

Camden, Maine

Where the Mountains Meet the Sea.....



2016 Annual Report

Fiscal Year Reports: July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015
June 2016 Annual Town Meeting Warrant & Budget

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
TOWN OF CAMDEN
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Population - 4,850
(2010 Census)

For the Fiscal Year

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DEDICATION



Charles M. Cawley
August 15, 1940- November 18, 2015

We traditionally dedicate the Annual Town Report to an individual who has enriched our community while they are still with us so they can enjoy our good wishes and know what they have meant to us and our community. This year is an exception.

This year we dedicate the Annual Town Report to Charles M. Cawley. Mr. Cawley did not seek public recognition or thanks. If he had, we would have recognized him long before now. We were saddened when Mr. Cawley died at his home in Camden on November 18, 2015. We don't think he'd mind that we took this opportunity to publicly recognize him and thank him for making Camden his home, for his friendship, and for touching the lives of so many people in Camden, in the Midcoast, and throughout Maine.

Charles M. Cawley was a visionary with an indomitable spirit and the tenacity to transform the seemingly impossible into reality. He was born in Beverly, Massachusetts on Aug. 15, 1940, and grew up in New Jersey. Mr. Cawley's father died early; losing his father when he was only 17 shaped the remainder of his life. Mr. Cawley was known for supporting family and friends whenever needed, and it likely drove his impatience, since one never knows what tomorrow will bring.

The legend of Mr. Cawley can be found in detail elsewhere but for those who may not know, Mr. Cawley founded the MBNA Corporation. In 1982, Mr. Cawley was running the Maryland National Bank's credit card division in Baltimore. To put the company on the path of success that he knew it was destined for, Mr. Cawley took 150 of his employees to Delaware, set up in the basement of a former supermarket, and developed a subsidiary that transformed the company into the world's largest independent credit card company. The innovation he introduced was 24-hour personal customer service and the "affinity" credit card. Choosing a model based on personal connections was pure Charlie Cawley. Under Mr. Cawley's leadership, MBNA became one of the 50 most profitable companies in America in less than 10 years.

In 1993 Mr. Cawley continued the company's expansion by establishing a business center in Camden. He took over the former Knox Woolen Mill in downtown Camden, turned it into a major business center, and changed downtown Camden and the lives of thousands of people in the Midcoast and throughout Maine for the better.

It is said that Mr. Cawley selected Camden because of fond memories of summers spent in here visiting his grandfather who has dress factories in Camden and Belfast, and due to a kindness shown to him when he had some car trouble while traveling through Camden. He had no money with him to pay for the service but he was given a ride and he work was performed so he could be on his way. Mr. Cawley was also drawn to the people of this region. He recognized our spirit and the work ethic of our community. When Mr. Cawley decided to expand the company to Camden, the State and the country was in the midst of a one of the worst recessions experienced in decades. Through Mr. Cawley, MBNA brought jobs and economic prosperity that went well beyond the direct MBNA jobs. From 50 jobs in Camden in 1993 there were over 4,500 statewide by the early 2000's.

Mr. Cawley saw the future as he brought broadband technology to Camden before most people had heard the term, let alone understood this technology was the future of commerce and would become essential to daily living. Mr. Cawley recognized this and MBNA funded the installation of an extensive broadband network in Camden. This made Camden an advanced technology center with connections to the world that our residents and businesses continue to benefit from.

There is no question that Mr. Cawley was a skilled business leader. That is not why we dedicate this report to him. We wish to recognize his generosity, not only in his financial support but his sincere personal interest in elevating people's aspirations to create better lives for themselves and their family.

In one tribute, Mr. Cawley was described as "a passionate leader, philanthropist and champion of the people and communities everywhere MBNA did business." As we look around the community, there are both visible and invisible proof of Mr. Cawley's love of this community. He was a benefactor of the Camden Opera House, the Camden Public Library, the Memorial Wall in the Village Green, the street lights that show Camden's distinctive charm, the tree lined streets, state of the art fire apparatus and equipment, and downtown streets and sidewalks. He contributed in many other ways too numerous to describe. His level of giving extended throughout Maine and elsewhere leading him to be considered a modern-day Carnegie or Rockefeller.

Charlie is no longer with us, but his legacy remains. Not only in the bricks and mortar, the arts and culture, or the health and human services needs he championed. The most enduring of all his contributions are the young people, now adults, living in our community whom he mentored, the former MBNA employees who have started their own businesses and who contribute to the civic fabric of our community, and the countless students who received a college education thanks to Mr. Cawley and who, inspired by Mr. Cawley, continue to give back to our community.

In recognizing Charlie Cawley, we wish also to acknowledge the efforts of Julie P. Cawley whose work alongside her husband has made a difference in so many people's lives.

REMEMBRANCE

The Town of Camden lost several citizens in the past year who contributed to our community in significant ways. We especially recognize these community spirited individuals.

Nanci M. Meisle

1937- Feb.10, 2015

We said good- bye to former Camden Select Board member Nanci M. Meisle. Born in Wisconsin, she and her family made Camden home for 30 years. She deeply loved Camden, the Midcoast and all of her many Maine friends.

Nanci loved books and spent her working life as a bookseller. Her intellectual curiosity, and a desire to help others, led her to politics and humanitarian causes. She served two terms as a Camden Select Board member. According to her family, Nanci often joked, "I'll likely have the public restroom on the landing named after me, but it will be worth every minute I spent on the board." She read the Camden news until the end, often saying: "I think we'd better go back. They might need me!" We appreciate Nanci's spirit, her friendship, her service to our community, and her enduring love of Camden.



John R. French Sr.

Nov. 1, 1931- April 12, 2015

John R. French Sr. was not a native of Camden having been born in Newburyport, MA, but he lived most of his life here and instilled his family with a strong work ethic, a devotion to public service, and a love of Camden.

John R. French Sr. also had a distinction that few others have had: He served as the Curtis Island Lighthouse keeper. While serving in the U.S. Coast Guard in the early 1960's, Mr. French was assigned to serve as the Curtis Island lighthouse keeper. He and his wife Bessie moved to Curtis Island with their young growing family. This was at a time when the lighthouse needed to be maintained around the clock. Mr. French performed his duties as lighthouse keeper until he retired from the Coast Guard in 1967. He was the next to the last Coast Guard lighthouse keeper: Curtis Island Lighthouse became automated like other lighthouses. The Town acquired it in 1973 to be preserved as a unique and scenic park and continue as a beacon for sailors.



Benjamin W. Cashen

January 22, 1980- April 26, 2015

Ben Cashen was known in Camden Harbor as the voice on VHF channel 71, welcoming boaters to the harbor. A 2002 graduate of Maine Maritime Academy with a degree in marina management, we were fortunate that Ben immediately began his career as dock master at Wayfarer Marine and stayed with us throughout his young life. We also benefited from Ben's talents that he shared as a member of Camden's Harbor Committee.

Ben greeted sailors from around the world and made everyone feel like family. Ben had an enduring appreciation for life. Throughout his battle with cancer, Ben never complained; he lived every day to the fullest. He maintained his humor, his love of friends and family, and would often say, "I am the luckiest man alive." We were the lucky ones for having known Ben.



Walter L. Drinkwater
Feb. 18, 1942 - May 27, 2015

Walter L. Drinkwater was a life-long resident of Camden and a person who contributed greatly to his community in many ways throughout his life.

A 1960 graduate of Camden High School, Walt was an exceptional athlete who excelled in basketball and baseball. His career was as a lab technician at FMC in Rockland where he worked for 34 years in the development and manufacturing of carrageenan.

It was Walt's commitment to his community and his joy for life that most people will remember. He loved being involved in local youth sports and coaching Camden Little League, and junior varsity basketball at the High School.

Especially noteworthy was Walt's tenure in the Camden Fire Department. Walt joined the Camden Fire Department on May 1, 1964 at the age of 22. Walt was passionate about and dedicated to the Camden Fire Department and the community it served. He remained a member of the department for 51 years. We will remember Walt for his joy of life, work ethic, and dedication to our community. We thank his wife Glenna and his family for sharing Walt during his half century of service to our community.

William "Fitzy" Fitzcharles III
June 1, 1956 - November 26, 2015

Our community lost a true friend, "Fitzy" Fitzcharles, who was in charge of mountain operations at the Snow Bowl and maintenance of Camden parks, historic cemeteries, and recreational facilities. During his decade with us, Fitzy devoted himself to making the Snow Bowl a special place for everyone to enjoy.

As a teenager in Bridgton, ME, Fitzy developed his love of the outdoors and the ski industry. During his 20 years at Shawnee Peak, Fitzy learned every aspect of the ski industry from lift and trail maintenance to facilities and grounds management. He later brought his skills to the Snow Bowl.



Fitzy embodied the essence of what the Snow Bowl and our parks and recreation facilities mean to our community. Every day Fitzy worked beside co-workers, community volunteers and others to care for our wonderful community spaces for the enjoyment of all. Fitzy took pride in his responsibilities – but he never took credit. He considered it an honor and he always recognized the group effort.

We are grateful for Fitzy's exceptional efforts, dedication, and friendship. We will remember him as a good person with a generous spirit, and a dedicated Town employee who was committed to making our community better than he found it.

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!

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Morgan Laidlaw	Edward Collins
John Lewis	Sonny Goodwin
Robin McIntosh	Steve Melchiskey
Patricia Eddy	Deborah Oliver
Rick Knowlton	Matthew Orne

BUDGET NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Karen Grove	Robin McIntosh
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CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Larry Gross

HARBOR COMMITTEE

Ben Cashen

OPERA HOUSE COMMITTEE

Susan Dorr	Ben Curtis
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PLANNING BOARD

Jan MacKinnon

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Select Board, Assessors, Overseers, and Wastewater Commissioners

John R. French, Jr. Chair	6/18
Leonard Lookner	6/18
Donald A. White, Jr., Vice Chair	6/17
James Heard	6/17
Martin Cates	6/15

MSAD 29/CSD 19 (Board of Directors)

Lynda Chilton	6/17
Matthew Dailey	6/17
Kristin Collins	6/17
John Lewis	6/16
Tori Manzi	6/16

Budget Committee

Tammy Ballou	6/18
Don Foster	6/18
Bruce Malone	6/18
Jean Burlison	6/18
Matt Brown	6/18
Alison McKellar	6/18
Vacancy	6/18
Vacancy	6/18
Vacancy	6/18
Joseph Rusillo	6/17
Kate Bates	6/17
Jean Freedman-White	6/17
Jamie Weymouth	6/17
Richard Gross	6/17
Etienne Perret	6/17
Ronald Vanosdol	6/17
Vacancy	6/17
Frank Stearns	6/16
Anita Brosius-Scott	6/16
Richard Stetson	6/16
T.C. Bland	6/16
Dave Nazaroff	6/16
Brett Lerner	6/16
Paul Cavalli	6/16
Vacancy	6/16

Budget Nominating Committee

Karen Grove	6/16
Robin McNosh	6/16

Knox County Commissioner (Camden Representative)

Roger Moody	12/16
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Knox County Budget Representative

Randy Stearns	12/18
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Pascal Fund Trustees

Christopher Hardy	6/18
Elaine Davis	6/17
Parker S. Laite, Jr.	6/16

Personnel Board

Steve Melchiskey	6/18
Dave Miramant	6/17
Rick Rector	6/16
Vacancy (Appointed Member)	6/18
Marlene Libby, Employee Rep	6/16

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Town Manager
Patricia A. Finnigan

Town Attorney.....	Kelly & Collins, LLC
Finance Director	Carol Sue Greenleaf /Virginia Lindsey
Tax Collector.....	Brenda Fisher
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
Assessor.....	Kerry Leichtman
Assessor's Clerk.....	Caitlin Anderson
Code Enforcement Officer.....	Steve Wilson
Electrical & Plumbing Inspector.....	Steve Wilson
Health Officer	Steve Wilson
Alternate Code Enforcement Officer	Bill O'Donnell
Wastewater Department Superintendent.....	David Bolstridge
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Robert Wiggin
Harbormaster.....	Steven Pixley
Assistant Harbormaster.....	James Leo
Harbor Clerk.....	Marlene Libby
Animal Control Officer.....	Jeff Sukeforth
Police Chief.....	Randy Gagne
Constable.....	Randy Gagne
Fire Chief.....	Chris Farley
Emergency Preparedness Director	Chris Farley
Director of Parks and Recreation.....	Landon Fake
Public Works Director	Richard Seibel
Tree Warden.....	Barton Wood
Assistant Tree Warden.....	Richard Seibel
Dam Control Agent.....	David Bolstridge
Inland Harbormaster	Dale Doughty
Assistant Inland Harbormaster	Cody Laite

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Board of Assessment Review

Sharon Gilbert	6/18
Beverly Doherty	6/18
Robert Armstrong	6/17
Karen Grove	6/16
Amanda Barter	ALT
Mark Seigenthaler	ALT
Tom Laurent	ALT

Camden Conservation Commission

Roger Rittmaster	6/18
Robin Kern	6/18
Carla Ferguson	6/17
Kristen Lindquist	6/17
Vicki Doudera	6/17
Douglas N. Johnson	6/16
Thomas Hopps	6/16
Alison McKellar	6/16

Camden-Rockport Pathways Committee

Robert Davis	6/18
Geoff Scott	6/17
James "Mac" Thomas	6/17
Richard Stetson	6/16
Anita Brosius-Scott	6/16
Jane Self, ALT	6/16
Wyatt McConnell,	ALT
Timothy Wooster,	ALT

Cemetery Association

Jeff Weymouth	6/18
Kristen Lerner	6/17
Vincent Colantuoni	6/17
Patricia Ayers	6/17
Isa Babb	6/16
Parker S. Laite, Sr.	6/16
Jeff Sukeforth	6/16

Community Economic Development (CEDAC)

Meg Quijano	6/18
Paul Cavalli	6/18
Jamie Weymouth	6/18
Robin McIntosh	6/17
Deb Dodge	6/16
Ellis Cohn	6/16
Steve Matteo	ALT

Energy Committee

Anita Brosius-Scott
Marina Shauffler
Marc Ratner
Dana Strout
Brian Robinson
Ken Gross
Peter Kalajian
Peter Galloway
Sarah Holland

Harbor Committee

William Welte	6/18
Gene McKeever	6/17
Ray Williamson	6/16
Richard Stetson	6/16
Ben Ellison	6/16
Stephen Gold	ALT
Drew Lyman	ALT

Historic Resources Committee

Judith McGuirk	6/18
Susan Neves	6/18
Eleanor Klivans	6/17
Meg Barclay	6/16
Patricia Skaling	6/16
Kristin Mikkelsen	ALT
Beedy Parker	ALT

Opera House Committee

Nora Hayes Eldredge	6/18
Elizabeth O'Connor	6/18
Kate Bates	6/17
Marc Ratner	6/16
Matt Brown	6/16
Vincent Colantuoni	ALT

Parks & Recreation Committee

Raymond Andresen	6/18
David Olivas	6/17
Casey Heard	6/17
Brian Robinson	6/16
Emily McDevitt	6/16
Maureen Gordon	ALT
Jessie Tobias	ALT

Planning Board

James Elliot	6/20
John Scholz	6/19
Richard Householder	6/19
Lowrie Sargent	6/18
Richard Bernhard	6/16
Jeff Senders	ALT
Mark Seigenthaler	ALT/

Zoning Board of Appeals

Sam Smith	6/18
Thomas Laurent	6/17
Frank Toole	6/17
Jean Belair	6/16
Linda Norton	6/16
Jon Kuhl	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 Conservation Commission	Last Wednesday
C/R Pathways Committee	1 st Wednesday
Cemetery Association	Quarterly
CEDAC	4 th Mondays
Harbor Committee	1 st Thursday – Summer 1 st Monday
Historic Resources Committee	2 nd Tuesday
Megunticook Dams Committee	As needed
Opera House Committee	Monthly
Parks & Recreation Committee	1 st Wednesday
Personnel Board	As needed
Planning Board	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays
Select Board	1 st & 3 rd Tuesdays
Zoning Board of Appeals	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays

Please check the municipal calendar at www.camdenmaine.gov for meeting agendas and changes in meeting schedules.

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PAUL R.
LEPAGE

GOVERNOR

Dear Citizen of Camden:

Maine has a long tradition of civil participation in both state and local government, and I thank you for being informed and involved citizens.

My vision for Maine is prosperity, not poverty. For this reason, one of my top priorities is the reduction and eventual elimination of the income tax. Some are pushing to raise the minimum wage, but I want Mainers to earn a maximum wage. Reducing the income tax is the biggest and most immediate pay raise for all hard-working Mainers.

Not only does an income tax cut put more money back in your pockets, but it will also attract businesses that can offer good-paying careers to keep our young people here in Maine. It shows the nation that we are serious about wanting people and businesses to come – and – stay in Maine.

Another of my priorities is to lower the cost of student debt in Maine. If young people are struggling with too much student debt, they are unable to afford homes or vehicles. We are now offering programs to help them lower their debt, stay in Maine, begin their careers and start families.

To provide good-paying jobs for our young people, we must also work hard to reduce our energy costs. High energy costs are major factor in driving our manufacturers, mills and other businesses that need low cost electricity. I am committed to lowering the cost of energy, not only to attract job creators, but also to allow Maine people to heat and power their homes affordably and effectively.

And finally, we are making progress to address the drug pandemic in our state. It is my most important duty to keep Maine people safe. While education, treatment and prevention efforts are important, we must get the dealers off the streets. I am pleased the Legislature has finally agreed to fund my proposal for more drug agents to stem the supply of deadly opiates flowing into our communities, but our law enforcement agencies are still understaffed. We must do more.

It is our pleasure serving as your Governor. If ever I can be of assistance to your or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 207- or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor.

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage
Governor



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Dear Camden Residents:

It is an honor to serve as your State Representative. As I am in my final year in office due to term limits, I want you to know that I am working hard to retain your trust through my work both in Augusta and in the community.

This year the Legislature's agenda has been limited mostly to emergency legislation and bills carried over from 2015. We are scheduled to adjourn by the end of April.

One of the most important issues we are working on this year is Maine's growing heroin epidemic. Finding solutions to this crisis is a top priority. We already passed – and the governor signed – one bill that boosts treatment, prevention and enforcement, but we continue to look at bills that go into greater detail in each of those three areas. Key to the process is employing the smartest methods to stop traffickers while also making a better effort to help those who are addicted recover and rejoin society.

Among the other issues we are working on are finding ways to increase hiring, support seniors, take care of veterans, keep down energy and heating costs, improve and properly fund schools, and protect property taxpayers.

I am also continuing in my role as co-chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee. One of our top issues has been to develop a long-term strategy for solid waste disposal and biomass energy.

Whether we are dealing with the above issues or any other topic, I have been working closely with all of my colleagues, regardless of party affiliation, to make sure we're doing the best work we can for the people of our district and all the people of Maine. It continues to be a privilege and a pleasure to serve you in Augusta during this last year of my term.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me with any questions or concerns or if you need assistance navigating state government. I can be reached by email at joanwelsh08@gmail.com or by phone at 236-6554.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joan W. Welsh".

Joan Welsh
State Representative

District 94 Camden, Islesboro and Rockport



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Dear Friends of Camden,

I hope this town report letter finds you and your family well in 2016. Thank you for the opportunity to represent you and this community in the Maine Legislature. I appreciate the many conversations and feedback as I go around the district. In my travels, I have been passing along a few items that I thought might be of interest to you as well.

Unclaimed Property: if you have a chance, it may be worth your while to check out the updated statewide unclaimed property list. Every year, the Treasurer's Office produces a list of unclaimed property, which consists of money and other personal assets that are considered lost or abandoned when an owner cannot be located after a specified period of time. Visit www.maine.gov/unclaimed or call 1-888-283-2808 to see if you have any unclaimed property.

Honorary Page Program: provides students a unique chance to observe and participate in the legislative process. As an Honorary Page, students deliver messages, distribute documents, interact with the senators, and most importantly take part in a real legislative learning experience. If you know of a student who may be interested, or would like more information, please contact my office at (207) 287-1515. It would be my honor to meet with the student and his/her family during the visit to the State House.

Legislative Update: is part of my effort to keep you informed about what is happening in the Legislature. This periodic email allows me to share information that is useful and informative to you and our district. Please email me at davemiramant@gmail.com or call to sign up.

I look forward to continuing our work in the legislature. I will do as I have always done and work with all sides to do what is best for you, our district, and our state. Please feel free to contact me anytime.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Miramant".

Dave Miramant
State Senator



HELLIE PINGREE
CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
1ST DISTRICT, MAINE

Dear Friend,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. I appreciate the opportunity to give you an update on my work in Maine and Washington. It continues to be a great honor to serve the people of Maine's 1st District in Congress.

Over the last year, I have introduced a number of bills to address the problems my constituents face. One of the most concerning issues is hunger. Nearly 50 million Americans don't have reliable access to enough food. At the same time, 40 percent of the food produced in the country goes to waste. That is why I introduced the Food Recovery Act, comprehensive legislation to cut food waste while providing more food to the people who need it.

The Safe and Affordable Drugs from Canada Act takes on another serious concern for Maine families—the high cost of prescription drugs. Just over the border in Canada, the same medications are available at half the price on average. My bill would lift a ban that prohibits consumers from importing those medications. Other bills I introduced touch on a number of issues, from helping veterans secure benefits to protecting our coastal economies. For more information on all my legislation, go to www.pingree.house.gov.

My seat on the House Appropriations Committee—which has a powerful role in setting federal funding levels—has also put me in a position to influence policies and programs that affect Mainers. A couple of examples from the last year include pushing to make Lyme disease a higher federal priority and working to protect funding for a program that has extended preschool to hundreds of Maine children.

But not all my work takes place at the Capitol. Here at home, I had the chance to visit many communities to help celebrate their victories and discuss their concerns—critical feedback to take to Washington. And over the last year, my hard-working staff has helped hundreds of constituents on their issues with federal programs and agencies.

I hope the last year has been a good one for you and your family. As we head into another year of challenges and opportunities for our nation, I promise that your interests will continue to guide my work. Please contact my office if there's ever anything I can do for you.

Best wishes,

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress

Dear Friends of Camden:

It has been a privilege to serve the State of Maine since being sworn into the U.S. Senate.

Much of my time in Washington this past year has been devoted to the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Select Committee on Intelligence. Protecting our homeland and the people of Maine from terrorism and violence remains one of my top priorities. Through my work on the Armed Services Committee, I was able to secure several provisions in the 2016 National Defense Authorization Act that benefit Maine. The legislation authorizes the construction of an additional DDG-51 Arleigh Burke Class Destroyer that could be built at Bath Iron Works and expands the HUBZone program to stimulate economic growth at former military installations like the former Brunswick Naval Air Station.

Returning control to teachers, school districts, and states has also been a primary concern of mine. I am encouraged that the Every Student Succeeds Act has become law. It eliminates the burdensome requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act and ensures access to a quality education for all students. A provision I helped author in the bill will give states the opportunity to pilot the use of their own proficiency-based assessments in lieu of federally-mandated standardized tests. Also included in the bill are several measures I secured to promote local input, fund education technology initiatives, and explore new strategies to increase student access to the internet outside of school.

Communities across Maine have taken bold action to improve their broadband connectivity, and I have been proud to foster federal support for these types of projects. My amendments to the Every Student Succeeds Act will promote the type of work already occurring in Washington County, where students who lack broadband access are able to check out mobile hotspots from their local libraries. Additionally, a bill I co-sponsored, the Community Broadband Act, helped pave the way for the FCC to enact rules protecting the ability of municipalities to invest in better broadband. I am excited by Maine's leadership on this important economic development issue and will continue to support local efforts in this area.

After extensive negotiations, the Senate passed a five-year transportation bill that will increase highway and transit funding in Maine and provide stability to improve our transportation infrastructure. The legislation contains provisions I cosponsored to cut red tape and improve predictability and timeliness by streamlining the federal permitting process for large infrastructure projects. Also incorporated in this bill are my provisions to relieve financial regulations on Maine's community banks and credit unions and to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank, a critical tool that supports communities and small business across the state.

Following my inquiries in the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, the National Park Service has announced they will begin exploring strategies to allow park visitors to purchase electronic passes online and will pilot the program at Acadia National Park. These passes would improve access to our nation's most treasured landscapes and would generate resources for years to come. I remain deeply engaged in preserving Maine's natural beauty and strengthening our outdoor recreation economy.

It is with solemn responsibility that I have focused my energy addressing the opioid epidemic in Maine. This work includes convening roundtables with a wide-range of health care and law enforcement professionals to combat addiction; introducing a proposal to safely dispose of excess prescription drugs; cosponsoring a

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Senate-passed bill that addresses mothers struggling with addiction and the alarming effect it has on newborns; cosponsoring the TREAT Act, which expands the ability of medical specialists to provide life-saving medication-assisted therapies for patients battling heroin and prescription drug addiction; and calling on the Commander of U.S. Southern Command to increase efforts to stop the flow of heroin at our southern border.

I like to think of Maine as a big small town – and in a small town, the leaders are accessible and eager to listen. In that spirit, I’ve made it a priority to stay connected with people from all over Maine who e-mail, write, and call with suggestions or questions. If I can ever assist in your interaction with a federal agency, or you have thoughts, concerns, or personal input on a matter that is currently before Congress I hope you will contact me, let me know where you stand, and engage in this critical part of democracy. Please call my toll-free line at **1-800-432-1599** or one of my offices: Augusta (207) 622-8292, Presque Isle (207) 764-5124, Scarborough (207) 883-1588, or Washington, D.C. (202) 224-5344. You can also write me on our website at www.king.senate.gov/contact.

As always, I am honored to represent the people of Maine and look forward to working with you for the betterment of our great state.

Sincerely,



Angus S. King, Jr.
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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate. I am grateful for the trust the people of our State have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments from 2015.

Growing the economy by encouraging job creation was and remains my top priority. The tax-relief bill signed into law at the close of last year contains three key provisions I authored to help foster job creation and provide small businesses with the certainty they need to invest, grow, and, most important, hire new workers. Another provision I authored that became law last year gives a boost to both Maine's economy and traffic safety. This provision permanently changed the federal law that previously had forced the heaviest trucks onto our country roads and downtown streets, rather than allowing them to use Maine's federal Interstates. In addition, I was glad to help secure another significant award for the University of Maine's deepwater offshore wind initiative, which has the potential to advance an emerging industry and create thousands of good jobs in our state.

Maine's historic contributions to our nation's defense must continue. In 2015, I secured funding toward a much-needed additional Navy destroyer, likely to be built at Bath Iron Works. Modernization projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard that I have long advocated for were also completed, as were projects for the Maine National Guard.

I was also deeply involved in crafting the new education reform law to better empower states and communities in setting educational policy for their students. The law also extends a program I co-authored that provides additional assistance to rural schools, which has greatly benefitted our state. A \$250 tax deduction I authored in 2002 for teachers who spend their own money on classroom supplies was also made permanent last year.

As a result of a scientific evaluation of the nutritional value of potatoes required by a law that I wrote, the wholesome fresh potato finally was included in the federal WIC nutrition program. I also worked on other issues important to Maine's farmers and growers, including research on wild blueberries and pollinating bees.

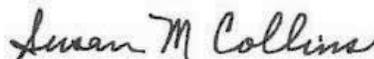
As Chairman of the Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I have made combating veterans' homelessness a priority. This year's housing funding law includes \$60 million for 8,000 new supportive housing vouchers for homeless veterans. Since this program began in 2008, the number of homeless veterans nationwide has dropped by one third. Maine has received nearly 200 vouchers to support homeless veterans.

Last year, I became Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee. My top three priorities for the committee are retirement security, investing more in biomedical research, and fighting fraud and financial abuses targeting our nation's seniors. I advocated for the \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health to advance research on such diseases as diabetes and Alzheimer's. The Senate also unanimously passed my bill to support family caregivers. The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for senior citizens to report suspected fraud and receive assistance and has already received more than 1,000 calls.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. As 2015 ended, I cast my 6,072nd consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Camden and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Constituent Service Center in Augusta at (207) 622-8414 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2016 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

CAMDEN SELECT BOARD



From Left to Right: Vice Chair Donald White, Jr., Leonard Lookner, Chair John French, Jr., Martin Cates and James Heard

The past year was very active and the year ahead is destined to bring progress and positive changes for Camden. We will continue to focus our efforts on building upon Camden's strengths, preserving what makes our community unique, and enhancing Camden's quality of life.

Our ability to be successful depends in large part on the Town employees and the many citizens who volunteer their time to serve on Town committees and other civic organizations. We are very proud of the Camden Town employees. They are dedicated to the people of our community and they deliver the services we all rely on daily. We are fortunate to have employees who do so much and do it so well. We sincerely thank them for their service.

We are grateful, too, to the many citizens who volunteer their time and talents to serve on Town Committees. The high level of civic engagement in Camden is something we all can be proud of. One of the first official actions of the Select Board after the annual Town Meeting is to appoint people to serve on the Towns committees. If you would like to be involved in local government, please consider serving on a Town committee. Applications are available at the Town Manager's office or on-line at www.camdenmaine.gov.

We are committed to using your tax dollars wisely and exploring ways to deliver services as effectively and efficiently as possible. One way of doing this is to provide services jointly with neighboring communities. We currently share several services including mutual aid among the public safety departments in the region, joint purchasing, and the Camden and Rockport Public Works Departments share the fuel depot and certain equipment.

Even though 2016 marks the separation of Rockport from Camden 125 years ago, the two Select Boards are working more closely together than ever. We are considering additional ways to share services and deliver them as cost effectively as possible while maintaining the high quality both communities are accustomed to. This past year, Camden and Rockport took an important step toward when we agreed to share the Assessor. This transition has been working very well. We think there will be other opportunities in the future that will work well for both our communities.

Finally, we want to thank our colleague Martin Cates who has decided not to seek re-lection. Martin served as Chair of the Select Board for four of his six years and he led us well. His passion for Camden was evident in all he did. We will miss him on the Select Board, but know he will continue to share his talents and serve our community in other ways. Best wishes, Martin!

We encourage you to be involved in your community and welcome your suggestions and questions. Contact us anytime, or offer your thoughts by attending a Select Board meetings which are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Washington Street Conference Room. Our meetings are broadcast live on cable TV (channel 22) and web streamed which allows you to watch live or anytime at your convenience! Go to the Town's web site and click on Select Board Meeting information. We are honored to be your Select Board and to serve this wonderful community. See you at Town Meeti

CAMDEN DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS



Front Row L to R: Community Development Director Karen Brace, Code Enforcement Officer Bill O'Donnell, Finance Director Virginia Lindsey, Parks & Recreation Director Landon Fake, and Harbor Master Steve Pixley.

Back Row L to R: Assessor's Agent Kerry Leichtman, Town Manager Patricia Finnigan, Public Works Director Rick Seibel, Wastewater Superintendent David Bolstridge, Police Chief Randy Gagne, and Fire Chief Chris Farley.

TOWN MANAGER

Patricia Finnigan, Town Manager



This year, the Town of Camden marks an important milestone: Camden was incorporated as a Town 225 years ago, on Feb, 17, 1791. Camden was one of the earliest places where citizens decided to organize themselves as a municipality. That action demonstrated early on Camden's proactive spirit and foresight.

Camden's history as a community is one of being compassionate toward our neighbors, industrious and creative, valuing education and life-long learning, appreciating arts and culture, and being conscientious, engaged citizens. These are traits that continue and which we value today.

The Annual Town Report is a retrospective of the Town's activities during the past year. I hope you will take a moment to review the reports of the Select Board, Department Directors, and citizen committees. These provide only a brief snapshot of some of the work of your town government over the past year. Developing an Annual Town Report that is informative and well organized demands planning, creativity, and attention to detail. We are fortunate to have Janice Esancy's talents. Please join me in recognizing her outstanding work producing this document. This report marks Janice's 15th year of producing the Annual Town Report which is an amazing accomplishment!

While we reflect on the past year and acknowledge our 225 years as a town government, we also are called upon to take stock of where we are now as a community, and look toward the future. We have benefitted from the hard working and forward thinking people who paved the way for Camden to become the wonderful community we have inherited. What kind of community are we creating for future generations?

If thinking 225 years into the future is daunting, let's at least consider the next 25 years. When we envision that Camden, what do we see? What are our hopes for our community now and for future generations? We are constantly faced with decisions; each decision presents a choice. As a community, are we working together toward a common vision that drives us to make the best choices, the right choices for the long-term.

In closing, I want to thank the Department Directors and all the Town employees for their efforts that help make Camden the remarkable community it is. I am continually impressed with their work ethic, creativity, and dedication. Many thanks to our Select Board. They are truly committed to our community, and each member brings a unique perspective and expertise which they use to create positive results for our community. Finally, my sincere thanks to the citizens of Camden. I appreciate your ideas, suggestions, and even complaints which are all presented with the intention of making Camden an even better community. It is truly a joy and a privilege to serve as your Town Manager.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Katrina Oakes

Certified copies of vital records filed in Camden (birth, marriage and death certificates) can be obtained at the Camden Town Office. The fees for certified copies of vital records are \$15.00 for the first copy and \$6.00 for each additional copy of the same record purchased at the same time. Copies of birth and death records may be obtained from either the town of occurrence or the town of residence. Marriage records are only filed in the town where the license is issued. 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 filing fee is \$40.00. If either applicant 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 applicants 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 Maine 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 no longer in your possession, kindly advise this office so that our records may be corrected.

Statistical information (current through March 29, 2016):

	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016
Resident & non-resident hunting/fishing licenses sold	276	262	137
Dogs licensed	811	799	677
Kennels licensed	0	0	0
Births recorded	26	26	19
Deaths recorded	89	116	70
Marriages recorded	71	79	41

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

July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014	\$16,295.50
July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015	\$16,060.50
July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016 (through March 29, 2016)	\$8,812.75

TAX COLLECTOR

Brenda Fisher

The 2015 Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes were committed on September 23, 2014 for the total of \$15,938,019.98. As of June 30, 2015 a total of \$15,141,307.17 (95%) was collected.

Tax bills were sent in September 2014 with the FIRST HALF due November 1, 2014, and the SECOND HALF due May 1, 2015. Interest began accruing on the FIRST HALF at 7% annum on November 3, 2014 and began May 4, 2015 on the SECOND HALF 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 vehicle excise taxes collected during the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 were \$917,874.14; this is \$137,874.14 above the estimated budget figure of \$780,000.00. We can process registration renewals at the counter, through the mail and now online on the town's website (www.camdenmaine.gov) using the link for **Rapid Renewal**. We also process limited new registrations (Maine dealer sales only). On new registrations be sure to provide the proof of sales tax paid, the blue copy of the application for title, proof of insurance and the old yellow registration for the plates that you are transferring. On new vehicles you will 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, 2014 through June 30, 2015 were \$33,068.10; this is \$1068.10 above the estimated budget figure of \$32,000.00. All boats registered during this period expired December 31, 2015. The new boat stickers are now available for the 2016 calendar year. Camden boat registrations may be renewed online through the State of Maine website. There is also a link on the Town of Camden website at www.camdenmaine.gov. The excise tax for a boat is based on age, length and horsepower of the motor. The Inland Fisheries fees are based on the horsepower of the motor. Reminder of the milfoil sticker requirement for those who put their boat in fresh water. The stickers are available at the Town Office, resident stickers are \$10.00 and non-resident stickers are \$20.00.

**2015 UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES
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10 BAY VIEW ST LLC	\$7.39 *	CAPPY'S REAL ESTATE LLC	\$3,667.38 *
30 MAIN STREET, LLC	\$6,447.32 *	CAPPY'S REAL ESTATE LLC	\$2,404.76 *
63 HIGH ST LLC	\$16,505.03 *	CAPPY'S REAL ESTATE, LLC.	\$4,182.53 *
8 TANNERY LANE LLC	\$5,134.19 *	CARLSON, MARY N	\$4.63 *
91 ELM, LLC	\$3,002.83 *	CASTLE, SIMON R CASTLE, DIANA D	\$666.23 *
93 BAY VIEW LLC	\$2,213.84 *	CAVERLY, ANDREW D CAVERLY, LAUREN A	\$3,141.41 *
ABESS, ALEXANDER T ABESS, MAUD K	\$2,622.65 *	CHRISTENSEN, CLIFFORD E CHRISTENSEN, MARCELLA	\$4,249.64 *
AHP CAMDEN LLC	\$954.54 *	CLARK, MARGUERITE C	\$797.51
AHP CAMDEN LLC	\$5,333.33 *	CLARK, SHEILA A.	\$19,191.18 *
AHP CAMDEN LLC	\$2,082.25 *	CLARK, SUZANN F	\$5.01
AHP CAMDEN LLC	\$2,073.59 *	CLARK, TMARA	\$978.35
AHP CAMDEN, LLC	\$3,853.53 *	CLAYTON, LAURALEE, TRUSTEE CLAYTON, JAMES C,	\$1,773.45 *
ALEXANDER, CORY W.	\$832.61 *	CONNER, MARC CONNER, SHARON	\$21.74 *
AMSEL, HAROLD	\$788.60 *	CROSBY, JUDITH	\$1,259.02 *
ANDERSON, PATRICIA BERKE, PETER	\$2,010.46	DANIELS, TIMOTHY DANIELS, CHERYL	\$260.78 *
ANDREAUS, GEORGE D	\$3.33 *	DAVIS, ROBERT A	\$1,125.54 *
ANNIS, KERYN P	\$108.22 *	DAWSON, TIFFANY R	\$1,098.84 *
ANNIS, ROBERT B	\$1,148.63 *	DEANE, DAVID E DEANE, KARYN K	\$1,477.63 *
AUSTIN, DEBORAH L WILSON, MICHELLE B	\$6,613.27	DERBY, THOMAS J	\$5,686.93 *
BAEZA, GRETA N. STROHM, MARLIN E.	\$1,103.86 *	DICKEY, DAVID A	\$3,397.47 *
BAKLEY, LOUISE P	\$1,738.81	DILLINGHAM POINT LLC	\$14,798.68 *
BALL, JOANNE C	\$1,209.95 *	DIRCKS, HENRY G DIRCKS, ELIZABETH S	\$1,325.39 *
BALLOU, STEPHEN A BALLOU, TAMARA SWASEY	\$32.52 *	DIRCKS, HENRY G DIRCKS, ELIZABETH S	\$1,310.24 *
BANKS, WHIT T BANKS, PHYLLIS	\$2,568.93	DOUDERA, VICTORIA W	\$2,476.45 *
BARLOW, CYNTHIA R.	\$269.94 *	DUNTON, RALPH J., PR ESTATE OF RALPH DUNTON	\$2,458.87 *
BARTER, AMANDA BARTER, JOHN	\$203.46 *	EATON, BOBBIE JOYCE TRUSTEE MINOT D EATON	\$2,808.80 *
BELOIN, FREDERICK J., PR ESTATE OF AGNES M. BELOIN	\$4,229.43 *	ELMS, ROBIN	\$1,980.64 *
BELOIN, FRED, PR, EST A. BELOIN (1/2 INT)	\$2,041.85 *	EMERY, JUDY	\$11.09 *
LYNN BELOIN TR (1/4) ED BELOIN TR (1/4)		EMERY, TRISTO	\$212.13
BELOIN, FRED, PR, EST A. BELOIN (1/2 INT)	\$32,340.52 *	EMERY, TRISTO	\$568.54 *
LYNN BELOIN TR (1/4) ED BELOIN TR (1/4)		EYLER, DAVID GUSHEE, JUDITH	\$64.26
BENTLEY, MICHAEL D BENTLEY, RUTH C	\$1,730.88 *	F H R E, LLC	\$46,991.57 *
BEREZ, PAUL D BEREZ, THEO O	\$7,269.83	FERRAILOLO HOLDINGS II, LLC	\$10,477.62
BERRY, CHARLES	\$324.67 *	FERRAILOLO, VINCENT FERRAILOLO, FILOMENA	\$3,327.74
BERRY, CHARLES	\$945.88 *	FINCK, III, F PHILLIP CRAWFORD, LANIE E	\$1,465.36 *
BILLIAT, ELEANOR J. BILLIAT, HENRY E.	\$207.07 *	FONTANA WILLIAM F BALL JOANNE C	\$5,733.76 *
BLACK, REBECCA L	\$2,174.19 *	FOSS, AMY	\$24.53
BLAIS, ROBIN PEARD	\$2,153.51 *	FRESCO, LLC.	\$4,290.04
BLAIS, ROBIN PEARD	\$374.39 *	FROST, ZILLAH BETTY, TRUSTEE REV LVG TR	\$3,825.39
BOULDIN, BILLIE JO, TRUSTEE JAMES G. CUMMINGS II TR	\$14.05 *	ZILLAH BETTY FROST	
BOWEN, ROXANNE L	\$2,333.33	GABRIELE, DANIEL GABRIELE, REBECCA	\$2,110.84 *
BOWER, NIGEL SCHMIDT, BONNIE	\$1,741.48 *	GALLAGHER, HOWARD J. GALLAGHER, MARGARET M.	\$8,904.75 *
BRACE MANAGEMENT GROUP	\$14,906.70	GALLAGHER, TIMOTHY J GALLAGHER, BONNIE C	\$3,630.59 *
BRAWN, MARNEY L	\$1,180.37	GARRIGAN, BERNARD B GARRIGAN, CHRISTINE	\$2,291.48
BREDA LLC	\$35,324.64 *	GERETY, ROBERT J, MD GERETY, JOAN I	\$5,018.75 *
BREGY, LAWRENCE JR BREGY, LINDA	\$2,612.94 *	GETCHELL, DAVID R JR	\$1,393.21 *
BROWN, ELLEN	\$1,917.74 *	GOLDMAN, RACHEL BOK, TRUSTEE HANSCOM, STEPHEN	\$16,413.40 *
BRUNYANSZKI, RAYMOND	\$4,670.99 *	GOOD, ANTON J	\$3,300.14 *
BRYANT, GILBERT R.	\$2,292.93	GOOD, MICHAEL GOOD, KAREN J	\$1,618.92 *
CAMDEN HILLS FARM LLC	\$7,538.23	GREET, WILLIAM E JR	\$1,835.50
CAMDEN HILLS VILLA, INC.	\$5.10	GRODZINS, DIANA L, TRUSTEE DIANA L GRODZINS TRUS	\$5,187.14
CAMDEN LAND HOLDING, LLC	\$1,029.58 *	GRUBB, LEWIS W JR GRUBB, JOYCE D	\$1,059.33 *
CAMDEN LAND HOLDINGS, LLC	\$2,726.55 *	GUIST, ROBIN C BROWN, GEOFFREY N	\$2,343.43 *
CAMDEN LAND HOLDINGS, LLC	\$948.05 *	HACKETT, MARY KATHLEEN	\$1,471.86
CAMDEN OFFICE, LLC	\$2,929.29 *	HAMALAINEN, MARTIN R HAMALAINEN, ANDREA TAYLOF	\$3,499.28

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CANFIELD, GERTRUDE G	\$2,057.72 *	HARLOW, ROBIN G	\$2,256.85
HARRIS, SHAWN F. HARRIS, MARIA H.	\$2.61 *	MONAHAN, TERRANCE B	\$1,562.77
HARVEY, JAMES P HARVEY, WENDY A	\$4.73	MOORE, BENJAMIN C. NINNIS, NANCY	\$875.90 *
HEARST, JASON G HEARST, HEATHER C	\$5.63 *	MORAN, KATHERINE M	\$3,369.41 *
HEARST, JASON G HEARST, HEATHER C	\$12.72 *	MORONG, WILLIAM G MORONG, KATHERINE E	\$4,577.20
HENTHORN, NORMAN F, JR HENTHORN, LINDA E	\$8,835.49 *	MOSKOWITZ, STEVEN MOSKOWITZ, DEBORAH	\$2,439.39 *
HERMAN, SOPHIA & MICHAEL TATIAN, CAROL W & HRAN	\$512.27 *	MOSKOWITZ, STEVEN MOSKOWITZ, DEBORAH	\$168.11 *
HODGSON, PAUL G HODGSON, JENNIFER L O	\$5,030.30 *	MUNDELL, KATHLEEN M	\$48.55 *
HOFF, HANS H	\$6,490.61 *	MUNDELL, KATHLEEN M.	\$37.05 *
HORN, CAROLYN & DOERING, TRUSTEES	\$3,041.84 *	MYERS, CHAD E.	\$878.06 *
HORROCKS, PAULINE,LT	\$1,832.61 *	NELSON, RALPH E JR	\$2,147.18
HUFNAGEL, ERIN, PR ESTATE OF CYNTHIA SEEFAHRT	\$3,174.60	NELSON, RALPH JR	\$1,531.02
JOHNSON, WADE C JOHNSON, STEPHANIE R	\$2,415.58 *	NESTOR, JOAN G, TRUSTEE FAMILY TRUST	\$7,861.46 *
JONES, PATRICK JONES, KATHERINE	\$6,438.67 *	NEWBOLD, DAVID L HUNTER, MAXINE	\$58.32 *
JONES, PETER M	\$1,303.03 *	NINNIS, NANCY & MOORE, BENJAMIN C	\$902.59 *
KANDRA-BERGMAN, MONIQUE PR ESTATE OF THOMAS C	\$4,138.52	NORTON, LINDA M	\$3,270.56 *
KASHNER, HEATHER HASLAM, JEREMY R	\$1,150.07 *	ORNE, MATTHEW W ORNE, MICHELE ROSE	\$3,367.24 *
KELM ACQUISITION, LLC	\$2,525.25	ORNE, MATTHEW W ORNE, MICHELLE ROSE	\$3,281.38 *
KELM ACQUISITION, LLC.	\$2,894.66	ORNE, MATTHEW W ORNE, MICHELLE T	\$5,062.04 *
KELM ACQUISITION, LLC.	\$2,281.38	PAYSON, TIMOTHY D PAYSON, GLENNIS ORTIZ	\$2,516.59
KILBY, JOHN L KILBY, CHRISTINE	\$3,509.38	PEDERSEN, ALAN K. DIXON, DAVID W.	\$6,079.36 *
KNAPP, CONNIE R	\$1,463.20 *	PENDLETON, WINSTON A	\$3,724.38
KNOWLTON, RICHARD L KNOWLTON, LESLIE C	\$3,147.18 *	PERLIS, MICHAEL	\$7.54 *
KOBERSTEIN, MARY, TRUSTEE MARY KOBERSTEIN TRU:	\$15,369.39 *	PIERCE, CHRISTINA O.	\$2,372.29 *
KOOYENGA, JANET L.	\$6,772.00 *	PINE TREE HOLDINGS LLC	\$2,035.40 *
KOOYENGA, JANET L.	\$679.65 *	PLATNER, JOSHUA	\$4,011.54
KURASZ, LIDIA	\$102.45 *	PONDFIELD LTD PARTNERSHIP C/O MALCOLM TISDALE	\$19.78 *
LAITE, PARKER S	\$0.72 *	POUND, JOANNE GARRIGAN POUND, TORY D.	\$5,545.45
LAITE, PARKER S., SR, TRUSTEE IRENE F. LAITE FAMILY	\$7.69 *	PRINCE, SUSAN HOWLAND, JOHN S	\$1,301.11 *
LAITE, PARKER S., SR, TRUSTEE IRENE F. LAITE FAMILY	\$6.65 *	PROCTOR, JAYME ELLEN, PR ESTATE OF PATRICIA S PF	\$1,164.50
LAITE, PARKER S., SR., TRUSTEE IRENE F. LAITE FAMILY	\$9.78 *	PULS, DENNIS M PULS, SUSAN D	\$104.13 *
LAITE, PARKER S., SR., TRUSTEE IRENE F. LAITE FAMILY	\$7.76 *	RAYMOND, MARY ELLEN RAYMOND, TIMOTHY C	\$2,770.56 *
LANDON, HARRY H LANDON, SHEILA M	\$2,862.91	READ, HARRY W JR READ, PATRICIA H	\$561.94 *
LARNED, M AVERY	\$1,088.02 *	REGNIER, MARGUERITE F, LT	\$3,142.85
LATTES, LISA J CARTER, W HODDING	\$4,743.14 *	REMSEN, HENRY, TRUSTEE	\$6,735.92 *
LEDWITH, JAMES B LEDWITH, KATHERINE H	\$5,209.23 *	RICE, JAMES D RICE, FERNE N	\$1,628.45
LEIPOLD, CLAUDIA	\$196.43 *	RICHARD, JAMES H RICHARD, JILL A	\$1,873.73 *
LIBBY, DAVID E LIBBY, LIZABETH K	\$3,538.24	RICHARDS, DUANE C	\$2,873.83
LIBBY, PATRICIA A	\$4,161.82	ROCKNAK, WILLIAM SCOTT	\$1,404.76 *
LOCKE, NANCY I	\$1,777.49	ROKES PEONY FARM LLC	\$373.02
LOWRY, PETER H	\$7,868.68 *	SABERTON, PAMELA	\$2,780.66
LUNEY, MICHAEL	\$3,639.25	SANDVOLD LLC	\$7,943.72
MACDONALD, STEVEN G MACDONALD, BETHANY G	\$1,471.86 *	SCHELBLE, JUDITH K	\$1.34 *
MACLACHLAN, COURTNEY	\$957.43 *	SCOFIELD, FRANK A ET ALS	\$8,837.79 *
MARIN, STEVEN A MARIN, CATHERINE W	\$1,392.49	SHORTALL, SEAN P.	\$1,572.87 *
MARSTON, RALPH E	\$26.66 *	SIEGENTHALER, MARK	\$2,130.59 *
MASIN-PETERS, PETER N	\$1,616.36 *	SIEGENTHALER, MARK	\$1,806.63 *
MASON, MARK	\$1,461.76 *	SMITH, MARIANNE W	\$11.38 *
MCCONNELL, KATHLEEN D. TOLER, BARBARA J.	\$2,748.92	SMITH, STUART	\$143.09 *
MCCORMICK, KERRY A	\$1,135.64 *	SMITH, STUART G SMITH, MARIANNE W	\$6.83 *
MCCOY, JUDY A	\$1,832.82	SMITH, STUART G SMITH, MARIANNE W	\$7.21 *
MEAD, DANA G MEAD, NANCY L	\$4,134.91 *	SMITH, STUART G	\$13.07 *
MEGUNTICOOK-COLLINS A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	\$138.53	SMITH, STUART G SMITH, MARIANNE W	\$12.38 *
MICHAELS, THOMAS C MICHAELS, NORA H	\$3,238.09	SMITH, STUART G SMITH, MARIANNE W	\$3.72 *
MILLER, JOHN A MILLER, DIANE G	\$10,082.96 *	SMITH, STUART G SMITH, MARIANNE W	\$110.46 *

**2015 UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES
JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015**

MOLYNEAUX ROAD HOUSE, LLC	\$2,366.52	SMITH, STUART G & MARIANNE W KAHN, R DOUGLAS & S	\$8.71 *
MONAHAN, TERRANCE B MONAHAN, CAROLINE G	\$1,997.11	SMITHSON, JAMES L., PR ESTATE OF CARMEN Z. SIMPKI	\$35.64 *
SNOW, WINNIE H	\$2,134.92 *	CAUTELA SIMONE	363.64
SPEAR, KIM A SPEAR, MICHAEL P	\$65.65 *	COASTAL TILE & STONE LLC	12.99 *
SPENO, LUCINDA ROSIE	\$1,527.87 *	COHN, ZACHARY	465.15
STANLEY, PATRICIA A	\$2,318.20	DICKEY DAVID A	2.96
STEARNS, RANDALL B STEARNS, BRENDA M	\$2,099.57	DOUGHTY, MARLENE	90.91
STEARNS, RANDALL B STEARNS, BRENDA M	\$1,012.99	FONTANA, WILLIAM & JOANNE BALL	70.70
STEBBINS, ROSETTA B STEBBINS, DAVID D	\$1,493.50 *	GRODZINS, DIANA L TRUSTEE	30.30
STEBBINS, ROSETTA B STEBBINS, DAVID D	\$1,277.77 *	GUSHEE JUDITH	8.95 *
STEELE, JOHN	\$535.35 *	HANSEN, KAREN	75.04
STEPHENS, DONALD STEPHENS, JANET	\$230.75 *	HARDY CHRISTOPHER ESQ	105.34 *
STIEHLER, MARY E	\$1,103.17 *	HOLMLUND, ERIK	98.12
STROUT, DANA F KLEIN, DORIE ELAINE	\$3,142.85	KORY WHITFIELD	30.30
SWEENEY, RAYMOND J	\$3,203.46 *	LANDI, ALICIA	43.29
SWEENEY, RAYMOND T	\$665.94 *	LAUER MASONRY	56.28 *
SWIFT, JUDY M SWIFT, CHARLES W	\$1,680.37 *	LAWSON MATTHEW	757.10
TANNERY LANE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	\$17,286.84 *	LINDA M NORTON STUDIO	5.77
TANNERY LANE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	\$10.68 *	LINZ LLC FRANCINE BISTRO	282.83
TANNERY LANE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	\$16.14 *	BEGGARLY GROUP, LLC	621.93
TENNESON, JOYCE	\$3,344.87	MOORE, ANDY	47.62
THACKERAY, RICHARD W., JR. THACKERAY, CARRIE E.	\$2,425.68 *	MUZAK, LLC.	20.20 *
THE BELMONT INN LLC	\$2,299.55 *	NORTON, LINDA M.	7.21
TISDALE, STUART W,WALTER R,WARD C MALCOLM, B &	\$2.21 *	OSTROWSKI JAMES	158.73
TOOLEY, ANNE C	\$2,306.24	OSTROWSKI JAMES A	391.05
TUCKER, MERRILL	\$1,153.68 *	PENDLETON WINSTON A	533.91
TURNER, DAVID TURNER, JENNIFER M	\$6,872.14 *	PETER OTTS	487.73
TYLER, MICHAEL TYLER, NADENE	\$2,878.78 *	PIKEN, GENE L	33.19
VEREST, OSCAR	\$6,701.29 *	POWER WILL & AMY	10.10
WALKER II, H STRICKER	\$1.38 *	ROHRER VALERA	30.30
WALSH, JEFFREY L. WALSH, LIZA GARDNER	\$3,284.27 *	SCHUCKLE PATRICIA	25.97
WARREN, INGRID R, TRUSTEE INGRID R WARREN TRUS	\$3,811.68 *	SEA STAR INC	1018.76
WASHBUCKLE, LLC.	\$2,847.76 *	SKAALA, LLC	53.39
WEINTRAUB, ILENE F WEINTRAUB, PAUL A	\$2,463.92 *	THOMAS MICHAELS DESIGNERS INC	118.33
WHITE, MICHAEL S DUNAVENT-WHITE, SUZANNE	\$1,595.88	TIBBETTS ARTHUR JR	85.13
WINSLOW, PRISCILLA	\$75.76	TOWN & COUNTRY REALTORS	49.06
WOLFRUM, JAMES JR WOLFRUM, LAURIE J	\$1,704.84 *	CAMDEN WHITEHALL CORP.	651.76
WOOD, NEIL D	\$1,317.46 *	ZEIGLER MARTIN	14.43
ZWECKER, SAMUEL & WENDY(1/2INT) TURNER LORENCE	\$537.52 *		
TOTAL OUTSTANDING AS OF JUNE 30, 2015	\$445,169.61	TOTAL OUTSTANDING AS OF JUNE 30, 2015	0.00

*OUTSTANDING AS OF 12/31/2015

*PAID PRIOR TO AUGUST 28, 2015 LIEN DATE

**2015 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES
2015 UNPAID TAX LIENS
JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015**

2015 UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY

63 HIGH ST, LLC	33.45 *
93 BAY VIEW LLC	4.70
AHP CAMDEN, LLC	148.63
AHP CAMDEN, LLC	450.94
BELOIN LYNN & AGNES	1555.55
BRACE RUSSELL & REBECCA	122.02
BRANDON KIMBLE	44.73
BREDA LLC	2242.42
BRIAN HILL	106.06
CAPPYS OF CAMDEN LLC	247.47
CAPPYS OF CAMDEN, LLC.	194.08
CAUTELA SIMONE	363.64
COASTAL TILE & STONE LLC	12.99 *
COHN, ZACHARY	465.15
DICKEY DAVID A	2.96
DOUGHTY, MARLENE	90.91
FONTANA, WILLIAM & JOANNE BALL	70.70
GRODZINS, DIANA L TRUSTEE	30.30
GUSHEE JUDITH	8.95 *
HANSEN, KAREN	75.04
HARDY CHRISTOPHER ESQ	105.34 *
HOLMLUND, ERIK	98.12
KORY WHITFIELD	30.30
LANDI, ALICIA	43.29
LAUER MASONRY	56.28 *
LAWSON MATTHEW	757.10
LINDA M NORTON STUDIO	5.77
LINZ LLC FRANCINE BISTRO	282.83
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MOORE, ANDY	47.62
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OSTROWSKI JAMES	158.73
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TOWN & COUNTRY REALTORS	49.06
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ZEIGLER MARTIN	14.43

TOTAL OUTSTANDING AS OF JUNE 30, 2015 12008.52

***OUTSTANDING AS OF 12/31/2015**

2015 UNPAID TAX LIENS

BANKS, WHIT	2,568.93
BEREZ, PAUL D	2,384.14
BOWEN, ROXANNE L	2,333.33
BRAWN, MARNEY L	102.16
CAMDEN HILLS FARM LLC	7,538.23
CLARK, SUZANN F	5.01
CLARK, TMARA	978.35
EMERY, TRISTO	210.68
FRESCO, LLC	4,290.04
GARIGAN, BERNARD B	2,291.48
GREET, WILLIAM E JR	1,835.50
HACKETT, MARY KATHLEEN	1,471.86
HAMALAINEN, MARTIN R	3,499.28
KELM ACQUISTION, LLC	2,525.25
KELM ACQUISTION, LLC	2,894.66
KELM ACQUISTION, LLC	2,281.38
LIBBY, DAVID E	3,538.24
LIBBY, PATRICIA A	854.84
LUNEY, MICHAEL	3,639.25
MCCONNELL, KATHLEEN D	1,539.11
MONAHAN, TERRANCE B	1,997.11
MONAHAN, TERRANCE B	1,562.77
NELSON, RALPH E JR	2,147.18
NELSON, RALPH E	1,531.02
PAYSON, TIMOTHY D	2,516.59
PENDLETON, WINSTON A	3,724.38
PROCTOR, JAYME ELLEN, PR	1,164.50
RICHARDS, DUANE C	2,864.36
SABERTON, PAMELA	2,360.92
SANDVOLD LLC	7,943.72
STANLEY, PATRICIA A	1,004.22
STEARNS, RANDALL B	1,012.99
TOOLEY, ANNE C	1,476.76

TOTAL OUTSTANDING: 80,187.81

TOTAL DOES NOT INCLUDE INTEREST OR LIEN COSTS

COMMITMENT DATE: September 23, 2014

LIEN DATE: August 28, 2015

FORECLOSURE DATE: February 28, 2017

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Carol Sue Greenleaf, Finance Director



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, 2015 as reported in the audited 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 Town maintains nine funds: General Fund, Sewer Department, Snow Bowl, Mt. View & Oak Hill Cemeteries, Trust Funds, Reserve Funds, Restricted Funds, Grants and Seabright Hydro. 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 designated 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 budgeted money for capital improvements and capital reserve accounts. Typically, accounts help to meet the Town's cash flow needs in place of short term borrowing (TAN) thus limiting, as much as possible, interest expense. This type of "in-house" borrowing not only saves money, healthy reserve accounts serve as a good way 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 Directors the Town Manager each year will submit to the Select Board for their review a "Five Year Capital Improvement Plan". Capital improvements addressed in this budget include the purchase of a new Police cruiser (\$35,000), Public Works roof repairs (\$10,000), Public Works

fuel depot improvements (\$9,000), the Spruce Street drainage project (\$60,000) and the purchase of a ¾ ton truck to be used in the Parks (and Snow Bowl) Departments (\$30,000) replacing a 1996 dump truck. The Wastewater Department's budgeted capital improvements include funds to repair or replace the roof on the building for sludge dewatering equipment (\$18,000), continuing work with engineers on an inflow and infiltration study (\$15,000) and the annual lease payment for a sewer flushing machine upgrade (\$14,450). Funding for capital improvements as outlined in the Capital Improvement Plan was kept to a minimum. The same (reduced funding) is true for the capital reserve accounts that would be used in the future for significant expenditures. Examples of reserve accounts funded in this budget are; Accrued Benefits Reserve (\$15,000), Opera House Maintenance Reserve (\$10,000), Information Technology Reserve (\$10,000), Energy Conservation Reserve (\$5,000), Fire Truck Reserve (\$5,000), Storm Sewer Reserve (\$20,000), Parking Reserve (\$5,000), Streets and Sidewalk Reserve (\$10,000), Snow Bowl Reserve (\$20,000) and Harbor Projects Reserve (\$20,000). Every effort is made to purchase expensive equipment jointly with nearby towns when appropriate.

Capital Assets

The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business type activities as of June 30, 2015 was \$13,872,166. Capital assets, includes land and buildings, furniture and equipment, vehicles and infrastructure. Funds restricted for non-expendable trust principal were \$2,564,344 and funds restricted for grants and donations were \$1,575,993; \$807,579 was unrestricted.

Long-term Liabilities

The Town of Camden's governmental long-term liabilities incurred changes during this fiscal year. Outstanding bonds and notes began the year with a balance of \$2,213,599. "Retired" debt totaled \$214,862 (there was no new debt) ending the fiscal year with a balance of \$1,998,737. Of this amount \$217,131 will be due within one year. New capital leases totaled \$225,376. Retired capital leases totaled \$169,844 ending with a balance of \$723,393; \$154,121 due within one year. Compensated absences another long term liability had a beginning balance of \$345,002 increases of \$30,229 with an ending balance of \$375,231. Added to this category (this year) was "net pension liability" with a beginning figure of \$1,127,844. Reductions to the net pension liability were \$512,038 leaving an ending balance of \$615,806. Total long term governmental liabilities as of June 30, 2015 were \$3,713,167.

For a complete accounting of *budget to actual* amounts please refer to the back pages of this Town Report and Exhibit A-2 (*which follows Statement 10*).

This completes my final Finance Director's Report as I make plans to retire in May of 2016. My sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation to Town Manager Pat Finnigan, the Select Board, my co-workers and the wonderful citizens of Camden for their support over these many years. I would also like to thank my friend and assistant Marlene Libby... it has been quite a ride and I'm glad you were with me.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 596,636	22,800	619,436
Investments	5,579,399	-	5,579,399
Receivables:			
Accounts (net of allowance of \$2,676)	314,594	-	314,594
Taxes receivable - current year	824,264	-	824,264
Tax and sewer liens	73,539	-	73,539
Tax acquired property	26,808	-	26,808
Internal balances	184,584	(184,584)	-
Inventory	8,526	-	8,526
Nondepreciable capital assets	1,852,284	160,000	2,012,284
Depreciable capital assets, net	9,775,613	4,806,399	14,582,012
Total assets	19,236,247	4,804,615	24,040,862
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	287,770	-	287,770
Total deferred outflows of resources	287,770	-	287,770
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	473,271	-	473,271
Accrued wages	77,476	-	77,476
Bond anticipation note payable	650,000	-	650,000
Accrued interest	36,854	-	36,854
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	371,252	-	371,252
Due in more than one year	3,341,915	34,562	3,376,477
Total liabilities	4,950,768	34,562	4,985,330
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	523,220	-	523,220
Total deferred inflows of resources	523,220	-	523,220
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	8,905,767	4,966,399	13,872,166
Restricted for:			
Nonexpendable trust principal	2,564,344	-	2,564,344
Grants and donations	1,575,993	-	1,575,993
Unrestricted	1,003,926	(196,346)	807,580
Total net position	\$ 14,050,030	4,770,053	18,820,083

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2015

Functions/programs	Net (expense) revenue and changes in net position					
	Expenses	Charges for services	Program revenues			Total
			Operating grants and contributions	Capital grants and contributions	Governmental activities	
Primary government:						
Governmental activities:						
General government	\$ 3,062,931	190,750	-	-	(2,872,181)	(2,872,181)
Public safety	2,014,511	24,364	-	-	(1,990,147)	(1,990,147)
Highways, streets and bridges	1,734,585	-	54,140	-	(1,680,445)	(1,680,445)
Human services	64,864	-	-	-	(64,864)	(64,864)
Leisure services	1,029,416	291,266	23,745	2,322,642	1,608,237	1,608,237
Cemeteries	121,061	110,902	-	-	(10,159)	(10,159)
Education	10,053,744	-	-	-	(10,053,744)	(10,053,744)
Solid waste, sewer and other	710,416	1,779,342	205,193	-	1,274,119	1,274,119
Interest on debt service	84,830	-	13,864	-	(70,966)	(70,966)
Non-capital maintenance expenses	485,305	-	-	-	(485,305)	(485,305)
Total governmental activities	19,361,663	2,396,624	296,942	2,322,642	(14,345,455)	(14,345,455)
Business-type activities:						
Camden Snow Bowl	934,972	811,113	-	-	(123,859)	(123,859)
Total business-type activities	934,972	811,113	-	-	(123,859)	(123,859)
Total primary government	\$ 20,296,635	3,207,737	296,942	2,322,642	(14,345,455)	(14,469,314)
General revenues:						
Property taxes, levied for general purposes					15,893,248	15,893,248
Interest and costs on taxes					45,543	45,543
Motor vehicle excise taxes					951,080	951,080
Franchise taxes					71,428	71,428
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs:						
Homestead exemption					73,287	73,287
Other State aid					21,682	21,682
State Revenue Sharing					179,336	179,336
Unrestricted investment earnings					9,086	9,086
Miscellaneous revenues					3,437	3,437
Transfers					(4,239,415)	4,239,415
Total general revenues and transfers					13,008,712	17,248,127
Change in net position					(1,336,743)	2,778,813
Net position - beginning, as restated					15,386,773	16,041,270
Net position - ending					\$ 14,050,030	18,820,083

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2015

	General	Sewer Operations Fund	Charles Wood Fund	RMRA Redevelopment	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 147,287	-	82,430	-	366,919	596,636
Investments	2,137,066	-	1,745,104	-	1,697,229	5,579,399
Receivables:						
Accounts (net of allowance of \$2,676)	25,200	248,907	-	-	-	274,107
Taxes receivable - current year	824,264	-	-	-	-	824,264
Tax and sewer liens	72,051	1,488	-	-	-	73,539
Tax acquired property	26,808	-	-	-	-	26,808
Inventory	8,526	-	-	-	-	8,526
Interfund loans receivable	1,041,986	502,409	14,109	-	1,064,679	2,623,183
Total assets	\$ 4,283,188	752,804	1,841,643	-	3,128,827	10,006,462
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	435,168	2,828	-	-	35,275	473,271
Accrued wages	69,395	8,081	-	-	-	77,476
Bond anticipation note payable	650,000	-	-	-	-	650,000
Interfund loans payable	-	-	-	2,317,236	80,876	2,398,112
Total liabilities	1,154,563	10,909	-	2,317,236	116,151	3,598,859
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	265,180	-	-	-	-	265,180
Total deferred inflows of resources	265,180	-	-	-	-	265,180
FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT)						
Nonspendable - trust principal	-	-	902,731	-	1,661,613	2,564,344
Nonspendable - inventory	8,526	-	-	-	-	8,526
Restricted	-	-	938,912	-	637,081	1,575,993
Committed	-	685,767	-	-	850,838	1,536,605
Assigned	1,500,000	56,129	-	-	-	1,556,129
Unassigned	1,354,919	-	-	(2,317,236)	(136,856)	(1,099,173)
Total fund balances (deficit)	2,863,445	741,896	1,841,643	(2,317,236)	3,012,676	6,142,424
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	\$ 4,283,188	752,805	1,841,643	-	3,128,827	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:						
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.						11,627,897
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.						265,180
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						(1,998,737)
Capital leases						(723,393)
Net pension liability, including deferred inflows and outflows of resources						(851,256)
Accrued interest						(36,854)
Accrued compensated absences						(375,231)
Net position of governmental activities						\$ 14,050,030

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

	General	Sewer Operations Fund	Charles Wood Fund	RMRA Redevelopment	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$ 16,921,435	-	-	-	50,150	16,971,585
Intergovernmental	271,746	-	-	-	224,387	496,133
Licenses and permits	168,202	-	-	-	-	168,202
Charges for services	362,336	1,158,294	-	-	180,339	1,700,969
Interest earned	9,086	-	-	-	35,275	44,361
Contributions	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Realized and unrealized gains (losses)	-	-	-	-	135,344	135,344
Other	114,571	95	154,818	2,322,642	96,735	2,688,861
Total revenues	17,847,376	1,158,389	154,818	2,322,642	732,230	22,215,455
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	1,640,472	-	-	-	43,142	1,683,614
Public safety	1,881,674	-	-	-	2,559	1,884,233
Highways, streets and bridges	1,341,699	-	-	-	205,260	1,546,959
Human services	5,925	-	-	-	58,939	64,864
Leisure services	932,236	-	-	-	52,200	984,436
Cemeteries	75,289	-	-	-	45,772	121,061
Contingency	37,377	-	-	-	-	37,377
Education	10,053,744	-	-	-	-	10,053,744
County tax	1,070,830	-	-	-	-	1,070,830
Solid waste	203,622	-	-	-	9,208	212,830
Sewer operations	-	748,410	-	-	-	748,410
Unclassified	-	-	57,035	4,561,293	218,335	4,836,663
Debt service	472,760	-	-	-	-	472,760
Capital improvements and reserves	358,997	201,430	-	-	-	560,427
Total expenditures	18,074,625	949,840	57,035	4,561,293	635,415	24,278,208
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(227,249)	208,549	97,783	(2,238,651)	96,815	(2,062,753)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Proceeds from capital lease	225,376	-	-	-	-	225,376
Transfers from other funds	-	20,000	-	-	110,000	130,000
Transfers to other funds	(130,000)	-	-	-	-	(130,000)
Total other financing sources	95,376	20,000	-	-	110,000	225,376
Net change in fund balances	(131,873)	228,549	97,783	(2,238,651)	206,815	(1,837,377)
Fund balances (deficit), beginning of year	2,995,318	513,347	1,743,860	(78,585)	2,805,861	7,979,801
Fund balances (deficit), end of year	\$ 2,863,445	741,896	1,841,643	(2,317,236)	3,012,676	6,142,424

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2015

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (from Statement 4)	\$	(1,837,377)
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (Statement 2) are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay (\$771,678) exceeded depreciation expense (\$590,108) in the current period.		181,570
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		48,880
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. This is the amount by which the decrease in the net pension liability with related deferred inflows and outflows (\$137,859) and accrued interest (\$3,224) exceeded the increase in accrued compensated absences (\$30,229).		110,854
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Bond and capital lease proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. Repayment of bond and lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the amount by which bond repayments (\$214,862) and capital lease repayments (\$169,844) exceeded lease proceeds (\$225,376).		159,330
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Change in net position of governmental activities (see Statement 2)	\$	(1,336,743)
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See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual
General Fund
For the year ended June 30, 2015

	Budgeted amounts		Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 16,901,319	16,901,319	16,921,435	20,116
Intergovernmental	271,500	271,500	271,746	246
Licenses and permits	162,000	162,000	168,202	6,202
Charges for services	306,000	306,000	362,336	56,336
Interest earned	10,000	10,000	9,086	(914)
Other	124,450	124,450	114,571	(9,879)
Total revenues	17,775,269	17,775,269	17,847,376	72,107
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government	1,634,562	1,634,562	1,635,074	(512)
Public safety	1,844,895	1,887,236	1,881,674	5,562
Highways, streets and bridges	1,364,950	1,467,206	1,341,699	125,507
Health and welfare	5,925	5,925	5,925	-
Leisure services	947,460	947,460	932,236	15,224
Cemeteries	95,245	95,245	75,289	19,956
Contingency	40,000	75,000	37,377	37,623
Unclassified	11,345,750	11,345,750	11,333,594	12,156
Debt service	541,902	541,902	472,760	69,142
Capital improvements and reserves	144,000	369,376	358,997	10,379
Total expenditures	17,964,689	18,369,662	18,074,625	295,037
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(189,420)	(594,393)	(227,249)	367,144
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers out	(130,000)	(130,000)	(130,000)	-
Proceeds from capital lease	-	225,376	225,376	-
Utilization of prior year surplus	319,420	319,420	150,000	(169,420)
Utilization of carryforward balances	-	179,597	-	(179,597)
Total other financing sources	189,420	594,393	245,376	(349,017)
Net change in fund balance, budgetary basis	-	-	18,127	18,127
Reconciliation to GAAP:				
Utilization of fund balance			(150,000)	
Net change in fund balance, GAAP basis			(131,873)	
Fund balance, beginning of year			2,995,318	
Fund balance, end of year	\$		2,863,445	

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Funds
June 30, 2015

Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds	
	Camden Snow Bowl
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 22,800
Total current assets	22,800
Noncurrent assets:	
Property, plant, and equipment	5,415,862
Less accumulated depreciation	(449,463)
Total noncurrent assets	4,966,399
Total assets	4,989,199
LIABILITIES	
Interfund loans payable	184,584
Accrued compensated absences	34,562
Total liabilities	219,146
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	4,966,399
Unrestricted	(196,346)
Total net position	\$ 4,770,053

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
Proprietary Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds		Camden Snow Bowl
Operating revenues:		
Lift tickets	\$	462,011
Toboggan and tube income		5,305
Lesson and racing fees		136,895
Rental income		72,292
Food and merchandise		3,022
Other		131,588
Total operating revenues		811,113
Operating expenses:		
Administration		265,174
Lodge		42,879
Maintenance shop		9,585
Alpine		483,792
Rental shop		31,362
Toboggan chute		54,147
Depreciation		48,033
Total operating expenses		934,972
Operating loss		(123,859)
Capital contributions		4,239,415
Change in net position		4,115,556
Total net position, beginning of year		654,497
Total net position, end of year		\$ 4,770,053

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2015

Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds		Camden Snow Bowl
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Receipts from customers and users	\$	811,113
Payments to employees		(385,846)
Payments to suppliers		(493,205)
Net cash used in operating activities		(67,938)
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:		
Decrease in interfund loan payable		(44,457)
Net cash used in non-capital financing activities		(44,457)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Payments on capital leases		(36,672)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities		(36,672)
Decrease in cash		(149,067)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		171,867
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	22,800
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided used in operating activities:		
Operating loss	\$	(123,859)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided (used) in operating activities:		
Depreciation		48,033
Increase in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accrued compensated absences		7,888
Net cash used in operating activities		(67,938)

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Agency Funds
June 30, 2015

		Agency Funds
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	25,162
Interfund loans receivable		838
Accounts receivable		29,357
Total assets		55,357
LIABILITIES		
Interfund loans payable		41,325
Held on behalf of others		14,032
Total liabilities	\$	55,357

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
General Fund
Comparative Balance Sheets
June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 147,287	118,285
Investments	2,137,066	3,154,317
Receivables:		
Accounts receivable (net of allowance of \$2,676 for both 2015 and 2014)	25,200	268,641
Taxes receivable - current year	824,264	663,059
Tax liens - prior years	72,051	68,067
Tax acquired property	26,808	26,808
Interfund loans receivable	1,041,986	-
Inventory	8,526	43,987
Total assets	\$ 4,283,188	4,343,164
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and payroll withholdings	435,168	253,212
Accrued wages	69,395	58,023
Bond anticipation note payable	650,000	-
Interfund loans payable	-	809,924
Other unearned revenue	-	10,387
Total liabilities	1,154,563	1,131,546
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	265,180	216,300
Total deferred inflows of resources	265,180	216,300
FUND BALANCE		
Nonspendable - inventory	8,526	43,987
Assigned	1,500,000	179,597
Unassigned	1,354,919	2,771,734
Total fund balance	2,863,445	2,995,318
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balance	\$ 4,283,188	4,343,164

TOWN OF CAMDEN, MAINE
General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
For the year ended June 30, 2015

	2014 Carryforward balance	2015		Variance positive (negative)	
		Original budget	Final budget		Actual
Revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property taxes	\$ -	15,938,018	15,938,018	15,938,020	2
Tax increment financing districts	-	-	-	(49,002)	(49,002)
Supplemental taxes	-	-	-	4,230	4,230
Homestead reimbursement	-	73,512	73,512	73,287	(225)
BETE reimbursement	-	7,089	7,089	7,157	68
Change in unavailable property tax revenue	-	-	-	(48,880)	(48,880)
Excise taxes	-	820,200	820,200	951,080	130,880
Interest and costs on taxes	-	62,500	62,500	45,543	(16,957)
Total taxes	-	16,901,319	16,901,319	16,921,435	20,116
Intergovernmental:					
State Revenue Sharing	-	170,000	170,000	179,336	9,336
State road assistance	-	59,000	59,000	54,140	(4,860)
Tree growth reimbursement	-	8,500	8,500	7,873	(627)
Snowmobile reimbursement	-	500	500	410	(90)
Veterans reimbursement	-	5,500	5,500	6,242	742
Pumpout boat grant	-	23,000	23,000	14,787	(8,213)
State park reimbursement	-	5,000	5,000	8,958	3,958
Total intergovernmental	-	271,500	271,500	271,746	246
Licenses and permits:					
Animal control fees	-	2,000	2,000	2,369	369
Town Clerk fees	-	15,000	15,000	14,442	(558)
Plumbing fees	-	7,000	7,000	8,996	1,996
Building permits	-	50,000	50,000	49,551	(449)
Administration fees	-	16,000	16,000	16,660	660
Cable TV franchise	-	68,000	68,000	71,428	3,428
Electrical fees	-	4,000	4,000	4,756	756
Total licenses and permits	-	162,000	162,000	168,202	6,202

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

	2014 Carryforward balance	2015			Variance positive (negative)
		Original budget	Final budget	Actual	
Revenues, continued:					
Charges for services:					
Harbor fees	\$ -	215,000	215,000	250,043	35,043
Police revenue	-	3,000	3,000	3,014	14
Parking tickets	-	10,000	10,000	21,350	11,350
Parks and recreation revenue	-	18,000	18,000	25,879	7,879
Parks and recreation mowing	-	5,000	5,000	5,550	550
Cemetery maintenance	-	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Harbor Park mowing	-	5,000	5,000	6,500	1,500
Total charges for services	-	306,000	306,000	362,336	56,336
Interest earned	-	10,000	10,000	9,086	(914)
Total interest earned	-	10,000	10,000	9,086	(914)
Other revenues:					
Opera House	-	80,000	80,000	72,898	(7,102)
Yacht Club lease	-	21,000	21,000	21,078	78
Wastewater bond reimbursement	-	14,450	14,450	13,864	(586)
Public Landing leases	-	3,000	3,000	3,294	294
Miscellaneous	-	6,000	6,000	3,437	(2,563)
Total other revenues	-	124,450	124,450	114,571	(9,879)
Total revenues	-	17,775,269	17,775,269	17,847,376	72,107

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

	2014 Carryforward balance	2015			Variance positive (negative)
		Original budget	Final budget	Actual	
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government:					
Administration, finance, codes and assessing	\$ -	711,175	711,175	716,868	(5,693)
Professional services	-	50,000	50,000	72,093	(22,093)
Planning and development	-	287,600	287,600	209,657	77,943
Information technology	-	66,000	66,000	52,194	13,806
Insurance	-	206,160	206,160	256,190	(50,030)
Opera House/Town offices	-	83,595	83,595	82,222	1,373
Opera House/auditorium	-	230,032	230,032	245,850	(15,818)
Total general government	-	1,634,562	1,634,562	1,635,074	(512)
Public safety:					
Police department	22,395	991,925	1,014,320	978,144	36,176
County dispatch	-	125,600	125,600	125,600	-
Fire department	19,946	379,280	399,226	423,274	(24,048)
Public safety building	-	44,000	44,000	48,580	(4,580)
Hydrant rental	-	233,590	233,590	233,035	555
EMS Service	-	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
Street lights	-	60,500	60,500	63,041	(2,541)
Total public safety	42,341	1,844,895	1,887,236	1,881,674	5,562
Highways, streets and bridges:					
Public works	9,845	908,550	918,395	923,458	(5,063)
Street and sidewalks	92,411	432,500	524,911	396,047	128,864
Parking	-	4,400	4,400	2,694	1,706
Tree program	-	19,500	19,500	19,500	-
Total highways, streets and bridges	102,256	1,364,950	1,467,206	1,341,699	125,507

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

	2014 Carryforward balance	2015			Variance positive (negative)
		Original budget	Final budget	Actual	
Expenditures, continued					
Current, continued:					
Health and welfare:					
Provider agencies	\$ -	5,925	5,925	5,925	-
Total health and welfare	-	5,925	5,925	5,925	-
Leisure services:					
Community services	-	21,500	21,500	21,500	-
Camden Public Library	-	375,000	375,000	375,000	-
Harbor and landing	-	171,755	171,755	169,723	2,032
Recreation	-	154,520	154,520	156,685	(2,165)
Parks	-	219,685	219,685	204,941	14,744
Dams	-	5,000	5,000	2,941	2,059
Harbor Park	-	-	-	1,446	(1,446)
Total leisure services	-	947,460	947,460	932,236	15,224
Cemeteries:					
Cemetery association	-	40,000	40,000	40,000	-
Cemetery maintenance	-	55,245	55,245	35,289	19,956
Total cemeteries	-	95,245	95,245	75,289	19,956
Contingency	35,000	40,000	75,000	37,377	37,623
Unclassified:					
MCSWC assessment	-	203,622	203,622	203,622	-
Educations - MSAD #28	-	6,230,365	6,230,365	6,230,365	-
Education - Five Town CSD	-	3,823,379	3,823,379	3,823,379	-
County tax	-	1,070,831	1,070,831	1,070,830	1
Overlay/abatements	-	17,553	17,553	5,398	12,155
Total unclassified	-	11,345,750	11,345,750	11,333,594	12,156
Debt service:					
Principal	-	416,588	416,588	383,119	33,469
Interest	-	125,314	125,314	89,641	35,673
Total debt service	-	541,902	541,902	472,760	69,142

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

	2014 Carryforward balance	2015			Variance positive (negative)
		Original budget	Final budget	Actual	
Expenditures, continued:					
Capital improvements and reserves:					
Capital improvements:					
Police cruiser	\$ -	35,000	35,000	51,226	(16,226)
Spruce Street drainage	-	60,000	60,000	52,395	7,605
Public Works fuel depot	-	9,000	9,000	-	9,000
Public works roof repairs*	-	10,000	10,000	-	10,000
2015 International truck*	-	-	95,212	95,212	-
Case T4 loader*	-	-	82,540	82,540	-
Kubota tractor	-	-	47,624	47,624	-
SB 3/4 ton truck w/plow	-	30,000	30,000	30,000	-
Total capital improvements and reserves	-	144,000	369,376	358,997	10,379
Total expenditures	179,597	17,964,689	18,369,662	18,074,625	295,037
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(179,597)	(189,420)	(594,393)	(227,249)	367,144
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers out:					
Reserves	-	(130,000)	(130,000)	(130,000)	-
Proceeds from capital lease*	-	-	225,376	225,376	-
Utilization of prior year surplus	-	319,420	319,420	150,000	(169,420)
Utilization of carryforward balances	179,597	-	179,597	-	(179,597)
Total other financing sources	179,597	189,420	594,393	245,376	(349,017)
Net change in fund balances, budgetary basis	-	-	-	18,127	18,127
Reconciliation to GAAP:					
Utilization of fund balance				(150,000)	
Net change in fund balances, GAAP basis				(131,873)	
Fund balance, beginning of year				2,995,318	
Fund balance, end of year	\$			2,863,445	

* Budget adjusted for capital lease proceeds.

PLANNING/CODE ENFORCEMENT

Steve Wilson, Planner

Bill O'Donnell, Code Enforcement Officer



In 2015 Camden has continued to see growth. This is a testament to the quality of life offered and to the people of Camden. The number of building permits this year has declined slightly due to the difficult economy. Our office continues to receive many calls daily from real estate agents, builders, developers, architects and engineers with questions on zoning, the building codes, and properties in our fair town.

Planning. We have a number of ordinance change this year, some of these will be put forth to the voters this year.

Building Inspections and Code Enforcement. We have had challenges with staffing again this year due to colleagues advancing their careers, While is gratifying as we are glad to see our friends succeed, it presents challenges to us to continue to provide you with the level of service we want to give. We consider customer service and being responsive to citizens our priority and will continue to do so in the coming years.

Our long time Planner & Code Officer Steve Wilson left this office after 5 ½ years for a new direction. He was a very large asset to the Town of Camden with his longevity and institutional knowledge. He will be missed.

As a Town with a population of more than 4,000 people, we are mandated by State law to enforce the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC). The building and energy code has created more regulation and more inspections which are more time consuming, but the end result is we will have a better and safer town.

The differences in quantity of permits are as follows:

2015		2014		2013		2012	
Type	Qty	Type	Qty	Type	Qty	Type	Qty
Building	183	Building	204	Building	171	Building	146
Plumb	97	Plumb	113	Plumb	104	Plumb	82
Electrical	165	Electrical	172	Electrical	121	Electrical	113
Flood	2	Flood	6	Flood	10	Flood	6
Total	447		495		406		347

Inspections typically run hand in hand with the number of permits. A project can have as few as 2 inspections to an undetermined maximum; typically we have an average of 8 inspections per project. Keep in mind we are also performing inspections on projects permitted in past years due to the size of the project.

For the coming year I do not foresee any significant change in the number of projects and permits, we still have a lot of interest in construction and renovation in Camden and contractors are heavily booked for the coming building season.

If you think you need a permit, please call the Town Office. Questions do not cost money nor do answers.

ASSESSOR'S AGENT

Kerry Leichtman, CMA



Last year the Governor proposed eliminating the Homestead Exemption for everyone under 65 years old. The Legislature disagreed and reacted by increasing the exemption for all – no matter your age – to \$15,000 this year and – it gets even better – to \$20,000 in 2017. This would be an excellent time for people to take advantage of the exemption program if you haven't already done so.

The exemption reduces your property's taxable value, not its actual value.

To be eligible you must have owned a homestead property in Maine for the 12-month period before April 1 of the current tax year (April 1, 2016 for this tax year). The homestead property doesn't have to have been in Camden. You could have moved to Camden from Lincolnville, for example. If you owned a homestead in Lincolnville before moving to Camden you will qualify in Camden, as long as you owned homestead property for the 12 months prior to April 1.

What is a homestead? A Homestead is any residential property in Maine assessed as real property and owned by an applicant, or held in a revocable living trust for the benefit of the applicant, and occupied by the applicant as his or her permanent residence.

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

Homestead Exemptions forms are available from the assessing department. Call or email us and we'll get one to you. You're reading this in the Town Report, which means this year's deadline has already passed. But you'll be right on time for next year, when the exemption is worth \$20,000. So if you're not already receiving the exemption, get your paperwork in early. You only have to apply once but the exemption will keep on giving year after year.

On another note, we have contracted with an outside firm (Cartography Associates, Inc, or CAI) to provide you with up-to-date property information and an interactive map. Many of you are familiar with the Vision online database. The Vision database provided in depth information on every property in town. The new online service does much more. It is an interactive map of town, with every parcel outlined. The map allows you to access our aerial photography, which was last flown in May 2013. It also connects with Google Maps and its well-known Street View capability. You can create your own parcel map, measure distance and area, and a whole lot more.

You can access the CAI online database through the Assessor's page on the Town website. We're sure you'll like what you see.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Karen Brace, Director



The new Community Development position took shape in July of 2015, encompassing the Economic Development Director's initiatives and adding a broader angle. The approach recognizes that a key to a healthy year-round economy is an active, engaged community that attracts businesses and makes Camden a great place to live and work. Our small town has an abundance of diverse natural spaces within its borders: harbor, lakes, mountains and rivers. It has a lively downtown and good access to services. Our strong sense of community completes the picture.

My first year as Community Development Director saw several initiatives and events, involving the creative energy of many residents.

TANNERY

When I joined the staff in July, 2015, a group of citizens had begun studying what to do with the former Apollo Tannery site on Upper Washington Street. The first meeting of the newly-formed Tannery Work Group had been held just weeks before. A year later, a great deal of progress has been made toward turning what started as a divisive issue into an inclusive, community-based effort. The group held a community meeting in May (2016) to draw the public into the process, inviting input and ideas. The Tannery Work Group has made great strides on the question of the best use for the property, moving from individuals with widely diverse opinions to a group that shares a cohesive sense of direction. The Tannery process is a model for how we can continue to find consensus on local issues when they arise.

TEAMS

Last July when I started as Community Development Director, the Downtown Network Board had created teams to address areas like downtown design and improvements, promotions and economic vitality. These teams have taken off during the past twelve months. Camden's Design Team, working on projects such as testing energy-saving street lights and creating safer pedestrian access to the public landing, added two volunteer architects, an artist and other talented residents to help look at long-range improvements to the downtown. New volunteers also stepped forward to join the Downtown Economic Vitality Team, launching a "shop local" project in the fall. The Community Economic Development Advisory Committee continues to work hard on broader Camden initiatives such as making sure our town attracts young people, has jobs for them, and infrastructure.

WINDJAMMER FESTIVAL

Labor Day saw the Windjammer Festival take shape on the public landing. Run entirely by volunteers, Camden's visitors and residents enjoyed the majestic arrival of twenty large vessels as they sailed into Camden Harbor. The celebration continued with fireworks in the evening, a talent show, and the annual crate race the next day. Maritime heritage displays and crafts lined the public landing, and a new educational aspect to the festival led young sailors-to-be through a series of nautical skills.

CONFERENCES

September also saw the Camden International Film Festival draw creative filmmakers and fans from all over the country as "CIFF" grows in acclaim. At in the Camden Opera House, accomplished industry producers mingled with emerging artists to share their work with the public and with each other. In October the PopTech conference attracted presenters from around the world and attendees from afar as well. Local educators and students experienced the conference, making a lasting impact on young minds. Camden became a campus for that weekend in October, featuring a major exhibit at the library, a street music studio on the Village Green, and a Facebook pavilion on the corner of Elm and Washington Streets. Both fall conferences brought a huge economic impact to our area.

CHRISTMAS BY THE SEA

Though the Chamber of Commerce had run our annual holiday celebration in years past, the Town of Camden assumed responsibility in 2015 and gathered five volunteers together who carried the event off in style. New activities like holiday cookie decorating along with old traditions like Santa arriving by boat and the lighting of the Harbor Park tree put visitors and residents in true holiday spirit.

WINTERFEST AND THE TOBOGGAN NATIONALS

When February arrived in Camden, so did the town's annual winter festival. The 2016 event grew to be Maine's Mardi Gras, and as a result, costumes were more colorful than ever. CJ Chenier and the Red Hot Louisiana Band lit up the Opera House stage; ice sculptures adorned the amphitheatre; the 2nd annual Snow Plow parade marched down Main Street; and young skiers demonstrated their athletic skills at the Harbor Park CamJam. The Snow Bowl staff and the event's determined group of volunteers created a successful weekend despite warm temperatures, and the US National Toboggan Championships drew spectators and participants from New England and beyond.

THE CAMDEN CONFERENCE

February also saw our annual foreign policy conference, producing one of the most successful events in its 28-year history with its study of The New Africa. Contributing an annual economic impact of over \$750,000 in one weekend, the Camden Conference combined education, cultural enrichment and economic health to our town in winter.

CELEBRATING CAMDEN'S NEW BUSINESSES

An annual May event called "Business is Blooming" honored Lyman Morse and welcomed eleven more new businesses to Camden. Since spring of last year, these businesses either started up or got a fresh start under new hands: 16 Bay View Street Hotel, Camden House of Pizza, Computer Solutions, Donnie B's, The Drouthy Bear, The Fireside Restaurant, Leonard's, Lyman Morse, Midcoast Medicine and Wellness, The Rhumb Line, The Sea Dog, and Schooner Olad which opened a new Main Street storefront.

Camden is a unique place that we can't take for granted. Its assets are worth celebrating, nurturing and supporting. Having worked with the Chamber of Commerce, I am aware that the year-round service businesses in our area outnumber hospitality-related businesses. This is a critically important element that distinguishes our community from other coastal destinations in Maine. It's a strong motivator to live here, work here, and stay here. Recreation offerings are unsurpassed, from our ski area to the lake and harbor. Our high quality education system is a strong motivator as well, making our area a highly attractive location for young families. The hard workers who are part of these sectors make it happen.

The goals of the Community Development department is to strengthen the community and its year-round economy; to foster citizen engagement; and to encourage and inspire initiatives that make this a great place to live and work. The dedication I see in Camden's volunteers and staff brings a sense of commitment and passion to my work. My door is always open to discuss these or new initiatives that are important to you, and I welcome your input and involvement.



Select Board Chair John French celebrates the opening of the Tannery section of the Riverwalk by cutting the ribbon on September 12, 2015. Members of the community turned out to share in the celebration with the Pathways and Parks and Recreation Committees who had spearheaded the project.

FINANCE OFFICE



Front Left to Right: Virginia Lindsey, Finance Director & Carol Sue Greenleaf, Finance Director (retired)

Back Left to Right: Marlene Libby, Treasurer & Harbor Clerk, Brenda Fisher, Tax Collector, and Katrina Oakes, Town Clerk & Registrar of Voters

TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE



Left to Right: Patricia Finnigan, Town Manager & Janice Esancy, Manager's Assistant and General Assistance Administrator

ASSESSING AND CODES OFFICE



Left to Right: Caitlin Anderson, Assessor's Clerk, Bill O'Donnell, Code Enforcement Officer, Jeanne Hollingsworth, Codes Office Assistant, and Kerry Leichtman, Assessor's Agent

CAMDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Randy Gagne, Chief



I am pleased to present the annual report to the people of Camden from the Camden Police Department. 2015 has been an extremely busy and rewarding year for the Police Department and staff as a whole. I am extremely pleased to announce that Officer Tim Davis graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in December 2014, Officer Jeffrey Boudreau graduated from the Academy in May 2015, and Officer Sam Butler graduated from the Academy in December 2015.

We are very excited to have them complete the formal training aspect of this demanding position and know they have been and will continue to provide the type of Law Enforcement practices our town has come to expect from this department.

The department has six full time patrol officers, one full time detective, and two full time sergeants who fulfill the patrol, investigative and shift supervisory aspects for the department. The administrative branch of the department consists of a full time parking enforcement officer, one full time administrative assistant, one full time lieutenant and the Chief of Police

Training continues to be the key focal point for the department. Once again in 2015 each officer exceeded the minimum training requirements established by the Criminal Justice Academy. All officers in the department received annual certifications on several facets of law enforcement such as; incident command, hazardous materials, and weapons of mass destruction. All officers are certified in CPR and first aid. Joining Officer Allen Weaver as the department training manager is Sergeant Dan Brown. Both officers ensure that all members are current on all aspects of law enforcement qualifications. The department strives to make sure every officer maintains proper training which allows them to provide the best law enforcement operations to the populace of Camden.

In the past year all department supervisors attended and graduated from the FBI LEEDA Trilogy of Training courses. The Trilogy is an intense program that covers training in Supervisory Leadership, Command Institute for Law Enforcement Executives and Executive Leadership. This training is usually completed over a three year period. With hard work, dedication, and some flexible scheduling all Camden Police Supervisors completed the series in about nine months. The department continues its relationship with the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. As staffing demands permit, department officers volunteer their services as instructors at the academy. These officers assist in developing new recruits, enabling them to become better educated members of the law enforcement community.

Officers responded to 5,786 calls for service to the community in 2015. This is an increase of 2,224 calls for service from 2014. The major reason for the increase in calls for service is due to the requirement for the officers to generate a complaint number through dispatch for calls which in the past had gone unreported or were not annotated each time an officer performed a specific duty; i.e., property checks, business and license checks, speed enforcement checks, etc.

Our most commonly reported incidents in 2015 in order of response numbers were: fraud complaints, criminal mischief complaints, domestic related complaints, OUI and assault complaints. The officers and detective also offered and provided expertise to several investigations by outside agencies.

Camden police officers remain available twenty-four hours a day every day. The office hours and administrative offices of the Police Department are open weekdays from 8:00 am to 4:30pm in the Camden Public Safety Building at 31 Washington Street.

I am pleased to report the department continues to be involved with the National Initiative on Drug Take Back. The department will take in any unused prescription drug at anytime during the year. This ensures that unused drugs are removed from homes before they become a target for theft. The department rolled out two new programs in 2015 geared toward the elderly or population that may live alone or have ADA

issues. One program was the Good Morning Camden calling program. We make calls to participants every day between 8 am and 10 am to check in and ensure they are doing okay. If we cannot contact a particular participant an officer will respond to their home and physically check on them. I am pleased to report that it was because two of our participants were on the call list that it was discovered they had fallen in their homes and suffered non-life threatening injuries. A second program is our Sand for Seniors program. The department maintains buckets of sand and when a town person signs up they receive a bucket of sand for their personal use. When the bucket is near or is empty the participant calls us back and another bucket is provided to them. If you or someone you know would like to participate in either of these programs, please give us a call.

The department continues to rely on its most valued resource, you the citizens of Camden. It is through you assisting us daily in our functions that make our jobs much easier. Your assistance is instrumental to ensure Camden remains a safe and secure environment for all of us to work, live and play. I ask that you continue to be proactive within the community by immediately calling 236-3030 if you see any suspicious activity or believe you have been the victim of a crime.

It continues to be our pleasure to serve you, our law enforcement community, and we are looking forward to another rewarding year.



Left to Right Front: Officer Brook Hartshorn, Officer Timothy Davis, Sergeant John Tooley, Chief Randy Gagne, Lieutenant Michael Geary, Sergeant Daniel Brown, Officer, Officer Samuel Butler.

Left to Right Back: Officer Jeffrey Boudreau, Officer Allen Weaver Jr., Det. Curt Andrick, Officer Wesley Butler (missing: Administrative Assistant Jeff Sukeforth, and Ticket Enforcement Officer Mark Bennett)

CAMDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chris Farley, Fire Chief



I am pleased to provide the community with the annual report of the Fire Department. A central point of our work is to maintain the quality of life we enjoy in Camden. The Department and our personnel have continued to work on our goals of maintaining a state of operational readiness while continuing to sustain and advance the proficiency of our personnel. We cooperatively work with other town departments, the Police Department and North East Mobile Health Services to provide a service which will be effective, efficient and fulfill our goals. We would like to extend our thanks to the Town Manager and Select Board for their support.

In addition to fire prevention and protection activities, the range of services we provide runs from; Emergency Management, vehicle extrication, rescue swimmers, ice/cold water rescue, training, inspections, school safety issues, collaboration with other departments, working cooperatively with the Code Enforcement Officer and other town staff, maintenance of the public safety building, recruitment/retention of personnel, issue burn permits, review building plans, review site plans, to the development of the town's Emergency Operations Plan and Emergency Action Plans for the town owned, high hazard classified dams. This is accomplished with a staff of three career and 25 part-time employees (of which two are students at CHRHS).

While regular daily tasks of maintenance, training and the duties referenced above keep personnel engaged, Fire Department staff responded to 455 incidents during the 2015 calendar year. The Department's primary function is to protect lives and property from fire. During these 455 incidents, we provided services at properties valued at \$504,423,100. This represents nearly half of the town's value. There were losses in value of \$627,380. In addition, we responded to alarm activations, fuel leaks, water leaks, bomb scares, motor vehicle accidents, monitored flooding, assisted the town's ambulance provider, helped carry-out injured hikers from trails, and a fire in Lincolnville which resulted in the loss of 2 lives.

It's important to note that a host of annual Firefighter training and safety program requirements are mandated by the Maine Department of Labor. These programs impose more time requirements on part-time personnel and are an addition to basic firefighting education. The programs include; hazard communications, lockout/tag-out, emergency action plans, Hazardous Materials awareness, blood-borne pathogens, personal protective equipment, respiratory protection, traffic control at emergency scenes, driving operations and other training commensurate with duties. The fire service of today is much different than that of a generation ago. Today's Firefighters have more schooling and are exposed to more hazards. We continue to staff the Department in the same generations' old model of relying primarily on part-time 'call' Firefighters. As the community changes over the years, we will be prudent to look at how we will continue to provide and staff the fire protection and life safety protection services which are currently offered by the Fire Department.

The fire service has long worked on regional approaches to finding solutions. In the late 1950s the Knox County Fire Mutual Aid Association was formed. The organization continues to encourage collaboration among the towns. Over the course of the summer of 2015 we conducted a Knox County Fire Service Assessment. Among the findings of the assessment are; the Knox Regional Communications Center is a cornerstone in promoting the alliance amongst fire departments, consider working together on recruitment/retention issues, look at tax incentives, consider a cooperative purchasing program, develop and implement regional Standard Operating Guidelines, use specialized teams with personnel from several departments, develop a common Firefighter accountability system, share leadership during large incidents, continue the regional training academy and create a regional fire coordinator position. Several Fire Chiefs in Knox County have committed to meeting on a more regular basis in order to improve our services by growing our effectiveness through enhanced mutual aid. We are aware of the need to work more cooperatively and are heading in the right direction.

In order to allow the Department to answer your calls more efficiently we suggest that driveways and private roads remain accessible. Keeping trees and bushes trimmed back permits us to access these spaces more readily. In addition we ask all property owners to clearly post your street number so emergency personnel can find you.

Like us on Facebook; Camden Fire Department. Follow us on Twitter @CamdenFire1.

As always, the key to providing a quality service lies in our personnel. I continue to offer my heartfelt thanks to our Firefighters and their families for their dedicated service to the Fire Department and the community. *Job Well Done!*



Fundraising at Oakland Park Bowling Lanes for Big Brothers/Big Sisters “Bowling for Kids Sake”

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTION PHOTOS



Howe Hill Road Training



Water Rescue Training



Bay View Street Training



***Firefighters Cheyne Hansen & Matthew Heath
Fire Prevention Week at Montessori School***

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Chris Farley, Director

The role of the local Emergency Management Director is to work in conjunction with local, county and state Emergency Management officials, the Town Manager and Select Board to prepare the community in the event a disaster were to occur. Emergency Management consists of four phases to be prepared for and respond to disasters. In the planning process we hope to *Mitigate* disasters before they occur. The *Preparedness* phase is just that; being ready to respond to various scenarios that may affect all aspects of the community. *Response* occurs when an event impacts the community. *Recovery* is assisting the various aspects of the community which might be impacted by an event.

In the 2014 fiscal year the town's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was moved to the basement of the First Congregational Church of Camden at 55 Elm Street. In this past fiscal year, we have developed and improved upon the EOC and its capabilities. We have added a radio system that will stay in the EOC, and allows us to communicate throughout the county and a number of State agencies. We have also added two whiteboards, one of which is equipped with a full town map. Although there are still improvements that can and need to be addressed, much progress has been made.

The second major work that the Camden Emergency Management Agency (EMA) has been involved in this past fiscal year was a series of two tabletop exercises (TTX). Many departments were involved in these exercises to include: the Town Manager, Camden Fire Department, Camden EMA, Camden Police Department, the Harbormaster, Camden Public Works, Camden Wastewater, Knox County EMA, and Maine EMA. The two topics that were planned for and discussed were setting up and activating the new EOC, and the Seabright Dam Emergency Action Plan. These exercises were successfully completed and have given us much to think about as we continue to update and advance our emergency preparedness.

Some additional things that we have achieved and worked on are;

- ❖ Matthew Heath has completed his Basic Maine Emergency Manager Certification
- ❖ Camden EMA assisted Knox EMA in facilitating a winter storm TTX
- ❖ Reviewed and critiqued the town's Seabright Dam Emergency Action Plan for later revision
- ❖ Coordinated with Public Works and Wastewater in damage reporting after significant weather events
- ❖ Coordinated the public safety needs during the Camden Windjammer Festival
- ❖ Inter-department coordination during severe weather events
- ❖ Produced Emergency Action Plan for Toboggan Nationals

In the Emergency Management process there are some actions for each of us to consider. Is your family prepared in your own home, so that you can be available to help others in a crisis? Assess your risks and understand your capabilities and vulnerabilities.

In helping the community to be prepared there is continual planning and education process that occurs. The Maine Emergency Management Agency provides an informative website to assist with this; <http://www.maine.gov/mema/prepare>. If you have questions or input into our community being prepared, please contact us at the Public Safety Building, 236-7950.

CAMDEN HARBOR MASTER

Steve Pixley, Harbor Master



I am happy to report that the summer season of 2015 went well for the Harbor department. The Harbor log showed that we did have an above average number of mooring conflicts and or problems. There were a number of moorings that got wrapped up on themselves and became hung down and three sites had to be moved slightly to achieve safe swing.

The day sailor fleet saw a slow spring because of weather, however, the passenger trade picked up to its normal frenzy during peak season. We were able to budget for the replacement of the small boat marina known as the finger floats. We had the Engineer firm of Gartley and Dorsky review the existing layout of the small boat marina. Their findings mimicked our feelings that the existing plan already maximized the usable space. Many hours were spent, however, on the float dimensions that make up this space. This was to minimize connection points and maximize the rigidity and strength of the new system. I would like to give a special thanks to Captain Richard Stetson for all of his assistance with this endeavor.

The Harbor received a grant for a fisherman's hoist that has been sought after for some years by the local fishermen and its completion will merit their ovation. This project will also bring two new fisherman floats and all new green heart pilings along the fisherman floats.

Harbor generated income

Finger floats	\$20,900	Windjammers	\$24,403
Inner floats	\$25,500	Day sailors	\$10,625
Moorings	\$77,409	Fisherman floats	\$3,250
Dinghies	\$12,380	Night dockage	\$63,101
Wait list	\$5,425		

TOTAL INCOME \$ 246,522.00

MOORING SITES----- 382 outer harbor moorings with 12 reassigned. 78 inner Harbor Floats sides with 2 reassigned. 38 Finger Floats with 4 reassigned.

WAITING LIST----- 72 people for outer harbor mooring. 54 people for inner harbor float. 49 people for finger float.

Harbor Clerk: Marlene Libby
(at the Town Office)

Chief Deputy: Jim Leo
Deputy: Henry Owen
Information Assistant: Janet Halsey
(at the Harbor Master's Office)

CAMDEN PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Rick Seibel, Director/Road Commissioner

The Public Works Department is responsible for maintaining 38 miles of streets and roads and 12.5 miles of sidewalk. For winter maintenance we maintain another 20 miles of State Aid roads. A full time mechanic and assistant mechanic provide maintenance and repair to the Town's fleet of trucks, and heavy equipment. Public Works mechanics also work and maintain vehicles for Parks & Rec., Police, Fire, Harbor and Wastewater 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 of paved surfaces, the regular program of roadside ditching, grading and mowing of shoulders took place. Each year Public Works rents an excavator for eight weeks for ditching and culvert replacement, this worked very well and aided in getting a lot of roadside ditching brought up to date.

The department installed new storm drain, sewer and water line on Spruce Street, the road was also rebuilt and repaved. Farley & Son were awarded the bid for this project for a total bid of \$198,065.

Roads that were paved and/or milled include; Alden Street, Beaucaire Avenue from Start Road to Molyneaux Road, Chestnut Street from Limerock to Greenfield and Molyneaux Road from East Fork Road to Melvin Heights Road.

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 for FY15 was \$55.89 per ton. This winter approximately 832 tons of salt have been purchased and approximately 1,500 cubic yards of sand and spread 1,596 cubic yards on roads and parking lots.

At the time of this report (March 2016) we have responded to 34 storms or events with an approximate snowfall of 127 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 to keep major arteries open.

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.

NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF CAMDEN

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 Public Works Director at 236-7954 to discuss those plans. Thank you for your cooperation on this important matter.

PUBLIC WORKS CREW IN ACTION



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT/CAMDEN SNOW BOWL

Landon Fake, Director

The Camden Parks and Recreation Department manages and/or maintains more than 700 acres of town property and several facilities, including the Camden Snow Bowl, six parks cemeteries, and numerous trailheads, overlooks, and boat launches. Information about the Department, its work, and its programs can be found on the Town's website and at www.camdensnowbowl.com



Fiscal Year 2015 was a busy and eventful one, with the main focus of the Department on the first phase of the Snow Bowl redevelopment project. The scope of the work was large: 4 lifts were removed; 2 chairlifts were almost entirely rebuilt to current safety standards, the new carpet lift was delivered and installed; ski terrain increased by a third; snowmaking capacity doubled with more than 4 miles of new pipe laid; 8 buildings were removed and one added; major storm water runoff and erosion control structures were put in place across the new and much of the existing terrain.

There were several bumps in the road that slowed progress, including significant erosion problems, but it was mostly the weather (the 2nd wettest in the last 100 years) that continued to delay construction, right through November, when we had more than 2 feet of snow. December by contrast was mild and rainy, with the ground bare until mid-January, when we began making snow. The new carpet lift for beginners opened then, but we weren't able to finish the triple chair construction and testing until January 29. As a consequence of our late opening, the Snow Bowl offered refunds for season pass-holders; about 12% were returned. Once the chairlift was open, all the natural snow that didn't come in December and January arrived and the season, in terms of snow conditions and number of skiers served, turned into one of the best ever. Missing the Christmas- New Year's holiday and Martin Luther King weekend, which together represent about 20% of the Snow Bowl's revenue, meant that despite day ticket sales close to the prior year's, we finished the year with a \$81,000 deficit in the Snow Bowl enterprise fund.

The annual National Toboggan Championships, which attracts as many as 10,000 people over the 3-day weekend, had its 25th anniversary and was one of the best ever, netting about \$45,000 for the department. We are enormously grateful to the army of volunteers, firefighters, police, ambulance and other organizations and individuals who make it possible. A shout-out goes to Holly Edwards, who is at the center of the effort, and West Bay Rotary, whose volunteers run several parts of the operation. Last year we began integrating the USNTC into Camden's week-long winter fest and this year was even better, with more events all week and better attendance at the races.

In late May of 2015, we moved on to Phase II of the redevelopment project, building the parking lot/ storm water management system and finishing the installation of the double chair.

Some of the numbers from the 2014-'15 ski season:

11,738	Day Tickets Sold
1,266	4th Grade Skier Days
45	Children who received Scholarship Support for Various Programs
101	Children in Racing Programs (after school and weekends)
25	CHRHS Alpine Ski Team members
23	CSB Middle School Team Members
1st	Middle School Team ranking in State Championships
1,060	Season Passes Sold (after refunds)
38	Complimentary Season Passes for Juniors (under age 6)
900	Free Tickets for Juniors
286	Complimentary Season Passes for Regular Volunteers (Ski Patrol, Mountain Stewards, Coaches), Employees, Family of Employees
2,945	Total Ski Patrol Hours

Although most of the focus was on the redevelopment project and events were limited by the construction activity in the parking lot, the Department ran the Summer Recreation program for 71 children and several successful events, including:

- ❖ Second Annual Run for Your Life obstacle course
- ❖ Ragged Mountain Scuttle running and obstacle race
- ❖ Megunticook Canoe Race
- ❖ Wednesday Concerts in the Park

In August of 2014 we celebrated the completion of the first section of the Camden Riverwalk, on the Tannery property. Based on its success and popularity and thanks to the efforts of the Camden-Rockport Pathways Committee, the Department applied for and was awarded another Federal Recreational Trails Program grant administered through the State in March of 2015. This will fund construction of the pathway along the river in Seabright Park.

The Parks and Recreation Department receives tremendous support from volunteers, for which we are very grateful- and without which we could not operate. If you would like to get involved please contact us at 236-3438 or info@camdensnowbowl.com.



WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

Dave Bolstridge, Superintendent



To the Town Manager, Board of Wastewater Commissioners, and the citizens of the Town of Camden it is my pleasure to submit to you the forty sixth annual report for the Wastewater Department. This report covers the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

This past year we continued with our efforts to locate areas where storm and ground water is able to enter the sanitary sewer system. We installed portable flow meters in manholes around town to try to find areas where the flow rises significantly during rain events. We completed a door to door survey in the Sea Street Pump Station area to identify sources of sewer system stormwater inflow, including basement sumps pumps, floor, gutter and perimeter drains. We also completed sewer system smoke and dye testing in the Bayview Pump Station area to identify sources of inflow and infiltration.

More work was completed on the stormwater and sanitary sewer system in December 2015. Ted Berry Company was contracted to help maximize inspections and provide a vacuum truck for cleaning. We completed inspections and cleaning of 2.1 miles of sewer and 0.55 miles of storm drains. This work was carried out to look for areas of stormwater and sanitary cross connections, sources of sewer system infiltration and inflow, catalog piping that's in need of repair and ensure continued system reliability.

Current plans call for the final phase of sanitary sewer system smoke and dye testing during spring through fall in 2016 in the Rawson Avenue Pump Station area of town. Door to door inspections for sources of sewer system inflow are also planned for the Bayview Pump Station area of town.

We completed an engineering evaluation of the remaining three pump stations that need to be overhauled. According to the engineering evaluation, the cost to overhaul the three stations is approximately one million dollars.

2015 was a normal year for precipitation with total rainfall of 50 inches. The following is a summary of plant operations for the calendar year from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015:

Total quantity wastewater treated	258,129,825 gallons
Maximum daily flow, October 23, 2014	2,774,000 gallons
Minimum daily flow, September 29, 2014	305,000 gallons
Activated sludge removed from process	3,597,075 gallons
De-watered sludge sent to compost site	874 cubic yards

Once again I would like to take this opportunity to compliment the Wastewater Department Staff for their dedication to the operation and maintenance of Camden's sanitary wastewater collection and treatment system. Their responsibilities include 17 miles of pipe, 7 pump stations, the wastewater treatment plant and the Seabright hydro-electric facility. I would also like to thank Town Manager Pat Finnigan, the Board of Wastewater Commissioners, and the Residents of the Town of Camden for their continued support and assistance.

TOWN DAMS REPORT

Dave Bolstridge, Dam Agent

To the Town Manager, Select Board, and the citizens of the Town of Camden it my pleasure to submit to you the annual report for the Megunticook Dams. This report covers the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

Despite 2015 normal total rainfall, the spring and summer lake and river levels were challenged by a significant lack of rainfall. Although all three dams were closed as much as allowed by our dam permit, the summer was a challenge for those looking to enjoy recreation on the lake and river. Late fall rains quickly brought levels back to normal to help salvage part of the season for those who were able to get out on the water.

We took advantage of the dry weather in early fall to complete maintenance on the East and West Dams. On the East Dam, cracks in the concrete face of the dam that had been sealed years ago were showing signs of wear as the patch was peeling away from the concrete. This was allowing water to pass through the concrete and seep out on the downstream side of the dam. In order to preserve the concrete wall, the old patch material was removed and a flexible patch product was applied. Although this new patch is satisfactory for the short term, ultimately the lake side of the dam should be refaced.

Repairs were also carried out on the West Dam trash racks. The concrete pillar that supports the center of the racks completely separated from the dam intake structure. Due to movement of this pillar, the opposite end of the attached rack caused part of the concrete support to spall off leaving the rack upper support hanging unsupported. The concrete pillar was replaced and the top section of the opposite concrete support was also replaced.

Both the East and West Dam spillways were cleared of trees and bushes as part of routine maintenance on these dams as recommended by our engineering consulting firm. The Public Works Department completed this work. Other projects recommended by the consulting firm are in the planning stage.

Due to the dry spring and summer, the Seabright Dam hydroelectric production was below normal. However, the power production still provided over \$13,000 in electrical cost savings for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Maintenance was also carried out on the Seabright Dam this past year that is considered beyond routine. While water levels in the dam pond were low, several muskrat borrows on the earthen embankment were filled and riprapped to prevent "piping" through the embankment. Several depression on the upper and downstream sections of the embankment were filled and seeded as well.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) engineers inspected the Seabright Dam in September and requested several improvements. The FERC engineers requested we clear trees and brush from the outer sections of the embankment and across the river next to the concrete spillway. The Public Works Department pitched in and completed this work with the help of a rented wood chipper.

FERC also wanted the wooden dam sluice gate and supporting concrete supports repaired. Both the gate and concrete supports are at the end of their useful life. Therefore, this project was bid and this work will be completed as soon as the replacement gate is received.

As required by FERC regulations, the Seabright Dam Emergency Action Plan (EAP) five year exercise was carried out this fiscal year. Town departments and Knox County EMA met to exercise the EAP and improvements to the EAP were suggested, and have been implemented as a result of this exercise.

The annual Seabright Dam siren drill was carried out in December again this past year. The annual drill is needed to ensure the siren is still operating properly and to remind downstream residents and businesses if they hear the siren they need to evacuate to high ground.

I'd like to thank the Town Manager, Select Board and the citizens of Camden for their support and commitment to ensuring continued safe and reliable operation of all the Megunticook Dams.

CAMDEN OPERA HOUSE

Kerry Hadley, Manager

Introduction: Opened in 1894; on the National Register of Historic Places, Camden Opera House includes a 500-seat auditorium and four conference and meeting rooms owned, managed, and supported financially by the Town of Camden. We produce, sponsor and host events that supplement and expand the cultural, social and economic life of our community. Once again the Camden Opera House was voted “Best of the Best Playhouse” by *Village Soup* readers.

Truly a performance center for all, we hosted 26,000 patrons this year (a 10% increase over last year) serving residents of all ages from Camden and the surrounding areas, and drawing visitors from throughout the world to our downtown. Those patrons come for a wide variety of performances, concerts, theatre, and national and international conferences, having an economic impact on the Camden area of more than \$6 million. On our 100th anniversary in 1994, the Opera House was renovated and restored to its original grandeur. Over the past decade, the Opera House has expanded and upgraded its services and technical capacity. We also provide logistic, technical and staff support to over 200 town meetings and events annually.

2015-16 Program Highlights include concerts by Mary Chapin Carpenter, Jungle Jack Hanna, Noel Paul Stookey, Lunasa, and Eileen Ivers. The Camden International Film Festival (CIFF) now shows monthly movies as part of its “CIFF Selects” program. The Opera House Committee initiated the “Family Fun Film Series” which shows family-friendly movies at affordable prices – with free popcorn provided by Camden National Bank. The Winterfest event has expanded into a weeklong event that included two films, a puppet show for families, and New Orleans great CJ Chenier band made a large group of attendees very warm and happy in the middle of winter!!

Since January, booking requests are up 30% thanks to website and programming improvements. We have also applied for a grant to host a professional dance company.

Free Community Screening: The Opera House was the only venue in the nation to partner with Public Television to offer a free screening of the documentary *A Seal Called Andre* the night of its national debut and now it’s become a favorite annual community event! Here’s a comment from TripAdvisor written by a visitor from St. Louis, Missouri..... *“walked by and learned a free documentary of Andre the Seal was going to be shown...arrived 30 minutes early to a packed house of families - locals and tourists there to learn and share their personal experiences with Andre. What a surprise after the screening to learn all 4 daughters of Harry were in the audience. The building had been recently remodeled and is a jewel of the Camden Arts. This town should be grateful and appreciative of the donations of time and money to preserve such a rich tradition. After the show we learned this is an annual event - we can't wait to come back.”*

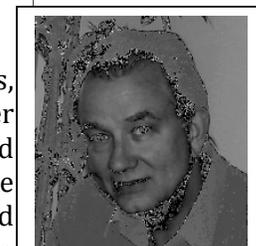
Major Conferences: We are thrilled to be the host site of three major, nationally renown conferences: PopTech, Camden International Film Festival (CIFF), and the Camden Conference all of which bring hundreds of people to our community. CIFF increased its Opera House usage four-fold, utilizing every space and showing films all day and into each night. Each of these conferences expanded their community outreach and programming enriching the cultural life of our area.

Initiatives and accomplishments

Facility Improvements: Our structure may be historic, but thanks to continual upgrades, our technology is state-of-the-art. We upgraded the Wi-Fi system to be much speedier and handle more traffic which is necessary to keep and attract large conferences; installed a handicap-accessible automatic door opener on the exterior door that we share with the town that goes into the elevator lobby; installed a new ETC Element light board; upgraded and redesigned the light booth so that a single operator can run sound, lights and video, a cost saver for both ourselves and our renters. Ever cost-conscious, we continued to make energy conservation improvements including repairing many of the windows to be tighter and relamped the auditorium with halogen light bulbs.



**Kerry Hadley,
Manager**



**Dave Morrison,
Technical &
Facility Director**

All of this was accomplished by our beloved Tech Director/Facility Manager Dave Morrison despite losing four months of work due to cancer treatment. We are thrilled to say Dave has received a clean bill of health. We extend a huge thank you to Jim Ruddy and others who volunteered to help oversee our tech needs during this very difficult time.

We have a beautiful new website! www.camdenoperahouse.com, a new logo, and a standardized template for posters and flyers to further brand our venue. The logo is carried throughout our social media. We expanded our use of social media, utilizing Facebook, Tripadvisor and other online sites. This was all done at no cost to the town via a grant from the Maine Community Foundation.

New Way to Donate! We have a *Donate Now* button on our website, and have established our own first PayPal account to oversee it. We have raised \$15,000 in earned income from Opera House Productions, \$9,000 in donations from our 2nd Annual Appeal - double the amount of the previous year, \$3,000 in event sponsorship and \$8,000 in kind sponsorship

Looking Ahead - Programming and Goals 2017

Upcoming Programs: We will continue to offer a diverse set of programming at a variety of ticket prices to appeal to the full spectrum of Camden residents. We will seek to attract some large names that will fill every seat, and continue always seeking cost effective routing opportunities with other venues and agents. Upcoming 2017 highlights include Lucie Arnaz, Rita Moreno, CIFF Selects (monthly documentary in partnership with Camden International Film Festival) Noel Paul Stookey headlining Windjammer Festival Weekend, and *A Seal Named Andre* annual summer screening.



**Liz Knauer,
Promotions Assistant**

Theatre returns with Everyman Repertory Theatre (*Casablanca*) and *A Day in the Life: The Beatles*; and an off-Broadway and London acclaimed drama, *The Other Mozart*.

Expand Renter Services: There has been a trend toward the Opera House managing functions that used to be handled by renters, such as hiring vendors, hiring tech staff, ticketing and computer streaming.

Huge thanks to the Opera House Committee Members and our Volunteers. Although the Opera House Committee is designated be an advisory, committee members have each taken on expanded roles this year as we seek to accomplish more with limited resources. We could not accomplish what we do without their knowledge and dedication: Marc Ratner, Chair, Kate Bates, Ben Curtis, Nora Hayes, Renee Hutcheson, Suzanne Lufkin Weiss, Elizabeth O'Connor, and Select Board Liaison: Donald White . And we couldn't get it all done without our great team of volunteers: Peg Pickering, Jim Field, Mitzi Lichtman, Irene Hopkins, Dave and Fran Mussey, Nancy Scovern, Paul Jurkta, Susan McGovern, Barbara Lehn, Dave Johnson, Lisa Breheny, and Daniel Richman. Thank you!

Opera House Staff:

Opera House Manager : Kerry Hadley,

Technical and Facility Director: Dave Morrison

Promotions Assistant/Box Office: Elizabeth Knauer

Custodian: Dan Ackley

Event Managers: Ellen Dowd, Beth Chamberlin, Kay Henderson, Kathie Kull

Tech Staff: Paul Weintraub, Foner Curtis, Tom Sadowski, Chris Lehmann

On-call Renaissance Men: Arthur Crockett, Jim Reitz

CAMDEN ROCKPORT PATHWAYS COMMITTEE

Members:

Camden

Mac Thomas
Anita Brosius-Scott
Robert Davis
Richard Stetson
Geoff Scott, Chair
Alternates: Jane Self and Wyatt Connell
Owen Casas
Lynda Clancy
Leni Gronros
Helen Shaw
Eliza Haselton

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.

From 2015 to 2016 the Committee focused on a number of areas:

- ❖ We continued working with both towns on the basic design of pedestrian facilities along Route 1 from Camden St to 56 Commercial St. The \$133K Quality Community Program grant funds will not be awarded until 2016-17 and even later for actual construction.
- ❖ Railing and deck at the Tannery section of the Riverwalk completed as well as a wheelchair accessible access point.
- ❖ Applied and was awarded a National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program (RTCA) award of technical assistance for the Camden Riverwalk.
- ❖ Re-applied and was awarded a \$26K Recreational Trails Program grant for the construction of the Seabright Park section of the Riverwalk. Construction anticipated in fall 2015.
- ❖ Provided input to the Camden Comprehensive Plan Committee for sections related to transportation.
- ❖ As part of the President's Health Program, our area received a Community Transformation Grant to initiate certification of our towns as Active Community Environments (ACE). ACE Teams encourage environmental and policy change that will increase levels of physical activity and improve public health by promoting walking, bicycling, and the development of accessible recreation facilities. The Committee, with support from the Camden Select Board and Downtown Business Group, joined the efforts and completed the Rural Active Living Assessment (RALA) in 2013 and Camden was designated an ACE community in 2014. In 2014, with the support of the Select Board, Rockport completed a RALA Rockport.
- ❖ Completed another survey of Camden on the conditions of existing and recommendations for improving Camden sidewalks and bikeways
- ❖ Submitted a Recreational Trails Grant application for construction of the Seabright Park section of the Riverwalk. Grant was not awarded.

❖ Ongoing projects included:

- Working with the Union Street neighborhood cleanup committee coordinated a work day along the entire length of the Union Street Pathway focusing on trimming back encroaching plantings.
- Maintenance of the town trail along Megunticook River near Seabright Dam.
- Exploring ways to connect the Route 90 schools (RES and CHRHS) via public pathways to Rockport Village
- Engaging in the CRMS redevelopment planning for consideration of pedestrian facilities on Knowlton Street as well as for the future Riverwalk.
- Participating in the Midcoast Transit committee work exploring a regional bus service.
- Engineering completed now awaiting construction funds from Quality Community Program Grant funds for a .45 mile sidewalk extension along Washington St. to Shirttail Park. Funding for construction is anticipated in 2016-17.

The Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month from 7:00-9:00 p.m. alternating between the meeting rooms of the Camden Town office and the Rockport Town office. Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend.

CAMDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Roger Rittmaster, Chair
Kristen Lindquist
Carla Ferguson
Douglas N. Johnson
Tom Hopps
Timothy Wooster
Robin Kern

The Camden Conservation Commission serves as research, advisory and advocacy group on environmental and conservation issues relating to the Town, and is the only municipal body appointed specifically to oversee and protect the town's natural resources. Highlights of our activities in 2015 follow:

CAMDEN ARBOR DAY

During Maine's Arbor Week on Sunday, May 24th, Camden held its 20th consecutive Arbor Day observance since the tradition was revived in 1995. The program, organized by Tree City USA/Arbor Day coordinator Nancy Caudle-Johnson was held at the Village Green. There, arborist and 2015 Commission Chair Douglas N. Johnson led the attendees on the inaugural tour of Heritage Trees and Treescapes of Camden, ME – A Walking Tour by author and photographer Nancy Caudle-Johnson. The tour included the Village Green, Chestnut Street, Bay View Street, Lighthouse Lookout, Laite Beach Park and the Camden Yacht Club. Copies of the walking tour brochure are available at the Town Office and Chamber of Commerce.

AMERICAN ELM TREE PLANTING

Up until the November 2, 2014 ice storm, the disease resistant "Princeton" American Elm on the lawn of the Camden Library Amphitheater was beautiful and thriving, but the storm dealt it a severe and lethal blow, literally splitting the tree apart. The tree was planted about ten years ago and replaced an American Elm in the same spot, part of Fletcher Steele's original design for the Amphitheater. The CCC voted to donate funds to purchase a new "Princeton" Elm and volunteered to plant it. On May 23rd, as part of Camden's Arbor Week celebration, commission members and Dave Jackson, Director of Library Parks gathered in the Amphitheater to plant the new tree.

GUIDED NATURALIST WALK SERIES

CCC 2016 Chair Roger Rittmaster, Maine Master Naturalist, continued the very popular monthly naturalist walks he began in 2013 which are co-sponsored by CCC and Coastal Mountains Land Trust. These walks explore the natural history of mid-coast Maine. Most of the walks take place on the first Saturday of the month from 10 am until noon. 2015 featured walks led by naturalists with expertise in birds, trees, wildflowers, botany, insects, mushrooms and rocks. Attendance was strong with over fifty attending one walk!

EMERALD ASH BORER (E.A.B.)

Anticipating the Emerald Ash Borer invading this area, the CCC, led by arborist Douglas N. Johnson, is currently inventorying public ash trees in Camden. Tree Warden Barton Wood presented a "Plan for Invasive Forest Pests Action Plan" at our August meeting which was accepted with minor changes. The plan will help Camden prepare for, reduce, and manage damage caused by E.A.B. The inventory we are conducting is the first step in preparing for the inevitable arrival of this destructive pest.

CAMDEN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Jeff Sukeforth, Chair
Kristen Lerner
Patricia Ayers
Isa Babb
Parker S.Laite, Sr.
Jeff Weymouth
Vincent Colantuoni
Carol Sue Greenleaf
Bruce Libby, Cemetery Sexton

The Cemetery Association is pleased to report once again that we were able to reach our self-imposed goals of making Camden's cemeteries a part of the mystique which makes Camden one of a kind.

The Association meets on the 3rd Wednesday of January, April, July and October. We have an open door policy and encourage anyone with questions or suggestions to join us at our meetings. Please see the Town's website www.camdenmaine.gov for dates and time. We encourage you to visit this same website to access the Cemetery's on-line database.

We were able to complete the major undertaking of having the Mountain View Cemetery fence stripped and repainted. The fence had fallen into disrepair and we are pleased that it once again is worthy of bordering our oldest cemetery. We also had the tomb exterior entry refurbished after it had been damaged by a vehicle striking it.

The Association has set the following goals for 2016; first to rid the cemetery of dead and dangerous trees through pruning and if needed removal; second, the Sexton will continue the cleaning and restoration of stones from where he left off in the fall of 2015. Our Sexton, Bruce Libby, started cleaning stones in the oldest section of the cemetery and will continue as time, weather and budget allows.

An ongoing issue the Association will be addressing is the lack of drainage in the lower section of the Mountain View Cemetery. This issue is not something that can be corrected in a small amount of time with a small amount of money. If you have been in the cemetery after a hard rain storm you know what we are looking at.

As Memorial Day 2016 draws nigh and the cemetery begins to come alive with the colors of flags and flowers, we wish to extend our continuing thanks to American Legion Post # 30, the Camden Fire Department and Amity Masonic Lodge No. 6 for their dedication in placing flags properly and proudly on graves at the cemeteries. These organizations spend many volunteer hours placing flags out of respect for their departed members. We encourage you to contact them if you locate a grave that is not properly marked with a flag.

We also wish to thank Camden Boy Scout Troop 200 for their efforts in removing all the American Flags from the Veterans graves in 2015. Their efforts ensure the flags are removed before severe weather arrives keeping the US Flag from being tattered and forlorn in appearance.

We extend an invitation to everyone in the Town of Camden to visit the cemeteries and let us know if there is anything out of place or which requires needed attention.

If you would like further information about the cemeteries or would like to become a member of the Cemetery Association please contact the Camden Town Office for information.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEDAC)

Robin McIntosh, Chair

Now in its 6th year since its creation by the Select Board, CEDAC members are appointed by the Select Board to represent a wide range of community members and businesses and to “identify and recommend to the Select Board strategies, policies and projects that will provide sound economic development and a stronger sense of community...”

Early in the year, CEDAC worked to craft a stated vision and mission for our committee:

CEDAC Mission: *To enhance the vitality of the year round local community and region in a manner that considers the town’s unique cultural and historic character; promotes, encourages, and facilitates the development of responsible business growth and entrepreneurship; and actively works to strengthen and retain existing businesses.*

CEDAC Vision: *To build and sustain a vital, multi-generational, year round community which will continue to retain and attract citizens and businesses, including young and creative individuals, to live and work in our town and our region.*

As we do each year, we reviewed and prioritized our goals with that vision and mission in mind:

1. Expand the membership and diversity of CEDAC
2. Hire a development Director
3. Focus on the retention of existing businesses
4. Attract New Business
5. Remain involved in planning for the future of the Tannery property

The Committee. Members include: Meg Quijano, John Arnold, Robin McIntosh (Chair), Deb Dodge, Ellis Cohn, Steve Matteo (Alt), Jamie Weymouth (Alt, Vice Chair). We are pleased to have small business owners, private citizens with diverse backgrounds, Camden natives, newcomers, and large business employees on our committee.

New Community Development Director. In the past, CEDAC worked closely with and was supported by the town’s first Development Director. For much of this year, the Town Manager filled that role while the position was reimaged. We were pleased to assist on the committee that interviewed candidates for the newly created position of Community Development Director, and to announce in June 2015 the hiring of Karen Brace.

Business Retention and Attracting New Businesses. Retaining a vital and sustainable business mix in our community is primary to our mission, and our conversations are broad reaching. But in order to both support existing and attract new businesses, we felt we must first clearly understand the current business climate here in Camden.

We began a program to proactively reach out and invite both new and existing businesses to join us at our meetings to report on their challenges and successes here in our community. We subsequently expanded this program by initiating a Business Visitation Program to allow a wider ranging conversation.

Retention and attraction are closely related. Having a vital, sustainable community is essential to both, and we have continued to work in this regard on many fronts. We have reached out to and are working closely with the annual Conferences and Festivals that are hosted each year in Camden. These events bring both new and experienced visitors, but they are also sources of future residents and businesses and are integral to the fabric of our community.

We continue to work closely with, support, and encourage the Downtown Network Board (a Main Street program); and members of CEDAC sit on many of the committees which focus on enhancing downtown design, Economic Vitality, Public Relations and Outreach, and organizational structure. Partnering with the Camden Downtown Business Group, continues to help CEDAC stay abreast of issues impacting our fabulous downtown.

We have reached out to the Select and School Boards to encourage them to continue to focus efforts on community sustainability as we look at affordable and workforce housing issues and ensuring that the middle school planning incorporates the larger community, both its needs and its potential to support the students and faculty.

We have looked at what other communities across the country are doing to support their businesses – both the bricks and mortar of our downtown as well as a newer generation of workers who need access to high speed internet as they work in today’s virtual world. We have created a Fiber Committee to research models of providing the services necessary as well as the service providers who are already here in the area.

Members of CEDAC endeavor to stay abreast of what other town committees are doing as we all work to ensure the well-being of our community. Whether it is reaching out to the School Board, Opera House, Snow Bowl, Library, or Harbor Committee, or serving on the Network Board, the Middle School Committee, the Tannery, or Budget Committee, having a broad base of community knowledge is important to the work that we do.

Tannery Committee. This once environmentally challenged site is now seen as an asset to our community. Discussion about its future has been lively over the years, to say the least. Members of CEDAC continue to serve on the committee that is looking to develop a new plan for this property as our community looks at how it can best serve the needs of the residents of our town, whether it is developed as a park, a business or a mixed use property, we look forward to seeing how we, as a town, incorporate this walkable, riverfront property into our future.

CEDAC meets regularly on the fourth Monday of each month at 4:00 pm in the Washington Street Conference Room. Meetings are open to the public and their input is always welcome.

HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT

Meg Barclay, Chair
Elinor Klivans
Judith McGuirk
Kris Mikkelsen
Susan Neves
Beedy Parker
Susan Snead
Patricia Skaling

The Historic Resources Committee (HRC) acts in an advisory role to the Select Board with projects and activities that impact Camden's historic districts and town-owned historic properties. Highlights of the year's activities are as follows:

- ❖ The HRC worked with the Camden Garden Club on improvements to the Village Green in keeping with the Village Green Master Plan: refurbishing the planting beds, resetting the stone walk, and removing dying trees. The HRC also worked with the Select Board to update the Village Green Policy to create a more user-friendly document.

The HRC worked with the Maine Historic Preservation Commission to discover if the boundaries of Camden's existing National Register of Historic Places Historic Districts could be expanded to include portions of Bayview Street and Mechanic Street, in keeping with the recommendations of the Downtown Master Plan. It was determined that, although certain buildings could be submitted individually for listing, there were not enough contiguous, unaltered structures to warrant a stand-alone district or the expansion of the Chestnut Street Historic District's boundaries.

The HRC worked with the Downtown Design Team on projects to improve the downtown street lighting and Opera House exterior lighting. The HRC also worked with the Design Team on a Project Canopy grant for more street trees along Elm Street.

The HRC continued to assist the stewards of town-owned historic properties by offering advice and guidance regarding maintenance and proposed alterations. These properties include the Village Green, the Camden Opera House, the Camden Yacht Club, Curtis Island Light, the Elm Street School House, the Camden Public Library, the Camden Amphitheatre, Harbor Park, and the Town Clock in the Chestnut Street Baptist Church as well as Camden's three National Register Historic Districts: High Street National Historic District, Chestnut Street National Historic District and the Camden Great Fire National Historic District.

The HRC welcomes the input of interested members of the community and is often working on projects that could benefit from volunteer assistance. Meetings are open to the public and held at 4:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. They are usually held in 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.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Lowrie B. Sargent, Chair
John Scholz
Richard Householder
Richard Bernhard
James Elliott
Jeff Senders, ALT
Mark Siegenthaler, ALT

The Planning Board continued our efforts to process applications on a timely basis and increase our emphasis on leading planning efforts for Camden's future. Applications reviewed and processed from July 2015 through June 2016 include the following:

- ❖ Site Plans – Review the site plan application to renovate the Cappys/Village Restaurant space to accommodate Sea Dog Brewing Company
- ❖ Review and approval for using a mobile home as a temporary sales building at the Snow Bowl
- ❖ Review and approval of a segment of the Riverwalk in Millville adjacent to Seabright Dam.
- ❖ Wharves and Piers – review and approve a new residential pier on Dillingham Point
- ❖ Minor Subdivision - amendment at a residence on Washington Street.
- ❖ Major Subdivision - review and approval of the plan to convert office space on the second and third floors of Knox Mill to apartments.
- ❖ Zoning Changes – review and endorse a change reducing the minimum lot size for a few older large homes in the Village District. This is expected to be on the Town Warrant in November 2016.
- ❖ Shoreland Zoning – revision of Camden's ordinance to bring it into line with the State's guidelines.
- ❖ Scheduled to be on the Town Warrant in June 2016.
- ❖ Farm Stand Signage – at the request of a farm stand owner, the Board developed an ordinance to allow them to use an appropriate level of signage. Scheduled to be on the Town Warrant in June 2016.
- ❖ Definition Revisions – revised definitions regarding commercial uses, accessory uses and congregate care. These were approved by the Town voters in November 2015.
- ❖ After two years of work, the Business Opportunity Zone overlay district was approved by Town voters in November 2015.

Planning efforts led us to complete a Noise Study as requested by the Select Board to determine if there was a need to change the Town's noise ordinance. John Scholz, Dennis McQuirk and Chief Randy Gagne worked together to collect and analyze data and have made recommendations to the Select Board.

The Board continues to work on construction entrance standards to try and minimize the impact of construction projects on neighbors.

In the fall of 2015 the Board began to gather data via two surveys to better understand the interplay between commercial lodging operators (inns, motels & hotels) and the short term rental of private homes and rooms in homes. That work is ongoing.

Members of the Planning Board continue to serve on the Downtown Design and sign committees.

The second hat worn by the Planning Board is as the Comprehensive Planning Committee. The State requires that this plan be updated every ten years and we have now been working on our update for over three years. The revised plan was due to be completed by 2015 but funding from the Town to complete the work was delayed and therefore delayed completion of the plan. This effort is more intense and requires more time than previous revisions because we are rewriting the entire plan, adding more chapters and attempting to reach out to more groups so that the new Comp Plan will be a balanced reflection of our Town.

In addition to the Planning Board members, we are particularly grateful to Jean Freedman-White for her many hours of work as committee administrator and coordinator. The Comprehensive Planning Committee has benefited from the contributions and recommendations made by Town Committees, individual citizens and organizations.

This past year the Planning Board lost two key members; Jan McKinnon retired after ten years of service, and Steve Wilson, Town Planner, resigned after five years of leading our team. Richard Householder continues as vice-chair augmented by regular members John Scholz, Richard Bernhard and Jim Elliot. Jeff Senders and Mark Siegenthaler serve as alternate members.

The support the Board receives from Town staff is very helpful. Bill O'Donnell, Code Enforcement Officer, Don White, Select Board Liaison, Jeanne Hollingsworth, recording secretary and conscience, and Nora McGrath, camera operator provide plentiful background information, interpretation and history to make our jobs easier.

The Planning Board meets every first and third Thursday from 5 until 8 in the Washington Street Conference Room. For those of you unable to attend, meetings are broadcast on cable and the Town Hall Stream. The Comprehensive Plan Committee meets the second Thursday at 5 in the WSCR. Agendas are published on the Town website.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Frank Toole, Chair
Thomas Laurent
Jean Belair
Linda Norton
Sam Smith
Jon Kuhl

Continuing the trend of recent years, the Board heard and decided only two appeals this year,

The application of Jeffrey Jordan for a relocation and change of a non-coforming structure at 21 Woodland Road, in a shoreline zone, was approved with modifications. Due to insufficient lot size, the proposed new structure, containing a kitchen, bedroom and bath, could not be permitted. The applicant opted to delete a kitchen from the plan which rendered the proposed building a “seasonal structure” which was permitted.

Later in the year, the Board granted a special exception to Midcoast Medicine & Wellness, PC. for a health service facility at 5 Mountain Street.

Jon Kuhl was welcomed as a new member of the Board joining continuing members Jean Belair, Thomas Laurent, Linda Norton, Sam Smith and Frank Toole,

As always, the Board is thankful for the assistance of Jeanne Hollingsworth, recording secretary, and Nora McGrath, technician. We also thank departing Code Enforcement Officer, Steve Wilson, for his years of service to the Town.

CAMDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

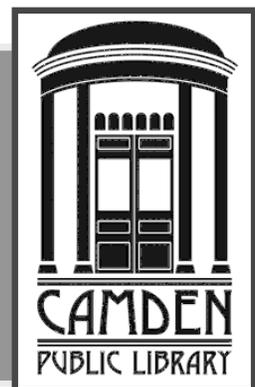
Nikki Maounis, Library Director

Essential Library Services:

- ❖ People served during the year – 223,984
- ❖ Items checked out – 285,554
- ❖ Computer use – 66,159
- ❖ Number of programs – 714
- ❖ Number of people attending those programs – 26,130

Key Events in 2015:

- ❖ Maritime Month in April featured programs on local seafaring history.
- ❖ Music, Movies, and More in the Amphitheatre" drew over 1,000 attendees.
- ❖ Downtown Walking Tours offered every Friday afternoon during the summer season, in partnership with the Downtown Business Group.
- ❖ Hosted our third Mini Maker Faire, a hands-on event for those who "make" and those who want to learn to make.
- ❖ Partnered with the Chamber to offer "Business After Hours" with over 130 attendees.
- ❖ Sponsored the fall Harbor Arts and Books fair, bringing thousands to downtown Camden.
- ❖ Offered weekly "Booktime for Babies" story times, with an average weekly attendance of 60 babies and parents.
- ❖ Held a Civil War encampment weekend in Harbor Park.
- ❖ Presented dozens of programs by authors, poets, historians, artists, naturalists, travelers, gardeners, chefs, doctors, environmentalists, and health experts.
- ❖ Utilized thousands of hours of volunteer time in support of the library and its mission. Volunteers managed our used book sales, sorted and shelved books, and gave of their time selflessly. Thank you!
- ❖ Presented "N Square", an exhibit about the dangers of nuclear proliferation, in cooperation with PopTech.
- ❖ Successfully fund-raised to provide over 54% of our operating budget from sources other than Town funding.
- ❖ Rated one of America's Star Libraries by the Library Journal Index of Public Service.
- ❖ Provided an **anchor** for downtown Camden, and for residents, business-people, and visitors.
- ❖ Promoted the essential skill of **Reading**, **Connected** people with their community, and facilitated creative, thoughtful **Discovery** as outlined in our Mission.



CAMDEN AREA DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

Judith Lydon, RN Director

Camden Area District Nursing Association is now in its 96th year of providing nursing care to the local community. We are a small non-profit agency, providing home visits by registered nurses to local residents in need, regardless of their ability to pay. We do not receive federal or state funding and rely on generous gifts and donations, both small and large. We are governed by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors. Our board meets quarterly and is always available to assist with various projects such as fundraising and helping out at the flu clinics.

Our professional staff consists of a full time RN Director, a part-time RN, a part time office administrator and four per-diem RNs who assist on a regular basis.

Most of our clients are elderly, and our services (which include medication management and monitoring chronic conditions) allow people to remain in their homes and “age in place” safely. The number of residents requiring regular foot care continues to grow and we have expanded our nursing hours to fulfill the need.

Each fall we provide preventive care for local residents with our low-cost flu clinics. In 2015 we vaccinated 76 people in the Town of Camden. We also made 2068 home visits within the town.

Our office is located on the third floor of the Anderson Inn at the Quarry Hill Retirement Community. Members of the community are welcome to visit with health questions, concerns or for blood pressure checks. Office hours are Monday and Thursdays between 1 pm and 3 pm.

I would like to thank my staff for their continued hard work and dedication to the community.

COASTAL MOUNTAINS LAND TRUST

Ian Stewart, Executive Director



Coastal Mountains Land Trust is celebrating its 30th anniversary year of working in the western Penobscot Bay Region, including the town of Camden. We are a membership-based non-profit conservation organization that has worked since 1986 to conserve wildlife habitat, scenic landscapes, public access to natural lands, water resources, and productive forest and farmland. Thanks to community and member support, we have protected over 10,000 acres throughout our service region and have many active projects.

The Land Trust has completed a total of 56 conservation projects in Camden. We have protected 339 acres using conservation easements, a permanent agreement that keeps land in private ownership while protecting critical resources of the property. Coastal Mountains Land Trust also holds full title to properties that have extraordinary conservation value, totaling including 773 acres in Camden. These properties are 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. For a schedule of outings and events that are open to the public, please see our website (www.coastalmountains.org) for details.

On Ragged Mountain, discussions with landowners continue on pending projects. Progress continues to further the vision of a four-season, nine-mile Round the Mountain trail originating from the Camden Snow Bowl and crossing over 4.5 miles through Camden.

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.

MEGUNTICOOK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

Paul Leeper, Executive Director

Megunticook Watershed Association (MWA) is devoted to environmental preservation improvement, and education. We're hard at work to improve the quality of the Megunticook Lake, Megunticook River, Norton Pond, Moody Pond and their feeder streams in Knox and Waldo counties. We also work to improve the quality and safety of swimming, boating and fishing in these waters. We strive to educate the public about the threats to these valuable resources; and train them to combat these problems.]

We run the Courtesy Boat Inspection program at the Breezemere Park boat ramp on Norton Pond. This voluntary watercraft inspection program is designed to prevent invasive aquatic plants like milfoil from entering our waters. We inspected over 1100 watercraft in 2015 at the three boat ramps on Megunticook Lake and Norton Pond. Through our Watershed Stewards Program we hire area students to inspect boats and trailers at the boat ramp, conduct Invasive Plant Surveys, and monitor water quality. Water quality parameters such as clarity, dissolved oxygen, and phosphorus to monitor the lake health for fish and wildlife. Our Partners in Monitoring program conducts weekly bacteria testing (May through September) at sites on Norton Pond, Megunticook Lake and River, and Hosmer Pond. This data is used to post swimming advisories at area swim beaches.

Other Activities

The Megunticook Watershed Association employs a Lake Warden who patrols the waters enforcing boating regulations and burning regulations on Fernald's Neck and Lands End. Other duties that benefit the Town include: property security checks in hard-to-reach locations; setting navigation aids; monitoring activities at the swim areas and boat ramps; and working with Camden's code enforcement and tax assessor.

For more information on the MWA go to www.megunticook.org and facebook.

CAMDEN ROCKPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY CONWAY HOMESTEAD-CRAMER MUSEUM REPORT

Brenda Barrett, President

Trustees:

Frank Carr, Lynn Feldborg, Elizabeth Moran, Roy Bennett, Heather Moran, Sandy Delano, Tom Jackson, Geri Annis O'Connor, Martyn Stanley, Maynard Stanley, Norma Stanley, Randy Stearns, Teddy Wilcox, Joan Bennett, Jan Kelsey, Parker Laite Sr., Andrew Moran and Emily Randolph.

The Camden-Rockport Historical Society is dedicated to the collection, preservation, and display of historical artifacts and records pertaining to the local area. The Society maintains the Conway Homestead-Cramer Museum as the focal point of these activities.

During the year we received a large number of artifacts and documents from local residents that have been integrated into our displays. We encourage all residents to consider similar donations.

A significant project completed this year is the publication of the book "Camden and Rockport Revisited" written by Board of Trustees member Heather E. Moran. It contains images and descriptions of local landmarks, buildings, events and residents not previously made available in print.

We completed the first phase of installing energy efficient lighting in the Cramer Museum building using rebates available through the Efficiency Maine program. In addition, our volunteers rearranged and painted the display areas. Both projects have enhanced the experience of visiting the museum.

Our fundraisers included the annual Antique Show in August, bean hole baked bean suppers and yard sales. All funds raised from our events go directly toward the preservation of our local heritage, maintenance of our buildings and the continuation of educational programs.

Our current on-going major project is the digitizing of our collection to enhance our research capability and organize our inventory to make it more accessible to the public.

The Camden-Rockport Historical Society Trustees and members appreciate the financial support provided by the Town of Camden. We invite and encourage area residents to visit the Conway Homestead-Cramer Museum and to become involved in the preservation of our historic past.

MSAD #28 and FIVE TOWN CSD 19 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Maria Libby, Superintendent

MSAD #28

Camden and Rockport are blessed with many treasures and an excellent school system is among them. That is due in large part to the appreciation residents have for the value of a good education, not only to support our children's futures, but also to support the economic vitality of our towns. That has translated to tremendous support for education in our communities. The staff and students at the Camden-Rockport Middle School and Camden-Rockport Elementary School are equally dedicated and continually strive to make our great schools even better.

In both our elementary and middle schools, we work hard to balance high academic expectations with an emphasis on social and emotional development. We understand that character matters and intentionally shape our systems to promote the development of strong character. Not only do we offer a breadth of opportunity in which to thrive, but this can also be seen in the elementary school's responsive classroom model, the middle school's restorative approach to discipline, and the day-to-day choices about curriculum, communication, and core values. We view these developmental years as a collaborative effort between parents and the schools as we share the goal for our students to become and remain emotionally secure, confident, competent, and healthy.

The MSAD #28 Board of Directors, administrators and staff recognize the need to continually strive for improvement in order to provide the best education we can for our students. We have already successfully defied the odds at the middle level where most schools see a decline in achievement and engagement. Our data shows a steady increase as students progress through the grade levels. Nonetheless, we are on a continual journey of improvement. Toward that end, the goals for the 2015-2016 academic year set by the Board of Directors focused on leadership, academic achievement, student independence and critical thinking, grading, and the middle school facility. We intend to go to referendum in November of 2017 for another vote on a middle school project that best addresses our facility needs. We plan to involve the community as much as possible in that process, so stay tuned.

Five Town CSD 19

Camden Hills Regional High School (CHRHS) continues to garner wide recognition as a great public secondary school that continually strives to become even better. The wonderful school experience and many achievements of staff and students are made possible because of the enduring support for education in all five of our communities, Appleton, Camden, Hope, Lincolnton and Rockport.

CHRHS is a school where excellence across a broad spectrum of arenas is valued and is energetically supported. Students respond to the multitude of opportunity by consistently finding a niche in which to thrive and by demonstrating high engagement and satisfaction with school. The four-year graduation rate for CHRHS is consistently over 90% and at least 70% of graduating seniors typically go on to post-secondary education. Of the fifty-eight teachers, 45% hold a Master's degree or higher, and 17% have their National Board Certification.

Students have an extensive array of course options to satisfy graduation requirements, including Advanced Placement courses, honors level options, independent study, alternative education options, technical courses, and dual enrollment college courses. A wide array of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, from athletics to technical theater to student chapters of national organizations give students an opportunity to develop their leadership skills, give back to the community, stay healthy, and advance personal passions. In addition, CHRHS has one of the most robust international programs in the country, offering opportunities for students to participate in short term and semester exchanges and cultural trips, as well as having up to a dozen international students among our student body each year. In 2015-16 students traveled to Scotland, Spain, Greece, and Vietnam.

The Five Town CSD Board of Directors, administrators and staff recognize the need to continually strive for improvement in order to provide the best foundation we can for students to be globally competitive and to graduate prepared for citizenship, post secondary education, and/or work. Toward that end, the goals for the 2015-2016 academic year set by the Board of Directors focused on leadership, academic achievement, student independence and critical thinking, and strategic planning.

Progress toward the annual goals and a broad range of topics are reviewed at the monthly Five Town CSD and MSAD 28 Board of Director meetings, which are open to the public. Agendas and minutes of every Board and committee meeting are posted on the Five Town website, along with much more information about school events and programs. It is impossible to do justice to the deserved recognition of accomplishment and the acknowledgement of ongoing work for continual improvement in this report, so I invite you to attend a meeting, visit the website, or attend any of the schools' events, performances or demonstrations to enjoy the experiences provides by CRES, CRMS, and CHRHS.

Finally, as the new Superintendent who grew up locally, I want to take this opportunity to let you know how proud I am to serve as leader of our great school systems. It is a privilege and honor to have come full circle and I aim to serve our students and communities well!

MID-COAST SOLID WASTE CORPORATION

Jim Guerra, Manager

Dear Residents,

With something as ordinary as trash disposal, it might be a surprise to hear someone say about it that we live in interesting times. Well we do! You might expect that from a person like me, with a long time association with the intricacies and development of waste management in the State of Maine, but it is this time in particular that it is true for all of us in this community. We've had a long and very consistent run with our current disposal option at the PERC Incinerator in Orrington. Unfortunately, and as predicted by contract and the analysis of the Municipal Review Committee (MRC), the status quo will come to an end early in 2018. Fortunately there are options, but unfortunately, they will all cost more than we currently pay.

For the past year or so, the Board of Mid Coast Solid Waste has been immersed in identifying and reviewing the options that may be available for disposing our household waste. (please review our website: <http://midcoastsolidwaste.org>) Options included: a proposed new facility (Fiberight) modeled after existing similar facilities in Europe that focus on recovery of materials and conversion of organics to biogas; continuing with PERC at a significantly higher tip fee and some doubt that they will gather enough trash to remain viable; hauling trash a longer distance to the ecomaine Facility on the southern edge of Portland for incineration; and, landfilling it at the Crossroads Facility run by Waste Management in Norridgewock. If your impression is that nothing jumps out at you as a clear best option, then you have a sense of what the Board of Mid Coast Solid Waste has wrestled with.

As of the 23rd of March, the MCSW Board of Directors, after full consideration of the materials presented voted 5 to 2 in favor of recommending the ecomaine solution to our member towns. This was not an easy decision for most as the Fiberight facility proposed a continued relationship under the MRC umbrella with 187 other towns and potentials for spin-off benefits such as profit sharing, closer haul possibly fueled by biogas and otherwise reducing the carbon footprint of waste management in the region. In the end, the fact remained that such a facility, other than on pilot scale, has not yet been built in the U.S., the ecomaine plant is proven technology (almost 30 years), which is municipally owned and as such promotes environmentally sound practices and offers reliable and consistent performance (minimal risk). The vote took into consideration that any new plant (Fiberight) likely does not run optimally at the start and for a period of time, at least some waste may require landfilling at the backup secure landfill in Norridgewock. The benefit of having a long known entity with a good environmental reputation for incineration available to take our waste won the day.

While hauling cost to the facility will be higher, about \$80K per year with today's costs, ecomaine provides a mature and highly regarded education and outreach program which they propose to extend to our community. Perhaps this can breathe new life into our static recycling and diversion program which could make a significant difference in how much waste it is necessary to haul to Portland thereby lowering our costs and environmental impact.

My immediate focus for the next year or so, will be reviewing best means of reducing our hauling costs for anything leaving the facility. This generally entails hauling as large a payload as possible and we are considering the use of 100+ cubic yard waste trailers rather than the 60 yard containers currently used. This will require some reconfiguration of the drop off area to provide access and optimal compaction of the materials. I will be looking at various facilities who have accomplished this over the next several weeks with the hope of designing a sensible and easy to use system for our community. Stay tuned!

Again, the Board of MCSW has voted to recommend sending our municipal solid waste to the ecomaine incinerator for the next 20 years with review options every five years. Please consider this recommendation by the Board of Mid Coast Solid Waste as you place your votes this spring regarding your towns waste disposal plans for the next twenty years. Thank you!

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
June 9 and 10, 2015

On June 9, 2015 at 8:00am Town Clerk Katrina Oakes read the Warrant Greeting and Return and conducted the election of the moderator as called for in Article 1.

Article 1

Deborah Dodge was elected as Moderator to preside at said meeting. Mrs. Dodge led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and declared the polls open for voting.

THE POLLS OPENED AS SOON AS ARTICLE ONE HAD BEEN ACTED UPON AND REMAINED OPEN FOR VOTING ON ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 5 BY SECRET BALLOT UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS WERE PROCESSED BEGINNING AT 10:00AM

SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR CAMDEN VOTERS TURNED OUT TO VOTE ON ARTICLE 2 THROUGH FIVE.

Article 2

To elect by secret ballot

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

JOHN R. FRENCH, JR. WAS ELECTED WITH 356 VOTES
LEONARD LOOKNER WAS ELECTED WITH 314 VOTES

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

LYNDA CHILTON WAS ELECTED WITH 491 VOTES

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

STEVE MELCHISKY WAS ELECTED WITH 8 VOTES

Article 3

Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article XII, Site Plan Review, Section 1 Purpose and Applicability and Section 6 Criteria to add a new overlay to the following zones: Highway Business 2 District (B2), Highway Transition 3 District (B3), Neighborhood Service 4 District (B4), River Business District (BR), and Transitional River Business (B-TR)

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

392 YES VOTES 212 NO VOTES

Article 4

Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII, District Regulations, and Section 7 Traditional Village District (V) to eliminate the ability to apply for low impact uses as defined by the Zoning Ordinance on lots located wholly or in part within 500 feet of a business or industrial district.

Article 5

Shall the town vote to amend the Camden Zoning Ordinance, Article VIII, District Regulations, and Section 6 Village Extension District (VE) to eliminate the ability to apply for low impact uses as defined by the Zoning Ordinance on lots located wholly or in part within 500 feet of a business or industrial district.

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

290 YES VOTES 321 NO VOTES

(The following articles (6-16) will be “FLOOR” articles to be voted on by registered voters on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Camden Opera House.)

Article 6

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 7% per year.

Article 7

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 8

The Town voted to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property in any manner which the Select Board deems in the best interest of the Town of Camden, provided however that the Apollo Tannery property as described in Book 3148 Pages 278 and 280, excluding the fee interest in the land burdened by the Coastal Mountains Land Trust Declaration recorded in Book 4093 Page 81, shall be disposed of subject to the requirements of Article 10 of the Town Warrant from the Annual Town Meeting held on June 10, 2008.

Article 9

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 10

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 11

The Town vote to appropriate \$1,760,150 from non-property tax revenue sources to be used in reducing the property tax commitment for the expenditures in the following article for the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

The Budget Committee and Select Board both recommend.

Article 12

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, net of non-property tax revenues, for the 2015-2016 fiscal year budget for the following purposes, or act thereon:

- A. GENERAL GOVERNMENT-**The town voted on and defeated a motion by Steve Melchiskey to decrease the Select Board's recommended amount by \$70,879 by a vote of 35 to 19. The town then voted in favor of the original motion to appropriate the Select Boards recommended amount of \$1,684,689 by a vote of 39 to 15.**
- B. PUBLIC SAFETY-**The town voted to appropriate \$1,916,846.**
- C. HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES-**The voted to appropriate \$1,433,658.**
- D. HEALTH & WELFARE-**The town voted to appropriate \$27,150.**
- E. LEISURE SERVICES-**The town voted to appropriate \$955,094.**
- F. CEMETERIES-**The town voted to appropriate \$90,000.**
- G. DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY-**The town voted to appropriate the Select Board's recommended amount of \$1,043,673.**

Total Expenditures Approved by voters A through G: \$7,151,110 as recommended by the Select Board.

Article 13

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.

A vote on this Article was not required.

Article 14

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?

Chris Hardy was nominated and elected.

Article 15

- A. To elect nine members for three year terms each (terms expire in 2018) to serve on the Budget Committee.

Eight members were nominated by the Nominating Committee: Jeff Charland, Sandra Lauterbach, Tammy Ballou, Don Foster, Bruce Malone, Jean Burluson, Matt Brown, and Bruce Jordan were elected. Marc Ratner declined a nomination for the nine position. Alison McKellar was nominated and elected.

- B. To elect two members for a two year term to expire in 2017 to serve on the Budget Committee.
Two members were nominated by the Nominating Committee: Jaime Weymouth and Ronald Vanosdol were elected.

- C. To elect one member for a one year term to expire in June 2016 to serve on the Budget Committee.
Paul Cavalli was nominated by the Nominating Committee and was elected.

Article 16

To elect three members and two alternate members to serve as a Budget Committee Nominating Committee for a one year term expiring in June 2016.

Karen Grove and Robin McIntosh were nominated by the committee and elected. Deborah Oliver and Susan Dorr were nominated but declined. The third regular member and two alternated were not elected.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

60 Registered voters attended the open meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

**RESULTS FOR
TOWN OF CAMDEN
SAD#28 BUDGET REFERENDUM
JUNE 9, 2015**

ARTICLE 1

The Town voted that the MSAD 28 Budget for the 2015-2016 school year that was adopted at the district budget meeting on May 26, 2015 be approved.

YES 534 NO 133

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 684

**RESULTS FOR
TOWN OF CAMDEN
CSD #19 BUDGET REFERENDUM
JUNE 9, 2015**

ARTICLE 1

The Town voted that the Five Town Community School District Budget for the 2015-2016 school year that was adopted at the district budget meeting on May 26, 2015 be approved.

YES 529 NO 132

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 679

**TOWN OF CAMDEN
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, November 3, 2015**

On November 3, 2015 at 8:00 am, Town Clerk Katrina Oakes called the Special Town Meeting to Order. The Warrant Greeting and Return were read and the voters proceeded to act on warrant articles as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Deborah Dodge was elected as Moderator to preside at said meeting. After taking oath of office, Mrs. Doge led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and declared the polls open for voting until 8:00 pm.

THE POLLS OPENED AS SOON AS ARTICLE ONE WAS ENACTED UPON AND REMAINED OPEN TO VOTE ON ARTICLE 2 THROUGH 4 BY SECRET BALLOT UNTIL EIGHT O’CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS WERE PROCESSED BEGINNING AT 10:00 AM.

ONE THOUSAND FIFTY-FIVE CAMDEN VOTERS TURNED OUT TO VOTE ON ARTICLES TWO THROUGH FOUR.

ARTICLE 2:

The town voted to amend an ordinance entitled “November 2015 amendments to the Town of Camden Zoning Ordinance. *(full text of ordinance available in the Town Clerk’s files)*

YES 664 NO 323

ARTICLE 3:

The Town voted to amend an ordinance entitled “November 2015 amendments to the Harbor and Waterways Ordinance of the Town of Camden. *(full text of ordinance available in the Town Clerk’s files)*

YES 656 NO 342

ARTICLE 4:

The Town voted to amend Article 3, Section 2 of the Town of Camden Subdivision Ordinance be amended as follows. *(full text of ordinance available in the Town Clerk’s files)*

Dwelling Unit: A room or group of rooms within a dwelling, designed and equipped as living quarters for a person or for a family, including provisions for living, sleeping, bathing and cooking. Individual units within a Congregate Housing Facility as defined by the Zoning Ordinance shall be considered dwelling units.

Multifamily Development: A subdivision that contains three (3) or more dwelling units on land in common ownership, such as apartment buildings, congregate housing, condominiums, or mobile home parks.

YES 818 NO 237

Respectfully submitted,

Katrina Oakes
Town Clerk

**RESULTS FOR
TOWN OF CAMDEN
FIVE TOWN CSD 19 REFERENDUM
NOVEMBER 3, 2015**

ARTICLE 1

The Town voted to approve the District's amended school budget for the 2015-2016 school year that was adopted at the October 21, 2015 special budget meeting, and which authorizes the District to expend up to \$156,000 in additional funds from the District's undesignated fund balances for unanticipated special education costs, provided that there shall be no increase in total taxes.

TOTAL VOTES CAST 1141

YES	902	NO	219
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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
June 14 and 15, 2016

County of Knox

To: Randy Gagne, 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 14, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. in the forenoon to 8:00 p.m. in the afternoon to vote on Articles 1 through 9 at which time the meeting will adjourn. The adjourned meeting will be reopened at the Camden Opera House Auditorium on Wednesday, June 16, 2016 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 9 BY SECRET BALLOT UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

Article 2

To elect by secret ballot

One Select Board Member for a three year term (Select Board members serve as Overseers of the Poor and Wastewater Commissioners); and

Two 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 Article VIII, Section 7, Traditional Village District (C) Uses Permitted as Special Exceptions, (5) of the Camden Zoning Ordinance be amended to add subsection 5 which would allow certain large existing nonconforming houses to add additional dwelling units upon receiving a "Special Exception" from the zoning Board of Appeals.

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

Article 4

Shall the Town vote to amend Article XI Signs, Section 10 of the Camden Zoning Ordinance be amended to allow limited Seasonal Farm Stand signs and limited temporary Farmers' Market signs in the right-of-way in certain locations as allowed by 23 M.R.S.A. § 1913.

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

Article 5

Shall the Town vote to incorporate the 2015 amendments to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection Chapter 1000 rules into the Camden Zoning Ordinance to keep Camden in compliance with 38 MRSA §435-449.

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

Article 6

Shall the Town vote to repeal of existing Floodplain Ordinance and replace with proposed updated Floodplain Management Ordinance which references the new Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps.

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

Article 7

Shall the Town vote to amend the Town Charter Article II, Section 6 to remove the amount of compensation from the Charter and have Select Board compensation established by vote at annual town meeting

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

Article 8

Shall the Town vote to amend the Town Charter Article I Section 4(d), Article IV, Part C and Article VI to establish a Single Assessor rather than have the Select Board serve as the Board of Assessors

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

Article 9

Shall the Town vote to amend the Town Charter Article VII, Section 5 to allow the Select Board to include a brief information note that explains each ballot question to be voted on through secret ballot

Note: The full text of the proposed amendment to be enacted by this article has been certified by the Chairperson of the Select Board and is attached to this Warrant.

The following articles (10-23) will be "FLOOR" articles to be voted on by registered voters on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Camden Opera House.)

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,906,500 from non-property tax revenue sources to be used in reducing the property tax commitment for the expenditures in the following article for the 2016-2017 fiscal year?

The Budget Committee and Select Board both recommend.

Article 11

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, net of non-property tax revenues, for the 2016-2017 fiscal year budget for the following purposes, or act thereon:

	<u>Budget Committee Recommends</u>	<u>Select Board Recommends</u>
A. GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$1,777,342	\$1,797,724
B. PUBLIC SAFETY	\$1,972,464	\$1,987,788
C. HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES	\$1,421,644	\$1,425,809
D. HEALTH & WELFARE	\$ 21,000	\$ 21,000
E. LEISURE SERVICES	\$ 984,877	\$ 991,896
F. CEMETERIES	\$ 91,369	\$ 91,369
G. DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY	<u>\$1,096,645</u>	<u>\$1,088,555</u>
Total Proposed Expenditures A through G:	\$7,364,591	\$7,404,141

Article 12

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 13

Shall the Town (1) **approve** the capital projects listed below, including expenses reasonably related thereto; (2) **authorize** the Town Treasurer and the Chair of the Select Board to issue general obligation securities in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to fund the capital projects,; (3) **appropriate** the proceeds of the securities to fund the projects and the refunding; and (4) **delegate** to the Treasurer and Chair the authority to issue temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, and the discretion to fix the dates, maturities, interest rates, denominations, calls for redemption (with or without premium), form, and other details of the securities, including authority to execute and deliver the securities on behalf of the Town?

PROJECT:	ESTIMATED COST:
Harden Avenue Drainage:	\$150,000
Sewer line replacement:	\$100,000
Inner harbor floats:	\$105,000
Town clock/steeple rehabilitation:	\$ 75,000
Air compressor equipment:	\$ 70,000

Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds from the Town’s undesignated Fund Balance to fund the operating budget losses incurred by the Snow Bowl in FY 15 in the amount of \$81,000 and in FY16 in the amount of \$216,303.

Article 15

To see if the voters of the Town of Camden will authorize the Board of Directors of the Mid Coast Solid Waste Corporation to enter into a 20 year contract for the disposal of Municipal Solid Waste for the fixed price of \$70.50 per ton plus annual increases in the Consumer Price Index and on such other terms and conditions as the Board of Directors deem appropriate with *ecomaine*, a non-profit corporation owned solely by municipalities organized under the laws of the State of Maine and having a place of business in Portland Maine?

Article 16

Shall an ordinance entitled “Ordinance to Control the Feeding of Wild Animals and Waterfowl” be enacted and codified in the Police Ordinance at Chapter Viii Part III-D? A copy of said ordinance is attached to this warrant and incorporated by reference.

Article 17

Shall the municipality approve the Charter amendment entitled “Amendment to the Town of Camden Charter to Eliminate the Board of Assessment Review” which is attached to this warrant and incorporated herein?

Article 18

To see if the Town will vote to accept the requirements of 30-A M.R.S.A. Sec. 2501(3)(a), so as to require that only votes for declared write-in candidates will be counted. This change shall take effect 90 days after approval of this article.

Article 19

Shall an ordinance entitled “Ordinance Authorizing Road Names and Numbers” be enacted to repeal and replace the existing Ordinance Authorizing Names for Private Roads and Fire Roads” codified at Chapter VIII, Part XI? A copy of said Ordinance is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Article 20

To see if the Town will vote to set October 15, 2016 or the next regular business day thereafter, and May 1, 2017 or the next regular business day thereafter, as due dates for taxes and to fix the rate of interest on unpaid taxes at 7% per year?

Article 21

To see if the Town will 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 22

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of tax acquired property in any manner which the Select Board deems in the best interest of the Town of Camden, provided however that the Apollo Tannery property as described in Book 3148 Pages 278 and 280, excluding the fee interest in the land burdened by the Coastal Mountains Land Trust Declaration recorded in Book 4093 Page 81, shall be disposed of subject to the requirements of Article 10 of the Town Warrant from the Annual Town Meeting held on June 10, 2008?

Article 23

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 which has a market value of less than three thousand dollars pursuant to the Town’s Purchasing Regulations, as amended?

Article 24

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 25

To elect one person to serve on the Board of Trustees of the W. H. Pascal Fund for a term of three years

Article 26

- A. To elect eight members for three year terms each (terms expire in 2019) to serve on the Budget Committee.
- B. To elect 2 members for a two year term to expire in 2018 to serve on the Budget Committee.

Article 27

To elect three regular members and two alternate members to serve as a Budget Committee Nominating Committee for a one year term expiring in June 2017.

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 14, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

You must be a Camden registered voter to vote in any election.

Given under our hands this 17th of May, 2016.

CAMDEN SELECT BOARD

John R. French, Jr., Chairperson

Donald White, Vice-Chairperson

Martin Cates

James Heard

Leonard Lookner

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 Validation Referendum, and MSAD #28 Budget Validation Referendum to be held June 14 and June 15, 2016 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 _____, 2016.

Randy Gagne, Constable

TOWN OF CAMDEN FY17 BUDGET
Revenues

REVENUE SOURCE	FY 13 Actuals	FY 14 Budget	FY 15 Budget	FY 15 Actuals	FY16 Budget	FY17 Budget
TAXES						
90-0201 Tax Interest	33,772	40,000	40,000	34,821	40,000	38,000
90-0202 Lien Interest	10,389	16,000	16,000	5,279	8,500	8,500
90-0203 Lien Costs	5,803	6,500	6,500	5,443	6,500	6,500
Total - Misc Taxes	49,964	62,500	62,500	45,543	55,000	53,000
STATE REVENUES						
90-0501 State Rev Sharing	281,237	267,000	170,000	179,366	170,000	172,000
90-0502 Tree Growth Reimb.	8,850	7,000	8,500	7,873	8,500	8,500
90-0503 Veterans Exemp Reimb.	5,507	5,000	5,500	6,242	5,500	6,000
90-0504 Local Road Assistance	57,792	55,000	59,000	54,140	55,000	55,000
90-0505 Snowmobile Revenue	252	500	500	410	500	500
90-0506 Pumpout Boat Reimb.	14,546	23,000	23,000	14,787	23,000	19,000
90-0508 State Park Reimb.	5,663	4,000	5,000	8,958	4,000	4,000
Total - State Revenues	373,846	361,500	271,500	271,776	266,500	265,000
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES						
90-1001 Vehicle Excise Tax	806,096	770,200	766,200	919,012	790,200	800,000
90-1003 Boat Excise Tax	33,240	32,000	32,000	33,068	32,000	32,000
90-1004 Animal Control Fees	2,342	2,200	2,000	2,369	2,000	2,000
90-1005 Town Clerk Fees	15,731	15,000	15,000	14,442	15,000	10,000
90-1006 Plumbing Fees	7,338	6,400	7,000	8,996	7,000	7,000
90-1007 Building Permit Fees	45,981	52,000	50,000	49,551	50,000	52,000
90-1008 Administrative Fees	15,859	16,000	16,000	16,660	16,000	16,000
90-1009 Cable TV Franchise	68,173	65,000	68,000	71,428	67,000	70,000
90-1010 Electrical Fees	3,309	3,500	4,000	4,756	5,000	5,000
Total - Lic, Permits & Fees	998,069	962,300	960,200	1,120,282	984,200	994,000
CHARGES FOR SERVICES - INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS						
90-1502 Police Revenue	3,576	3,000	3,000	3,014	3,000	2,000
90-1503 Parking Tickets	10,134	12,000	10,000	21,350	15,000	15,000
90-1504 Parks & Rec Revenue	22,891	16,000	18,000	25,879	18,000	18,000
90-1505 Parks & Rec - Mowing	5,550	5,000	5,000	5,550	5,550	5,550
90-1507 Cemetery Maintenance	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
90-1509 Harbor Park Mowing	6,500	6,400	5,000	6,500	6,500	6,500
90-1601 Opera House Rentals	71,738	80,000	80,000	72,898	80,000	80,000
90-1701 Harbor Permits	178,507	158,000	160,000	183,423	160,000	160,000
90-1704 Harbor Dockage/Misc	62,041	53,000	55,000	63,101	60,000	60,000
Total - Chrgs for Services	410,937	383,400	386,000	431,715	398,050	397,050

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Revenues

REVENUE SOURCE	FY 13 Actuals	FY 14 Budget	FY 15 Budget	FY 15 Actuals	FY16 Budget	FY17 Budget
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES						
90-2001 Interest Earned	4,647	5,000	5,000	3,086	5,000	3,000
90-2002 Yacht Club Lease	20,832	20,650	21,000	21,078	21,500	21,500
90-2003 Public Landing Leases	3,099	3,100	3,000	3,294	3,000	3,000
90-2004 Other Revenue/Misc.	7,177	6,000	6,000	3,437	6,000	3,000
90-2006 Town of Rockport WW Bond	8,043	14,450	14,450	13,864	14,450	14,450
90-2007 Verizon Cell Tower Lease	14,400	2,400	0	0	0	0
90-2008 Insurance Dividends	0	9,000	0	1,000	1,000	2,500
Total - Misc	58,198	60,600	49,450	45,759	50,950	47,450
OPERATING TRANSFERS						
90-3001 Trust Fund Income	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0	0
Total - Transfers	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0	0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
90-4002 Use of Surplus	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
Subtotal - Other	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
TOTAL - MUNICIPAL REVENUES	2,046,014	1,985,300	1,884,650	2,065,075	1,904,700	1,906,500

TOWN OF CAMDEN FY17 BUDGET
Expenditure Summary

	FY13	FY14	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 17	FY 17
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Manager	Budget	Select
					Proposed	Committee	Board
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Admin/Fin/Codes/Assessing	665,035	693,018	711,175	731,456	763,622	747,603	751,622
Professional Services	51,000	51,000	50,000	42,000	50,000	47,000	47,000
Planning & Development	242,600	269,594	287,600	270,044	279,890	263,857	265,390
Information Technology	56,000	64,000	66,000	66,000	69,700	60,000	69,700
Insurances	152,500	166,500	206,160	250,682	332,128	332,128	332,128
Opera House Town Offices	82,100	80,937	83,595	82,611	82,652	78,802	80,362
Opera House- Auditorium	207,600	221,971	230,032	241,896	252,822	247,952	251,522
Total - General Government	1,456,835	1,547,020	1,634,562	1,684,689	1,830,814	1,777,342	1,797,724
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Police Department	957,300	969,954	991,925	1,059,572	1,131,655	1,109,563	1,119,655
County Dispatch	121,151	122,422	125,600	126,497	127,714	127,714	127,714
Fire Department	342,610	357,716	379,280	403,844	430,990	407,758	412,990
Public Safety Building	49,915	47,665	44,000	40,536	41,500	37,500	37,500
Hydrant Assessment	218,500	218,600	235,590	201,897	201,897	201,897	201,897
Emergency Medical Services	20,000	50,000	10,000	20,000	27,032	27,032	27,032
Emergency Operations Center				1,000	1,000	500	500
Street Lights	59,000	60,500	60,500	63,500	63,500	60,500	60,500
Total Public Safety	1,768,476	1,826,857	1,846,895	1,916,846	2,025,288	1,972,464	1,987,788
HIGHWAYS STREETS & BRIDGES							
Public Works	856,800	876,214	908,550	972,558	1,019,309	963,144	967,309
Streets & Sidewalks	369,500	376,000	432,500	431,500	429,500	427,500	427,500
Parking	3,700	3,900	4,400	4,600	4,500	3,000	3,000
Tree Program	16,100	16,100	19,500	25,000	28,000	28,000	28,000
Total Street & Bridges	1,246,100	1,272,214	1,364,950	1,433,658	1,481,309	1,421,644	1,425,809
HEALTH & WELFARE							
Provider Agencies	13,107	5,782	5,925	6,150	6,150	1,000	1,000
Community Service Organizations	17,860	17,800	21,500	21,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
	30,967	23,582	27,425	27,150	26,150	21,000	21,000
LEISURE SERVICES							
Camden Public Library	355,000	355,000	375,000	395,000	415,000	415,000	415,000
Harbor & Landing	154,800	166,668	171,755	180,401	190,333	194,178	198,533
Recreation	127,980	136,011	154,420	161,239	164,231	159,440	160,731
Parks	198,270	201,247	219,685	216,454	239,632	209,259	210,632
Megunticook Dams	10,500	6,000	7,000	2,000	11,000	7,000	7,000
Total Leisure Services	846,550	864,926	927,860	955,094	1,020,196	984,877	991,896
CEMETERIES							
Cemetery Association	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Cemetery Maintenance	50,000	53,739	55,245	50,000	51,369	50,619	51,369
Total Cemetery	90,000	93,739	95,245	90,000	91,369	90,619	91,369

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Expenditure Summary**

	FY13	FY14	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 17	FY 17
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Manager Proposed	Budget Committee	Select Board
<i>DEBT/CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY</i>							
Debt Service Principal	411,291	426,257	416,588	528,673	606,682	606,682	606,682
Debt Service Interest	101,082	98,000	125,314	147,000	157,363	157,363	157,363
Capital Reserves	119,400	117,000	130,000	139,500	231,600	103,600	133,600
Capital Improvement Program	98,000	119,000	144,000	189,200	288,000	189,000	150,910
Contingency	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Total Debt/Capital/Conting	769,773	800,257	855,902	1,044,373	1,323,645	1,096,645	1,088,555
MUNICIPAL TOTAL	6,208,701	6,428,595	6,752,839	7,151,810	7,798,771	7,364,591	7,404,141

CAMDEN TOWN OFFICE

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Telephone: 236-3353

Fax Number: 236-7956

Closed all Legal Holidays and Weekends

Website Address: www.camdenmaine.gov

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Fire Department (non-emergency)	www.camdenmaine.gov/fire	236-7950
Police Department (non-emergency)	www.camdenmaine.gov/police	236-7967
Public Works/Highway Department	www.camdenmaine.gov/publicworks	236-7954
Harbormaster’s Office	www.camdenmaine.gov/harbor	236-7969
Parks & Recreation/Camden Snow Bowl	www.camdensnowbowl.com	236-3438
Camden Opera House	www.camdenoperahouse.com	236-7963
Wastewater Department		236-7955
Knox County Dispatch		236-3030

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire, Police and Ambulance	911
Maine State Police	1-800-452-4664
Knox County Sheriff’s Office	1-800-337-0565
Poison Control Center	1-800-442-6305
Pen Bay Medical Center	596-8000
North East Mobile Health Services (Ambulance)	230-0082

REFERENCE NUMBERS

Maine Water, Inc.. (Water Company)	282-1543
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
Camden Rockport Elementary School	236-7807/7809
Teen Center	230-0866

MIDCOAST SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION

Tuesday – Saturday 8:00 am – 4:00 p.m.

Telephone: 236-7958

Closed Sunday and Monday

CAMDEN-ROCKPORT-LINCOLNVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2 Public Landing

236-4404

Website Address: www.camdenme.org

