Net Change In General Fund Balance**

2014 FINANCIAL REPORT
Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2014

	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Lib. Ded. Fund</i>	<i>Grant Fund</i>	<i>Capital Proj.</i>	<i>Total Gov't Funds</i>
Revenues					
Taxes	\$6,095,346.37	-	-	-	\$6,095,346.37
Motor Vehicle	328,221.75	-	-	-	328,221.75
State Shared Rev.	132,607.48	-	-	-	132,607.48
Vitals, Licenses & Permits	13,587.99	-	-	-	13,587.99
Charges for Services	80,593.74	140.00	-	-	80,733.74
Sale/Rent. Town Prop.	1,352.00	-	-	-	1,352.00
Reimb. & Donations	2,454.47	424.17	-	-	2,878.64
Intragovernmental	-	-	-	356,532.00	356,532.00
Interest on Invests	2,380.56	0.75	-	-	2,381.31
Grant Funds	-	-	4,705.00	-	4,705.00
Capital Project Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	\$6,656,544.36	\$564.92	\$4,705.00	\$356,532.00	\$7,018,346.28
Expenditures					
General Government	\$187,828.54	-	\$2,537.34	\$7,230.00	\$197,595.88
Boards & Coms.	14,510.66	-	-	2,500.00	17,010.66
Public Safety	335,112.00	-	-	32,630.00	367,742.00
Facilities, Streets & Sanitation	518,518.73	-	-	29,172.00	547,690.73
Health & Welfare	20,291.00	-	-	-	20,291.00
Culture and Rec.	87,084.86	424.17	-	-	87,509.03
Trf. to Cap. Reserves	223,750.00	-	-	-	223,750.00
Trf. to Capital Proj.	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Conservation Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-
County Allocation	604,463.00	-	-	-	604,463.00
School Allocations	4,568,666.00	-	-	-	4,568,666.00
Grant Funded Projects	-	-	605.00	-	605.00
Capital Projects	-	-	-	285,000.00	285,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$6,560,224.79	\$424.17	\$3,142.34	\$356,532.00	\$6,920,323.30
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$96,319.57	\$140.75	\$1,562.66	-	\$98,022.98
Fund Bals., begin.	\$856,807.42	\$2,561.80	\$26,893.28	-	\$886,262.50
Fund Bals., end.	\$953,126.99	\$2,702.55	\$28,455.94	-	\$984,285.48

2015 PROPOSED BUDGET - Appropriations

Dept #	Description	2014 Adopted/ Adjusted Budget	2014 Actual Unaudited Exp as of 12/31/13	2015 Proposed Budget
4130	Executive	\$46,100	\$41,106.62	\$50,230
4140	Election and Registration	2,290	1,930.00	1,000
4150	Financial Administration	62,590	58,242.98	75,450
4152	Assessing / Valuation	10,105	8,189.26	10,255
4153	Legal	30,000	12,087.56	30,000
4155	Personnel Administration	36,200	29,121.99	41,700
4191	Planning Board	13,160	11,475.06	13,160
4192	ZBA	1,000	490.60	1,000
4194	General Government Buildings	92,800	100,713.98	94,250
4195	Cemeteries	5,150	5,826.55	6,400
4196	Insurance	35,000	36,950.13	38,000
4210	Police Department	213,336	215,685.82	214,370
4215	Ambulance	3,750	3,749.56	3,528
4220	Fire Department	58,414	53,005.83	65,270
4225	Forest Fire	500	573.36	500
4240	Building Inspection	15,000	11,740.26	14,460
4242	Inspections Department	3,500	2,160.00	3,500
4290	Emergency Management	1,000	1,009.17	3,500
4299	Special Details	40,000	46,923.00	45,000
4312	Highway & Streets	340,000	307,045.77	345,500
4313	Bridges	-	1,633.27	-
4316	Street Lighting	1,500	1,261.77	1,500
4323	Hazardous Waste Collection	1,400	543.00	1,100
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	100,100	88,767.98	101,500
4329	Recycling	15,000	12,726.41	15,000
4338	Water	5,000	1,045.00	5,000
4411	Health	200	25.00	200
4414	Animal / Pest Control	22,000	16,100.00	18,000
4415	Health & Welfare Agencies	816	816.00	2,500
4442	Direct Assistance	15,000	2,100.00	15,000
4445	Other Assistance	1,250	1,250.00	1,750
4520	Parks & Recreation	9,800	8,692.65	9,800
4550	Library	56,242	54,838.30	57,589
4583	Patriotic Purposes	550	450.00	550
4589	Oyster River Youth Association	22,500	22,500.00	23,000
4619	Conservation Commission	1,500	1,500.00	1,500
4710	Debt Service	-	-	-
4810	Use of Donations	-	1,068.91	-
TOTAL OPERATIONAL		\$1,262,753	\$1,163,345.79	\$1,311,062

Dept #	Description	2014 Adopted/ Adjusted Budget	2014 Actual Unaudited Exp as of 12/31/14	2015 Proposed Budget
Special / Individual Warrant Articles *				
4915	Transfers to Capital Reserves	\$223,500	\$223,500.00	\$223,500
4916	Transfers to Expendable Trust	250	250.00	50
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,486,503	\$1,387,095.79	\$1,534,612

*The breakdown below provides specifics on certain items listed in the budget.

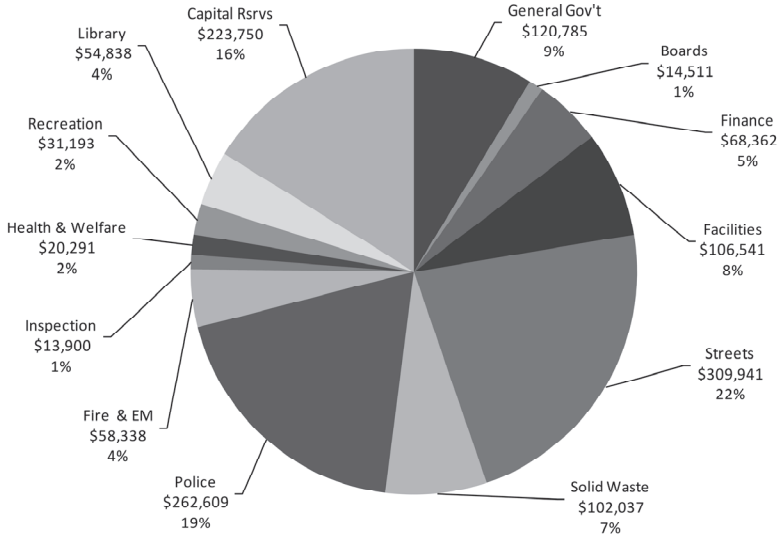
<u>Special Warrant Articles:</u>		<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Capital Reserve - Fire Equipment	2015 Article 05	\$42,500	\$42,500
Capital Reserve - Property Revaluation	2015 Article 06	11,000	11,000
Capital Reserve - Purchase Property/Easement	2015 Article 07	50,000	50,000
Capital Reserve - Library Building	2015 Article 08	55,000	55,000
Capital Reserve - Iafolla Reclamation	2015 Article 09	10,000	5,000
Capital Reserve - Recreational Facilities	2015 Article 10	10,000	10,000
Capital Reserve - Police Equipment	2015 Article 11	20,000	20,000
Capital Reserve - Grounds Maintenance Equip.	2015 Article 12	5,000	5,000
Capital Reserve - Government Building Repairs	2015 Article 13	5,000	10,000
Capital Reserve - Bridge Repairs & Maint.	2015 Article 14	15,000	15,000
Expendable Trust - Madbury Memorial Park	2015 Article 15	<u>250</u>	<u>50</u>
		\$223,750	\$223,550



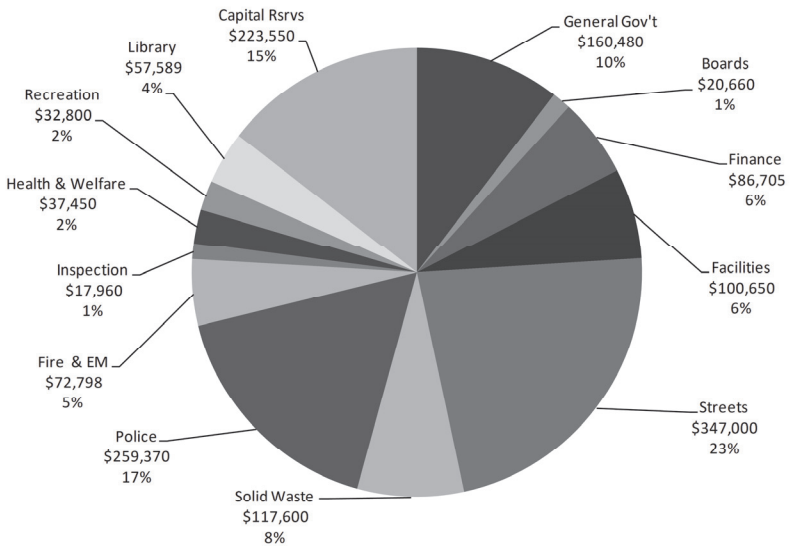
2015 PROPOSED BUDGET - Revenues

Acct#	Description	2014 Adopted/ Adjusted	2014 Actual Unaudited as of 12/31/14	2015 Proposed Budget
3110-71	Overlay Allow. Uncollectible Taxes	-	(174.15)	-
3120	Land Use Change Tax Revenue	-	-	-
3185	Timber Yield Tax Revenue	-	490.90	-
3187	Excavation Yield Tax Revenue	-	2,970.22	-
3190-020	Interest & Penalties on Property Taxes	16,000	19,903.66	18,000
3190-021	Interest & Penalties on Tax Liens	20,000	24,902.74	22,000
3210-028	Planning Board Revenues	-	2,212.49	-
3210-029	Zoning Board Revenues	-	165.00	-
3220	Motor Vehicle	270,000	328,221.75	280,000
3230	Building Permit Fees	5,000	7,640.00	5,000
3290-050	Vital Records, Licenses, Permits, Fees	2,750	2,791.50	2,500
3290-055	Transfer Station Permits	-	54.00	-
3290-056	UCC Filings	-	315.00	-
3291	Pistol Permits	-	260.00	-
3292	Excavation Permit Fees	-	150.00	-
3293	Inspection Fees	500	2,170.00	500
3351	NH Shared Revenue Block Grant	-	-	-
3352	NH Rooms & Meals	70,000	86,297.39	70,000
3353	NH Highway Block Grant	40,000	46,131.80	37,000
3359	NH Railroad Tax	-	-	-
3360	NH Dept of Safety Grant (LEOP)	-	-	2,500
3401-71	Town Office Fees	500	499.49	500
3401-73	Police Department Revenue	1,000	929.25	750
3401-78	Library Revenue	-	-	-
3401-81	Cemetery Revenue	-	500.00	-
3401-83	Water Board Revenue	-	-	-
3410	Special Detail Revenue	40,000	76,375.00	40,000
3502	Interest on Investments	2,200	2,380.56	2,200
3503	Rental of Town Property	1,000	1,352.00	1,000
3504	Returned Check Fee	-	120.00	-
3506	Insurance Reimbursements	-	765.80	-
3508-78	Donations - Library	-	633.67	-
3509	Welfare Reimbursements	-	675.00	-
3410	NH Reimbursements	-	178.29	-
3511	Other Reimburs./Contributions	-	380.00	-
3911	Transfers from General Fund	100,000	-	100,000
3912-15	Transfers from Other Funds	-	-	-
TOTAL		568,950	609,291.36	581,950
3110	Est. Amt. of Taxes to be Raised	917,553	874,124.00	952,662
GEN. FUND REVENUE GRAND TOTAL		\$1,486,503	\$1,483,415.36	\$1,534,612

2014 General Fund Expenditures (Unaudited)



2015 Proposed General Fund Budget



2014 REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Creation Date	Fund Name	Purpose	How Invested	*** PRINCIPAL ***			*** INCOME ***				Total Principal & Income	
				Balance 1/1/13	Contribution	Withdrawals	Balance 12/31/2014	Balance 1/1/2014	Earned 2013	Spent 2013		Balance 12/31/2014
3/8/89	Cem Com. Trust	Perpetual Care	PDIP 4	\$27,250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$27,250.00	\$7,311.10	\$6.44	\$0.00	\$7,317.54	\$34,567.54
2/3/37	Demeritt Cem.	Care of Lot	PDIP 3	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$729.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$729.62	\$829.62
3/1/75	Adams/Jennison Bicentennial	Care of Demeritt Pk	PDIP 6	\$2,541.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,541.00	\$8,725.71	\$1.87	\$0.00	\$8,727.58	\$11,268.58
7/27/21	Jenkins Cem.	Care of Lot	PDIP 7	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$1,701.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,701.18	\$1,901.18
1/2/14	Literary Memorial Park	Education	PDIP 8	\$228.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$228.00	\$2,011.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,011.47	\$2,239.47
3/8/94	Expend. Trust	Cemetery Maint.	PDIP 5	\$5,174.17	\$250.00	\$50.00	\$5,374.17	\$1,716.34	\$0.84	\$0.00	\$1,717.18	\$7,091.35
3/8/94	Fire Equip.	Fire Equip.	PDIP 1	\$114,753.14	\$42,500.00	\$0.00	\$157,253.14	\$484.51	\$22.44	\$0.00	\$506.95	\$157,760.09
3/14/00	Property Reval.	Revaluation	PDIP 10	\$18,681.33	\$11,000.00	\$7,230.00	\$22,451.33	\$56.69	\$4.11	\$0.00	\$60.80	\$22,512.13
3/14/00	Buy Prop/Ease.	Purchase/Easement	PDIP 11	\$356,441.00	\$50,000.00	\$285,000.00	\$121,441.00	\$31,055.47	\$73.40	\$0.00	\$31,128.87	\$152,569.87
3/12/02	Library Bldg.	Library	PDIP 13	\$195,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	\$5,838.54	\$39.41	\$0.00	\$5,877.95	\$255,877.95
3/9/10	Police Equip.	Police Equip.	PDIP 15	\$29,998.20	\$20,000.00	\$32,630.00	\$17,368.20	\$17.69	\$5.80	\$0.00	\$23.49	\$17,391.69
3/9/10	Rec. Facility	Plan. & Dev't	PDIP 16	\$36,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$46,000.00	\$45.15	\$6.71	\$0.00	\$51.86	\$46,051.86
3/9/10	Iafolla Reclam.	Land Reclam.	PDIP 17	\$45,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$55,000.00	\$56.74	\$9.10	\$0.00	\$65.84	\$55,065.84
3/13/12	Ground Main.	Equip. Pur.	PDIP 18	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$2.83	\$1.80	\$0.00	\$4.63	\$15,004.63
3/13/12	Gov't. Bldgs	Major Repairs	PDIP 19	\$40,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$28,872.00	\$16,128.00	\$7.19	\$7.29	\$0.00	\$14.48	\$16,142.48
3/12/13	Town Bridge	Repairs & Maint.	PDIP 20	\$10,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.50	\$2.85	\$0.00	\$3.35	\$25,003.35
				\$891,366.84	\$224,000.00	\$354,032.00	\$761,334.84	\$59,760.73	\$182.06	\$0.00	\$59,942.79	\$821,277.63

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

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF MADBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 10, 2015

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Madbury on Tuesday, the tenth day of March, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. in the morning for the purpose of voting on Articles 1 and 2, and at 7:00 o'clock in the evening for action on Articles 3 through 19.

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

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

- A Selectman for the ensuing three years
- A Treasurer for the ensuing year
- An Auditor for the ensuing two years
- A Trustee of the Trust Funds for the ensuing three years
- A Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years
- A Library Trustee for the ensuing three years

ARTICLE 2: To vote to amend town Zoning Ordinances:

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

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

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

AMENDMENT 4: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinances revising

and standardizing the process of applying for and granting Conditional Use Permits where currently required in the Zoning Ordinance? Recommended by the Planning Board.

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

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

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Million Three Hundred Eleven Thousand Sixty-two Dollars (\$1,311,062) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$42,500) to add to the existing Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting, and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

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

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

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000) to add to the existing Library Building Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2002 Town Meeting for a library building fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Iafolla Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2010 Town Meeting for

the purpose of reclamation of land purchased by the Town from the Estate of Michael Iafolla. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

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

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) to add to the Madbury Memorial Park Fund - Expendable Trust established in Article 6 at the 1994 Town Meeting for the purpose of maintenance and operation, to be funded by \$50 from the December 31, 2014 fund balance, which was increased by \$50 during 2014 from Cemetery Lot Sales. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote the retention of the unexpended portion of the 2015 Conservation Commission appropriation; said monies to be placed in the Madbury Conservation Fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 17: To request that the Town of Madbury, NH, stand with communities across the country to defend democracy from the corrupting influence of

big money in our political system, by calling upon our legislators to amend the United States Constitution to establish that:

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

And that the People of Madbury, NH hereby instruct our state and federal representatives to enact resolutions and legislation to advance this effort, and to reduce the influence of big money and increase transparency and voter participation in our electoral system.

And that the record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Madbury's Congressional delegation, and to Madbury's State Legislators, and to the Governor of New Hampshire, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by the Town Administrator's office within 30 days of the vote. (Article by Petition.)

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

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

Given under our hands and seal the 16th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

Bruce E. Hodsdon
Joseph B. Moriarty
Robert E. Sterndale

Board of Selectmen

We certify that on the 16th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen, we posted a copy of the warrant at the Town Hall, Library, and the Town Clerk's Office being three public places in the Town of Madbury, as required by law.

Bruce E. Hodsdon
Joseph B. Moriarty
Robert E. Sterndale

Board of Selectmen

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

Katherine K. Cornwell, Town Clerk

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 2014

<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Map/Lot</u>
Town Hall, Land & Buildings	\$888,800	7-13, 7-13A & B
Furniture & Equipment	75,000	
Gangwer Purchase	74,000	7-21, 7-22
Hix Hill (Wentworth Property)	32,300	7-17A
Library: Estes Property (Land & Building)	267,400	7-14
Furniture & Equipment	75,000	
Old Fire Dept, Land and Buildings	187,700	8-16
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	884,100	4-22, 4-23, 6-1, 8-26, 9-5A, 9-60, 9-60-L
Town Cemetery	174,200	6-4C
Hayes Road/Cherry Lane Town Forest	234,373	5-14
Tibbetts Property	361,749	6-4
Schreiber Property	275,000*	6-13*
Safety Complex Land, Buildings, Bellamy Water Rights	1,101,100	8-27
Police Furniture, Equipment, Vehicles	125,000	
Fire Furniture, Equipment, Vehicles	475,000	
Bellamy Conservation Parcel A	148,500	2-16A
Bellamy Conservation Parcel B	10,000	2-16B
Hoyt Pond Conservation Area	27,800	9-68K
Tasker Lane Conservation Area	29,900	8-30
G & R Associates/Old Stage Road	381,400	3-16
	23,400	3-16A
Solid Waste Landfill, Land	709,400	8-4
All Land and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's Deeds	<u>483,600</u>	1-31, 1-31A, 31B, 1-41, 1-44, 3-54, 3-32, 1-40
TOTAL:	\$7,019,747	

*represents purchase price, assessment and lot assignment pending

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

It's time for the 2014 Annual Report. What do we record about the Town of Madbury in 2014? What changed? Most of us would be happy with the answer: "Not much". While we mostly like Madbury as it is, a fair amount of effort is required to maintain the status quo and to make the occasional modest improvement.

Some modest improvements:

The Town acquired the bulk of the Schreiber property on Cherry Lane, securing this land for public benefit. The 2014 Town Meeting endorsed this purchase using Funds from the capital reserve established for such acquisitions. We appropriate money to this fund each year (\$50,000 proposed again this year, see warrant) so that we can take advantage of these opportunities when they arise.

A new parking lot was "discovered" in the wooded area across the street from the Town Hall. This discovery followed clearing of an access path for construction of the new addition at the rear of Moharimet School. Our busy civic and recreational area has had parking problems for several years now. We had an "Aha!" moment when the access road made obvious the opportunity to create significant additional parking in a location that could serve recreational fields, the town hall, library, church and school. With some work already done for the school project, we were able to complete the parking project with (mainly) road maintenance funds. We did not plan to keep it open year-round but the School District saw value in keeping it available. We have agreed to allow ORCSD to use it if they keep it cleared this winter.

A new arsenic removal system now provides arsenic-safe drinking water in the Safety Complex kitchen. It is now safe for you to drink a few liters of this water every day for the rest of your life!

With the much-appreciated cooperation of respective landowners, some collections of "old" cars, etc. have disappeared.

Highly efficient LED lighting has been installed at the Town Hall, Safety Complex and Library under special grant-funded pricing. These improvements will reduce maintenance and energy costs with an anticipated payback period of about 4 years.

We made small steps toward recommissioning the Bellamy water system (from the old rose greenhouses) to supply the fire hydrant at the corner of Madbury Road and Route 155. We have no experience with this sort of system so progress is slow...

Maintaining the status quo:

We now have a year-round part-time maintenance and grounds care position. Many of our elected and appointed officials receive honoraria for their service. (Don't confuse "honoraria" with "pay": these are thank you gestures only!) Moderator Fritz Green chaired a committee that reviewed our practices and recommended some changes. These amounts are reviewed every few years to keep them in line with economic reality.

The Safety Complex has presented a set of complex roof problems in the

form of leaks that won't go away. Installation of a once-and-for-all fix in the form of metal roofing for the problem area will begin when weather permits. (Hopefully before you read this).

Japanese Knotweed (a problematic invasive species) has invaded town. We have contracted with a "hired gun" to begin the counter-attack (limited herbicidal application).

The Bunker Lane Condominium Association has applied for grant money to rebuild their water distribution system (they get water from the Portsmouth water system but maintain their own pipes). The Town is supporting their grant application process. These funds will pass thorough the Town budget but we do not incur any significant unreimbursed expense. A significant improvement in water service for this neighborhood should result.

The Town has entered a new 3-year fixed-price snow removal contract.

The "Iafolla" property has had its occasional mowing.

We reviewed and updated the Capital Improvements Plan as part of the budget process.

Some mentionable happenings:

The Board of Selectmen hosted a group of Ukrainian leaders who were visiting NH as part of Congress' "Open World" program. They attended a selectmen's meeting as part of a program intended to show them how government works in the US. They were astonished to find that they could sit a few feet from us and talk with us on a casual basis after our business was completed. (You can do that too!). Think about how much we take for granted.

The Madbury Historical Society evaluated the old fire station as a possible storage location for items of historical value. It is not suitable.

The Tibbetts Field woods were the site of the Boy Scout district's Klondike Derby this winter. Brrrr!

Some expectations for the coming year:

A town-wide update of tax assessments will be done in accordance with State mandates.

We have a list of tree-trimming chores to do.

We plan to evaluate recommendations from our liability insurer regarding our Human Resource policies. This is a complex, tedious and constantly evolving area that claims our (reluctant) attention.

Look for more significant progress on the Bellamy Water system in the coming year.

A thank you:

The Selectmen appreciate the conscientious service of the elected and appointed officials, volunteers and employees in many capacities who serve our Town. With their help, we have a pretty good thing going here. Are you a member of this team yet?

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Sterndale

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The year 2014 has come to an end. The department has been busy with several investigations - some of which are still on-going.

We continue to give yearly training as required, providing officers with specialized training in numerous fields.

The department has said good-bye to Officers Bisson and Russell. We have, however, welcomed the following officers: Todd Biery, a full-time certified officer from Durham and Manchester Police Departments; Christopher Colitti, a full-time certified officer as a Captain with the New Hampshire State Police; Chester Murch, a full-time certified officer as Chief of Police in Lee; Katie Koval, and Nicholas Raymond. Years of experience come with Officers Biery, Colitti, and Murch. Todd Biery has been promoted to Sergeant, with Christopher Colitti providing training experience.

Madbury Police still remains affiliated with Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

We continue to work with school officials to ensure a secure environment for our school children and our Emergency Plan continues to progress. We now are linked to the CopSync Program which provides a direct line of communication between school officials and our department.

I have, again this year, requested that the School Board provide for an SRO at the Elementary School in Madbury; and once again, it was denied.

We continue to work with members of our community who become victims of crimes. We continue to assist parents whose children have made contact with members of our staff. Our efforts to continue to allow many juvenile first-time offenders to complete a court-diversion program where the offender performs community service in lieu of being prosecuted. I truly feel that this helps the young man or woman to realize the importance of making responsible choices in their life.

Through the efforts of members of both the police and fire department, the Explorer Program continues. The program introduces young men and women - ages 14 to 21 - to emergency services and has already produced two police officers for our department.

We continue to work to make the Town of Madbury a safe place to live. We continue to enforce posted speed limits in town. We ask that if anyone has concerns or neighborhood issues to call our station. We also ask if you should witness anything that you consider suspicious, that you immediately call the department at 742-5566.

In closing, I would like to express my thanks to my officers for their hard work and dedication during the past year; the Madbury Board of Selectmen for their continued support, the Madbury Fire Department, the Strafford County Attorney's office, the University of New Hampshire Police Department, as well as the members of the New Hampshire State Police - Troop A.

I, once again, thank you, the Citizens of Madbury, for all of your continued support.

Madbury Police Department Activities, 2014

Aid to Citizens	414
Aid to Other Agencies	89
Aid to Officers	13
Development Checks	2548
Parking Tickets	41
Building Checks	14396
House Checks	1920
Escorts	3
Radar Checks	930
Motor Vehicle Warnings Issued	508
Criminal Warnings Issued	1
Summonses Issued	70
Motor Vehicle Arrests	5
Criminal Arrests	7
Complaints	104
Accidents	26
Criminal Investigations	29
Reservoir Checks	1462
Training	52
Off-Duty Court Appearances	6
<u>Administrative Duties</u>	<u>10</u>
Total	22637

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



2015 Tahoe keeps the Police Department ready and able to serve. It replaces a 2004 Tahoe which has been painted red and shifted to Fire Department duty.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would like to thank the citizens of Madbury for their continued support over the past year. This year we welcomed three new members to the department, Katherine Brierly, Ashley Constantino, and Andrew E. Davis. Over the course of the year, some of the training topics covered by the department members include Ice Rescue, Motor Vehicle Accident Operations, Gas Detection, Medivac Landing Zone Operations, ATV Operations, and Portable Pump Operation. Andrew E. Davis completed NH Firefighter 1 certification and Peter Constantino completed NH Firefighter 2 certification. In December we recognized Lexie Gorski for 5 years of service and Maryssa Goodrich was named Firefighter of the year.

Madbury lost a longtime resident and volunteer in 2014. Carl Wentworth moved to Madbury in 1938 when he married Madbury native Dorothy Kingman Laton. They owned and operated the Kingman Farm on Route 155. This property was later divided and a portion was donated to the Town of Madbury. In 1947 Carl was one of four men who founded the Madbury Volunteer Fire Department and continued to serve as an officer, volunteer, and Life member until his death. He served as a Deputy Forest Fire Warden for the Town of Madbury for over fifty years and as a Special Deputy State Forest Fire Warden. Other Madbury positions that Carl held included Madbury School Board Member (before ORCSD), Planning Board, Cemetery Trustee, Auditor, and Election Official. He was a charter member of the Madbury Historical Society and enjoyed sharing his knowledge of and experiences in Madbury. Carl and wife Dottie were featured in the 1988 Town Report with a dedication and appreciation for years of interest, generosity, and service to the Town of Madbury.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Perley, Fire Chief

2014 Madbury Fire Department Calls for Service

Building Fire.....	1
Chimney Fire	1
Vehicle Fire	1
Outside Fire	8
Medical Aid	71
Vehicle Accident w/injury	10
Vehicle Accident w/o injury	11
Service Call.....	29
Good Intent	7
Cancelled enroute	6
Mutual Aid.....	18
Fire/Smoke Alarm	19
CO Alarm	2
<u>Weather Related</u>	<u>2</u>
Total Calls for Service	186



Carl Wentworth operates Madbury’s first deckgun; a “big ticket” purchase he championed for the Fire Department. The gun is still in service on Engine 3.
 Photographer unknown.

PLANNING BOARD

In 2014 the Planning Board approved a 2-lot subdivision on Cherry Lane and an 8-lot subdivision on Huckins Road. A review of the proposed addition at the Moharimet School was conducted as well.

The results of the 2014 Master Plan Survey were tabulated and posted to the website. No significant changes to the land use regulations were indicated.

Marcia Goodnow joined the Planning Board replacing Jim Kach. Thank you, past and present members, for your service.

The Planning Board proposed some changes to the land use regulations.

1. Lot Size Requirements (Zoning Ordinance): provide consistency and clarity.
2. Versioning of Referenced Documents (Zoning Ordinance): ensure latest revision.
3. Flood Hazard Overlay Updates (Zoning Ordinance); FEMA requirement to qualify for flood insurance. 4 - Formal Language for Conditional Use Permit (Zoning Ordinance); standardize the language.
4. Minimum Depth to Bedrock (Building Regulations); adopt NH state minimum.
5. Statement of Dimensions and Bearings (Subdivision Regulations); ensure the standard. Items 1 through 5 are before you in the warrant articles recommended by the Planning Board.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Fritz Green, Chairman



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment met several times during 2014 to update the Rules of Procedure and the Application for Exceptions to meet the revised standards recommended by the State of New Hampshire.

In addition two meetings were held for hearings on:

- 1) 42 Cherry Lane, Madbury: a variance of land use was approved.
- 2) 330 Knox Marsh Road, Madbury: a special exception was granted.

Donald Sylvester, Chair

MADBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Introduction

The Madbury Public Library strives to encourage and support reading, learning, information gathering, and idea sharing. When we're not working on our lofty goals, however, we're happy just to be a warm, welcoming place to read a book or magazine, use your laptop or tablet, or just hang out with a cup of coffee. Once again in 2014 the library accomplished its mission despite the challenges of a small space, changes in technology and social media, and the evolving role of public libraries in our society. Here's a glimpse of what we were up to last year.

Children and Teens

Programs: Programming is one our most important services and children's programs are a key part of our success. Twice weekly story times featuring the funny, talented Crystal Lisbon, are a highlight. This past year, children helped Crystal celebrate holidays, learn about animals, even talk like a pirate! She also took her storytelling on the road, beginning monthly performances at Moharimet School and continuing regular visits to Little Tree Child Care. Teens had the opportunity to participate in writing workshops, and beginning readers were able to hone their skills by sharing books with a lovely English setter named Rosa (or sometimes Rosa's son, Grover).

Summer Reading: Fifty-two children signed up for "Fizz, Boom, Read" the science-themed 2014 Summer Reading Program. We once again held several joint programs with our neighboring Oyster River libraries. Jungle Jim Manning kicked off the summer for us at the Lee Safety Complex. In subsequent weeks we hosted the Carol and Crew Puppet Show, young adult author Adi Rule, and a presenter from the Children's Museum of New Hampshire. Nearly 200 children and adults came to the Madbury Town Hall for the ever-fascinating Wildlife Encounters, which we co-hosted with Lee and Durham. And Gary Sredzienski played his accordion at Town Hall one delightful July evening, a performance made possible by a grant from the New Hampshire State Library. To close the formal summer program, we threw a party, featuring the Boston Museum of Science's traveling show, gave out prizes, and ate cake. Nearly 500 children attended the various summer events. And, as 2014 closes, we are already looking forward to the 2015 Summer Reading Program, whose theme will be "Every Hero Has a Story."

Adults

Once again our calendar was full of special programs for adults. There are two monthly book groups, a writing group, and a quilting group. In addition, in November we brought novelist and essayist Katherine Towler to the library to lead a memoir-writing class. During the fall, the library received a grant

from the New Hampshire Humanities Council to host, "Making Sense of the Civil War," a four-part facilitated discussion group that will begin in January 2015.

Library Services & Statistics

Collection. The library collection consists of 14,583 books, audiobooks, and DVDs. In 2014 our total circulation was 9,544. There were 5,528 visits to the library.

Downloadable ebooks and audiobooks. Through the library's subscription to the New Hampshire Download Library, we have access to nearly 21,000 ebooks and 8,000 audiobooks. In 2014 our patrons downloaded 1,579 titles in both formats, nearly 30% more than in 2013.

Interlibrary loans. We borrowed 798 books for our patrons (up from 717 in 2013) and we loaned 412 to libraries across the state.

Databases. Madbury patrons continue to make good use of the NH State Library databases. There were 176 searches submitted to EBSCO, a magazine and newspaper database, and 28 articles were viewed. Two genealogy databases are also available in the library: Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest.com.

Volunteers

We could not have accomplished our mission without the help of volunteers. Many thanks to those who assisted with interlibrary loan requests, compiled photo albums documenting library events, cleaned and maintained the buildings and grounds, planted gardens and beds, applied for e-rate discounts, kept computer hardware and software running smoothly, brought in two beautiful English Setters to help children read, helped plan a new website, assisted in closing the building, and so much more.

Thank especially go to Marcia Barden, Nancy Bergeron, Janet Dunham, Eric Fiegenbaum, Katie Fiegenbaum, Noreen Gaetjens, Jill Leavenworth, Don Melvin, Martha Mercer, Lorraine Morong, Suzie Noronha, Edna O'Sullivan, Joan Valentine, Peggy Wolcott, and Ken Wolcott.

Friends of the Madbury Library

The Friends had an exciting and productive 2014 working to fulfill our mission of supporting the resources, services, and programs of the library and to promote the library's presence in the community. In the past year, the Friends significantly increased fund raising efforts and for the first time instituted an annual giving drive which raised overall contributions to the library sevenfold.

In addition to the new annual fund, our popular books sales and gift basket raffle provide support for many library programs and services. Museum passes, children's school vacation and summer reading events, E-readers, and the very fun new rug in the children's room have all been funded by the Friends with the generous support of our Madbury community.

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

Development Committee

In January of 2014, the Friends and Trustees formed a Development Committee to bring together community leaders to create a Campaign Steering Committee which will help guide outreach and fundraising efforts for a new library facility. We are grateful and encouraged by the positive community response to our efforts. In the year ahead, we look forward to creating a public-private partnership to move toward the goal of a new library building. In ten short years, our Library has become an important presence in our town. A new library building will not only be a gathering center for learning and enriching activities, it will be a gift to future residents.

Trustee of the Library

President: Edna O'Sullivan

Alternate: Molly Wade

Secretary: Betsy Renshaw

Alternate: Mary Ellen Reisch

Treasurer: Noreen Gaetgens

Staff

Director: Susan Sinnott

Children's Librarian: Crystal Lisbon

Assistant Librarian: Peggy Wolcott

Assistant Librarian (Saturdays): Liz Burbank

Hours & Contact Information

Monday & Wednesday - 10 am to 8 pm

Thursday - 10 am to 4 pm

Saturday - 10 am to 2 pm

603-743-1400

website: www.madburylibrary.org

email: library@madburylibrary.org

Looking forward to a busy, productive 2015...

The library accomplished much in 2014 but now our sights are set on an exciting new year. Come visit us soon!



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission saw no wetland applications requiring comment in 2014. There were only routine subsurface application notifications for new or replacement septic systems. We provided comment to the Strafford Regional Planning Commission who interviewed us in conjunction with their work to assist the Oyster River Local Advisory Committee in the drafting of an Oyster River Corridor Management Plan. The plan will outline needs and goals to protect the Oyster River's designated resources, and is only advisory to the towns. Our concerns centered on stormwater treatment, proper culvert sizing and zoning regulations that would protect surface waters.

The Commission supported the purchase by the town of approximately 60 acres of backland on Cherry Lane, a portion of the Schreiber property. The land is proximate to the Oyster River, contains a significant amount of prime farmland soils and valuable wildlife habitat. It is part of a large un-fragmented area of land with parcels under conservation easement or parcels which could be considered for conservation easement.

The Commission completed its annual monitoring of the four conservation easements held in part by the town and did not find activities that would be in conflict with the terms of the easements. We noted that approximately 400 dog poop disposal bags had been taken from a resident donated dispenser at the trail kiosk behind town hall. We did not verify if the bags had helped to reduce dog waste on the trails, but assumed they had.

The Commission was asked to help fund the purchase of the last remaining privately held interior parcel in the 1,500 acre Samuel A Tamposi Water Supply Reserve in Barrington. The conserved area serves as the headwaters of the Oyster and Bellamy Rivers. Last year the Commission provided \$2,500 for the purchase of a 42 acre parcel in the same Reserve. The bulk of the funding for these purchases has come from the town of Barrington and some private sources. We did not decide on a funding amount, if any, in 2014.

The City of Portsmouth conducted a field (kayak) survey of the riparian area around the Bellamy Reservoir which supplies up to 60 percents of Portsmouth drinking water. While most "infractions" found were minimal, there were some shoreland activities that likely violated either the State and Madbury's shoreland regulations or Portsmouth's easement rights. We expect Portsmouth to be in contact with some landowners this spring to make them aware of the restrictions on some activities.

Near the end of the year the Commission began to look at updating a document that describes and makes recommendations on town owned lands. It will be an undertaking, and we may solicit comment from other boards and commissions.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair

WATER RESOURCES BOARD

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

The Board reviewed several requests for conditional use permits during the year and provided feedback to the Planning Board. The Water Board also reviewed a list of recommendations associated with water resources in the town's prior master plans. A number of items had been accomplished including the adoption and now proposed update to the aquifer and well head protection district.

New flood plain maps proposed by FEMA were reviewed. FEMA revised the maps to reflect more accurate measurement techniques. The new delineation shows less flood plain in Madbury and fewer houses effected.

Board member Michael O'Sullivan continued to represent Madbury on the Coastal Hazard Commission. The commission's concerns are for sea level rise and an increase in extreme weather events. The need to protect wetlands and how towns respond to emergencies are examples of issues considered.

Research continues on the Hick's Hill Water System. Bob Sterndale arranged to have some obsolete hardware removed from the well house and worked with the Fire Department to pressurize the underground pipe. The system held some pressure and it would appear the pipe is still contiguous to at least behind the Safety Complex. Additional testing is planned for the coming year. The Board is also planning to conduct another round of voluntary well water testing the summer of 2015.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Garret Ahlstrom, Chairman



CEMETERY TRUSTEES

In 2014, there were continued efforts to maintain and improve the overall appearance of the Madbury Memorial Park. Through a program of regular professional grounds maintenance and consistent irrigation, the cemetery turf and plantings appear to be in good condition. It is hoped that new trees and shrubs will be added to complete the Memorial Labyrinth Garden in the coming year. Some efforts to improve the appearance of the non irrigated sections of the turf have been undertaken and will continue as funds are available.

The trustees would like to remind residents and those who maintain burial plots in the cemetery to use discretion when placing ornamental memorials and plants on monuments. This will assist the grounds crew when trimming close to the stones and help to keep the park uncluttered and free of decorations which will fade and blow away. A listing of the rules that govern use of the cemetery can be found on the town website.

There are several granite posts on the fence by Town Hall Road and Cherry Lane which are available for purchase to mount memorial plaques. There is also space in the Memorial Garden for placement of small memorial benches.

Respectfully submitted,
Roderic Hutton
Noreen Gaetjens
William Leslie
Cemetery Trustees



Little N. H. Town Adopts Flag on Its 200th Anniversary

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

MADBURY, N. H., Oct. 7—As a symbol of progress, this little 200-year-old settlement has adopted an official town flag.

At the recent 200th anniversary of the town church, and also the 200th anniversary of the village as an independent parish from neighboring Dover, the gray and blue banner was presented to the selectmen.

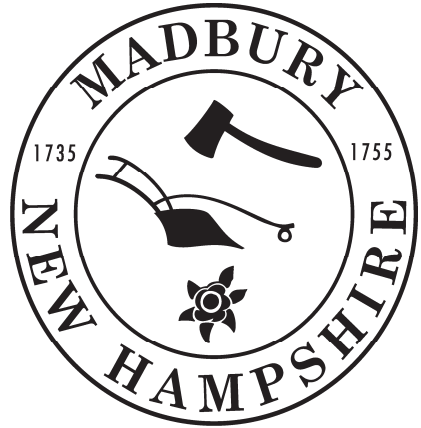
Designed by Eloi A. Adams, Strafford County Farm Bureau agent, and stitched by Mrs. Lena B. Adams of Madbury and Miss Sarah Jones of Durham, the flag is thought to be the first town flag in New England.

Its design is circular with the name "Madbury, New Hampshire," and the dates "1736" and "1755" in a circle around three symbols—an ax, a plow and a rose. The dates mark the double anniversary of the town. In 1735 Madbury was set off as a parish from Dover and in 1755 the settlement became an incorporated town.

Coming to the symbols, the ax is symbolical of the huge forests which first attracted the settlers to the Madbury region. In its earliest days the town supplied timber for ships built at Dover and Durham, on Great Bay, and Portsmouth.

The plow typifies the agricultural activity in the town since Colonial times and still followed by most of the community.

Madbury's new industry, the Elliot rose hothouses, is typified by the rose. The Elliot company is said to possess the longest hothouse in the world, more than 1400 feet in length, one of several in which roses are grown for metropolitan markets.



Digital representation of the logo from the 1968 anniversary flag.

An original of the article is in the collection of the Madbury Historical Society.

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Building Inspector

Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2014 and Dec 31, 2014

Date	Project	Applicant	Location	Est. Cost
2/13/2014	New home	Sedgewick, Lindsay	52B Old Stage Rd	\$250,000.00
2/17/2014	Mezzanine for storage & remodel wholesale	Charles Street Holding LLC	282 Knox Marsh Rd	24,900.00
3/20/2014	Build attached garage and breezeway	Lepore li, Anthony J	182 Madbury Rd	75,000.00
4/10/2014	Swap 6 existing antennas	Smith Revoc Tr, Gerald L	22 Jenkins Rd	15,000.00
4/28/2014	New manufactured home	Upton, Robert L Sr	3 Bunker Lane MHP	0.00
5/5/2014	Re-roof home	Berg, James E	6 Garrison Lane	6,400.00
5/12/2014	New home per plans submitted	Abbott, Donald E	40 Huckins Rd	250,000.00
5/12/2014	Strip and re-roof	Cade, Alan	22 Bunker Lane MHP	3,000.00
5/19/2014	Addition to elementary school per plans	Oyster River Coop Sch Dist	11 Lee Rd	575,000.00
5/19/2014	16x16 deck addition	Ferraioli, Andrew	5 French Cross Rd	2,000.00
6/26/2014	Add deck to #315 rt. 108	Our Mustard Seed LLC	317 Route 108	6,000.00
7/10/2014	Re head garage door	McMahon, Cheryl J Fam.Tr	120 Perkins Rd	3,000.00
7/14/2014	Pool deck as per plans provided	Ervin, Ellen P	26 Hayes Rd	4,000.00
7/24/2014	Replace existing deck	Martin, David P	50 Nute Rd	3,000.00
8/7/2014	Finish off attic room	Anzures, Armando	6 Fern Way	4,000.00
8/14/2014	16x24 addition to home	Desrosiers, Thomas E	30 Garrison Lane	98,000.00
9/8/2014	New metal roof on barn	Polichronopoulos, George	19 Nute Rd	3,000.00
9/22/2014	Re-roof	Loughlin, Harry A	105 Hayes Rd	15,000.00
9/25/2014	New home per plans provided	Evans Revoc Trust, Dane	5 Evans Rd	150,000.00
9/25/2014	Changes to home	Cosby-Houston Fam. Rev Tr	72 Cherry Lane	5,000.00
11/3/2014	Finish off basement room per plans	Sullivan, William	114 Perkins Rd	9,150.00
11/6/2014	Re-roof house	Rohmyer, Dawn M	313 Knox Marsh Rd	3,500.00
11/17/2014	New home per plans provided	Taylor, Erica	172 Littleworth Rd	260,000.00
12/1/2014	Re-roof home	Fernald, David S	3 Nute Rd	8,500.00

Demolition Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2014 and Dec 31, 2014

Date	Project	Applicant	Location	Est. Cost
5/5/2014	Demo old garage	Colprit, Jeffrey	11 Kelley Road	\$0.00
6/30/2014	Demolition of existing home	Taylor, Erica	172 Littleworth Rd	1,500.00
10/16/2014	Demo of barn	Berndtson, Jason W	306 Knox Marsh Rd	0.00

Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2014 and Dec 31, 2014

Date	Project	Applicant	Location	Est. Cost
2/20/2014	Electrical for garage addition	Taylor, William H	242 Littleworth Rd	\$600.00
003/3/2014	Electrical for addition	Hodgson Revoc Liv Trust	11 Freshet Rd	4,500.00
3/24/2014	Bathroom electrical	Three Sons Realty, LLC	46 Old Stage Rd	2,000.00
4/9/2014	panel and electrical for garage/showroom	Charles Street Holding LLC	282 Knox Marsh Rd	10,500.00
4/28/2014	Update electrical for concession stand	Madbury, Town Of	12 Town Hall Rd	500.00
5/1/2014	Electrical for garage and breezeway	Lepore II, Anthony J	182 Madbury Rd	2,500.00
5/1/2014	Electrical hook up of manufactured home	Upton, Robert L Sr	3 Bunker Lane MHP	2,000.00
5/5/2014	Some sort of electrical	Madbury, Town Of	13 Town Hall Rd	5,000.00
6/2/2014	New home electrical	Abbott, Donald E	40 Huckins Rd	12,000.00
6/9/2014	Electrical for landscape project	Ervin, Ellen P	26 Hayes Rd	300.00
6/23/2014	School addition electrical	Oyster River Coop Sch Dist	11 Lee Rd	0.00
7/10/2014	Move switches, plugs and light	McMahon, Cheryl J Fam. Tr	120 Perkins Rd	500.00
7/14/2014	Electrical for spa	Larson, Brian	118 Perkins Rd	500.00
7/21/2014	Install ductless ac system	Sylvester Trust Agreement	36 Moharimet Dr	10,000.00
7/24/2014	Pool electrical	Moore, Walter T	214 Littleworth Rd	500.00
9/15/2014	Addition electrical	Desrosiers, Thomas E	30 Garrison Lane	5,500.00
9/22/2014	Electrical for solar array	Anderson Fam. Revoc Tr	181 Madbury Rd	26,000.00
9/29/2014	Install 8kw generator	Lahue, Fabian J	36 Bunker Lane MHP	850.00
10/9/2014	Install 100 amp service	Anderson Fam. Revoc Trust	181 Madbury Rd	2,500.00
10/13/2014	200 amp service change	Morse, James C Sr	8 Moharimet Dr	500.00

Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2014 and Dec 31, 2014

Date	Project	Applicant	Location	Est. Cost
10/20/2014	Add electrical to garage	Colprit, Jeffrey	11 Kelley Road	\$1,300.00
11/3/2014	Replace water heater	Jewell, Catherine	18 Bunker Lane MHP	1,300.00
12/8/2014	Basement room electrical	Sullivan, William	114 Perkins Rd	3,400.00
12/30/2014	Electrical for renovation	Donahue, Jeffrey J	335 Knox Marsh Rd	15,000.00

Mechanical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2014 and Dec 31, 2014

Date	Project	Applicant	Location	Est. Cost
1/27/2014	New heating w/gas inspection and baseboard	Bellamy Rental Prop. NH	153 Madbury Rd	\$6,000.00
2/17/2014	Gas line for heater and water heater	Hodgson Revoc Liv Trust	11 Freshet Rd	500.00
3/24/2014	New gas furnace	Yadao, Joseph	8 Bunker Lane MHP	2,000.00
7/17/2014	Mechanical work	Oyster River Coop Sch Dist	11 Lee Rd	0.00
7/21/2014	New home heating system	Abbott, Donald E	40 Huckins Rd	19,000.00
11/3/2014	Install 300,000 btu heater	Charles Street Holding LLC	282 Knox Marsh Rd	5,000.00
11/10/2014	Install wood boiler	Davis, Micum S	181 Drew Rd	14,000.00
11/20/2014	Add gas heater to spa	Larson, Brian	118 Perkins Rd	300.00
11/20/2014	Install gas line from house to tank	Amarosa Rev Tr, Pj & La	19 Cherry Lane	500.00

Plumbing Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2014 and Dec 31, 2014

Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
3/20/2014	Plumbing for addition	Hodgson Revoc Liv Trust	11 Freshet Rd	\$3,600.00
5/5/2014	Complete water and septic hookup	Upton, Robert L Sr	3 Bunker Lane MHP	1,000.00
5/8/2014	Plumbing for concession stand	Madbury, Town Of	12 Town Hall Rd	5,600.00
6/2/2014	Install new showers in bathrooms	ZeZula Revoc Liv Tr, Jerilee	26 Town Hall Rd	4,000.00
7/14/2014	Plumbing for spa	Larson, Brian	118 Perkins Rd	1,000.00
7/17/2014	Plumbing	Oyster River Coop Sch Dist	11 Lee Rd	0.00
7/17/2014	New home plumbing as per plans	Abbott, Donald E	40 Huckins Rd	14,000.00
9/4/2014	Plumbing for addition	Desrosiers, Thomas E	30 Garrison Lane	5,000.00
9/4/2014	Install water heater	Lepore li, Anthony J	182 Madbury Rd	500.00

Summary of Permits:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Fees</u>
Building Permit	29	\$6,600.00
Plumbing Permit	9	150.00
Electrical Permit	24	500.00
Demolition Permit	3	180.00
Mechanical Permit	9	<u>200.00</u>
Total of all Fees	74	\$7,630.00

OYSTER RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

In 2011, the Oyster River was added as a designated river to the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program (RMPP), and by 2012 a local river advisory committee (LAC) was established. The Oyster River LAC is made up of representatives of the towns through which the designated river segments flow. Currently, there is representation from the following communities: Barrington (1), Durham (1), Lee (1), Madbury (2) and UNH (1). We would like to increase the representation to at least two per town. If anyone has an interest, the governing body of the town nominates representatives who are then appointed by the DES commissioner. The duties of the committee include advising on plans or actions that would alter the resource values or characteristics of the river, developing a local river corridor management plan, and reporting biennially to the state and annually to the towns.

In 2014, we commented on several proposed projects in or adjacent to the river corridor. Most projects were within permitting guidelines. The Lee Traffic Circle area continues to be of concern due to its inherent high water table which leaves development with little options to minimize impacts, and high conductances and bacteria counts from a yet unidentified source.

Most of our work for the year centered around a Corridor Management Plan which we worked on with our partner, the Strafford Regional Planning Commission. The process is supported by a grant from the NH DES and support from the four towns in the corridor. When completed the plan will add to the knowledge of the river, provide a work plan for the Committee, and work toward identifying actions the towns might consider to further protect the river. The plan is not regulatory in nature, but hopefully the beginning of a collaboration.

Since the Committee does not have physical office space we continue maintenance of a web site at www.oysterriverlac.org, which serves as a virtual office and a way to make ourselves known and available to the communities. We currently hold meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at the Madbury Town Hall. The Committee can be contacted through a general email address at: info@oysterriverlac.org.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair

DRAGON MOSQUITO CONTROL

Last year, the snowy winter gave way to a dry spring. Dry conditions continued all summer and into the fall. The late season mosquito population was low but the species found in our traps were all potential carriers of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). EEE was found in 18 mosquito pools trapped in ten towns including Raymond, Kingston and Portsmouth. New Hampshire had more EEE than any other state with three human cases occurring in the towns of Conway, Hopkinton and Manchester. Two of the three cases resulted in death. A mule in Candia, a horse in Nottingham and one in Sanbornton also contracted EEE. One mosquito pool from the town of Greenland tested positive for West Nile Virus (WNV).

Adult mosquitoes were monitored at four locations throughout town. Nearly 3200 mosquitoes were collected in light traps, identified to species, and select species were sent to the State Lab in Concord where they are tested for diseases. None of the mosquitoes collected in Madbury tested positive for disease in 2014. Dragon has identified 85 larval mosquito habitats in the Town of Madbury. Crews checked larval habitats 315 times throughout the season. There were 56 sites treated to eliminate mosquito larvae. In addition, 37 catch basin treatments were made to combat disease carrying mosquitoes. Spraying to control adult mosquitoes was not conducted last season.

The proposed 2015 Mosquito Control plan for Madbury includes trapping mosquitoes for disease testing, sampling wetlands for larval mosquito activity, larviciding where mosquito larvae are found, efficacy monitoring, and emergency spraying when a public health threat exists. The control program begins in April when mosquito larvae are found in stagnant water such as red maple and cedar swamps, ditches, and woodland pools. Trapping adult mosquitoes begins in July. The mosquito control program ends in October when temperatures drop and daylight diminishes.

Homeowners can reduce the number of mosquitoes in their yard by emptying any outdoor containers that hold standing water such as buckets, trash barrels, and boats. Tires collect enough water for mosquitoes to survive. It is also a good idea to change the water in bird baths every two or three days.

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use our No-Spray Registry online at www.DragonMosquito.com/No-Spray-Registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, and a description of your property with boundaries. Otherwise, your property may be treated. Anyone who submitted a request in 2014 may contact the office to reaffirm your request. Inquiries may be emailed to info@dragonmosquito.com or call the office at 734-4144. You may call or email our office for assistance regarding mosquitoes, insecticides or questions about EEE or WNV. Check out our web site: www.dragonmosquito.com where you can request a larval survey, sign up for email alerts or follow us on Twitter.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah MacGregor, President

Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Strafford Regional Planning Commission (SRPC) has been active in regional planning for over 40 years as one of nine regional planning commissions established by the New Hampshire Legislature. SRPC strives to create strong community connections to accurately reflect municipal priorities and values. SRPC's planning staff use collaborative processes with our eighteen municipalities and partner agencies contributing to the successful development of plans and projects that preserve and enhance the quality of life in the region.

SRPC ensures the region is responsive to the needs of its residents and municipalities. This process is guided, not only by staff knowledge, but with able assistance from Commissioners, appointed volunteers who provide support and guidance to the overall organization. With this range of expertise and advice, SRPC is able to provide effective planning and facilitation services in transportation, broadband, master plans, demographics, economic development, land use, housing, natural resources, water resources, data collection and analysis, mapping and GIS, hazard mitigation, and climate change adaptation.

2014 Specific Accomplishments in Madbury:

- Held Annual Meeting at the Madbury Town Hall
- Completed updates to the Madbury Hazard Mitigation Plan; the plan was approved by FEMA
- Coordinated with the Oyster River Local Advisory Committee to write a Corridor Management Plan for the river
- Developed nomination for the Mills Scenic Byway for inclusion into the NH Scenic and Cultural Byway Program; the Mills Scenic Byway was designated on May 8, 2014
- Conducted traffic counts to support local planning efforts
- Updated map sets: crash data, conservation, water resources, transportation, community features, aerial and land use
- Distributed New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation books to local land use boards

Goals for 2015 for the Region:

- Adoption of the Regional Master Plan – Local Solutions for the Strafford Region
- Adoption of the Regional Broadband Plan and Regional Housing Needs Assessment
- Update the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy 2011-2016
- Update the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- Carryout transportation project solicitation for the Ten Year Plan
- Continue to seek Brownfields assessment grant for the region
- Receive federal designation as Economic Development District from the Economic Development Agency providing municipalities with access to additional infrastructure and program development grants (pending EDA final action)

- Assist UNH Wildcat and COAST transit providers in development of transit routes and services
- Work with municipalities and residents to pilot the Park n Ride Toolkit
- Develop online web maps and applications for use by the public, using ArcGIS online
- Conduct culvert assessments and sidewalk inventories to support local planning efforts
- Continue to enhance water resource protection by working with municipalities to improve drinking water protection
- Educate and enhance awareness and implementation of green infrastructure
- Enhance public health in the region through participation on the Public Health Advisory Council
- Host EPA Building Blocks Smart Growth trainings with communities on walkability and complete streets audits
- Work with municipalities and businesses to attract new public and private investments to the Strafford region
- Assist citizens in the development of agricultural databases and development of production systems and capacity
- Continue to provide education and outreach on multi-hazard mitigation strategies, low impact development
- Continue local transportation planning tasks in support of safety, mobility, and access management

We look forward to working with the citizens and officials of Madbury in 2015. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and for your continuing support of regional planning. Further questions or comments can be referred to Cynthia Copeland, AICP, Executive Director at cjc@strafford.org. We can be found on Twitter and Facebook! We also have a blog at <http://strafford.org/magazine/> Please visit our website at www.strafford.org for more information.

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



OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dear Community Members of Durham, Lee and Madbury:

It is an honor to serve as your Superintendent for the Oyster River Cooperative School District. It is amazing how quickly two and a half years flies by; it seems like I only arrived yesterday. It has been fun and challenging. The District has many people who care greatly about our students and our staff.

The Strategic Plan is complete and has been adopted by the ORCSD School Board with the caveat that the elementary component will be adjusted and brought back to the School Board for further review. This work began in my first month as superintendent when I met with community members and former Board members to review the previous strategic plan efforts. Notes, survey results and documents that existed in various locations were consolidated and reviewed so that I could get a better understanding of the progress made. Equipped with this information, a focus group of over 100 community members were brought together to participate in a Future Search activity. The focal point being where Oyster River has been, where it is now, and where we want it to be. The Future Search work resulted in broad goals being adopted by the ORCSD School Board which in turn guided building and department specific goal development. This inclusive process formed District committees represented by administrators, teachers and all support staff. It was a monumental task that now informs the public of district direction and provides guidance in the development of the proposed 2015-16 and future budget.

The Budget

The proposed budget is about establishing clear, realistic and predictable rationale for expenditures based upon the adopted strategic plan. Within the proposed budget is a 3rd year of a seven-year plan to provide adequate funding for facility maintenance, the 3rd year of a five-year plan to insure the District's investment in technology stays current and the 4th year of a ten year-plan for bus replacement. The proposed budget also allows for curriculum renewal on a rotating basis with the focus on elementary mathematics. These capital plans will assist the District in predicting actual costs so that the peaks and valleys of budget development level out and by doing so level out the impact on District taxpayers.

The proposed operating budget for 2015-16 is estimated to increase by 2.8%.

Additional warrant articles to consider include a negotiated agreement with the bus drivers and support staff. Voters will be asked to approve \$69,147 for the District's bus drivers and on a separate warrant voters will be asked to approve \$135,624 for the District's paraprofessionals and food service employees.

Finally, District voters will be asked to approve a bond related to the District's athletic fields and track. Current fields are inadequate to the task of serving student athletes. Student participation in athletics exceeds 73%. This places a heavy burden on the District's fields, allowing no time for renewal of

grass and providing inadequate time to properly care for the fields in general. The ten year bond asks District voters to approve \$1.7 million dollars for athletic field upgrades that include the reconfiguration of the baseball and softball fields, as well as adding an artificial turf field and a track. The track has been under consideration by the District for eighteen years. The track will serve District students as well as be available to community groups. An artificial field will allow for multiple sport use without the wear and tear that occurs in a natural field.

So often lost in mandates and requirements from Concord or Washington is the great work done in Oyster River on behalf of your children and our students. To grow as an organization we must continue to focus on meeting the needs of all of our students. We are fortunate to have administrators, faculty and support staff that work diligently on behalf of the students we serve. The excellent reputation of Mast Way School, Moharimet School, Oyster River Middle School and Oyster River High School is well established.

Principal Todd Allen sent this statement to his staff on December 15, 2014. "Oyster River High School was honored last week for being one of the top high schools in New Hampshire by the web site Niche.com. We were ranked 3rd out of the 76 high schools in the State. The two ahead of us in the rank were Hanover and Bedford. One thing that I liked about this ranking is that a large part of it was based on feedback from current or former students and parents. Many of the comments posted on the web site by respondents were about the great relationships that our students have with their teachers and how responsive they all are in meeting student needs. It was clear from the data used by Niche.com that our students and community feel good about what we are doing at ORHS. Put this ranking together with Newsweek's ranking us 110th best in the country and then also getting named to the AP Honor Roll for the second consecutive year and this has been a wonderful up year for ORHS accolades."

Not to be outdone, our middle school was ranked the fourth best in NH. Mast Way was ranked 5th and Moharimet was ranked 6th. The dedication of our staff combined with the support of Durham, Lee and Madbury residents are the two key factors that contribute to the success that Oyster River enjoys.

Sincerely,

Dr. James C. Morse, Sr.
Superintendent



VITAL STATISTICS

Deaths

<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Death Date</u>	<u>Death Place</u>	<u>Father's/Parent's Name</u>	<u>Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union</u>
Nelson, Rollin	1/11/2014	Dover	Nelson, Norman	Liewald, Emma
Linzey, Frances	1/16/2014	Madbury	Cerier, Abraham	Klompos, Blanche
Swenson, Glendice	1/18/2014	Dover	Arnold, Albert	Arnold, Dora
Hanson, Terry	2/8/2014	Dover	Fernald, David	Jones, Sheila
Davison, Phyllis	2/21/2014	Madbury	Osterhout, Earl	Dillie, Hazel
Sten, Linda	4/3/2014	Dover	Sten, Walter G.	Saarelma, Terttu A.
Engalichev, Nicolas	4/24/2014	Dover	Engalichev, Constantine	Grabbe, Sophia
MacLachlan, Robert	5/16/2014	Madbury	MacLachlan, John	MacLachlan, Winifred
Vatistas, Nicoletta	5/29/2014	Madbury	Carabelas, Dionysios	Aloupis, Stavrovia
Hodgson, James W	6/21/2014	Navaree, FL	Hodgson, James	Wilkinson, Clara
Wilkinson, Aaron	6/21/2014	Madbury	Carroll, Paul	Wilkinson, Paula
Gahan, Jean A.	8/6/2014	Boston, MA	Gahan, Ernest E	Virgin, C. Jean Connor
Wentworth, Carleton	8/24/2014	Dover	Wentworth, Raymond	McIntire, Pauline
McGee, Nettie	10/27/2014	Portsmouth	Draughn, Floyd	Smithers, Nola
Smith, Neil	11/20/2014	Dover		
Stewart, Joanne	11/29/2014	Madbury	Sewall, Walter	Albee, Myra
Houston, Barbara	12/13/2014	Madbury	Gregory, Ira	Doolittle, Hazel
Lewis, Donna	12/13/2014	Madbury	Hall, Donald	Monroe, Elizabeth
Drake, Richard	12/25/2014	Dover	Drake, Charles	Mooney, Elizabeth

Births

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Father's/Partner's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Felker, Crosby Evans	3/28/2014	Dover	Felker, Jared	Felker, Amie
Jordan, Maximilian Hazard	8/20/2014	Dover	Jordan, Casey	Ager, Racher
Harris, Sophie Marie	8/22/2014	Dover	Harris, Walter	Harris, Julie
Lavigne, Kayla Marie	9/2/2014	Dover	Lavigne, Kevin	Lavigne Christy
Stephens, John Matthew	9/10/2014	Portsmouth	Stephens, Michael	Stephens, Jessica
Bacon, Thomas Loring	10/27/2014	Dover	Bacon, Matthew	Bacon, Jessica
Bacon, Hazel Mae	10/27/2014	Dover	Bacon, Matthew	Bacon, Jessica
Elly, Marien Alexa	11/16/2014	Madbury	Elly, Walter	Elly, Tara
Bushong, London Cynthia	12/6/2014	Dover	Bushong, Joshua	Davis, Lauren
Gore, Keira Quinn	12/31/2014	Dover	Gore, Bryon	Reed, Jaime

Marriages

<u>Person A's Name and Residence</u>	<u>Person B's Name and Residence</u>	<u>Town of Issuance</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Date</u>
Houghton, Richard R, Topsfield, Ma	Richardson, Patricia L, Topsfield, MA	Madbury	Madbury	1/12/2014
Taylor, Erica A, Madbury, NH	Melvin, Alexander R, Madbury, NH	Madbury	Jackson	4/19/2014
Brady, Patrick R, Dover, NH	Cammett, Jessica D, Madbury, NH	Madbury	Dover	4/24/2014
Mahler, Alyson C, Madbury, NH	Velardi, Thomas P, Madbury, NH	Madbury	New Castle	5/16/2014
Boy, Vanessa A, Madbury, NH	Pellegrini, Stephen W, Madbury, NH	Madbury	New Castle	5/25/2014
Guillette, Robert L, Madbury, NH	Pappas, Carolyn M, Madbury, NH	Madbury	Portsmouth	7/26/2014
Keefe, Shannon L, Madbury, NH	Mcewan, Stephen A, Madbury, NH	Madbury	Dover	8/17/2014
Selby, Nicholas A, Madbury, NH	Colley, Ashley L, Madbury, NH	Madbury	Meredith	9/7/2014

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