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Front cover: Northern lights over Moharimet Field, October 10, 2025. Carlo Abreu

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#### **TOWN OFFICERS FOR 2024**

*Moderator* Donald Goodnow Term expires 2026 Assistant Moderators Shelley Girdner, Mark Milliken, Douglas Hoff, Frederick Green, Alisen Courtemanche, Richard Erickson

#### Select Board

Mark Avery Tim Burt Susan Ossoff Term expires March 2025 Term expires March 2026 Term expires March 2027

Administrator Eric Fiegenbaum

*Town Clerk-Tax Collector* Lisa Amarosa, Term expires 2025

*Deputy Clerk/Collector* Morgan Daigle, appointment to 2025

Cameron Ahlstrom Judy Fahnestock

Asst Clerk/Collector

*Treasurer* Deborah M. F. Ahlstrom, 2025 Deputy Treasurer Amy Avery 2025

*Town Auditors* Linda Stewart, 2026 • Rhenda DeAngelis 2025

*Trustees of Trust Funds* Rebecca McEwan, 2027 • Judith Engalichev, 2025 • Bob Renshaw, 2026

*Cemetery Trustees* Sandra O'Neil, 2025 • Roderic Hutton, 2026 • Susan St. Louis, 2027

*Library Trustees* Noreen Gaetjens, Chair, 2026 • Hope Flynn, 2025 • Marie O'Neill 2025 Betsy Renshaw, Alt, 2025 • Georgeann Murphy, 2027

Supervisors of the Checklist Mary Ellen Reisch, 2030 • Marie O'Neill 2026 • Kathleen O'Shea, 2028

**Planning Board** 

Marcia Goodnow, Chair, 2025 • Douglas Hoff, 2026 Thomas Burbank, resigned • Casey Jordan, V. Chair, 2026 Michael Card, 2027 • Andrew Losse, 2025 • William Courtemanche, 2027 • Greg Merrell, Alt, 2026 • Mark Avery (*ex officio*)

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**Oyster River Cooperative School District** Matthew Bacon, Board Member, 2027

**Oyster River Local Advisory Committee** Eric Fiegenbaum, 2025

Kristen Lemasney, Representative, 2025

Strafford Regional Planning Commission

Tom Falk, 9/2026 • Mark Avery, 3/2025 Lamprey Regional Solid Waste Cooperative

**Emergency Management Director** Thomas Perley

Assistant Fire Chief Arthur "Artie" Boutin

**Deputy Health Officer** vacant

Patricia Bickford, Chair, 2026 • Eric Fiegenbaum, 2027 • Giana Gelsey, 2025 • Janet Wall, 2027 Michele Martin, 2025 • John Bickford, Alt, 2027

Water Resources Board

**Recreation Commission** Gordon Davenport, Chair, 2026 • Justin Corrow, 2025

Julie McCabe, resigned • Charles Goss II, 2026 • Janet Wall, 2027

John Crooks, 2026 • • Kevin Drees, resigned Stephen Hagen, 2025 • Arul Mahadevan, Alt, resigned

**Zoning Board** Matthew Bacon, Chair, 2027 • Shanti Wolph, Vice chair, 2025 Sandra Heald, 2026 • John Vanasco, 2026 • Heather Rivera, 2026

#### Conservation Commission Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair, 2027 • C. Thomas Crosby, 2025

**Building Inspector** Justin Corrow

Health Officer Zeus Rivera

**Overseer of Public Welfare** Bruce E. Hodsdon, 2025

Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden Thomas Perley

> **Police Chief** Joseph E. McGann

# **Expert Highway Agent** Mathew Paugh, 2025

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#### RECORD OF TOWN MEETING MARCH 12, 2024

Moderator Donald Goodnow called the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire, to order on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 7:15 PM, at the Madbury Town Hall. The polls were open at the Madbury Town Hall on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. The following ballot clerks were in attendance:

Cameron Ahlstrom, Morgan Daigle, Mary Downes, Diane Hodgson, Joan Melvin, Sandy O'Neill, Betsy Renshaw, Katrin Siegels, Susan St. Louis, and Joan Sundberg

Moderator Goodnow explained his expectations for the deliberative session to the assembled citizens (approximately 75). He thanked the Supervisors of the Checklist, Ballot Clerks, and Assistant Moderators for their assistance during the day. He then introduced the Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk, and the Town Administrator. He also announced that Selectwoman Janet Wall was ill and unable to attend the meeting.

Town Clerk Lisa Amarosa led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator asked everyone to continue standing for a moment of silence as he read the names of those Madbury citizens who passed away in 2023. Those deceased include:

Marcia Bjork, Owen East, Martha Emro, Richard Gaudreault Sr., Jeannine Hamel, June Hoffman, Mary Howarth, Teresa Keith, Susan Mazza, Gregory McCrone, John McMahon, Harvey Jack Myers, Hester Nute, George Polichronopoulos Jr., William Scott, Helen Wellington, Andrea Wensberg, and Pauline Werner

The Moderator reviewed the rules of order and explained that voting will be done with voter cards this year. All voters were checked in and given a card to be used for voting.

The Moderator introduced Lulu Higginson who volunteered to provide a microphone to any resident wishing to speak during the town meeting.

ARTICLE 1: The following Town Officers were elected by Official Ballot on March 12, 2024: (sample ballot on file)

Selectman for the ensuing three years	Susan Ossoff
Moderator for the ensuing two years	Donald D. Goodnow
Treasurer for the ensuing year	Deborah Ahlstrom
Auditor for the ensuing two years	Linda Stewart
Supervisor of the Checklist for the ensuing six years	MaryEllen Reisch
Library Trustee for the ensuing three years	Georgeann Murphy
Trustee of the Trust Funds for the ensuing three years	Rebecca McEwan
Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years	Susan St. Louis

ARTICLE 2: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Don Sundberg of Nute Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 231:64, to authorize the Select Board to appoint an expert highway agent to have charge of the construction, maintenance, and repair of all town highways and bridges and the maintenance and repair of all sidewalks within the town; and authorizes the Select Board to add additional duties to those charged to the expert high-

way agent duties pursuant to RSA 231:63. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery said the town is looking at a slight change in how the road agent position is handled. He said the position is currently appointed annually and the proposed change will make the road agent more of a regular employee. He also explained that the RSA limits the duties of an appointed road agent, but by voting in favor of Article 2 the town can authorize additional duties.

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

ARTICLE 3: Bruce Hodsdon of Hayes Rd. moved, and Fritz Green of Garrison Ln. seconded, a motion authorizing the Selectmen to choose all other town officers. (Majority vote required)

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

ARTICLE 4: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Lizzie Higginson of Cherry Ln. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Three Hundred Six Thousand One Hundred Three Dollars (\$2,306,103) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant article. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery said the Select Board asked all departments, boards, commissions, etc. to lower their budgets and explain any increases this year. He said the biggest impacts came from a 5% wage increase for town employees and a 15% road maintenance cost increase. He explained that the operating budget increased by about 8.5% this year, but by cutting capital reserve funds the overall impact to residents was about 3.5%.

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

ARTICLE 5: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Marcia Goodnow of Garrison Ln. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Madbury, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, as provided in RSA 72:39-a and 72:39-b, to be as follows: For a person 65 years of age and up to 75 years - \$114,000

For a person 75 years of age and up to 75 years - \$142,000 For a person 80 years of age or older - \$168,000

To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five consecutive years preceding April 1st, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$45,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$55,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$200,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Burt explained that the elderly exemption has not been reviewed or modified in Madbury since 2016. He said the Select Board applied an inflation adjustment using a calculator from the US Bureau of Labor and Statistics, and compared the results to those in the towns of Durham and Lee. He said it is the Board's goal to ensure residents get the help they qualify for.

Karen Matta Oshima of Moharimet Dr. asked if this means qualified applicants are not paying taxes on the assessed value above the amounts given. Selectman Burt said the numbers listed in each age category represent the dollar amount that would be deducted from the qualified applicant's assessed property value.

Mary Downes of Littleworth Rd. asked for the economic impact on the town. Selectman Burt explained that the exact economic impact is unknown until residents apply.

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

ARTICLE 6: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Joan Sundberg of Nute Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purpose of repairing and maintaining town bridges. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Burt explained that this is the same amount voted in last year. He said they are raising money for work on the Freshet Road bridge that crosses Johnson Creek. He said the cost is estimated at \$1.3 million and the town will continue to raise funds to pay for the town's portion (20%) of the project cost. He said work is slated to begin in 2026.

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

ARTICLE 7: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Julie McCabe of Nute Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000) to add to the existing Public Works Development Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2020 Town Meeting for the purpose of building a facility and initiating equipment purchases. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery said the town is continuing to plan for its future public works needs as our current contractors are retiring. He said the citizen-lead Public Works Exploratory Committee recommends building a DPW facility. He explained that the Select Board is currently seeking new contractors but is not having much luck finding any. He said we need to start funding for the future and to be able to pay for the initial costs of planning a DPW facility.

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

ARTICLE 8: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Bill Courtemanche of Garrison Ln. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand dollars (\$35,000) to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting for the purpose of major repairs to town government buildings. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery said this is a standard request used to maintain town buildings. He said there are roof issues at the town hall and safety complex that need to be addressed, and that painting is also needed.

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

ARTICLE 9: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Matt Higginson of Cherry Ln. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for purpose of purchasing grounds maintenance equip-

ment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required) Selectman Burt said the town will purchase a new mower this year and that

continuing to grow this fund will ensure future equipment needs can be met. Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a vote. PASSED

ARTICLE 10: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Jennifer Perley of Littleworth Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing 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 purpose of the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Burt explained that the town is planning to replace Engine 1 in 2029 or 2030. He said this fund was decreased from \$75k to \$50k this year to help taxpayers. He said modifications will be made to the fund next year.

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

ARTICLE 11: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Marian Noronha of Hook Mill Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing police equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Burt said this is the same amount as last year and is used for the replacement of police vehicles. He said the town will be purchasing a new police cruiser this year.

Don Sundberg of Nute Rd. asked how much a new police cruiser costs. He said he is very much in favor of this article and Article 10. He said the town needs to consider what will happen in the future relative to its size and needs.

Selectman Burt said a new police cruiser will cost about \$50k. He also said the capital improvement projects packet has been posted on the town's website for all to review.

Bruce Hodsdon of Hayes Rd. asked if information on the town's current vehicles is available.

Selectman Burt said all vehicle information is included in the capital improvement projects packet posted on the town's website.

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

ARTICLE 12: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Joan Sundberg of Nute Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing CPA Audit Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 19 at the 2018 Town Meeting for the purpose of completing a CPA audit of the Town in a few years. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery said this fund is for a CPA audit in the event the town decides to bond in the future. He said a CPA audit is very expensive and would be a requirement of bonding.

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

ARTICLE 13: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Carol Loughlin of Hayes Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the

sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to add to the existing Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of the revaluation of town properties. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Burt explained that a property revaluation is required by the state every 5 years. He said Madbury will have its next revaluation in 2025. He said this fund is used to avoid spikes in the operating budget.

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

ARTICLE 14: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Deb Ahlstrom of Drew Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to change the title and purpose of the existing Purchase of Land and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 7 at the 2018 Town Meeting, to be the Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing property, land, and/or easements. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. This change will correct language inconsistent with intent. If the article is not passed Article 15 will not be considered. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority 2/3 vote required)

Selectman Avery said the Department of Revenue requires this name change to match the intended purpose of the fund. He explained that when this fund was established it was mislabeled by using the word "land" instead of property which limits the town's ability to purchase land with anything on it such as a house.

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

PASSED (More than 2/3 vote received)

ARTICLE 15: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Peggy Wolcott of Old Stage Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to add to the Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 7 at the 2018 Town Meeting and revised in Article 14 of this 2024 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing property, land, and/or easements. This article is contingent on the passage of Article 14. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery said this fund has been used in the past to buy conservation easements.

Tony St. Louis of Hayes Rd. said the money from this fund was used to partially fund the new library a few years ago so he will not vote in support of it, even though he does support the purchase of conservation easements. Matt Higginson of Cherry Ln. asked for comment on the current funding of this account. He said he is concerned with the rapidly increasing costs of property in the area.

Selectman Avery said the account currently has about \$81,500. He explained that conservation easements are usually priced differently than the regular market, but agreed that the amount in the account may not be enough. He said they do not currently have any properties in mind to purchase.

Judy Engalichev of Freshet Rd. asked if there was a way to assure voters that money in this fund will not be used for another purpose in the future.

Selectman Avery explained that the only way the funds could be used for a different purpose would be if the town votes to do so. He said the Select Board cannot make those changes.

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

PASSED

ARTICLE 16: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Michael Card of Route 108 seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Master Plan Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 18 at the 2023 Town Meeting for the purpose of covering consulting and other costs associated with the review, revision, updating, and amending of the Town's Master Plan. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Planning Board Chair Marcia Goodnow said the state requires towns to have a working, operative Master Plan. She said the Planning Board held an open house on December 6, 2023, that was very well attended and that a housing survey was answered by many residents last spring. Planning Board Chair Goodnow said the Master Plan was created by volunteers in the past but that the task has become much more sophisticated. She said the town is working with a consultant who was able to obtain a \$30k grant last year. She said she anticipates this to be a 5-6 year process.

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

ARTICLE 17: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Georgeann Murphy of Hayes Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to add to the existing Information Technology Capital Reserve Fund established in article 17 at the 2022 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing computer hardware, software, and related services to meet the technology requirements of the Town. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Administrator Eric Fiegenbaum said he has started to replace computers and update software at the town hall. He explained that more money is being requested this year because the state is currently looking to certify a new ballot counting machine and the town will eventually need to buy a new one. Don Sundberg asked why this money is not included in the operating budget.

Administrator Fiegenbaum said the town uses computers until they are outdated and it has been 10 years since the last upgrade, so it is not a regular operating cost.

Selectman Avery said it could be in the operating budget but the Select Board prefers to have it in a separate fund for cases when new or unexpected equipment is needed such as the ballot counting machine.

Matt Higginson of Cherry Ln. said he is always alarmed by the service charge when he tries to pay his property taxes online. He asked whether the town sees any of those fees.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Lisa Amarosa explained that paying property taxes online via check will only incur a \$0.95 fee. She said paying by credit card will incur a charge of 2.95% of the transaction total. She confirmed that the town does not receive any of the money and that it goes to InvoiceCloud, the software company managing the online payments.

Karen Matta Oshima of Moharimet Dr. questioned why Madbury switched from hand counting votes to using a ballot counting machine, and asked if we can go back to being a hand count town.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Amarosa explained that during the 2020 election year, the town decided it was unsafe to have many volunteers working together

in the same room counting ballots for several hours. She said COVID response grants were used to purchase a ballot counting machine, which was done with the safety of Madbury residents in mind. She also explained that the State of New Hampshire requires towns that use a ballot counting machine to remain a machine count town.

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

ARTICLE 18: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Lizzie Higginson of Cherry Ln. seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to discontinue the Hayes Road Repair and Repave Capital Reserve Fund created in Article 15 at the 2016 Town Meeting. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. If this article is not passed Article 19 will not be considered. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery explained that Articles 18 and 19 are linked but that voting will be separate. He said in the past funds were established to address individual road projects. He said the problem is when the project is completed but there is still money left in the fund and the Select Board is not allowed to move the money. He said this account can be closed and the town can choose another road for a new article, or the money can be moved to a new article made for all future road projects, allowing the Select Board to use the money for any town roads needing work. He explained that this article is to close the Hayes Road Fund because the project has been completed.

Tony St. Louis of Hayes Rd. asked if the plan to put a top coat on Hayes Road has been eliminated.

Road Agent Jay Moriarty said there were not enough funds to pay for a top coat. He explained that the road has a strong base and should be fine for several years before a top coat will be needed.

Mary Downes of Littleworth Rd. asked if the \$25k left in the fund will be moved to the general fund.

Selectman Avery said yes.

Carol Loughlin of Hayes Rd. asked if the road was going to last.

Road Agent Moriarty said both approaches are used extensively throughout the state and that quite a few roads in town have been done this way. He said he believes the road is adequate and that the longevity of roads has greatly improved in recent years.

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

ARTICLE 19: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Carolyn Hutton of Mill Hill Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to establish a Major Roads Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of major repair and repave projects and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article contingent on the passage of Article 18. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Avery said this is the beginning of a longer term approach to maintaining roads. He also explained that if the town had paved the top coat on Hayes Road the taxpayers would have felt the brunt of the cost. He said this fund is an approach to spread the tax burden over years instead of all at once.

Chuck Goss of Cherry Ln. said credit is due to Jay Moriarty for keeping the roads in great condition. He asked if this fund could apply to fixing intersections like the one completed on Cherry Lane. He mentioned fixing the intersection located at Rt. 9 and Old Stage Road.

Selectman Avery said the Select Board would not be able to use the funds that way per the wording of the article, but that the town could vote to approve the use of funds in that way.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Lisa Amarosa said she believes the Rt. 9 and Old Stage Road intersection is owned by the state and the town would not be allowed to make changes to it.

Road Agent Jay Moriarty said that is correct. He said he has been involved with three extensive studies with the state on that intersection, as well as other intersections in town. He said the state will control any work that is done and that the costs are extremely high.

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

ARTICLE 20: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Fritz green of Garrison Ln. seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to establish a Contingency Fund in accordance with RSA 31:98-a for the current year of 2024 for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate Twenty-One Thousand Dollars (\$21,000) to put in the fund. This sum to come from General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance, there is no impact on taxes. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Selectman Burt said the fund's purpose is to be used for unplanned emergencies.

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

ARTICLE 21: Selectman Tim Burt moved, and Betsy Renshaw of Town Hall Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2024 appropriation as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, said funds to be placed in a conservation fund held by the municipal treasurer (RSA 41:29). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Conservation Commission Chair Eric Fiegenbaum said the Conservation Commission is allowed to keep its unexpended funds and this article allows them to retain it in a conservation fund account. He said the fund currently has about \$103k and said that funding is available if the town chooses to purchase an easement. He also noted that the annual report has a lot of useful information for residents regarding the town.

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

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

Recreation Committee Member Gordon Davenport gave an update on the fitness trail. He said the committee is working on bids to extend the trail by <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a mile. He also said they are working on fitness group ideas and a possible holiday festival. He said the committee is looking for more members if any-one is interested.

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

Peggy Wolcott of Old Stage Rd. said words matter and she is troubled by the term "Board of Selectmen." She said she would like to see a change in that name.

Selectman Tim Burt thanked Peggy for her statement. He said the Board has discussed this previously but has not acted on it yet. He also said the Board is very open to gender sensitivity and informed the town that the gender signs located on the restrooms at the town hall have all been removed.

Moderator Don Goodnow said he believes the term is in New Hampshire statute but said he agrees with Peggy's comment.

Morgan Daigle of Freshet Rd. reminded everyone that Madbury Day will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2024.

Don Sundberg of Nute Rd. said he has lived in Madbury for 45 years and knows the town runs on the backs of many volunteers and asked for a round of applause for those who have so graciously given their time to Madbury.

Moderator Don Goodnow thanked Lulu Higginson for helping with the microphone during the meeting.

Selectman Mark Avery said the town has opens positions. He said Road Agent Jay Moriarty is retiring and the job is posted on the website. He said there is also an opening at the transfer station and they are looking for a snow contractor.

Selectman Tim Burt asked for a round of applause for the town employees. He then acknowledged those who are stepping away from their positions: Chad Walker (Transfer Station), Diane Hodgson (Ballot Clerk Coordinator), Tom Burbank (Planning Board), and Jay Moriarty (Road Agent). He also commended Jeannette Fones for her suggestion to repair the old windows in the town hall and for coordinating a Wentworth Trust grant to purchase curtains for them.

Selectman Mark Avery presented Fritz Green of Garrison Rd. with a plaque and gift for the many years of service he has provided to the town. His past roles include Planning Board Chair, Moderator, and Select Board.

Fritz Green said it was a pleasure and an honor to serve the town.

Morgan Daigle of Freshet Rd. moved, and Betsy Renshaw of Town Hall Rd. seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moderator Goodnow called for a vote and then declared the meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Lisa Amarosa, Town Clerk

Accepted by the Board of Selectmen on April 25, 2024 Mark Avery Tim Burt Susan Ossoff

# 2024 Town Clerk Report

Motor Vehicles		
Registrations	\$430,139.80	
Title Fees	802.00	
Town Clerk/Agent Fees	<u>13,702.00</u>	
		\$444,643.80
Dog Licenses (448)		
Town Fees	\$1,970.00	
Late Fees (13)	1,147.50	
Civil Forfeiture Fees	2,100.00	
		\$5,217.50
Marriage Licenses (13)		
Town Fees		\$91.00
Vital Records		
Town Fees		\$415.00
State Fees		
Motor Vehicles	\$153,442.15	
Dogs	246.00	
Vital Records	<u>989.00</u>	
		\$154,677.15
Grants & Donations		
Grants	\$41,519.20	
Wentworth Family Trust	13,685.00	
Donations MPL	3,747.23	
NH Reimbursements	450.00	
		\$59,401.43
Special Details		
MPD (90)		\$80,232.50
State Reimbursements		
Highway Block Grant	\$39,302.40	
Meals & Rooms	<u>191,262.70</u>	
		<u>\$230,565.10</u>
Total		\$975,243.48

## 2024 TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Year Ending 12/31/2024

DEBITS	PRIOR LEVIES				
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year:	Levy of 2024		2022	2021	
Property Taxes	2024	\$222,339.49		\$836.00	
Land Use Change Taxes					
Yield Taxes					
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$2,257.53)				
Taxes Committed this Year					
Property Taxes	\$8,902,664.00				
LUCT	14,500.00				
Yield Taxes	1,125.75				
Excavation Tax	868.04				
Overpayments:					
Property Taxes	186.00	10 (00 0)			
Interest & Penalties on Late Tax	<u>1,742.77</u>	<u>12,622.06</u>			
TOTAL DEBITS	\$8,918,829.03	\$234,961.55	\$392.00	\$836.00	
CREDITS					
<b>Remitted to Treasurer:</b>					
Property Taxes	\$8,708,742.42	\$132,264.52			
LUCT	14,500.00				
Timber Yield Taxes	1,125.75				
Interest (Include Lien Conv)	1,592.77	11,653.06			
Penalties	150.00	969.00			
Excavation Tax	868.04				
Converted To Liens (Prin. only)		86,705.00			
Abatements Made:					
Property Taxes	240.11	1,120.97	392.00		
Uncollected Taxes End of Year					
Property Taxes	194,073.91	2,249.00		<u>\$836.00</u>	
LUCT				_	
Property Tax Credit Balance	<u>(2,463.98)</u>				
TOTAL COEDITS	¢0 010 030 03	¢224 061 55	¢202.00	£926 AA	

TOTAL CREDITS \$8,918,829.03 \$234,961.55 \$392.00 \$836.00

# SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

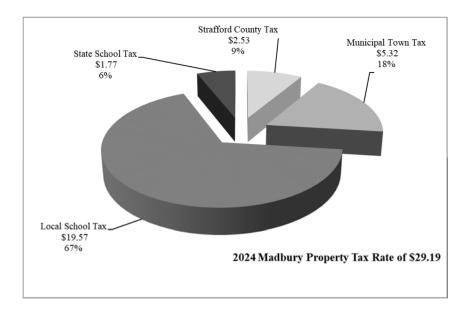
### DEBITS

Unredeemed & Executed Liens	Levy of 2024	2023	2022	2021
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY			\$93,969.67	\$98,038.80
Liens Executed During FY		\$94,157.19		
Interest & Costs Collected		<u>937.23</u>	4,332.34	<u>13,484.83</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$0.00	\$95,094.42	\$98,302.01	\$111,523.63
CREDITS				
<b>Remitted to Treasurer</b>				
Redemptions		\$27,452.04	\$35,487.17	\$47,719.64
Interest & Costs Collected		937.23	4,332.34	13,484.83
Abatements of Unre- deemed Liens				226.07
Unredeemed Liens End of FY		<u>66,705.15</u>	<u>58,482.50</u>	<u>50,093.09</u>
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	\$0.00	\$95,094.42	\$58,482.50	\$111,523.63

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WHERE	IT	GOES
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-	2023		2024	
Local School Appropriations*	\$5,435,947		\$6,031,744	
State Education Tax*	505,687		502,269	
County Assessment Tax*	798,260		780,602	
Municipal Tax	1,406,689		1,641,688	
Breakdown of Current Tax Rate				
Local School (ORCSD) Tax	\$17.91	66%	\$19.57	67%
State School Tax	1.79	7%	1.77	6%
Strafford County Tax	2.63	10%	2.53	9%
Municipal Town of Madbury Tax	4.64	17%	5.32	18%
TOTAL	\$26.97	100%	\$29.19	100%
from DRA Tax Rate Calculation sheet				



# **2024 INVENTORY**

Land, Impro	ved & Unimproved		\$97,358,069.00
Buildings:	Residential	\$177,511,816.00	
	Commercial	\$8,691,400.00	
			\$186,203,216.00
Public Utilit	ies, Electric & Gas		\$23,920,300.00
Manufacture	ed Housing		\$4,368,400.00
Discress.	Preser. Easement		<u>(\$17,784.00)</u>
Total Valuat	ion before Exemptions		\$311,867,769.00
Exemptions			
Blind Ex	emptions	(\$15,000.00)	
Elderly E	xemptions	(\$2,196,129.00)	
VA Assis	stance Exemptions	\$0.00	
Solar Ene	ergy Exemptions	(\$1,378,400.00)	
Total Exemp	otions Allowed		(\$3,589,529.00)
Net Value of	n which tax rate computed		\$308,278,240.00
Total Proper	ty Tax Assessed		\$8,956,303.00
Veterans Ta	x Credit		<u>(\$52,750.00)</u>
Total Proper	ty Tax Committed		\$8,903,553.00
Property	Taxes	\$8,902,664.00	
Timber T	ax	\$1,125.75	
Excavatio	on Yield Tax	\$868.04	
Land Use	e Change Tax	<u>\$14,500.00</u>	
Total Taxes	Committed to Collector		\$8,919,157.79

### **TREASURER'S REPORT** FISCAL YEAR 2024

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF TOWN OF MADBURY:	JANUARY 1, 20	24
TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	\$230,683.18	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	3,837,165.09	
Citizens Bank - Op/TC-EFT/Target	647,174.20	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	36,582.78	\$4,751,680.25
LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:		· · · · ·
TD Banknorth - Checking	789.42	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	1,674.78	2,464.20
CONSERVATION COMMISSION:		
TD Bank - Checking	103,982.77	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	-	103,982.77
TOTAL CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1, 2	024	\$4,858,127.22
DEPOSIT MONIES RECEIVED:		
Tax Collector	\$8,021,991.09	
Tax Online Pymnts Processed	974,835.54	
Town Clerk / Administrative	915,201.01	
TC Online Pymnts Processed	128,246.02	
State portion Transferred to DMV Select Board	(153,442.15)	
Trustees of Trust Funds	208,981.00	
Conservation Commission	8,265.07	
Library Dedicated Funds	871.94	
Interest on Investments	65,135.04	10,170,084.56
LESS ORDERS PAID PER:	· · · · · ·	
Select Board	(\$9,708,987.72)	
includes \$6,337,979 to ORCSD & \$780,602 to Straff	ford County	
Conservation Commission	-	( <b>0</b> 0 700 570 7 <b>0</b> )
Library Dedicated Funds	(592.00)	(\$9,709,579.72)
CASH AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024	-	\$5,318,632.06
SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND AS OF TOWN OF MADBURY:	DECEMBER 31,	, 2024
TD Bank - Checking/Cash Management	\$232,230.89	
Citizens Bank - Investment Checking	4,309,663.03	
Citizens Bank - Op/TC-EFT/Target	623,133.52	
Cash Register	75.00	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	38,537.64	\$5,203,640.08
LIBRARY DEDICATED FUNDS:		,,,,
TD Banknorth - Checking	1,068.52	
TD Banknorth - MPL Building Account	1,675.62	2,744.14
CONSERVATION COMMISSION:		· · · · ·
TD Banknorth - Checking	112,247.84	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		112,247.84
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 3	1, 2024	\$5,318,632.06

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#### **CONSERVATION FUNDS** Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2024

AVAILABLE FUNDS JANUARY 1, 2024		\$103,982.77
Added Revenue from the Town		
Unexpended Portion of Budget (Article 21)	\$782.50	
One Half Land Use Change Tax Received 2024	7,250.00	
Total Revenue from the Town		8,032.50
Added Revenue from Other Sources		
Interest from Savings and Investments	232.57	
Total Revenue from Other Sources	_	232.57
Total Funds Available		112,247.84
Less Expenditures:		
Total Expenditures		-
AVAILABLE FUNDS DECEBMER 31, 2024	-	\$112,247.84
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2024		
TD Bank - Checking Account	\$104,215.34	
Outstanding checks	-	
Deposit in transit credited February 2025	8,032.50	
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2024	-	\$112,247.84



### **AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE for 2023**

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. We recommend the Select Board work to resolve ownership issues for two unimproved properties with regard to deeding.

> Linda Stewart Rhenda DeAngelis

### 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT BALANCE SHEET Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2024

	<u>General</u> <u>Fund</u>	Library <u>Dedic</u> <u>Fund</u>	Captl & Grant <u>Prj</u> <u>Funds</u>	Trustees of <u>Trust Funds</u>	Total Gov. <u>Funds</u>
Assets					
Cash and Equiv.	\$872,692.52	\$1,068.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$873,761.04
Investments	4,348,200.67	1,675.62	-	1,348,428.50	5,698,304.79
Conservatn Funds	104,215.34	-	-	-	104,215.34
Taxes Receivables	185,394.91	-	-	-	185,394.91
Liens Receivables	175,280.74	-	-	-	175,280.74
Accounts Recvbl	11,892.95	-	-	-	11,892.95
Due frm StateNH	73,310.51	-	-	-	73,310.51
Interfund Recvbl	-	-	-	-	-
Prepaid Expense	-	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	\$5,770,987.64	\$2,744.14	\$0.00	\$1,348,428.50	\$7,122,160.28
Liabilities Accounts Payable Tax Credits Payable Due to State Due School District Interfund Payables Deferred Revenue Bond/Security Held Conserv.Funds Held	\$129,088.95 2,463.98 526.00 2,787,850.00 9,824.00 41,732.59 716.00 104,215.34	\$0.00 - - - - -	\$0.00 - - - - - -	\$1,000.00 - - - - - - -	\$130,088.95 2,463.98 526.00 2,787,850.00 9,824.00 41,732.59 716.00 104,215.34
Total Liabilities	\$3,076,416.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,077,416.86
Fund Balance	<b>a</b> (a <b>a</b> (aa aa	<b>*</b> •••••	<b>*</b> •••••	<b>*</b> •••••	<b>AA</b> ( <b>AA</b> ( <b>AA</b> ( <b>AA</b> ))
Unassigned Fund Bal	2,692,600.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,692,600.80
Restricted Fund Bal	1,969.98	1,068.52	9,824.00	59,541.00	72,403.50
Committed Fund Bal	-	1,675.62	-	1,287,887.50	1,289,563.12
Assigned Fund Bal	-	-	-	-	<u>+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++</u>
Total Fund Bal	\$2,694,570.78	\$2,744.14	\$9,824.00	\$1,347,428.50	\$4,054,567.42
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$5,770,987.64	\$2,744.14	\$9,824.00	\$1,348,428.50	\$7,131,984.28

# \$2,480,783.50 General Fund Balance - December 31, 2023 \$2,694,570.78 General Fund Balance - December 31, 2024

\$213,787.28 Net Change In General Fund Balance

### 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds as of December 31, 2024

Revenues	General Fund	Library Dedic Fund	Captl & Grant Pro- ject Fund	Trustees of Trust Funds	Total Gover Funds
Taxes & Interest	\$8,943,093.01				\$8,943,093.01
MV & Boat Regis	444,614.80	_	_	_	444,614.80
Federal Funding	,01-1.00		\$19,963.43		19,963.43
Rev frm State of NH	248,085.31	-	1,504.57	-	249,589.88
Vitals, Licenses & Permits	18,372.70	-	-	-	18,372.70
Chrgs for Services	67,185.65	\$53.10		-	67,238.75
Sale/Rent Town Prop	11,319.53	-	-	\$5,000.00	16,319.53
Reimb. & Donations	36,553.76	818.00	80.00	-	37,451.76
Intragovrnmntl	,	-	10,351.06	357,000.00	367,351.06
Interest on Invests	64,660.04	0.84	-	55,127.89	119,788.77
Grant Funds	-	-	-	-	
Trnsfr frm Cptl Rsrv	26,269.51	-	182,454.38	-	208,723.89
Total Revenues	\$9,860,154.31	\$871.94	\$214,353.44	\$417.127.89	\$10,492,507.58
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Expenditures					
General Government	\$305,707.30	-	\$80.00	-	\$305,787.30
Boards & Comms.	17,269.46	-	8,719.73	\$257.11	26,246.30
Public Safety	397,099.73	-	51,284.00	51,284.00	499,667.73
Facilities, Streets &	,		ŕ	,	,
Sanitation	1,104,495.74	-	124,269.71	133,439.89	1,362,205.34
Health & Welfare	13,512.00	-	-	-	13,512.00
Culture & Recreatn	136,667.80	\$592.00	30,000.00	24,000.00	191,259.80
Trnsfr to Captl Resrvs	357,000.00	-	-	-	357,000.00
Trnsfr to Genrl Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-
County Allocation	780,602.00	-	-	-	780,602.00
School Allocations	6,534,013.00	-	-	-	6,534,013.00
Grant Funded Projects	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	\$9,646,367.03	\$592.00	\$214,353.44	\$208,981.00	\$10,070,293.47
Net Chng in Fund Bal.	\$213,787.28	\$279.94	\$0.00	\$208,146.89	\$422,214.11
Fund Balnc, beginning	\$2,480,783.50	\$2,464.20	\$9,824.00	\$1,139,281.61	\$3,632,353.31
Fund Balance, ending	\$2,694,570.78	\$2,744.14	\$9,824.00	\$1,347,428.50	\$4,054,567.42

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Dept #	Description	2024 Adopted <u>Budget</u>	2024 Adjusted <u>Budget</u>	Actual Unaudited <u>12/31/2024</u>	2025 <u>Proposed</u>
4130	Executive	\$81,588	\$81,588	\$81,199.74	\$84,337
4140	Election and Registration	14,760	14,760	11,786.95	5,500
4150	Financial Administration	116,163	116,163	105,191.37	120,694
4152	Assessing / Valuation	12,720	12,720	12,076.50	14,953
4153	Legal	30,000	28,700	1,482.75	30,000
4155	Personnel Administration	55,750	55,750	41,146.99	69,100
4191	Planning Board	17,156	17,156	13,745.55	18,622
4192	ZBA	3,565	3,565	245.19	3,704
	General Government	- )	- )		- , -
4194	Buildings	125,188	125,188	120,621.72	133,263
4195	Cemeteries	9,728	9,728	8,002.39	10,869
4196	Insurance	52,740	52,740	52,740.00	57,540
4210	Police Department	278,357	278,357	188,086.40	253,611
4215	Ambulance	21,602	21,602	21,602.00	21,936
4220	Fire Department	119,924	119,924	118,067.58	178,196
4222	Interlocal Fire*	-	-	11,250.00	100,000
4225	Forest Fire	500	500	-	500
4240	Building Inspection	16,106	16,106	15,130.22	16,370
4242	Inspections Department	3,000	3,300	3,250.00	3,000
4290	Emergency Management	1,000	1,000	453.53	1,000
4299	Special Details	125,000	125,000	39,260.00	125,000
4312	Highway & Streets	923,850	923,850	867,730.50	987,870
4313	Bridges	3,000	3,000	-	3,000
4316	Street Lighting	1,800	1,800	1,250.79	1,800
4323	Hazardous Waste Collect.	2,600	2,600	2,347.00	2,700
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	77,490	77,490	69,640.18	79,884
4329	Recycling	30,000	30,000	27,218.16	30,000
4338	Water	3,000	3,000	1,778.72	3,550
4411	Health	100	100	45.00	50
4414	Animal / Pest Control	2,500	2,500	800.00	2,500
4415	Health & Welfare Agencies	3,000	3,000	3,000.00	3,000
4442	Direct Assistance	15,000	15,000	8,667.00	15,000
4445	Other Assistance	1,000	1,000	1,000.00	2,000
4520	Parks & Recreation	6,400	6,400	3,960.01	5,850
4550	Library	98,328	99,328	98,761.26	100,974
4583	Patriotic Purposes	200	200	83.00	200
4589	Oyster River Youth Assoc.	23,488	23,488	23,488.00	16,200
4619	Conservation Commission	1,500	1,500	1,500.00	1,550
	Use of Wentworth Family				
4808	Trust	28,000	28,000	13,685.00	30,000
4810	Use of Donations	-	-	4,458.53	-
т	OTAL ODEDATIONAL	¢2 20C 102	\$2 206 102	\$1 074 752 02	62 524 222

# **2025 PROPOSED BUDGET - Appropriations**

**TOTAL OPERATIONAL** \$2,306,103 \$2,306,103 \$1,974,752.03 \$2,534,323

\*2024 expenditure from nonlapsing of Article 6 of 2023.

•	Description / Individual Warrant Article	2024 Adopted s*	2024 Adjusted	<u>Actual</u> <u>Unaudited</u> <u>12/31/2024</u>	2025 <u>Proposed</u>
4710	Debt Service	-	-	-	-
4199	Restricted FB for Contingency	\$21,000	\$21,000	-	\$23,000
4915	Transfer to Capital Reserves	357,000	357,000	357,000.00	486,500

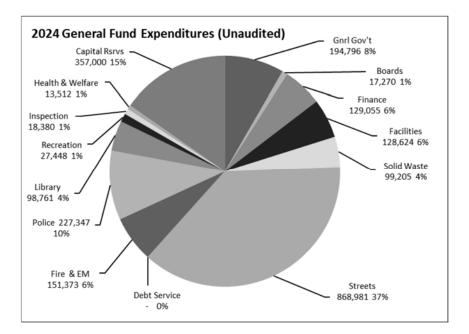
GRAND TOTAL Approp/expenses \$2,684,103 \$2,684,103 \$2,331,752.03 \$3,043,823

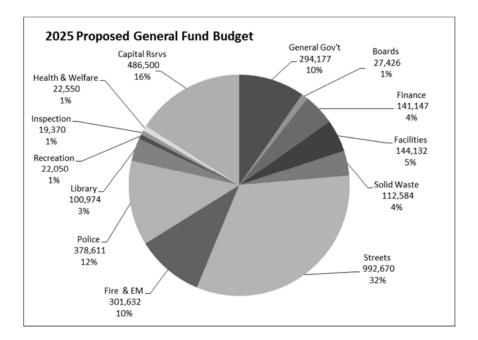
\*The breakdown below provides specifics on this section of the budget.

Individual and Special Warrant Articles:	2025 Articles	2024	2025
Contingency Fund per RSA31-98-a	2023 Articles	\$21,000	\$23,000
Contingency Fund per Rorist 70 u		φ21,000	<i><b>\$</b>20,000</i>
Capital Reserve - Bridge Repairs & Maintenance	Article 06	80,000	102,000
approximate available balance \$253,364 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Public Works Facility	Article 07	90,000	180,000
approximate current balance \$387,151 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Government Building Repairs	Article 08	35,000	35,000
approximate available balance \$58,966 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Grounds Maintennc Equip.	Article 09	10,000	10,000
approximate available balance \$12,603 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Fire Equipment	Article 10	50,000	50,000
approximate available balance \$145,667 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Police Equipment	Article 11	15,000	20,000
approximate current balance \$20,635 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - CPA Audit	Article 12	5,000	5,000
approximate current balance \$24,516 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Property Revaluation	Article 13	6,000	8,500
approximate current balance \$30,149 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Purchase Property/Easment	Article 14	25,000	40,000
approximate current balance \$111,633 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Recreational Facilities	Article 15	-	5,000
approximate current balance \$36,023 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Master Plan		10,000	-
approximate current balance \$31,015 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Information Technology	Article 16	6,000	6,000
approximate current balance \$12,913 held by TTF			
Capital Reserve - Major Road	Article 17	25,000	25,000
approximate current balance \$25,092 held by TTF	-		
		\$378,000	\$509,500

<u>Acct. #</u> 3120	<u>Description</u> Land Use Change Tax Revenue	2024 Town <u>Meeting</u>	2024 MS-434 <u>Adjusted</u> \$7,250	2024 Actual <u>Unaudited</u> \$7,250.00	2025 Proposed <u>Estim.</u>
3114	Elderly/Disabled Tax Lien Def		φ1,230	2,189.30	-
3185	Timber Yield Tax Revenue		1.125	1,125.75	
3185	Excavation Yield Tax Revenue	\$1,200	868	868.04	\$900
	Intrst & Penlts on Property Taxes		13,520	14,178.11	10,000
3190-020	1 5		19,355	18,941.12	10,000
3190-021		10,000	745	810.70	10,000
3210-023	Planning Board Revenues	500	9,750	6,332.20	500
3210-020	6	50	145	145.00	50
3220	Motor Vehicle Permits	407.650	434.000	444,614.80	420,000
3230	Building Permit Fees	6,000	5,155	5,685.50	6,000
3290	Vital Recds,LicensesPermit,Fee	1,850	5,630	5,785.00	1.800
3290-055	Transfer Station Permits	40	40	45.00	40
3290-055		250	230	240.00	250
3290-050	Pistol Permits	40	40	40.00	30
3292	Excavation Permit Fees	100	100	100.00	100
3293	Inspection Fees	500	1,625	2,275.00	3,000
3352	NH Rooms & Meals	100,000	190,528	191,262.70	100,000
3353	NH Highway Block Grant	54,000	56,373	56.372.61	54,000
3359	NH Railroad Tax	550			550
3401-71	Town Office Fees	400	30	26.00	100
3401-73	Police Department Revenue	600	460	540.00	500
3401-78	Library Revenue		220	96.15	-
3401-81	Cemetery Revenue		1,000	1,000.00	-
3410	Special Detail Revenue	125,000	125,000	63,013.50	125,000
3502	Interest on Investments	5,000	64,700	64,660.04	20,000
3503	Rental of Town Property	10,793	11,015	11,319.53	10,793
3504	Returned Check Fee	60	175	235.00	60
3505	Solar Aray Revenue	20,000	10,900	13,070.31	12,000
3506	Insurance Reimbursements		1,000	1,000.00	-
3507-48	Wentworth Family Trust Gift	28,000	28,000	13,685.00	30,000
3508-74	Donations - Fire Department		-	100.00	-
3508-78	Donations - Library		-	4,493.53	-
3509	Welfare Reimbursements		1,500	1,500.00	-
3510	NH Reimbursements		450	450.00	-
3511	Other Reimburs./Contributions		-	2,704.92	-
3911	Transfers from General Fund	46,000	46,000	-	23,000
3915	Transfers from Capital Reserve	25,386	-	26,269.51	-
	General Fund Revenue Total	\$853,969	\$1,036,929	\$962,424.32	\$828,673
3110	Property Tax Revenue	\$1,830,134	\$1,647,174	\$1,583,114.99	\$2,215,150
Genera	al Fund Revenue Grand Total	\$2,684,103	\$2,684,103	\$2,545,539.31	\$3,043,823

# 2025 PROPOSED BUDGET - Estimated Revenues





RI	REPORT	OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF MADBURY TTF ON DECEMBER 31, 2024	<b>UST FUND</b>	S OF THE	TOWN C	<b>JF MADB</b>	URY TTF	ON DEC	CEMBER	31, 2024	
				PRINCIPAL	IPAL			INCOME	DME		
			Balance				Balance	Income			
Date of Na Create Tru	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Beginning Year	New Funds Created	With- drawals	Balance Year End	Begin. Year	During Year	Exp Dur- ing Year	Balance Year End	Grand Total
3/8/89 Cem. Com. Trst	Com. Trst	Perpetual Care	\$51,500.00	\$4,400.00	1	\$55,900.00	\$10,890.26	\$3,011.26		\$13,901.52	\$69,801.52
1/2/14 Literar	۲.	Education	228.00		\$228.00		24.67	4.44	29.11	I	
2/3/37 Demerritt Cem.	mitt Cem.	Care of Lot	100.00	'	'	100.00	796.12	42.36	'	838.48	938.48
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Subtu	Subtotal of Tru	tst Funds	\$54,569.00	\$4,400.00	\$228.00	58,741.00	\$15,214.19	\$3,353.30	\$29.11	\$18,538.38	\$77,279.38
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3/8/94 Fire Equipment	quipment	Fire Equip.	83,226.38	50,000.00	I	133,226.38	7,729.57	4,711.79	I	12,441.36	145,667.74
3/14/00 Property Reval	ty Reval.	Periodic Reval	21,308.33	6,000.00	I	27,308.33	1,703.4	1,137.41	I	2,840.81	30,149.14
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3/9/10 Rec. F	acility	Plan & Devel	56,250.00	1	20,226.36	36,023.64	1,251.95	2,521.69	3,773.64	1	36,023.64
3/9/10 Iafolla	h Reclam.	Land Reclam.	69,920.00	'	1	69,920.00	4,787.02	3,532.47	'	8,319.49	78,239.49
3/13/12 Groun	ds Maint.	Equipment	29,312.49	10,000.00	26,709.48	12,603.01	1,343.99	1,476.91	2,820.90	1	12,603.01
3/13/12 Gov't.	Bldgs	Maj. Bldg Rpr	92,438.89	35,000.00	68,471.97	58,966.92	2,739.87	4,788.16	7,528.03	I	58,966.92
3/12/13 Bridge Repair	e Repair	Repair/Replace	157,613.73	80,000.00	I	237,613.73	7,295.42	8,455.19	I	15,750.61	253,364.34
8/24/16 Hayes	Rd Rpr	Repair/Repave	20,636.49		20,636.49	1	4,749.99	883.03	5,633.02	I	1
3/13/18 Fire C	omms	Region. Coms.	22,445.03	1	I	22,445.03	2,779.14	1,192.70	ľ	3,971.84	26,416.87
3/13/18 CPA /	Audit	Prof Audit	18,000.00	5,000.00	I	23,000.00	596.38	920.41	I	1,516.79	24,516.79
3/10/20 Public Works	Works	Build & Equip.	280,000.00	90,000.00	I	370,000.00	3,518.45	13,633.28	I	17,151.73	387,151.73
3/8/22 Infor.	Tech	Equipt & Serv.	6,500.00	6,000.00	I	12,500.00	58.22	355.41	I	413.63	12,913.63
10/20/23 Master Plan	r Plan	Consult / Upd	20,000.00	10,000.00	I	30,000.00	81.70	933.30	I	1,015.00	31,015.00
12/3/24 Major Road	Road	Major Repair	'	25,000.00	'	25,000.00	-	92.24	-	92.24	25,092.24
Subtotal of Cap. Reserv. &		Expend. Trust Funds	\$1,022,610.42		\$182,209.26	\$358,100.00 \$182,209.26 \$1,198,501.16	\$46,388.00	\$51,774.59	\$26,514.63	\$71,647.96	\$1,270,149.12
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Madbury Trustees of the Trust Funds: Bob Renshaw, Robyn Gault, Judy Engalichev

#### WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING TOWN OF MADBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 11, 2025

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 (13 Town Hall Rd.), in said Madbury on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. o'clock in the morning for the purpose of voting on Article 1 and 2,

and at the 7:00 p.m. o'clock in the evening for action on Articles 3 through 23.

The polls, which open at the Town Hall at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of voting on Article 1 and 2 will close at 7:00 p.m.

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

A Select Board member for the ensuing three years
A Town Clerk/Tax Collector for the ensuing three years
A Treasurer for the ensuing year
An Auditor for the ensuing two years
A Trustee of the Trust Funds for the ensuing three years
A Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years
A Library Trustee for the ensuing three years

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

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment to the existing town Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to replace Article V: Section 4. Accessory Apartments with the new Article V: Section 4. Accessory Dwelling Units and to replace the term "Accessory Apartment" with "Accessory Dwelling Unit" in all instances that it appears in the Zoning Ordinance? The proposed amendment allows detached Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in addition to attached dwelling units and establishes review criteria and permitting procedures for ADUs.

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

Article 4: To hear the report of developments related to the needs assessment report and plans for future fire protection.

**Article 5**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thirty-four Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-three Dollars (\$2,534,323) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of

One Hundred Two Thousand Dollars (\$102,000) to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purpose of repairing and maintaining town bridges. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 7**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000) to add to the existing Public Works Development Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2020 Town Meeting for the purpose of building a facility and initiating equipment purchases. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 8**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting for the purpose of major repairs to town government buildings. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 9**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing grounds maintenance equipment. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 10**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting, and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purpose of the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Select Board. (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 Select Board. (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 CPA Audit Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 19 at the 2018 Town Meeting for the purpose of completing a CPA audit of the Town in a few years. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 13**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500) 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 Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 14**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to add to the Purchase of Property and/or

Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 7 at the 2018 Town Meeting and revised in Article 14 of the 2024 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchase of property, land and/or easements. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 15**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to add to the existing Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 05 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of planning and development of recreational facilities within the town. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 16**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to add to the existing Information Technology Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 17 at the 2022 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing computer hardware, software, and related services to meet the technology requirements of the Town. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 17**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to add to the existing Major Roads Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 19 at the 2023 Town Meeting for the purpose of major repair and repave projects. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 18**: To see if the town will vote to establish a Contingency Fund in accordance with RSA 31:98-a for the current year of 2025 for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate Twenty-three Thousand Dollars (\$23,000) to put in the fund. This sum to come from General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance, there is no impact on taxes. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required).

**Article 19**: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2025 appropriation as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, said funds to be placed in a conservation fund account held by the municipal treasurer (RSA 41:29). Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

**Article 20**: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Select Board to rent or lease municipal property for a term of up to 5 years without further vote or ratification of the town. (RSA 41:11-a). Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

Article 21: To see if the town will vote to delegate to the Select Board the authority to determine the rate and amount of compensation to be paid to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector for his or her services. (RSA 41:25) Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

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

Article 23: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required)

Given under our hands and seal the 21st day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-five.

Mark Avery Tim Burt Susan Ossoff Madbury Select Board

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

Lisa Amarosa, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

We certify that on the 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-five, we posted a copy of the warrant at the Town Hall, Library, and the Town Clerk's Office being three public places in the Town of Madbury, as required by law.

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#### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Madbury, like many small Towns, is facing difficult challenges. The ways in which the Town provides core functions, such as public safety and infrastructure maintenance, need to change as current service approaches become unsustainable. The Select Board is currently focusing on addressing fire protection and public works services. These are long term projects that have been in the works for years but crunch time is here now. Our goal is to maintain these services while remaining cognizant of the cost impact on residents.

First, our volunteer fire service is struggling to meet the Town's needs. While we have highly dedicated and skilled volunteers, there simply are not enough volunteers available when needed. This can put both our citizens and responders at risk in emergencies and must be addressed. As such, the Fire Department has been researching ways to improve our service.

This year, the Select Board received the final report from its consultant, Municipal Resources Inc., that outlined the current state of our fire services and provided recommendations for improvement. Based on those recommendations the Town reached out to surrounding communities and received proposals ranging from fully contracted services to a hybrid contract-volunteer model. Additionally, Fire Chief Perley is pursuing collaboration with neighboring towns to build a regional approach to fire protection.

The Select Board will carefully consider the future benefits to public safety as well as financial impacts of all of these approaches when deciding the future direction of the Fire Department. For 2025 the Select Board has added funding to provide for some regular station staffing hours to support Fire Department readiness.

Second, the Select Board continues moving forward on determining how we will provide future public works services. The primary challenge is that the Town's long term snow plow contractor will not be available beyond the 26/27 winter season and a replacement has not yet been found among the very few contractors capable of plowing municipal roads.

Based on this reality, the Select Board accepted the citizen led Public Works Exploratory Committee's recommendation to start to establish a Public Works Department. This will be a long term project in which we maintain contract operations for as long as possible.

The first step toward developing public works capabilities was hiring an Expert Road Agent. We are fortunate to have been able to hire Mat Paugh to fill this role. Mat has conducted a full assessment of the roads in town and has created a repair/maintenance plan that began with improving drainage. Mat has tremendous knowledge in this field and has a keen eye toward keeping a responsible budget.

The second step is to establish a Town owned salt and sand storage shed. To that end, the Select Board formed the Public Works Planning Committee. This citizen led committee is tasked with identifying a public works site, developing an engineered site plan for future public works facilities, and building a salt shed. As of this writing the committee has identified the Town Transfer Station as the best location and is currently researching engineering services to develop a site plan. A facility is necessary to attract possible new snow plow contractors. However, until a contractor can be identified, we must increase funding for public works based on the possibility that the Town will need to provide plow services itself.

In addition to fire protection and public works, the Select Board is also working to improve other Town services and facilities.

We have contracted Civic Plus to develop a new and improved town website. There have been several delays but we are hopeful that the new website will launch soon. The goal of this project is to improve access to information and allow for better communication within the town.

Portions of the roofs at both the Town Hall and the Safety Complex have been replaced due to normal aging and wear. The new roofs have corrected leaks in both buildings. We are now planning for other needed maintenance and long term HVAC replacement projects.

Town phone service has been switched to VOIP to improve our connectivity and reduce our costs.

The Recreation Committee has extended the Tibbetts Field Loop trail through the Pumpkin Patch field and linked it into the Moharimet woods trails. Additionally, the ORYA is building a concession stand/storage at Tibbetts entirely at its own cost.

The Town provided grant management support to the Bunker Lane condominium community as it finalized a long worked grant and loan process to update its water supply system.

In recognition of increased inflation, the Select Board approved a 3% increase in wages for town employees for 2025. The Board will continue to develop a wage schedule for the Town. This is another long term effort that will assist in hiring new employees and providing fair compensation for our employees.

The Select Board continues to wrestle with unpermitted side businesses in the Residential/Agricultural District. Residents engaged in any business/ money making activities at or from their homes must contact the Town to see if a permit is required for the activity. The process is inexpensive and simple, and allows for concerns between neighbors to be addressed.

Finally the Select Board thanks our many dedicated volunteers and employees that make this Town work and wish to recognize the following individuals as they move on from Town Service: Janet Wall (Selectwoman), Lisa Amarosa (Town Clerk/Tax Collector), Amy Avery (Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector), and Jim Davis (Assistant Fire Chief).

Respectfully, Mark Avery Chair, Madbury Select Board



#### EXPERT HIGHWAY AGENT

My name is Mathew Paugh and I began as the Madbury Expert Highway Agent in Spring of 2024. Prior to working in Madbury, I worked for the New York State Department of Transportation for 17 years, gaining expertise in road construction, machine operation and paving. Since starting as the road agent, I have identified numerous areas in need of improvement within our road system.

This summer, we focused heavily on improving draining along road ways, including cutting shoulders and cleaning ditches along the roads. This allows the rain to effectively drain off the driving surface, preventing hydroplaning and decreases ice formation in the winter. Relying on community input and in collaboration with Eversource, I identified many hazardous trees in need of removal. Trees were removed by myself whenever possible and an outside contractor was utilized when necessary. Communication with Region 6 DOT confirmed that they intend to pave Town Hall Road within the next two years. I have begun to negotiate the subsequent paving of Mill Hill Road when Town Hall Road is completed to save the town money. Paving of Jenkins Road was completed in the early fall of 2024.

Most of the roads in Madbury have only a base coat of blacktop. Future projects will include applying a top coat of blacktop where possible to improve the longevity of the road systems in our town. Old Stage Road, Mill Hill Road, Evans Road and Fitch Road will all be future paving project goals.

Respectfully, Mathew Paugh, Expert Highway Agent



Drainage work on Garrison Ln.

M. Paugh

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would like to thank the citizens of Madbury for their continued support over the past year.

Following 2023 Town Meeting the Town of Madbury contracted Municipal Resources Inc of Plymouth, NH to perform a needs assessment and provide fire protection options for the town in the future. That process took around a year to complete, and I have been following up on several of the options identified in that report. Members of the Madbury Fire Department look forward to continued work with the select board to ensure adequate coverage for the town.

This year we recognized several dedicated members of the Madbury Fire Department. First we recognized Ken Wolcott for 62 years of service, as he and his wife Peggy relocated to New York state to be closer to their daughter. Ken served as Fire Chief for 20 years. In October we celebrated the retirement of Assistant Chief Jim Davis after 25 years as Assistant Chief and 32 years as a member of the Madbury Fire Department. We would also like to recognize FF Alexandria Gorski for 15 years of service and Ashley Constantino for 10 years of service.

We continue to promote the use of the states online Fire Permit system; you may obtain a Fire Permit online at www.nhfirepermit.com. Please note that all burning laws must still be followed, or your permit may be voided.

Respectfully Submitted, Thomas Perley Fire Chief

2024 Calls for	r Service
Building Fire	
Outside Fire	
Fire, Other	
Medical Aid	
Vehicle Accident w/inj	
Vehicle Accident w/o I	
Hazardous condition	
Gas Leak	4
CO Incident	1
Power Line	
Alarm Activation	5
Service Call	
Animal Rescue	1
Cover Assignment	5
Good Intent	
Cancelled en route	
False Alarm	9
Bomb Scare	
Total Calls for Service	280

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

The year 2024 offered the Madbury Police Department many challenges and marked my 24th year of service to Madbury and 46th year as a Law Enforcement Officer. The greatest challenge the department faced in 2024 was finding qualified officers. Combined with losing officers due to changing career paths or retiring from law enforcement, we have been left with a shortage of manpower. The officers who remain are doing their best to cover shifts. We have been assisted by both the New Hampshire State Police and the UNH Police Department to ensure 24-hour coverage for the town of Madbury. We continued our ongoing training for our annual certification, as well as our in-house training. In addition, we continued to work with SAU personnel to ensure the safety of the Moharimet school.

I appreciate and enjoy having the opportunity to serve the Madbury community, and I look forward to having a successful 2025. I value the support I receive from the department personnel, the university police department, Troop A from NH State Police, the Strafford County Attorney's office, and from the Madbury Town Selectmen. Their ongoing commitment to this agency allows us to better serve the Madbury community and its residents.

Sincerely,

Chief Joseph E. McGann Madbury Police Department



# PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board held 5 Public Hearings and approved the following applications during 2024:

1 Site Plan Review

• Site Plan Review for the construction of a concession stand at Tibbetts Field 25 Lee Road. Applicant: the Oyster River Youth Association

3 Conditional Use Permits

- Conditional Use Permit for Wetland Buffer Impacts and for Wetland Crossings to access the buildable portion of the lot; Tax Map 9 Lot 31-A (359 Durham Road)
- Conditional Use Permit for construction of a driveway within the boundaries of the Shoreline Overlay District; Tax Map 9 Lot 31-A (359 Durham Road)
- Conditional Use Permit for a changed or expanded Level II Home Occupation; Tax Map 4, Lot 19 (46 Moharimet Drive)

1 Two lot Subdivision, with accompanying waiver requests

• Tax Map 5, Lots 17 and 17A (Hayes and Nute Roads)

Additionally, the Board heard a one year update of progress on the Conditions Subsequent attached to the Conditional Approval of the Site Plan Review granted to LandCare Associates, Tax Map 9 Lots 3 and 4 (282 and 284 Knox Marsh Road) in October of 2022.

Two major projects came to fruition in the past year. In July, we completed the first chapter of an updated Master Plan. Using funds from a Housing Opportunity Planning grant, the Housing & Demographics chapter was completed and may be found on the Town's website. There are also hard copies in Town Hall.

In December, we approved the final language for the warrant article which asks Madbury voters to amend the town ordinances to allow an Accessory Dwelling unit within or detached from an existing residential property. This was the product of months of research, studying NH RSA guidelines and what other towns have done in response to the need to expand housing options.

In the coming year, we have a robust slate of tasks on the docket.

- The Board applied for and received a second HOP grant, which we will use to update the Vision and Land Use Chapters of the Master Plan, and to create a Work Force Housing ordinance. During this work, our current Zoning Ordinances will come under review and the need for future modifications will be noted and may be part of the discussions.
- The Board also aims to develop regulations for short-term rentals and for solar projects.

We are a volunteer board and are grateful both to the Madbury citizens who serve and to those who respond when we solicit public input. If any of the topics on our current "to do list" interest or affect you, we would especially like to hear from you . We meet at 7 PM on the first and third Wednesdays of the month, and you are always welcome. There is a need for alternates on the board should you be interested in joining us.

Respectfully, Marcia Goodnow, Chair



#### **CEMETERY TRUSTEES**

The Madbury Cemetery trustees continue to work to keep the cemetery attractive and neat in its appearance. A spring and fall clean-up occurred and some new shrubs were added to the Memorial Garden area. Trustee Rod Hutton did some repair work to the shed interior and he has continued to clean monuments as needed.

The trustees are lucky to have volunteers who help with upkeep of the cemetery. Chuck Goss cleared the roadway in the cemetery, ridding it of weeds and overgrown grass. Families and friends of people buried in the cemetery have also helped maintain its tranquil nature by discarding spent flower arrangements and by following the regulations regarding the types of arrangements that are left graveside.

It was a season of loss for Madbury. There were seven interments, and ten plots were sold this year.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy O'Neill Rod Hutton Sue St. Louis



Madbury Cemetery in sunshine

R Hutton

# ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Madbury Zoning Board of Adjustment heard one application over the past year.

In November, the board heard an application for a variance from the minimum lot size requirements for a lot located on Durham Road (Tax Map 10, Lot 07) in Madbury. This lot is shared by Madbury and Dover, NH and the applicants were seeking to reduce the size of the Madbury portion to allow for a property line adjustment. The board considered the application and approved the variance.

Additionally, the board met to hear from the Planning Board regarding the Master Plan revisions and planned updates.

Respectfully submitted, Matt Bacon, Chair



#### **RECREATION COMMISSION**

The Madbury Recreation Committee is pleased to announce the successful completion of the extension to the Tibbett's walking trail. This project, which began last year, has added an additional 1/4 mile to the trail, providing residents and visitors with more opportunities for outdoor recreation and nature exploration.

Key highlights of the project include:

- New signage and wayfinding markers for improved navigation
- Enhanced accessibility features, including smooth, well-maintained surfaces

Expanded trail connections to interior natural trails, encouraging increased use and activity

This extension is a welcome addition to our community, promoting health and wellness. The Recreation Committee thanks all volunteers, town staff, and contributors for their dedication and support in completing this project. We look forward to seeing everyone enjoying the new section of the trail!

Respectfully submitted, Gordon Davenport, Chair

#### RECORD OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 25, 2024

Moderator Donald Goodnow called the Special Town Meeting of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire, to order on Tuesday, June 25,2024, at 7:00 PM, at the Madbury Town Hall.

Moderator Goodnow explained his expectations for the deliberative session to the assembled citizens (approximately 25) and said both he and Town Clerk Lisa Amarosa had confirmed all those in attendance were registered Madbury voters. He introduced the Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk, and the Supervisors of the Checklist.

ARTICLE 1: Selectman Mark Avery moved, and Janet Wall of Kelley Rd. seconded, a motion to see if the Town will vote to ratify the results of the March 12,2024, annual meeting even though the posting requirements were not met. Recommended by the Select Board. (Majority vote required) Selectman Avery explained that a procedural defect with the posting of the budget associated with the March 12, 2024, town meeting was the reason for the Special Town Meeting. He said RSA 39:5 requires towns post their warrant at least 14 days prior to holding their town meeting. He explained that Madbury did post their warrant and internal budget on time but did not post the MS -636 form, which is required by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue. He said this vote is needed to ratify what occurred at the town meeting on March 12, 2024.

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

Fritz Green of Garrison Ln. moved, and Marcia Goodnow of Garrison Ln. seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moderator Goodnow called for a vote and then declared the meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Lisa Amarosa, Town Clerk

Accepted by the Board of Selectmen on June 27, 2024



# MADBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### Five Years in our New Building!

We celebrated all year by welcoming more of you through our doors than ever before. (See below for the statistics.) Thank you for supporting us and helping us realize our dream for this beautiful library. We believe that, as we've checked off the bullet points of our mission statement, a true community hub has emerged.

#### **Our Mission Statement**

The mission of the Madbury Public Library is to augment the center of community life and to enhance that life by:

- Encouraging free and open access to ideas and information in support of learning by people of all ages;
- Encouraging children's reading and learning by way of programs and services;
- Offering materials and programs which complement the interests of the community;
- Providing portals into statewide services and technological information sources.

#### Access to Ideas and Information for all Ages

We hosted 14 different kinds of programs for adults, including 74 individual meetings, which served 707 patrons. We hosted NH Humanities speakers and a several programs associated with the 2024 Oyster River Community Reads. Plus there have been the , plus weekly and monthly meetings including our Quilters, two adult book groups, bridge club, a writer's group. In addition to the children's programs mentioned below, we gave space for the Girl Scouts, Pony Club, Spanish classes, McGregor EMS, Community Church leadership meetings, ukulele lessons, Community Sound Healings.

# Encouraging Children's Reading and Learning Story Times with Sheryl & Kayla

Our story times are booming! Sheryl Horton, an experienced early childhood educator, joined our staff in 2023 as Children's Programming Specialist. She hosts two Monday story times, Lapsit (0-24 months) at 9:15; and Preschool (2-5's) at 10:30. Our Children's Librarian Kayla Morin-Riordan hosts a Thursday session at 10:30 session for children of all ages.

#### Baby & Toddler Yoga

Wednesday mornings are turned over to yoga for our youngest guests. In October 2024, Sheryl Horton received certification to teach early childhood yoga from ChildLight Yoga and began classes in that month. We held two five-week sessions in 2024 and are looking forward to a full year of yoga in 2025. Please call or stop in to register your baby or toddler for the next five-week session.

#### Summer Reading

During the summer of 2024, 99 of you signed up and jumped into our theme "Adventure Begins @ Your Library!" And what an adventure it was! We started early with a wonderful performance by Mr. Aaron on Madbury Day, June 1. (We plan to do that again this year on June 7!) Once again the three Oyster River libraries worked together to bring the best regional children's performers and presenters

to our libraries. This past year Steve Blunt and Marty Kelly; Magic Fred, and Foam Invasion all entertained us. (Some even aimed foam-firing hoses at us!) The everpopular Wildlife Encounters came to our library lawn and 170 of you sat on blankets or camp chairs to watch. We held a S'morey Time with Smokey Bear, heard about Project Coyote; and read Dave Eggers' The Eyes and the Impossible about quick-thinking animals on a California island. We held ten story times that featured jungles, camping, boats, and hiking. Altogether attendance at our many programs was 929. See you soon for Summer Reading 2025, when the theme will be "Level Up @your Library." Think puzzles, games, building, engineering, and making stuff!

# Natural Play Space

The play space was installed in the summer of 2022 and we loved seeing it full of activity all year long in 2024. We held story times in the Lorraine Morong Story Circle and look forward to more outdoor programs in 2025. Our Story Trail behind Town Hall is also visited year 'round; in 2024 six different stories were mounted in our permanent page holders.

#### Complementing the Interests of the Community

Ask us for a book we don't have, a program we don't know offer, a lecture or workshop you'd like to attend. Better yet, think up a program you'd like to host and we'll help you launch it. (Almost) anything is possible @your library!

#### Portals into Statewide Services

#### Downloadable Audiobooks, Ebooks, and Magazines

Through the library's annual subscription to the New Hampshire Download Library, we have access to more than 15,332 audiobook titles (43,193 copies) and 18,621 eBook titles (43,064 copies). In 2024 our patrons downloaded (borrowed) 4,425 items, including 2,277 audios, 1,790 eBooks, and 358 magazines. This represents an 46% increase over 2023! There are currently 134 unique users; 14 more than at the start of 2023. (A "unique user" has logged onto the NHDB site, usually via LIBBY, at least once during 2024.)

#### Interlibrary Loans

During 2023, we loaned 620 items to other libraries and borrowed 676 items for Madbury patrons. Interlibrary loan is a valuable service that allows us to offer you hundreds of thousands of titles without having to own them ourselves. (Or find shelf space!) Try it: ask us for anything and chances are good it will arrive at the library the following week. All for free!

#### Databases

Through the NH State Library we subscribe to Ancestry and Novel List, a reader's advisory service. The library also subscribes independently to Hoopla.

# **Library Statistics**

#### Collection

The library collection consists of 10,401 books, audiobooks, and DVDs. In 2024 circulation (checkouts and renewals) of these physical items was 10,7771, about 500 fewer than in 2023.

#### Attendance

8,302 of you walked through our front door in 2024. (A 21% increase over 2024.) 5,091 attended our library programs (47% over 2023!) We were not able to count everyone who walked on the Story Trail, sat at the picnic table, or played in our natural space, but we hear from many who happily come to learn and play when the building isn't open.

As you can see reading this report, 2024 was a record-breaking year at the library. Thank you for supporting our budget at Town Meeting. We're working hard to deserve your trust in us!

#### With Gratitude

#### Friends of the Library

Have you ever had a friend who, no matter what comes up, is always willing to support you? That's what the Friends of Madbury Library are to us. In 2024 they once again funded our children's programs—School Vacation weeks and Summer Reading—contributed supplies for the Story Trail, and funded all our museum passes. They also paid the cost of Sheryl Horton's tuition at ChildLight Yoga, our story time rug, plus numerous story time and yoga supplies. And there's the occasional emergency not covered in our yearly budget. They are there for all of it! Thank you to the 2024 officers: Anne Marple, president; Lorna Jacobsen, vice president; Daphne Chevalier secretary and now treasure. Jennifer Goldberg started the year as treasurer and retired after many years of dedicated service. FOML also welcomed new member Eowyn Chevalier as secretary

#### Farewell to Peg and Ken Wolcott!

Peg Wolcott had been one of the founders of the library and, before she became part of the staff in 2012, was a dedicated volunteer. The library was her life, she always said, and so in spring 2024, when she announced that she and Ken were moving to western New York to be closer to their daughter, we were forced to confront what that actually meant. Peg and Ken together did the work of a small army and nearly all of it out of sight. They would show up for whatever the library needed, at any hour, any day. Peg would cover a library shift with five minutes'notice. There's only one word for their many contributions: Irreplaceable.

Respectfully submitted Susan Sinnott Director



Madbury Public Library Financial R	eport FY202	4:
Accounts in Trust Beginning of Year:	<b>*=</b> 00 <b>10</b>	
Lib Trustee Chkng - Copier, Fines & Donations	\$789.42	
Library Trustee Savings - Bldg Donations	1,674.78	<b>**</b>
		\$2,464.20
Plus Receipts During Year:		
Town Op Budget (of \$92,777 adopted)	98,665.11	
Town Op Bldg Budget Utilized	8,985.49	
Department Receipts	96.15	
Donations Rec'd from Friends of MPL	3,843.53	
Other Donations	170.00	
Wentworth Family Trust Fund Awarded	-	
NH Humanities Council Grant	300.00	
Copier, Patron & Fines, Gnrl Donations	871.10	
Use of Library Building Capital Reserve*	-	
Interest on Savings	0.84	
Total Receipts during Year		\$112,932.22
Less Expenditures during Year:		
Personnel Wages	\$73,126.91	
Conferences, Dues & Other Personnel	330.00	
Utilities: Phone, Electric., Heat, Water Testing	12,581.80	
Software/Tech Support	3,430.31	
	1,040.11	
Office Supplies		
Books, Periodicals, DVDs & Audios	5,006.07	
Downloadables	1,743.93	
Programs	4,375.31	
Furniture & Fixtures	757.35	
Equipment & Machinery	1,240.00	
Bldg - Maintenance Wages	1,865.13	
Property Maintenance & Equipment Repair	7,120.36	
Other Miscellaneous	35.00	
Total Expenditures during Year		\$112,652.28
Year End Balance =Begin + Receipts-	Exp	\$2,744.14
Accounts in Trust at End of Year:		
Lib Trustee Chkng - Copier, Fines & Donations	\$1,068.52	
Library Trustee Savings - Bldg Donations	1,675.62	
Total Funds & in Trust at End of FY2		\$2,744.14
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\*The Library Building Capital Reserve balance of \$3,181.38 is held by the Trustees of Trust Funds

*The Library Building Project to date has Funding Sources and Expenditures of* \$1,701,293.20

#### WATER RESOURCES BOARD

This year the Water Resource Board (WRB) continued discussions concerning water quality in Madbury including the proposed new limits for lead and those for PFAS forever chemicals. It commented on an application for conditional use permits for a stream crossing and culverts on a property on route 108. The WRB reviewed the draft Housing & Demographic Chapter of the Master Plan prepared for the Planning Board and met with its Chairman, Marcia Goodnow, to review WRBs portion of the Implementation Table.

For Madbury Day, board members Giana Gelsey and Michele Martin again headed up an interactive watershed model demonstrating how water interacts with different land uses and contaminants. With the assistance of students from the Oyster River Middle School, attendees were also able to learn about vernal pools and, using the microscopes provided, view live critters from local vernal pools. The Enviroscope watershed model has become a major attraction at Madbury Day which prompted the WRB to purchase its own kit this year.

The WRB's water database now includes over 900 unique drinking water ids in addition to over 2700 monitoring well sample ids. The database has been used to provide lab reports to Madbury residents upon request and to locate gaps in water quality data. These gaps will be targeted for a planned 2025 water testing event.

Pat Bickford reported on her attendance at Seacoast Commission on Long-Term Goals and Requirements for Drinking Water meetings. The 12 seacoast town private drinking water well initiative, of which Madbury was first in 2022, is now complete. In total 733 households, housing approximately 1800 people, participated. Arsenic was the most common health risk found. A project spearheaded by the Rockingham Regional Planning Commission to develop a model allowing hazardous waste disposal more often than the usual once per year is being developed. Once completed, the model may be transferable to Strafford County. A second project is studying how seacoast towns can interconnect water supplies during emergencies.

This year, the board extended its thank you for all his work, but had to bid adieu to long-time member and chairman Garret Ahlstrom. Michele Martin has moved from alternate to full member and John Bickford joined the board as an alternate member.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Bickford, Chair

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In 2024, the Conservation Commission commented on one Conditional Use Permit which allowed 4 wetland crossings for a new single family residence on Rt. 108. The largest crossing was over Gerrish Brook. The Commission supported the proper sizing of that crossing, and pointed out that a NH species of concern (redfin pickerel) had been documented in the brook both above and below the proposed crossing. There is also a rare sedge on an abutting property where there is a conservation easement held by the Nature Conservancy.

The Commission reviewed and supported the NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES) enforcement of a wetlands filling on Huckins Rd. While the property owner had received an initial variance from the Madbury Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), a request for additional filling was denied. In a case of dual jurisdictions, the NH DES had never received a request for any filling and ultimately allowed an after the fact application and restoration that only allowed a minimal about of fill to support the recently built house and garage.

There is a plan by the Commission to engage in an outreach to the Planning Board and ZBA by engaging a wetland scientist to make a presentation and answer questions on the importance of the protections of wetlands.

The Commission continues to work with the Seacoast Chapter of the NE Mountain Biking Association to contribute some trail maintenance that will benefit both the bikers and other users of the town trails. Work being done on a memorandum of understanding that would allow light maintenance over a longer period of time than just individual projects.

There were discussions with a couple property owners who have expressed an interest in conservation easements. The criteria for protections were discussed along with the Town's ability to support easements. Projects generally require outside conservation organizations for administrative support and funding.

Respectfully submitted, Eric Fiegenbaum, Chair



Redfin pickerel on Brett Conservation Easement E. Fiegenbaum

		Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2024 and Dec 31, 2024	c 31, 2024	
Pr	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
Add	Add EV charger to home	Hagen, Stephen C	15 Garrison Lane	\$1,000
Add	Add trench & service cable to meter	Smith, Irrev Tr, Gerald L	22 Jenkins Rd	\$3,000
Ad	d 12 rooftop solar panels	Walker, Jody A	54 Evans Rd	\$10,664
AL	ADU electrical including heat pump	Grant, Thomas	221 Littleworth Rd	\$12,000
Re	duce meters from 2 to 1	Zhang, Hang	6 Garrison Lane	\$1,500
Fai	mily room electrical	Mcguire, Ryan John	10 Huckins Rd	\$1,500
Рq	d generator	Cooley Trust, Allison P	31 Nute Rd	\$10,000
W	ater heater electrical	Varlikli, Serkan	9 Garrison Lane	\$0
Чd	d generator	Goss II, Charles L	6 Cherry Lane	\$11,900
Z	ni split electrical	Pape, Gerard B Revoc Trust	57 Nute Rd	\$500
Õ	Dormer electrical	Rockwell, Caleb M	186 Littleworth Rd	\$0
Ba	Bathroom plumbing	Hagen, Stephen C	15 Garrison Lane	\$5,000
Ρq	d standby generator		2 Beech Hill Rd	\$2,000
Ac	ld 24 solar panels, ground mount	Fahnestock, Mark A	31 Moharimet Dr	\$39,358
ΑI	OU electrical		182 Madbury Rd	\$3,000
40	panel ground mount solar array	Losee, Andrew	16 Huckins Rd	\$37,000
Re	-feed electrical service	Larson, Karen C, Rev Trust	118 Perkins Rd	\$12,000
Re	place 30 failing solar panels		181 Madbury Rd	\$16,000
A	ld generator	Fernandez, Seamus	12 Pendexter Rd	\$16,000
$\mathbf{Z}$	Kitchen electrical	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	\$7,500
Ä	ot repair	Fernandez, Seamus	12 Pendexter Rd	\$1,000
Ğ	Generator electrical	Lehner, Ellis Peter	24 Evans Rd	\$0
Ğ	Generator install	Hodsdon, Bruce E	92 Hayes Rd	\$1,000
Ξ	Electrical for studio	Charle & Mccarthy Rev Trust	14 Nute Rd	\$500
$\mathbf{Po}$	Pool installation	Fletcher, Daniel C	174 Madbury Rd	\$6,000

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	Electrical Permits	Electrical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2024 and Dec 31, 2024	1, 2024	
Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
9/5/2024	Basement remodel	Courtemanche, William	10 Garrison Lane	\$600
9/19/2024	Bathroom renovations	Brick & Mortar Properties, LLC	42 Nute Rd	\$6,000
10/7/2024		Vaicunas, Carol Anne	1 Moharimet Dr	\$0
10/7/2024		Heaton, Scott J	51 Moharimet Dr	\$0
10/7/2024		Officer Rev Liv Trust, Timothy	5 Evans Rd	\$26,688
10/31/2024	Electrical for HVAC system	Nicol, Scott D	6 Freshet Rd	\$800
11/14/2024	Electrical for concession stand	Madbury, Town of	25 Lee Rd	\$20,000
11/18/2024	Generator electrical	Kimball, Family Rev Trust 2020	11 Cherry Lane	\$11,510
11/18/2024		Madbury, Town of	12 Town Hall Rd	\$7,200
11/25/2024		Litvaitis, John	3 Hook Mill Rd	\$11,110
11/25/2024		Brennan, Marjorie A Revoc Trust	98 Old Stage Rd	\$11,321
11/25/2024	Generator install electrical	Foster, Jessica	22 Moharimet Dr	\$11,110
12/5/2024	HVAC electrical	Ray, D Richard	2 French Cross Rd	\$100
12/19/2024	Generator electrical	Cloutier, Lee C	20 Hayes Rd	\$11,900
12/26/2024	Generator electrical	Sonnenschein, Gary	81 Old Stage Rd	\$12,755

	Building Permits Is	Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2024 and Dec 31, 2024	, 2024	
Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
1/4/2024	Add 552 sq. ft. ADU above garage	Grant, Thomas	221 Littleworth Rd	\$50,000
1/29/2024	Add family room	Mcguire, Ryan John	10 Huckins Rd	\$34,500
2/15/2024	Re-side home	Zhang, Hang	6 Garrison Lane	\$32,900
2/22/2024	Cell tower alterations	SBA Communications	22 Jenkins Rd	\$50,000
4/1/2024	Siding replacement	Keith, Theodore & Jane	77 Hayes Rd	\$35,000
	Kitchen remodel	Gibbons, Matthew J.	13 Huckins Rd	\$40,000
4/11/2024	Repair porch as needed	Tillman, Lucy E	1 Hayes Rd	\$2,000
	Bathroom floor and fixtures	Hagen, Stephen C	15 Garrison Lane	\$20,000
	Add dormer	Rockwell, Caleb M	186 Littleworth Rd	\$0
5/9/2024	Add 12x10 shed roof over	Calzone, Antonio	32 Nute Rd	\$1,500
6/10/2024	Add mud room and deck	Plante, Zachary D	1 Garrison Lane	\$3,000
6/13/2024	Install new kitchen	Williams, Michael D	11A-B Pendexter Rd	\$35,000
7/1/2024	Roof replacement	Walker Revoc Tr of 1997	124 Perkins Rd	\$11,000
7/11/2024	Strip and replace roof	Kazura III, Joseph Nicholas	12 Bunker Lane	\$29,499
7/25/2024	Complete framing & finish basement	Avery, Devin Blinn	80 Cherry Lane	\$4,000
7/25/2024	Add pool	Fletcher, Daniel C	174 Madbury Rd	\$50,000
7/25/2024	Rot repair	Fernandez, Seamus	12 Pendexter Rd	\$0
7/25/2024	Add 10x13 deck with stairs	Lavigne II, Barry A	39 Bunker Lane	\$3,000
7/29/2024	Cell tower work	AT&T Services Inc.	44 Beech Hill Rd	\$50,000
7/29/2024	New deck	Davenport, Rebecca	43 Pudding Hill Rd	\$10,000
7/29/2024	New kitchen cabinets and flooring	Hagen, Stephen C	15 Garrison Lane	\$35,000
8/15/2024	Re-roof home	Boudreau, Andrew	6 Champernowne	\$19,500
8/26/2024	Electrical for studio	Charle & Mccarthy Rev Trust	14 Nute Rd	\$40,000
8/26/2024	Finish basement room as rec. room	Courtemanche, William Edward	10 Garrison Lane	\$5,600
9/5/2024	Remodel 3 bathrooms & laundry	Brick & Mortar Properties, LLC	42 Nute Rd	\$100,000

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Date	Project		Location	Est. Cost
9/5/2024	14 Build roof over doorway Bogush, Edward James	Bogush, Edward James	118 Piscataqua Bridge Rd	\$5,000
9/19/2024	Upgrades to craft studio	Trahan, Jay R	115 Piscataqua Bridge Rd	\$10,000
10/7/2024	Replace windows	Dickerson Rev Trust 2005	255 Littleworth Rd	\$5,000
10/7/2024	12x22 deck	Murtagh Family Trust	6 Hayes Rd	\$12,000
10/7/2024	Replace windows and door on sun porch	Deangelis, Lawrence A	16 Pendexter Rd	\$5,000
10/31/2024	Replace siding and house wrap	Burt, Timothy J	2 Moss Lane	\$15,000
10/31/2024	Build concession stand	Madbury, Town of	25 Lee Rd	\$350,000
10/31/2024	Add deck and room	Goss II, Charles L	6 Cherry Lane	\$17,500
11/7/2024	Permit to install new home	Van Dessel Family Rev. Trust	48 Nute Rd	\$40,000
12/12/2024	Strip and re-roof house	Rice Revoc Trust	13 Moss Lane	\$25,000
12/12/2024	Move shed Demerritt Field	Madbury, Town of	9 Town Hall Rd	\$800
12/12/2024	Scoreboard	Madbury, Town of	9 Town Hall Rd	\$20,000
12/16/2024		Corrow, Justin H	22 Nute Rd	\$25,000
12/30/2024	Alterations to snack shack	Madbury, Town of	12 Town Hall Rd	\$17,800

# Building Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2024 and Dec 31, 2024

	Mechanical Permits I	Mechanical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2024 and Dec 31, 2024	1, 2024	
Date	Project	Owner	Location	Est. Cost
2/5/2024	H Add propane tanks to property Da	Davis, John H	232 Littleworth Rd	\$500
2/5/2024	Furnace replacement	Siebert, Alex Jed	41 Town Hall Rd	\$10,000
2/15/2024	LP tank swap	Bellamy Rental Prop. of NH	153 Madbury Rd	\$0
2/22/2024	Add 1-57 gallon LP tank and gas piping	Abreu, Carlo G	3 Moharimet Dr	\$300
3/4/2024	Add 2- 120 gallon LP gas tanks	James, Benjamin S	4 Mill Hill Rd	\$500
4/22/2024	Mini split electrical	Pape, Gerard B Revoc Trust	57 Nute Rd	\$3,540
4/25/2024	For generator	Cooley Trust, Allison P	31 Nute Rd	\$450
5/23/2024	Add 2-120 gallon LP tanks	Horne, Mark	2 Beech Hill Rd	\$150
5/30/2024	Add 2- 120 gallon LP tanks	Crawley, John M	9 Moss Lane	\$1,500
6/10/2024	Add gas piping for gas range	Patton, Samuel J	271 Littleworth Rd	\$750
6/17/2024	Replace propane furnace	Bogush, Edward James	118 Piscataqua Bridge Rd	\$7,065
6/27/2024	Add 150' of gas piping & 500 gallon tank	Hodsdon, Bruce E	92 Hayes Rd	\$1,000
7/29/2024	Add propane tank and gas piping	Patton, Samuel J	271 Littleworth Rd	\$1,800
7/29/2024	Gas piping	Lehner, Ellis Peter	24 Evans Rd	\$880
8/19/2024	Generator mechanical	Hodsdon, Bruce E	92 Hayes Rd	\$0
9/26/2024	Tank swap	Brennan, Marjorie A Revoc Trus	98 Old Stage Rd	\$500
10/7/2024	Generator electrical	Vaicunas, Carol Anne	1 Moharimet Dr	\$0
10/31/2024	Electrical for HVAC system	Nicol, Scott D	6 Freshet Rd	\$20,750
11/21/2024	500 gal LP tank swap with gas piping	Whalen, Christopher G	3 Garrison Lane	\$1,000
11/21/2024	Furnace replacement	Craig, Anne M	14 Bunker Lane	\$2,000
12/2/2024	HVAC mechanical	Ray, D Richard	2 French Cross Rd	\$13,200
12/2/2024	Gas piping	Foster, Jessica	22 Moharimet Dr	\$1,100

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Est. Cost	\$1,600	\$1,600	80	\$1,180		Est. Cost	\$6,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$22,000	\$6,129	\$0	\$4,500	\$0	\$0	\$8,500	\$3,000	\$3,500
ec 31, 2024 Location	81 Old Stage Rd	22 Nute Ka 11 Cherry Lane	12 Pendexter Rd	81 Old Stage Rd	31, 2024	Location	221 Littleworth Rd	186 Littleworth Rd	65 Cherry Lane	25 Lee Rd	21 Evans Rd	11A-B Pendexter Rd	182 Madbury Rd	12 Pendexter Rd	12 Pendexter Rd	12 Pendexter Rd	15 Garrison Lane	9 Garrison Lane
Mechanical Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2024 and Dec 31, 2024 Owner	Sonnenschein, Gary	Corrow, Jusun II Kimball, Family Rev Trust	Fernandez, Seamus	Sonnenschein, Gary	Plumbing Permits Issued Between Jan 1, 2024 and Dec 31, 2024	Owner	Grant, Thomas	Rockwell, Caleb M	Tauriello, Daniel G	Madbury, Town of	Avery, Mark A	Williams, Michael D	Burke, Christine Marie	Fernandez, Seamus	Fernandez, Seamus	Fernandez, Seamus	Hagen, Stephen C.	Varlikli, Serkan
Mechanical Permits Project	Add 2-120 gallon LP tanks & gas piping	Convert new range to LF gas Gas piping for generator	Gas piping	Generator mechanical		Project	ADU plumbing	Upstairs plumbing	New home plumbing	Concession stand plumbing	Replace water heater	Kitchen plumbing	ADU plumbing	Rot repair	Plumbing repairs as	Bathroom plumbing	Bathroom plumbing	Water heater electrical
Date	12/9/2024	12/19/2024 12/19/2024	12/19/2024	12/26/2024		Date		5/6/2024	4/22/2024	11/18/2024	5/30/2024	6/17/2024	2/12/2024	7/25/2024	7/25/2024	10/7/2024	5/6/2024	3/25/2024

# SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 2024

Description	Value	<u>Map/Lot</u>
Town Hall, Land & Buildings Furniture & Equipment	\$ 804,800 77,000	7-13, 7-3A & B
Gangwer Purchase (behind town hall)	33,200	7-21, 7-22
Hix Hill (Wentworth Property)	14,300	7-17A
9 Town Hall Rd: Estes Property	316,100	7-14
11 Town Hall Rd: Library Furniture & Equipment	1,400,000 71,500	7-13-B, 7-14
Old Fire Station, (First parish site)	193,400	8-16
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds (Demerritt Park)	785,900	4-22, 4-23, 6-1, 8-26, 9-5A, 9-60, 9-60-L
Town Cemetery	152,000	6-4C
Hayes Rd/Cherry Ln (Bolstridge Forest)	58,900	5-14
Tibbetts Property	21,000	6-4
Schreiber Property	234,100	6-13C
Safety Complex, Bellamy Water Rights Police Furniture, Equip., Vehicles Fire Furniture, Equip., Vehicles	1,310,900 185,000 545,000	8-27
Bellamy Conservation Parcel A Bellamy Conservation Parcel B	131,800 8,900	2-16A 2-16B
Hoyt Pond Conservation Area	27,800	9-68K
Tasker Lane Conservation Area	29,900	8-30
G & R Associates (Iafolla)	287,500 52,600	3-16 3-16A
Transfer Station, Town Forest	545,300	8-4
All Land and Buildings acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds	<u>405,800</u>	1-31, 1-31A, 31B, 1-40 1-41, 1-44, 3-54, 3-32
TOTAL:	\$7,692,700	

#### WENTWORTH FAMILY TRUST GIFT

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

The Select Board reviewed submissions and provided the following list of projects to Charter Trust, who approved them for 2024 disbursement:

\$6,000 Tibbetts Field Trail Extension - expansion of fitness trail by Recreation Commission

Additionally, Charter Trust approved the School Board Representative's recommendation for: \$12,000, Scholarships. Ten scholarships and awarded to Madbury students graduating from high school and pursuing post secondary education.

\$18,000.00 - Grand Total Disbursed in 2024



New trail extension to Tibbetts Field.

G. Davenport

# STRAFFORD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Strafford Regional Planning Commission works with municipalities, statewide organizations, and other partners to provide technical assistance with plans, outreach, projects and regulations. SRPC creates a space for stakeholders to connect, share information, and engage with important planning initiatives.

# **2024 Accomplishments**

(Value of services provided at no additional cost to the town is in parentheses)

Ordered New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation books for local land use boards. (\$135.00)

Organized a Hazard Mitigation Planning Team and began the process of updating the Town Hazard Mitigation Plan. (\$4,500)

Worked with town staff and engineering consultants from BETA Inc. to develop a scope and cost estimate for two traffic safety improvement projects including NH155 Madbury Rd, Town Hall Rd; and Old Stage Rd, Franklin Pierce Hwy (NH9), and French Cross Rd. (\$17,642)

# 2024 Regional Accomplishments

Land Use and Environmental Planning

Kicked off the 2023-2027 SRPC Brownfield's Program providing assessment and cleanup planning services to the region's communities.

Participated in Great Bay Adapts, a five-year project to assist Great Bay Watershed communities as they plan for climate change, build resilience, and implement priority projects.

# **Transportation Planning**

Adopted the first Active Transportation Plan for the Strafford Region. (https://strafford.org/plans/active-transportation-plan/)

Analyzed all roads within <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a mile of regional bus routes for pedestrian safety and comfort.

Contracted with EcoInteractive to develop a fully online transportation project database (to be launched in early 2025).

Worked with COAST and Rockingham Planning Commission to reinvigorate the CommuteSMART program; received funding through NHDOT to hire a CommuteSMART manager.

Compiled candidate electric vehicle charging stations in the region for a joint funding application between the NH Departments of Transportation and Environmental Services.

Partnered with UNH Technology Transfer Center to conduct a peer-exchange on traffic calming and pedestrian safety infrastructure winter maintenance. Collaborated with the four Metropolitan Planning Organizations and VHB to develop regional Safety Action Plans (to be adopted in early 2025).

# **Economic Development**

Conducted the 2024 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) update. (https://strafford.org/plans/ceds/)

Convened and engaged the Seacoast Economic Development Stakeholders in monthly meetings to collaborate, share information and resources, work together to promote the economic vitality of our communities and region, and advance conversations about key issues affecting the region, such as housing, workforce, and childcare.

Disseminated resources and funding opportunities to over 6,000 businesses in the region on a quarterly basis.

# Data and GIS

Updated our regional Land Use GIS data layer, static Land Use Standard Maps, and ArcOnline Land Use Standard Map.

(https://strafford.org/reference/map-gallery/)

Updated our regional Community Anchor Institutions GIS data layer and associated static and ArcOnline Standard Maps.

Published 4th annual Regional Data Snapshot consisting of over 150 data metrics for the region, 3rd annual interactive Data Snapshot Web Map, and 2nd annual Community Profiles containing municipal specific data from the Snapshot for each of the 18 communities in the region.

(www.strafford.org/measure/data-snapshot/)

# 2025 Goals

# Local

Develop and implement transportation safety projects through the regional safety action plan.

# Regional

Lead an integrated update of the Regional Plan (land use and environment), Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), and Long-Range Transportation Plan (the "Metro Plan").

Develop and implement transportation safety projects through the regional safety action plan.

Finalize work started late in 2024 with NYU graduate students to develop new research, data, case studies, and best practices on how the planning and economic development communities can tackle regional childcare issues. Continue developing projects in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan to get them "funding ready" including additional climate resilience projects. Implement a transportation "demonstration" project with a municipality to show possible traffic calming and pedestrian safety infrastructure. Assist municipalities to apply for Safe Streets and Roads for All implementation funding for local transportation projects.

Madbury Commissioners are: Tom Falk, Mark Avery



		Ι	Deaths	
Decedent's Name	<b>Death Date</b>	<b>Death Place</b>	Father's/Parent's Name	<u>Mother's/Parent's Name Prior</u> to First Marriage/Civil Union
Hackett, Patricia Addy	01/30/2024	Madbury	Addy, John	St Laurent, Yvonne
Talbot, Jean Roch Florent	03/26/2024	Madbury	Talbot, Aime	Lapointe, Cleophile
Gleske, Patricia Ann	04/20/2024	Dover	Purcell, Bernard	Leslie, Agnes
Kenney, Michael Roland	04/22/2024	Madbury	Kenney, Lewis	Marciniak, Regina
Crosby Jr, Carl T	05/20/2024	Dover	Crosby Sr, Carl	Barber, Dorothy
Hammond, Judith A	06/20/2024	Madbury	Kibby, Elgin	Sylvia, Eliza
Kach, Nancy	06/29/2024	Portsmouth	Emmert, Paul	Wolfe, Dorothy
Ramsbotham, Thomas	08/26/2024	Madbury	Ramsbotham, Ernest	Manning, Agnes
Dodd, Jonathan C	09/26/2024	Portsmouth	Dodd, Howard	Davisson, Dale
Gerrish, Ann L	09/27/2024	Madbury	Warburton, Noah	Caswell, Mabel
Cromeenes, Aja Rana	10/17/2024	Madbury	Cromeenes Sr, Wayne	Howard, Robin
Sonnenschein, Gary Paul	10/29/2024	Dover	Sonnenschein, Fritz	Quetsch, Kitty
Osborne, Louise Grace	11/02/2024	Madbury	Brown, Roscoe	Babb, Idella
Brown, Catherine Ann	11/04/2024	Dover	Roy, Joseph	Mooney, Rita
Piscitello, Marjory A	11/07/2024	Madbury	Kaplan, Herman	Goldstein, Julia
Miller, Thomas Richard	12/29/2024	Dover	Miller, Kenneth	Moser, Dorothy

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Town Meeting is March 11, 2025 at 7:00pm, at the Town Hall. Ballot voting is from 11am to 7pm.