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DEDICATION

At any office, job or work site, there is often times one person who will consistently go above and beyond expectations by delivering excellent work while keeping it fun and enjoyable. Such people, in doing their job with a smile on their face, will also contribute greatly to the workplace atmosphere with creativity and humor. The Town of Hampden has been fortunate to have such a person for the last 17 years in Cheryl Johnson.

Cheryl came to Hampden in December of 1999 assuming the duties of Tax Collector, Motor Vehicle Agent, General Assistance Administrator and Deputy Clerk. In addition to the delivery of excellent work, friendly rapport with the customers, and a wealth of knowledge for the various titles she held, Cheryl was known by her annual initiative to give each tax due date its own theme in an effort to make the day more palatable to the taxpayer. These branded tax collection days were complete with cutout decorations to match and refreshments in the lobby. Who doesn't remember the year the office was decorated with whales to correspond with the theme "Whale, whale, whale, taxes are due today!", or the year of a hundred bees hanging from the ceiling with the slogan "I can't bee-lieve that its tax due date." It was that type of lightheartedness that lent itself not only to office camaraderie but became equally endearing to the residents of town.

Cheryl's contributions to the Town of Hampden were many and we will benefit from the mark she made for years to come. We congratulate her on her retirement and wish her well in her future. It is in her honor that we dedicate the 2017 Town Report.



12/06/1999 – 12/22/2016

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ADMINISTRATION:

TOWN MANAGER	862-3034
TOWN CLERK	862-3034
Marriage Licenses/Certificates	
Birth/Death Certificates	
Burial Permits	
Fish & Wildlife Licenses	
ATV/Boat/Snowmobile Registrations	
Elections/Voter Registration	
TAX COLLECTOR	862-3034
Excise & Property Taxes	
General Assistance	
UTILITY BILLING CLERK (Sewer Billing)	862-4500
FINANCE OFFICER	862-3034
ASSESSOR	862-4500
BUILDING INSPECTOR/FIRE INSPECTOR	862-4500
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/PLUMBING INSPECTOR	862-4500
TOWN PLANNER	862-3034
EDYTHE L. DYER COMMUNITY LIBRARY	862-3550
FIRE DEPARTMENT/AMBULANCE – Non-Emergency	862-4000
GIS/IT DEPARTMENT	862-4500
LURA E. HOIT MEMORIAL POOL	862-4305
POLICE – Non-Emergency	862-4000
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT	862-3337
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	862-6451

LIFE & DEATH EMERGENCIES

Dial “911”

TOWN OFFICIALS

JULY 1, 2016 to JUNE 30, 2017

ELECTED OFFICIALS HAMPDEN TOWN COUNCIL

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>TERM ENDS</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>
Stephen L. Wilde	I	12/31/2017	947-7611
Dennis R. Marble	II	12/31/2017	862-8132
Terry McAvoy	III	12/31/2017	862-4895
David I. Ryder	IV	12/31/2017	862-3570
Gregory J. Sirois	At Large	12/31/2018	478-5556
Mark Cormier	At Large	12/31/2018	745-3567
Ivan P. McPike	At Large	12/31/2018	862-4048

APPOINTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>
Town Manager	Angus Jennings	862-3034
Town Treasurer	Angus Jennings	862-3034
Town Clerk	Paula Scott	862-3034
Tax Collector	Barbara Geaghan	862-3034
Finance/HR Officer	Tammy Ewing	862-3034
Utility Billing Clerk	Danielle Simons	862-4500
General Assistance Director	Barbara Geaghan	862-3034
Tax Assessor	Kelly Karter	862-4500
GIS/IT Specialist	Kyle Severance	862-4500
Code Enforcement Officer	Myles Block	862-4500
Building/Fire Inspector	Jason Lundstrom	862-4500
Public Safety Director	Joseph Rogers	862-4000
Health Officer	Jason Lundstrom	862-3034
Public Works Director	Sean Currier	862-3337
Harbor Master	Peter Neal	270-1270
Cemetery Sexton	Devon Patterson	862-3337
Library Director	Debora Lozito	862-3550
Pool Director	Darcey Peakall	862-4305
Recreation Director	Shelley Abbott	862-6451
Town Planner	Karen Cullen	862-4500
Town Attorney	Ed Bearor	862-3034
Town Forester	Vacant	
Auditor	James W. Wadman	667-6500

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.

Growing our economy by encouraging job creation remains a top priority. The tax relief bill enacted during this last Congress contains provisions I authored to provide small businesses with the certainty that they need to invest, grow, and, most important, hire new workers. The 2017 National Defense Authorization Act includes a provision the Maine delegation worked together to champion requiring that military recruits be provided with athletic footwear made in America, as is required for other equipment and uniform items whenever possible. This is a great victory for our troops and for the 900 skilled workers at New Balance factories here in Maine.

Maine's contributions to our national security stretch from Kittery to Limestone. As a senior member of the Appropriations Committee, I successfully advocated for critical funding for projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and \$1 billion towards the construction of an additional ship that will likely be built at Bath Iron Works. This funding will strengthen the Navy and our national security, and the additional destroyer will help meet the Navy's goal of a 355-ship fleet.

Maine's growing population of older individuals creates many challenges. That's why, as Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, my top three priorities are fighting fraud and financial abuse directed at our nation's seniors, increasing investments in biomedical research, and improving retirement security.

The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for senior citizens to report suspected fraud and receive assistance. Last May, a call to the hotline helped lead to the arrest of a national crime ring targeting seniors, and in June I worked to secure the humanitarian release of a Maine senior who had been imprisoned in Spain after being victimized by an international drug smuggling scam.

The Aging Committee also released an extensive report detailing the findings of our bipartisan investigation into the abrupt and dramatic price increases for prescription drugs whose patents expired long ago.

I advocated strongly for the \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health to advance research on such diseases as diabetes and Alzheimer's. I also championed and authored portions of the 21st Century Cures Act that will further support biomedical innovation and make significant reforms to our mental health system.

The Senate also took steps in the past year to combat the nation's heroin and opioid epidemic by passing the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA), which I was proud to cosponsor. CARA is a monumental step forward in our effort to address the devastating addiction crisis affecting countless families and communities across the country and right here in Maine.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. In December 2016, I cast my 6,236th 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 Penobscot County and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Bangor state office at (207) 945-0417 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2017 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 3, 2018

Dear Friends,

Representing Maine in the United States Senate is an honor.

I continue my work on the Senate Armed Services Committee, each year authorizing the funding required to build our military capabilities and ensuring that our service members are trained and equipped to defend our nation. I was pleased to be part of a bipartisan effort to enact a new law to simplify the appeals review process to reduce the backlog our veterans are facing, as well as a new law that provides critical funding to the VA Choice Program, allowing veterans in rural Maine to access services closer to home.

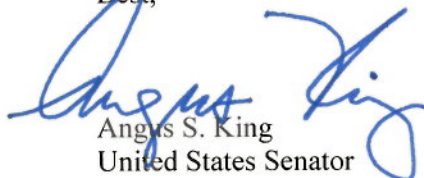
While my committee work is important, working to combat the opioid epidemic is one of my top priorities. Although Congress has made some important strides, much remains to be done to provide additional funding for prevention, treatment and enforcement. I am working with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to pressure the Drug Enforcement Administration to reduce the amount of opioids produced and to thwart the flow of fentanyl and other deadly drugs into our country.

I am very optimistic about the integrated, multiagency effort I led with Senator Collins to foster innovation and commercialization in Maine's forest economy. Through the Economic Development Assessment Team (EDAT) we are already experiencing increased federal investments that will strengthen our existing forest products industry and help support job creation in rural communities. Initiatives like Cross Laminated Timber, Combined Heat and Power, nanocellulose, 3D printing with biobased materials and other biobased products will mean that Maine's wood-basket will continue to be a major jobs and economic contributor for our future.

Finally, the coming year will continue the work of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in the ongoing investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election. Our Committee has held seven public hearings and numerous classified sessions, reviewed tens of thousands of pages of documents and conducted hundreds of interviews. I remain focused on the security of our elections and committed to developing strategies to prevent interference by foreign governments in our democracy.

May 2018 be a good year for you, your family, your community and our great State.

Best,



Angus S. King
United States Senator



ELECTED STATE OFFICIALS REPRESENTING HAMPDEN

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July, 2017

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I want to begin by thanking the citizens of District 101 for giving me the opportunity to represent you at the State House. As you likely know, our district consists of Hampden and Newburgh.

I have been appointed to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources. This committee is responsible for reviewing and proving recommendations on bills relating to commercial marine fisheries management, licensing and enforcement, and the processing and sale of fish and shellfish. I am happy to have the opportunity to contribute to such an important committee.

The 128th Maine Legislature convened in December and recently completed the first regular session. I encourage you to call me anytime at **287-1440** or email me at **David.Haggan@legislature.maine.gov** to keep me updated on any concerns you might have. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request. Another way to stay up to date on state news is to visit the Legislature's website, **www.legislature.maine.gov**.

Again, thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your State Representative. I look forward to hearing from you!

Best regards,

S/David Haggan
State Representative

TOWN MANAGER

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Fiscal year 2017 was my first complete fiscal year as Hampden's Town Manager, having begun my tenure in August 2015, the second month of FY16. FY17 was also my first complete year as Manager, in that it was the first budget year that I oversaw that was based on a budget I had prepared.

The approved FY17 Town Budget did reflect some significant policy and personnel changes, and so was the first year that some operational changes became apparent in the functions of local government. The year was very successful, by many measures, and represented an important turning point with regard to several longer-term finance trends.

This Annual Report highlights many of the year's notable facts, events and occurrences.

While the Town Manager's office operates on a day-to-day basis with some independence from the Town Council, the policy initiatives my office undertook were almost entirely driven by the Town Council's direction. For that reason, this Annual Report is organized based on the four Town Council working Committees:

- Administration & Finance
- Planning & Development
- Services
- Infrastructure

The year brought some significant changes in staffing and organizational structure.

The approved budget included a restructured Land & Building Services office suite intended to improve coordination and efficiency among the Code, Planning, Assessing, GIS/IT, and DPW departments. The "mini reorg" included restoration of the Town Planner position, reflecting management recognition that a rewrite of local regulations and permitting documents could improve professionalism, customer service and could also advance the Council's economic development objectives.

Staffing adjustments included reallocating a portion of one position to provide support to both the DPW and Administration/Finance offices, which was intended to strengthen administrative support to DPW. A number of offices were relocated for improved functionality and customer service.

The office gave its fondest well wishes to Cheryl Johnson, who retired after 15 years of service to the Town of Hampden. As the Town's Tax Collector, Motor Vehicle

Agent and General Assistance Administrator, Cheryl left big shoes to fill. But during the year we also welcomed Barbara Geaghan in the same role.

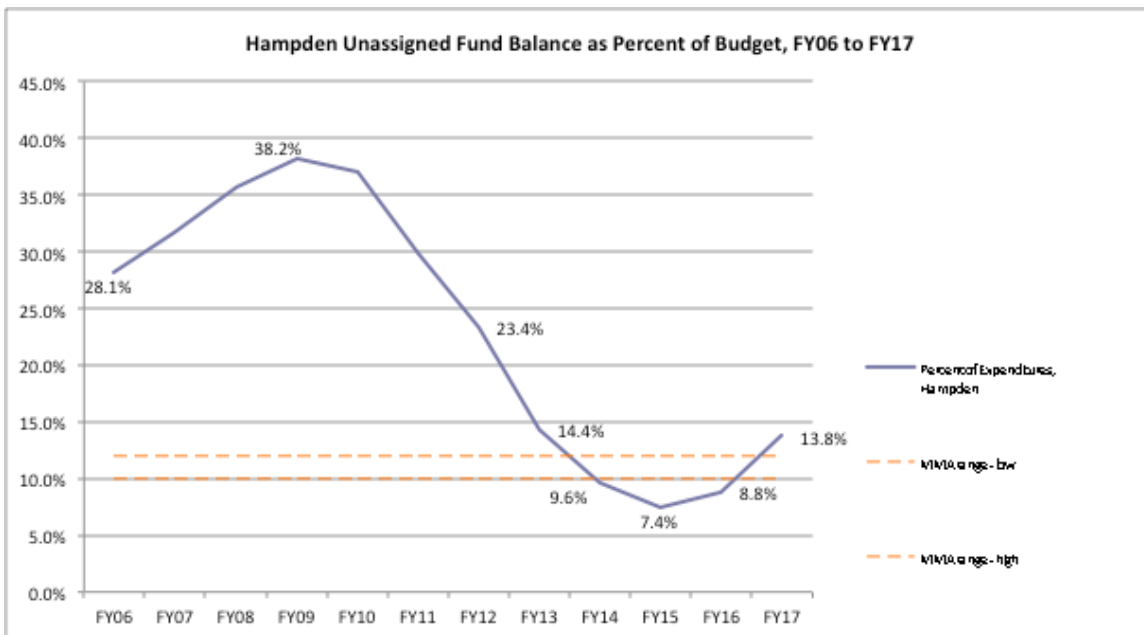
Administration & Finance

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Unassigned Fund Balance

Leading into FY16, the Town’s Unassigned Fund Balance – an important indicator of financial health – had dropped to 7.4%, below the 10-12% level recommended by the Maine Municipal Association. Fortunately, thanks to a combination of revenues above projections and expenses below budgeting, the Unassigned Fund Balance trended upward during FY16 for the first time in seven years.

This prior-year success accelerated in the current year in part because the approved FY17 Budget was the first budget in many years that did not rely on a draw from Unassigned Fund Balance to make the numbers work. In FY17, the Town restored its Unassigned Fund Balance to the recommended level.



Sewer Fund

In December 2015 my office reported on trends in the Town’s Annual Audits showing that the Sewer enterprise fund hadn’t realized a net operating income in more than a decade – only losses. The rate structure did not cover the Sewer operating and debt service costs, and dramatic increases in costs to the City of Bangor for wastewater treatment had made the situation worse.

So, in the February 2016, the Town Council approved a substantial increase in sewer rates, doing work that was long overdue. It was only the second rate increase of any amount in over twenty years.

Thanks to this, the Sewer Fund received its first new revenues from the increase. This led to FY17 being the first year in more than a decade that the Audit showed a Net Operating Income for the Sewer Fund.

Other Finance Improvements

During FY17 the Town fully implemented online registration and payment for Recreation and Pool. This was a tremendous step forward, and truly a win/win/win outcome. The changes dramatically enhanced customer service and convenience, reduced administrative staffing burdens associated with paper-based registration, and in all likelihood contributed to the positive revenue trends realized by both Departments over the course of the year.

Also related to Recreation and Pool, my office and the Town Council agreed that it made sense to abandon the “quasi-enterprise” budgeting and accounting method that had been established in prior years. These changes improved the clarity and accuracy of departmental financial reports, but also reduced staff administrative burden associated with the former “quasi-enterprise” accounting.

During the year, my office worked with our State House delegation, which helped to keep us apprised of proposed legislation of potential importance or interest to the Town of Hampden. On several occasions during the year, my office prepared testimony in conjunction with the Town Council and Town personnel for presentation to legislative committees in Augusta.

In FY17, my office worked with the Town Council to re-establish the long-dormant Environmental Trust Committee, which had been inactive for the prior seven years. In addition to restoring a Committee with an important monitoring and financial role relative to the post-closure of the landfill, also allowed the Town to recoup more than \$410,000 in eligible Trust expenses that had been paid out of the Town’s General Fund during the period the Trust Committee was inactive. These funds appeared in the Town’s Unassigned Fund Balance in the year-end FY17 Audit, and helped contribute to several other trends that collectively made FY17 a very successful financial year for the Town of Hampden.

Planning & Development

Over the course of FY17, the Town made a great deal of progress in these areas of policy and operations.

Permitting in Hampden became more “business friendly” (and more friendly, efficient, and professional overall) with changes in regulation and practice. Many smaller changes all worked together to advance one of the Town Council’s long-standing policy objectives.

Recognizing the value of an independent assessment of Hampden’s strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, the Town leveraged TIF funds to retain a nationally active economist specialized in helping communities like Hampden. During the winter, W-ZHA participated in many roundtable meetings with local businesses and civic leaders, crunched a lot of numbers, and prepared an economic framework analysis (market study) that proved helpful to inform specific policy and organizational reforms. This work helped the Town move forward during the course of the year, and generated information and strategic insights relevant into the future.

During FY17, the Town Council created a new Business Park TIF District to help finance the new roads, water and sewer infrastructure that was nearing completion after nearly two years of construction. This policy change strengthened a financing mechanism that was critical to the public infrastructure construction, while also providing the opportunity for additional tax incentives for private sector development in the Business Park.

During the year, the Town’s Land & Building Services offices expanded our communications with local businesses through targeted mailings, an enhanced online presence, and local events.

Services

The Town’s online profile improved tremendously with a major website “refresh” completed in spring 2017. The new www.hampdenmaine.gov continues to provide an incredible range of quality information, some of which had already been available, but expands the website’s functionality while also making it easier to find site content.

Among other innovations, the site includes a “tax calculator” that allows residents to know – down to the penny – how their tax dollars are divided among Town, School and County, and for every department of Town government. The site also includes an embedded Town Facebook feed, allowing everyone with or without a social media account to view all of the feed’s informative, creative and entertaining posts.

One of the year’s most exciting and notable events was brought forward in partnership with the Hampden Business Association. The Town and the HBA worked together to host a town-wide Volunteer Open House and Community Forum to promote local causes and citizen volunteerism. The event was attended by twenty-five civic organizations doing good work in Hampden. The planning and organizing

leading up to the event also led to improvements in the ability of some active Hampden organizations to establish or enhance an online presence. The Town created a new online events calendar to post non-municipal civic events, and offered local organizations the opportunity to provide information to the public through the Town website. More at www.hampdenmaine.gov/organizations.

As more fully described elsewhere, FY17 was the year that the Town fully implemented online registration and payment for the Recreation and Pool departments.

Infrastructure

In FY17, the Town secured grant funds and local funds to improve signage in the Dorothea Dix Park, Papermill Park, and the Turtle Head Marina Park.

Following public outreach and information, we were fortunate to secure voter approval to authorize borrowing to pay the Town's share of costs for the MaineDOT reconstruction of Route 1A (anticipated to begin in 2019).

This year, we also completed local permitting of the MRC/Coastal Resources LLC industrial development. Related to the project, the Town Council participated in multi-party financing of the extension of a public water main along Coldbrook Road. In addition to providing a near-term benefit to this development area, this major infrastructure expansion also advanced the Town's long-time economic development planning.

Respectfully Submitted
Angus Jennings
Town Manager

TOWN CLERK

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As the official record keeper for the Town, the Town Clerk is responsible for maintaining and ensuring the safekeeping and preservation of town records and vital records. All birth, death and marriage records are now recorded and issued through the State of Maine's online Electronic Death, Birth and Marriage Registration System through a database application of vital events, (DAVE). This means that paper copies of death records after 2011, birth records after 2013 and marriage records after 2017 are no longer housed at the town office. This also means that marriage licenses that we used to type in house and on our own system take a little longer to issue as we have to complete them on-line and according to the required fields of the electronic system.

The Clerk is also responsible for issuing various state and local licenses, including Inland Fisheries and Wildlife licenses, dog licenses, marriage licenses, Victualer's licenses, registering recreational vehicles, administering state and local elections and voter registration, and providing information and notices on a variety of matters to the public and other town departments.

By visiting the Town of Hampden's website www.hampdenmaine.gov, you can find current town news, town ordinances and policies, public notices and answers to frequently asked questions. The website contains helpful information pertaining to licensing, vital statistics, Council agendas and minutes, and elections and voter registration. Residents can also purchase their hunting and fishing licenses and renew automobile, ATV, snowmobile registrations and dog licenses using the links on the home page. New automobile, ATV, snowmobile registrations and boat registrations must be done at the Town Office. We are now also a full registration office and issue license plates, so you no longer have to go to DMV for plates after payment of your excise tax.

RECORDED IN THIS OFFICE FROM 07/01/2016 – 06/30/2017 THE FOLLOWING STATISTICS ARE HEREBY PRESENTED:			
<i>IF & W LICENSES ISSUED:</i>		<i>VITAL STATISTICS RECORDED:</i>	
A total of 566 License Authorities were issued. Those authorities are comprised of the following:		Births 71	Certified copies 94
Muzzleload 15 Hunting 106		Marriages 48	Certified copies 54
Turkey Permits 26 Fishing 195		Deaths 40	Certified copies 193
Waterfowl 16 Combination 170		Burials 28	
Archery 38			
<i>RECREATIONAL VEHICLES REGISTERED:</i>		<i>DOG LICENSES SOLD:</i>	
Boats 572		Neutered/Spayed	691
Snowmobiles 319		Male/Female	51
ATV's 241		Service/Search & Rescue	1
		Kennel Licenses	3
<i>MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED:</i> 9,495		<i>VICTUALERS LICENSES:</i> 19	

There were two elections this past fiscal year. A Municipal Referendum Election was held on November 8th, 2016 together with the General (Presidential) Election that produced a turn-out of 4,532 votes cast. With 5,988 voters on the voting list, this means that we had a 75% voter turn-out. Additionally, 32% of our voters voted by absentee ballot. Both of these statistics were record breaking for the Town of Hampden, and yet everything went off without a hitch. The RSU #22 School Budget Validation Referendum and Special State Referendum were held in conjunction on June 13th, 2017 with a much lower voter turnout of 591. The school budget put forth by the RSU #22 Board of Directors was defeated by a margin of 47 votes. There was a subsequent RSU #22 School Budget Validation Referendum in August, at which the budget was approved by the voters.

While the Town of Hampden did not have a Council election in 2016, we did propose three referenda to the voters. Voters approved funding the Town's portion of the upcoming Route 1-A MeDOT reconstruction project, as well as repairs to the City of Bangor's Bio-Tower of which by interlocal agreement, we are required to pay 8.33%, and where our sewage is treated. Thirdly, the voters approved funds to pay the City of Bangor for overdue sewer treatment costs, catching us up after having fallen behind in payments for several years. Jayne Dyer and Amanda Sidell were elected to the RSU #22 Board of Directors to serve for 3-year terms and Lauren Swalec was elected as a Trustee of the Hampden Water District for a 3-year term.

The results of all elections are recorded in the Town Clerk's Office and are available for inspection during regular business hours.

I have spoken before to the deep appreciation that I have for all of the election workers of the Town, but it certainly bears repeating. Election clerks are our friends and neighbors and they are the backbone of our elections. Whether they are conducting absentee voting in the office, working the incoming table, manning the tabulators/ballot box, or tallying results into the wee hours of the night, they are there for me. I could not do it alone and I appreciate each and every one of them for their dedication to the process that is so organically American. It does take a village after all. If you are interested in working at the polls and taking part of the process, please contact the Town Clerk at 862-3034. I would love to have you join the team!

Another way to serve your community is to volunteer to be on one of the boards or committees of the Town. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet other civic-minded individuals and make a positive impact in the community. If you are interested, check the Town's website (click on "Town Officials – Town Boards and Committees" on the top menu bar) to view a list of vacancies and to print an application form. Or if you would like to find out more information about any given board or committee, I invite you to contact the Town Office and we will happily steer you in the direction of your choice.

In closing, I would like to thank Manager Jennings and my co-workers for being some of the best public employees that I have had the pleasure of working with. I would also like to thank the townspeople of Hampden for all of their support over this past year.

Respectfully Submitted,



Paula A. Scott, CCM
Town Clerk & Registrar of Voters

Town Planner
Annual Report for July 2016 to June 2017

Planning Board Activity		
Type of Action	Number of Requests	What request was for
Home occupation permits	1	Artist
Site Plans and Conditional Use	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiberright, solid waste processing facility off Coldbrook Rd • Emera Maine, solar array at Penobscot Meadows Dr • McIntosh, buildings for agric/forestry business on Pond Rd • Pine Tree Food Equip, new dev on Nadines Way • Coral Reef Realty, Hannibal Hamlin Place expansion • Fiberright, minor modification to change parcel to provide frontage on Coldbrook Rd to obtain building permit • Carver, conditional use permit to convert single-family to two-family, Ballfield Rd
Sketch Plan	1	Bog Road subdivision
Subdivision	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bog Rd subdivision (7 lots) • Freedom Way, 11 lot subdivision off Constitution Dr (final granted in next reporting period) • Perkins Dr, amendment to approval to remove a condition
Zoning Ordinance Amendments, District (map)	0	
Zoning Ordinance Amendments, Text	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off premises signs (§4.8.1) • Building permits (§5.3.1) • Home Occupation (§4.10) • Article 1, amendment process • Accessory apartments (§4.25 and others) • Off-street parking, loading, drive-thru design, bufferyard (§4.7) and signs (§4.8)
Shoreland Zoning Ordinance Amendments	0	
Subdivision Ordinance Amendments	0	

Planning & Development Committee Activity	
MRC - Request for Town to hold conservation easement – withdrawn by proponent	Withdrawn
Zoning ordinance – discussion on amendment process (ordinance amended, charter not)	Completed
Market study	Completed
Hampden Business Park TIF	Completed
Emera Maine TIF – minor modification to correct an error	Completed
Zoning ordinance – discussion on article 3, reformat to use table and dimensional table	In Progress
Zoning ordinance – discussion on retail marijuana; pending state action	In Progress
Zoning ordinance – discussion on home occupations (ordinance amended)	Completed
Yard sale ordinance – discussion (repealed)	Completed
Discussion on dangerous buildings	No Action
Hampden Business Park CEA for Sargent Corp.	Completed
MRC – Request for Town contribution toward cost for water line extension on Coldbrook	Completed
Hampden Business Park – renewal of agreement with Epstein Commercial Real Estate	Completed
Discussion on business loan programs	No Action
Discussion on civil liability and code enforcement	No Action
Zoning ordinance – discussion on accessory apartment (ordinance amended)	Completed
Zoning ordinance – discussion on flexibility in parking and signage (ordinance amended)	Completed
Discussion on town center project	In Progress
Streetlight petition for Chickadee Lane (3 new lights; referred to Council w/recomd to approve)	Completed
Zoning ordinance – discussion on certificate of compliance (ordinance amended)	Completed
Grant opportunity – discussion on potential grant for a planning study at Penobscot River waterfront, from Turtle Head Park north to Waterfront Marine (applied, not awarded)	Completed
Fees ordinance – discussion on changes re: solid waste, liquor licenses, and sewer (ordinance amended)	Completed
Solid Waste Flow Control ordinance – discussion (ordinance repealed & replaced Aug 7)	Completed
Zoning ordinance – discussion on definitions re:solid waste (ordinance amended)	Completed
Colonial Heights – Request for town to hold conservation easement (approved July 19)	Completed
Environmental Mitigation Guidelines – discussion re: desire to officially adopt to establish written policy re: development of LL Bean parcel and use for wetland mitigation	In Progress

Respectfully submitted,
Karen M. Cullen, AICP
Town Planner

**ASSESSOR'S ANNUAL REPORT
July 2016 to June 2017**

Taxes were committed for the 2016/17 tax year on August 15, 2016. The tax rate was set at 18.20 per thousand dollars in valuation. The town's total valuation was \$646,097,160. Homestead exemptions increased to \$20,000 per qualifying household while the other exemptions remained the same. This valuation is as of April 1, 2016.

The community continues to see very healthy residential growth. Existing subdivision lots continue to be sold and new homes built and sold. The real estate market in Hampden appears to be strong at this time.

The following programs are designed to reduce taxes for those who qualify:

The Homestead Exemption – To qualify for this program, you must live in and own a home in Maine for one year as of April 1. You also must file an application at the assessor's office by April 1. This reduces your taxable valuation by \$20,000. Applications are available at the assessing office or on line at www.hampdenmaine.gov.

The Veteran's Exemption - Reduces the valuation of the home by \$6,000. The veteran must have served during one of the federally recognized war periods, be 62 years of age or be a totally disabled veteran of any age. Veterans need to file an application **prior to April 1** and they also need to submit a copy of their DD214 and their birth certificate or a letter from the VA giving the disability code.

The Property Tax Refund Program – Has undergone a number of changes and the information is available at the Maine Revenue website. This refund is now tied to your income tax return.

BETR: & BETE: - Are both programs for personal property reimbursement and exemption. There are guidance documents available in our office and on line at Maine Revenue's Website. This information is also included in the Personal Property Declaration Form that is typically mailed out in February.

If you need further information on any of the above programs, please call the assessor's office at 862-4500 or e-mail us at assessor@hampdenmaine.gov. The assessor is available to explain the valuation process or answer any tax valuation questions you have.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. Karter, CMA
Assessor



Hampden Public Safety

Emergency Services Working Together

106 Western Avenue
Hampden, ME 04444



Phone: 207-862-4000

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Police—Fire—EMS

Code Enforcement
Building Inspection
Fire Inspection

Local Health Office

Joseph L. Rogers
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Scott A. Webber
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William Miller
Patrol Officer
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Patrol Officer

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Matthew Thomas
FF / Paramedic
Shawn McNally
FF / Paramedic
Matthew Roope
FF / Paramedic
Chris Liepold
FF / Paramedic

The Hampden Public Safety Department is comprised of police, fire and code enforcement personnel providing coordinated public safety services to the community. We provide 24 hour, seven day-a-week coverage. Services provided include emergency response to police, fire, and medical calls, public education, fire prevention and education, school resource officer, building/fire inspections, building permit reviews and issuance, enforcement of building and land codes and Storm Water Program compliance. We strive to provide professional, high quality services that the community expects and deserves.

Visit us on the town website, hampdenmaine.gov, or on our Facebook Page, <https://www.facebook.com/hampdenpublicsafety>. We encourage residents to check these sites regularly, as we are making efforts to keep them updated to provide information, alerts and safety tips.

Our vision statement reminds employees of our values and goals. The statement reads:

Our Vision: To enhance the quality of life for all citizens.

Our Mission: Hampden Public Safety Department is committed to creating a safe environment for all citizens. This is done by working in partnership with the community to identify and resolve public safety concerns. All Hampden Public Safety employees are devoted to providing professional, progressive, fire, medical and police services.

Hampden Public Safety Personnel will:

- Recruit and retain the highest quality employees.
- Display a high level of integrity in the performance of their duties. Personnel will be honest, sincere and compassionate.
- Work cooperatively through training and on-scene emergency response.
- Provide safety education to all segments of the community.
- Promote an atmosphere that encourages and recognizes continuing education and training.
- Work cooperatively with citizens to address public safety concerns.

If you have any questions, comments, remarks, or even criticism, please contact us in person, by telephone, or via email at publicsafety@hampdenmaine.gov.

Joseph L. Rogers
Director of Public Safety

GIS/IT DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT for JULY 2016 to JUNE 2017

The primary responsibility of the GIS/IT Specialist is to utilize technology to maintain and improve the effectiveness and efficiency of Town operations and services in turn providing a high value service for the public.

Here is a list of a few accomplishments this last year:

IT:

- Resolved IT-related issues for the following Town departments: town office, land & building services, public safety (police and fire), public works, recreation, pool, and library
- Launched a refreshed official town website
- Converted motor vehicle registration from dot matrix to laser printing
- Replaced town office server
- Upgraded CCTV surveillance system for municipal building
- Conducted broadband pilot study to develop an implementation roadmap to more robust internet connectivity for the Town
- Initiated new equipment lease with Lenovo and replaced ten computers
- Fixed the mobile public safety variable message sign which hadn't worked in over six years

GIS:

- Assigned 34 new e911 addresses coinciding with building permits
- Used new wide format scanner to scan mylar subdivision plan, cemetery lot plans, and large property record documents to electronic format
- Used new Trimble GPS unit to map features including water lines, sewer mains, and recreational trails
- Produced production quality maps for various requests from town departments, residents, and collaborative strategic groups such as engineers, law firms, and State and Federal agencies

Other:

- Assisted in hosting the annual stream clean event
- Provided A/V coverage of volunteer and civic organization open house, conducted interviews with the various organizations to highlight on cable access and town website
- Trained new Electronic Document Management (Scanner) and Town Videographer
- Implemented town staff wellness committee

What's in store for next year?

- Create GIS layers - detention ponds, comprehensive walking trails, accurate sewer infrastructure, subdivisions
- Continue clean-up of GIS layers - parcel layer, building layer, dimension annotation
- Convert several private road addresses to e911 compliant addresses
- Create new official tax maps for assessing department
- Create new official zoning map for code enforcement and planning department
- Replace the town's outdated LCD projectors

I look forward to continuing work with the staff, council, and residents whom make this Town a great place to live and conduct business.

Any questions or suggestions are always welcomed and encouraged.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Severance

GIS/IT Specialist

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

FY17 ANNUAL REPORT

REPORT PERIOD: JULY 2016 THROUGH JUNE 2017

The Public Works Department would like to thank the residents, Town Council and the Town Manager for their continued support. Our goals are to serve the public in as timely and efficient matter as possible, while upholding the current ordinances, policies and resolutions of the Town.

In the beginning of fiscal year 17 (summer 2016), the public works crew ditched multiple roads in preparation for paving. A few of the roads included Hopkins, Emerson Mill and Griffin Avenue. Multiple driveway and road culverts in poor condition were replaced on Ichabod, North, Miller and Old County Road in August and September 2016 and Bog road in June 2017. Culverts in better condition were slip-lined with new hdpe pipe or simply flushed on Hopkins, Old County (Oct 2016), Monroe and Meadow Road (Sept 2016).

Paving operations were completed by Eaton Paving and roads were shouldered by the public works crew. Some of the roads paved/shouldered were Constitution, Liberty, Independence, Emerson Mill, Penobscot Meadow and Pond Road (Oct 2016). The marina also received a fresh new topcoat of pavement. Along with paving operation completion, the guardrail on Emerson Mill Road was repaired on both ends. It appeared that vehicular accidents significantly damaged the guardrail prompting the replacement on both ends.

The public works department purchased a new flail mower (Ferri ZLE 1800) in August for our John Deere 5105 tractor to better maintain the roadside mowing. This also allowed us to better maintain our storm water detention ponds and sewer easements. The public responded well to the new mower with positive comments. Other tasks completed this year are itemized below giving a sense of the vast array of services the public works department handles.

Annual tasks completed during FY17:

- Annual winter sand screened and put in building for the 16/17 plowing season.
- Annual reports (with all applicable backup) submitted to the DEP for the sewer system (CSO), Solid Waste (including mandatory ash testing), MEPDES permit (every 5 years), Oil Spill Log submission for Memorandum of Agreement and MS4 Stormwater permit (including responses and actions to questions from DEP regarding permit submission).
- Annual grub prevention and poison ivy application completed (Aug 2016).
- Annual required elevator inspection and pressure vessel testing (February/March).
- Annual bridge cleaning for Souadabscook canoe race.
- Annual preparation for Children's Day.

Other tasks completed during FY17 were as follows:

- Trails at the Marina and at Dorothea Dix Park were GPS'd. Signage will be created to mark trail system head of trail and at intersections for user reference (summer 2016).
- Repaired storm catch basins on Ruth Avenue, Liberty Avenue and Frances Drive (Sept 2016).
- Repaired pedestrian signals at the intersection of Western Avenue and 1A (summer 2016).
- 110 gallons of used motor oil were recycled at Rawcliffe's garage.
- Athletic field aeration with new equipment (Fall 2017).
- Attended monthly BACTS and BASWG meetings.
- Storm drain installed in ditch at VFW fields extended to Canoe Club Road.
- Cleaned 44 catch basins for compliance with MS4 permit.
- Purchased new tandem axle dump/plow truck #44 (May 2016).
- Renewed 5-year lease on a new John Deere 544k loader (Sept 2016).
- Gardner Construction replaced approx. 160' of storm drain on Sidney Blvd (Nov 2016).
- Updated the sewer and fees ordinances.
- #14 Plow truck body painted by HO Bouchard.
- Chipper painted by HO Bouchard.
- Installed / removed holiday lighting.
- Stockpiled tree debris chipped and removed by JD Raymond (Jan 2017).
- Chips added and timbers fixed at playground areas at Dorothea Dix park and Lura Hoyt pool.
- Responded to sewer calls.
- Responded to all resident calls and inquiries (dead animals, signs, spills, etc).

In late summer/early fall, we were able to flush some sewer trouble areas for preventative measures as well as having a contractor flush the Constitution area (Aug 2016) after construction activities were completed. This was done to remove any sediment that may have fallen in the manholes during the raising of the frames to accommodate the new paving treatment in the area. These activities are reported on our annual CSO reports to the Department of Environmental Protection. One sewer issue was rectified and reported to the DEP in September 2016. It was believed that wipes and excess paper on the manhole shelf caused the backup.

An ongoing leak in the foundation wall of the municipal building was rectified by public works in August of 2016. This solved a long standing water issue in the basement of the building. New flooring (epoxy coating paint) will be put in the capital plan going forward to replace the existing vct flooring.

Staffing had some changes in FY17 which resulted in a level work force:

- Ken Porter retired in August 2016
- Steve Oxley hired in October 2016 (Replaced Ken Porter)
- Brian Lindsey left the Town in June 2017
- Nicholas Russell hired in June 2017
- Dan Schaeffer was hired full time in October 2016 and left in August 2017 (replaced Albert Valcourt)
- Josh Knight hired October 2017 (replaced Dan Schaeffer)

During the Winter season 2016/2017, public works plowed approximately 79 miles of roadway and 7.5 miles of sidewalks. The crew was out for 57 storm events. Materials utilized were tracked as well as cost per mile for plowing activities (not including equipment). Roads were posted on February 2, 2017 and unposted April 21, 2017.

Spring of 2017 brought on the annual stream clean up on May 20. This year's turn-out was far less than last year. We had approximately 10 people help collect rubbish. We collected approximately 20 large contractor bags of trash from areas that typically discharge to local waters thus significantly helping the environment. The low turn-out may have been due to a rain date for the initial clean up scheduled.

Also during Spring, roads were swept by the public works crew generating approximately 10 cubic yards of material. Material was beneficially reused in culvert trenches for backfill of unsuitable material.

The cemeteries and grounds are maintained by public works. 31 burials were conducted during the FY17 season. Grub prevention has made a significant improvement from last year's devastation and loss of grass sparking dozens of calls from residents.

New sewer lines have been installed and a new access road started off of the Coldbrook Road corridor in anticipation of the new Fiberight Facility. The sewer extends to the Ammo Industrial Park then will discharge to the sewer system at the Business Park. The new infrastructure should make development in the area more appealing. Approximately 1900 LF of new sewer line was accepted in the Hampden Business Park last year and formal submittals are pending for sewer acceptance through Ammo Park to the Fiberight facility.

Approximately 16,000 feet of the sewer was CCTV'd (video captured with remote camera system) and 60 manholes inspected and captured with photographs. This was completed in front of scheduled paving work to investigate if any repairs or replacements are necessary prior to road work.

Stormwater Training by Stillwater Environmental Engineering (Phil Ruck) was held at the Town garage for all the public works employees. Storm drains, catch basins and outfall inspection were completed by SEE in June 2017. 417 Catch basins were also inspected as part of our MS4 permit compliance. The Town issued 3168 transfer station decals for 2017, and 33 seasonal decals. The Town also sold 776 refrigerant decals which are for all appliances with Freon. The Freon is then recycled prior to sending the appliances for metal recycling.

In summary, the Hampden public works department has had a very busy and successful year with a significant amount of accomplishments. We look forward to serving the community and striving for as many accomplishments in FY18.

Sincerely,



Sean Currier
Public Works Director

HAMPDEN RECREATION DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT FOR JULY 2016-JUNE 2017

The Hampden Recreation Department has continued to provide department operations out of the Skehan Recreation Center during the 2016-2017 fiscal year. The Hampden Recreation Department has completed 4 years into a 5 year renewable lease with building owners Historical Hampden Academy, LLC., for \$1.00 per year, for the following spaces: lobby, gymnasium, men's and ladies locker room, old weight room, and interior storage areas. As part of the lease agreement, the Hampden Recreation Department, is responsible for utility costs, general maintenance and upkeep of the leased portion of the building and mechanical systems, and other additional shared building costs related to the property taxes, insurance, sprinkler system, etc. (determined based on square footage). In addition to the above building costs, supported entirely by user fees of the Recreation Department, the Town of Hampden Public Works Department maintains the lawn space, and provides plowing, shoveling, and sand/salt treatment during the winter months.

The Hampden Recreation offers year-round indoor and outdoor programming options for participants age 4 and up. Five program sessions are offered per year with many drop in program options offered year round. The Hampden Recreation Department website (www.hampdenrecreation.com) offers the public the opportunity to search for programming and offers online registration options for programs, within the convenience of one's own home any time of day. An onsite registration kiosks for public use during normal business hours is available at the Skehan Recreation Center, and staff are more than willing to assist patrons with establishing a household account or registering for a particular program.

In addition to the facilities available at the Skehan Recreation Center, the Hampden Recreation Department also has the following facilities available for program and public use: Playground Structures for age 2-5 and 5-12, 2 sand beach volleyball courts, a multipurpose grass field, and a gazebo located at the Lura Hoit Pool Complex, 2 Little League sized baseball diamonds, 3 outdoor basketball courts, a batting cage, and 2 public tennis courts located off VFW Drive, and a full size lit softball field and a batting cage located off the Ballfield Road. These wonderful public spaces are regularly maintained by the Public Works Department and the Hampden Recreation Department works jointly with the Public Works Department to complete maintenance and renovation projects which enhance the recreational services for the community we serve.

Over the past year, the Hampden Recreation Department and the Recreation Committee has been working to develop a more formalized scholarship program for program opportunities. In late March of 2017, that work received a huge boost when members TEACH|LEARN|SUPPORT, a group of community members and teachers from RSU 22, presented the Hampden Recreation Department with a check for \$700 in startup funds for the scholarship program. The new program will offer financial assistance to patrons who are looking to recreational opportunities that may be more specialized in the areas of art, science, exercise and sport. In order to sustain this program overtime, the Hampden Recreation Department will be accepting donations to support ongoing patron requests. Information on the scholarship program on the department website and can found by visiting <http://www.hampdenrecreation.com/info/dept/>.

Finally, the Hampden Recreation Department would like to thank the community we serve for your support over the past year. We are grateful for your help as volunteers, and attendance in the many of the program we offer. We appreciate having the opportunity to provide you with opportunities to fulfill your recreational life. In addition, we would like to thank Historical Hampden Academy LLC., and the Lafayette family, for their generous contribution of an accessible facility space to house the Hampden Recreation Department and the many programs that we offer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelley Abbott

Recreation Director



Edythe L. Dyer Community Library www.edl.lib.me.us

ANNUAL REPORT FOR JULY 2016 – JUNE 2017

On a Wednesday evening in November I saw clearly how people use the library, not only for traditional library activities but so much more. At that time I wrote, “A tutor and student are across the hall from my office, a teen is interviewing with a college representative in the kitchen, five knitters are meeting in the green room, seven ukulele players are in the tower and a book group is meeting in the blue room.” More and more libraries are used as third places—the first place being home, second being work and the third a neutral place where people choose to be. According to a 2016 Aspen Institute report, Libraries as ‘third places’ are community assets. They:

- Establish personal connections that help define community needs and interests
- Provide an anchor for economic development and neighborhood revitalization
- Strengthen community identity in ways that yield significant return on investment, including drawing people together for diverse purposes
- Provide a safe and trusted location for community services
- Create connecting places in new locations that draw people together

I encourage you to visit your library! We are here for you; you support us with your property taxes. We will try our best to find what you need whether it is for a school assignment, your job, your hobby, or your entertainment.

The Trustees of the Edythe L. Dyer Community Library wish to thank all of the generous families, individuals, businesses and foundations who supported the 2016 Endowment Annual Appeal. The Fund supplements our municipal budget for materials and programming. Your support is very much appreciated! Please speak to a staff member or trustee if you would like to be included in our annual appeal.

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Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Lozito—Library Director



Lura E. Hoit Memorial Pool
146 Western Ave.
Hampden, ME 04444
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Annual Report for July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Over the past year approximately 30,000 people have used our pool for family or lap swim, aqua exercise, swim lessons, senior swim, and birthday or business rentals. There is something for everyone, from infant to senior.

It is now easier to register for our swim lessons on line at hampdenrecreation.com. We offer all levels of swim lessons from infant and toddler to adult. This past year 833 children participated in group lessons while 129 participants took private lessons. Under the direction of David Smith, assistant pool director, our instructors strive to provide quality swim lessons in a fun environment.

We awarded \$356 in swim lesson scholarships. Six children had the opportunity to learn to swim through the Susan G. Abraham Scholarship program. If you or someone you know might qualify for the Susan G. Abraham scholarship program please contact Darcey Peakall at 862-4305 or lurahoitpool@hampdenmaine.gov. Applications are also available to download from our web site at www.hampdenmaine.gov.

The Lura Hoit Pool, in connection with the Pool Board of Trustees has actively fundraised and promoted the Lura Hoit Pool through the following events and activities; annual giving letter campaign, corporate banner program, Swim Outlet commission program, and annual water carnival. Our vitality depends on the generosity of donors and corporate sponsors.

There are thirteen different aqua exercise classes offered every week and several lap and family swim times. Check out our web site for days and times and while you are online "Like" us on Facebook to stay up with all the latest schedules and events.

**See you at the pool
Respectfully submitted by
Darcey Peakall, Pool Director**

Mailing Address: 106 Western Ave, Hampden, ME 04444
lurahoitpool@hampdenmaine.gov

**Uncollected Real Estate Taxes
as of June 30, 2017**

Acct #	OWNER OF RECORD	2017	2016 LIENS	2015 TAX ACQUIRED
3262	5 TOWN FARM ROAD, LLC	\$3,258.29		
415	ADAMS, PAUL R	\$709.80		
807	ALEXANDER, STEVEN W	\$900.36		
666	ALL PHASE CONSTRUCTION LLC	\$1,319.50		
2313	ANNIS, CINDY L	\$1,283.59	\$980.44	
1411	ARBUCKLE ASSOCIATES LLC	\$373.59		
3789	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$233.61		
3790	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$252.30		
3791	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$233.61		
3792	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$242.95		
3794	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$233.61		
3795	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$233.61		
3796	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$224.26		
3797	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$224.26		
3798	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$233.61		
3799	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$205.58		
3800	BAILEY, RONALD W	\$233.61		
2319	BAKER, DEBORAH B	\$599.73		
103	BANGOR CEDAR FENCE INC	\$2,703.19	\$2,770.78	
1408	BANGOR TENNIS & REC CLUB INC	\$2,603.09		
936	BARTEAUX, LEAH	\$196.50		
1517	BASSANO, FRANCIS D	\$601.09		
2652	BAYLY, JUDITH	\$2,102.59	\$1,152.29	
1507	BECKWITH, GERALD	\$1,538.39	\$1,686.97	
1508	BECKWITH, GERALD	\$246.19	\$298.04	
3327	BENTON, MARY G	\$893.91		
2952	BERGER, JOSEF	\$2,466.59		
3491	BHW LLC	\$1,137.99	\$1,200.01	
3943	BISHOP, HOWARD	\$328.09		
1388	BOGATYREVA, POLINA	\$1,183.00		
1208	BOOTH, WESLEY R	\$3,517.17		
2937	BREWER, TRACEY J	\$1,420.09		
925	BRIGGS, WILLIAM M	\$2,248.19	\$2,406.15	
3033	BROWN, BERNICE MAGNUS ESTATE	\$6,415.99		
1921	BRUNO, JANICE L	\$1,192.59		
3304	BURGER, CALE B	\$2,393.79		
2341	BURNS, JOSEPH E	\$609.70		
1817	BUTLER, JAMES	\$3,849.79		
1841	BUTLER, JAMES JR	\$1,065.19		
1821	BUTLER, JAMES W JR	\$391.79		
3306	BUTLER, JAMES W JR	\$482.79		
916	CALIENDO, DAVID A	\$127.40		
918	CALIENDO, DAVID A	\$2,256.80		
384	CAMPBELL, JEFFREY PARSONS	\$640.59		
497	CAMPBELL, JOANNE E	\$392.48		
2477	CHOQUETTE, GREGORY V	\$1,956.99		
1958	CLARK, CHARLES C III	\$2,502.99	\$2,662.03	
3353	CLEAVES, MARK A	\$519.19		

Acct #	OWNER OF RECORD	2017	2016 LIENS	2015 TAX ACQUIRED
169	COOLEY, KENNETH E	\$591.99	\$121.36	
1761	COTTER, WILFRED	\$64.19		
673	COUILLARD, DARYL	\$1,338.19	\$1,382.76	
279	COUILLARD, DARYL E	\$2,502.99	\$2,643.76	
1754	CRANE, KEVIN	\$337.19		
2110	CRANE, KEVIN F	\$1,356.39		
75	CROCKER, DAVID C	\$118.77		
1796	CROSSMAN, MERLE	\$64.19		
1803	CROSSMAN, MERLE	\$27.79		
3503	D & L HOLDINGS LLP	\$446.39		
911	DAIGLE, LORI M	\$519.19		
3259	DESHANE, JENNIFER A	\$371.70		
1369	DOLAN, PAUL E	\$1,665.79	\$1,723.52	
2261	DUBEY, JAMES JR	\$1,421.44		
1724	DUNROE, GLORIA	\$2,248.19	\$1,870.97	
1201	ELLINGWOOD, GARY 1/2 INT	\$2,393.79		
96	FERNANDEZ, GAIL E	\$1,243.40		
3838	FEVERSTON, JAMES D	\$2,000.00		
1791	FINNERTY, SARA	\$64.19		
3661	FIVE TOWN FARM ROAD, LLC	\$464.59		
322	FLANAGAN, LARRY D	\$6,415.99		
389	FRANSEN, ERIK R	\$2,912.00	\$2,984.51	
813	FREEDOM MORTGAGE COMPANY	\$54.60		
2121	GALLANT, JOHN A JR	\$1,811.39	\$1,961.10	
751	GILBERT, CHARLES III	\$3,522.19	\$3,594.07	
1056	GOODRICH, JENNIFER A	\$136.99		
1552	GRAY, MARK E	\$2,757.79		
2487	HAMPDEN CONGREGATIONAL PARSON	\$1,055.60		
2684	HAND, GEORGE J, ESTATE OF	\$1,119.79	\$1,175.26	
1360	HANSON, MARK D	\$1,784.09		
165	HARRIMAN, JOHN JR	\$5,141.99	\$3,751.94	
549	HART, KENT P	\$2,407.48		
3552	HIGGINS, DAVID A	\$2,775.99		
556	HITCHINGS, MARK	\$2,236.44		
1460	HOLLIS, STEPHEN	\$2,557.59		
3346	HOUPE, CHAD	\$3,649.59		
2746	HUNNEWELL, GARY L		\$11.53	
1920	HUSSON, CAROLE	\$655.69		
1614	IRELAND, DANNY R	\$821.24		
27	JACKSON, GEORGEANNE	\$1,738.59		
3917	JORDAN, RANDY A	\$637.00		
1509	JUDKINS, EUGENE H JR	\$864.99		
2951	KANDRA FAMILY TRUST	\$36.89		
2948	KANDRA, MONIQUE M	\$1,083.39		
2979	KANDRA, MONIQUE M	\$18.69		
2980	KANDRA, MONIQUE M	\$1,611.19		
2984	KANDRA, MONIQUE M	\$1,101.59		
253	KELLEY, DAWN R	\$379.62		
254	KELLEY, RICHARD D SR	\$2,548.00	\$475.29	

Acct #	OWNER OF RECORD	2017	2016 LIENS	2015 TAX ACQUIRED
409	KENNY, FRANK	\$191.59		
2863	KING, DAVID C	\$420.60		
567	KNEELAND, MARK	\$510.09		
1169	KNEELAND, MARK JOSEPH	\$1,811.39		
3582	L E W INC	\$18.69		
453	LACHANCE, DAVID P	\$1,447.39	\$697.90	
2943	LAMBERT, MARTHA L HEIRS	\$819.00		
1826	LEEMAN, KENNETH	\$1,265.39	\$1,419.31	
3833	LELAND, MATHEW W	\$573.79		
1106	LEONG, MARIANNE AMES	\$2,866.99	\$858.87	
795	LERICHE, BERTRAM		\$839.51	
795	LERICHE, CARMELLA B	\$1,101.59		
2052	LINN, GISELLE E	\$229.89		
998	LIZOTTE, PAUL C JR	\$2,575.79	\$310.84	
1179	LUMINO, MARK D	\$810.39		
358	MACGREGOR, IAN T	\$684.11		
3817	MAINE DEVELOPMENT LLC	\$446.39		
1813	MALLORY, JAY R	\$644.62		
506	MARSTON, CHARLES DEVISEES OF	\$96.92		
527	MARSTON, CHARLES, DEVISEES OF	\$1,054.48		
528	MARSTON, CHARLES, DEVISEES OF	\$691.60		
3171	MARTIN, ERIC V	\$446.39		
3172	MARTIN, ERIC V	\$291.69		
3400	MAXTUNEUP, LLC	\$3,603.14		
1698	MCGINNES, PETER J	\$1,786.94		
858	MERCHANT, MICHAEL W	\$618.80		
3671	MERCHANT, MICHAEL W	\$146.40		
1461	MFS INC A MAINE BUSINESS CORP	\$14.34		
328	MONTGOMERY, PAUL M	\$1,611.19		
2770	MORAN, RICHARD J	\$1,420.40		
2126	MORNEAULT, REMI	\$1,956.99		
3643	MOYSE PROPERTIES LLC	\$1.24		
2874	MURPHY, LAURA H	\$1,501.99		
3091	MURRAY, BARBARA A	\$646.59	\$1,105.57	
404	MYNT INVESTMENTS LLC	\$1,829.59		
2746	MYNT INVESTMENTS LLC	\$1,847.79		
3938	MYSTIC LODGE MASONIC TEMPLE ASSO	\$1,392.79		
676	NARAUSKA, STEPHEN	\$18.20		
909	NEILANDER, ROBERT	\$1,947.28		
1492	NEWBURY REO 2013 LLC	\$1,501.99	\$933.62	
1485	NEWMAN, LORRI L	\$2,035.47		
2852	OBREMSKI, JOSEPH F	\$1,283.59		
505	OSBORNE, LAURIER L JR ETAL	\$828.59		
984	PATTERSHALL, SONIA	\$154.46		
709	PEDERSEN, CRAIG JON	\$1,383.20		
1638	PENNYMAC CORP	\$1,319.99		
618	PERKINS, PHILIP E	\$2,939.79		
378	PERKINS, RUDOLPH T	\$1,446.90		
3879	PERRY, CHRISTOPHER	\$828.59		

Acct #	OWNER OF RECORD	2017	2016 LIENS	2015 TAX ACQUIRED
1641	PLACE, CORY T	\$1,210.30		
2811	POMEROY, KENNETH A HEIRS	\$718.90		
2708	PORTER, ROGER L	\$2,411.99	\$2,570.66	
1804	PRESCOTT, MARY ELLEN	\$82.39		
286	PULLEN, RAYMOND M	\$2,375.59	\$2,449.19	\$805.83
1896	RAMBO, JONATHAN M	\$828.59	\$882.86	
3654	RAND, BRADFORD	\$464.10		
1822	REED, JEFFREY L	\$919.59	\$974.24	
2759	RICH, PAUL A	\$700.70		
540	RICHARDS, FREDERICK A	\$2,084.39		
546	RICHARDS, FREDERICK A	\$100.59		
856	RICHARDS, FREDERICK A	\$118.79		
915	RICHARDS, FREDERICK A	\$1,975.19		
1054	ROACH, CLAIRE T	\$118.79	\$170.12	
3009	ROSS, JOSEPHINE H	\$719.39	\$773.20	
1523	RUEST, JOSEPH J	\$955.99	\$1,017.26	
1843	RUSTANAVIBUL, CHINDA	\$1,501.99		
1467	SAWYER, COREY	\$1,951.24		
1464	SAWYER, HELEN M ESTATE	\$100.59	\$151.84	
885	SAWYER, HELEN M, ESTATE	\$27.79	\$78.74	
1515	SAWYER, HELEN M, ESTATE	\$264.39	\$316.32	
3788	SAWYER, HELEN M, ESTATE	\$155.19	\$462.53	
1526	SAWYER, LISA E	\$409.99	\$206.67	
2016	SAWYER, KEITH G		\$4,453.00	
2016	SAWYER, LISA E	\$4,559.59		
81	SCANLON, ROBIN J	\$466.52		
1894	SCHNEDLER, JENNY L	\$555.59		
3393	SHANOS, THOMAS	\$5,724.39		
12	SHAW, JANICE E	\$1,583.40	\$1,679.41	
470	SMITH, DONALD L	\$373.59		
1801	SMITH, LARRY	\$64.19		
631	SOMERS, MICHAEL L	\$1,856.99		
1580	SSR LLC	\$919.59		
3726	ST JOHN, JEAN A	\$1,602.09		
1810	ST LOUIS, RICHARD F	\$1,981.95		
989	STEVENSON, KENNETH E	\$1,938.79	\$864.87	
2993	STEWART, KATHLEEN E	\$1,064.51		
122	SULLIVAN, BRIAN M	\$87.29		
2928	SWAN, GALEN	\$264.39		
2929	SWAN, GALEN S HEIRS	\$318.99		
948	TALLEY, RUTH E	\$2,075.29		
3169	TALLEY, RUTH E	\$491.89		
3308	TALLEY, RUTH E	\$510.09		
1055	THAYER, CHARLES	\$90.73		
1704	THE LYNCH REALTY GROUP	\$4,122.79		
923	THE WCS FAMILY TRUST		\$3,886.47	
1489	THE WCS FAMILY TRUST		\$1,784.81	
3459	THE WCS FAMILY TRUST		\$3,941.30	
719	THE LYNCH REALTY GROUP LLC	\$2,757.79		

Acct #	OWNER OF RECORD	2017	2016 LIENS	2015 TAX ACQUIRED
859	THOMAS DICENZO INC	\$27.79	\$78.74	
1940	TREWORGY, SHERRILL A	\$5,123.79	\$5,195.83	
1941	TREWORGY, SHERRILL A	\$610.19	\$663.55	
1712	TWEEDIE, ROBERT	\$1,483.79	\$1,540.77	
1812	VESCOM CORP	\$2,157.19	\$2,223.42	
1776	WHALEN, GARDNER	\$91.00		
2367	WHITCOMB, DENNIS M	\$1,209.65		
2163	WHITNEY, BRENT	\$1,137.99		
3942	WILLETTE, LAUREN	\$664.79		
999	WILLIAMS, KIMBERLY	\$737.43		
923	WILSON, BRANDON S SR	\$3,813.39		
1489	WILSON, BRANDON S SR	\$1,720.39		
3459	WILSON, BRANDON S SR	\$3,867.99		
629	WILSON, DARLENE A	\$1,156.19	\$1,218.28	
852	WISEMAN, DEAN C	\$1,083.39	\$1,151.65	
922	WISEMAN, DEAN C	\$537.39	\$603.39	
2596	WONG, KIN JUN	\$4,759.79		
263	WOODRUM, ALICIA	\$18.20		
483	WUESTENBERG, MICHAEL	\$3,021.20		
3147	YOCUM, DARREN	\$418.60		
112	YOCUM, DARREN M	\$7,644.00		
3803	YOCUM, DARREN M	\$1,037.40		
2597	YORK, AURORA G	\$900.13		
TOTAL		\$288,018.35	\$80,357.52	\$8,865.83

Uncollected personal property taxes as of June 30, 2017

OWNER OF RECORD	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
ANDY'S POOL CO	\$133.64					
AUTOMATIC VENDING & GAMES	\$67.34	\$56.00	\$49.00	\$41.62	\$35.78	
AVALON VILLAGE	\$2,191.28	\$1,916.25				
BAKER CHIROPRACTIC	\$505.60					
BANGOR TENNIS & RECREATION	\$136.50					
BANNERS & SIGNS	\$387.66					
BURNS, JOSEPH E & KAREN L	\$176.54					
BUTLER JAMES	\$880.88	\$770.00	\$700.00			
COUILLARD, DARYL	\$384.02	\$313.25	\$280.00	\$243.09	\$634.41	\$577.17
DMCP GROUP, LLC	\$3,131.22					
EAGLE SECURITY	\$531.44					
HARVEY, BRUCE P	\$14.56					
HEAT PUMPS UNLIMITED	\$35.49					
HIGHLANDS CORNER MARKET	\$302.12					
JOHN W. KENNEDY CO., INC.	\$4.16					
LAPOINTE, DIANNE	\$251.16					
LOMLER, ELMER MD	\$1,614.34	\$1,552.25				
MAINE TRAILER INC	\$8,729.88					
MCLAUGHLIN'S AT THE MARINA	\$458.64					
MUZAK	\$14.70					
OSTEOPATHIC CENTER FOR FAMILY MED.	\$197.47					
ST. LOUIS MANAGEMENT, INC.	\$241.22					
TARDIF COMMUNITY THERAPY &	\$141.05					
U. S. BLADES	\$8,815.17					
VESCOM CORPORATION	\$733.46	\$640.50	\$582.75			
WENTWORTH, KENNETH J	\$35.49					
WENTWORTH, KENNETH J	\$11.83					
WISEMAN SPAULDING DESIGN	\$857.22	\$918.75	\$894.25	\$844.15	\$806.13	\$806.13
	\$30,984.08	\$6,167.00	\$2,506.00	\$1,128.86	\$1,476.32	\$1,383.30

TOWN OF HAMPDEN
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

COPY OF FULL AUDIT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT TOWN OFFICE

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

March 27, 2018

Members of the Town Council
Town of Hampden
Hampden, ME

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Hampden, Maine (the Town) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Hampden, Maine as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and where applicable, cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, and pension disclosure schedules on pages 3-8, 41-43, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Hampden, Maine's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Respectfully Submitted,

James W. Wadman, CPA

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TOWN OF HAMPDEN, MAINE
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Management of the Town of Hampden, Maine provides this *Management's Discussion and Analysis* of the Town's financial performance for readers of the Town's financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the financial statements and accompanying notes that follow.

The financial statements herein include all of the activities of the Town of Hampden, Maine (the Town) using the integrated approach as prescribed by Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS – PRIMARY GOVERNMENT

Government-wide Highlights:

Net Position – The assets of the Town exceeded its liabilities at fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 by \$18,574,144 for governmental activities and \$3,232,781 for business-type activities (presented as “net position”). Of this amount, \$2,744,753 was reported as “unrestricted net position” for governmental activities and (\$728,427) for business-type activities. Unrestricted net position represents the amount available to be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Changes in Net Position – The Town's total net position increased by \$458,907 (a 2% increase) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. Net position of governmental activities increased by \$452,481 (a 2% increase), while net position of business-type activities showed an increase of \$6,426 (a .2% increase).

Fund Highlights:

Governmental Funds – Fund Balances – As of the close of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017; the Town's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$4,223,649 with \$1,498,682 being general unassigned fund balance and \$503,523 being host community benefit unassigned fund balance. The general unassigned fund balance represents approximately 10% of the total general fund expenditures for the year.

Long-term Debt:

The Town's total long-term debt obligations decreased by \$265,550 (11%) during the current fiscal year. Existing debt obligations were retired according to schedule. Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in Note 3G of the notes to the financial statements on pages 32-33 of this report.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements include three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains additional required supplementary information (budgetary comparison) and other supplementary information. These components are described below:

Government-wide Financial Statements

The Government-wide financial statements present the financial picture of the Town from the economic resources measurement focus using the accrual basis of accounting. They present governmental activities and business-type activities separately. These statements include all assets of the Town (including infrastructure) as well as all liabilities (including long-term debt). Additionally, certain elimination entries have occurred as prescribed by the statement in regards to inter-fund activity, payables and receivables. The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9-10 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements include statements for each of the three categories of activities – governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. The governmental activities are prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. The proprietary activities are prepared using the

economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Town government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. Reconciliation of the fund financial statements to the Government-wide financial statements is provided to explain the differences created by the integrated approach. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11-14 of this report. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 15-17 of this report. The fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 18-19 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and the fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 20-40 of this report.

Required Supplementary Information

This section includes a budgetary comparison schedule, which includes a reconciliation between the statutory fund balance for budgetary purposes and the fund balance for the general fund as presented in the governmental fund financial statements (if necessary). Required supplementary information can be found on page 41-43 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position

87% of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets such as land, buildings, equipment and infrastructure (roads, bridges and other immovable assets); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The Town uses these assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although, the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

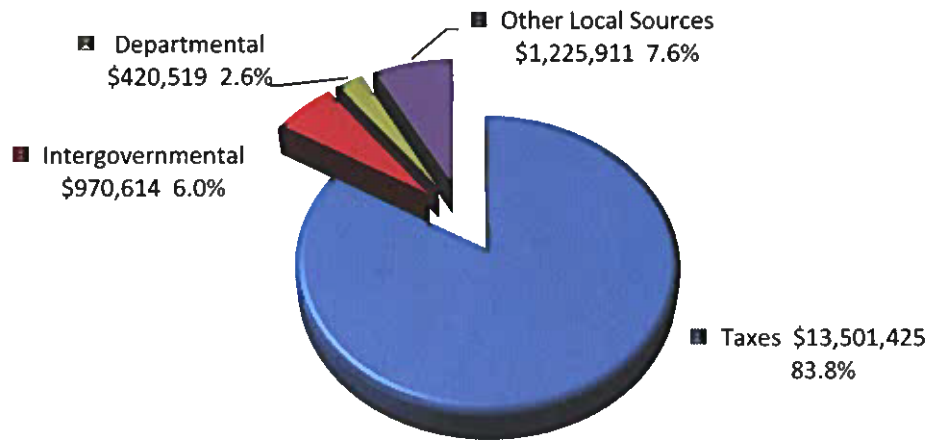
	Governmental Activities	Business-like Activities	Total 2017	Total 2016
Current Assets	4,868,779	(384,561)	4,484,218	3,091,702
Capital Assets	17,590,735	7,048,455	24,639,190	25,755,511
Total Assets	22,459,514	6,663,894	29,123,408	28,847,213
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	543,387		543,387	483,103
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	23,002,901	6,663,894	29,666,795	29,330,316
Current Liabilities	1,003,189	435,015	1,438,204	1,683,110
Other Liabilities	2,934,685	2,996,098	5,930,783	5,758,940
Total Liabilities	3,937,874	3,431,113	7,368,987	7,442,050
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	490,883		490,883	540,248
Net Position:				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	15,318,821	3,661,251	18,980,072	20,201,111
Restricted	510,570	299,957	810,527	817,853
Unrestricted	2,744,753	(728,427)	2,016,326	329,054
Total Net Position	18,574,144	3,232,781	21,806,925	21,348,018
Total Liabilities and Net Position	23,002,901	6,663,894	29,666,795	29,330,316

Changes in Net Position

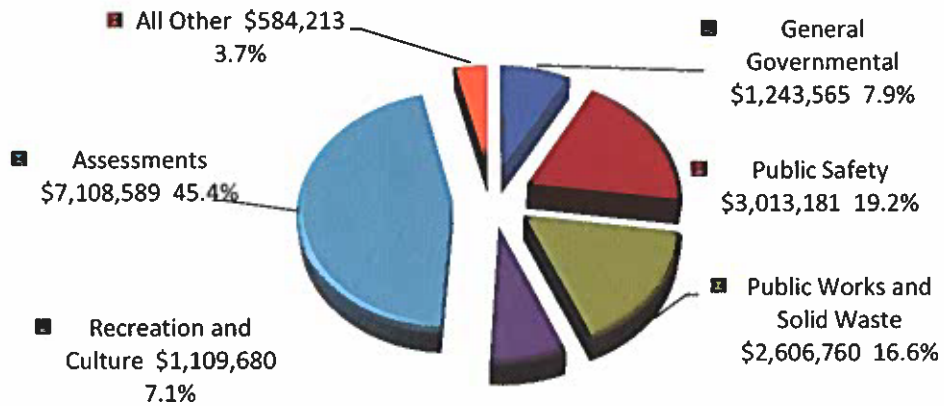
Approximately 79 percent of the Town's total revenue came from property and excise taxes, approximately 6 percent came from State subsidies and grants, and approximately 15 percent came from services, investment earnings and other sources. Depreciation expense on the Town's governmental and business-like activity assets represents \$1,667,722 of the total expenses for the fiscal year.

	Governmental Activities	Business-like Activities	Total 2017	Total 2016
Revenues:				
Taxes	13,501,425		13,501,425	12,815,444
Intergovernmental Revenues	970,614		970,614	887,896
Departmental Revenues	420,519	941,240	1,361,759	955,699
Investment Income	22,910	12,201	35,111	22,586
Fair Value Increase (Decrease)	31,295	(160)	31,135	(7,514)
Other Local Sources	1,171,706	1,418	1,173,124	869,984
Total	16,118,469	954,699	17,073,168	15,544,095
Expenses:				
General Government	1,243,565		1,243,565	1,218,582
Public Safety	3,013,181		3,013,181	2,722,449
Public Works	2,240,298		2,240,298	2,242,227
Solid Waste	366,462		366,462	414,755
Recreation and Culture	1,109,680		1,109,680	1,104,509
The Bus	83,496		83,496	90,991
Buildings and Grounds	182,797		182,797	83,276
Outside Agencies & Gen. Asst.	4,457		4,457	488
Debt Service & Capital Outlay	155,035		155,035	114,895
Assessments and TIF	7,267,017		7,267,017	7,110,850
Sewer Enterprise		948,273	948,273	700,345
Total	15,665,988	948,273	16,614,261	15,803,367
Changes in Net Position	452,481	6,426	458,907	(259,272)

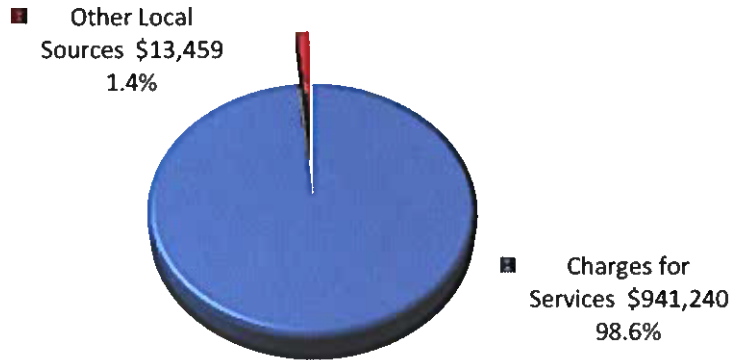
Revenues By Source - Governmental Activities



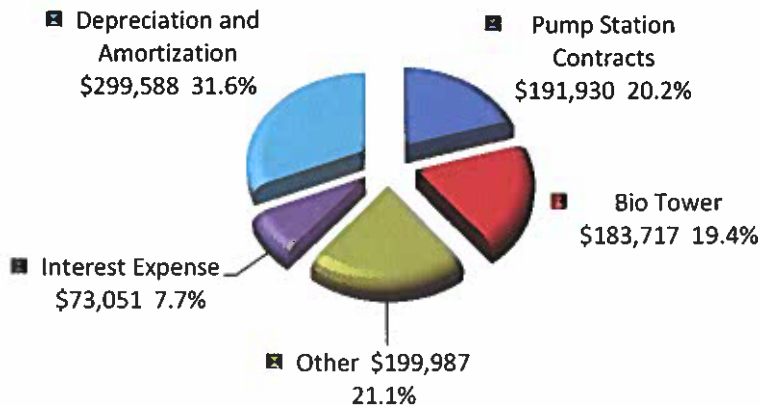
Expenditures By Source - Governmental Activities



Revenues By Source - Business-type Activities



Expenditures By Source - Business-type Activities



FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN'S INDIVIDUAL FUNDS

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported ending fund balances of \$4,223,649, an increase of \$1,206,469 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 47 percent of this total amount constitutes unassigned fund balance. The remainder is reserved to indicate that it is not available for spending because it has been committed to liquidate contracts and commitments of the prior fiscal year or for a variety of other purposes.

Proprietary Funds

The Town's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Variances between actual General Fund revenues and expenditures and the final amended budget included the following:

- \$234,933 positive variance in auto excise. The variance is due to conservative budgeting.
- \$20,533 positive variance in planning/zoning fees. The variance is due to partial reconciliation of developer escrow account balance.
- \$16,263 negative variance in PERC revenues. The variance is due to projected revenue of \$65,000 was reduced from FY 15 budgeted revenue (\$85,000) based on FY 16 revenue of \$61,130 and FY 15 revenue of \$71,842.
- \$29,622 negative variance in fire department. Wages, retirement expenses and health insurance were above budget. Wages and retirement overages were due to wage budgeting based on 40 hour work-week instead of actual 42 hour work week (manager error). Health insurance overage was due to budgeting lower cost increase than actual.
- \$351,591 positive variance in public works department. Wages, FICA, worker's comp, health insurance, and fuel were under budget. Wage and related expenses were lower due to conservative budgeting and lower staffing part of year due to worker (non-workplace) injury and reduced hours. We contracted for a lower fuel price in FY 17'. Paving expenses shown to be under budget because repaving contract awarded late in FY 17' so balance was carried forward and paid in FY 18'.
- \$45,051 negative variance in solid waste. Wages, health insurance, and solid waste disposal costs were over budget. Wages were over budget because overtime for plow drivers was paid from this account instead of from highway/DPW wages; change from prior years due to management personnel changes (DPW Director, Town Manager). Health insurance was over due to budgeting lower cost increase than actual.
- \$105,905 positive variance in overlay. The variance is due to conservative budgeting.

CAPITAL ASSET ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-like activities amounts to \$56,505,415, net of accumulated depreciation of \$31,866,225 leaving a net book value of \$24,639,190. Current year additions include \$9,986 public works lighting, \$6,180 John Deere aerator, \$27,053 for a police vehicle, \$17,196 for extrication equipment, \$170,500 for a public works truck, \$12,858 for a flail mower, \$142,308 for a public works front loader, \$143,176 for 2016 paving, \$28,024 storm drain slip lining, \$26,495 for storm drain, and \$13,132 sewer pump and cam.

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 3D of the notes to the financial statements on pages 29-30 of this report.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors. This financial report seeks to demonstrate the Town's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to: Town of Hampden, 106 Western Ave., Hampden, ME 04444.