

Town of Wade

Annual Report

Fiscal Year Ending: 01/31/2025

Annual Town Meeting
March 19, 2025 - 7:00 PM
Washburn Civic Center

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Paul Cyr

Town Officers for the Year 2024

Selectmen, Assessors & Overseers of the Poor

Donna Turner, Selectman	Term Expires 2025	207-227-2663
Dwayne Dow, Selectman	Term Expires 2026	207-455-4749
Andrew White, Selectman	Term Expires 2027	207-227-5244

Town Clerk & Registrar of Voters, Property Tax Collector & Treasurer, Motor Vehicle Registrations/Excise Tax

Town of Washburn 207-455-8485

Road Commissioners

Donna Turner – Dwayne Down – Andrew White

Director of MSAD #45

Jeremiah McIntosh – Term Expires 2025

Constables: Donna Turner, Dwayne Dow, Andrew White

Library Director: Tiffany Wheeler

Animal Control Officer: David Rhinebolt - 207-852-7527

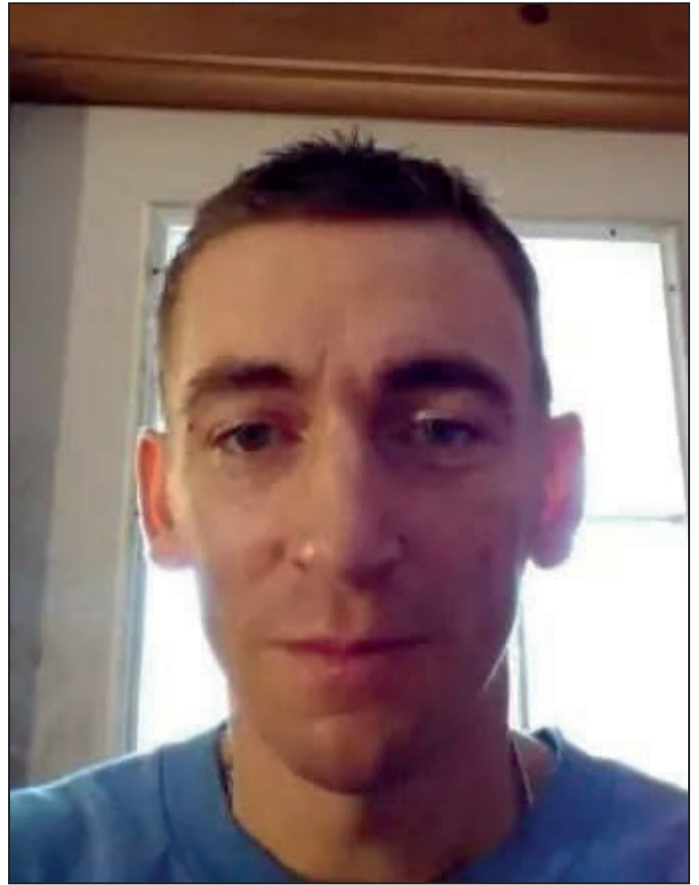
Fire Warden: Bill Sargent – 207-455-4007
or online at www.maine.gov/burnpermit for a fee.

IN LOVING 
Memory



Sterling A. Wilcox

March 26, 1927 - August 4, 2024



Nolan Cunningham

August 30, 1983 - July 5, 2024



Motor Vehicle Registrations

Motor Vehicle Registrations are still being done at the Washburn Town Office. The Town of Washburn issues the Town of Wade a check weekly for all excise tax collected. Remember, you need to have proof of insurance and your mileage when re-registering your vehicle. Any new vehicles must have excise tax paid at Washburn before you go to Motor Vehicle Office in Caribou.

Dogs

State of Maine Law requires that ALL dogs, six months of age and older must be licensed in the town where the dog owner resides. This license must be obtained annually. The fee for the male/female dog is \$11.00 and a neutered/spayed male/female is \$6.00. A current rabies immunization record and a neutered/spayed certificate, if applicable must be presented.

All dogs must be licensed by January 31st or be subject to a late fee of \$25.00

Dates to Remember

April 1, 2025	Deadline to file Tax Exemptions (Veterans, Homestead, Blind) if you do not currently have one on file.
Nov. 1, 2025	Interest starts on 2024 Property Taxes
Jan. 31, 2026	Final day to register your dog before late fees begin. Final day to pay property taxes before the Town books close.

Property Taxes

Please notify the Town office prior to **April 1, 2025** if a building has been burned or torn down or has been moved. If the information has not been relayed to the town prior to that date you will be charged for it on your 2020 tax bill. Our tax year runs April 1st to March 31st of the following year. Requests for changes in assessments must also be requested before **April 1st, 2025**.

Building Permits

Remember, if you are planning to build or add on to an existing structure you need a building permit. There is no charge for it but we do need to have one on file. Applications may be picked up at the Washburn Town Office. Building permits are also necessary when placing an Amish building on premises as well.

Tax Club

Tax Club Payments will start when you get your tax bill. You will receive a form to fill out and return. Payments will run from August thru June (11 months). As long as you make your monthly payments you will not be charged any interest and your name will not be in the book if not paid by January 31.

Selectmen's Report

Another year has come and gone. They seem to fly by. This past year with the funds from a \$50,000 grant from the Maine Community Resiliency Group, that was received for Washburn & Wade combined, we were able to install heat pumps at the Wade garage. During the summer, Soderberg Construction rented the Wade office for the Maine DOT while working on the Main Street Sidewalk project. We charged \$400 per month and made \$2400 this past summer. They will return this coming summer to finish the project and will most likely use the Wade office again. This year we will have our building fully paid for.

Last summer we rented a roller from Soderberg and 4 men spent an entire month on the Gardner Creek Road. However, no matter what we try to do though or how much money we spend, we still just have dirt roads that will continue to become pot holes. The amount of money spent over the past 20 years would have easily paved all of our roads and all we would then have to do is a rotating schedule to keep places maintained as needed. The selectmen have been discussing this as a possibility in the coming year. Instead of spending all of these funds every year and not making any headway, why not get a loan, pave it all and pay for it over the next 15-ish years. At least this way we would make some kind of headway. Nothing will be done on this idea without a great deal of exploration and a town meeting for a vote by the people to see if this is something that could be done.

This past year we also tried something different for our sand/salt. We ordered it from Canada all fully mixed and delivered. The cost savings on this was pretty substantial and the product was much better than what we have had in the past couple of years. This freed up the men to work on something else and just one man was needed in the shed to pile the sand/salt up.

The department, along with the help of Washburn, was able to get a newer pickup truck with a back seat. All 4 men can ride in it if necessary. This truck belongs to both towns.

I fully believe that combining forces with the highway departments has been very beneficial for both towns.

Selectmen, Andy White, Donna Turner, Dwayne Dow

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January 1, 2025

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VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Dear Friends,

Each year comes with renewed hope – to celebrate each other's successes and care for each other in times of need. I am thankful to each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. We always work together to get things done. This past year was no different.

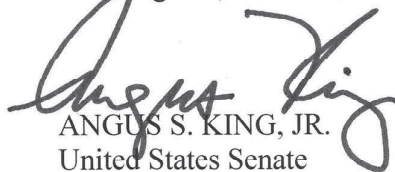
First, it was a true honor to be reelected to the United States Senate for another six-year term. Throughout my travels around the state, I heard many concerns about the cost of living and affordability of housing. Many of you also shared your concerns about access to medical and mental health services. The *Inflation Reduction Act* has been incredible for older people in Maine – Medicare is finally negotiating lower prices for prescription drugs, on top of the \$35 per month cap for insulin that took effect in 2023. We have an opportunity to build on what we have in common and do what Maine people do best; we will continue to help each other and lead through example.

I have also been consistently working to help our veterans. My team has repeatedly been successful in securing long-overdue recognition of military medals for many of Maine's combat veterans and working to resolve issues with claims, travel pay, and access to healthcare and benefits our veterans earned through their selfless service to our country. I have also worked with my Veterans Affairs and Defense partners in Washington to successfully pass a national defense bill that strengthens our national security, takes care of our service members, and supports Maine businesses from Aroostook to York County.

I am also thankful to have such an incredible team across Maine available to you for hurdles you may face with the federal government. Whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, IRS and more, please never hesitate to reach out to my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow us the chance to be part of your solutions.

Together, over the next six years, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you — it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2025.

Best Regards,



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SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share several key accomplishments for our state from the previous year.

As Vice Chair of the Appropriations Committee, I have secured nearly \$580 million for 230 projects across all of Maine's 16 counties to promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; support law enforcement; improve public education and infrastructure; and protect our environment. As the new Congress begins, I am honored to be taking the helm of the Committee, the first Mainer to do so in nearly a century, and I remain committed to ensuring that federal spending produces real results for our state and nation.

Maine has the oldest average age in the country, which is why I have long prioritized health-focused legislative efforts. There were more than 1,860 health care bills introduced during the 118th Congress. Only 15 health care bills were signed into law, and I was a lead sponsor of five of them. These bills will enhance care for individuals with Alzheimer's, autism, and substance abuse issues through improved research funding, strengthened public health programs, and increased support for rural first responders.

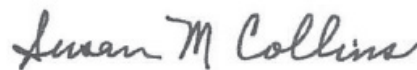
Another important bill that I coauthored was the *Social Security Fairness Act*. Since 2003, when I led the first-ever Senate hearing on the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset, I have sought to end these provisions of the *Social Security Act* that unfairly reduce the Social Security benefits that public employees or their spouses have earned. I am pleased to say that with the passage of my bill, the *Social Security Fairness Act*, in December, public sector retirees will now receive the full Social Security benefits they have earned.

When the Maine way of life was under threat, I was certain to defend the interests of our state. I worked to protect Maine's potato farmers when the Department of Agriculture tried to reclassify the potato from a vegetable to a grain. I thwarted efforts to consolidate USPS mail operations at the Hampden postal facility, which would have disrupted mail delivery throughout our state. I sounded the alarm with leaders at the FBI and Departments of State and Treasury on the spate of illicit marijuana growing operations that are destroying properties and providing refuge to foreign criminals in our state. Following damage to our working waterfronts after last winter's storms, I secured \$15 million to help fishing communities recover. I championed funding to support the Maine Air National Guard base, Bath Iron Works, and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

As of last December, I have cast more than 9,100 consecutive votes, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997. My ranking as the most bipartisan Senator reflects Maine's tradition of working with a spirit of cooperation and respect.

My highest priority as a Senator is to ensure that Maine's needs are met. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact one of my state offices or visit my website at collins.senate.gov.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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Committee on Small Business

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

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. Thank you for the opportunity to share an update on the work I've been doing for the people of the Second Congressional District.

Fisheries: This spring, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) announced a gauge increase for lobsters caught in the Gulf of Maine beginning in January 2025. Maine fishermen warned that this decision is founded on incomplete and inaccurate data. Additionally, this gauge increase could put Mainers at a competitive disadvantage to Canadian fishermen with looser regulations. That's why I sent a [letter](#) to the ASMFC urging them to delay their decision until they can evaluate data with fishermen, whose proactive stewardship provides invaluable insight. I have also submitted an amendment to this year's funding bill that would block federal funding from being used to implement and enforce a gauge increase. Because of these efforts, the ASFMC made the decision to delay the implementation of this new requirement. I'll always stand with Maine lobstermen against unfair, unnecessary regulations that threaten their livelihoods and industry.

Veterans: The first meeting I attended as an elected official was with a large group of veterans and the former Director of the Maine Bureau of Veterans Services. We discussed a lot, but one issue rose above the rest: how little was being done for Maine veterans who needed treatment for mental health issues or substance use. At the time, there were no in-patient treatment beds in Maine, so veterans had to wait for a bed to open up at an out-of-state facility. Fast forward 10 years, through unending red tape, and I'm delighted to report we just broke ground on a treatment facility at the Togus VA Medical Center in Augusta. This was the direct result of the tireless advocacy of veterans from across our state — this win is theirs.

Postal Service: This spring, the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) announced plans to consolidate and move some processing operations from the Eastern Maine Processing & Distribution Center in Hampden to Scarborough. This would have caused significant mail delivery delays that disproportionately harm rural communities. That's why I introduced the *Timely Mail Delivery*

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and Postal Services Protection Act, which would have halted this planned consolidation across the country. Following these efforts, the USPS announced they have scrapped their plan entirely. While this is a win for Maine, it is also evidence that we cannot become complacent. That's why I recently introduced the bipartisan *Postmaster General Reform Act*, which would establish term limits for the United States Postal Service's (USPS) postmaster general and require nominations to be confirmed by the Senate.

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

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- **Lewiston Office:** 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767
- **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Suite 101, Bangor, ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,



Jared Golden
Member of Congress



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January 2025

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I am deeply honored and humbled by the trust you have placed in me to represent you in the 132nd Legislature. Serving as your State Representative is a privilege, and I am committed to working hard on your behalf to address the challenges we face and to seize opportunities that can make a meaningful difference in our communities.

Our shared values and the strength of our communities inspire me every day. I will continue to listen to your concerns and ideas, as they are the foundation of the work we do in Augusta.

I will serve the next two years on the committee for Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. The ACF committee has jurisdiction over agricultural development, animal welfare, food safety, industrial hemp, geological surveying, as well as timber harvesting.

As your Representative, I encourage you to stay connected and engaged with the work happening at the State House and to monitor all legislative proposals being worked on by visiting the Legislature's website at www.legislature.maine.gov. Decisions made in Augusta affect our lives in countless ways, and your voice is vital in shaping the future of our district and our state. Please feel free to reach out to me with your questions, concerns, or suggestions. Whether you need assistance navigating state services or want to share your thoughts on upcoming legislation, I am here to help.

If you would like to be added to my email list to receive updates and important information on State programs and services, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request at Timothy.Guerrette@legislature.maine.gov.

Thank you for your confidence in me and for the opportunity to serve. Together, we can build a brighter future for our families and communities.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tim C. Guerrette'.

Timothy C. Guerrette
State Representative

District 4 Caribou, Wade & Washburn



Janet T. Mills
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
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Dear Maine Resident:

I have always been guided by the belief that to strengthen our state, we have to invest in our greatest asset: the people of Maine. With the support of the Legislature, my Administration has been investing in what people need to succeed, like job training, child care, health care, education, broadband, and housing.

We are seeing results — small businesses are expanding their operations; people are moving here to work and raise their families; and graduates are staying in Maine to pursue rewarding, life-long careers. These are all encouraging signs that are reflected in the strength of our economy. In fact, Maine has one of the best rates of economic growth in the nation.

That's good news, but I know that not everyone is feeling the benefits of our strong economy. The cost of living in Maine, as in much of America, is too high. The price of fuel, the cost of supplies, utilities and labor have driven up expenses for families across the country and impacted the budgets of towns, counties and nearly every state, including Maine.

I want everyone to benefit from the availability of good jobs, a good public education, and good health care in our state. That is why I have put forward a balanced budget proposal that proposes some savings and certain targeted revenue increases to maintain things we all support, like the state paying 55 percent of the cost of education and 5 percent municipal revenue sharing, to keep all these costs from being passed along to property taxpayers.

We have made good progress over the past six years to ensure that every person in Maine can find a good-paying job in a rewarding and stable career; go to the doctor when they feel sick because they have health insurance; and have the peace of mind that their children are safe at home and at school.

I look forward to working with communities and citizens across the state to solve problems, manage our finances, and keep our people healthy and safe.

Sincerely,

Janet T. Mills
Governor



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WASHBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Washburn Fire Department is committed to providing the highest level of fire service to the residents of Washburn, Wade, and Perham. Our team consists of 17 dedicated volunteer firefighters, with over 70% certified at the Firefighter I or Firefighter II level.

To ensure a rapid and effective response, we operate six fire suppression vehicles, including a ladder truck, a rescue truck equipped with the Jaws of Life, and two brush trucks for wildland fire suppression. Additionally, through our collaboration with the Washburn Snowmobile Club, we utilize a snowmobile and rescue toboggan, enhancing safety on our well-maintained trails.

With our highly trained personnel and specialized equipment, we remain a leader in fire service, dedicated to protecting our communities.

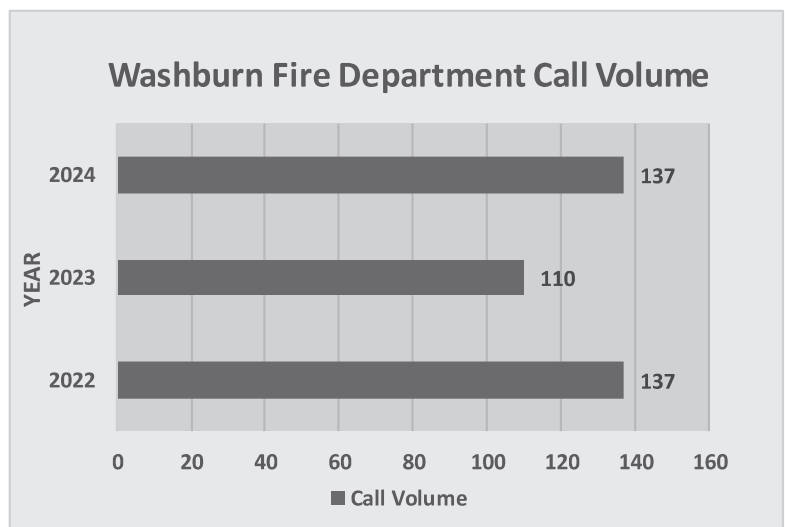
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FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE

Fire safety is essential for protecting lives and property, and one of the most effective measures is the use of smoke detectors. Ensuring that every home has a working smoke detector is crucial, as it provides early warnings that can save lives. The Washburn Fire Department offers a smoke detector program to help residents stay protected. Applications for this program can be picked up at the town office, making it easy for community members to access this vital safety resource. Having a smoke detector in every home significantly reduces the risk of fire-related injuries and fatalities, giving families the precious time needed to escape in an emergency. Don't wait—take advantage of this program and make sure your home is equipped with a working smoke detector today!





Nathan Allen
Fire Chief
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Washburn Fire Department 2024 Year-End Report

As we close out another year, the Washburn Fire Department takes pride in reflecting on our accomplishments and continued commitment to serving our community.

Training and Development

In 2024, we prioritized ongoing education and skill development through in-house training sessions, enhancing firefighter preparedness, operational efficiency, and safety.

Four of our dedicated firefighters successfully completed the rigorous 240-hour Firefighter I and II training course. Their commitment to advancing their skills strengthens our department and ensures the highest level of protection for our community. We commend them for their dedication and hard work.

Fire Station Construction

A major milestone in 2024 was the groundbreaking of our new fire station in late spring. This modern facility is designed to enhance response capabilities, improve resources for our firefighters, and provide better accommodations for our fire apparatus and personnel.

Construction remains on schedule, with completion expected in 2025. We look forward to the benefits this facility will bring to both our department and the community we serve.

Community Engagement

The Washburn Fire Department was actively involved in several community events throughout the year, strengthening our connection with residents and promoting fire safety.

Washburn August Fest:

In collaboration with the Washburn Ladies Auxiliary, we hosted a Kids' Carnival, bringing families together for a day of fun and community spirit.

Fire Safety Education:

As part of our commitment to fire prevention, our firefighters visited Washburn Elementary School in October. Students engaged in hands-on demonstrations, learned essential fire safety tips, and explored a real fire truck up close. Firefighters also showcased their protective gear and explained the role of each tool on the truck.

Aroostook County Firemen's Muster

The Washburn Fire Department proudly participated in the Aroostook County Firemen's Muster, hosted by the Ashland Fire Department. This annual event brought together fire departments from across the county, fostering camaraderie, friendly competition, and an opportunity to showcase the dedication and expertise of our firefighters.

We are honored to have taken first place in the "**Best Fire Ready Apparatus**" category, a testament to our team's commitment to maintaining top-tier equipment and readiness. Congratulations to all participants for their hard work and dedication!

Santa in the Park

To close out the year, we were honored to host Santa in the Park, spreading holiday cheer and bringing joy to the children and families of Washburn.

Looking Ahead

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our firefighters, volunteers, and community members for their unwavering support. Your dedication and involvement make our mission possible. As we move into 2025, we remain committed to excellence in emergency response, fire safety education, and community engagement. We look forward to another year of service and dedication to the residents of Washburn.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Allen

Fire Chief

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Another year has come and gone very quickly. Throughout the year there were a variety of programs that were offered for both adults and children.

During the winter months there was basketball during the week for children in grades 1-4. The program lasted 5 weeks. The 3-4th grade group got to experience playing games against Easton. The 5-6th grade program consisted of a season full of games against other communities. They also participated in the County Tournament that was held at the Caribou Wellness Center. I would like to thank Derek Richardson for coaching the team.

On Mondays each week for five weeks I transported children to the Quoggy Jo Ski Center for ski lessons. Quoggy Jo provided the ski instructors.

Another program that was offered was a Hot Shot Competition. This program was offered to children ages 9-15. Thank you to Mr. Shea for allowing me to use his Physical Education classes to host the local competition. The top 4 girls and boys in each age division competed at the State Competition that was held at the Caribou Wellness Center.

Throughout the year there was adult Pickleball that was held each Wednesday. This is a fun and noncompetitive program for all adults for beginners or intermediate.

During school vacations the children partake in a variety of field trips such as: roller-skating at Melody Roller Rink in Caribou, ice-skating at the Forum, dodgeball at Ashland Rec. Center, mini golf and corn maze at Goughans Farm, bowling at Northern Lanes in Presque Isle, swimming at Gentile Hall, movies at Big Bang Theater in Caribou and the Children's museum at the Aroostook Center Mall in Presque Isle.

Our summer program staff consisted of Chelsea Hobbs, Jaici-Rosi Carney, Derek Richardson, Madelyn Johnston, and Garrett Plourde. The programs that were offered were t-ball, minor league baseball, major league baseball, arts and crafts, cooking, basketball, soccer, track and field, and swim lessons at the Mapleton Pool. Every Friday during the six week program the children had the opportunity to attend field trips. The trips that were offered were: Mini Golf at Goughans Farm, Splash Pad in Presque Isle, Paradise Island in Grand Falls, Hiking Haystack Mountain, swimming at Birch Point. I would like to thank Bruce Blakney for the use of the church van to use during field trips and swim lessons.

During the fall there was soccer for children in grades 1-6. Grades 1-2 worked on developing their skills through a variety of drills and fun games. They had the experience to play in games against Easton. Grades 3-4 experienced playing against other communities such as Easton, Mars Hill and Ashland. The 5-6th grade traveling team participated in round robins each Saturday for six weeks and ended with the County Tournament that was held in Van Buren.

To celebrate the holiday season, there was holiday ornament making for children in grades 1-4 at the Rec. Center. Each child was able to make four ornaments to give to either a family member or a friend.

There is a very active senior citizen group in town. We meet once a month either at the Recreation Center or to do a program at the Library. Thank you to Courtney Howe and Cara Miller for collaborating with the Recreation Department to provide programs for the senior citizens. In August, we have made it a tradition to invite Easton and Ashland Recreation Departments for a barbeque at Thomas Brewer Park.

Respectfully Submitted
Marcie Barbarula
Recreation Director

Washburn Memorial Library

Enriching Lives. Inspiring Minds. Creating Community.



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Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9:30am – 4pm

Library Director: Cara Miller

Children Librarian: Courtney Howe

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- Book Fairs
- Youth Summer & Winter Reading Programs
- Raised Beds Gardening for youth
- Youth Programs of Toddler Story Time and Homeschool Groups
- DIY Take Home Kits
- Adult Yoga Classes: Chair Yoga (Ages 60+) and Advanced Yoga
- Use of Book Locker and Book Drop Box
- Book Clubs: Teatime Virtual Book Club and Books & Brews Social Hour (for ages 50+)
- August Fest events (raffles, fundraisers, author book signings, children's events, and more)!
- Valentine's Blind Date with a Book
- Genealogy (with access to Ancestry.com in-house)
- **NEW Book Locker:** We now offer a Book Locker for book pick-ups that patrons can access after hours. Our new Book Locker will allow patrons to get the books they want when they want them!
- CloudLibrary (offers free online e-books and audio books)

<https://ebook.yourcloudlibrary.com/library/WashburnMemorial/Featured>

Digital Maine Library

The Digital Maine Library provides access to online resources that include a collection of full text articles and abstracts from newspapers, journals, and references. It also provides higher education resources and learning tools for students and educators on topics such as: <https://digitalmainelibrary.org/>

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Peterson's Career Prep
Nursing & Allied Health

Chilton's Automotive
Home Improvement
Maine Memory Network
My Heritage
Pronunciator Language Learning
World Book

Programs and Events: In Just One Year Washburn Memorial Library

- Welcomed over **3,200** people.
- Offered access to over **15,000** materials.
- Loaned **4,955** items.
- Provided technology support with **1** public laptop + **3** Chromebooks, and **24/7** wireless access.
- Printing, copying, faxing, and scanning services were used **300** times.
- Toddler Time reached **460** children this year.
- Homeschool Group reached **230** children this year.
- Created over **275** take and make, DIY kits.
- August Fest reached **150**.
- We have **2** dedicated staff, providing over **2,300** hours of service to the public.
- Yoga Class for ages 55+ had a participation of **127** students this year.
- **We offer many more community programs and events:** Teatime Book Club, Children Summer Reading & Winter Program, Books & Brews Social Hour, Youth Gardening, Ladies Tea Party & Crafts, Lego Club, Inter Library Loans, and more!
- **We partner with:** Aroostook Area Agency on Aging and the National Digital Equity Center.
- **Washburn Memorial Library was awarded two grants in 2024:** AARP for Adult Home Safety Programs and Aroostook Partners in the Arts for children's programs focused on art.

Community Space

- Barbara Porter Room

Technology

- High Speed Internet Access
- 24/7 WIFI
- 1 public laptop
- Printers and Scanners
- FAX Machine
- Photocopier
- Device charging station

Memorials 2024

Courtney & Justin Howe donated a subscription of Food & Wine Magazine in memory of William Davis and his appreciation for cooking, as well as his wife Dianna's appreciation of wine.

Trampus & Cara Davis donated a book series in loving memory of William Davis and his love for westerns:

- To the River's End: A Western Novel of the American Frontier, by William Johnstone

Raymond & Monika Baker donated a subscription of Taste of Home Magazine in memory of Mary Baker.

A generous bounty of books was given by the McKennas and their loving family. They dedicated these beautiful books to the precious memory of, Rosalvo Delbert McKenna. Washburn Memorial Library gives a heartfelt thanks to this family who gives the gift of "Reading with Rosalvo."

The following books are in memory of Rosalvo:

- Little Blue Truck's Springtime, by Alice Schertle
- Little Blue Truck's Valentine, by Alice Schertle
- God Gave Us Christmas, by Lisa Tawn Bergen
- Goodnight, Tractor, by Michelle Robinson and Nick East
- Love You, Little Peanut, by Annette Bourland
- Grandma Kisses, by Laura Neutzling

- Penguins, by Scholastic Discovery
- Dog and Cat, by Ricardo Alcantara
- Spoon, by Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Scott Magoon
- Ten Timid Ghosts on a Christmas Night, by Jennifer O'Connell
- Skippyjonjones, by Judy Schachner
- Skippyjonjones and the Big Bones, by Judy Schachner
- Skippyjonjones in Mummy Trouble, by Judy Schachner
- Skippyjonjones in the Doghouse, by Judy Schachner
- Skippyjonjones Lost in Spice, by Judy Schachner
- The Shepard, by Dallas and Amanda Jenkins
- Humphrey's First Christmas, by Carol Heyer
- The Joy in You, by Cat Deeley
- Harry The Dirty Dog, by Gene Zion
- Mmm, Cookies, by Robert Munsch
- Do Like a Duck Does, by Judy Hindley
- How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight? by Yolen and Teague
- Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed, by Mo Willems
- The Dark at the Top of The Stairs, by Sam McBratney and Ivan Bates
- And If the Moon Could Talk, by Kate Banks and George Hallensleben
- Too Many Toys, by David Shannon
- God Bless Our World, by Villetta Craven
- Itsy Bitsy Christmas, by Max Lucado
- The Berenstain Bears and the Joy of Giving, by Jan & Mike Berenstain

Rita Kingsbury gave a generous donation to Washburn Memorial Library. The following books are in loving memory of Jessie and Jeremy Fox:

- A Very Cranky Book, by Angela DiTerlizzi
- Yetis Are the Worst, by Alex Willan
- The Library Fish Learns to Read, by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
- I Live in a Tree Trunk, by Meg Fleming
- Substitute Groundhog, by Pat Miller
- Backyard Birds A to Z, by J.R. Grady
- A Snow Day for Plum, by Matt Phelan
- The Fastest Tortoise in Town, by Howard Calvert

Pat & Allen Laferriere donated the following books in memory of Christie Cochran:

- The Day the Crayons Came Home, by Drew Daywalt
- The Day the Crayons Came Home, by Drew Daywalt
- The Day the Crayons Quit, by Drew Daywalt

Jacqlyn O'Clair gave a generous donation in memory of her husband, Calvin O'Clair and nephew, Eric Thibodeau:

- A Calamity of Souls, by David Baldacci
- Endurance of Wildflowers, by Micaela Smeltzer
- The Great Divide, by Cristina Henriquez
- The Road to Dalton, by Shannon Bowring
- The Moscow Vector, by Robert Ludlow
- The Book That Broke the World, by Mark Lawrence
- The Flames of Hope, by Tui Sutherland
- The Ballad of Never After, by Stephanie Garber
- Keeper of Lost Cities: Legacy (#8) and Flashback (#7), by Shannon Messenger

Eugene and Londa Brown purchased and donated the 2023 Caldecott Winner in memory of Philip Vance.

- Big, by Vashti Harrison

Aroostook Agency on Aging purchased the following books in memory of Linda Nadeau and her love for quilting:

- Time Saving Quilts, by Annie's Quilting
- Creative Scrap Quilting, by Editors at Fons & Porter's Books

A generous donation was given by Jeff McBurnie.

James and Lori McKeen donated the following children's books in memory of Donald Peary:

- The Yellow Bus, by Loren Long
- Old Friends, by Margaret Aitken
- Marsupial Sue Presents... by, John Lithgow
- I'm a Manatee, by John Lithgow

A generous donation of new books was given to WML from the Shackelford Family:

- The Tuttle Twins (12 book series), by Conor Boyack
- The Tuttle Twins, Choose Your Consequence (5 book series), by Connor Boyack
- Dinah Harris Mystery (3 book series), by Julie Cave
- The Dragons Among Us (6 book series), by Ted Dekker & Rachelle Dekker

Two benches outside (located downstairs), donated by Jerry Folden, in memory of Harold Marr.

The Washburn Memorial Library Board purchased the following books in memory of Donald Peary:

- 20-Minute Whittling Projects: Fun Things to Carve from Wood (Fox Chapel Publishing) Step-by-Step Instructions & Photos to Whittle Expressive Figures, by Tom Hindes
- The Ham Radio Bible: The Definitive Guide to Mastering Ham Radio in No Time, with In-Depth Explanations and Practice Questions to Get Ready for the Technician Class Amateur Radio Exam, by Frank Webb
- Heirloom Wood: A Modern Guide to Carving Spoons, Bowls, Boards, and Other Homewares, by Max Bainbridge
- How to Whittle: 25 Beautiful Projects to Carve by Hand, by Josh Nava

Carla & Bryant Rossignol donated The Gray Wolf, by Louise Penny in memory of Harold Marr.

Cara Miller donated the following books in memory of Patricia Grant and her love for horses and history:

- The Girls Who Stepped Out of Line: Untold Stories of the Women Who Changed the Course of World War II, by Maj. Gen. Mari Eder
- The Perfect Horse: The Daring U.S. Mission to Rescue the Priceless Stallions Kidnapped by the Nazis, by Elizabeth Letts

Two beautiful canvas prints (scenes of Maine/Aroostook County, by Paul Cyr) were donated to the library in memory of Betty Drake Berglind, by:

- Donna & Andy Turner, Helen Tompkins, Rodney Drake, Carol Doody

Donna & Robert Umphrey gave a generous donation to our library in memory of Patricia Grant.

Northeast Packaging Company gave a generous donation to our library.

The following book was donated by Jane Humphrey in memory of Timothy Humphrey & Keith Wilson Humphrey:

- The Memory Library, by Kate Story

Rita Kingsbury donated a gift for purchasing puzzles, in support of cognitive health.

Your Library – The Best Bargain in Town!

By investing in your public library, residents saved a total of \$100,000.

Resource: <https://www.maine.gov/msl/services/calculator.htm>

2024 Unpaid Taxes

Bates, Kayla H	3,400.18
Campbell, Robert	1,920.14
** Clark, Scott P	1,722.89
Colbath, Julie & Stephen	462.92
Cunningham, Kevin	2,425.44
Foley, Rachel	806.85
Hallowell, Allan	741.65
** Holmes, Steven A	1,244.83
James, Penny	379.79
Johnson, et al,, Robert	543.11
Kelley, Phyllis	223.31
Languell, Damien	441.73
** Lowe, Pamela M	899.73
McIntosh, Jeremiah	1,198.05
McIntosh, Jeremiah	430.32
McIntosh, Jeremiah	360.23
McIntosh, Jeremiah	2,090.85
McIntyre, Darren B	335.78
Ozio, Claudia	513.45
Page, D Gregory	718.83
Payne, Tallen	1,044.83
Tarbox, Rodney	550.94
	22,455.85

2023 Unpaid Tax Liens

Hallowell, Allan	833.93
James, Penny	461.91
Ozio, Claudia	368.11
Page, D Gregory	810.46
Payne, Tallen	1,145.61
** Tarbox, Rodney	535.31
	4,155.33

* Paid After Books Closed

** Balance

2024 Budget/Actual - 2005 Budget

Account	2024 Budget	Additions	Actual	(Over)/Under	2025 Budget	Incr/Decr +/-
01 Salary						
18 Clerk To Washburn	\$ 14,218.00		\$ 14,218.00	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 782.00
05 Supplies						
1 General	\$ -					
2 Office	\$ 1,600.00		\$ 1,535.90	\$ 64.10	\$ 900.00	\$ (700.00)
3 Computer	\$ 6,000.00		\$ 2,742.02	\$ 3,257.98	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 7,600.00	\$ -	\$ 4,277.92	\$ 3,322.08	\$ 6,900.00	\$ (700.00)
7 Subcontractor						
10 Legal Fees - New Dunntowr	\$ -		\$ 240.00	\$ (240.00)		
08 Admin Costs						
2 Dues/Subs	\$ 1,560.00		\$ 1,590.00	\$ (30.00)	\$ 1,560.00	\$ -
3 Lien Recording Fees	\$ 400.00		\$ 365.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
4 Postage	\$ 500.00		\$ 416.34	\$ 83.66	\$ 500.00	\$ -
8 Election expense	\$ 225.00	\$ 540.00	\$ 753.50	\$ 11.50	\$ 225.00	\$ -
9 Ballot Clerks	\$ 800.00		\$ 1,764.98	\$ (964.98)	\$ 800.00	\$ -
10 Property Tax	\$ 1,450.00		\$ 1,289.01	\$ 160.99	\$ 1,450.00	\$ -
11 Code Enforcement	\$ 275.00		\$ 60.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 275.00	\$ -
12 Animal Control	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,015.98	\$ (15.98)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
13 Assessor	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
14 Auditor	\$ 5,250.00		\$ 5,050.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 5,250.00	\$ -
15 Selectmen	\$ 7,030.00		\$ 7,030.00	\$ -	\$ 7,030.00	\$ -
16 T/O-Washburn Services	\$ 4,182.00		\$ 4,182.00	\$ -	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 568.00
	\$ 24,672.00	\$ 540.00	\$ 24,516.81	\$ 695.19	\$ 25,240.00	\$ 568.00
Total Administration	\$ 46,490.00	\$ 540.00	\$ 43,252.73	\$ 3,777.27	\$ 47,140.00	\$ 650.00
40 Highway Department						
01 Salary						
10 Wages	\$ 57,900.00		\$ 55,225.73	\$ 2,674.27	\$ 60,800.00	\$ 2,900.00
Medicare	\$ 850.00		\$ 621.86	\$ 228.14	\$ 885.00	\$ 35.00
Social Security	\$ 3,600.00		\$ 3,211.54	\$ 388.46	\$ 3,773.00	\$ 173.00
retirement	\$ 5,120.00		\$ 4,682.50	\$ 437.50	\$ 5,133.00	\$ 13.00
90 Health	\$ 15,000.00		\$ 15,148.50	\$ (148.50)	\$ 16,300.00	\$ 1,300.00
94 Unemp	\$ 57.00		\$ 31.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 15.00	\$ (42.00)
95 Work Comp	\$ 2,326.00		\$ 2,326.00	\$ -	\$ 2,088.00	\$ (238.00)
96 Payroll Prep	\$ 260.00		\$ 212.00	\$ 48.00	\$ 260.00	\$ -
	\$ 85,113.00	\$ -	\$ 81,459.13	\$ 3,653.87	\$ 89,254.00	\$ 4,141.00

2024 Budget/Actual - 2005 Budget

Account	2024 Budget	Additions	Actual	(Over)/Under	2025 Budget	Incr/Decr +/-
02 Utilities				\$ -		\$ -
1 Electric	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 1,832.28	\$ 167.72	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 200.00
2 heat	\$ 4,000.00		\$ 2,953.27	\$ 1,046.73	\$ 3,200.00	\$ (800.00)
5 Water/Sewer	\$ 480.00		\$ 480.00	\$ -	\$ 480.00	\$ -
	\$ 6,480.00	\$ -	\$ 5,265.55	\$ 1,214.45	\$ 5,880.00	\$ (600.00)
04 Maintenance				\$ -		\$ -
1 General	\$ 2,800.00		\$ 1,979.59	\$ 820.41	\$ 2,800.00	\$ -
7 Garbage	\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
	\$ 3,200.00	\$ -	\$ 1,979.59	\$ 1,220.41	\$ 3,200.00	\$ -
05 Supplies				\$ -		\$ -
1 General	\$ 750.00		\$ 94.12	\$ 655.88	\$ 750.00	\$ -
4 Cloth Allow	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ 594.12	\$ 655.88	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -
07 Sub Cont.						
1 Sub Contract	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 39,578.75	\$ 921.25	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Drug Testing			\$ 109.00	\$ (109.00)		
3 Haynes Road	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
5 Ditch Mowing	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 43,187.75	\$ 812.25	\$ 28,500.00	\$ 5,000.00
09 Vehicle				\$ -		\$ -
1 Maintenance	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 12,315.22	\$ 7,684.78	\$ 18,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
2 Gas/Oil	\$ 11,000.00		\$ 7,842.16	\$ 3,157.84	\$ 11,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 31,000.00		\$ 20,157.38	\$ 10,842.62	\$ 29,000.00	\$ (2,000.00)
10 Roads				\$ -		\$ -
Sand	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 6,641.25	\$ (1,641.25)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Salt	\$ 6,000.00		\$ 1,738.63	\$ 4,261.37	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -
Culverts	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
Gravel	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 1,837.50	\$ 162.50	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
Cold Patch	\$ 4,800.00		\$ 9,298.13	\$ (4,498.13)	\$ 4,800.00	\$ -
Calcium	\$ 1,200.00		\$ 2,232.10	\$ (1,032.10)	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
	\$ 21,500.00	\$ -	\$ 21,747.61	\$ (247.61)	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	\$ 172,043.00	\$ 20,500.00	\$ 174,391.13	\$ 18,151.87	\$ 179,584.00	\$ 7,541.00
				\$ -		\$ -
90 Miscellaneous Appropriations				\$ -		\$ -
2 Ambulance	\$ 14,885.00		\$ 14,885.00	\$ -	\$ 14,885.00	\$ -

2024 Budget/Actual - 2005 Budget

Account	2024 Budget	Additions	Actual	(Over)/Under	2025 Budget	Incr/Decr +/-
3 Fire Protection	\$ 6,175.00		\$ 6,175.00	\$ -	\$ 6,360.00	\$ 185.00
4 Insurance	\$ 13,100.00		\$ 11,768.00	\$ 1,332.00	\$ 13,100.00	\$ -
6 General Assistance	\$ 250.00	\$ 66.50	\$	\$ 316.50	\$ 250.00	\$ -
15 Equip Reserve Account	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 5,312.50	\$ 12,812.50	\$ 0.62	\$ 7,500.00	\$ -
18 Education	\$ 194,317.00		\$ 194,316.38	\$	\$ 194,317.00	\$ -
19 County Tax	\$ 48,468.00		\$ 48,468.00	\$ -	\$ 48,468.00	\$ -
20 NMDC	\$ 470.00		\$ 469.33	\$ 0.67	\$ 480.00	\$ 10.00
23 Building Payment	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 625.00	\$ 8,125.00	\$ -	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 100.00
24 Library	\$ 493.00		\$ 493.00	\$ -	\$ 508.00	\$ 15.00
25 Recreation	\$ 1,231.00		\$ 1,231.00	\$ -	\$ 1,268.00	\$ 37.00
27 Disc/Abatements			\$	\$ -		\$ -
28 SS/Med			\$	\$ -		\$ -
MMA Unemployment	\$ -		\$	\$ -		\$ -
2022 Truck	\$ 29,010.00		\$ 29,009.48	\$ 0.52	\$ 29,010.00	\$ -
92 Outside Agencies			\$	\$ -		\$ -
1 Animal Shelter	\$ 481.00		\$ 481.00	\$ -	\$ 481.00	\$ -
2 Aroostook Agency	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -
3 August Fest	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -
4 Red Cross	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
5 America Legion	\$ 125.00		\$ 125.00	\$ -	\$ 125.00	\$ -
6 ACAP	\$ 113.00		\$ 113.00	\$ -	\$ 38.00	\$ (75.00)
7 Vet. Cemetery	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
9 Homeless Shelter	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -
11 Historical	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -
12 CASWCD	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
MPBN	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ -
GIFT					\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Aroostook Council families					\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Lifeflight	\$ 229.00		\$ 229.00	\$ -	\$ 229.00	\$ -
TOTAL OUTSIDE AGENCIES	\$ 325,697.00	\$ 6,004.00	\$ 330,050.69	\$ 1,650.31	\$ 326,119.00	\$ 422.00
Overall Totals	\$ 544,230.00	\$ 27,044.00	\$ 547,694.55	\$ 23,579.45	\$ 552,843.00	\$ 8,613.00
	\$ 301,445.00			Municipal Budget	\$ 310,058.00	
				Total Budget Increase	\$	\$ 8,613.00

2024 Budget/Actual - 2005 Budget

Revenues 2024 Budget/Actual - 2025 Budget										
10 Administration/Town Office										
101	Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 45,000.00	47976.52	\$ 2,976.52	\$ 48,000.00	\$			\$ 3,000.00	
104	Misc Income	\$ 1,000.00	307.58	\$ (692.42)	\$ 1,000.00	\$			\$ -	
105	Tax Interest	\$ 1,500.00	1391.97	\$ (108.03)	\$ 1,500.00	\$			\$ -	
114	Dog Licenses		64	\$ 64.00						
115	Lien Reimbursement	\$ 800.00	718.5	\$ (81.50)	\$ 750.00	\$			\$ (50.00)	
125	Bank Interest	\$ 3,800.00	4604.52	\$ 804.52	\$ 4,000.00	\$			\$ 200.00	
40 Highway/Public Works										
401	LRAP	\$ 17,500.00				\$	17,764.00	\$ 264.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ -
402	Misc HW Income					\$	855.36	\$ 855.36	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
50 Code Enforcement										
503	Septic Permits	\$ 300.00				\$	780.00	\$ 480.00		
90 Other/Outside Agencies										
120	Revenue Sharing	\$ 57,000.00				\$	63,381.38	\$ 6,381.38	\$ 63,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
130	Tree Growth	\$ 51,000.00				\$	47,105.86	\$ (3,894.14)	\$ 48,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)
140	Veterans Exemption	\$ 180.00				\$	191.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 180.00	\$ -
160	Homestead Reimburse	\$ 30,000.00				\$	29,120.56	\$ (879.44)	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -
165	BETE Reimbursement					\$	91.00	\$ 91.00		
90 Other/Outside Agencies										
100	Anticipated Taxes	\$ 342,782.48				\$	342,782.48	\$ -	\$ 342,782.48	\$ -
102	Tax Discounts	\$ (5,000.00)				\$	(4,499.76)	\$ 500.24	\$ (5,000.00)	\$ -
103	Tax Abatements	\$ (500.00)				\$	(505.30)	\$ (5.30)	\$ (500.00)	\$ -
	Totals	\$ 545,362.48				\$	552,129.67	\$ 6,767.19	\$ 551,712.48	\$ 6,350.00

Wade Reserve Accounts

Purchase Equipment Fund			Cemetery Reserve Account	
Balance 1/31/2024	\$ 32,925.00		Balance 1/31/24	\$1,526.38
Appropriation	\$ 7,500.00			
Grader Purchase-2nd pmt.	\$ (2,812.50)		Balance 1/31/25	\$ 1,526.38
North Country Auto	\$ (10,000.00)			
To Subcontractor line for			Wood Lots	
Gardner Creek Road	\$ (20,500.00)		Balance 1/31/24	\$42,719.00
Balance 01/31/2025	\$ 7,112.50		Balance 1/31/25	\$ 42,719.00
Ministerial School Fund C.D.			Building Rental	
Balance 1/31/24	\$20,883.10		Balance 01/31/2024	\$335.00
			Soderberg Rent	\$ 2,400.00
Balance 1/31/25	\$ 20,883.10		Balance 01/31/2025	\$ 2,735.00
MS Fund Woodlot Account			Tax Acquired Property	
Balance 01/31/24	\$52,030.46		Balance 01/31/2024	\$2,391.34
Balance 1/31/25	\$ 52,030.46		Balance 01/31/25	\$ 2,391.34

Warrant

Aroostook:

To Dwayne Dow, Constable of the Town of Wade, in the County of Aroostook and the State of Maine.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wade, in said County qualified by law to vote on town affairs to meet at the **Washburn Civic Center, Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 7:00 o'clock** in the evening to act on the following articles to wit:

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

Art. 2. To choose all the necessary town officers and set compensations of each for the ensuing year.

RECOMMENDED:

(a) Selectman - 3 Year Term - Compensation: \$5,000.00/Year.

(b) Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Road Commissioners, Constables

(c) School Board Director – 3 Year Term

Art. 3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Expense.

Recommended: \$47,140.00

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance.

Recommended: \$250.00

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Ambulance Subsidy to the City of Presque Isle.

Recommended: \$14,885.00 to the City of Presque Isle.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Highway Department.

Recommended: \$179,584.00

2nd Recommendation: Any unused money to go to the Purchase Equipment Fund at the year end.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise **\$8,136.00** and appropriate to the following organizations in the Town of Washburn.

Washburn Fire Department	6,360.00
Washburn Memorial Library	508.00
Washburn Recreation Department	1,268.00

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Insurance.

Recommended: \$13,100.00

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise **\$7,500.00** to go to the Purchase Equipment Fund.

Recommended: \$7,500.00

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise **\$29,010.00** for payment on the new 2022 Western Star Plow Truck.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,853.00** to support the following Aroostook County services:

Recommended:

Aroostook Area on Aging	200.00
Aroostook County Action Program	38.00
Central Aroostook Humane Society	481.00
Sister Mary O'Donnell Shelter	300.00
American Red Cross	100.00
Maine Veteran's Cemetery	100.00
Washburn August Festival (Rotary Club)	300.00
NMDC	480.00
American Legion	125.00
Salmon Brook Historical Society	200.00
Central Aroostook Soil & Water Conservation	100.00
MPBN	50.00
Lifeflight	229.00
GIFT	50.00
Aroostook Council on Healthy Families	100.00

- Art. 12.** To see if the will vote to raise **\$7,600.00** to go towards the Building Payment. Interest and Principal. (This will pay off the loan).
Recommended: \$7,600.00
- Art. 13.** To see what time the Town will make taxes due and payable.
Recommended: Taxes shall be due and payable upon presentation of tax bill.
- Art. 14.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen acting on behalf of the Town to borrow in anticipation of taxes if necessary.
- Art. 15.** To see what action the Town will take in regards to allowing a discount on taxes and charging interest on those taxes paid after a certain date.
Recommended: 2% discount on those paid within 30 days of presentation of bill and to follow State of Maine Treasury Department recommendation of charging 7.5% on those paid after November 1.
- Art. 16.** To see if the Town will vote to require the municipal officers to provide the former owner(s) of tax-acquired property, or if deceased his/her/their heirs/devisees/personal representative 30 days to repurchase the property for a price equal to all outstanding taxes, interest, fees and costs; if the former owner does not repurchase the property the municipal officers may sell the property through the sale process in 36 MRS § 953-C, provided that if the former owner does not timely request that process or the board is unable to list or sell the property as required by § 943-C(3), the board may sell the property through a competitive sealed bid process in which a notice advertising sale of the property shall be published at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. For sales to someone other than the former owner(s), excess sale proceeds as defined in 36 MRS § 943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.
- Art. 17.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to spend an amount equal to 2/12ths of the 2025 budget from February 1, 2025 through March 31, 2025. This will allow the Town to operate during the two (2) months prior to the Annual Town Meeting.

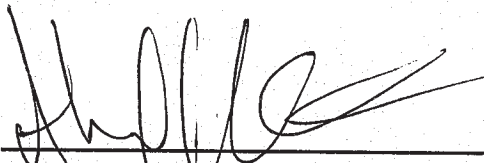
Art. 18. Shall the Town vote to accept the categories of funds listed below as provided by the State of Maine Legislature: (30-MRSA-5682)

Amounts Unknown

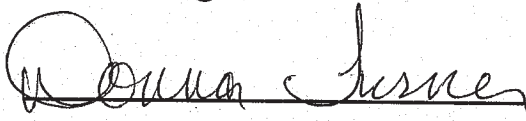
Veterans Exemption Refund	Tree Growth
LRAP	State Aid to Education
State Revenue Sharing	General Assistance
Homestead Reimbursement	State Parks Sharing
State/Federal Grants or Other Funds	

Art. 19. To see if the Town will grant the Selectmen the authority to expend from the Purchase Equipment Fund.

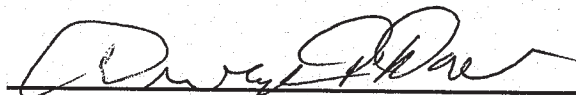
Given under our hands at the Wade Town Office this day of March 3, 2025.



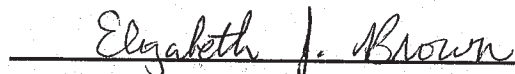
Selectman Andrew White



Selectman Donna Turner



Selectman Dwayne Dow



Attest: Elizabeth Brown
Town Clerk, Town of Wade

NOTES

**MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS,
AREA CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS,
BUSINESSES, CHURCHES AND OTHER INFORMATION**

Municipal Building Address: 1287 Main Street, Washburn, ME 04786

PHONE: (207) 455-8485 / FAX: (207) 455-4319

Town Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Closed 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM and Friday 7:00 AM to 12:00 PM

ALL EMERGENCIES CALL 911

WASHBURN DEPARTMENTS

WASHBURN FIRE (Other Business) 455-8203
 WASHBURN GROUNDS &
 DEPT/CEO/LPI..... 455-8485
 WASHBURN MEM. LIBRARY 455-4814
 WASHBURN PARKS & REC. 455-4959
 WASHBURN WATER/SEWER 455-1042
 WASHBURN ELEMENTARY 455-4504
 WASHBURN HIGH SCHOOL 455-4501
 CARIBOU BMV 492-9141

POST OFFICES

WASHBURN POST OFFICE..... 455-4987
 MAPLETON POST OFFICE 764-5677
 PERHAM POST OFFICE 455-8077

STORES

COUNTRY FARMS MARKET 455-8057
 WASHBURN TRAILSIDE 455-8200
 DOLLAR GENERAL 573-0124

GARBAGE

AROOSTOOK WASTE SOL. 764-2541
 GIL'S SANITATION, INC. 769-0711
 TRI-TOWN SANITATION 227-1043

ATV/SLED CLUBS

WASHBURN BEAVER'S ATV 227-4762
 WASHBURN TRAILRUNNERS
 SNOWMOBILE 455-8439

HAIR SALONS

SALLY'S BEAUTY SALON 455-4059

STORAGE

HOBB'S STORAGE 455-4316
 NORTHERN STORAGE..... 498-3220

BUSINESSES

AROOSTOOK HOSPITALITY INN 455-8567
 BELL'S VARIETY BAKERY LLC 762-0198
 LITTLE MOOSE DAYCARE 496-9807
 JORDAN MASONRY &
 SNOWMOBILE RENTALS..... 227-2900
 KNOTT II BRAGG FARMS WADE..... 455-8386
 LANGILLE CONSTRUCTION INC..... 455-4363
 MCINTOSH LAW 455-9000
 PENOBSCOT MCCRUM 762-7020
 RUSTIC RETREAT LODGE PERHAM 930-5935
 SHELDON CUNNINGHAM
 CORDWOOD WADE..... 455-4878
 THOMPSON'S TREE SERVICE 455-8595
 THOMPSON'S TRANSPORT LLC..... 227-4002
 WHITE'S SERVICE 227-5244

CHURCHES

WASHBURN COMMUNITY 455-4839
 PERHAM BAPTIST CHURCH..... 455-4817
 ST. CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC 455-0907
 LIDSTONE MEMORIAL UNITED
 METHODIST CHURCH 455-4726
 WASHBURN PENTECOSTAL
 CHURCH 455-8511
 CROUSEVILLE ADVENT CHRISTIAN
 CHURCH 455-8219
 DUNNTOWN ADVENT CHRISTIAN
 CHURCH WADE 455-5970
 STATE ROAD ADVENT CHRISTIAN
 CHURCH 764-1331
 INTERVENTION CHURCH 227-9837
 TURNING POINT PENTECOSTALS
 OF PERHAM 227-7411

