

Meeting Schedules

Selectmen's Meeting

1st Tuesday & 3rd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm

New Portland Fire Department Meeting

2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm

Planning Board Meeting

1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm

<u>Kingfield-New Portland Transfer Station</u> Hours:

Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday
7:30 am – 4:30 pm
Fri12:30 pm – 4:30 pm
November 15th – April 15th
NO Friday hours offered

School Board Meeting

1st Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm

NP Community Library Hours

Tuesday and Saturday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Thursday 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Library Board of Trustees Meeting

2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm

New Portland Water District

2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm

New Portland Recreation Committee

1st Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm

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General Town Information

New Homestead & Veterans Exemption Applications- Need to be in to the Assessor's Agent by April 1st of each year.

Automobile Registrations- Excise tax must be paid at the town office. To re-register, you must provide proof of insurance and vehicle's mileage. To register for the 1st time from a private sale you will need a bill of sale that includes the vehicle's VIN #, year, make, and model of the vehicle, proof of insurance, mileage, and title for 1995 and newer. To register for the 1st time from a dealer you will need to provide the title application (blue paper), proof of insurance, and mileage.

Boats- All watercraft registrations expire on December 31st. Excise tax must be paid on all boats. Registrations are done at the town office.

Snowmobiles & ATV's- Registrations are done at the town office. Snowmobile and ATV registrations expire on June 30th.

Building Permits- Building permits are required for any structure that is going to be 50 square feet or more.

Property Tax Bills- Bills are mailed once the Assessor's and Assessor's Agent have completed the tax commitment. This is typically done around July. Tax bills are **ALWAYS** due on September 30th. Interest begins on Real Estate and Personal Property taxes on October 1st.

Burn Permits- Burn permits are required for any type of outdoor open burning. They are available from the Fire Chief, the Deputy Fire Chiefs, or can be obtained online at the State of Maine Forest Service.

Dog Licenses- All dog licenses expire on December 31st of each year. The cost of a license is \$6.00 if your dog is spayed or neutered and \$11.00 if not. Make sure to license your dog before the deadline of January 31st to avoid paying a \$25.00 late fee per dog mandated by the State of Maine law.

Town Officers

Moderator

Kenneth Lexier

Board of Selectmen

Raymond Poulin (2022) Tina Poulin (2024) Wayne Rundlett (2023)

Town Manager, Treasurer
Tax Collector, Health Officer,
General Assistance Administrator, CEO

Stacie Rundlett (Indefinite)

Deputy Town Manager (Indefinite) **Deputy Town Clerk** (2024)

Mallory Stratton-Resigned

Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters, Town Warden

Jianna Pinkham (2024)- Resigned

Road Commissioner

Trevor Tozier (2025)

Fire Chief

Jethro "Kip" Poulin

Deputy Fire Chiefs

Brian Rundlett Wayne Rundlett

Captain

Kyle Handrahan

Lieutenants

Harold Gavne

Dan Howard

Local Plumbing Inspector

Leo Mayo (2023)

Animal Control Officer

Dillon Wellman (2023)

RSU#74 School Board

Bobbie-Sue Harrington (2023) Valeria Pinkham (2022) resigned Danika Bates (2024) resigned Brenda Stevens (2023) David Osgood (2025)

Recreation Committee

Marilyn Gorman Jianna Pinkham Dillon Wellman Judi Wills

Ballot/Election Clerks

Marilyn Gorman Nancy Steuber Judi Wills Dillon Wellman Winona Emery Tiffany Pinkham

Planning Board

Lewis Wills, Chair (2023) Brian Rundlett (2023) Kyle Handrahan (2024) Gabe Clark (2024)

Budget Committee

Mary Robinson Brenda Stevens Peter Ford Marilyn Gorman Andrea Reichert

Town Historian

Marilyn Gorman

Assessor's Agent

Audra Swanson, CMA

Board of Appeals- Vacant

Representatives to the County, State, and Federal Government

County Commissioner

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Maine State Senate District #3

Bradlee Thomas Farrin 3 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0003 (207)287-1505 Brad.Farrin@legislature.maine.gov

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State Representative to Congress #2

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Angus S. King Jr. (I-ME) 4 Gabriel IDrive Augusta, ME 04330 (207)622-8292

Susan M. Collins (R-ME) 68 Sewall Street Room 507 Augusta, ME 04330 (207)622-8414

Dear Friends,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Best Regards,

United States Senator



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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January 2023

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

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

Due to redistricting this is my first session representing New Portland, however I am in my third term in the legislature and the lead Republican on the Joint Committee of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. To further my introduction, I am also an eighth generation farmer on the family homestead located in the village of East Dixfield. We have a herd of Holsteins that are certified organic milk producers for a local Co-Op, and we raise Belted Galloway cattle that we exhibit nationally. Our maple syrup operation consists of 12,000 taps supplying our local retail and online business.

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

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

Sincerely,

Randall C. Hall State Representative

Raull C. Hall

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It remains a privilege to represent you in Congress, and I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I have been working on for the people of the Second Congressional District.

This year, our small businesses, workers and families, hospitals, states, and towns continued to face challenges related to the coronavirus pandemic. COVID-19 has been a serious threat to public health and our economy that requires a comprehensive, ongoing response. While we are not yet out of the woods, there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Still, I know there are many Mainers who will continue to need assistance getting through this pandemic. I am committed to making sure our communities' most urgent needs are met to get our economy back on track.

One thing I am particularly proud of this year is that Democrats, Republicans, and the Biden Administration worked together to pass the bipartisan *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act*, which will make a once-in-a-generation investment in our nation's infrastructure and support Maine jobs. This bill will bring \$1.3 billion to Maine for highways and \$225 million for bridge replacement and repairs, as well as \$234 million to improve public transportation options. It will also allocate over \$100 million to help provide broadband access to the 42,000 Mainers currently without it and make 310,000 Mainers eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Benefit to help families pay for internet access. Crucially, it will also provide Maine with \$390 million to combat Maine's historically high rates of lead poisoning by replacing lead pipes and allowing Maine families access to clean drinking water.

Another one of my priorities in Congress is protecting Maine jobs. For one, shipbuilders at Bath Iron Works are a vital part of our economy, and the ships they build are critical to our national security. Throughout 2021, I led the Maine congressional delegation in pushing back against the Biden Administration's proposed decrease in DDG-51 shipbuilding, a proposal that would have had serious consequences for the shipbuilding workforce at BIW, one of the two shippards that produces these destroyers, and American naval capabilities around the world. We fought successfully to include authorization for construction of three new DDG-51 destroyers in the final National Defense Authorization Act. I will continue to work hard with my colleagues on the House Armed Services Committee to ensure that we protect our national security and shipbuilding jobs in Maine.

My most meaningful work in Congress continues to be providing direct assistance to Mainers. My staff and I stand ready to serve you. If you are looking for assistance with a federal agency, help for your small business, or want to keep me informed about the issues that matter to you, please reach out to one of my offices below:

• Caribou Office: 7 Hatch Drive, Suite 230, Caribou ME 04736, Phone: (207) 492-6009

• **Bangor Office:** 6 State Street, Bangor ME 04401. Phone: (207) 249-7400

• Lewiston Office: 179 Lisbon Street, Lewiston ME 04240. Phone: (207) 241-6767

I am especially glad to share that my wife Izzy and I were pleased to welcome our daughter, Rosemary, into the world this year. Mom and baby are happy and healthy, and we're so thankful for this blessing. We look forward to showing her the beauty of Maine in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely,

Jared F. Golden

Member of Congress

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ADMINISTRATION SELECTMEN'S BUDGET REPORT

*Appropriations for 2021, 2022 and Tentative 2023

	2021	2022	2023
Town Officer's Salaries	105,338.00	110,625.00	113,815.00
Town Charges	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Town Office	11,220.00	11,385.00	12,920.00
Social Security	10,000.00	10,200.00	11,000.00
Insurance	30,649.00	30,292.00	32,700.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	159,207.00	174,502.00	182,435.00
Fire Truck Payment	30,407.00	30,407.00	30,407.00
Kennebec Valley Council of Government	1,192.00	1,192.00	1,268.00
Maine Municipal Association	1,870.00	1,924.00	2,046.00
Assessing	2,275.00	2,275.00	2,275.00
Ambulance	16,829.00	17,161.00	19,865.00
Audit	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,400.00
Summer Roads	78,000.00	78,000.00	78,000.00
Winter Roads	235,000.00	235,000.00	235,000.00
Paving	10,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
Street Lights	5,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Fire Department	42,720.00	44,220.00	29,453.00
Fire Training	2,920.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fire Station Payment	5,993.00	5,993.00	5,993.00
Cemetery Maintenance	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Cemetery Improvement	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Library	5,000.00	8,500.00	5,000.00
Newsletter	4,800.00	4,800.00	4,800.00
Transfer Station	60,371.00	59,986.50	64,858.00
Legal Fees	3,000.00	0.00	1,500.00
Animal Control	1,700.00	1,783.00	1,700.00
Trio License	11,023.00	12,004.00	12,784.00
Food Cupboard	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Abatements	1.00	1.00	1.00
General Assistance	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Bond Payment	28,239.00	28,239.00	28,239.00
Recreation	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Room	0.00	0.00	0.00
Security Cameras	0.00	0.00	0.00
Health Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
TAN Interest	8,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Town Historian	500.00	500.00	500.00
Sand Salt Shed	0.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL FROM MEETING APPROPRIATIONS	735,547.00	749,987.50	760,024.00

SELECTMEN'S BUDGET REPORT (CONT'D)		
OTHER ASSESSMENTS	2021	2022
Educations, RSU/SAD #74	834,363.00	825,552.00
County Tax	186,135.19	200,510.76
Overlay	33,485.22	40,103.22
	1,053,983.41	1,066,165.98
NEW ASSESSMENT FOR COMMITMENT	1,789,530.41	1,826,189.98
OTHER TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATIONS		
Road Grant Fund	37,000.00	37,000.00
Excise Taxes	160,000.00	160,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET	1,986,530.41	2,023,189.98

Assessor's Report

2022 Valuation	2022	Val	luation
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Taxable Valuation of Real Estate

Value of Land	41,745,800.00
Value of Buildings	57,863,500.00
TOTAL REAL ESTATE VALUE	99,609,300.00
Taxable Valuation of Personal Property	
Product machinery and Equipment	199,500.00
Business Equipment	25,500.00
All other Personal Property	<u>12,600.00</u>
TOTAL PERSONAL PROPERTY VALUE	237,600.00
TOTAL REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY VALUE	99,846,900.00
APPROPRIATIONS	
County Tax	200,510.76
Municipal Appropriation	749,987.00
Local Education Appropriation	825,552.00
Overlay	<u>40,103.22</u>
TOTAL 2022 APPROPRIATIONS	1,816,152.98
Less Specific Amounts Allowed by Law	
State Municipal Revenue Sharing	(111,552.00)
Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	(70,542.28)
BETE Reimbursement	(2,952.60)
Other Revenue: Veterans Exemption, Franchise Fee, Interest on taxes	(153,401.98)
NET ASSESSMENT FOR COMMITMENT	1,477,734.12
Real Estate	99,609,300.00 x .0148= 1,562,197.38
<u>Personal Property</u>	237,600.00 x .0148= 3,516.48
	99,846,900.00 x .00148= 1,477,734.12

Respectfully Submitted by:

New Portland Board of Selectmen

Raymond Poulin, Tina Poulin, Wayne Rundlett

ABATEMENTS

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Re	cei	pts

From Overlay		7,805.80
Taxation		1.00
Taxation	TOTAL	7,806.80
Expenditures		7,000.00
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2022 Real Estate Abatement		
JEFFREY VERNEY		199.80
DEWEY MORANG		78.84
TABATHA & NATHAN BURKE		69.56
JUSTIN JORDAN		10.36
WILLIAM HOWARD	TOTAL	137.64
	TOTAL	495.80
2017 Personal Property Abatement		
DANA WILLS		1,509.54
	TOTAL	1,509.54
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2018 Personal Property Abatement		
DANA WILLS		<u>895.99</u>
	TOTAL	895.99
2019 Personal Property Abatement		1 607 05
DANA WILLS	TOTAL	1,607.95
	TOTAL	1,607.95
2020 Personal Property Abatement		
DANA WILLS		1,829.47
	TOTAL	1,829.47
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2021 Personal Property Abatement		
DANA WILLS		1,468.05
	TOTAL	1,468.05
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT		
2022 Assessment		
2022 Net Assessment for Commitment		1,477,734.12
2022 Supplemental Taxes Issued		1,862.00
2022 Tax Acquired Property		34,046.25
2022 Taxes paid in 2021		8,667.92
	TOTAL	1,522,310.29
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2022 COLLECTIONS AND CREDITS		
2022 Real Estate Taxes Collected		1,341,425.57
2022 Personal Property Taxes Collected		2,706.92
2022 Real Estate Abatements		7,806.80
2022 Real Estate Taxes Receivable		169,561.44
2022 Personal Property Taxes Receivable	TOTAL	809.56
	TOTAL	1,522,310.29
OTHER YEARS COLLECTIONS AND CREDITS		
2023 Real Estate Taxes		11,478.95
2021 Real Estate Taxes		189,655.27
2021 Personal Property Taxes		1,454.75
2020 Real Estate Taxes		55,671.18
2020 Personal Property Taxes		1,693.90
2019 Real Estate Taxes		9,314.24
2019 Personal Property Taxes		1,627.05
2018 Personal Property Taxes		924.15
	TOTAL	271,819.49
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2022 DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES

	2022 DELI	NQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES	
ABBOTT, MICHELLE G	621.60	GANEM, BRANDON	347.80
ABELL, KATHRYN	1,921.04	GILL, RICHARD A	1,972.84
ALLEN, ROSEMARY	694.12	GLASER, MARK	848.04
ANDERSON, ALBERT G	109.52	Gordon, Joseph R	1,329.04
ANDERSON, ALBERT G	1,037.48	Gordon, Joseph R	671.92
ANDREI, JOSHUA C	1,148.48	GROVER, JR., RANDY	816.96
BARTON, CHAD	1,764.16	GROVER, RANDY C SR	1,052.28
BERTRAM, RICHARD L	978.28	HANDRAHAN, KYLE	335.96
BLAKE, DEREK M	1,255.04	*	603.84
POLICIES CTEVENIA	1,030.08	HARRINGTON, TRAVIS	1,595.44
BOUCHER, STEVEN W	3,844.65	HAYDEN, BROOK	837.68
*	972.36	HIGGINS, MICHAEL	2,675.84
	676.34	HILENSKI, WALTER	313.76
BUMPUS, JOSHUA	293.04	HILENSKI, WALTER P	2,073.48
BURBANK, CHRISTOPHER D	1,915.12	HOWARD, WILLIAM K. &	621.60
BURNS, SAMANTHA	2,819.40	HUNTLEY, LEE	1,364.56
BURNS, SAMANTHA	132.70	HUTCHINS, RONALD A	762.20
CARTER AMANDA L ESTATE	846.56	JORDAN, DEBRA M	333.00 0.72
CASEY LAURA	1,231.36 284.16	KELLEY, BRIAN J II	
CASEY, LAURA	76.96	KINNEY, BELFORD D	1,067.08 731.12
CHAMBERS, TIMOTHY P	424.76	LABELLE, DYLAN S	941.28
CHAMBERS, TIMOTHY P CHAMBERS, TIMOTHY P	396.64	LAMBERT, AARON S	734.08
CHRISTEN, LEAH	300.44	LAWHON, LAURA & AS	250.12
*	1,348.28	LEBEAU, BREANNA	818.44
*	187.96	*	239.24
CLAPP, JONATHAN	4,077.40	LO-BOB INC.	3,241.20
CLEMENT, RANDALL D	250.12	MACNEIL, JOEL	1,420.80
COLLINS, MARK E	697.08	MCKENNEY, DAVID S	350.76
CONNELL, ERIC J	1,360.12	MCLAUGHLIN, RONDA L	1,065.60
COOMBS, ARYKE L	279.72	MITCHELL, KRISTEN	646.76
COSSABOOM, PHILLIP JR	1,115.92	MORONG, DEWEY J	442.52
COSTA, PHILIP	664.52	*	6.18
	651.20	PACHECO, DULCE M	541.68
COUSINEAU INC.	+		
COUSINEAU INC.	288.60	PHILLIPS, SHERI & TOR *	39.96
COUSINEAU INC.	448.44		1,695.76
COUSINEAU INC.	590.52	PIEREN, DANNY H	799.83
COX, DAVID M	60.79	POULIN, CHRISTOPHER	2,847.52
DEH MAINE LLC	2,721.72	*	710.40
DELANEY, RYAN	1,034.52	PRIME, TANYA T	1,591.00
*	531.32	PROBERT, RUSSELL A. &	211.88
DENTICO, NYKOLA K	1,776.00	QUIRION, DENISE	7.40
EARLE, DALE E	4,635.36	*	950.16
EASTBROOK TIMBER CO. INC.	451.40	READ, GAIL F	1,144.04
EMERY, DONALD W	1,619.51	*	555.00
EMERY, JASON W	654.16	ROBERTS, BARUCH A	165.76
*		*	
	741.48	*	831.76
EMERY, RICHARD O	5,672.84	<u>*</u>	136.16
	3,005.88	*	2,027.60
ESTES, MICHAEL	2,153.40	*	276.76
FEATHERSTONE, PETER J	3,159.80	*	1,117.40
*	2,686.20	SCHINZEL, MARK A	1,867.76
FORSLEY, CHRISTINE M	1,950.64	Sears Family Irrevocable	808.08
FORTIN, JENNIFER G	750.36	SERAFINO, WILLIAM V	1,817.44
FOSS, DAWN P	279.72	SERF AND BURKE RENTALS	1,289.08
FOSS, DAWN PAMELA ET AL.,	1,367.52	SIBLEY, ROGER	1,382.32
*	1,542.16	SLEEPER, LUKE JOHN CURTI	830.28
	1,342.10	SLEEPER, LOKE JOHN CONTI	030.20

	(CONT'D)	2022 DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES	
SMART, JESSICA M	643.80	TURNER, THOMAS D	555.00
SOVA, BERNARD A	2,829.76	TUTTLE, NOELLE	1.48
SPOONER, DEREK	90.48	TUTTLE, PATRICIA B	337.44
SWEENEY, MICHAEL S JR	356.68	*	2,484.92
SWEENEY, MICHAEL S JR	1,647.24	*	16.07
TALON, SHAUN	3,352.20	VIRGILIO, JOSEPH III,	2,103.08
TAYLOR, ASHLEY G	652.68	VIRGILIO, JOSEPH III,	139.12
TERVO, DAVID SR	809.56	WALES, MICHAEL S	2,755.76
TERVO, RICHARD SR	796.24	WALES, MICHAEL S	566.84
THOMPSON, STACI G	1,302.56	WARREN, RALPH F III	819.92
THORNDIKE, ROBERT A	130.24	WEBBER, JEFFERY S	1,762.68
THORNDIKE, ROBERT A	2,030.56	WHITE, DANA R	987.16
TINDALL, JAMES	90.20	WHITE, JAROD A	896.88
TINDALL, JAMES MORGAN	1,373.44	WHITNEY, JANICE	1,121.84
TOLMAN, MARK S	1,767.12	WIESE, JOHN	1,188.44
TOLMAN, MARK S	268.38	WILLIAMS, KENNETH	153.92
TOLMAN, TERRI B	742.28	WILLS, DANA	162.80
TOZIER, HAROLD	285.64	WILLS, STANLEY	933.88
TOZIER, HAROLD	976.80	*	642.78
TOZIER, TREVOR	491.36	WYMAN, GAYLE	1,135.16
TOZIER, TREVOR ET AL	1,363.08	YOUNG, ORIN W	4,148.44
TRANTEN, NICHOLAS R	165.76	YOUNG, ORIN W	389.24
		TOTAL	169,561.44

2021 DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES

ALLEN, ROSEMARY	747.63	LABELLE, DYLAN S	78
ANDERSON, ALBERT G	1,124.64	LAMBERT, AARON S	88
BUMPUS, JOSHUA	323.76	LAWHON, LAURA & ASSC	27
CALDWELL, KELLIE	420.14	MCKENNEY, DAVID S	38
CARTER, AMANDA J., ESTATE	1,335.51	PACHECO, DULCE M	59
CHAMBERS, TIMOTHY P	168.70	*	93
CHAMBERS, TIMOTHY P	211.66	QUIRION, DENISE	
DEH MAINE LLC	2,939.40	SCHINZEL, MARK A	2,00
DELANEY, RYAN	1,145.94	SERAFINO, WILLIAM V	1,95
EARLE, DALE E	3,810.69	SIBLEY, ROGER	1,35
EASTBROOK TIMBER CO. INC.	498.42	SOVA, BERNARD A	
EMERY, BRIAN J	71.60	TAYLOR, ASHLEY G	71
EMERY, RICHARD O	3,525.13	TURNER, THOMAS D	61
FORSLEY, CHRISTINE M	2,136.39	VIRGILIO, JOSEPH III,	
FOSS, DAWN PAMELA ET AL.,	277.77	VIRGILIO, JOSEPH III,	
GLASER, MARK	1,007.49	WALES, MICHAEL S	2,82
GROVER, JR., RANDY	915.90	WALES, MICHAEL S	62
GROVER, RANDY C SR	1,143.81	WHITE, JAROD A	97
HANDRAHAN, KYLE	372.75	WILLIAMS, KENNETH	16
HIGGINS, MICHAEL	2,881.89	WILLS, STANLEY	87
HOWARD, WILLIAM K. & JULIE	562.08	WYMAN, GAYLE	1,08
HUNTLEY, LEE	1,486.74	TOTAL	44,87
HUTCHINS, RONALD A	690.12	·	

2020 DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES

		ENT REAL ESTATE TAXES	
ALLEN, ROSEMARY	807.30	WHITE, JAROD A	1,053.40
CARTER, AMANDA J., ESTATE	1,232.39	WILLIAMS, KENNETH	177.10
PACHECO, DULCE M	646.30	TOTAL	3,916.49
	2019 DELINQU	ENT REAL ESTATE TAXES	
ALLEN, ROSEMARY	670.41	WILLIAMS, KENNETH & DA	137.07
PACHECO, DULCE M	536.71	TOTAL	1,344.19
	2022 DELINQUENT	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	
AGREN BRUCE	41.44	GRAYHAWK LEASING, LLC	11.84
ARCHER, DOUGLAS	1.48	HUGHES NETWORK SYSTEMS,	53.28
AT&T MOBILITY LLC	136.16	JRFABRICATION	84.36
ATWOOD RICHARD C	16.28	LUCE AUSTIN	133.20
BOUCHER, STEVEN W	34.04	NPRTO NORTH-EAST, LLC	20.72
CONOPCO INC.	7.40	POULIN'S GARAGE	50.32
DIRECTV, LLC	1.48	TINDALL'S COUNTRY STORE	25.16
DISH NETWORK LLC	115.44	VIASAT, INC.	22.20
ELAVON INC	1.48	WILLS, DANA T	<u>53.28</u>
		TOTAL	809.56
CONODCO INC	1	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	
CONOPCO INC.	12.78	WILLS, DANA T	<u>555.45</u>
GRAYHAWK LEASING, LLC POULIN'S GARAGE	4.51 57.40	TOTAL	630.14
POOLIN 3 GARAGE	37.40		
	2020 DELINOLIENT	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	
CONOPCO INC.	4.17	WILLS, DANA T	355.53
CONTROL CO INC.	T.17	TOTAL	359.70
	2019 DELINQUENT	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	
ADT LLC	7.64	WILLS, DANA T.	206.55
DISHNET SATELLITE	1.91	TOTAL	216.10
	2018 DELINQUENT	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	
COWAN, GARY R.& PEGGY A.	59.73	WILLS, DANA T.	<u>280.51</u>
		TOTAL	340.24
T P DILLON LOGGING INC	1	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	101 46
T.R.DILLON LOGGING INC.	59.07	WILLS, DANA T.	<u>101.46</u>
I.R.DILLON LOGGING INC.	53.07	TOTAL	160 160

2014 DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Road Runner Hold Co LLC		<u>1.70</u>
TO	TAL	1.70

STATE OF MAINE REIMBURSEMENT Receipts Tree Growth Reimbursement 59,938.99 Veteran's Reimbursement 2,437.00 TOTAL 62,375.99 **Expenditures** Used to reduce Tax Commitment 37,535.00 Lapse to Surplus 24,840.99 TOTAL 62,375.99 **BOAT EXCISE TAXES** Receipts 2022 Excise Taxes Received 978.50 TOTAL 978.50 **Expenditures** 978.50 Lapse to Surplus TOTAL 978.50 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES Receipts 2022 Motor Vehicle Excise Received 191,681.45 TOTAL 191,681.45 **Expenditures** Transferred to Winter Roads 125,000.00 Transferred to Summer Roads 35.000.00 Lapsed to Surplus 31,681.45 TOTAL 191,681.45 MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS **Receipts** 2022 Receipts 113,563.32 **TOTAL** 113,563.32 **Expenditures** Paid to Treasurer, State of Maine 113,563.32 TOTAL 113,563.32 **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE REGISTRATIONS Receipts** 2022 Receipts 22,521.88 TOTAL 22,521.88 **Expenditures** Paid to Treasurer, State of Maine 22,521.88 **TOTAL** 22,521.88 **PLUMBING INSPECTIONS Receipts** 2022 Receipts 3,656.25 **TOTAL** 3,656.25 **Expenditures** Paid to L.P.I. 2,791.25 Paid to Treasurer, State of Maine 865.00 **TOTAL** 3,656.25 **OFFICER'S SALARIES** Receipts 2022 Town Meeting Appropriations 110,625.00

1,600.00

112,225.00

TOTAL

T.I.F. Income

OFFICER'S SALARIES (CONT'D)

OFFICER'S SALARIES (CONT'D)		
<u>Expenditures</u>	1	
Selectmen		9,000.00
Town Manager		46,350.00
Deputy Town Manager		19,430.01
Fire Chief		2,000.00
Assistant Fire Chief's		1,000.00
Code Enforcement Officer		3,000.00
Town Clerk		3,250.00
Deputy Town Clerk		500.00
Animal Control Officer		1,700.00
Assessor's Agent		22,525.00
Road Commissioner		2,000.00
Lapse to Surplus		<u>1,469.99</u>
	TOTAL	112,225.00
TOWN CHARGES		
Receipts	ı	
Town Meeting Appropriation		12,000.00
Motor Vehicle Agent Fees/IF&W Agent Fees/Copier & Postage Fees		7,684.21
Lien Fees		6,696.40
Approved ARPA funds		7,860.78
Refunds from T.I.F. Account		437.75
- II.	TOTAL	34,679.14
Expenditures	1	2.762.00
Registry Recording Fees		2,762.00
Mileage		1,755.70
Supplies, Cleaning		4,512.58
Postage(Includes bulk mail permit)		3,754.86
Seminars/Training/Membership Dues		1,705.98
Town Report Printing		1,103.00
Ballot Clerks		3,374.50
Advertising		79.00
Website		1,435.58
Copier Lease/Contact		2,404.02
Moderator Fee		50.00
3 AED units		2,460.78
Electricity for West Village Storage Building		249.00
Lapse to surplus	TOTAL	9,032.34 34,679.14
	101/12	,
SOCIAL SECURITY		
Receipts	I	
Town Meeting Appropriation		10,200.00
Maine State Tax Withholding		2,371.77
Federal Tax Withholding		6,148.65
FICA/Medicare Tax Withholding		10,553.13
From Overlay		<u>353.13</u>
Funenditures	TOTAL	29,626.68
Expenditures Paid to Internal Revenue Services		27,254.91
Paid to Treasurer, State of Maine		<u>2,371.77</u>
	TOTAL	29,626.68
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TOWN OFFICE

Receipts	

Neccipies	1	
Town Meeting Appropriation		11,265.00
From Overlay		248.97
	TOTAL	11,513.97
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Trash Removal		140.00
Telephone/Fax/Internet		1,895.01
Heat		4,574.80
Electricity		1,694.43
Alarm Monitoring		270.00
Office Supplies		1,619.73
Cleaning		1,200.00
Building Maintenance		120.00
	TOTAL	11,513.97
INSURANCE		
<u>Receipts</u>	ı	
Town Meeting Appropriation		30,649.00
From Overlay		<u>1,577.62</u>
	TOTAL	31,869.62
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Property & Casualty Pool		15,382.00
Worker's Compensation		4,747.20
MMA Health Insurance		<u>11,740.42</u>
	TOTAL	31,869.62
ASSESSING		
Receipts		
Carry Forward From 2021		<u>2,750.00</u>
Town Meeting Appropriation		2,275.00
<u> </u>	TOTAL	5,025.00
Expenditures	'	,
Supplies		365.98
Carry Forward to 2023		4,659.02
	TOTAL	5,025.00
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EDUCATION		
<u>Receipts</u>		
Assessments		825,552.00
	TOTAL	825,552.00
<u>Expenditures</u>	I	
R.S.U. #74	TOTAL	<u>825,552.00</u>
	TOTAL	825,552.00
KENNEBEC VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT(KVCOG)		
Receipts		
Town Meeting Appropriation		1,192.00
<u> </u>	TOTAL	1,192.00
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KENNEBEC VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT(KVCOG) (CONT'D)		
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Paid to KVCOG		<u>1,192.00</u>
	TOTAL	1,192.00
MAINE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION (MMA)		
Receipts		
Town Meeting Appropriation		1,924.00
	TOTAL	1,924.00
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Paid to MMA		<u>1,924.00</u>
	TOTAL	1,924.00
TRIO SOFTWARE		
Receipts		
Town Meeting Appropriation		12,004.00
	TOTAL	12,004.00
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Paid to Harris Computers		12,003.65
Lapse to Surplus		<u>.35</u>
	TOTAL	12,004.00
PLANNING BOARD		
Receipts		
Carry Forward from 2021		4,820.00
Income		<u>903.75</u>
	TOTAL	5,723.75
<u>Expenditures</u>	1	
Meeting Stipends		980.00
Carry Forward to 2022		4,743.75
	TOTAL	5,723.75
LIBRARY		
Receipts		
Town Meeting Appropriation		<u>8,500.00</u>
	TOTAL	8,500.00
<u>Expenditures</u>	1	
Paid to the Library		<u>8,500.00</u>
	TOTAL	8,500.00
AMBULANCE		
Receipts	I	
Town Meeting Appropriation		17,161.00
From Overlay	TOTAL	<u>158.72</u>
	TOTAL	17,319.72
<u>Expenditures</u>	1	
Paid to Franklin Memorial Hospital		<u>17,319.72</u>
	TOTAL	17,319.72

STREET LIGHTS

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Town Mooting Appropriation	l	E 000 00
Town Meeting Appropriation	TOTAL	<u>5,000.00</u> 5,000.00
Expenditures	IOIAL	3,000.00
Paid to Central Maine Power Company		3,402.10
apse to Surplus		1,597.90
	TOTAL	5,000.00
	'	•
NINTER ROADS		
Receipts		
Town Meeting Appropriation		360,000.00
From Overlay		<u>12,070.23</u>
	TOTAL	372,070.23
Expenditures		
Paid to J.R. Davenport Trucking & Plowing		307,899.34
Paid to Pike Industries for Winter Sand & Tailings		42,712.50
Paid to New England Salt		8,999.26
Paid to Morton Salt Co		9,461.46
Paid to CMP		2,997.67
apse to Surplus		<u>2,997.67</u>
	TOTAL	372,070.23
Fown Meeting Appropriation Carry Forward from 2021		1,783.00 5,162.00
ncome		822.00
	TOTAL	7,767.00
Expenditures		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Paid to Franklin County Animal Shelter		1,683.00
Carry Forward to 2023		6,084.00
	TOTAL	7,767.00
TRANSFER STATION		
Receipts		<u>59,986.50</u>
Town Meeting Appropriation	TOTAL	<u>59,986.50</u>
Expenditures	IOIAL	33,360.30
Paid to Town of Kingfield		59,986.50
J	TOTAL	59,986.50
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GENERAL ASSISTANCE		
Receipts	1	
Town Meeting Appropriation		2,000.00
ncome		<u>2,272.60</u>
	TOTAL	4,272.60

GENERAL ASSISTANCE (CONT'D) **Expenditures** GA-2022-1 862.35 GA-2022-2 486.89 GA-2022-3 1,100.00 Lapse to Surplus 1,823.36 TOTAL 4,272.60 **AUDIT** Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation 8,000.00 Carry forward from 2021 400.00 TOTAL 8,400.00 **AUDIT Expenditures** Paid to Purdy Powers & Company 8,200.00 Lapse to Surplus 200.00 TOTAL 8,400.00 **CEMETERIES** Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation 6,000.00 TOTAL 6,000.00 **Expenditures** Paid to E.N.P 2,000.00 Paid to N.N.P. 2,000.00 Paid to W.N.P. 2,000.00 **TOTAL** 6,000.00 **CEMETERY MAINTENANCE Receipts** Town Meeting Appropriation 3,000.00 Carry forward from 2021 2,055.00 TOTAL 5,055.00 **Expenditures** Paid to Theron Huff 1,800.00 525.00 Adams Bros Monuments Co. Carry forward to 2023 2,730.00 TOTAL 5,055.00 **ROAD GRANT** Receipts Received from State of Maine 38,072.00 Carry forward from 2021 15,139.00 **TOTAL** 53,211.00 **Expenditures** Transferred to Summer Roads (to reduce taxation) 37,000.00

Carry forward to 2023

16,211.00

53,211.00

TOTAL

PAVING

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Town Meeting Appropriation		10,000.00
Carry forward from 2021		<u>10,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	20,000.00
<u>Expenditures</u>	ı	
Carry forward to 2023		20,000.00
	TOTAL	20,000.00
SUMMER ROADS		
Receipts	1	
Town Meeting Appropriation		150,000.00
Carry Forward from 2021		<u>3,483.00</u>
Former discourse	TOTAL	153,483.00
Expenditures		12 002 00
Gravel/Stone for Rds		13,082.00
Sweeping Grader Fuel & Maint		797.60 19,360.82
Calcium		10,080.00
Brush/Tree cutting		3,705.00
Pickup Foreman/Labor		280.00 16,081.53
Middle Rd Culvert Payment		15,415.47
Backhoe\excavator		6,498.00
Trucking		6,665.00
Misc		54,765.20
Storage Container		4,100.00
Carry forward to 2023		<u>2,652.38</u>
	TOTAL	153,483.00
FIRE FIGHTER TRAINING		
Receipts		
Town Meeting Appropriation		1,000.00
Carry Forward from Reserve Account		5,590.00
	TOTAL	6,590.00
Expenditures	'	•
Paid for Training		
Carry Forward to 2020 in Reserve Account		3,805.00
		3,805.00 2,785.00
	TOTAL	
FIRE DEPARTMENT	TOTAL	2,785.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT Receipts	TOTAL	2,785.00
Receipts	TOTAL	<u>2,785.00</u> 6,590.00
Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation	TOTAL	2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00
Receipts		2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00 <u>11,857.00</u>
Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation	TOTAL	2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00
Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation Carry forward from 2021		2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00 <u>11,857.00</u>
Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation Carry forward from 2021 Expenditures		2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00 11,857.00 56,077.00
Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation Carry forward from 2021 Expenditures Electricity		2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00 11,857.00 56,077.00
Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation Carry forward from 2021 Expenditures Electricity Telephone/Internet		2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00 11,857.00 56,077.00 3,049.16 2,002.87
Receipts Town Meeting Appropriation Carry forward from 2021 Expenditures Electricity Telephone/Internet Gas/Oil		2,785.00 6,590.00 44,220.00 11,857.00 56,077.00 3,049.16 2,002.87 1,787.33

FIRE DEPT (CONT'D)		
Misc./Services		245.85
Trash		120.00
2022 invoices paid in 2023		8,532.00
Carry forward to 2023		25,714.16
	TOTAL	56,077.00
RECREATION		
Receipts		
Carry Forward from Reserve Account		<u>1,928.00</u>
	TOTAL	1,928.00
<u>Expenditures</u>	1	
New swing seats for playground		78.00
Carry Forward to Reserve Account		<u>1,850.00</u>
	TOTAL	1,928.00
LEGAL FEES		
Receipts	1	
From Overlay		<u>2,339.00</u>
	TOTAL	2,339.00
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Paid to Burnstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson		<u>2,339.00</u>
	TOTAL	2,339.00
PEOPLE WHO CARE FOOD CUPBOARD		
<u>Receipts</u>	1	
Town Meeting Appropriation		<u>3,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	3,000.00
Expenditures	1	
Paid to People Who Care Food Cupboard		3,000.00
	TOTAL	3,000.00
SNOWMOBILE GRANTS		
Receipts Received from the State of Maine		<u>14,668.62</u>
The state of the s	TOTAL	14,668.62
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Paid to the Wire Bridge Sno Travelers		<u>14,668.62</u>
	TOTAL	14,668.62

DEDICATED SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

	Fund	

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1/1/2021 Balance		.29
Deposit of 2021 Town Meeting Appropriation		10,000.00
Interest Earned		<u>.29</u>
	12/31/2021 Balance	10,000.29
Firefighter Training Fund		
01/01/2021 Balance		5,590.00
Deposit of 2022 Town Meeting Appropriation		1,000.00
Transferred to General Fund Account for 2022 expenses		-3,805.00
Interest Earned		<u>8.95</u>
	12/31/2021 Balance	2,603.95
<u>Fire Truck Replacement Fund</u>	,	
1/1/2021 Balance		80.92
Interest Earned		<u>0.10</u>
	12/31/2021 Balance	81.02
Recreation Fund	ı	
01/01/2021 Balance		1,297.79
2021 Expended		-25.00
Interest Earned		<u>1.40</u>
	12/31/2021 Balance	1,274.19
Grant Matching Fund		
01/01/2021 Balance		22,341.55
Interest Earned		<u>24.21</u>
	12/31/2021 Balance	22,365.76
Legal Fees Fund	1	
01/01/2021 Balance		.81
Town Meeting Appropriation		3,000.00
2021 Expended		-2,519.45
Interest Earned	10 (0.1 (0.0.1.7.1.	<u>.12</u>
	12/31/2021 Balance	481.48
Road Grant Fund		12 401 22
01/01/2021 Balance Interest Earned		12,481.22 <u>13.53</u>
interest Larrieu	12/31/2021 Balance	12,494.75
Williams Fund SSB CD 01-40-1457		
01/01/2022 Balance		10,926.25
Interest Earned		21.87
	12/31/2022 Balance	10,948.12
Town of New Portland Inhabitants SSB CD 01403973		
01/01/2022 Balance		10,000.00
Interest Earned		20.62
To be transferred to Cemetery Trust Fund		-20.62
	12/31/2022 Balance	10,000.00

DEDICATED SPECIAL ACCOUNTS (CONT'D)

Cemetery Trust Fund SSB CD 1030018460

01/01/2022 Balance		1,700.00
Interest Earned		6.86
To be Distributed to Cemetery Associations		-6.86
Base Fund is 1,700.00	12/31/2022 Balance	1,700.00
Joseph William Fund SSB Passbook 30055428		
01/01/2022 Balance		346.24
Interest Earned		<u>.14</u>
	12/31/2022 Balance	346.38
New Portland Flooring Development Fund BSB 1500016308 (T.I.F.)		
01/01/2022 Balance		45,003.46
Due to the Town's General Fund for Approved Expenditures		2,037.75
Interest Earned		22.51
	12/31/2022 Balance	47,063.72

Town Clerks Report for 2022

New Portland Community:

Another year has come to an end. I had been Deputy Town Clerk under Jianna Pinkham until November 2022. I was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to be Town Clerk until this March. I can honestly say it has been a new learning experience and am happy to have taken on this journey. A special thank you to my Deputy, Stacie Rundlett (also the Town Manager) who has gone above and beyond helping me and having faith in me these past few months and it was tremendously appreciated. November's election went off without a hitch because the Ballot Clerks, who have done numerous elections, helped guide me and shared their wealth of experience and knowledge. Thank you, Marilyn Gorman, Nancy Steuber, Winona Emery! With that being said, below you will find information regarding elections, vital statistics, and dog licensing from 2022.

Mallory Stratton-Town Clerk

Dogs

There were 144 dogs licensed and 3 kennel licenses issued in 2022. This does include dogs that were registered from Lexington TWP.

The 2022 Annual Vital Statistics for New Portland

Births - 9

Due to new State Laws regarding Vital Statistic Information, the child's name, date of birth and parents' names are no longer public information

Deaths - 14

Name	Age	Date of Death
Pamela Atwood	66	May 13, 2022
Donald Browne	78	June 1, 2022
Wanda Calder	92	August 15, 2022
John Carter	69	December 21, 2022
Ronald Coffin	85	September 8, 2022
Nelson Doody	75	December 2, 2022
Peter Gardner	75	June 10, 2022
Virginia Minott	91	September 6, 2022
Danny Pieren	74	January 15, 2022
Roseilla Pinkham	103	March 28, 2022
Frank Pride	86	November 18, 2022
Theodore Surdam	46	June 23, 2022
Noel Sutherland	94	April 13, 2022
Harold Tozier	86	August 6, 2022

Marriages - 4 Rride & Groom

Bride & Groom	Date of Marriage
Stavroula Menoudarakos & Justin Taylor	September 24, 2022
Kristen Mitchell & Philip Cote	October 1, 2022
Danielle Mahoney & Matthew Bateman	October 15, 2022
Linda Thompson & Brandon Boudreault	October 15, 2022

Elections

As of December 31, 2022 there were 599 registered voters here in New Portland. Out of the 599 registered voters there are 140 Democrats, 175 Unenrolled, 53 Green Independent and 230 Republican.

Municipal Election Friday, March 4, 2022

Board of Selectmen

Raymond Poulin – 42 Write- In- David Veilluex - 7 Write-In- Kenneth Atwood- 2

RSU #74 School Board 3 Year Term

Write-In John Bertl- 1 Write-In Kenneth Atwood- 1 Write-In Annette Tindall- 1 Write-In Sarah Churchill- 1 Write-In Kenneth Colville- 1 Write-In Janet White- 1 Write-In David Royce- 2

RSU #74 School Board 1 Year Term

Write-In Kenneth Colville- 1 Write-In Melissa Maynard- 1 Write-In David Osgood- 1 Write-In Norman Durland- 1 Write- In David Royce- 4

RSU # 74 School Budget Referendum June 14, 2022

Ouestion One

Yes- 40 No- 31 Blank- 0

Question Two

Yes- 49 No- 18 Blank- 4

State Of Maine Election November 8, 2022

Governor

Sam Hunkler- 10 Paul Lepage- 206 Janet Mills- 175 Blank- 6

State Senator

Russell Black- 200 Douglas Thomas- 35 Stanley Wheeler- 149 Blank-13

Representative To the Legislature (District 74)

Randall Hall- 224 Gregory Kimber- 159 Blank-14

County Treasurer

Tracey Rotondi- 311 Blank- 86

Register Of Deeds

Laura Price (Declared write-in)- 0 Blank- 397

Sheriff

Dale Lancaster-311 Blank-86

District Attorney (District 4)

Maeghan Maloney-261 Blank-136

Representative To Congress (District 2)

Tiffany Bond-30 Jared Golden-181 Bruce Poliquin-175 Blank-11

TOWN HISTORIAN REPORT

In 2022, as covid eased somewhat and people began to live more normal lives the historical inquiring increased. I had more phone calls, asking about New Portland history and genealogy, than I have ever had in one year. I had at least 12 to 15 calls and I was able to help most of them. If I didn't have the answer, I was able to tell them where they might be able to find it. Research is interesting and exciting. Being New Portland's Town Historian is an honor and I have met so many interesting people, that I would never have met if I wasn't Town Historian. Please call me at 628-3532 if you have any questions about New Portland, hopefully I will be able to help you.

Marilyn Gorman
Town Historian
New Portland Historical Society

New Portland Fire Department

2022 Annual Report

To the Citizens of New Portland:

During the year 2022 the Fire Department responded to the following 76 calls for assistance, of which 12 were request for mutual aid, these were made up of structure fires, woods/grass fires & MVA. We saw an increase of 22 calls from 2021 when we had a total of 54 calls.

Structure Fires	5	Vehicle Accidents	24
Brush/Grass Fires	2	Downed Wires/Trees/Debris in Rd	12
Vehicle Fire	1	EMS Assist/CRP	13
UTV Fire	1	Traffic Control	3
Chimney Fire	3	Service Call/Standby	6
		Rescue/Carry Out	2
		Flooded Basement	2
		Smoke/Odor Investigation	2

With the completion of 2021, we are returning to a call volume trend that we saw before Covid with the population returning to pass activities prior to the Covid virus. Overall fire calls down slightly, but we are seeing increases in the number of vehicle accidents and EMS assist. The request for mutual aid is still high as all the area departments are struggling with manpower shortages.

With funding already available we have been working with our radio provider to install a radio repeater in town to better facilitate radio communications with Somerset Communications and extend our radio coverage area within the FD service area. Due to the lack of support from the cell tower owner in town by not allowing the department to install a repeater at the site we are now working with Yankee Communications to place the repeater at the station, we believe this will work out to the benefit of the town as it gives us complete control of the repeater and tower.

2022 we had a lot of apparatus expenditures for maintenance and repairs, given this I held back on making purchases of equipment we had budgeted to purchase to make sure we had the funding to cover the necessary expenses. We are currently making repairs to the station roof, we have found it leaking into the office behind the kitchen vent, and a possible leak in the hallway, with repairs underway.

The FD Ordinance you are considering at the Annual Town Meeting is a means of trying to offset the replacement cost of an apparatus when the time arrives. Apparatus cost are extremely high, for example our 2005 Tanker cost new \$160,000. This same truck now cost close to half a million dollars to replace.

During the year, the department had 511 hours responding to calls, a decrease of 46 hours, plus we had attended 235 documented meetings which is also a decrease of 49 hours from 2021. We are experiencing the same shortages of manpower as the other area departments.

We are always looking for new members that would like to serve our community if you have an interest, please contact me. I wish to express my thanks, recognition, and appreciation to all the New Portland Firefighters and their families who make up the Fire Department. Our community is indeed extremely fortunate to have them.

Respectfully Submitted, Kip Poulin, Fire Chief

New Portland Community Library

Thank you to every patron and friend who has donated time, labor, donations, and dollars to keep the library open. Thanks to you, the library remains a well-used addition to the town! We are thankful for many things this year – for our patrons who have followed new guidelines, adapting to less hours open due to volunteer shortages, participating in FUNdraisers, to benefactors who gave us a grant for new computers, a PPP grant for overhead, an ARPA grant for books, to the Stephen and Tabitha King for a computer grant, to libraries around the state who gave us items that were looking for a new home, and for our dedicated board and volunteers who gave so much of their time to see us through another challenging year.

The year has again been full of changes. While we remained open through the year, hours were cut due to volunteer shortages. Despite fewer hours, the work has increased. There were more interlibrary loans, we have received more donations that must be kept with accurate records, had more phone calls and emails from local libraries to stay in touch, and more paperwork for grants and loans. Our first priority has always been to keep our patrons safe and to do no harm. We were able to hold four book and dvd sales, several raffles, the Chinese Auction, the plant-book-bake sale, a bridge toll to benefit the library, a table at the fair, and a holiday craft fair. Interlibrary loans have been quite popular as have the great internet connections we have available to patrons both inside and outside the library. Our free WiFi service was widely used by patrons inside and outside the library; this will be measured in the coming years to include inside and outside uses of the system by using a measurement system hopefully from the King Foundation. We offered free books and movies inside the library or/and to take home and enjoy at your leisure.

We are still down one computer station but more patrons are using their hand-held devices that they bring in. We have a television available for anyone who needs to see a movie or a documentary. We maintained a level of continuity by using Facebook, posting various articles in appropriate media outlets, and sending notices to various newsletters. Thanks to the Town of New Portland, we received partial financial support for yearly expenses. Headcounts are now back to pre-pandemic levels. We still found people using the computers to search for jobs, fill out forms, take classes, check various sources for information, and in other ways to cut down on travel to locations outside the area.

We still continue to exchange books and movies with other libraries and accept donations with a turnover of about 50 new (or new to us!) items per month. Then, with new books we are running about adding 60 items per month to the curriculum. We processed 37 total items on interlibrary loan; this service and price may be adjusted in the future. We have checked out 842 items and seen a total of 971 patrons. We have a total of 9,462 items in our curriculum. The library collection is available on the town web site where anyone can access the catalog to see what we have; by belonging to the Maine State Library system we have access to interlibrary loans, an electronic system that lets anyone view our database of collection items, we are offered various training opportunities and webinars to keep us up to date, and offered computer assistance as needed and advice from experts from around the state.

Library hours are as follows: Tuesdays 8-noon, Wednesdays 3-6pm (may be subject to change), Thursdays 3-6pm, Saturdays 8-noon. Our web site is at the town of New Portland web site under community services. We also have a Facebook page at new Portland Community Library. People can also call us at 628-6561 or email us at newportlandcl@gmail.com

Wenda Spooner, President

Vice President (position open)

Valencia Schubert, Treasurer

Becky Redlevski, Secretary

Members at Large: Beth Perrera, Annette Folco

2022 Assessor's Agent Report

To the Taxpayers of the Town of New Portland:

The Town Assessor's Agent acts as an agent of the State and is governed by State statute and local management policy. The office is responsible for maintaining accurate records of property ownership and equitable valuation of taxable real estate and personal property located in the Town of New Portland. This office maintains permanent records setting forth title information, descriptions of land and buildings, the valuation of all properties (taxable and exempt), tax maps showing lot size, and a list of all personal property used in trade and manufacturing. Accurate record keeping of the property cards, tax maps, deeds and transfer documents from the State is ongoing. Change in title from the deeds and declaration of value are processed on a monthly basis. Land splits and new subdivisions are tracked and recorded on all proper documents, i.e. property cards (hard copy and computer copy) and tax maps.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS & PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

There are several forms of property tax relief available for New Portland Residents.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION: (TITLE 36, M.R.S.A. SECTION 863): Homeowners whose principal residence is in the State of Maine are eligible for a \$25,000 exemption on their property assessment. (This exemption is also adjusted by the certified ration if it drops below 100%). An application is available in this book and also may be attained at the Town Office. In order to qualify for the exemption, the applicant must meet the following requirements:

The applicant must be a legal resident of the State of Maine.

The Homestead must be for a permanent place of Residence.

The applicant must have owned property in Maine for at least twelve months prior to April 1st, of the year for which the application is made.

Those who qualify need not reapply annually; it will apply to qualified property owners until they sell, move, or the State changes the program.

VETERANS EXEMPTION: (TITLE 26, M.R.S.A. SECTION 653): Any US Veteran that actively served during a federally recognized war, including those honorably discharged or retired, and is at least sixty-two (62) years of age, may be eligible for a partial tax exemption on their primary residence. Veterans receiving a pension or compensation from the United States Government for a total disability, whether service, or non-service related, may also qualify. A widow, minor, or mother of a deceased veteran may also qualify for an exemption. Applications may be obtained at the Assessor's Agents office an must be filed with a copy of military discharge papers, such as a DD214, driver's license or State ID, and birth certificate on or before April 1st of that year.

The Veteran exemption is \$6,000. Paraplegic veterans can obtain an exemption of \$50,000 toward specially adaptive housing (the exemption is adjusted by the certified ratio if it drops below 100%).

BLIND EXEMPTION (TITLE 36 M.R.S.A. SECTION 654): New Portland residents certified to be legally blind by their eye care professional or the Dept. of Education Division for the Blind and Visually impaired may file for an exemption of \$4,000 toward their real estate assessment. (The exemption is also adjusted by the certified ration if it drops below 100%).

PROPERTY TAX STABILIZATION PROGRAM FOR SENIOR CITIZENS (TITLE 36 M.R.S 56281). Property Tax Stabilization for Senior Citizens is a state program that allows certain senior-citizen residents to stabilize, or freeze, the property taxes on their homestead. An applicant must be 65 years old, a permanent resident of the State, and must have owned a Maine homestead for at least 10 years. If the individual files an application and qualifies each year, the tax billed to them for their homestead will continue to be fixed at the amount they were filled in the prior

year tax year. Eligible residents who move may transfer the fixed tax amount to a new homestead, even if the new homestead is in a different Maine municipality.

<u>ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS</u> To be eligible for the Program, an individual must meet all the following as of April 1 of the property tax year for which they are requesting stabilization (so for applications due December 1, 2022, qualifications must be met by April 1, 2023):

- Be 65 years or older
- Be a permanent resident of Maine
- Have owned a homestead in Maine for at least 10 years (The 10-year period does not need to be

• Be eligible for a homestead exemption under M.R.S 55681689 on the property which they are requesting stabilization

If a homestead is owned by more than one individual as joint tenants, only one owner needs to qualify for the Program. "There is no payback amount if a property is removed from the Program and there is no oncome or asset limits to qualify.

APPLICATION PROCESS

consecutive)

- An individual must file a completed application, including any proof of qualification, with their local Assessor by December 1
- The Assessor will determine if the applicant qualifies for the program and will notify the applicant whether they have been approved or denied
- Participants must file a new application with the Municipality each year to maintain their stabilized tax amount
- As long as a participant continues to qualify and apply every year, their tax bill will remain the same as it was in the year an application was first submitted

TRUE AND PERFECT LISTS

Maine Law allows an Assessor to request a list of property possessed by taxpayers as of April 1 of the taxable year, called a true and perfect list, and to request additional information about the property that may be taxable to the owner. On the following page is a REQUEST FOR TRUE AND PERFECT LIST OF TAXABLE PROPERTY. Please take the time to fill this out and return to:

 Town of New Portland Attn: Assessor
 901 River Rd New Portland, ME 04961 Taxpayers of the Town of New Portland:

July 27, 2022 Tax Commitment

Assessments:

County Tax	200,510.76
Municipal Appropriation	749,987.00
Local Education Assessment	825,552.00
Overlay	<u>40,103.22</u>
Total Assessments	1,816,152.98

Deductions:

State Municipal Revenue Sharing	111,522.00
Homestead Reimbursement	70,542.28
Other Revenues	153,401.98
BETE Reimbursement	<u>2,952.60</u>
Total Deductions	338,418.86

Net Assessment for Commitment: 1,477,734.12

Taxable Land Valuation	41,745,800.00
Taxable Building Valuation	57,863,500.00
Taxable Personal Property Valuation	<u>237,600.00</u>
	99.846.900.00

The mil rate was .0148 in 2022. In 2022 there was a total increase of \$26,266,700 in Real Estate Valuation. In 2022 there was a total decrease of \$76,400 in Personal Property Valuation.

This amount includes new homes, modular, garages, decks and all other buildings and outbuildings. Personal Property valuation includes business equipment, etc. This amount (especially in the Real Estate portion) is high in effect of the 30% & 35% across the board increase in Land & Buildings.

If you have torn down or built anything in the past year, please inform me at the Assessor's office so we can make the appropriate changes.

As most are aware, with the trending and fluctuating Real Estate market, comes some adjustments in Property valuations. These will continue to adjust over the next couple of year, and hopefully things will level off, so weare not constantly adjusting.

Any questions or concerns, I am in the office most Wednesdays (sometimes out and about doing fieldwork) if for any reason you are unable to reach me, please contact the Town Office at 628-4441 and leave your contact information, I will get in touch with you as soon as possible and set up and appointment with you at your convenience.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you in the last year.

Respectfully,

Audra Swanson, CMA Assessor's Agent Town of New Portland

PLEASE FILE WITH THE SELECTMEN ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1^{ST} , 2023 REQUEST FOR TRUE AND PERFECT LIST OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

(Taxable property includes property subject to exemption under the Business Equipment Tax Exemption program) FILED PURSUANT TO TITLE 36, M.R.S.A. SECTION 706

To the Assessors of the	e Municipality of New Por	tland:		
1. I am a legal reside	ent of			
	(Municipality)	(State)		_
2. Real Estate: List be in New Portland, N	riefly each separate parce Me.	l subject to t	axation on April 1st,	2023 and located
LOCATION	AREA OF LAND		BUILDINGS	
(Street and #)	(Approx. lot size)		(Dwellings, sheds, o	outbuildings)
a				
b				
c				
d				
(If additional space is	needed please use a blank	sheet)		
Have any of the bui Since April 1st, 2022	ldings listed been con	structed o	r altered (include	e damaged)
omecripin 1, 202	-•	YES_	NO	
If yes, identify build	ding, construction, alt	eration or	damages.	
Is your land subject	t to any enforceable re	estrictions	that limit its use	?
			NO	
If "yes" what is the in (Check all appropri	nature of the restrictic ate boxes)	on:		
□ Zoning Ordinanc	e			
□ Recorded Contra	-			
□ Subdivision restr				
☐ Other (Please Exp	Jiaiii)			

REQUEST FOR TRUE AND PERFECT LIST OF TAXABLE PROPERTY PAGE 2

3. Structures on land you do not own: List property in this municipality you own on April 1 located on

leased land or land vou do not own, including dwelling houses, house trailers, camps, stores, storehouses, or any other structures. Identify the landowner and location in each case. LOCATION AREA OF LAND **BUILDINGS** (Street and #) (Approx. lot size) (Dwellings, sheds, outbuildings) b. _____ (If additional space is required, attach a separate sheet.) The foregoing is submitted in compliance with 36 M.R.S.5 706-A, and is true, correct, and complete to the best of my belief as of April 1 of the current year. I understand that the assessor may require me to make an oath of the foregoing, and that the assessor may require me to answer, in writing, questions as to the nature, situation, and value of nay property liable to be taxed in the State of Maine or subject to exemption pursuant to 36 M.R.S chapter 105(4-C); and that my refusal or neglect to answer and attest to such questions may result in forfeiture of my right to appeal. I understand that the assessor (or any of them) may require me to make oath of the foregoing and that any of them may require me to answer in writing all proper inquiries as to the nature, situation and value of any property liable to be taxed in the State of Maine, and that a refusal or neglect to answer such further inquiries and subscribe the same will be an appeal to the County Commissioners. (Signature of Taxpayer (s)) Account Number or Map/Lot (if known)

(Please Print Name of Taxpayer)



APPLICATION FOR MAINE HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

36 M.R.S. §§ 681-689

Completed forms must be filed with your local assessor by April 1. Forms filed after April 1 of any year will apply to the subsequent year tax assessment. See reverse for instructions.

SECTION 1: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY		
 1a. I am a permanent resident of the State of Manager. b. I have owned a homestead in Maine for the (1) If you owned a homestead in another address (street number, street name, in the contraction of the State of Manager. 	past 12 months municipality with	
c. I declare the homestead in this municipality receiving a homestead property tax exempti (Summer camps, vacation homes,	ion for any othe	r property.
IF YOU HAVE NOT CHECKED You do not qualify for a Maine		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
SECTION 2: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION		
2a. Names of all property owners (names on your to	ax bill):	
b. Physical location of your homestead (i.e. 14 Ma	Telephone	
c. Mailing Address, if different from above:		
City/Town:	State:	ZIP:
Email:		
SECTION 3: MAINE RESIDENCY IS BASED ON ON apply):	IE OR MORE C	OF THE FOLLOWING (check all that
3a. b. The address on my driver's license is the sa the legal residence on my resident fishing a homestead location on line 2b. d. I pay motor vehicle excise tax in this municipality.	and/or hunting li	
(If you did not check any boxes, please attac	ch an explanatio	on that shows your residency.)
I hereby declare, aware of penalties for perjury, that the and belief, true, correct and complete. A person who k obtaining a homestead property tax exemption is guilty	nowingly files fa	alse information for the purpose of
Signature of Homestead Owner(s)		Date:
		Date:

INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION 1. Check the appropriate box related to each question. You must check all three boxes to qualify for the Maine homestead property tax exemption. If you have moved during the year and owned a homestead in Maine prior to your move, enter the address of the homestead you moved from on line 1.b(1). Your ownership of a homestead must have been continuous for the 12-month period prior to application. If you did not check all boxes in this section, you do not qualify for the homestead property tax exemption. A person on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States who is permanently stationed at a military or naval post, station or base in this state is deemed to be a permanent Maine resident. A person on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States does not include a member of the National Guard or the Reserves

SECTION 2. Enter your full name(s) as shown on your property tax bill, the physical location of your home and your mailing address, if different than the physical location.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> This section gives the local assessor information which may be used to determine if you qualify and should support your answers to the questions in SECTION 1. Please check the appropriate box for each of the statements in this section.

At least one of the owners of the homestead must sign this document. Please file the application with your local municipal assessor. If, for any reason, you are denied exemption by the assessor, you may appeal the assessor's decision under the abatement statute, 36 M.R.S. § 841.

DEFINITIONS

Homestead. "Homestead" means residential real property owned by an individual or individuals and occupied by those individuals as their permanent residence. Residential real property held in a revocable living trust for a beneficiary who occupies the property as his or her permanent residence also qualifies as a homestead. A resident homeowner who is subject to foreclosure and subsequently purchases the home back from the municipality is considered to have no interruption in homeownership for purposes of this exemption.

Municipality. "Municipality" means any city, town, plantation, or any location in the unorganized territory.

Permanent residence. "Permanent residence" means that place where an individual has a true, fixed, and permanent home and principal establishment to which the individual, whenever absent, has the intention of returning. An individual may have only one permanent residence at a time and, once a permanent residence is established, that residence is presumed to continue until circumstances indicate otherwise.

Permanent resident. "Permanent resident" means an individual who has established a permanent residence.

A cooperative housing corporation may apply for a homestead exemption to be applied against the valuation of property of the corporation that is occupied by qualifying shareholders. To qualify, the corporation must complete an Application for Maine Homestead Property Tax Exemption for Cooperative Housing Corporations.

Town Manager's Notes to Taxpayers:

Dear Community members,

It's been almost 15 years that I have been employed by the Town of New Portland 18 years total in municipal government and I have never submitted any notes or letters to an annual town report. This year I would like to take a moment to thank my Board of Selectmen, all department heads, and all town employees for their continued dedication to the Town. We have such a small group of employees and even smaller group of volunteers that help to keep this community together and continue to aid its growth. Job well done by all of you!! The Board of Selectmen have worked very hard to see that the town's needs are met and continue to keep the municipal budget down as much as they possibly can. They always work together with the Budget Committee members on our annual budgets to ensured that all those participating have done their due diligence in making the best use of our tax dollars.

Over the year we have lost many loved ones and friends, and some of those who helped with the upkeep and growth of this beautiful little town. They will be greatly missed by all who's lives they touched. Some residents have been voicing their concerns about our quality of internet in town. Myself, along with the Board of Selectmen have researched and contacted those power that may be who control our internet options and have not gotten much farther than we have in previous years trying to bring better quality internet here. However, we have been informed that the local telephone service provider has made some improvements already to our quality of internet and may even be upgrading those improvements even more before the end of the year. Let's hope so for all our sake, better services could ensure better quality of life for those requiring the use of the internet for their careers, and education.

In conclusion, I extend my greatest appreciation to the citizens in this town, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town's department heads, employees and volunteers for your continuing support and cooperation during these challenging times. I cannot thank you enough for your hard work and obvious pride in our community. Respectfully submitted

Stacie Rundlett Town Manager

Selectmen's Letter of Transmittal

To the residence of the Town of New Portland

Another year has come and gone. It started off colder than we have seen in quite some time.

We lost a long time selectman & planning board member with the passing of Peter Gardner. We also had our longtime road commissioner Gary Agran retire. He left some big shoes to fill but I think Trevor Tozer is doing an outstanding job with it.

Hopefully 2023 continues to be mild and successful.

Sincerely, Your Selectmen

Ray Poulin, Chairman

Wayne Rundlett

Tina Poulin

Taxpayer's notice

REAL ESTATE:

If you have constructed, altered or removed any buildings since April 1, 2022 and on or before April 1, 2023, please notify the Town Office at 628-4441.

BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY:

If you have started a new business, you need to notify the Town Office. In accordance with Title 36, Section 706 of the Maine Revised Statutes, failure to furnish lists of taxable property or any of the aforementioned changes on or before dates requested will bar one's right to an abatement of taxes.

EXEMPTIONS:

Taxation is the rule and exemption is the exception. If you think your property should have an exemption, and you are not already receiving it, you have an obligation to make the assessors aware of the legal category of exemption the property may qualify for. All notifications and applications for exemption shall be made no later than April 1, 2023 for the 2023-tax year. In the case of property owned by individuals, possible exemptions for certain veterans and blind persons are described below.

VETERANS:

All veterans who will be 62 years of age on or before April 1, 2023 any widow or minor children of veterans who would have been 62 years of age as of April 1, 2023 should contact the Town Office to see if they are eligible for a tax exemption. Any veteran who is receiving 100% disability pension from the Veterans Administration should call to see if they are eligible for an exemption. Applications for veteran's exemption must be made to the Town Office on or before April 1, 2023. If you are currently receiving a veteran's exemption, you need not reapply.

RLIND

Any person who is declared blind by a licensed doctor should notify the Town Office on or before April 1, 2023 to see if he or she is eligible for a tax exemption. If you are already receiving such an exemption, you need not reapply.

HOMESTEAD:

If your primary residence is located in New Portland, and you have owned a home in Maine for at least the twelve months prior to April 1, 2023, you may qualify for a homestead exemption. This application must also be received by April 1, 2023 to affect your 2023 tax bill. If you are already receiving this exemption, you need not reapply.

Respectfully Submitted,

Raymond Poulin, Chairperson Tina Poulin Wayne Rundlett New Portland Board of Selectmen

Rules of the New Portland Town Meeting

All comments or questions will be directed to the Moderator. No one may speak until they have been recognized by the moderator.

The article will be read in full and the recommendation of the Budget Committee will be stated. An affirmative motion will be stated. An affirmation motion will be made by an identified voter and seconded by identified voter. No negative motion, including a motion to pass over will be accepted. Voting will be done by a showing of hands. The vote will then be announced. The vote may be challenged by at least 7 voters.

Any decision by the moderator may be challenged. It can be overruled by a majority vote of the voters. **General town meeting provisions** (Maine Revised Statutes Title 30)

The following provisions apply to all town meetings:

- 1. Qualified voter. Every registered voter in the town may vote in the election of all town officials and in all town affairs.
- 2. Moderator elected and sworn. The clerk, or in the clerk's absence, a selectman or constable shall open the meeting by:
 - · Calling for the election of a moderator by written ballot;
 - Receiving and counting votes for moderator;
 - Swearing in the moderator.
- 3. Moderator presides. As soon as he has been elected and sworn, the moderator shall preside over and supervise the voting at the meeting and may appoint a deputy moderator to assist the moderator. If the moderator is absent or unable to carry out the duties, the clerk, or in the clerk's absence a selectman or constable, may call for the election of a deputy moderator to act in the absence of the moderator.
 - All persons shall be silent at the moderator's command. A person may not speak before that person is recognized by the moderator. A person who is not a voter in the town may speak at the meeting only with the consent of 2/3 of the voters present.
- 4. If any person, after a command for order by the moderator, continues to act in a disorderly manner, the moderator may direct that person to leave the meeting. If the person refuses to leave, the moderator may have that person removed by a constable until the meeting is adjourned. That person may also be fined.
 - When a vote declared by the moderator is immediately questioned by at least 7 voters, the moderator shall make it certain by polling the voters or by a method directed by the municipal legislative body.
 - The moderator shall serve until the meeting is adjourned. The moderator is subject to the same penalties for neglect of official duty as other town officials.
- 5. Votes recorded by the clerk. The clerk shall accurately record the votes of the meeting. If the clerk is absent, the moderator shall appoint and swear in a temporary clerk.
- 6. Written ballots. The clerk shall prepare the ballots. Ballots shall be of uniform size and color, and must be blank except that 2 squares with "yes" by one and "no" by the other may be printed on them.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

State of Maine February 07, 2023 **County of Somerset**

To Stacie Rundlett, Warden, a resident of New Portland, the County of Somerset, State of Maine.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of the Town of New Portland, in said county, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Community Room of the Fire Station, on Saturday, the fourth day of March, 2023 at nine o'clock (9:00 a.m.) in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

Art. 01. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 02. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Administration charges for the calendar year 2023

Selectmen Recommend 182,435.00 **Budget Committee Recommends 181,234.00** Officer's Salaries......113.815.00112.614.00 Town Charges......12,000.0012,000.00 Town Office......12,920.0012,920.00 Social Security......11,000.0011,000.00 Insurance......32,700.0032,700.00 Total......182,435.00181,234.00

Art. 03. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Kennebec Valley Council of Governments annual membership dues for the calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 1,268.00

Budget Committee Recommends 1,268.00

Art. 04. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for annual dues to the Maine Municipal Association for the calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 2,046.00

Budget Committee Recommends 2,046.00

Art. 05. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for assessing, tax mapping, and tax billing for calendar vear 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 2,275.00

Budget Committee Recommends 2,275.00

Total	2,275.00
Training	<u>300.00</u>
Mileage	375.00
Consulting Services	
Tax Map Update	1,200.00

Art. 06. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to subsidize the operation costs of an Ambulance/Rescue service for calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 19.865.00

Budget Committee Recommends 19,865.00

Art. 07. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Audit for calendar year 2023. Selectmen Recommend 8.400.00 **Budget Committee Recommends 8,400.00**

Art. 08. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for summer roads for calendar year 2023. **Budget Committee Recommends 168,000.00**

Selectmen Recommend 168,000.00

Taxation	78,000.00	Taxation	78,000.00
Road Grant	37,000.00	Road Grant	37,000.00
Excise	<u>53,000.00</u>	Excise	<u>53,000.00</u>

168.000.00 Art. 09. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the continuing road Paving account for the calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 20,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 20,000.00

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for winter roads for calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 360,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 360,000.00

 Taxation
 235,000.00

 Excise Tax
 125,000.00

 Total
 360,000.00

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for street lights for calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 5,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 5,000.00

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for operating expenses of the New Portland Fire Department for calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 29,453.00

Budget Committee Recommends 29,453.00

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the continuing Fire Fighter Training Account.

Selectmen Recommend 3,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 3,000.00

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the loan payment for the fire station.

Selectmen Recommend 5,993.00

Budget Committee Recommends 5,993.00

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the loan payment for the 2014 fire truck.

Selectmen Recommend 30, 407.00

Budget Committee Recommends 30,407.00

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for animal control for calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 1,700.00

Budget Committee Recommends 1,700.00

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the betterment and upkeep of cemeteries.

Selectmen Recommend 6,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 6,000.00

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repair and maintenance of headstones at the cemeteries. (This account to be controlled by and invoices to be paid directly by the town)

Selectmen Recommend 3,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 3,000.00

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Legal Fees for the calendar year 2023 **Selectmen Recommend 1,500.00 Budget Committee Recommends 1,500.00**

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate in support of the New Portland Community Library.

Selectmen Recommend 5,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 8,500.00

The Library requested 12,000

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses to produce the New Portlander newsletter.

Selectmen Recommend 4,800.00

Budget Committee Recommends 4,800.00

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the Town's share of the 2023 operating expenses of the Kingfield / New Portland Transfer Station.

Selectmen Recommend 64,858.00

Budget Committee Recommends 64,858.00

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the TRIO software licensing fees for the calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 12,004.00

Budget Committee Recommends 12,004.00

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Maine Municipal Bond payment for the Sand Salt Shed.

Selectmen Recommend 28,239.00

Budget Committee Recommends 28,239.00

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Sand Salt Shed.

Selectmen Recommend 500.00

Budget Committee Recommends 500.00

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the TAN (Tax Anticipation Note) interest. **Selectmen Recommend 5,000.00 Budget Committee Recommends 5,000.00**

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Historian.

Selectmen Recommend 500.00

Budget Committee Recommends 500.00

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate in support of the People Who Care Food Cupboard for the Calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 3,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 3,000.00

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the General Assistance Program for the calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend 2,000.00

Budget Committee Recommends 2,000.00

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate 1.00 for abatements for the calendar year 2023.

Selectmen Recommend YES

Budget Committee Recommend YES

- Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to purchase corporate bonds for the treasurer and tax collector for the calendar year 2023. *Selectmen Recommend YES*
- Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budgeted amount in each budget category of the 2023 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2024 to the 2024 annual town meeting.

Selectmen Recommend YES

- Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and treasurer to use overlay for accounts exceeding appropriated amounts. *Selectmen Recommend YES*
- Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to charge the maximum rate of interest allowed by law on all unpaid taxes beginning thirty days after commitment of said taxes or on October 1st, whichever is later.

Selectmen Recommend YES, the maximum rate allowed for 2023 is 8.00%

- Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of 3% at which interest will be paid on refunds of taxes paid but later rebated. *Selectmen Recommend YES*
- Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Manager to appoint a budget committee for calendar year 2024. **Selectmen Recommend YES**
- Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed. **Selectmen Recommend YES**
- Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to use Surplus (Undesignated fund balance) to reduce taxes as they deem necessary for the 2023 tax year.

Selectmen Recommend YES

- Art. 39. Shall an Ordinance entitled "TOWN OF NEW PORTLAND MEDICAL CANNABIS CAREGIVER RETAIL STORE AND REGISTERED DISPENSARY LICENSING ORDINANCE" be adopted?
- Art. 40. Shall an Ordinance entitled "TOWN OF NEW PORTLAND FIRE AND RESCUE COST RECOVERY ORDINANCE" be adopted?
- Art. 41. Shall an Ordinance entitled "Amendment to the Town of New Portland Subdivision and Commercial Development Ordinance" be enacted?

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon. If the deed is executed in favor of the delinquent owner or his/her successor in interest. The deed shall be executed and delivered upon payment of outstanding taxes, interest and costs. Otherwise, the deed shall be executed and delivered only after obtaining bids and after advertising sale in two newspapers or periodicals having a circulation that includes New Portland at least 15 days prior to the date that bids are due. The Selectmen reserve the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S.A.§ 943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s).

Art. 43. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for New Portland by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved by the proposed articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following categories of State funds during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

- 1. Municipal Revenue Sharing
- 2. Local Road Assistance
- 3. State aid for education
- 4. Public Library state aid per capita
- 5. Civil Emergency Funds
- 6. Snowmobile registration monies and grants
- 7. Tree Growth reimbursement
- 8. Veteran's exemption reimbursement
- 9. Homestead exemption reimbursement
- 10. General Assistance reimbursement
- 11. State grant and other funds (this category includes all funds that are not included in items 1 through 11 above)

The Registrar of voters hereby gives notice that she will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters in the Community Room, at the Fire Station at 8:45 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS SEVENTH (7th) DAY OF FEBRUARY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-THREE (2023).

Town of New Portland Board of Selectmen	A true copy of the Warrant:		
Raymond Poulin, Chairman	Stacie Rundlett Town Manager Warden & Constable		
Tina Poulin	waruen & Constable		
Wayne Rundlett			

TOWN DIRECTORY

Town of New Portland Telephone Numbers & E-Mail Addresses

Town Office Front Desk	628-4441	Fax- 628-4440
Town Manager/CEO – Stacie Rundlett	628-4441	newportlandtownmanager@gmail.com
Deputy TM/Deputy TC-	628-4441	townofnewportland@gmail.com
Town Clerk –	628-4441	newportlandtownclerk@gmail.com
Assessor's Agent – Audra Swanson, CMA	628-4441	newportlandassessor@gmail.com
Fire Department (non-emergency)	628-2081	nwprtInd@tds.net
LPI- Leo Mayo	566-7341	
New Portlander Editor – Dallas Landry	628-4201	alderswamp2@gmail.com
Town Historian – Marilyn Gorman	628-3532	
Board of Selectmen, Chair- Raymond Poulin	491-1250	plnsgarage@yahool.com
Board of Selectmen – Tina Poulin	330-8480	tpoulin@mail.com
Board of Selectmen – Wayne Rundlett	628-2920	waynerundlett@yahoo.com
New Portland Community Library	628-6561	newportlandcl@gmail.com
Kingfield-New Portland Transfer Station	265-4637	Fax 265-4626 townclerks@tds.net
Animal Control Officer- Dillon Wellman	405-1134	
New Portland Post Office	628-4941	
New Portland Fair Contact – Darrell Nix	628-3330	
East Cemetery – Stanley Wills	491-5215	
North Cemetery – Charlie Pease	612-9291	
West Cemetery – Matt and Cathy Sleeper	696-3139	

Other Telephone Numbers

Somerset County Sheriff's Department	
nonemergency)	1-877-200-9070
State Police (non-emergency)	1-800-452-4664
MSAD #74 Superintendent	635-2727

Somerset County Commissioners Office 858-4216

Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222

Fire Permit Contacts

Jethro 'Kip" Poulin –Fire Chief 628-4456 Wayne Rundlett – Deputy Fire Chief 628-2920 Brian Rundlett – Deputy Fire Chief 491-4583

Town Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday 10:00am - 5:00pm

Thursday 12:00pm – 6:00pm

Town of New Portland Website

newportlandmaine.org

2023 Observed Holidays & Dates Observed

Fax 635-3599

Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 16th
President's Day on Monday, February 20th
Patriot's Day on Monday, April 17th
Memorial Day on Monday, May 29th
4th of July on Tuesday, July 4th
Labor Day on Monday, September 4th

Labor Day on Monday, September 4th Indigenous People's Day on Monday, October 9th Veteran's Day on Friday, November 10th

Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 23rd Christmas Day observed on Monday, December 25th