Camden, Maine

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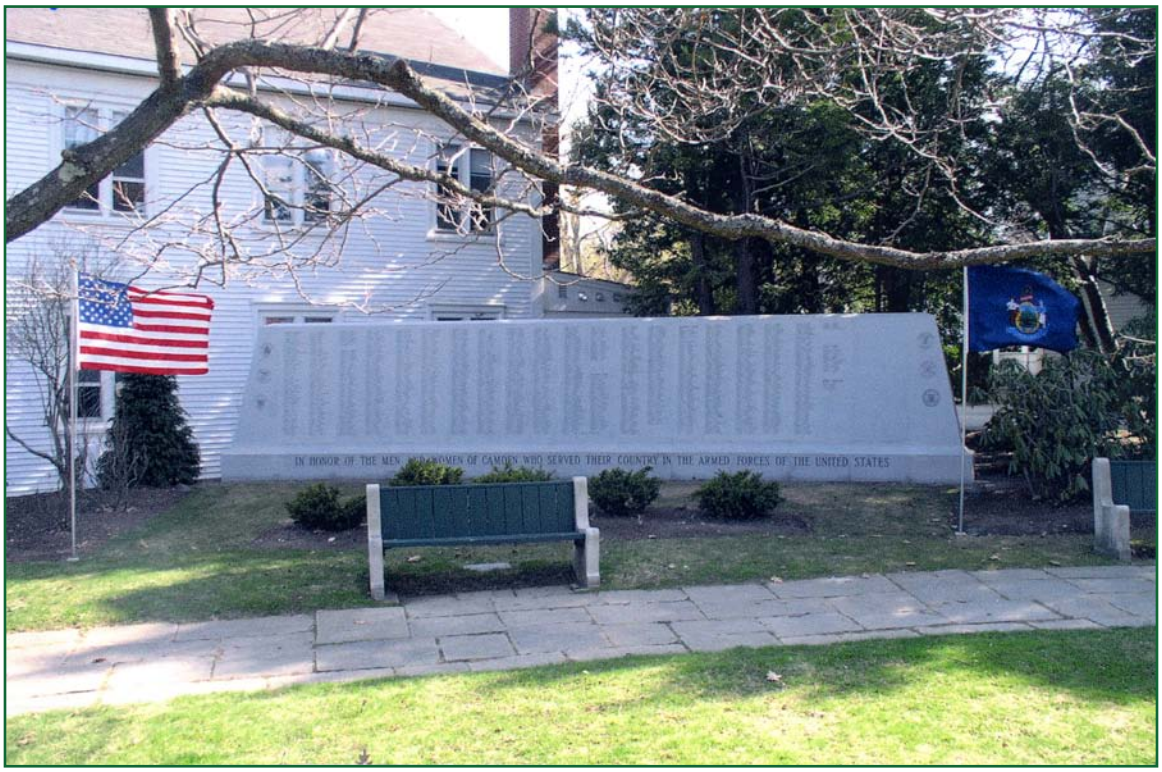

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

TOWN OF CAMDEN

Population - 5,254
(2000 Census)

For the Fiscal Year

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DEDICATION

Kenneth E. Bailey

The Town of Camden proudly dedicates this Annual Report to Kenneth E. Bailey. Ken, son of Archie & Isabel Bailey, grew up in Camden and attended local schools. After graduation from the Camden-Rockport High School, Ken served in the United States Army, including a tour of duty in Vietnam in 1970-71. Ken then returned to Camden where he was the owner/manager of Hodgman's Footwear from 1971-1981. A Master Maine Guide, Ken has owned and operated the Wilderness Ways Guide Service since 1978. He is married to Sandra Thurston of Rockport and they are the proud parents of Aaron and Michelle, and the proud grandparents of Madison and Gavin Bailey and Zackary and Griffin Ridlon.

As early as 1972 Ken began his long and continuing service to the Town of Camden. He served on the Board of Selectmen from 1972 to 1977 and again from 1980 to 1982. He was a member of the Fire Department from 1976 through 1988, the Director of the Parks & Recreation Department from 1987 to 1992, and since 1984 has been the Town Dam Agent, a Reserve Officer of the Camden Police Department, and the Inland Harbormaster for Camden, Hope, Lincolnville, and Union. While Director of the Parks and Recreation Department Ken hatched the brilliant idea of the U.S. National Toboggan Championships at the Camden Snow Bowl.

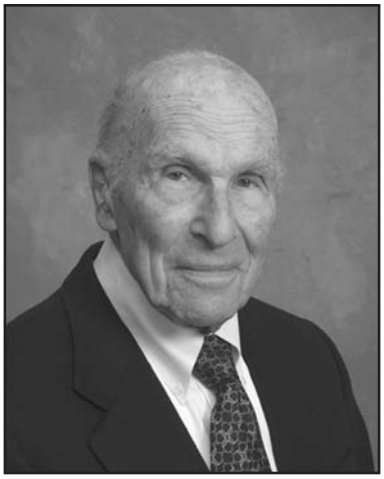
Over the years Ken has held numerous journalism and writing positions with *The Camden Herald, Villagesoup.com and VillageSoup Publications*. His outdoor columns have been recognized by the Maine & New England Press Associations. Ken's professional affiliations are too numerous to list! Since 1984 Ken has been the Executive Director and Lake Warden for the Megunticook Watershed Association.

Thank-you Friend for your life-long commitment to our Community and for being a true "Town Father"!

REMEMBRANCE

Joseph Sawyer
1927-2007

The Town of Camden lost several citizens in the past year who contributed to their municipality and community in very significant ways. From among them the Camden Select Board would like to especially remember two community spirited individuals, Joseph Sawyer and Harvey Picker.



Harvey Picker
1915-2008

APPRECIATION

The Camden citizens listed below have donated a great deal of time and energy to the many boards and committees in our community and deserve our highest praise. They have been willing to share the task of representing the many aspects of life in Camden and in so doing, have made town government reflective of the entire community. We applaud each and every one of you!

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW
Lavana Snyder

BUDGET COMMITTEE
Martin Cates, Rebecca Flanagan, Dave Miramant
Andrew Stancioff, Theodore Kanellakis, Richard Knowlton
Rosemary Weymouth, David Vaughn, Donald Abbott

BUDGET NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Dave Nazaroff, Frank Morong
Jan MacKinnon, Randy Stearns
Jeff Weymouth

CAMDEN HOUSING COMMITTEE
Michael Harrell, Sonny Goodwin
Rebecca McNeal, Dana Strout

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Randy Stearns, Marina Schauffler

HARBOR COMMITTEE
Willard Wight, David Emery

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE
Meg Barclay, Susan Snead
Barbara Furman

MEGUNTICOOK DAMS
Joe Sawyer

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
Alex Cohen, Bob Oxton

PARKING, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Ann Bex, Tom Filip

PLANNING BOARD
Patricia Wharton, John Scholz

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 STATE HOUSE STATION
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David Miramant
174 Mountain Street
Camden, ME 04843
Residence: (207) 236-4845
E-Mail: RepDave.Miramant@legislature.maine.gov

April, 2008

Dear Neighbors:

The Second Session of the 123rd Legislature is coming to a close and it has been one of the more difficult in recent years. With state and national economic challenges, our state revenues are down and we faced a $200 million budget shortfall. Unlike the federal government, the State of Maine is constitutionally required to have a balanced budget each year — much like your community or family. With hard work, we were able to enact a budget that restored cuts to health care, without new taxes or borrowing from the rainy day fund.

At the state level, we continue to focus on streamlining state government, with major reforms to better manage health care dollars and reorganize state agencies. Both jobs and programs have been reduced, the legislative and department budgets have been cut, and we will continue to look for ways to efficiently manage programs with less state funds.

On top of the Maine budget shortfall, the federal government announced a rule change in Medicaid which will reduce services for children, the elderly, and the disabled. In total, the federal change will eliminate more than $140 million in program funds for Maine which were slated to go to both state and local governments. As we struggle through these difficult economic times, there is a need to protect the most vulnerable — whether it is the elderly who want to stay in their homes or families struggling to buy heating oil.

Other major challenges in front of us include an effort to reform our individual health insurance market to help stabilize skyrocketing rates for many people who buy insurance in Maine, as well as efforts to continue to cover the uninsured. Energy issues, from reducing costs to supplementing the LIHEAP program to encouraging green power and green jobs were important matters this session

Working for and with the citizens of Camden on these important issues is an honor and I am proud to be your state representative. Special thanks to those of you who have taken the time to share your views with me. Stay in touch!

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact me 236-4845 or via e-mail at dave@davemiramant.com.

Best wishes,

Dave Miramant

District 46 Camden and Rockport

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT NO. 46
Representative Dave Miramant
(Term Expires 2008)

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2 State House Station
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Senator Christine R. Savage

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Senator Olympia J. Snowe (R)

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(202)-224-5344

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Senator Susan M. Collins (R)

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Washington, DC 20510
(202)-224-2523

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Representative Thomas H. Allen (D)

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(207) 774-5019

1127 Longworth House Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-6116

U.S. CONGRESS Congressional District No. 2
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(207) 945-0417

437 Cannon House Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20010
(202) 225-6306

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Select Board, Assessors, Overseers, and Wastewater Commissioners

Karen Grove, Vice Chairperson	6/08
James Kierstead	6/08
John R. French, Jr. Chairperson	6/09
Sharon Gilbert, Secretary	6/09
Anita Brosius-Scott	6/10

MSAD #28 and CSD #19 (Board of Directors)

Tracy Dorr	6/08
John Lewis	6/08
Vacancy- Alternate	6/08
James Patterson	6/09
Tori Manzi	6/09

Budget Committee

Martin Cates	6/08
Rebecca Flanagan	6/08
Dave Miramant	6/08
Theodore Kanellakis	6/08
Andrew Stancioff	6/08
Richard Knowlton	6/08
Rosemary Weymouth	6/08
Vacancy	6/08
Joseph Fay	6/09
Jerry Stone	6/09
William Harrison	6/09
Deborah Dodge	6/09
Linda Nash	6/09
Robert French, Jr.	6/09
Jean Payne	6/09
Michael Coleman	6/09
Donald Herrick	6/10
David Dickey	6/10
Sidney Lindsley	6/10
Virginia Johns	6/10
Bob Oxton	6/10
Rose Laite	6/10
John Fitzpatrick	6/10
Vacancy	6/10

Budget Nominating Committee

Thomas Filip	6/08
Roger Moody	6/08
Jeff Colquhoun	6/08
Vacancy - Alternate	
Vacancy - Alternate	

Knox County Commissioner (Camden Representative)

Lawrence Nash	12/08

Pascal Fund Trustees

Parker S. Laite, Sr.	6/08
Thomas Karod	6/09
Marie Connell	6/10

Personnel Board

Dave Miramant	6/08
Steve Melchiskey	6/09
Joy Brown (A)	6/09
Beth Ward (A)	6/10
Rick Rector	6/10

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Town Manager
Roberta R. Smith

Town Attorney	William Kelly
Finance Director	Carol Sue Greenleaf
Tax Collector	Theresa Butler
Town Clerk/Registrar of Voters	Katrina Oakes
Deputy Registrar of Voters	Elaine Davis
Deputy Registrar of Voters	Sidney G. Lindsley
Treasurer	Marlene Libby
General Assistance Administrator	Janice Esancy
Assessors' Agent	John Doan
Planner/Code Enforcement Officer	Jeffrey Nims
Electrical & Plumbing Inspector	Jeffrey Nims
Health Officer	Jeffrey Nims
Assistant Code Enforcement/Electrical & Plumbing Inspector	Wesley Robinson
Wastewater Department Superintendent	Ross Parker
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Robert Wiggin
Harbormaster	Steven Pixley
Assistant Harbormaster	James Leo
Assistant Harbormaster	Adam Fuller
Harbor Clerk	Marlene Libby
Animal Control Officer	Police Department
Police Chief	Philip Roberts
Constable	Philip Roberts
Fire Chief	Steven E. Gibbons
Emergency Preparedness Director	Steven E. Gibbons
Director of Parks and Recreation	Jeffrey Kuller
Public Works Director	Richard Seibel
Tree Warden	Barton Wood
Assistant Tree Warden	Richard Seibel
Dam Control Agent/Inland Harbormaster	Kenneth Bailey

CAMDEN COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Board of Assessment Review

Robert Armstrong	6/10
Martin Cates	6/10
Richard Knowlton, **Chair**	6/09
Vacancy	ALT
Vacancy	ALT

Camden Housing Committee

Mary Ellen Kendall	6/08
Margaret Abbott	6/08
George Wheelwright	6/08
Vacancy	6/08
Frank Toole	6/09
Vacancy	6/09
Joanne Campbell, Chair	6/10
Vacancy	6/10
Vacancy	6/10
Vacancy	6/10

Camden Conservation Commission

Carla Ferguson	6/08
Karin Rector, Chair	6/08
Jean Ulshoefer, Secretary	6/09
Richard DeGraaf	6/09
Doug Johnson, Vice Chair	6/10
Abby Stocks	6/10
Annette Zelman	6/10
Nancy Caudle-Johnson	Ad Hoc

Camden Rockport Pathways

Geoff Scott, Chair	6/08
Vacancy	6/09
Jane Self	6/10
Dave Ridley	6/10
Michael Nicholson	6/10

Cemetery Association

Marie Connell	6/08
Patricia Ayers	6/08
Jeff Weymouth	6/08
Chris Lowe	6/09
Jeff Sukeforth, Chair	6/09
Isa Babb	6/10
Parker S. Laite, Sr. Vice	6/10

Harbor Committee

Gene McKeever, Chair	6/08
Richard Stetson	6/08
William Welte	6/09
Ben Ellison, Vice-Chair	6/10
Steve Bunnell	6/10
Ray Williamson	ALT
Jeff Lewis	ALT

Historic Resources Committee

Jeff Colquhoun	6/08
Abigail Fitzgerald	6/09
Beedy Parker	6/09
Mark DeMichele, Chair	6/10
Ken Foster	6/10
Donald Rainville	ALT
Michelle Mannion	ALT
Elinor Klivans	ALT

Megunticook Dams

Rick Knowlton	6/10
Ed Libby	6/10

Opera House Committee

Hal Owen, Chair	6/09
Stephanie Woodman	6/09
Jean Belair	6/10
Donald White	6/10
Raymond Brunyanski	6/10

Parking, Traffic & Transportation Cmte

Mary Quinn, Chair	6/08
Stuart Smith	6/08
Archie Bailey	6/08
Mark Haskell	6/09
Wendelanne Augunas	6/09
Vacancy	6/09
Theresa Withee	6/10
Vacancy	6/10

Parks & Recreation Committee

Molly Mulhern-Gross, Chair	6/08
Mark Haskell, Vice Chair	6/08
Ann Bex	6/09
Barbara Goos	6/10
Jack Williams	6/10
David Olivas	ALT
Raymond Andresen	ALT

Planning Board	
Lowrie Sargent, Vice Chair	6/08
Deborah Hensler, Vice Chair	6/09
Richard Householder	6/09
Jan MacKinnon	6/10
Chris MacLean, Chair	6/11
Sidney Lindsley	ALT
Edwin Horvath	ALT

Zoning Board of Appeals	
Frank Toole, Chair	6/08
Thomas Laurent	6/08
Samuel Smith	6/09
George Wheelwright	6/10
Leonard Lookner	6/10
Linda Norton	ALT
Kerry Sabanty	ALT
Vacancy	ALT

TOWN CALENDAR

Town Committee/Board	**Meetings Held***
Board of Assessment Review	As needed
Board of Voter Registration	As needed
Budget Committee	Early Spring
Budget Nominating Committee	Early Spring
Camden Housing Committee	Bi-monthly
C/R Pathways Committee	2nd Thursday
Cemetery Association	3rd Wednesday
Conservation Commission	Last Wednesday
Harbor Committee	1st Monday Summer – Camden Yacht Club
Historic Resources Committee	2nd Tuesday
Megunticook Dams Committee	As needed
Opera House Committee	Monthly
Parking, Traffic & Transportation	3rd Tuesday – Public Safety Building
Parks & Recreation Committee	Monthly (at Snow Bowl)
Personnel Board	As needed
Planning Board	1st & 3rd Wednesdays
Select Board	2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Zoning Board of Appeals	2nd & 4th Thursdays – 5pm

- **Subject to Change**

CAMDEN SELECT BOARD

From L to R: Board Member James Kierstead, Secretary Sharon Gilbert, Vice-Chairperson Karen Grove, and Chairperson John R. French, Jr. (absent Board Member Anita Brosius-Scott)

The Camden Select Board would like to take this opportunity to convey specific appreciation to all town employees. Our 51 full time employees, and many part-time employees, give great customer service to our citizenry, fulfilling their responsibilities with energy and adherence to high standards. The town is fortunate to have employees who do so much, and do it so well. The Board thanks them for their dedication on behalf of the entire community.

Additionally, the Select Board wants to expressly thank the citizens who serve as appointees on town boards and committees. They continue to earn the gratitude of the town by bringing a high level of citizen involvement to local government. This gives Camden's municipal government a participatory component which many other towns and cites regard with admiration. The town benefits greatly from the community strengthening that takes place as these citizens meet to address issues facing the town.

The Select Board meets regularly on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Washington Street Conference Room. Public participation and input are both welcome and encouraged. If you are unable to attend, Board meetings may be followed on cable Channel 22.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

(Photo taken in the Katharine Aldridge Tucker Room at the Camden Opera House)

Front from Left to Right: Harbormaster Steve Pixley; Town Manager Roberta Smith; Finance Director Carol Sue Greenleaf

Back from Left to Right: Parks & Recreation Director Jeff Kuller, Assessors' Agent John Doan, Public Works Director Rick Seibel, Planner/CEO Jeff Nims, Wastewater Superintendent Ross Parker, Police Chief Phil Roberts, and Fire Chief Steve Gibbons (missing Opera House Manager Kerry Hadley).

CAMDEN TOWN MANAGER

I am pleased to submit this report to the citizens and officials of the Town of Camden. As always, the past twelve months have been extremely busy for town government. Much of our focus is the day-to-day operation of the numerous government services; however, major efforts have been made on projects with longer range impacts on the community.

One of those initiatives has been a multi-year focus on the clean-up of the Apollo Tannery Site and planning for its redevelopment. In the interest of public safety and risk reduction, voters in June 2005 approved an $836,000 bond issue to demolish the buildings and secure the above ground hazards at the Apollo Tannery site. Further sub-surface investigation was completed through a Brownfield Assessment Grant. This assessment better defined the scope of site contamination and the cost of remediation options. Based on the recommendations of our environmental engineers and the Department of Environmental Protection, the Select Board chose a plan for further site remediation which would remove the most highly contaminated soil and isolate a small area of residual soil. In 2007 the Town was awarded a $200,000 EPA Brownfield Grant which will supplement the balance of local funds and allow implementation of this remediation plan. We expect this remediation work will be completed by the end of the summer 2008. The Tannery site has great potential for redevelopment due to its size, its location, the zoning, and the area aesthetics.

The Town continues to participate in the Gateway 1 effort conducted by the Maine Department of Transportation. Gateway 1 is an innovative land use and transportation planning project for the Route 1 corridor, from Brunswick to Prospect. The goal is to preserve the Midcoast's unique quality of life by balancing community growth and local values with transportation services and needs. Stay tuned for important progress reports from this effort.

The Town has participated in regional economic development initiatives, through primarily, the Knox Waldo Regional Economic Development Council. This has allowed us to tap into a wide range of resources which supplement those of local government and local organizations. The Town helped secure start-up funding for the Council with a State Regional Efficiency Grant in collaboration with the cities of Belfast and Rockland.

Another economic development strategy has been our assessment of the impact the Opera House can have on strengthening the community economy. We have invested in improvements that will make the facility more competitive in attracting conferences and large events.

Early in 2005 the Town began discussing the viability of wind power and other alternative sources of energy, as well as conducting energy audits of Town buildings, identifying conservation measures, and exploring electricity supply options. The Town continues to monitor wind at the top of Ragged Mountain. The acquisition of the Seabright Hydroelectric Facility on the Megunticook River was completed in 2007. This acquisition was made possible through the very generous donation of Joseph Sawyer. Joe invested his soul in the development of the Seabright Facility and worked tirelessly with the Town over the years helping to manage the Megunticook River system.

An upgrade to the more than 35 year old Wastewater Treatment Plant was completed in 2007. The major portion of the work included the installation of an improved aeration system for the aerobic sludge digesters and the replacement of the structural steel sweep arms and drive components of the secondary clarifiers. Evaluation of the pump stations at Rawson Avenue, Sea Street, and Mount Battie Street for efficiency, capacity, and equipment life are currently being completed. Together these upgrades will extend the useful life of the system.

The long-awaited Marine Avenue harbor access erosion control project stalled late in 2004 due to litigation over property rights. The litigation has now been resolved and construction is expected to be completed by the end of June. The Select Board remains committed to securing all public harbor access points for the benefit of all citizens. That effort continues with the litigation surrounding the Sherman's Point Road harbor access as well.

During 2006 the Parks & Recreation Department completed a long range planning study on the Ragged Mountain Recreation Area. It provides good baseline data and an outline of recommendations for the facility. Community members are now working on a strategic plan for the facility, including ways to implement the recommendations of the planning study.

The Town has been participating with the Town of Rockport in a Police Consolidation Feasibility Study, made possible by another Regional Efficiency Grant from the State. This study will provide baseline data and identify means and methods for a possible consolidation of police services.

The Town continues to be very strong financially. Overall, the Town has a very low level of indebtedness. The Town continues to carry an undesignated, unreserved fund balance of $1,776,163 and continues to plan for and set aside reserves to cover projected capital needs. The Town again received a very favorable audit report for the year ending June 30, 2007. A Certificate of Achievement for excellence in Financial Reporting was awarded to the Town of Camden by the Government Finance Officers Association for its comprehensive annual financial report, and an Award of Financial Reporting Achievement was awarded to Carol Sue Greenleaf, Finance Director. This Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

I'd again like to express my appreciation to the many dedicated Town employees and Department Heads. The Town is fortunate to have so many skilled employees with such high standards of work performance. Employees work well as a team, are ingenious in their approach to service delivery with tight resources, and continue to be a great resource for me. A special thank-you to the members of the Select Board for their support and guidance to all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Smith
Town Manager

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Certified copies of vital records (birth, marriage and death certificates) for Camden residents can be obtained at the Camden Town Office. The fees for certified copies of vital records are $10.00 for the first copy and $5.00 for each additional copy of the same record purchased at the same time. Maine copies may be obtained from either the town of occurrence or the town of residence. Births, marriages or deaths, which take place out of State, are only filed out of State and are not recorded in this office. Certified copies of those records must be obtained from the State of occurrence.

Marriage licenses are issued from the town of your residence. Residents of Maine intending to be joined in marriage shall record notice of their intentions in the office of the clerk of the municipality in which at least one of them resides. If both parties to a marriage reside outside the state of Maine, they may file their Notice of Intentions in any municipal office. Once their intentions are filed and the license is issued, the parties are free to marry anywhere within the State of Maine. The application fee is $30.00. If the bride and/or groom has been married before and are divorced or widowed, a certified copy of documentation showing how the last marriage ended is required. Once Intentions have been filed a marriage license may be issued immediately. Both the bride and groom will need to appear in person to sign the original marriage license during regular business hours. The license is valid for 90 days from the date of filing. In Maine, both clergy and Notary Publics can perform a marriage ceremony.

All dogs 6 months of age or older are required by State law to be licensed on or before January 1st of each year. In order to license a dog in Maine you will need to show a current Maine Certificate of Rabies Vaccination. If your dog is spayed or neutered, a neutering/spaying certificate from the veterinarian must be shown for initial licensing. If you fail to license your dog, you will be subject to a State mandated late fee and possible summons to court by a police officer. If your dog is no longer living or is not in your possession any longer, kindly advise this office so that our records may be corrected.

Statistical information (current through February 29, 2008):

	05/06	**06/07**	**07/08**
Resident and non-resident hunting and fishing licenses sold	286	132	231
Dogs licensed	608	593	624
Kennels licensed	1	1	0
Births recorded	33	21	21
Deaths recorded	92	44	68
Marriages recorded	67	46	51

Clerk's fees collected and turned over to the Treasurer for the following fiscal years:

July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006	$ 13,135.00
July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007	$ 13,903.00
July 1, 2007—June 30, 2008	$ 8,969.75
(Current through February 29, 2008)	

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS' REPORT

Camden residents may register to vote or change their party enrollment during regular business hours at the Town Office, on election days at the polls, or by mail. Identification and proof of Camden residency is required at the time of registration. A person may change or withdraw party enrollment only after three months of enrollment in one of the three recognized political parties in Maine (Democratic, Republican, or Green Independent) by filing an enrollment application with the registrar. A person who is an un-enrolled registered voter may enroll in a party at any time. You must be enrolled in a party for at least 15 days in order to participate in that parties caucuses or other activities.

In Maine a registered voter can vote an absentee ballot for any reason. Absentee ballots are available 30 days before the election, and you can apply in person, by mail, or over the phone.
For more information about Elections please visit the Maine State website (www.maine.gov) or call the Camden Town office at (207) 236-3353.

Fiscal year statistical information yielded the following voter enrollments:

	2005-2006	**2006-2007**	**2007-2008 (As of 2/29/08)**
Democrat	1,415	1457	1561
Green Independent	154	160	161
Republican	1,311	1316	1231
Unenrolled	1,569	1608	1478
TOTAL	**4,449**	**4541**	**4431**

Our fiscal year July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 yielded the following elections:

November 6, 2007	Town of Camden Special Town Meeting
	State of Maine Referendum Election
January 17, 2008	Special Town Meeting
June 10 & 11, 2008	State Primary/Referendum Election
	Five Town CSD Referendum
	MSAD 28 Referendum
	Annual Town Meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Katrina Oakes
Registrar

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TAX COLLECTOR

The 2007 Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes were committed on September 18, 2006 for the total of $13,117,746.25. As of June 30, 2007 a total of $12,505,217.77 (95%) was collected.

Tax bills were sent in late September 2006 with the FIRST HALF due November 15, 2006, and the SECOND HALF due May 15, 2007. Interest began accruing on the FIRST HALF at 11% annum on November 16, 2006, and will begin May 16, 2007 on the SECOND HALF. In the current tax period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, again the FIRST HALF payment would be due November 15, 2007 and the SECOND HALF due May 15, 2008. Interest began accruing on the FIRST HALF at 12% annum November 16, 2007 and will begin on the SECOND HALF May 16, 2008 respectively.

Tax assessment is made to the owner of record as of April 1st, prior to the beginning of the tax period. If you are selling or purchasing property you should be sure that the property taxes are paid in full for the fiscal year to alleviate any confusion.

The total motor excise taxes collected during the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 were $860,533.50; this is $39,466.50 below the estimated budget figure of 900,000.00. We can process registration renewals completely over the counter, or through the mail. We also process limited new registrations (dealer sales only). On new registrations be sure to provide the green use tax certificate, the blue copy of the application for title, proof of insurance, the old yellow registration for the plates that you are transferring. On brand new cars you need to also provide the Monroney Label or window sticker. We also give excise tax receipts at the time of registration for income tax purposes.

The boat excise taxes collected during the July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 were $31,578.10; this is $1578.10 above the estimated budget figure of $30,000.00. All boats registered during this period expired December 31, 2007. The new boat stickers are now available for the 2008 calendar year. The excise on a boat is based on age, length and horsepower of the motor. The Inland Fisheries fees are also based on the horsepower of the motor. Reminder of the milfoil sticker required for those that put their boat in fresh waters. The stickers are available at the office, resident stickers are $10.00, and non-resident stickers are $20.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Butler
Tax Collector

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ADF INC	$3,300.48	*	DAVIS, KEVIN H & COHEN, ELIZABETH C	$4,289.21	*
ADF INC	$2,445.71	*	DAVIS, SCOTT	$54.69	*
ADF INC	$85.41	*	DAVODET, BERNARD B	$1,689.87	
AINSWORTH, JUDITH E	$1,995.90		DEGRAY, BRENDA LEE	$260.55	*
ALDERSON, KRISTY & MARK TABER	$3,442.43	*	DESHARE LTD	$248.87	*
ALDERSON, ROSALIE	$462.72	*	DICKEY, DAVID A	$295.45	*
ANDERSON, PATRICIA & BERKE, PETER	$689.04	*	DICKEY, DAVID A	$3,125.85	*
ANDERSON, WILLIAM R & NANCY L	$3,185.57		DODSON, ANNE E & SZOSTAK, MATTHEW	$1,036.04	*
ANDREWS, MARK	$31.95	*	DOUDERA, VICTORIA W	$2,228.87	*
ANDREWS, ROGER	$123.51	*	DRAPER, ROBERT JOHN & SUZANNE M	$4,028.66	*
ANNIS, ROBERT B	$2,153.21	*	DRAPER, ROBERT JOHN & SUZANNE M	$347.80	*
AUGUNAS, KEVIN D	$851.12	*	DUNNING, MICHAEL A & BARBARA R	$2,256.44	*
BAIRD, WILBUR E & EVELYN R TRUSTEE	$19,646.79	*	EATON, MATHEW A	$100.78	
BALL, JOANNE C	$1,030.51	*	EIGER, IDA	$0.46	*
BALLOU, STEPHEN A & TAMARA SWASEY	$1,313.80	*	EMERY, PAUL B & JUDY R	$2,359.68	*
BARING-GOULD S L	$3,120.43	*	FINCK, F PHILLIP III & JOAN J &	$1,194.59	*
BARNES, ORVILLE K	$14.37	*	FREDERICK P JR		*
BAY VIEW LANDING LLC	$32,588.16		FISHER, GLENDA K & MICHAEL S	$1,217.67	
BEREZ, PAUL D & THEO O	$3,095.85		FONTANA, WILLIAM F & BALL, JOANNE C	$4,883.43	*
BIBEAU, LYNN A	$1,821.38		FOSS, AMY	$146.25	
BLATTNER, MARGUERITE	$1,210.56		FOWLIE, GARY W	$1,783.89	*
BOLZ, PATRICIA LYNN & GASSETT, ROBERT R	$1,694.56	*	FOWLIE, GARY W	$6,129.02	*
BOOTH, JOSEPH	$1,423.18		FREILICH, MARLENE JO	$12,935.84	*
BOWDITCH, MATTHEW S & ANDREW R	$10,932.57	*	GABRIELE, DANIEL & REBECCA	$2,347.39	*
BOWEN, ROXANNE L	$1,949.19		GALANIS, MARY	$3,027.02	
BOWER, NIGEL & SCHMIDT, BONNIE	$2,380.57		GAROFOLI, HAZEL	$4,005.31	*
BOYNTON-MCKAY COMPANY LLC	$5,491.17		GARRIGAN, BERNARD B & CHRISTINE	$2,867.26	
BRACE, KAREN C	$1,373.40	*	GARRIGAN, BERNARD B & CHRISTINE	$1,951.65	
BRAWN CHARLES P & HOLMES MARNEY L	$1,977.46		GERRITSEN, JACOB & TERRY	$776.73	*
BREGY LAWRENCE JR & LINDA	$4,267.09	*	GOOD, ANTON J	$2,773.85	
BROWN CLYDE & MERLE M HRS	$1,173.69	*	GOULD, JOHN PAUL	$785.33	*
BUDAY, LISA N & NESIC, ALAN	$2,583.36	*	GOULD, JOSEPHINE W	$3,779.79	*
BUELL, ROBERT D, TRUSTEE &	$3,871.35	*	GRANT, DAVID P	$1,609.01	*
ANDERSON, CHRISTINE J, TRUSTEE			GREEN & WEED	$486.07	
BURNS, MARIE N LIFE TENANT	$1,104.25	*	GREENE, JOHN E & REBECCA T	$1,936.37	*
BURTIS, HELEN G	$6,461.47	*	GREET, WILLIAM E JR	$1,563.29	
CAMDEN ROCKPORT MOTOR INN	$846.78	*	GREY, RETA MARION	$1,262.18	
CAMDEN ROCKPORT MOTOR INN	$743.54	*	GROSS, KENNETH S & MOLLY M	$559.49	*
CAMDEN ROCKPORT MOTOR INN	$8,833.44	*	HACKETT, MARY KATHLEEN	$626.79	
CAMERON, BARBARA V	$1,649.32		HAMALAINEN, MARTIN R & PATRICIA B	$422.16	
CARLE, STUART W	$1,316.26	*	HAMILTON, JAMES R & SONDRA S	$5,129.85	*
CARLE, STUART W	$7,444.05	*	HARTZELL, CLINTON H III & KATHLEEN H	$1,353.13	
CATES, DANIEL R & KIMBERLY P	$71.89	*	HATT, GREGORY B & JUDITH L	$1,498.76	
CLARK, TMARA	$67.48	*	HERMAN, SOPHIA & MICHAEL &	$218.14	*
CLIFTON J. RUSSELL & HELEN L. RUSSELL	$247.64	*	TATIAN CAROL W & HRANT N		
COHN, ELLIS B & CATHERINE	$5,138.45	*	HODGSON, PAUL G & JENNIFER L O	$2,222.19	
CONNELL, MARIE Y	$1,094.42	*	HOECKEL, HEIDI K	$638.08	*
COOK, IOLA B	$1,088.67	*	HORN, CAROLYN & DOERING TRUSTEES	$1,759.39	
CORNISH, RICHARD W & SONIA H	$956.16	*	OF THE ETHEL M DEWSBURY TRUST		
COX, RICHARD P JR & MICHELLE A	$2,159.35		HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORP II	$2,634.36	*
CRANS, CHARLES A JR & MARA JESSICA	$2,634.36	*	HUNT, HOWARD S	$476.23	
CRAWFORD COTTAGE PARTNERSHIP	$3,068.20	*	HYDE, PHYLLIS J	$5,999.98	
CRAWFORD COTTAGE PARTNERSHIP	$377.30	*	IVEY, JEANNE L	$919.60	*
DAVID, WILLIAM & CAROL A	$4,535.01	*	JAMES, GEOFFREY A & JOANNA B	$2,568.61	*
DAVIS, EDITH	$95.86		JASPAR PROPERTIES	$6,389.57	*

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JJ & C ASSOCIATES	$16.59	*
JOHNSON, MARGARET L	$1,812.78	
JONES, PATRICK & KATHERINE	$2,262.66	*
KALLOCH, JAMES K & CHALMERS, ROBIN M	$1,120.85	
KASHNER, HEATHER & HASLAM,	$983.06	*
JEREMY R A		
KEEN E DAVID TRUSTEE	$2,066.56	*
KEMBLE, SARAH	$532.16	*
KIDDER, ABBY E	$1,006.55	*
KING, BARBARA	$138.26	*
KIRKLIAN, ARTHUR	$406.80	*
KNIGHT, FRANCES H	$4,904.94	*
KNIGHT, KERYN WM	$2,712.40	*
KOOYENGA, KENNETH L & JANET L	$1,000.00	
LAMMI-KEEFE, CAROL J	$966.83	
LANDRY, DAVID	$372.38	*
LARNED, M AVERY	$886.72	*
LAURILA, CYNTHIA K & COLE, ALDEN B	$2,107.73	*
LAWRENCE FAMILY LLC & MANNING, MARY O	$3,779.79	*
LAY, CHARLENE K	$1,509.09	
LIBBY, PATRICIA A	$2,418.06	*
LINSCOTT, ROBERT S & SHEENA G	$1,367.26	*
LIVAS ANNE E PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE	$2,765.86	*
ESTATE OF BASIL LIVAS		
LUNEY, MICHAEL D & WILLIAM R	$1,549.77	*
MACDIARMID, J BRUCE & ANNETTE M	$102.01	*
MAINE FRAME INC	$2,292.70	*
MALONE, BRUCE L & BARBARA S PAYNE	$1,296.59	*
MANNS, EDITH	$2,073.32	*
MANNS EDITH, SADLER, OSER &	$527.85	*
KELLEY STILLMAN R ET AL		
MANNS EDITH, SADLER, OSER &	$4,241.28	*
KELLEY STILLMAN R ET AL		
MANNS EDITH, SADLER, OSER &	$114.91	*
KELLEY STILLMAN R ET AL		
MARSHALL, WARREN H & PAULA	$609.58	*
MARSHALL, WAYNE & WESLEY	$185.58	*
MARSHALL, WAYNE & WESLEY	$45.45	*
MARSHALL WAYNE ET AL	$506.89	*
MAYER SCOTT D & STEPHANIE S TRUSTEES	$38.33	*
OF THE MAYER FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST		
MCCOY, JUDY A	$1,507.98	*
MCCULLY MARION R TRUSTEE	$4,386.30	*
MCELHANEY, PHILIP & PENNER, SUSAN	$1,906.18	*
MCKELLAR, HUGH R	$1,012.69	*
MCLELLAN, ELIZABETH A	$8.05	
MEADE III EDWARD J & MEADE TIMOTHY P	$899.63	*
& JONATHON D		
MEARA R EMMET	$1,091.35	*
MEDINA, A NORMAN & LENITA R	$2,314.82	*
MESERVEY, RICHARD A & EGGERT	$262.81	*
MARSHA M & BUCCIALIA LORNA M		
MICHAELS, THOMAS C & NORA H	$2,721.01	
MICHAUD, ALYSON S	$870.09	*
MOHOLLAND, KEVIN	$28.27	

MONAHAN, TERRANCE B	$1,331.01	
MONAHAN, TERRANCE B & CAROLINE G	$1,700.94	
MOODY, CARA C	$745.12	*
MORAN, KATHERINE M	$2,937.31	
MORAND, DENNIS J & CHRISTINE L	$157.52	*
NELSON, RALPH E JR	$952.47	*
NELSON, RALPH JR	$572.10	*
NOLAN, MARK F & KAREN E	$3,400.64	*
NORUMBEGA BED & BREAKFAST	$24,664.47	*
ONE ELM LLC	$6,368.44	*
OPPER, THOMAS S	$5,952.05	*
ORNE, MATTHEW W & MICHELLE ROSE	$2,795.97	*
ORNE, MATTHEW W & MICHELLE T	$4,292.89	*
ORNE, PETER K & LAY, CHARLENE K	$3,182.13	
PAINE, GORDON T & JENNIFER	$1.00	*
PAINE, GORDON T JR & JENNIFER C	$2.01	*
PARNELL COMPANY LTD	$4,299.04	*
PATTERSON, KATHERINE A	$142.56	*
PENDER, THOMAS J	$1.82	*
PENDLETON, WINSTON A	$1,567.59	*
PERKINS, ROBERT C	$512.49	*
PERKINS, ROBERT C & KATHARINE B	$1,853.33	*
PERRET, ETIENNE F	$5,778.76	*
PIOTTI, KATHRYN ANNE	$2,140.92	*
POHLMAN, A TAYLOR & SHARYN L	$1,311.34	*
POTE, KENNETH G & SELF,ELIZABETH JANE	$2,564.92	*
POTTER, JOHN P & MARCIA	$5,394.08	*
PRESCOTT, HELEN	$3,562.25	*
PRESCOTT, PAUL & JOLANTA	$4,542.38	*
PROCTOR, PATRICIA	$832.03	
REDER, ROBERT & ANNE P	$842.45	*
RICH, MICHAEL A & WENDY B	$0.45	*
RIVERS, LILLIAN E,HEIRS OF	$2,025.39	
ROSE, CLIFFORD M	$156.08	*
ROSS, MARY ELLEN	$1,402.29	*
RUSSELL, GREGORY R & JULIE S	$2,300.69	
SADOWSKI, TOM J & KAY, JANIS A	$22.84	
SAILER PAMELA S, TRUSTEE	$2,534.20	*
SANER, MARY S & SEAVERNS CHARLES &	$2,718.91	
VIRGINIA HILYARD		
SEARLS, RANDALL D	$1,021.30	*
SEEFAHRT, CYNTHIA	$2,544.03	*
SEIDEL, JENNIFER B	$1,410.89	*
SHANAHAN, MARYANNE	$6,801.28	*
SHEPARD, CALEB & KIM	$1,242.52	*
SIEGENTHALER, MARK	$3,265.45	*
SIEGENTHALER, MARK	$3,077.42	*
SIMON, JOANN & BRUCE, IAN R	$1,336.54	*
SMITH, MARIANNE W	$1,944.28	
SMITH, STUART	$24,441.12	
SMITH, STUART G & MARIANNE W	$1,166.32	
SMITH, STUART G & MARIANNE W	$1,231.46	
SMITH, STUART G & MARIANNE W	$635.39	
SMITH, STUART G & MARIANNE W &	$1,487.09	
KAHN R DOUGLAS & STEPHEN R		

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SMITH, STUART G & MARIANNE W	$16,591.50	
SORTWELL, EDWARD B & MELINDA S	$1,576.19	*
SPANSWICK, ALAN A	$2,690.28	*
SPEAR, KIM & HEIRS OF ARTHUR MARSHALL	$459.64	
SPEAR, PAMELA	$1,149.11	
SPEAR, PAMELA	$2,177.79	
ST THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH	$2,856.20	*
STANLEY, PATRICIA A	$1,358.04	
STORER, SUSAN A	$712.20	*
STORER, SUSAN A	$725.72	*
SWIFT, JUDY M & CHARLES W	$1,192.74	*
TANNERY LANE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	$15,904.82	*
TANNERY LANE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	$1,600.78	*
THOMAS, ROBERT	$2,771.39	*
THOMAS, STEPHEN D	$240.88	*
THOMAS, STEPHEN D	$142.56	*
THORNDIKE, PAUL & ALSTON & SAILER,	$1.00	*
JOHN JR & VALLEY		
TIBBETTS, ARTHUR E	$1,732.89	*
TOLMAN, ESTHER HRS	$371.77	
TOOLEY, ANNE C	$2,133.54	
TOPPER, ROBERT T & JUANITA A	$7,323.52	*
TOSSWILL, CHRISTOPHER H & JOSEPHINE S	$1,590.94	*
TOUCHY, JAMES Q & NEWMAN, MARTHA	$2,038.91	*
CHARMAGNE		
TRAVER, ALAN M	$1,293.52	*
TURNER, CHRISTOPHER W & SANDRA	$862.76	*
TURNER, DAVID & JENNIFER M	$5,958.05	*
V.A.W. ENTERPRISES INC C/O	$847.39	*
VICTOR WORMS		
VAN KENNEN, DOROTHY	$2,600.56	*
VENTANA GROUP LLC	$2,677.99	
VINAL, WILLIAM J	$1,512.90	
WALKER, KENNETH C JR & SONIA M R	$787.17	*
WARNER, RICHARD D & STACEY M	$4,649.31	*
WELBOURN, DOTHA SEAVERNS &	$1,987.29	*
ALM FAMILY LIVING TRUST		
WELTE, PATRICIA & WILLIAM	$3,629.24	*
WELTE, PATRICIA ANN & WILLIAM H	$3,775.49	*
WHITE, MICHAEL S & DUNAVENT-WHITE,	$0.85	*
SUZANNE		
WHITMIRE, WILLIAM & KAREN	$125.61	
WOOD, PAUL W	$1.72	*
WOOD, PAUL W	$6.15	*
WYKE, KIMBERLY KATHERINE	$1,428.71	*
ZEIGLER, LINDA	$526.86	*
TOTAL OUTSTANDING AS OF JUNE 30, 2007	**$607,774.60**	

*** PAID PRIOR TO AUGUST 17, 2007 LIEN DATE**

2007 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

ARONEAU, KATHRYN	$480.54
BAY VIEW ST DELI INC	$101.96
BILL HAHN & STEPHEN LIBERTY	$433.22
CAMDEN CAR WASH INC	$323.84
CAMDERON, BEN	$3.15
CUSHING, RAYMOND	$14.75
DAVIS, KEVIN	$15.98
DICKEY, DAVID	$53.12
DICKEY, DAVID A	$341.26
DUGAN, JIM	$34.41
EASTON-JONES, WINIFRED A	$14.13
FOWLIE, GARY W	$40.55
GAMBELL, GRANT	$44.24
GOTTSHALK, KARL	$18.43
HATCH, MELISSA	$6.15
JOHNSON, RICHARD A	$27.65
KEATINGE, KENT	$356.70
KLUNDER, PATRICIA	$30.73
KNIGHT, KERYN	$30.73
LAWSON, MATTHEW	$405.57
LEONARD, BRIAN	$51.62
LERNER, BRETT	$68.82
MARTHA BROWER	$34.41
MERCHANT, DEBBIE	$52.85
MOHOLLAND, JASON	$25.81
NEILSON, DAVID	$15.98
NORTHERN LEASING SYSTEMS INC	$2.46
PARKER, DAVID & MINDY	$6.15
PENDLETON, WINSTON A	$142.56
PENNEY, KURT & ANDREA	$12.29
POWER, WILL & AMY	$18.43
SCHUCKLE, PATRICIA	$14.75
SEYMOUR, TIM	$33.18
SHANAHAN, MARYANNE	$49.77
SIEGENTHALER, MARK	$15.98
SPANSWICK, ALAN	$29.50
STINSON, JOHANNA	$4.91
THOMAS MICHAELS DESIGNERS INC	$65.14
THORSON, ELIZABETH	$3.69
TIBBETTS, ARTHUR JR	$51.62
VERIZON WIRELESS	$331.83
VILLAGE RESTAURANT INC	$446.13
WARNER GRAPHICS INC	$379.76
WELTE & WELTE PA	$1.77
WELTE, WILLIAM & PATRICIA	$9.21
WHITING, THOMAS	$19.66
WINCKLHOFER, TOBY	$61.45
ZEIGLER, MARTIN	$27.04
TOTAL OUSTANDING AS OF JUNE 30, 2007	**$4,753.88 ***

***ALL 2007 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES WERE PAID IN FULL BY SEPTEMBER 27, 2007**

2007 TAX LIENS AS OF MARCH 10, 2008

AINSWORTH, JUDITH E.	$	1,995.90
BAY VIEW LANDING, LLC	$	32,588.16
BIBEAU, LYNN A.	$	1,821.38
BOOTH, JOSEPH R.	$	1,423.18
BOWEN, ROXANNE L.	$	1,949.19
BOYNTON-MCKAY CO., LLC	$	5,491.17
EATON, MATHEW A.	$	100.78
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GREET, WILLIAM E., JR.	$	1,563.29
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HACKETT, MARY KATHLEEN	$	626.79
HARTZELL, CLINTON H., III & KATHLEEN H.	$	462.18
HUNT, HOWARD S.	$	476.23
HYDE, PHYLLIS J.	$	5,134.02
JOHNSON, MARGARET L.	$	1,556.46
LAY, CHARLENE K.	$	1,509.09
MICHAELS, THOMAS C. & NORA H.	$	2,721.01
MONAHAN, TERRANCE B.	$	1,331.01
MONAHAN, TERRANCE B. & CAROLINE G.	$	1,700.94
ORNE, PETER K. & LAY, CHARLENE K.	$	3,182.13
PROCTOR, PATRICIA	$	646.08
RIVERS, LILLIAN E., HEIRS OF	$	2,025.39
RUSSELL, GREGORY R. & JULIE S.	$	2,300.69
SMITH, MARIANNE W.	$	1,944.28
SMITH, STUART G.	$	24,441.12
SMITH, STUART G. & MARIANNE W.	$	1,166.32
SMITH, STUART G. & MARIANNE W.	$	1,231.46
SMITH, STUART G. & MARIANNE W.	$	635.39
SMITH, STUART G. & MARIANNE W.	$	16,591.50
SMITH, STUART G. & MARIANNE W.	$	1,487.09
TOOLEY, ANNE C.	$	2,133.54
TOTAL	**$**	**124,904.12**

COMMITMENT DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2006
LIEN DATE: AUGUST 17, 2007
FORECLOSURE DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 2009

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I am pleased to provide you with a brief explanation of the budgeting process and an accounting of the financial status of the Town of Camden for the last fiscal year which ended June 30, 2007 as reported in the audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This independent audit of the Town's financial records was performed by the accounting firm of Runyon Kersteen Ouellette, 20 Long Creek Drive, South Portland, ME. The complete audit report, including the opinion thereon, is available for inspection at the Municipal Office.

The Process

The Town of Camden's fiscal year begins on July 1st and ends on June 30th of the following year. After reviewing Department Head requests, the Town Manager is required (by Charter) to submit a budget and explanatory message to the Select Board no later than the third week of April for the ensuing fiscal year. A Budget Committee comprised of citizens of the Town also meets to review and make recommendations on the proposed budget. After final approval by the Select Board the budget is included in the Town warrant to be voted on at the Town's annual meeting in June. Recommendations from the Select Board and the Budget Committee are included in these warrant articles. The appropriated budget amounts are prepared by fund (e.g., General), function (e.g., Public Safety) and department (e.g., Fire). The general fund is the only fund budgeted and included on the Town warrant for voter approval.

The Budget

The annual budget provides a complete financial plan for all Town funds and activities for the following fiscal year. It begins with a clear general summary of its contents and details all estimated income and proposed expenditures, including debt service. It is arranged showing comparative actual and estimated income and expenditure figures for the current year and the preceding fiscal year. A vote of the townspeople can authorize the Select Board, following a public hearing, to transfer a designed percentage of the unexpended balances from one budgetary category to another budgetary category (within the budget) during the period from April 1 to the date of the annual Town meeting in June. This amount has been no more than ten percent (10%). The legal level of budgetary control is the warrant article level.

Long-term Financial Planning

To meet future needs the Town of Camden has aggressively budgeted money for capital improvements and capital reserve accounts. Typically, money from these accounts is used to meet the Town's cash flow needs in place of short term borrowing (TAN). In recent years the Town has had to borrow money only once when a large wastewater project drew down applicable reserve funds. This type of "in-house" borrowing not only saves money, healthy reserve accounts serve as a good hedge to reduce the impact on taxpayers when large capital improvement projects are implemented.

Additionally, the Town of Camden's Unreserved Fund Balance Policy Statement states that the size of the unreserved general fund will be approximately 16.7 percent of the amount of the Town's annual budget. This is a higher percentage than recommended. By a vote of the Select Board these funds can be used for expenditures that include ensuring the orderly operation of government, stabilizing the tax structure, or to avoid or replace budget shortfalls. Prudent planning reduces negative, unanticipated budget impacts on taxpayers.

Capital Improvement

After meeting with Department Heads the Town Manager each year will submit to the Select Board for their review a "Five Year Capital Improvement Plan". Projects addressed in this budget are the continuation of improvements to the Rollins Road Bridge ($21,400) and the Route 1 Project ($10,000). A new building addition at the Public Works garage ($105,000), a large drainage project on Frye Street ($228,160) and a new Police cruiser ($23,000) have also been included. The Wastewater Department continues to plan for costly upgrades to the aeration system ($250,000) and collection system, as well as equipment upgrades at the treatment plant and pump stations. The Town will raise $70,000 in this budget for improvements at the Camden Snow Bowl ski area that will include snow making equipment. As a cost saving measure when appropriate, every effort is made to purchase highly priced equipment jointly with nearby towns.

Capital Assets

The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business type activities as of June 30, 2007 was $9,367,169. This includes land and buildings, furniture and equipment, vehicles and infrastructure.

Long-term Liabilities

The Town of Camden's long-term liabilities incurred changes during this fiscal year. Outstanding bonds and notes began the year with a balance of $2,676,119; added to this were Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade bonds that totaled $885,000. On June 30, 2007, $601,394 (of these bonds) remained *unspent* and was being held in escrow by the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. The remaining funds are drawn down as expenditures are made. Retired debt totaled $206,077 ending the fiscal year with a balance of $3,355,042 in outstanding long-term debt.

For a complete accounting of *budget* to *actual* amounts please refer to the auditor's report following this report including Exhibit A-2 *(which follows Statement 10).*

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Sue Greenleaf
Finance Director

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Net Assets
June 30, 2007

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 410,356	4,185	414,541
Deposits held in escrow	601,394	-	601,394
Investments	5,662,172	-	5,662,172
Receivables:			
Accounts (net of allowance of $2,676)	279,541	-	279,541
Taxes receivable - current year	612,529	-	612,529
Tax and sewer liens	99,421	-	99,421
Tax acquired property	16,191	-	16,191
Internal balances	15,155	(15,155)	-
Nondepreciable capital assets	1,176,439	160,000	1,336,439
Depreciable capital assets, net	7,866,545	164,185	8,030,730
Total assets	16,739,743	313,215	17,052,958
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	159,202	-	159,202
Accrued interest	31,506	-	31,506
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	557,691	14,553	572,244
Due in more than one year	3,256,930	-	3,256,930
Total liabilities	4,005,329	14,553	4,019,882
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	5,500,699	324,185	5,824,884
Restricted for:			
Nonexpendable trust principal	2,299,932	-	2,299,932
Unrestricted	4,933,783	(25,523)	4,908,260
Total net assets	**$ 12,734,414**	**298,662**	**13,033,076**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2007

Functions/programs		Expenses	Program revenues: Charges for services	Program revenues: Operating grants and contributions	Program revenues: Capital grants and contributions	Net (expense) revenue and changes in net assets – Primary Government: Governmental activities	Net (expense) revenue and changes in net assets – Primary Government: Business-type activities	Net (expense) revenue and changes in net assets – Primary Government: Total
Primary government:								
Governmental activities:								
General government	$	2,844,399	164,755	-	-	(2,679,644)	-	(2,679,644)
Public safety		1,709,171	19,993	-	-	(1,689,178)	-	(1,689,178)
Highways, streets and bridges		1,227,152	-	64,740	-	(1,162,412)	-	(1,162,412)
Human services		66,323	-	7,656	-	(58,667)	-	(58,667)
Leisure services		805,176	213,428	6,591	-	(585,157)	-	(585,157)
Cemeteries		92,576	204,234	-	-	111,658	-	111,658
Contingency		28,526	-	-	-	(28,526)	-	(28,526)
Education		8,367,360	-	-	-	(8,367,360)	-	(8,367,360)
Solid waste, sewer and other		1,000,424	1,361,102	26,838	-	387,516	-	387,516
Interest on debt service		115,173	-	-	-	(115,173)	-	(115,173)
Non-capital maintenance expenses		430,116	13,866	-	-	(416,250)	-	(416,250)
Total governmental activities		16,686,396	1,977,378	105,825	-	(14,603,193)	-	(14,603,193)
Business-type activities:								
Camden Snow Bowl		566,808	466,964	-	-	-	(99,844)	(99,844)
Total business-type activities		566,808	466,964	-	-	-	(99,844)	(99,844)
Total primary government	**$**	**17,253,204**	**2,444,342**	**105,825**	**-**	**(14,603,193)**	**(99,844)**	**(14,703,037)**
General revenues:								
Property taxes, levied for general purposes						13,122,136	-	13,122,136
Interest and costs on taxes						43,298	-	43,298
Motor vehicle excise taxes						892,354	-	892,354
Franchise taxes						48,328	-	48,328
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs:								
Homestead exemption						88,302	-	88,302
Other State aid						8,802	-	8,802
State Revenue Sharing						346,996	-	346,996
Unrestricted investment earnings						50,673	-	50,673
Miscellaneous revenues						10,453	-	10,453
Transfers						(106,474)	106,474	-
Total general revenues and transfers						14,504,868	106,474	14,611,342
Change in net assets						(98,325)	6,630	(91,695)
Net assets - beginning						12,832,739	292,032	13,124,771
Net assets - ending					**$**	**12,734,414**	**298,662**	**13,033,076**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2007

		General	Sewer Operations Fund	Charles Wood Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash	$	330	-	290,610	119,416	410,356
Deposits held in escrow with Bond Bank		-	601,394	-	-	601,394
Investments		3,186,327	-	1,179,493	1,296,352	5,662,172
Receivables:						
Accounts (net of allowance of $2,676)		71,866	207,675	-	-	279,541
Taxes receivable - current year		612,529	-	-	-	612,529
Tax and sewer liens		98,731	690	-	-	99,421
Tax acquired property		16,191	-	-	-	16,191
Interfund loans receivable		-	643,006	-	665,283	1,308,289
Total assets	**$**	**3,985,974**	**1,452,765**	**1,470,103**	**2,081,051**	**8,989,893**
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable		85,055	2,191	-	41,519	128,765
Interfund loans payable		1,293,661	-	7,216	141	1,301,018
Deferred tax revenue		186,000	-	-	-	186,000
Other deferred revenue		22,553	-	-	-	22,553
Total liabilities		1,587,269	2,191	7,216	41,660	1,638,336
Fund balances:						
Reserved for:						
Nonexpendable trust principal		-	-	1,022,916	1,277,016	2,299,932
Unreserved, reported in:						
General fund - designated		622,542	-	-	-	622,542
General fund - undesignated		1,776,163	-	-	-	1,776,163
Special revenue funds - reserves		-	898,360	-	-	898,360
Special revenue funds - undesignated		-	552,214	-	667,827	1,220,041
Permanent funds		-	-	439,971	94,548	534,519
Total fund balances		2,398,705	1,450,574	1,462,887	2,039,391	7,351,557
Total liabilities and fund balances	**$**	**3,985,974**	**1,452,765**	**1,470,103**	**2,081,051**	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	9,042,984
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	186,000
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds.	
Bonds payable	(3,355,042)
Capital leases	(187,243)
Accrued interest	(31,506)
Accrued compensated absences	(272,336)
Net assets of governmental activities	**$ 12,734,414**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2007

	General	Sewer Operations Fund	Charles Wood Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Taxes	$ 14,116,090	-	-	-	14,116,090
Intergovernmental	427,527	-	-	26,838	454,365
Licenses and permits	156,488	-	-	-	156,488
Charges for services	283,631	724,728	-	-	1,008,359
Interest income	50,673	-	48,735	41,691	141,099
Contributions	-	-	-	137,996	137,996
Realized and unrealized gains	-	-	137,993	106,291	244,284
Other	83,056	115	-	322,693	405,864
Total revenues	15,117,465	724,843	186,728	635,509	16,664,545
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	1,253,600	-	-	29,120	1,282,720
Public safety	1,592,091	-	-	-	1,592,091
Highways, streets and bridges	1,025,996	-	-	77,076	1,103,072
Human services	45,283	-	-	21,040	66,323
Leisure services	767,012	-	-	12,968	779,980
Cemeteries	53,414	-	-	39,162	92,576
Contingency	28,526	-	-	-	28,526
Education	8,367,360	-	-	-	8,367,360
County tax	1,041,906	-	-	-	1,041,906
Solid waste	300,669	-	-	-	300,669
Sewer operations	-	646,005	-	-	646,005
Unclassified	-	-	16,969	323,479	340,448
Debt service	350,807	-	-	-	350,807
Capital improvements and reserves	575,838	435,740	-	-	1,011,578
Total expenditures	15,402,502	1,081,745	16,969	502,845	17,004,061
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(285,037)	(356,902)	169,759	132,664	(339,516)
Other financing sources (uses):					
Issuance of debt	-	885,000	-	-	885,000
Proceeds from capital lease	225,000	-	-	-	225,000
Transfers from other funds	13,474	-	-	162,508	175,982
Transfers to other funds	(268,982)	-	-	(13,474)	(282,456)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(30,508)	885,000	-	149,034	1,003,526
Net change in fund balances	(315,545)	528,098	169,759	281,698	664,010
Fund balances, beginning of year	2,714,250	922,476	1,293,128	1,757,693	6,687,547
Fund balances, end of year	**$ 2,398,705**	**1,450,574**	**1,462,887**	**2,039,391**	**7,351,557**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Net Assets
Proprietary Funds
June 30, 2007

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds	
		Camden Snow Bowl
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash	$	4,185
Total current assets		4,185
Noncurrent assets:		
Property, plant, and equipment		827,681
Less accumulated depreciation		(503,496)
Total noncurrent assets		324,185
Total assets		328,370
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities:		
Accrued compensated absences		14,553
Interfund loans		15,155
Total current liabilities		29,708
NET ASSETS		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		324,185
Unrestricted		(25,523)
Total net assets	**$**	**298,662**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets
Proprietary Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2007

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds	
		Camden Snow Bowl
Operating revenues:		
Lift tickets	$	216,499
Toboggan and tube income		73,373
Lesson and racing fees		46,068
Rental income		87,782
Food and merchandise		12,909
Other		8,866
Total operating revenues		445,497
Operating expenses:		
Administration		127,945
Lodge		22,105
Maintenance shop		3,156
Alpine		299,852
Rental shop		19,427
Toboggan chute		13,999
Tube slide		3,734
Depreciation		24,053
Total operating expenses		514,271
Operating loss		(68,774)
Nonoperating revenue (expense):		
Capital maintenance expenses - reserves		(52,537)
Gain on disposal of assets		6,025
Other revenues - reserves		15,442
Total nonoperating revenue (expense)		(31,070)
Net loss before operating transfers		(99,844)
Transfers:		
Transfer from other funds		106,474
Total operating transfers		106,474
Change in net assets		6,630
Total net assets, beginning of year, restated		292,032
Total net assets, end of year	**$**	**298,662**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2007

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds	
		Camden Snow Bowl
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Receipts from customers and users	$	460,939
Payments to suppliers		(336,081)
Payments to employees		(272,149)
Net cash used in operating activities		(147,291)
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:		
Transfers from other funds		106,474
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities		106,474
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Capital reserve expenses		(52,537)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets		6,025
Repayments of capital lease		(23,990)
Net cash used in financing activities		(70,502)
Decrease in cash		(111,319)
Cash, beginning of year		115,504
Cash, end of year	**$**	**4,185**
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Operating loss	$	(68,774)
Other revenues		15,442
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation		24,053
Increase (decrease) in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accrued vacation		6,445
Interfund loans		(124,457)
Net cash used in operating activities		(147,291)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets
Agency Funds
June 30, 2007

		Agency Funds
ASSETS		
Cash	$	15,641
Interfund loans		7,884
Accounts receivable		39,163
Total assets		**62,688**
LIABILITIES		
Held on behalf of others		62,688
Total liabilities	**$**	**62,688**

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
For the year ended June 30, 2007

	2006 Carryforward balance	2007 Original budget	2007 Total available	2007 Actual	2007 Variance positive (negative)
Revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property taxes	$ -	13,117,746	13,117,746	13,117,746	-
Supplemental taxes	-	-	-	4,390	4,390
Homestead reimbursement	-	88,218	88,218	88,302	84
Change in deferred property tax revenue	-	-	-	(30,000)	(30,000)
Excise taxes	-	930,700	930,700	892,354	(38,346)
Interest and costs on taxes	-	31,000	31,000	43,298	12,298
Total taxes	-	14,167,664	14,167,664	14,116,090	(51,574)
Intergovernmental:					
State Revenue Sharing	-	352,000	352,000	346,996	(5,004)
State road assistance	-	65,000	65,000	64,740	(260)
Tree growth reimbursement	-	2,500	2,500	4,426	1,926
Snowmobile reimbursement	-	400	400	417	17
Veterans reimbursement	-	4,000	4,000	3,959	(41)
Pumpout boat grant	-	11,200	11,200	-	(11,200)
State park reimbursement	-	8,500	8,500	6,591	(1,909)
General assistance reimbursement	-	2,500	2,500	398	(2,102)
Total intergovernmental	-	446,100	446,100	427,527	(18,573)
Licenses and permits:					
Vehicle registration fees	-	-	-	-	-
Animal control fees	-	1,600	1,600	1,703	103
Town Clerk fees	-	11,000	11,000	13,903	2,903
Plumbing fees	-	6,300	6,300	6,052	(248)
Building permits	-	55,000	55,000	58,826	3,826
Administration fees	-	19,000	19,000	17,481	(1,519)
Cable TV franchise	-	41,000	41,000	48,328	7,328
Electrical fees	-	4,000	4,000	5,095	1,095
Fines	-	-	-	5,100	5,100
Total licenses and permits	-	137,900	137,900	156,488	18,588

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual, Continued

	2006 Carryforward balance	2007 Original Budget	2007 Total available	2007 Actual	2007 Variance positive (negative)
Revenues, continued:					
Charges for services:					
Harbor fees	$ -	150,000	150,000	168,583	18,583
Police revenue	-	3,200	3,200	4,313	1,113
Parking tickets	-	18,000	18,000	15,680	(2,320)
Parks and recreation revenue	-	26,000	26,000	31,791	5,791
Parks and recreation mowing	-	5,500	5,500	5,500	-
Cemetery maintenance	-	50,210	50,210	50,210	-
Harbor Park maintenance	-	-	-	7,554	7,554
Total charges for services	-	252,910	252,910	283,631	30,721
Interest earned	-	17,000	17,000	50,673	33,673
Total interest earned	-	17,000	17,000	50,673	33,673
Other revenues:					
Opera House	-	35,000	35,000	38,205	3,205
Yacht Club lease	-	17,800	17,800	18,390	590
Transfer from trust funds	-	2,500	2,500	7,258	4,758
Sale of surplus equipment	-	19,000	19,000	8,750	(10,250)
Miscellaneous	-	20,000	20,000	10,453	(9,547)
Total other revenues	-	94,300	94,300	83,056	(11,244)
Total revenues	-	15,115,874	15,115,874	15,117,465	1,591

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual, Continued

	2006 Carryforward balance	2007 Original budget	2007 Total available	2007 Actual	2007 Variance positive (negative)
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government:					
Administration, finance, codes and assessing	$ 15,168	778,465	793,633	764,637	28,996
Professional services	-	68,500	68,500	61,400	7,100
Planning and development	5,471	11,950	17,421	11,152	6,269
Information technology	11,348	53,300	64,648	65,698	(1,050)
Insurance	-	166,700	166,700	148,217	18,483
Opera House/Town offices	1,245	76,550	77,795	71,154	6,641
Opera House/auditorium	9,355	122,700	132,055	124,036	8,019
Total general government	42,587	1,278,165	1,320,752	1,246,294	74,458
Public safety:					
Police department	12,032	758,850	770,882	766,210	4,672
Public safety dispatch	-	196,622	196,622	180,295	16,327
County dispatch	-	67,100	67,100	69,267	(2,167)
Fire department	-	295,996	295,996	313,163	(17,167)
Public safety building	2,011	50,950	52,961	49,371	3,590
Hydrant rental	-	162,000	162,000	161,452	548
Street lights	-	64,000	64,000	52,333	11,667
Total public safety	14,043	1,595,518	1,609,561	1,592,091	17,470
Highways, streets and bridges:					
Public works	5,422	718,630	724,052	696,298	27,754
Street and sidewalks	122,978	272,000	394,978	330,414	64,564
Parking	1,500	5,000	6,500	4,396	2,104
Tree program	-	5,500	5,500	4,133	1,367
Total highways, streets and bridges	129,900	1,001,130	1,131,030	1,035,241	95,789

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual, Continued

	2006 Carryforward balance	2007 Original budget	2007 Total available	2007 Actual	2007 Variance positive (negative)
Expenditures, continued					
Current, continued:					
Health & welfare:					
General assistance	$ -	5,000	5,000	7,324	(2,324)
Provider agencies	-	37,959	37,959	37,959	-
Total health and welfare	-	42,959	42,959	45,283	(2,324)
Leisure services:					
Community services	-	16,640	16,640	16,640	-
Camden Public Library	-	350,000	350,000	350,000	-
Harbor and landing	-	115,665	115,665	111,750	3,915
Recreation	6,000	115,800	121,800	109,389	12,411
Parks	4,636	169,250	173,886	163,358	10,528
Snow Bowl Match/Capital	-	25,000	25,000	25,000	-
Dams	-	12,380	12,380	12,457	(77)
Harbor Park	-	-	-	3,418	(3,418)
Total leisure services	10,636	804,735	815,371	792,012	23,359
Cemeteries:					
Cemetery association	-	14,500	14,500	14,500	-
Cemetery maintenance	-	50,210	50,210	38,914	11,296
Total cemeteries	-	64,710	64,710	53,414	11,296
Debt service:					
Principal	-	355,063	355,063	305,534	49,529
Interest	-	85,048	85,048	90,937	(5,889)
Total debt service	-	440,111	440,111	396,471	43,640
Contingency	-	40,000	40,000	28,526	11,474
Unclassified:					
MCSWC assessment	-	300,669	300,669	300,669	-
Educations - MSAD #28	-	4,592,365	4,592,365	4,592,365	-
Education - Five Town CSD	-	3,774,995	3,774,995	3,774,995	-
County tax	-	1,041,906	1,041,906	1,041,906	-
Overlay/abatements	-	56,611	56,611	7,306	49,305
Total unclassified	-	9,766,546	9,766,546	9,717,241	49,305

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, Continued

	2006 Carryforward balance	2007 Original budget	2007 Total available	2007 Actual	2007 Variance positive (negative)
Expenditures, continued:					
Capital improvements and reserves:					
Capital reserves:					
Accrued benefits	$ -	8,000	8,000	8,000	-
Opera House maintenance	-	17,000	17,000	17,000	-
Storm sewer reserve	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Parking reserve	-	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Harbor dredging	-	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
Snow Bowl	-	70,000	70,000	70,000	-
Camden Dam	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
Harbor projects	-	27,600	27,600	27,600	-
Capital improvements:					
Tannery demolition	110,899	-	110,899	884	110,015
Police cruiser	4,501	23,000	27,501	24,734	2,767
Police equipment	4,590	-	4,590	4,590	-
MDOT Route 1	77,751	10,000	87,751	965	86,786
Rollins Road Bridge	71,971	21,400	93,371	93,371	-
Public Works equipment	33	-	33	-	33
Downtown sidewalks	10,200	-	10,200	10,200	-
Conway Road	34,200	-	34,200	-	34,200
Mechanic Street	614	-	614	-	614
Public Works equipment	-	105,000	105,000	-	105,000
Frye Street Drainage	-	228,160	228,160	214,436	13,724
Marine Avenue Harbor	4,082	-	4,082	1,657	2,425
High Street Sewer	125,000	-	125,000	-	125,000
Total capital improvements and reserves	443,841	565,160	1,009,001	528,437	480,564
Total expenditures	641,007	15,599,034	16,240,041	15,435,010	805,031
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(641,007)	(483,160)	(1,124,167)	(317,545)	806,622

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, Continued

		2007			
	2006 Carryforward balance	**Original budget**	**Total available**	**Actual**	**Variance positive (negative)**
Other financing sources (uses): $					
Transfers out:					
Snow Bowl	-	-	-	(11,474)	(11,474)
Transfers in:					
Grant funds to close Community Development	-	-	-	13,474	13,474
Utilization of prior year surplus	-	150,000	150,000	150,000	-
Utilization of reserves	641,007	-	641,007	-	(641,007)
Proceeds of general obligation bonds and notes	-	333,160	333,160	-	(333,160)
Total other financing sources (uses)	641,007	483,160	1,124,167	152,000	(972,167)
Net change in fund balances, budgetary basis	-	-	-	(165,545)	(165,545)
Reconciliation to GAAP:					
Utilization of fund balance				(150,000)	
Net change in fund balances, GAAP basis				(315,545)	
Fund balance, beginning of year				2,714,250	
Fund balance, end of year $				**2,398,705**	

ASSESSORS' AGENT REPORT

As a result of an estimated 350 site visits, following up on building permits issued, we picked up $16 million in valuation to add to the tax base. Property assessment information continues to be available online at www.visionappraisal.com or through a link on the Town website at www.town.camden.me.us

LOCATION: The Assessors Office, along with Planning and Codes and 9-1-1-Addressing, is located in the former Police Station through the Washington St. Entrance of the Town Office building.

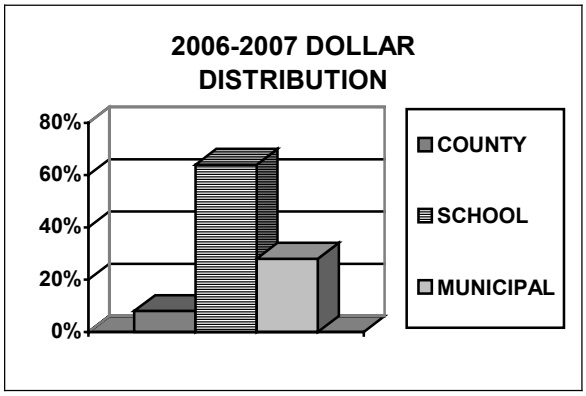
PROPERTY TAX BREAKS: The Homestead, Veteran or Veteran's Widow and Legally Blind Exemptions are available to residents that can meet certain criteria. Also available is the State Tax and Rent Refund Program which is based on a person's income.
Please contact the Assessors' Office for information and applications. Applications and forms may also be downloaded from the Town website at: www. town.camden.me.us

ENHANCED 9-1-1 AWARENESS: The Town of Camden has a very strict guideline regarding the use of a physical address and it is very important that each building display the appropriate number that is assigned by the Town. The number must be at least 4" in height and contrast with its background. If the building is not visible from the road, then the number should be placed at the driveway entrance.

Apartment buildings, office buildings, condominiums and any multiple units must have one primary number for the entire building predicated by an apartment, suite or unit number. Alphabetical, fractions and hyphenated numbers are not acceptable.

Please contact the Addressing Officer for guidance.

2007-2008 INFORMATION



Taxable Valuation Base	**$1,81,948,660**
Net To Be Raised	**$ 13,773,206**
Mil Rate	**$ 12.73**
Exempt Property Valuation	**$ 85,419,950**

Respectfully submitted,

John V. Doan CMA
Assessors' Agent

PLANNING/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

Total construction value from July 2007 through the end of February 2008 was 7.6 million dollars, compared to 11.3 million dollars during the same period in the prior year. Total construction value for the entire 2006-07 fiscal year was 14.9 million dollars compared to 14.2 million dollars in 2005-06.

There were 10 new homes from July 2007 through the end of February 2008 compared to 14 new homes during the same period in the prior year.
There were 15 new homes in the entire 2006-07 fiscal year compared to 26 new homes in 2005-06.

The amount of commercial construction was 13.8% of total building permit value through the end of February, compared to 11% during the same period in the prior year. Large commercial projects through the end of February included $400,000 at 10 Bay View Street, $300,000 at 7 Mountain Street, $100,000 at the Town of Camden Public Works Garage and $80,000 at 5 Elm Street.

Planning activity this year has included: 1) several zoning ordinance amendments and one zoning map amendment presented to the voters last November, 2) three zoning map amendments and several zoning ordinance amendments being presented to the voters at June Town Meeting, 3) work with a committee to develop ordinance amendments concerning property maintenance that have been postponed to the November election, 4) continued participation on the Gateway 1 Town Response Panel, 5) continued involvement in regional planning efforts, such as the Midcoast Housing Coalition and 6) continued support of Camden's Pine Tree Economic Development sites.

The work of this department is professionally supported by Administrative Assistant Beth MacDonald and Assistant Code Enforcement Officer Wesley Robinson, who works 20 hours per week during the busy months of May through October.

	7/1/07 – 2/2//08		**2006 – 2007**		**2005 – 2006**		**2004 - 2005**	
	Permits	**Fees**	**Permits**	**Fees**	**Permits**	**Fees**	**Permits**	**Fees**
Building	127	$23,308	194	$52,718	210	$46,416	224	$43,415
Plumbing	75	$4,613	168	$8,218	115	$7,599	145	$8,627
Electrical	70	$2,167	149	$5,213	144	$4,484	130	$4,898
Sign	39	$689	58	$630	74	$825	57	$480
Floodplain	7	$250	5	$250	2	$100	2	$100

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey A. Nims, AICP
Planner/Code Enforcement Officer

CAMDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would like to thank the firefighters and officers for their continued efforts this past year. We continued our move in a forward direction with regard to training, education and safety. Participation in responses, meetings and drills was equal to last year.

Certifications gained this past year: **Firefighter I and II; Fire Officer I and II; Fire Instructor I and II; and Pumps I**

Incidents responded to = 268

Personnel hours for the on-call firefighters and officers = 6,130

Payroll for the on-call firefighters and officers = $82,395.00

A special thank you goes out to all the families for their continued support and understanding of the commitment of your fire department personnel. Without their support it would not be possible for the firefighters and officers to improve their skills and knowledge.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Gibbons
Fire Chief

CAMDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

This past year has seen some of the most dramatic changes in Camden Police Department in its' history. After a year of having Knox County Regional Communications handle evening dispatching for the department, dispatching duties for the entire day were transferred to that agency in June of 2007. The result was a savings to the residents of the Town of Camden of more than $100,000.

Operationally, this has meant that the Public Safety building is now open fewer hours per week (generally 8 AM – 5 PM Monday – Friday) and this has resulted in very few comments by the public. Officers can still be reached at all times by dialing 911 for emergencies and 236-3030 for non-emergency calls for service. Camden Police officers are still on the street and available 24 hours a day, every day.

There has been considerable study of the idea to consolidate the Camden and Rockport Police Departments. While the two departments have shared staff and equipment when necessary, the concept of the consolidation would merge the two agencies into a single department. A report from the study group is expected in the spring of 2008 with further steps being determined after the report.

Staffing on the department has seen more changes this year than in many years. Officer Dan Sylvain left the department early in 2007 to take a position with the Brunswick Police Department. Parking Enforcement Officer Paul Spear, who also filled the role of a part-time officer, then moved into the position as a full time patrol officer. Camden resident Jeffrey Sukeforth was hired as the new Parking Enforcement Officer.

With the transfer of dispatching services to KCRCC, long time dispatchers Alan Clukey, Lawrence Dearborn and Diane Moody left the department. The new position of Administrative Assistant was filled in August by Jodi Russell.

Early in 2008, Officer Robert E. Laite Jr. resigned after more than 21 years of service to the Town of Camden and Arthur Smith, who had recently been named Officer of the Year for the Town of Rockport, was hired to fill that vacancy. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Officer Laite for the fine job he did in terms of public relations, especially with the youth. "Officer Rob" was a long time DARE instructor and School Resource Officer when the high school was located on Knowlton Street. We all wish him the best in his new endeavors.

Emphasis continues to be placed on the quality of service provided to residents and quests of the Town of Camden. To that end, the department has put every effort to train officers in the many aspects of the job. During calendar year 2007 department members totaled approximately 800 hours of training and provided more than 250 hours of instruction at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. While much of this training is mandated either by contract or Maine Criminal Justice Academy, the department goes beyond those requirements in an effort to improve our staff.

Sincerely,

Philip J. Roberts
Chief of Police

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Public Works Department is responsible for maintaining 38 miles of streets and roads and 10.5 miles of sidewalk. For winter maintenance we maintain another 20 miles of State Aid roads. A full time mechanic and assistant mechanic provides maintenance and repair to the Towns fleet of trucks, and heavy equipment. Public Works mechanics also work and maintain vehicles for Parks & Rec., Police, Fire, Harbor and Waster Department.

Some of the seasonal work that takes place during the year is street sweeping, sidewalk sweeping, line stripping, roadside brush cutting and trash removal from the downtown business area and public parks. The Public Works backhoe loader is also put to use for Parks & Rec., Harbor and Wastewater Department saving considerable costs from private contracting. Public Works also helps other Town departments with jobs and projects. In a continuing effort to improve road drainage and help extend the life to paved surfaces, the regular program of roadside ditching, grading and mowing of shoulders took place.

Road resurfacing took place on Gould Street, Branch Street, Dailey Street, Cobb Road, Sand Street, and Grove Street. The asphalt sidewalk on Mechanic Street was resurfaced from Free Street to Park Street and the sidewalk on Gould Street was rebuilt.

Public Works plowed, sanded and applied road salt to approximately 58 miles of Town and State roads, and 10.5 miles of sidewalks. The road salt bid this year was $58.76 per ton compared to last year's $54.89 per ton. This winter approximately 1,140 tons of salt have been purchased and approximately 1,200 cubic yards of sand.

At the time of this report we have responded to 16 storms with an approximate snowfall of 64 inches. Winter keeps Public Works crews very busy, we apologize for any inconvenience. Winter on the Maine coast can be very unpredictable, with any moderate to heavy snowfalls crews often deviate from any routine plowing.

The Police Department occasionally receives calls during the winter about snow removal on secondary roads. Major arteries and high traffic roads are the priority, followed by secondary roads and side streets. We continue plowing until the storm ends and then go back over all routes to widen the roadways and clean up and push snow back at intersections. Two to three hours is needed for a plow truck to complete a route. Intense storms can produce significant snowfall in a short time which keeps trucks on high traffic roads. This means snow may accumulate more on secondary roads. Secondary roads and side streets will get plowed only not as often. Snow removal on 58 miles of road is actually 116 lane miles of road. This means a truck has to travel out a road and then back doubling the mileage. It is our goal to remove snow and ice from Town roads as rapidly and efficiently as possible. Remember! Each storm is different and deviations from any plans often occur.

In closing, I would like to thank the Public Works crew for the extra effort, hard work and many hours of overtime during inclement weather. I would also like to thank the Town Manager, Select Board and all Town departments for their support and guidance this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard D. Siebel
Public Works Director

NOTICE TO CITIZENS

There has been an increase of people placing stones, stonewalls or other obstructions within the right-of-way of Town roads. The Town of Camden, as well as other towns and cities in the State of Maine, maintain more than just the paved portion of the road. This area beyond the paved way is a right-of-way, which the municipality reserves for utilities, storm drainage, unpaved shoulders and ditches. Obstructions placed within this right of way hinder the ability to maintain and repair a road. A municipality is required to keep town ways open and in repair so as to be "**safe and convenient**" for travelers with motor vehicles. **PLEASE!** If you are planning to do any work of any type on your property adjacent to the road, take a moment to call the Camden Public Works Director at 236-7954 to discuss those plans. Thank you for your cooperation on this important matter.

HARBORMASTER REPORT

The summer of 2007 was a lucrative one and one of my favorites. Many transients spent the night with dock revenues at $29,391 compared to last summer's $24,847.

Our Chief Deputy, Jim Leo, ran the pump out boat for a fifth year and the amount of use {in gallons pumped} remained high for residents and visitors.

A new pile of riprap was placed at the "Steamboat Landing" to help mitigate erosion at the launching ramp. Many new oak 10"x10" end caps were replaced at the main wharf because of rot. A new aluminum ramp is under construction for the main dock system and will be installed in spring of 2008.

Both Deputy Harbormasters and I bring 21 years of experience to the Department and I feel that the team is well acclimated to the Harbor users and their needs.

MOORING Sites

We had 384 outer harbor moorings with 24 reassigned
We had 79 Inner Harbor Floats sides with 1 reassigned
We had 42 Finger Floats

WAITING LIST

172 people were on the outer harbor waiting list
50 people were on the Inner Harbor Float waiting list
71 people were on the Finger Float waiting list

A special thanks to "Sparky", a.k.a. Scott Entwissel, who served as the junior "HARBOR MONITOR"

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Pixley
Harbor Master

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

To the Town Manager, Board of Wastewater Commissioners, and the citizens of the Town of Camden I hereby submit the thirty-ninth annual report for the Wastewater Department; this report pertains to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

Last summer we completed the most comprehensive upgrade of the wastewater treatment plant that we have undertaken since the plant was constructed in 1969. The project entailed the replacement of any deteriorated steel and all mechanical components of the secondary clarifiers as well as installing Stamford Baffles in the clarifiers to improve their performance. We also replaced the mechanical mixers / aerators in the sludge digesters with a considerably more efficient fine bubble diffused air system. The new aeration system in the sludge digesters required the construction of a small building to house the blowers and required that we make significant improvements to the electrical distribution system at the plant.

The following is a summary of plant operations for the calendar year from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007:

Total quantity wastewater treated	308,024,000 gallons
Maximum daily flow, April 16, 2007	4,484,000 gallons
Minimum daily flow, September 7, 2007	375,000 gallons
Activated sludge removed from process	4,303,000 gallons
De-watered sludge sent to compost site	950 cubic yards

Once again I would like to take this opportunity to compliment Dave, Jeff and Roy for the excellent job they do operating and maintaining the 17 miles of pipe, 7 pump stations and the wastewater treatment plant that comprise Camden's sanitary wastewater treatment system. I would also like to thank the Town Manager, the Board of Wastewater Commissioners, and the residents of the Town of Camden for their continued support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Parker
Wastewater Superintendent

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Parks and Recreation Department manages or maintains more than 700 acres of town property and facilities. These include: the Ragged Mountain Recreation Area, Laite Beach, Shirttail Point Beach, Barrett's Cove Beach, Public Boat Launching Facilities on Lake Megunticook on Rte. 52 and at Bog Bridge on Rte. 105, The Village Green, Hodson Park, The Public Landing Restrooms, Picnic Sites at Land's End on Lake Megunticook, the Maiden Cliff Trail, mowing of the Mountain View and Oak Hill Cemeteries, mowing of the Public Library, Amphitheatre and Harbor Park, mowing of the Wastewater Treatment Facility and several other smaller parcels scattered throughout the community. The department office is located at the Ragged Mountain Recreation Area, which includes the Camden Snow Bowl, the multi-sport field, tennis courts, boat and swimming access on Hosmer Pond, the Snow Bowl Lodge, 11 alpine ski and snowboard trails, four ski lifts, and a trail system which is used throughout the year by mountain bikers, hikers, dog walkers, snowshoers and cross-country skiers.

Non-winter programs and activities which were managed or supported by the department include the 6-week Summer Recreation Program for 90+ children in grades 2 to 6, the Megunticook Canoe Race, The Megunticook Mini Marathon (rowing race), Wednesday-in-the-Park Summer Concert Series, the Ragged Mountain Festival, the Ragged Mountain Runoff Bike Race and the annual fall Ski Swap. Projects, improvements, and new programs between July 2006 and June 2007 included: replacing 100 chairs for summer rentals of the Snow Bowl Lodge, adding an adventure race to the Ragged Mountain Festival, and commissioning a Long Range Feasibility Study of the Snow Bowl by Walter Elander of Horizons Engineering (a well respected ski area planner). From July 2007 through March 2008 additional non-winter projects included: expansion and improvement of the hiking/biking trail system at the recreation area, re-doing the electrical service to the maintenance building, adding a lifeguard stand to the Barrett's Cove Beach, refurbishing the interior dividers and repainting the Laite Beach restrooms, re-carpeting the Snow Bowl Lodge, adding new lighting in the lodge, taking over the mowing of Harbor Park and the Amphitheatre, and support in the development of a local mountain bike club.

During the winter season, the Camden Snow Bowl is operated by the department and employs more than 60 paid staff as well as dozens of volunteers from December through March. As a community ski area the Snow Bowl provides an opportunity for hundreds of people of all ages to enjoy a healthy, life-long, family-friendly sport during the time of year when physical activity for most Mainers diminishes greatly. A typical weekday at the ski area opens with a dedicated group of adults and seniors (25 over the age of 70 with free season passes) meeting early for coffee and a few runs. Later in the morning one or two school groups will arrive and join the Ski School for lessons. The experienced youngsters head directly up the chairlift, while their classmates learn the basics with enthusiastic instructors on the gentle terrain at the Mitey Mite lift near the lodge. Much of the cost of running a 4th Grade Learn to Ski Program (which provides three free days of rentals, lessons and lift tickets for all local 4th graders in Knox County) is raised by the Ragged Mountain Ski and Snowboarding Club. Other school groups also utilize the Snow Bowl for field trips and ski club outings. When school lets out the Snow Bowl transforms again. Up to 100 youngsters distributed among Grade School, Middle School and High School racing programs take to the slopes on various weekdays. Many other young skiers are dropped off by their parents for a few hours of exercise and social interaction before they return home for supper and homework. Weekends attract a mix of families enjoying the day together, adults of all ages, groups of youngsters messing around on the slopes together, people visiting for the day from beyond Knox County, and an ever increasing number of visitors staying in the local area for a winter weekend getaway. Along with the donation from the Ski and Snowboarding Club, the Marcel Lacasse

Scholarship and the Sally Deaver Memorial Fund provide over $5,000 toward lift tickets, season passes, lessons and rentals for dozens of youngsters who could not otherwise afford to become involved in the sport. The Snow Bowl also donates several thousand dollars worth of lift tickets, tubing passes and toboggan rides to various non-profit organizations in support of their community fundraising activities.

One of the highlights of the winter in the mid-coast is the annual Toboggan National Championships, held since 1991. This event brings visitors from across the northeast and beyond, and attracts national media attention. In 2007 it generated $40,000 (over $35,000 in 2008) net income for the Snow Bowl. In acknowledgement of all the work contributed by the largely volunteer event committee, and the positive economic impact the Nationals have throughout the community, the town matched this income with a contribution to the Snow Bowl operating funds of $25,000 last year and $35,000 in 2008. Up through 2007 the event has grown steadily in sponsorship, spectators and income. This year the event attracted more spectators than ever, which overwhelmed the on-site parking and created traffic issues on Hosmer Pond Road. The 2008 event also experienced an unfortunate collision of two toboggans in the chute, resulting in six participants being transported to the hospital. Fortunately none of the injuries were life-threatening. The toboggan committee has undertaken an extensive review of the entire event in order to be well prepared for the continued growth and safety of the event. (A report of the accident is available from the Parks & Recreation Office.)

Other Snow Bowl events include: the Tin Mountain Roundup (food collection with discounted tickets for the local pantry), two Terrain Park contests, an Alpine Fun Race and the annual Seacoast Classic Alpine Race, a high school level state-wide ski race, a winter sports weekend for Fire & Ice: Children Burn Survivors Camp, a Spring Fling event with live music, three late Saturday evenings of ski operations with special meals and music, and a full day of Easter activities (this year) beginning with a sunrise service at the top of the chairlift. Ski area purchases and improvements in FY07 included: additional snowmaking spur lines on the ski slopes and tubing hill, more hydrants and outlets for snowmaking, and the purchase of: a used plow truck from the Wastewater Department, a used snowmobile and a new ATV, which all replaced old and worn out vehicles. In FY08 ski area improvements included: lease/purchase of another used grooming machine, extension of the Terrain Park and a new section of ski trail (including clearing, grading, culvert, lighting and snowmaking lines), re-grading the top of the Tubing Hill, rebuilding the main hydraulic pumps of the older grooming machine, and the purchase of several new low-energy snowmaking guns.

During the summer of 2007 a special committee was created to oversee the process of redeveloping the Ragged Mountain Recreation Area. While the 2006 feasibility study was primarily focused on ski operations, the analysis and planning now underway is considering the four-season use of the facilities. Several community meetings have been held, and the landscape design firm of TJD & Associates has been engaged to begin the process of creating a new vision and plan for the recreation area. This is expected to be a multi-year process that will require a combination of municipal, private and grant funding. For further information please contact the Parks & Recreation Office at 236-3438 or info@camdensnowbowl.com.

We are always looking for more people to get involved in the planning process as well as helping out with our programs, trail maintenance and trail development. For more information about all the programs of the Parks and Recreation Department please visit: www.CamdenSnowBowl.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Kuller
Director

CAMDEN OPERA HOUSE

What an exciting year of change and improvements we've seen at the Camden Opera House. No wonder we were voted First Place "Best Playhouse" for the fifth year in a row by the readers of Village Soup.

In early July, Dave Morrison began work as Technical Director and largely due to his monumental efforts and superb technical expertise; we have already purchased and installed a new sound system, revamped the backstage area for better flow, security and storage and improved heat retention in the auditorium. We also had banners designed and installed on our exterior to better identify our facility to passersby.

This year, as always, we hosted an incredibly diverse array of events. Bay Chamber Concert brought *African Children's Choir* for two magical and colorful performances and *Libana t*o raise our spirits in the cold winter nights of February.

The literary field was well represented by noted local author *Richard Russo* introducing his latest book, the ever expanding *Maine Literary Festival*, sponsored by our local American Association of University Women Chapter, and noted author *Jim Hightower.*

Joel Raymond, THE largest concert promoter in Maine was back in a big way with a new company (Shangri-La Productions) and producing folk music legends *Greg Brown*, Iris *Dement* and jazz great *Marcia Ball*. A concert that has become a staple fall event is the *Bluegrass Gospel Project,* which also raises funds for the local food pantry.

The *Camden Conference* and *Pop-Tech* continued to grow their offerings….and continue to sell out our venue while broadcasting their respective conferences live to several satellite venues. Both were deemed incredibly edifying, educational and enlightening conferences. *Midcoast Magnet* spent a full day with a full house discussing our creative economy and brainstorming ways to enhance economic development in our region. Other educational conferences included *Jin Shin Jyutsu* who annually flies in a noted professional practitioner from around the world to teach this fascinating art and a *Transdisplinary Workshop* with many of our area educators attending.

A major first for the Opera House this year was acclaimed cabaret star *Edie*. The Camden Harbor Inn presented this ground-breaking evening here, and also a meet and greet with this renowned performer afterwards at their beautiful restaurant, Natalie's. Edie's visit to our town was followed by her performance the remainder of this year in Las Vegas as a featured performer in a Cirque de Soleil production.

Comedy brings *Bob Marley* to us each Columbus Day week-end for a roaring good time and cutting edge comic mother *Cindy Pierce* returned to perform a benefit for local cooperative pre-school PeoplePlace. Local comic *Duff Powell* tried his luck on the boards.
In the realm of theatre, Camden Civic Theatre's 37th season – wow! included The *Importance of Being Earnest, Man of La Mancha, As You Like It, Taming of the Shrew* and *Deathtrap* . Also the Camden Shakespeare Company presented both *KLASH* and *Merchant of Venice.*

We had the pleasure of hosting many local dance companies in the spring, performing their end of year presentations. There is no more beautiful sight than one of our area children performing so skillfully on our lovely stage!

As promised last year, we more actively produced shows ourselves – producing five this year – *Aztec Two Step* in Concert; *Says You,* (Nationally syndicated Radio Show) from Penobscot Theatre Company in Bangor, *Santaland Diaries*; *Tap Kids* and *Lunasa*. *Says You* saw audiences attend from the far corners of our great state. *Tap Kids* performed their amazing high energy show to two full school groups and one evening public performance and *Lunasa* – well, *Lunasa* is just the best Celtic group around, and proved so again when they were here, culminating in a meet and greet at the Camden Harbour Inn with attendees and Lunasa's musicians. A very special evening indeed.
Sponsors and advertisers we'd like to thank this year include: Camden Harbour Inn and Natalie's Restaurant, the Youngtown Inn and Restaurant, FMC BioPolymer, the Hawthorn Inn, the Lord Camden Inn, the Country Inn, YOUTH ARTS, ABCD Books and McMahon's Bar and Grille. We will seek even broader sponsorships in the next year, as partnering with our area businesses is a huge win for both parties!

In addition to paid events or events produced by ourselves, we continue to staff, run and host a large array of unpaid municipal and community events – this year totaling 21 major events – many with regional, statewide and even federal implications (the Democratic Caucus!) and of course our facility is the home of over 132 town committee meetings per year.

Please visit the Opera House staff in our offices next to the Green Room (easiest entrance is from Washington St.). We are open most days 8:30 – 5 PM ….and most weekends, too!! For more information, please see our website: www.camdenoperahouse.com. Opera House Committee Members are: Hal Owen, Chair; Stephanie Woodman, Donald White, Jean Belair, Raymond Brunyanszki and Karen Grove, Select Board Liaison.

In sum, the Camden Opera House remains a lovely gem that provides beautiful and inspirational spaces for events ranging from weddings and local school gatherings to internationally known conferences and performers. We are truly a year-round cultural hub for both our town and those who live within our region.

We welcome your suggestions and input at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Hadley
Opera House Manager

CAMDEN HOUSING COMMITTEE ("CAHC")

During 2007, the Camden Housing Committee consisted of Joanne Campbell, Margaret Abbott, Orman "Sonny" Goodwin, Mary Kendall, Rebecca McNeal, Dana Strout, Frank Toole, and George Wheelwright. Town Code Enforcement Officer and Planner, Jeffrey Nims routinely attended the scheduled meetings. The Committee has met 6 times in 2007 on a bi-monthly basis, on the first Friday of every other month, at 8:00 am in the Washington Street Conference Room.

As per the Committee Policy, the group focused its efforts on affordable work force housing advocacy.

The Committee has worked on supporting the comprehensive plan's goals towards affordable housing. The Committee continues to support the Multi-community Housing Assessment Grant for housing assessment. On March 20, 2007, the Committee, along with Camden National Bank, sponsored the "Housing Challenges and Solutions Forum". The program consisted of a panel of housing specialist including Tobi Goldberg, Senior Community Investment Manager of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board; Erin Cooperrider, Development Director for Community Housing of Maine; Rodney Lynch, Community Development Director for the City of Rockland; and Carlton Pinney, Division Manager, Penquis CAP, Inc and Beth McPherson, Executive Director of the Genesis Community Loan Fund. The topics covered were high cost of development in New England, Lack of resources, site selection difficulties, regulatory climate, costs to meet Life Safety codes, Creation of affordable replacement housing, challenges facing multi-family development and the gap between what working people can afford ad what is available in the marketplace and the plight of people in Maine's mobile home parks. We had around 35 participants for this wonderful forum and hope to sponsor other programs in the future.

The Committee has supported developers such as Camden Affordable Housing Organization in their request to obtain grant funds to assist their workforce housing development efforts. The Town Committee has provided assistance to other towns and communities who are seeking solutions to their housing issues such as Belfast, Brooklin and Peaks Island by sharing information and presenting at community housing meetings.

The Committee will continue to listen to the concerns of Camden citizens in regard to the housing issues and needs, and assist through education, advocacy and support efforts to ensure that we have a diverse and multifaceted community. Camden residents interested in housing issues are encouraged to apply to CaHC through the town office.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne T. Campbell
Chairperson

MEGUNTICOOK DAMS COMMITTEE

The Town of Camden now owns four of the dams located within the flow of the Megunticook River - two at the outlet of Megunticook Lake, the Seabright Hydroelectric Dam and the Montgomery Dam that controls the flow into Camden Harbor. Two other dams along the Megunticook River are privately owned.

The two Megunticook Lake outlet dams come under the supervision of the Megunticook Dams Committee which has members from the Town of Lincolnville, Town of Camden and the Megunticook Watershed Association. Day-to-day operation and supervision of the dams is done by the towns' Dam Agent. The Dam Committee meets when necessary to review the operation of the dams and to establish maintenance and repair schedules for the coming fiscal year. Final policy decisions concerning all four town-owned dams are made by the Camden Select Board.

The two dams at the outlet of Megunticook Lake help control the water levels in the lake and Norton Pond. Water released from the lake by these dams, passes over or through four more dams before finally flowing into Camden Harbor.

Major repairs to the Megunticook East and West outlet dams were completed in the fall of 2007. Cement facing was repaired on the dam walls and spillway and repairs to the control gate were completed on the East Dam. New structural supports, new trash racks and a gate shaft replacement were done on the West Dam.

Extensive repairs and upgrades are scheduled for the town's most recent acquisition, the Seabright Dam. Once repairs are completed, this facility will produce electricity that will offset power consumed by the Camden Waster Water Facility.

The Montgomery Dam did not require any work this year, but plans are in the works to improve the spillway which will allow better control of water flow at that site.

To ensure the dams' long life and the downstream safety of lives and property, they are inspected annually by professionals hired by the Megunticook Dam Committee. Inspection reports completed this past fall indicate the dams are in good condition, with no safety issues. Routine maintenance will be performed on all the dams to ensure that they remain structurally sound.

The dams are also inspected by the Maine Emergency Management Agency, which has classified both lake outlet dams as "high hazard" due to the potential downstream damage that would occur should they fail. Year-round visual inspections and water level checks, combined with annual more detailed inspections, have kept them in a safe condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Bailey
Camden Dams Agent

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The Camden Cemetery Association oversees the daily operations and finances of the Mountain View, Oak Hill and Oak Hill Annex cemeteries and meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The meetings are open to the public at any time.

The committee has met diligently and spent a number of hours reviewing the bylaws, to ensure that the matters of interments, flowers and containers, budget, tree maintenance and stone restoration issues are met and handled accordingly. Much time has been taken up with the cost and maintenance of the cemeteries, which makes up the majority of the budget. We continue to review the issue of flower arrangements and to this point held an open meeting with the public, who provided valued input concerning their concerns and thoughts. The committee has taken some suggestions under advisement and is working toward a further revision to the by-laws. All townspeople are encouraged to pick up a copy of the bylaws at the Town Office and become familiar with them.

We continue to work with local organizations; American Legion Post #30, Camden Fire Department and Amity Masonic Lodge #6, concerning the placement of flags on graves. The Legion, along with the local Scout troops, is to be commended for their work in the upkeep and placement of flags each Memorial Day. As a reminder to everyone any flag holders should be left in place and not be removed from the graves.

The Oak Hill Cemetery has seen a new flagpole and light system put in place, further tree plantings throughout the cemetery has been completed and the well and pump has been replaced and moved to a more convenient location. The committee has approved the expenditure of funds to complete tree maintenance at Oak Hill and at Mt. View cemeteries. In the coming year the committee hopes to begin much needed restoration to several markers and stones at Mt. View cemetery. The committee is also in hopes of purchasing new cemetery software which will enable the town's cemetery card files to be placed onto the Town of Camden server which will assist families both here and away in locating loved ones interred.

Finally, thanks must be given to Bruce Libby, cemetery sexton, and his crew for ensuring the cemeteries are maintained to the highest standards.

We encourage anyone who is interested in serving on the committee to contact the Town Office. The committee would like to thank everyone who assists us in keeping our cemeteries tranquil, peaceful and venerable resting places.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Connell
Isa Babb
Pat Ayers
Chris Lowe
Jeff Weymouth
Parker Laite Sr., Vice Chair
Jeff Sukeforth, Chair

The Camden Cemetery Association

CAMDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is a 7-member team appointed by the Select Board. Members must be residents of Camden and shall serve 3-year terms. The purpose of the commission is to serve as a research, advisory, and advocacy group on environmental and conservation issues relating to the Town. Members are selected upon the basis of their knowledge of or interest in conservation, environmental science, or related fields.

We would like to thank voters for supporting the conservation purchase of the 5.5-acre parcel adjoining the town bog. A wooden sign on Park St. reading the Bog Natural Area marks the entrance to the site. Two work parties have already been conducted by Conservation Commission members, neighbors, and friends to clear brush from the path and begin removal of the invasive plant species barberry and bittersweet. Invasive purple loosestrife is establishing itself in the bog pond and efforts should be made to eradicate it.

The natural lands inventory map is nearing completion by a GIS specialist. The Commission will determine how best to utilize this information for the town's environmental and conservation purposes. We extend special thanks to Marina Schauffler for her continued expertise on this project.

The tree subcommittee and Tree City USA coordinator presented an Arbor Day walk focusing on special trees in the Historic District. Three Camden street trees were photographed and became part of the "Trees Pay Us Back" exhibit at the Tree City USA awards ceremony in Augusta last May when Camden was awarded Tree City status for its 12th year.

In February the Commission recommended to the Apollo Tannery Site Redevelopment Workgroup Report that a conservation easement or town right of way be written into the deed to preserve a riverfront path for future generations. Preservation of street trees on the site was also recommended.

Members of the commission attended various environmental and conservation meetings throughout the year, presented by Beginning with Habitat, Mid-Coast Audubon, Maine Association of Conservation Commissions, SeaGrant, Maine Farmland Trust, and the pesticide committee.

The Commission always welcomes input from the community on conservation issues. Special thanks to our secretary Jean Ulshoefer for faithfully keeping track of our activities.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karin Knudsen Rector
Chairperson

CAMDEN/ROCKPORT BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATHWAYS COMMITTEE

The Pathways Committee is a two-town cooperative committee, with members appointed by both the towns of Camden and Rockport. The Committee is charged with reviewing geographic areas, rights-of-way, and transportation infrastructure in the two towns in order to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety and access and to encourage non-motorized transportation.

In 2007 the Committee focused on a number of areas:

- Obtained approval for a pedestrian connection between Camden Hills Regional High School and RES West
- completed the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan of Camden and gained support of the plan from the Select Board.
- began development of a Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan for Rockport
- continued to work with the town of Rockport and Camden to keep the Union Street pathway maintained year-round
- Completed the second year of planter cleanup in front of EBS utilizing the Union Street neighborhood cleanup committee.
- Coordinated cleanup with several Maine Christian Sports Fellowships of other sections of the Union Street path as well as the sidewalk along Russell Ave
- ongoing liaising with development projects to incorporate pedestrian ways
- maintained the town trail along Megunticook River behind Mount Battie Street
- worked with the Tannery Reuse committee to establish a pathway along the property abutting Megunticook River

The Committee meets on the second Thursday of the month from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Outward Bound offices at 87 Elm St in Camden. Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Geoff Scott
Chairman

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The function of this Committee is to act in an advisory fashion with projects and activities that impact Camden's town owned historic properties.

The past year's summary of our activity begins just after the dedication ceremony of the Honor Roll Memorial, on the Village Green, over Memorial Day weekend 2007.

An idea to create a "Historic Landscapes Tour" for a group of High School students resulted in a tour of the Amphitheater last fall that was met with great enthusiasm. Our Committee hopes to help organize similar tours in the future.

The creation of the new Opera House Banner was one project, which we were asked to review by the Opera House Committee. We met several times to review ideas and proto-types for the Banner before a final recommendation was made.

Recently, we undertook a review and subsequent recommendation for approval of the proposed "Children's Amphitheater" in Laite Beach Park, sponsored by the Camden Garden Club.

The Historic Resources Committee welcomes the input of interested members of the community. We are fortunate to have, in addition to our regular members, many active volunteers and enthusiastic supporters. Meetings are open to the public and held at 4:00 P.M on the second Tuesday of each month, usually at the Washington Street Conference Room of the Camden Opera House. If you wish to attend, please check with the Town Office to confirm the location.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark DeMichele
Chairperson

PLANNING BOARD

Over the last few years, business owners and landowners in Camden have struggled to find a balance between responsible economic growth, preservation of Camden's picturesque working waterfront, and limiting residential development around the harbor. Not surprisingly, the Planning Board's agenda over the last year was once again dominated by this issue.

During the summer and fall, the Planning Board considered proposed zoning changes advanced by Wayfarer Marine Corporation along with a variety of competing and additional changes sought by concerned citizens. Some of these proposed ordinance amendments were approved by Town vote in November; others, including those advanced by Wayfarer, did not. Significantly, in November the Town's voters approved a citizen-initiated moratorium on any residential development around the inner harbor.

Sensing that continued uncertainty over harbor zoning could have a chilling effect on the Town's business climate, the Planning Board resolved to find a global solution to the problem. The Board held many work sessions and public informational sessions throughout the winter months and into the spring. The Board heard from business leaders, concerned citizens, and land use consultants. Our longest-serving Planning Board members, Lowrie Sargent and Deb Hensler, played an instrumental role in finding creative new ways to approach the issue. Jeff Nims, our town planner, spent countless hours researching, drafting language, and advising the Planning Board as we worked our way through the process.

As of the time of this printing, it appears likely that the Planning Board will be forwarding a comprehensive package of proposed zoning changes to the Select Board with a recommendation that the changes be placed on the June ballot. Whatever happens in June, the Planning Board will remain committed to resolving these issues in a way that promotes healthy economic development while at the same time preserving a working waterfront and limiting residential development around our beautiful harbor.

In other business, the Planning Board approved three site plans, one site plan amendment, one subdivision amendment, and undertook two subdivision reviews. In addition, a committee of dedicated former Planning Board members presented the Planning Board with a proposed revision to the subdivision ordinance, a monumental undertaking that was the product of over a year's worth of tireless effort. Regrettably, the Planning Board has had to place its consideration of the revised subdivision ordinance on the back burner while attention has been focused on finding a solution to the vexing questions concerning the inner harbor.

Last year saw some changes in membership. Patricia Wharton moved on and alternate Richard Householder became a permanent member. For the first time in over a year, both alternate positions were filled, with Sid Lindsey and Ted Horvath joining the Board. Regular members Lowrie Sargent, Deb Hensler, and Jan McKinnon have continued their service, providing a broad depth of knowledge and experience. As those current and former members know, service on the Planning Board requires an extensive time commitment, and Camden is fortunate to have these individuals volunteering their time for the good of the town. The rest of the Planning Board team includes Jeff Nims, Planner/CEO, who provides invaluable insight into planning issues, procedural issues, and technical issues that underlie all of the work we do. We are also fortunate to have Jeannie Hollingsworth back for another year as our

recording secretary and who somehow manages to take nearly flawless and detailed minutes of all of our discussions; Nora McGrath, who oversees the audio and video taping of all of our meetings; and Beth McDonald, at the Town Planner's office.

The Planning Board changed the time of its scheduled meetings from 7:00 P.M., to 6:00 P.M., every first and third Wednesday, and all of our meetings are held in the Washington Street conference room. All of our meetings are open to the public. We are always delighted to have members of the public attend our meetings and to offer thoughts on matters we are considering. Since some of our work is governed by procedures set forth in local ordinances and state law, we are not able to accept feedback from the public at all times; however, the Planning Board often allows public comment during work sessions and regular meetings, where time permits.

It has been a busy year for the Planning Board, but the work of planning never ends, and we are looking forward to another busy year of challenges ahead of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher K. MacLean
Chairperson

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

As a result of voter approved amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, many of the routine applications are now resolved by the Code Enforcement Officer without the need for a Hearing before the Board. For the period from July 1, 2008 through February 29, 2008, the Board held five Hearings which resulted in the approval of:

Changes in Non-conforming Structures in Shoreland Areas for:

Kenneth Gross
James & Jennifer Wickenden

Special Exceptions for:

Archway Business Park, LLC
Hartstone Inn
High Mountain LLC

The current members of the Board are Thomas Laurent, Leonard Lookner, Sam Smith, Frank Toole and George Wheelwright, with Alternates Linda Norton and Kerry Sabanty.

As always, the Board acknowledges the efforts of Planner/CEO Jeff Nims, Secretary Jeanne Hollingsworth and video operator Nora McGrath.

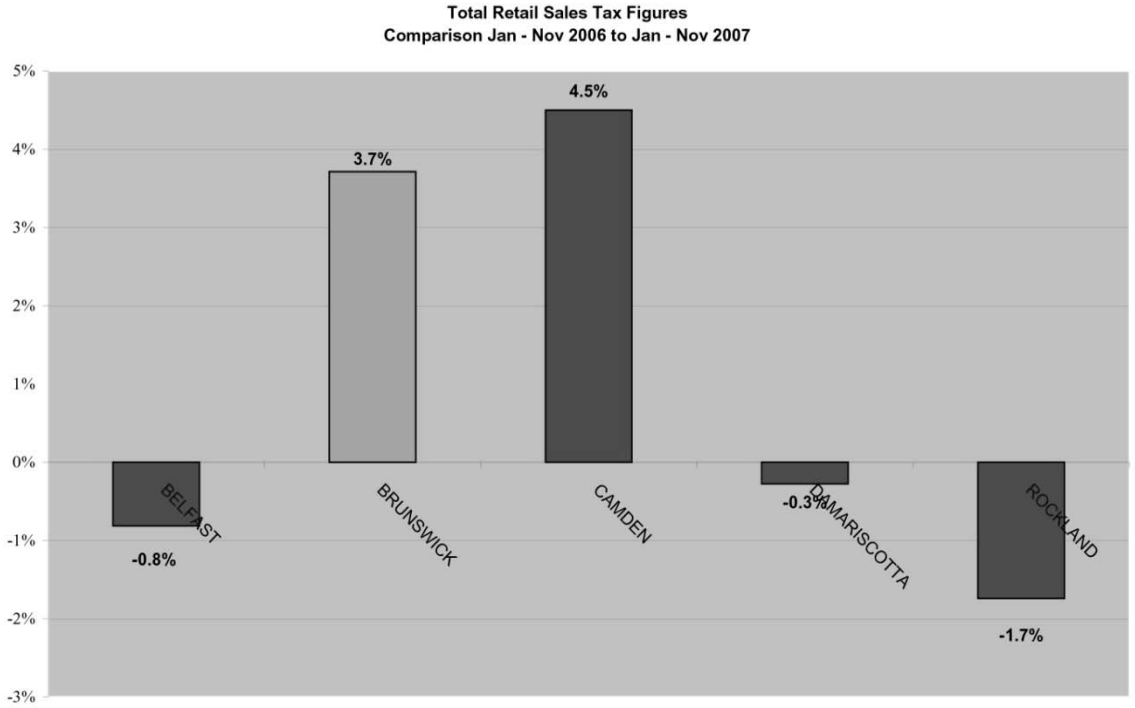
Respectfully submitted,

Frank J. Toole
Chairperson

CAMDEN-ROCKPORT-LINCOLNVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Camden-Rockport-Lincolnville Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit membership association that seeks to promote the interests of business and encourage economic development.

The 2007 calendar year was a period of growth for our region. The retail sales figures for the Camden ESA (which the State Government defines as Appleton, Burkettville, Camden, Dark Harbor, Glen Cove, Hope, Islesboro, Lincolnville & Rockport) show that we are leading the Midcoast. We believe that **this positive growth is due in large part to the efforts of the Chamber** to market our region locally, statewide, nationally & internationally.



Our KEEP IT LOCAL campaign, a marketing initiative aimed at educating area businesses and consumers about the positive impact arising from spending their money locally, has also contributed to the area tax base.

The CRL Chamber's events, such as the 50th Anniversary of the Filming of Peyton Place, draw record numbers to Camden during the shoulder season and garner international media exposure. We also hold our annual summer and fall weekend HarborArts Festivals, which combined draw over 12,000 people to the region. We assist in the planning and marketing of Windjammer Weekend, and our 21st Christmas By The Sea celebration rallied to be one of our most successful and well-attended CBTS events ever. This year our organization supported and helped market events like Maine Fare, Camden Conference, Pop!Tech, U.S. Toboggan Nationals, and the Maine Author's Series & Literary Festival. We intend to continue our alliance with these progressive events.

Additionally, the Chamber has worked extensively with town entities such as the Snow Bowl and Opera House to promote their respective offerings. We have done so at no cost for several years, but we are finding it more and more difficult to cover the cash outlay for advertising and promotion. As is true for all businesses, the Chamber is challenged by increasing prices and a concern for the future the economy.

In the coming year, the Chamber will endeavor to address these concerns. We will continue to be a vocal advocate for our membership, and for the communities we serve. Our recently created "B2G Business Connecting with Government" will allow us to advocate strongly for our region's needs. This series of events will also feature roundtable discussions aimed at bringing legislators together with their business constituents to discuss these issues.

The Chamber will not rest on our record of success. We recently launched the Maine Home and Lifestyle Expo, which is a partnership with the two other local nonprofit business groups in our region. We anticipate bringing several thousand visitors to the Knox Mill and Downtown during May of this year. One of our goals with the Expo is to encourage the sale of the commercial space in the Knox Mill as well as the residential condos. Our town will be more magnetic and appealing as a hub to start a business or to relocate a company when all parts are as vibrant as possible.

Importantly, you should know that we are appreciative of the Town's generous support with the loan of the building which houses our offices and the visitor center. The Chamber's Visitor Center is the gateway to our region; and we were thrilled to welcome over 12,880 visitors in 2007. Additionally, we have not requested an increase in support since before 2001, which is as far back as our files go.

In closing, we believe the Chamber has demonstrated its return on the Town's past support through positive results in the economic development arena; our continuation of new and exciting initiatives deserves increased support from the Town of Camden. As always, we appreciate the support we receive from the Town of Camden and look forward to working with you in 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Adams
Executive Director

CAMDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Camden Public Library was perhaps one of the busiest places in town with 148,565 people coming through our doors in 2007. That averages out to about 400 people a day and twice that in July and August!

Despite the popular assumptions that people do not have the time to read and that they access information on the Internet, residents in the area borrowed library materials at an all-time high of 156,277 items. We are pleased that 31% of our total circulation was in the children's area. To keep up with this high rate of circulation, 4063 new items were added to the collection.

Although the loan of library materials is still our primary mission, we are fortunate to have a full schedule of programs—everything from the Bangor Symphony, to horticulture presentations, puppeteers and artist exhibits. Almost 200 events were held as well as the 18 study groups and community organizations that meet at the library regularly. Children's programming expanded this year with a new story hour on Sunday afternoons added to the busy schedule of weekly programming that we have for babies to teens.

Again this past year, the Camden Public Library was in the top 10 libraries in Maine in circulation per capita, number of library visits, use of electronic resources, program attendance, and interlibrary loans.

A dedicated group of 14 staff members provide excellent library service to the community. A new search for a Library Director has begun again and an appointment is expected by July 1, 2008.

Once again, the trustees and staff would like to thank those in the community who so generously support the library both financially as well as in volunteer hours. Your gifts make it possible for us to provide quality resources and programs to this wonderful community that we are all fortunate enough to call home.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth A. Moran
Director

Library Staff

Elizabeth A. Moran, Director
Ken Gross, Manager for Library Programming

Amy Hand
Diane Jones
Deborah Lapp
Jared Leadbetter
Lynne O'Leary Annis
Susan Geehr-Lewis
Marie Merrifield
Dianne Reynolds
Carrie Rossiter
Sandra Stevens

Todd McIntosh, Facilities Manager
Clifton Richards, Custodian

Camden Public Library
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CAMDEN AREA DISTRICT NURSING
P.O. Box 547
Camden, Maine 04843

Camden Area District Nursing Association is a small non-profit community health care agency that has been serving the people of Camden since 1920. Our professional staff consists of a full-time RN Director, a part-time registered nurse, a part-time secretary and several per diem nurses who fill in when needed.

Our mission is to provide home nursing visits to people in the community, regardless of their ability to pay. Most of our clients are elderly and our services such as monitoring chronic conditions and managing medications allows people to remain in their homes safely.

Preventative health care is another focus. Free blood pressure clinics are provided monthly in the towns we serve. We host flu clinics and administer low cost flu vaccines yearly. We also provide low cost transportation services to medical appointments and free loan of medical equipment to those in need.

In this past year 1,738 home visits were made to residents of Camden. Transportation assistance was provided to 6 Camden residents who made 56 trips to medical appointments. Flu shot clinics were offered twice and attended by 87 people.

We are eagerly looking forward to the coming year ahead in serving the citizens of Camden.

COASTAL MOUNTAIN LAND TRUST

Coastal Mountains Land Trust works in the western Penobscot Bay region, including the town of Camden. We are a non-profit conservation organization supported by our membership, people who live in or visit the towns we serve. Our goals are to conserve wildlife habitats, scenic landscapes, public access to natural lands, water resources, and productive forest and farm lands of the region. We have protected more than 6,500 acres throughout our service region and have many active projects in process, including several in Camden.

The Land Trust has completed a total of 23 conservation projects in Camden. We have protected 247.5 acres by conservation easements, permanent agreements between landowners and the Land Trust that keep the land in private ownership while protecting critical resources of the properties. We also acquire full title to properties that have extraordinary conservation value, including 503 acres in Camden. These properties become part of the network of preserves we are establishing throughout the region. Our preserves are open to the public for hiking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and other activities that do not degrade the natural and scenic features of the properties.

Since last year's report we have completed a 12-acre project in Camden as part of our ongoing effort to protect Bald and Ragged Mountains. This new Bald Mountain parcel abuts property we already own. We continue to work with the Ragged Mountains Recreation Area in the creation of the *Gateway to the Mountains*, a vision for expanded outdoor recreation opportunities originating from the Camden Snow Bowl. Last October, the Land Trust and Snow Bowl jointly opened the first new *Gateway* feature, the 1.75-mile Hosmer Brook Trail beginning at the main lodge.

Our office is located at 101 Mt. Battie Street in Camden, open 8:30am to 5:00pm weekdays, and we encourage those interested in our program to stop in for a visit, call us at (207) 236-7091, or visit our website at www.coastalmountains.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Dickerson
Executive Director

CAMDEN-ROCKPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
CONWAY HOMESTEAD-CRAMER MUSEUM COMPLEX

The Camden-Rockport Historical Society opened the 2007 season at the Conway Homestead-Cramer Museum with an exhibit reminiscent of the work done by itinerant artists coming to the area at the turn of the 20th Century. "An Invitation to Remember," an interactive exhibit, allowed visitors the opportunity to digitally photograph or to sketch themselves in a "framed" setting. This exhibit was complimented by costumes and paintings from our collection of works by William Barrett, Ezra Bramhall, and several unsigned paintings and sketches by itinerant artists.

During the summer season visitors from 35 states and 3 foreign countries toured the Conway House, 18th Century Barn, Blacksmith Shop, 1820 Maple Sugar House, Victorian Privy, Country Herb Garden, and Cramer Museum. Staffing the buildings for the days of operation and the hosting of our many events is only possible because of the many volunteers willing to share their time and talents.

Programs and events for the 2007 season included the annual Maple Sugar Sunday Festival and Taffy Pull, 26th Annual Antique Show, American Cruise Line Land Tours, Conway Day Celebration, Family Fall Pumpkin Carving Afternoon and Evening Pumpkin Walk, Vocal Music Concerts, Coffee/Chat Lecture Series, and a three-week series of the Heritage Day Camp for children.

Major work was completed this year on the Cramer Museum roof and septic system, as well as grounds work. The Cramer Museum was refurbished through the efforts of several board members and volunteers. Building and ground maintenance continues as volunteers and the budget allows.

The Camden-Rockport Historical Society is a non-profit organization supported by memberships, proceeds from programs/events, and an annual allocation from the town of Camden as approved each year by the voters of Camden.
These funds allow for the maintenance of the historic Conway Homestead – Cramer Museum Complex, preservation and display of historic artifacts, and programs for the public.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlene Hall
Executive Director

FIVE TOWN CSD/MSAD #28
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The 2007-2008 school year has been another busy one for both the Five Town CSD and MSAD #28, with school consolidation, accreditation, renovation, and budget development dominating the work.

This year a primary focus of the Five Town CSD and MSAD #28 School Boards and administration has been the development of a plan to merge both school districts with Union 69 to create a new consolidated Regional School Unit (RSU) by July, 2009, as proposed by Governor Baldacci and implemented by the Legislature. The underlying rationale is a desire to lower the costs of educational administration across the state. To develop a plan for merging the three governance structures, a Regional Planning Committee (RPC) was created last summer with broad representation from all five towns. Members of the RPC have met regularly since September but have been stymied by the lack of clarity and ongoing changes in the original legislation. Among the major tasks for the RPC are the following: creating an appropriate governance structure, determining a cost sharing formula, identifying assets and liabilities that might be transferred to the RSU, and trying to determine if this will really save tax dollars going forward. The committee has worked diligently to create a plan that maintains existing values throughout the five towns without negatively impacting students.

At Camden Hills Regional High School the staff has been preparing for its ten-year accreditation process by the New England Accreditation of Schools Council, who are scheduled to visit in March, 2009. This is a two-year process with this year focusing on such things as the review of the mission statement, the development of curriculum documents, and the review of school goals.

In MSAD #28 the construction for the Rockport Elementary School is underway. When completed, we will have all grades K-4 in one location rather than scattered across three buildings as they are currently. As a result of higher than anticipated bids, modifications were made to the project to bring it into line with available funds. General contractor Langford and Low from Portland began site work in December and the first batch of concrete was poured in March. The official opening of the school is slated for September, 2009. At Camden-Rockport Middle School a new administrative team consisting of Principal Maria Libby and Assistant Principal Aaron McCullough has the school focused on creating a new schedule designed to create more academic time to provide more instruction in mathematics and literacy.

Academically, our students continue to do well with all three schools having made "Adequate Yearly Progress" under the No Child Left Behind legislation. High lights included over 100 students taking Advanced Placement exams last spring and a similar number scheduled for this spring. In addition, MSAD #28 students taking the annual Maine Education Achievement tests (MEA's) scored from 2 to 9 points above state averages in every content area, with differences of 1-2 points being statistically significant.

I would like to thank the Camden and Rockport communities for their steadfast support of our educational programs. Because of your support, we are viewed across the state as having exceptional school districts that provide wonderful opportunities for students to learn and grow.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hopkins
Superintendent of Schools

MID-COAST SOLID WASTE CORPORATION

secmcswc@roadrunner.com

To the Citizens of the Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation:

On behalf of the MCSWC Board of Directors and Staff, it is a pleasure to submit the traditional Annual update of activities at your recycling center.

The staff includes nine full time employees and three part-time employees. These valued employees have served the four Towns well and with longevity.

First and foremost, MCSWC continues to operate in the black. Maximizing revenues, minimizing expenses, maintaining buildings and equipment, complying with regulatory requirements, and educating the public the value of recycling is challenging and ongoing. Most people do not realize that we ship approximately 7,000 tons of trash to Penobscot Energy Recovery Company, 2,250 tons of recyclables to various recycling centers and 725 tons of wood chips are sold as a fuel for power generation.

Capital planning continues with approved projects for FY08 & FY09 to include a master plan for the facility, extraction well and to upgrade the drainage system. There has been a large request for hazardous waste collection so preparation is being done to provide this for the communities this year.

Recycling is mandatory and is working for us as evidenced by our improving revenues. If you know someone who views recycling as an inconvenience, please take a few moments to point out the financial rewards. Currently the MCSWC Board is looking at expanding our recycling program to include materials that we don't already recycle. The Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corporation wishes to thank the Citizens of Camden, Rockport, Lincolnville and Hope for doing their part in battling increased fees and escalation of tax assessments.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph E. Clark
Facility Manager

Serving the Towns of Camden, Hope, Lincolnville, and Rockport

RESULTS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
June 12 & 13, 2007

On June 12 at 8:00 a.m. Town Clerk Dave Morrison called the Town Meeting to order. The Warrant greeting and return was read, and voters proceeded to act on the warrant articles as follows:

Article 1
Parker S. Laite Sr. was elected moderator to preside at said meeting. After taking his oath of office and leading the Pledge of Allegiance Mr. Laite declared the polls open until 8:00 p.m.

Absentee ballots were processed throughout the day in the center of the polling place – 142 absentee ballots were issued, and 119 were returned. Over the course of the day 1435 residents voted.

Article 2
Anita Brosius-Scott was elected to the select board with 402 votes. The other candidates were Randy Stearns (330 votes) Ted Horvath (240 votes) and Donald Herrick (139 votes).

Victoria Manzi was elected to the school board with 576 votes; J.C. Bakely got 457 votes.

Article 3
Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article IX, Open Space Zoning, to clarify existing requirements, to simplify the open space calculation and to increase the amount of contiguous open space?

YES 1006 NO 283

Article 4
Shall the town vote to adopt on a new digitized Historic Areas Overlay Map that adds the Camden Great Fire Historic District?

YES 1065 NO 249

Article 5
Shall the town vote to adopt a proposed Sidewalk Ordinance which will regulate the placement and location of obstructions on sidewalks or adjacent to public ways and rescind the current ordinance "Placement of Bench on Public Sidewalks"?

YES 747 NO 565

Article 6
Shall the town vote to adopt the proposed Right of Way Ordinance to address permitting, betterments and obstructions in the town right of ways?

YES 565 NO 712

Article 7
Shall the town vote to amend Article 5 of the Harbor and Waterways Ordinance which would allow dinghy tie-ups at Steamboat Landing?

YES 1065 NO 228

Article 8
To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of the real property, fixtures and equipment comprising the Seabright Dam and Privilege, sufficient to maintain the operation of the Seabright Dam and Spillway; said property and legal access thereto from Mount Battie Street is described in deeds from O. Lie-Nielsen to Joseph A Sawyer recorded in Book 979 Page 33 and Book 1043 Page 13 of the Knox county Registry of Deeds; and regarding the Spillway the source deed is a portion of the property described in a deed from NorthStar Group to Joseph A Sawyer recorded in Book 1617 Page 084 of the Knox County Registry of Deeds.

Note: The property to be conveyed is depicted on Tax Map 113 Lot 35 for the Dam and road access, and a portion of Map 113 Lot 56 for the Spillway"

YES 1207 NO 133

Article 9
To see if the Town will vote to purchase and permanently protect the five and one half acre parcel of land from Eleanor Lynn Bowker, being a portion of Tax Map 116, Lot 15, being a portion of the property described in a deed recorded in Book 2445 Page 145 of the Knox County Registry of Deeds, being a portion of "The Bog", so called, for the purchase price of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars ($75,000); said portion of property to be purchased being situated between Park Street and an existing Wastewater Treatment Pipe Line; said property shall be conveyed by survey description satisfactory to the Camden Select Board, pursuant to the Purchase and Sale Agreement dated March 7, 2007.

YES 831 NO 510

Article 10
Shall the town vote to amend the Ordinance Concerning Restraint of Dogs in Public Places (Except for Seeing Eye Dogs)?

Note: *The revisions include a requirement to pick up dog waste and the restriction of dogs in cemeteries. The proposed amendment does not eliminate the existing restriction of dogs on public beaches. The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's Office during normal business hours.*

YES 858 NO 487

Article 11
Do you want to revise Camden's Ordinance Concerning Restraint of Dogs in Public Places (Except for Seeing Eye Dogs) to allow dogs on town-owned beaches from 6 pm to 8 am May 1 through September 30, and at all hours during the rest of the year?
Note: This article was submitted by voter petition.

YES 756 NO 585

Article 12 * NON-BINDING "ADVISORY ONLY" REFERENDUM *
Do you favor eliminating local dispatch and processing all calls for Public Safety through Knox County Regional Communications effective July 1, 2007 as a substantial cost-saving measure?

Note: This referendum is advisory only and is intended to measure public opinion; it shall have no binding legal effect. The Public Safety budget will be voted on at the business portion of the Town Meeting on June 13, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Camden Opera House.

Recommended by the Camden Budget Committee 15-2-1.
Recommended by the Camden Select Board 5-0-0.

YES 645 NO 708

At 8:00 p.m. Moderator Parker S. Laite Sr. declared the polls closed and the meeting recessed. At 7:01 p.m. on Wednesday June 13, 2007. Mr. Laite reopened the meeting at the Camden Opera House and read the results of Articles 1 – 12.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to use the Maine Moderator's Manual. Two hundred and ten registered voters were checked in to vote on the following articles:

Article 13
The Town voted to set November 15 or the next regular business day thereafter, and May 15 or the next regular business day thereafter, as due dates for taxes and to fix the rate of interest on unpaid taxes at 12% per year.

Article 14
The Town voted to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept grants, gifts, real estate and other funds, including trust funds that may be given or left to the Town.

Article 15
The Town voted NOT to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property, excluding the former Apollo Tannery property, in any manner which the Select Board deems to be in the best interests of the Town of Camden.

Article 16
The Town voted to authorize the Select Board to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended; and further authorize the Town Manager to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended, which has a market value of less than three thousand dollars.

Article 17
The Town voted to authorize the Select Board, following a public hearing, to transfer an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the unexpended balances from any budgetary category to another budgetary category of the annual budget, subject to the limitations contained in this Article, during the period from April 1 to the date of the annual town meeting in June? The transfer of unexpended balances from various budgetary categories shall not increase the expenditure in any budgetary category by an amount which exceeds two-twelfths (2/12) of the budgeted amount approved for that budgetary category by the annual town meeting.

Article 18
It was moved and seconded that the Town increase the Use of Surplus revenue included in the total non-property tax revenue by $75,000 to cover the purchase of the 'Bog' (Article 9) , bringing the total non-property tax revenue to $2,201,021. The Town voted to approve this amendment.

Article 19
To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, net of non-property tax revenues, for the 2007-2008 fiscal year budget for the following purposes, or act thereon:

- **A.** **GENERAL GOVERNMENT** - The town voted to appropriate $ 1,339,950 (Select Board recommendation).
- **B.** **PUBLIC SAFETY** – A motion was made to increase the Public Safety budget to $1,656,617 (this represents an addition of $107,400, the approximate cost to fund local dispatch). Twenty-two people spoke on the issue, and then a vote was taken. The amendment was defeated. The town voted to accept the original Select Board recommended amount of $1,549,217, effectively sending all dispatch to the Knox County central dispatch.
- **C.** **HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES** - The town voted to appropriate $1,039,950 (Select Board recommendation).
- **D.** **HEALTH & WELFARE** – The town voted to appropriate $44,482.
- **E.** **LEISURE SERVICES** – a motion was made to accept the Budget Committee recommended amount of $815,765, followed by a motion to amend that amount to $805,765 (Select Board recommended amount). After some discussion (eight people spoke) the amendment was defeated, and the town then voted to approve the original motion to appropriate $815,765.
- **F.** **CEMETERIES** – The town voted to appropriate $77,891 (Select Board recommendation).
- **G.** **DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY** – A motion was made to appropriate and raise $962,304, which represents the original Select Board recommendation plus $75,000 to buy the 'Bog' property (Article 9). An amendment to reduce the total by $130 in order to stay under the LD1 spending cap was proposed. The town voted to appropriate $962,174

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Article 20
To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established by State law to cover the municipal budget approved by all the preceding articles. (This vote was unnecessary as the town succeeded in staying under the LD1 tax cap).

Article 21
The Town voted to elect Marie Cannel to serve on the Board of Trustees of the W. H. Pascal Fund for a term of three years?

Article 22
The Town voted to elect the following eight members for three year terms each (terms expire in 2010) to serve on the Budget Committee:

Rose Laite	*Sidney Lindsley*	*Virginia Johns*
John Fitzpatrick	*Robert Oxton*	*Dale Landrith, Sr.*
Donald Herrick	*David Dickey*	

The town voted to elect David Miramant for a one-year term on the Budget Committee.

Article 23
The Town voted to elect the following three members to serve as a Budget Committee Nominating Committee for the following year:

Tom Fillip, Roger Moody, Jeff Colquhoun

As newly elected Select Board member Anita Brosius-Scott was not in attendance, arrangements were made for her to take her oath of office before the June 18th Select Board Meeting.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Morrison
Town Clerk

RESULTS-STATE OF MAINE
FIVE TOWN CSD OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR
THE TOWN OF CAMDEN
DISTRICT REFERENDUM
JUNE 12, 2007

Article II: **Administration** Shall the District appropriate $793,257 from revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008 for administration?

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 679 NO 559**

Article III: **Instruction** Shall the District appropriate $4,871,375 from revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008 for instruction?

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 874 NO 357**

Article IV: **Special Education Programs** Shall the District appropriate $1,154,500 from revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008 for special education programs?

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 880 NO 369**

Article V: **Vocational Education** To see if the District will appropriate $909,655 from revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008 for vocational education.

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 960 NO 288**

Article VI: **Health Services** Shall the District appropriate $51,712 from fiscal year 2007-2008 for health services?

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 926 NO317**

Article VII: **Operations and Maintenance** Shall the District appropriate $1,181,685 from revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008 for operations and maintenance?

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 868 NO 367**

Article VIII: **Transportation** Shall the District appropriate $462,857 from revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008 for transportation?

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 864 NO 369**

Article IX: **Debt Service, Contingency, Fixed Charges** Shall the District appropriate $1,798,812 from revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008 for debt service, contingency, and fixed charges?

School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 831 NO 390**

Article X: **State/Local EPS Funding Allocation**. Shall the Five Town CSD appropriate $8,649,614.61 for the total cost of funding public education from grade 9 to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and shall the Five Town CSD raise $6,679,173.58 and assess the amounts set forth below as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grade 9 to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688?

Total appropriated (by municipality):		Total raised (and district assessments by municipality):	
Appleton:	$ 876,205.96	Appleton:	$ 247,919.77
Camden:	$ 3,106,076.61	Camden:	$ 3,025,574.88
Hope :	$ 1,059,577.79	Hope:	$ 426,723.28
Lincolnville:	$ 1,439,295.87	Lincolnville:	$ 1,003,861.64
Rockport:	$ 2,168,458.38	Rockport:	$ 1,975,094.01
School District Total Appropriated:	$ 8,649,614.61	School District Total Raised:	$ 6,679,173.58

The School Board Recommends a "Yes" vote. ***YES 760 NO 319***

Explanation: Five Town CSD's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grade 9 to grade 12, as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that each municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

Article XI: **Additional Local Funds**. Shall the Five Town CSD raise and appropriate $1,554,896.65 in additional local funds which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Service funding model by $1,733,348.07?

The School Board recommends $1,554,896.65 for the following reasons:

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the District's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grade 9 to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act.

The Five Town CSD requires additional local funds be raised to cover those program costs not included or only partially included under the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act. Those budget items not fully funded by the State that require supplemental local funding represent a broad array of existing programs including drama, athletics, instrumental and vocal music, art, photography, guidance services, and Advanced Placement courses. In addition, supplemental local funding is needed for community use of the facilities occurring outside of the regular school day.

Each Town's share of Additional Local Funds:

Appleton:	$ 57,715.17
Camden:	$ 704,347.06
Hope:	$ 99,340.22
Lincolnville:	$ 233,696.74
Rockport:	$ 459,797.46
Total Additional Local Funds:	$ 1,554,896.65

School Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 757 NO 439**

Article XII: Total School Budget Summary. Shall the Five Town CSD authorize the School Board to expend $11,223,852.00 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008 from the district's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from grade 9 to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools?

Each Town's share of Total School Budget:

Appleton:	$ 305,634.94
Camden:	$ 3,729,921.94
Hope:	$ 526,063.50
Lincolnville:	$ 1,237,558.38
Rockport:	$ 2,434,891.47
Total Local Funds:	$ 8,234,070.23
State/Other Funds:	$ 2,989,781.77
Total Budget:	$ 11,223,852.00

School Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 778 NO 419**

Article XIII: **Vocational Educational Regional Day Programs** Shall the regional vocational budget for Regional Day programs as approved by the Mid-Coast School of Technology Board for Vocational Education for the year July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 be approved in the amount of $2,684,696.00?

(Five Town CSD share = $894,004.00)
School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 909 NO 313**

Article XIV: **Adult Vocational Education Regional Program** Shall the regional vocational budget for Adult Vocational Education Programs as approved by the Mid-Coast School of Technology Board for Vocational Education for the year beginning July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 be approved in the amount of $47,000.00?
(Five Town CSD share = $15,651.00)
School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 880 NO 338**

Article XV: **The Five Town CSD Adult & Community Education Program**
To see if the District will appropriate $361,639.00 for adult education (School Directors recommend $361,639.00) and to see if the District will raise $222,551.00 as the local share. (Camden's share = $100,813.00)
School District Board recommends a "Yes" vote. **YES 828 NO 393**

RESULTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
November 6, 2007

On November 6, 2007 Town Clerk Katrina Oakes called the Town Meeting to order. The Warrant greeting and return was read and voters proceeded to act on the Warrant articles as follows.

ARTICLE 1
Terry Calderwood was elected Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2
Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Camden, Article III, Definition of Commercial Parking Facility, to define it as an outside parking lot and so distinguish this definition from the definition of commercial parking garage?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 5-0 and Select Board 5-0 **YES 1495 NO 328**

ARTICLE 3
(Note: Zoning ordinance changes relating to two different zoning districts, in connection with a Wayfarer Partners LLC/ Wayfarer Marine Corporation comprehensive redevelopment plan.)

Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Camden, Article VIII, Section 5, Coastal Residential District, (B), (9), to allow maintenance and repair of boats, construction of new buildings and a reduction of the side setback from 125 feet to 50 feet; and amend the Town of Camden Official Zoning Map to rezone parcels identified as Tax Map 120, lots 48 and 48-1, commonly known as the "Bean Yard", from Harbor Business (B-H) district to Traditional Village (V) district?

Recommended by: Planning Board 3-1-1 and Select Board 5-0 **YES 754 NO 1152**

Note: Immediately following and resulting from the enactment of these zoning changes, four easements shall be given by Wayfarer Partners LLC or Wayfarer Marine Corporation ("Grantor"), to the Town of Camden, to be held in perpetuity, upon the following conditions:

a) approval by the voters of the Town of Camden of the zoning amendments of this Article,

b) affirmative vote by the town of Camden to accept aforesaid easements from Grantor, to be decided at a special Town Meeting to be scheduled after this election,

c) in the event that Grantor does not apply for redevelopment or the Planning Board denies such an application, the easements shall revert to the Grantor, and

d) Grantor has confirmed in writing that it may not enjoy the Article III amendments prior to the conveyance of the four easements should the Grantor re-apply in the future after an initial denial by the Planning Board.

The four aforesaid easements are generally summarized as follows:

1) ***Working Waterfront Easement*** *over 4+ acres and 1400+ waterfront lineal feet of Camden inner harbor land owned by Grantor and specifically described and designated in legal documents, limiting use of such land only for Working Waterfront uses in perpetuity, excluding Grantor's right to create no more than five second-floor, Grantor-owned rental residential units within the Protected Property; and excluding up to 10% of the ground coverage of this Easement, which may be used for non-residential commercial uses.*

2) ***Steamboat Landing Boat Launch easement****, granting shared access over a small designated segment of Grantor's land adjacent to the public landing at Steamboat Landing to improve functionality of the public boat launch area;*

3) ***Bean Yard beach area easement****, granting public access to and recreational use of the beach area in front of the Grantor's property ("Bean Yard") for pedestrian and passive recreational use only;*

4) ***Conditional Harbor Walkway Pedestrian easement,*** *granting public pedestrian access along the top of the bank in front of Grantor's property, conditioned upon and commencing only at such time as Camden has obtained sufficient additional access rights to complete a pedestrian walkway connecting the Camden Yacht Club to the Eaton Avenue Right-of-Way.*

Documents describing the Wayfarer Partners LLC/ Wayfarer Marine Corporation ("Wayfarer") comprehensive redevelopment plan, the easements offered by Wayfarer, Camden's Zoning Ordinances, Camden's Official Zoning Maps, and the proposed zoning amendments in context are available in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

ARTICLE 4

Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Camden, Article VIII, Section 12, Harbor Business District, (B),(8) to modify permitted uses so as to exclude first floor leasing, rental and storage facilities which serve or benefit residential dwelling units within the same structure or located on the same tract of land; and amend Article VIII, Section 12, Harbor Business District, (B),(24),(25),(26) to clarify the prohibition on any residential activity use at street level?

Note: The full text of these amendments to be enacted by this Article have been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and are available in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 5-0 and Select Board 5-0 **YES 1207 NO 596**

ARTICLE 5

Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Camden, Article XII, Site Plan Review, Section 1 to increase the minimum amount of residential grading that would require Site Plan Review, from 10,000 square feet to 40,000 square feet?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 5-0 and Select Board 5-0 **YES 1150 NO 664**

ARTICLE 6
Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Camden, Article XII, Site Plan Review, Section 2 (8) to clarify when the appeal period of a Site Plan may begin, as being within 15 days of the decision of the Planning Board on that Site Plan?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 5-0 and Select Board 5-0 **YES 1475 NO 295**

ARTICLE 7
Shall the town vote to accept the gift of a small plot of land located on the shore of Hosmer Pond as described in a deed from Beatrice P. Halligan to the Inhabitants of the Town of Camden? Said property abuts Hosmer Pond Road and Hosmer Pond and is situated near the Molyneaux Road intersection. It is depicted as Lot 62 on Map 227 of the Town of Camden Tax Maps and is described in the town's Property and Standards Maps as being 1,290 square feet or 0.03 acres in size.

Note: A copy of the executed deed is on file and is available for inspection in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0 **YES 1763 NO 90**

ARTICLE 8
Shall the town vote to amend the Harbor and Waterways Ordinance of the Town of Camden as follows:

a. Article II to create or amend the following definitions:
    1. "dead ship: when the vessel's function is so changed that it has no further navigation function."
    2. "boat: see Vessel"
    3. "resident:" add the wording "Proof of 180 day dwelling occupation will be established according to standards used for Camden voter registration."
b. Article IV, Section 1, Select Board and Fees: add to list of user fees that the Select Board shall establish the following: "H. Waiting List and Late Fees".
c. Article IV, Section 2 to clarify "lying in tier" by adding "(more than one vessel)".
d. Article IV, Section 8 to remove five knot speed limit; require boats to maintain speed that is reasonable and proper; reference Class E crime penalty for excessive speed.
e. Article V, Section 2, paragraph 2 to give Harbor Master discretion to accept fisherman's float permit applications after November 15th deadline.
f. Article V, Section 3, paragraph 3 to clarify location of windjammer berthing slips as being: "The harbor area immediately easterly of the floats extending easterly from the Town Landing".
g. Article V, Section 6, subsection F, paragraph 2 to clarify wording as follows: The existing phrase "It is required that any commercial marine enterprise being granted permits" will be followed by the phrase, "shall provide" (replacing the existing phrase, "be capable of providing".
h. Article V, Section 6, subsection 1, paragraph 2 to replace the term "float side holder" with "site permit holder".

Note: The full text of the amendments to be enacted by this Article have been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and are available for inspection in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Recommended by: Harbor Committee 5-0 and Select Board 5-0 **YES 1535 NO 262**

ARTICLE 9
Shall the town vote to amend the ordinance for the Regulation of the Discharge of Firearms in Certain Areas of the Town of Camden to eliminate the exception of shotguns and add three new prohibited geographic areas as described in new Sections 7, 8, and 9.

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available for inspection in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Recommended by the Select Board 4-0 **YES 1412 NO 410**

ARTICLE 10
To see if the Town will vote to enact an Ordinance entitled "A Moratorium Ordinance preserving the purposes of the Camden Harbor Business District". This Ordinance was initiated by citizen referendum and seeks to prohibit issuance of any building permits for single, two family and multi-family dwellings within the Harbor Business District for a period of 180 days; applications to repair or maintain existing family dwellings are excepted from the moratorium.

Note: The text of the Ordinance proposed by this Article has been drafted by citizens with signatures verified by the Town Clerk; the full text is available for inspection in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

YES 1278 NO 595

Respectfully submitted,

Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

RESULTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Thursday, January 17, 2008

At 7:00pm, the Special Town Meeting was called to order by Town Clerk Katrina Oakes, who read the Warrant Greeting and Return. Voters acted on Articles 1 and 2 as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Terry Calderwood was elected Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to enter into a lease with Verizon for a period up to 25 years at the initial rate of $14,400 per year with 15% rental increases for each successive five year terms, for the location of a telecommunications tower and related support buildings on 100 foot x 100 foot parcel of real property located adjacent to the Sagamore Farm Road, so called; being a portion of property described in a deed recorded in Book 285, Page 226 of the Knox County Registry of Deeds, and being a portion of the Town property depicted as Lot 5 on Camden Tax Map 221.

Note: A full copy of the proposed lease together with a general site plan and photo simulations of the proposed telecommunications tower are available for inspection with the Town Clerk during office hours and will be available on the date of the Special Town Meeting. This Town-owned portion of land referred to falls within a zoning district ("Rural 1, east of Camden Hill State Park") specifically designed as a district within which a "new wireless telecommunications facility shall be permitted," as set forth in Camden's Wireless Telecommunication Facility Siting Ordinance, Section 6, "Site Restrictions," adopted by Town vote on November 6, 2001. If this lease is approved at a Special Town Meeting, Verizon must apply for permits through the Camden Planning Board and satisfy all criteria under the existing ordinances of the Town of Camden prior to construction.

Recommended by: Select Board 3-0
VOTE: YES 16 NO 0

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
June 10 and 11, 2008

County of Knox

To: Philip Roberts, Constable of the Town of Camden, Maine

GREETINGS:
In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Camden, required by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Camden Public Safety Building, Washington Street in said Town on Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. in the forenoon to 8:00 p.m. in the afternoon to vote on Articles 1 through 10 at which time the meeting will adjourn. The adjourned meeting will be reopened at the Camden Opera House Auditorium on Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the remaining articles in the warrant. All of said Articles being set out below, to wit:

ARTICLE 1
To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

THE POLLS WILL OPEN AS SOON AS ARTICLE ONE HAS BEEN ACTED UPON AND WILL REMAIN OPEN TO VOTE ON ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 10 BY SECRET BALLOT UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

ARTICLE 2
To elect by secret ballot

Two Select Board Members for three year terms (Select Board members shall serve as Overseers of the Poor, Assessors and Wastewater Commissioners); and

Three Directors of Maine School Administrative District #28/CSD #19 for three year terms; and

One member of the Personnel Board for a three year term.

Article 3
Shall the Town vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article III, Definition of Street Level; and to add Appendix 1 to illustrate examples of the definition?

Recommended by: Planning Board 6-0 and Select Board 4-0

Article 4
Shall the Town vote to rezone parcels identified as Tax Map 120, lots 279-282, 284-292 & 294-298, from the B-H District to the B-1 District; and to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII, Section 8, B-1 District, to specify a maximum building height of 24 feet and a 20% view corridor requirement for the above lots?

Note: *The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's Office during normal business* hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 6-0 and Select Board 4-0

Article 5
Shall the Town vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII, B-H District, Section 12, to permit several new marine related uses; to allow seasonal parking within boat storage buildings; to delete theaters and entertainment; to allow residential uses, except on a floor at street level within 180 feet of Atlantic Avenue; to allow residential uses at street level and inns beyond 276 feet from the harbor line with a maximum building height of 34 feet, provided two square feet of marine building coverage is constructed for each square foot of residential building coverage; and to eliminate residential use in all other areas of the B-H District?

Note: *The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's Office during normal business* hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 6-0 and Select Board 4-0

Article 6
Shall the Town vote to rezone parcels identified as Tax Map 120, lots 293, 299 & 300 and Tax Map 119, Lot 9 from the B-H District to the B-TH District; and to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII, Section 16, B-TH District, to permit several new marine related uses; to allow residential uses within 55 feet of the front property line along Bay View Street, except on a floor at street level; to eliminate residential use in all other areas of the B-TH District; and to allow financial services, inns, publishing and professional offices at street level beyond 55 feet from the front property line?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 4-2 and Select Board 4-0

Article 7
Shall the Town vote to rezone parcels identified as Tax Map 118, Lots 102 & 103 from the B-3 District to the B-2 District, and the parcel identified as Tax Map 118, Lot 75 from the Industrial District to the B-2 District; and to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII, Section 9, B-2 District, to delete open space residential development, mobile home parks, rooming houses, funeral homes and storage within barns; to allow gas stations only on Route 1; and to allow motor home sales and motor vehicle sales provided there is no exterior storage or display?

Note: The full text of the amendment to be enacted by this Article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is available in the Town Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 6-0 and Select Board 4-0

Article 8
To see if the Town will vote to accept the restrictions, conditions and turnaround easement described in a proposed "Declaration of Easements, Covenants and Restrictions" from Wayfarer Marine Corporation and Wayfarer Partners, LLC; said restrictions shall prohibit the Grantors, their successors and assigns from conveying any view easement or encumbrance on the first 276 feet, as measured from the Harbor Line of the so called "Bean Yard" property, comprised of a portion of the property of Wayfarer Partners, LLC as recorded in Book 3102 Page 155 and all of the property of Wayfarer Marine Corporation as recorded in Book 3102 Page 152 of the Knox County Registry of Deeds, and depicted as a portion of Camden Tax Map 124 Lots 48 and 48-1; the turnaround easement grants to the Town a non-exclusive easement for vehicular access and turning, (not parking) related to use of the boat landing/launch area,

said easement will be approximately 50 feet x 50 feet and located on the easterly terminus of Steamboat Landing Road, and abutted on the south by Camden Harbor; the location of said easement may be modified or relocated by Grantors so long as the turnaround area remains in close proximity to the initial turnaround easement area; said turnaround easement is located on a portion of the Wayfarer Marine Corporation property recorded in Book 3102 Page 152.

Note: This article is a companion to multiple proposed zoning amendments related to uses located around the Inner Harbor and the Bean Yard property to promote and preserve marine related uses on the waterfront. This article serves to carry out the recommendations of the Camden Planning Board to prohibit the granting of private property rights, such as view easements, which would legally restrict marine commercial development on the first 276 feet of the Bean Yard property. This goal of the Planning Board could not be accomplished through zoning, but only through the conveyance of the real property rights described in the Declaration. The turnaround easement is offered to the Town voluntarily by Wayfarer, and was not requested by the Planning Board. A full copy of the Declaration of Easements, Covenants and Restrictions, together with legal descriptions and a survey are available for inspection in the Town Office during regular business hours.

Recommended by: Planning Board 5-0 and Select Board 4-0

Article 9
To see if the Town will vote to retain the 25 foot strip located adjacent to the Megunticook River, which is a portion of the property now or formerly known as the Apollo Tannery, lot 18 Tax Map 114, and described in a deed recorded in Book 3148 Page 278, to preserve said strip for perpetual public use, thereby excluding said 25 foot strip from any future contract to sell said Apollo Tannery property.

Recommended by the Select Board 4-1-0

Article 10
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of the "Apollo Tannery" property described in Book 3148 on Pages 278 and 280, and depicted as Lot #18 on the Town of Camden Tax Map 114, for reasonable fair market value as a single parcel, subject to the following:

1. The buyer must use the property for an "acceptable" use as described on the list of uses in the Report by the Apollo Tannery Redevelopment Work group dated February 19, 2008, and the buyer may not use the premises for an "unacceptable" use as described on said list of uses;
2. The buyer must demonstrate financial capacity, professional competency to develop the site, and present a viable business plan;
3. As a "Land for Jobs" rebate incentive, if within 5 years, a qualified buyer creates 24 net new jobs with a combined yearly wage/benefit of $40,000 per job, the entire purchase price shall be rebated to buyer, or the rebate may be prorated according to the terms and formula described in the Apollo Tannery Redevelopment Workgroup Report dated February 19, 2008;
4. A restrictive covenant shall be placed into the deed of conveyance preserving the trees located by and along Washington Street;
5. The Select Board shall incorporate restrictions as are reasonably necessary in the deed of conveyance to enforce the conditions described in paragraphs 1 to 4 herein; and
6. The Select Board shall utilize as many of the "Guiding Principles" as described in the report of the Apollo Tannery Redevelopment Work Group dated February 19, 2008, as are reasonably practicable in the discretion of the Select Board, depending on the buyers development plan

Recommended by the Camden Select Board 5-0-0.

(The following articles (11-22) will be "FLOOR" articles to be voted on by registered voters on Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Camden Opera House.)

Article 11
To see if the Town will vote to release to Coastal Mountains Land Trust any possible interest the Town may have in real property formerly of Robert and Judith Oxton, described in a deed recorded in Book 2373 Page 314 of the Knox County Registry of Deeds, Tax Map 227 lot 5, which is adjacent to the southerly bound of the Camden Snow Bowl property, as depicted on a standard Boundary survey entitled "Coastal Mountains Land Trust Oxton Property", prepared by Gartley and Dorsky dated March 12, 2008; said possible interest being depicted northerly of erroneous blazed lines on said Gartley and Dorsky survey.

Note: The Oxton property has been conveyed to the Coastal Mountains Land Trust (CMLT) for preservation at a reduced market value. The erroneous blazed lines do not follow the real property lines based on deed descriptions, and create a cloud on the CMLT title which will be repaired by the Town releasing any interest in the CMLT property. A copy of the proposed release deed and Gartley and Dorsky survey are available for inspection in the Town Office during regular business hours.

Recommended by Select Board 4-0

Article 12
Shall the Town vote to set November 1 or the next regular business day thereafter, and May 1 or the next regular business day thereafter, as due dates for taxes and to fix the rate of interest on unpaid taxes at 11% per year?

Article 13
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept grants, gifts, real estate and other funds, including trust funds, that may be given or left to the Town?

Article 14
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property, excluding the former Apollo Tannery property, in any manner which the Select Board deems to be in the best interests of the Town of Camden?

Article 15
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended; and further authorize the Town Manager to dispose of personal property pursuant to the Town's Purchasing Regulations, as amended, which has a market value of less than three thousand dollars?

Article 16
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board, following a public hearing, to transfer an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the unexpended balances from any budgetary category to another budgetary category of the annual budget, subject to the limitations contained in this Article, during the period from April 1 to the date of the annual town meeting in June? The transfer of unexpended balances from various budgetary categories shall not increase the expenditure in any budgetary category by an amount which exceeds two-twelfths (2/12) of the budgeted amount approved for that budgetary category by the annual town meeting?

Article 17
Shall the Town vote to appropriate $ 2,105,405 from non-property tax revenue sources to be used in reducing the property tax commitment for the expenditures in the following article for the 2008-2009 fiscal year?

The Select Board and Budget Committee recommend approval.

Article 18
To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, net of non-property tax revenues, for the 2008-2009 fiscal year budget for the following purposes, or act thereon:

	Budget Comm Recommends	Select Board Recommends
A. GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,367,370	1,364,870
B. PUBLIC SAFETY	1,618,958	1,618,958
C. HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES	1,091,100	1,091,550
D. HEALTH & WELFARE	36,575	36,575
E. LEISURE SERVICES	828,153	828,153
F. CEMETERIES	69,300	69,300
G. DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY	857,661	860,461
Total Proposed Expenditures A through G:	**5,869,117**	**5,869,867**

Article 19
To see if the town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established by State law to cover the municipal budget approved by all the preceding articles, if necessary?

Article 20
Shall the Town vote to elect one person to serve on the Board of Trustees of the W. H. Pascal Fund for a term of three years?

Article 21

A. To elect eight members for three year terms each (terms expire in 2011) to serve on the Budget Committee.
Names suggested by the Budget Committee Nominating Committee are:

Frank Carr, Edward Doudera, Steven Gibbons
James Heard, Ken Kohl, James Ostrowski
Bernard Predham

B. To elect one member for a one-year term to expire in 2009 to serve on the Budget Committee.

Name suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee is:
Bernice Berger

C. To elect one member for a two-year term to expire in June 2010 to serve on the Budget Committee.

Name suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee is:
Peter Martin

Article 22
To elect three members and two alternate members to serve as a Budget Committee Nominating Committee for the following year.

Names suggested by the Budget Nominating Committee are:

Jerry Stone Rick Knowlton Martin Cates

Note: It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to submit to the Town Manager, no later than April 1 for publication in the Town Warrant, a slate of nominees to serve on the Budget Committee for three years.

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The Select Board gives notice that the Registrar of Voters will be in session at the Camden Town Office for the purpose of accepting and correcting the voting list during regular business hours Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and at the polls Tuesday, June 10, 2008 from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

A person who is not a registered voter may not vote in any election.

Given under our hands this 29th day of April, 2008

CAMDEN SELECT BOARD

_____ _____
John R. French, Jr., Chairperson Karen Grove, Vice-Chairperson

_____ _____
James Kierstead Sharon Gilbert

_____
Anita Brosius-Scott

A True Attest Copy: _____
Katrina Oakes, Town Clerk

RETURN

I certify that I have notified the Voters of Camden of the time and place of the Town of Camden Annual Town Meeting, Five Town CSD Budget Referendum and MSAD #28 Budget Referendum to be held June 10 and June 11, 2008 by posting an attested copy of the Notice of Warrants at the Camden Public Safety Building, Camden Town Office, Camden Public Library, and the Camden Post Office on _____, 2008.

_____
Philip Roberts, Constable

TOWN OF CAMDEN FY09 BUDGET
Revenues

	REVENUE SOURCE	FY05 Actual	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY07 Actual	FY08 Budget	FY09 Budget
TAXES							
90-0201	Tax Interest	25,994	21,478	23,000	33,507	22,000	34,000
90-0202	Lien Interest	734	4,753	4,000	5,486	4,000	5,000
90-0203	Lien Costs	4,767	4,168	4,000	4,305	4100	4000
	Total - Misc Taxes	31,495	30,399	31,000	43,298	30,100	43,000
STATE REVENUES							
90-0501	State Rev Sharing	364,048	341,894	310,000	346,996	365,000	345,000
90-0502	Tree Growth Reimb.	1,958	{4,426} a/r	2,500	4,426	2,500	7,000
90-0503	Veterans Exemp Reimb.	3,696	{3,959} a/r	4,000	3,959	3,800	4,000
90-0504	Local Road Assistance	60,068	65,388	65,000	64,740	65,000	65,000
90-0505	Snowmobile Revenue	420	456	400	417	400	400
90-0506	Pumpout Boat Reimb.	A/R	14,441	11,200	0	11,430	12,645
90-0507	Gen Assistance Reimb.	3,354	2,420	2,500	398	0	0
90-0508	State Park Reimb.	9,024	8,532	8,500	6,591	8,500	7,000
	Total - State Revenues	442,568	433,131	404,100	427,526	456,630	441,045
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES							
90-1001	Vehicle Excise Tax	906,451	899,128	900,000	860,554	900,000	850,000
90-1002	Vehicle Registration by Mail	678	294	700	242	300	250
90-1003	Boat Excise Tax	30,619	31,319	30,000	31,578	30,000	30,000
90-1004	Animal Control Fees	2,209	1,718	1,600	1,703	1,700	1,700
90-1005	Town Clerk Fees	11,042	13,135	11,000	13,903	12,000	13,000
90-1006	Plumbing Fees	6,306	5,670	6,300	6,052	5,800	5,800
90-1007	Building Permit Fees	49,466	57,221	55,000	58,826	55,000	55,000
90-1008	Administrative Fees	19,756	18,373	19,000	17,481	18,300	17,500
90-1009	Cable TV Franchise	43,707	45,798	41,000	48,328	45,000	45,000
90-1010	Electrical Fees	4,834	4,338	4,000	5,095	4000	4000
	Total - Lic, Permits & Fees	1,075,068	1,076,994	1,068,600	1,043,762	1,072,100	1,022,250
CHARGES FOR SERVICES - INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS							
90-1502	Police Revenue	3,588	3,936	3,200	4,313	3,600	4,000
90-1503	Parking Tickets	12,800	12,986	18,000	15,680	13,000	14,000
90-1504	Parks & Rec Revenue	21,084	18,297	26,000	31,791	24,000	26,000
90-1505	Parks & Rec - Mowing	5,000	5,000	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,000
90-1507	Cemetery Maintenance	37,859	41,890	50,210	50,210	56,891	47,700
	Harbor Park Mowing			6,593	7,554	6,000	6,910
90-1601	Opera House Rentals	37,980	40,220	35,000	38,205	60,000	60,000

TOWN OF CAMDEN FY09 BUDGET
Revenues

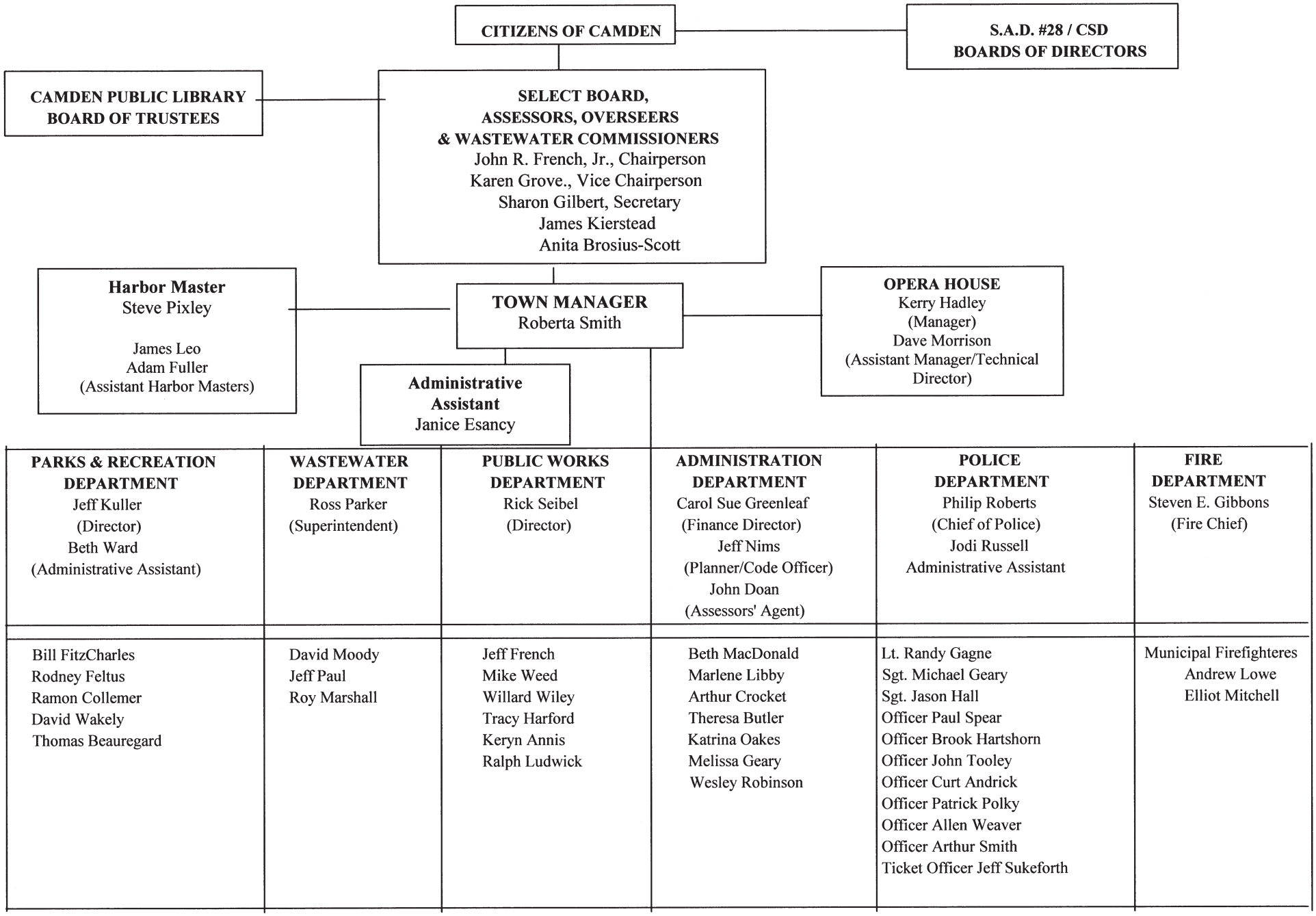
	REVENUE SOURCE	FY05 Actual	FY06 Actual	FY07 Budget	FY07 Actual	FY08 Budget	FY09 Budget
	Harbor Fees	30,122					
90-1701	Harbor Permits	109,290	132,412	120,600	138,102	134,500	154,000
90-1702	Harbor Wait Fees	1,050	3,150	3,300	4,700	4,900	4,700
90-1703	Harbor Late Fees	1,460	1,870	2,100	1,660	2,300	2,400
90-1704	Harbor Dockage/Misc	703	24,249	24,000	24,121	25,000	25,000
	Total - Chgs for Services	260,936	284,010	294,503	321,836	335,691	349,710
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES							
90-2001	Interest Earned	17,083	38,946	17,000	50,673	30,000	45,000
90-2002	Yacht Club Lease	17,301	17,941	17,800	18,390	18,500	19,400
	Skate Park Reimbursement	10,250	0	0	0	0	0
	Sale of Surplus Equipment			19,000	8,750	0	2,000
	Town of Rockport WW Bond				0	8,000	8,000
90-2004	Other Revenue/Misc.	133,322	56,555	20,000	10,454	30,000	10,000
	Total - Misc	177,956	113,442	73,800	88,266	86,500	84,400
OPERATING TRANSFERS							
90-3001	Trust Fund Income	2,541	2,125	2,500	7,258	15000	15000
	Reserve W/D	171,587		0	0	0	0
	Total - Transfers	174,128	2,125	2,500	7,258	15,000	15,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
90-4001	Bond/Note Proceeds	39,964	836,000	333,160	0	0	0
90-4002	Surplus	182,105	275,000	150,000	150,000	225,000	150,000
	Surplus - MSRS						
	Subtotal - Other	222,069	1,111,000	483,160	150,000	225,000	150,000
TOTAL - MUNICIPAL REVENUES		**2,384,220**	**3,051,101**	**2,357,663**	**2,081,947**	**2,221,021**	**2,105,405**
	Homestead Program	50,395	83,613		88,302		

TOWN OF CAMDEN FY09 BUDGET
Expenditure Summary

	FY07 Budget	FY 07 Actual	FY08 Budget	FY09 Bud Comm	Budget Vote	FY09 Sel Recommend	Select Board Vote
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Admin/Fin/Codes/Assessing	778,465	764,599	797,100	795,670	13-3-0	795,670	5-0-0
Professional Services	68,500	59,756	69,700	67,700	16-0-0	67,700	5-0-0
Planning & Development	11,950	9,447	21,200	28,600		26,100	4-1-0
Information Technology	53,300	65,698	62,700	69,600	16-0-0	69,600	5-0-0
Insurances	166,700	148,217	152,200	160,400	16-0-0	160,400	5-0-0
Opera House Town Offices	76,550	71,154	87,100	86,500	15-1-0	86,500	5-0-0
Opera House- Auditorium	122,700	124,031	149,950	158,900	10-5-1	158,900	3-2-0
Total - General Government	1,278,165	1,242,902	1,339,950	1,367,370		1,364,870	
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Police Department	758,850	765,572	868,100	901,800	13-3-0	901,800	5-0-0
Public Safety Dispatch	196,622	180,295					
County Dispatch	67,100	69,267	87,707	107,338	13-3-0	107,338	5-0-0
Fire Department	295,996	313,069	320,610	323,820	14-2-0	323,820	5-0-0
Public Safety Building	50,950	49,371	49,800	53,000	13-3-0	53,000	5-0-0
Hydrant Assessment	162,000	161,452	161,000	171,000	12-3-1	171,000	5-0-0
Street Lights	64,000	52,333	62,000	62,000	16-0-0	62,000	5-0-0
Total Public Safety	1,595,518	1,591,358	1,549,217	1,618,958		1,618,958	
HIGHWAYS STREETS & BRID							
Public Works	718,630	696,298	727,250	769,000	14-2-0	769,450	5-0-0
Streets & Sidewalks	272,000	330,414	303,300	313,500	15-1-0	313,500	4-1-0
Parking	5,000	4,396	3,900	3,500	14-2-0	3,500	5-0-0
Tree Program	5,500	4,133	5,500	5,100	14-2-0	5,100	4-1-0
Total H'ways Sts & Bridges	1,001,130	1,035,241	1,039,950	1,091,100		1,091,550	
HEALTH & WELFARE							
General Assistance	5,000	7,324	5,000	5,000	15-1-0	5,000	5-0-0
Camden First Aid	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	16-0-0	10,000	5-0-0
American Red Cross	2,627	2,627	2,627	2,782	12-4-0	2,132	3-2-1
Camden Area District Nursing	5,500	5,500	1				
Coastal Transportation	2,500	2,500	1,500	2,000	12-4-0	2,650	5-0-0
Coastal Workshop	1,000	1,000					
Hospitality House	1,000	1,000	2,500	2,500	14-2-0	2,500	4-1-0
Kno-Wal-Lin Healthcare	5,325	5,325	0	0	15-1-0	0	5-0-0
Midcoast Children's Services	2,100	2,100	1,000	1,800	10-6-0	1,800	4-1-0
Midcoast Mental Health	2,627	2,627					
New Hope for Women	2,480	2,480	2,480				
Senior Spectrum	1,600	1,600	1,600				
Sexual Assault Crisis Support	1,200	1,200	1,971				
American Legion	700	700	700	800	14-2-0	800	4-1-0
Camden Rockport Historical Socie	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	12-4-0	1,000	4-1-0
Goose River Snowmobile Club	500	500					
Little League	1,500	1,500	1,500				
Merryspring, Inc.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	12-4-0	1,000	4-1-0

TOWN OF CAMDEN FY09 BUDGET
Expenditure Summary

	FY07 Budget	FY 07 Actual	FY08 Budget	FY09 Bud Comm	Budget Vote	FY09 Sel Recommend	Select Board Vote
HEALTH & WELFARE (cont'd)							
Pen Bay Soccer Club	500	500					
Senior Citizens	2,900	2,900	2,900				
Teen Center, Inc.	8,540	8,540	8,703	9,693	12-4-0	9,693	4-1-0
Total Health & Welfare	59,599	61,923	44,482	36,575		36,575	
LEISURE SERVICES							
Camden Public Library	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	13-2-1	350,000	5-0-0
Harbor & Landing	115,665	111,750	117,890	123,740	14-2-0	123,740	5-0-0
Recreation	115,800	109,207	123,030	125,323	12-4-0	125,323	5-0-0
Parks	169,250	163,358	171,925	180,180	15-0-1	180,180	5-0-0
Snow Bowl Match	25,000	25,000	35,000	25,000	11-4-1	25,000	4-1-0
Megunticook Dams	12,380	12,457	11,920	17,000	13-3-0	17,000	5-0-0
Harbor Park Mowing	6,593	3,418	6,000	6,910	14-2-0	6,910	5-0-0
Total Leisure Services	794,688	775,190	815,765	828,153		828,153	
CEMETERIES							
Cemetery Association	14,500	14,500	21,000	21,600	10-6-0	21,600	5-0-0
Cemetery Maintenance	50,210	38,914	56,891	47,700	16-0-0	47,700	5-0-0
Total Cemetery	64,710	53,414	77,891	69,300		69,300	
DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY							
Debt Service Principal	355,063	305,534	396,507	411,929	16-0-0	411,929	5-0-0
Debt Service Interest	85,048	90,937	114,127	107,432	16-0-0	107,432	5-0-0
Capital Reserves	177,600	177,600	251,170	182,800	15-1-0	182,800	5-0-0
Capital Improvement Program	387,560	350,837	160,370	120,500	15-1-0	123,300	4-1-0
Contingency	40,000	40,000	40,000	35,000	12-4-0	35,000	5-0-0
Total Debt/Capital/Conting	1,045,271	964,908	962,174	857,661		860,461	
MUNICIPAL TOTAL	**5,839,081**	**5,724,935**	**5,829,429**	**5,869,117**		**5,869,867**	
Minus Misc Non-tax Revenues	2,357,663		2,221,021	2,105,405		2,105,405	
Net to be raised by Taxation	3,481,418		3,608,408	3,763,712		3,764,462	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Police Department Website:	www.town.camden.me.us/police
Opera House Website:	town.camden.me.us/operahouse
Snow Bowl Website:	www.camdensnowbowl.com

CAMDEN TOWN OFFICE

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm
2nd & 4th Tuesdays 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
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Fax Number: 236-7956
Closed all Legal Holidays and Weekends
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TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Harbormaster Office	236-7969
Fire Department (non-emergency)	236-7950
Camden Opera House	236-7963
Parks & Recreation Department	236-3438
Police Department (Business Office)	236-7967
Police Dispatch	236-3030
Public Works Department	236-7954
Camden Snow Bowl	236-3438
Wastewater Department	236-7955

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Tuesday – Saturday 8:00 am – 4:00 p.m.
Telephone: 236-7958
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EMERGENCY NUMBERS	
Fire, Police and Ambulance	911
Maine State Police	1-800-452-4664
Knox County Sheriff's Dept.	1-800-337-0565
Poison Control Center	1-800-442-6305
Pen Bay Medical Center	596-8000
Camden First Aid Association	236-8087
REFERENCE NUMBERS	
Aqua Maine, Inc. (Water Company)	236-8428
Camden Post Office	236-3570
Camden Public Library	236-3440
Superintendent's Office	236-3358
Camden Hills Regional High School	236-7800
Camden Rockport Middle School	236-7805
Rockport Elementary School	236-7807
Elm Street School	236-7809
Teen Center	230-0866

CAMDEN-ROCKPORT-LINCOLNVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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236-4404
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