

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
FOR THE
TOWN OF ALTON, MAINE
FOR THE
YEAR ENDED
2020**

AND

**ARTICLES
FOR THE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
SATURDAY
MARCH 27, 2021
10:00 AM**

Please bring this book to the town meeting

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TOWN OFFICE DIRECTORY

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Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor:

John Belding, Chairman (2021) H-394-3065
James Braley (2022) H-394-2179
Brenda Kennedy-Wade (2020) H-394-2236

Treasurer, Deputy Tax Collector, Deputy Clerk, Deputy Registrar:

Paulette Borja 394-2601

**Clerk, Registrar, Deputy Treasurer, Deputy Tax Collector,
Administrator to the Selectmen, FOI Officer, E911 Coordinator**

General Assistance Administrator:

Ronald F. Borja 394-2601

Tax Collector and Deputy to the Office Staff

Jacqueline Wilcox 394-2601

Fire Chief:

Mark Wade H-394-2236

Assistant Fire Chief:

Mark King 944-3724

Plumbing Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer:

Philip Stevens, Jr LPI & CEO 1-774-276-0854

Sexton:

Nelson Feero (2021) 394-4501

Animal Control Officer:

Bonnie Anderson 943-3983

Local Health Officer: (3 Year)

Amanda Willey 212-6489 (2022)

RSU#34 SUPERINTENDENT

David Walker 827-7171 ext. 1

RSU#34 Director: (3 Year)

Laura Sanborn 394-4401 (2021)

Budget Committee (1 year)

Vacant	(2021)	394-2601
Matt McDonald	(2021)	394-2601
Harry Sanborn	(2021)	394-2601
Dan Pelletier	(2021)	394-2601
Dave Webb	(2021)	394-2601

Planning Board: (3 year)

Amy Jones, Chairwoman	(1/30/2021)	394-3065
Mark Eastman	(4/1/2022)	394-2905
Daniel Pittman	(5/9/2022)	394-2166
vacant		394-2601
Matt McDonald	(06/19/2021)	949-6456

Vacant (Alt.)

Cemetery Committee: (1, 2, 3 Year Terms)

Nelson Feero	(5/1/2022) 3 Year	394-4501
Laura Sanborn	(5/1/2021) 3 Year	394-4401
Mabel Foster	(5/1/2020) 3 Year	394-2800

Board of Appeals: (3 Years)

Vacant
Vacant
Vacant

JRL Citizens' Advisory Committee:

Laura Sanborn 394-4401
Dana Snowman 827-7344

Election Warden: (1 Year - Due 5/1/2021)

Ron Borja

Ballot Clerks: (2 Year - Due May 1, 2022 in Even Years)

D-Iva Copeland	R-Colby Spencer
D-Margaret Earley	R-Bettina Willey
D-Harriet Jefferson	R-Joan Pimentel
D-Reginald Earley	R-Jacqueline Wilcox
D-Amanda Reid	R-Mabel Foster
D-Scott Reid	R-Natalie Storman
U-James Hamm	U-Michelle Freeman
U-Paulette Borja	U-Debra Hamm

MEETINGS & GENERAL INFORMATION

Selectmen

Meets every other Tuesday at 6:00 PM at the Alton Municipal Building.
The Public is Welcome.

Planning Board

Meets as needed – On Call Basis -3rd Wednesdays 6:30 PM
at the Alton Municipal Building.
The Public is Welcome.

Fire Department

Meets at the Fire Station: the 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7:00 PM

For Fire Permits contact:

Brian Ouellette Sr 207-944-2088

Rick Doughty 207-659-8885

Brian Ouellette Jr 207-944-0262

Town Office

Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Phone # - 394-2601 FAX # - 394-3271

Registrations, Tax Payments, Dog Licenses, Vital Statistics

DID YOU KNOW: The Excise Tax you pay on a vehicle stays in the Town and helps reduce Property Taxes. So if you are an Alton resident you need to be registering your vehicle in the Town of Alton.

Trash Pick Up

Trash pick up is every Monday. Please have out by 7:00 AM.

Effected Monday Holidays are NONE for 2021

Maine Waste - Neil Bonneville 659-2381

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Town of Alton

Annual Select Board Report
Feb 23, 2021

To the Citizens of Alton,
This is the 177th edition of the annual report of the Town of Alton.

In reviewing last year's select board report and considering the date it was written, it is unsettling to consider that within a few weeks of its writing our society as we knew it and how it functions would change so considerably. It has been a year of masks, social distancing, executive orders and uncertainty. A year where we had to postpone our town meeting due to meeting size restrictions and the unknowns surrounding this new coronavirus – COVID-19. Nevertheless, we pressed on as best we could with limited office hours, limited office access and holding our first outdoor town meeting on June 13, 2020. Even with all the challenges and novel ways of doing things, things went fairly well for the town.

As part of our ongoing Host Community Agreement with Juniper Ridge Landfill, the town received \$241,697.92 (\$168,697.92 more than budgeted) this year which continues to enable us to maintain a stable tax base. Some of our projects got postponed due to COVID-19 but we were able to install the new digital sign at the municipal building, clear brush along the Argyle Road and replace a failing culvert on the Tannery Road. We were also able to stripe the municipal parking lot. Otelco also completed the last of the highspeed internet service connections.

Last year we budgeted funds to cover the cost of our portion of the salt shed roof replacement, however, Penobscot county postponed this work until 2021.

Where we were not able to complete the clearing and ditching along the Tannery Road, we are proposing to complete a portion this year. The cost to clear the growth along all of Tannery and Gerry Roads is too much to fund in a single season so we are looking to complete this over the course of the next three years.

All things considered, the town had another robust year for excise taxes and tax reimbursement from the state. We are pleased to share that we do not anticipate an increase in this year's mil rate. This is fourth year without an increase in the mil rate.

At this time, we would like to recognize and thank Devon Lagasse for all his hard work in revitalizing our Veterans Memorial. For his Eagle Scout project Devon raised enough funds to replace the old fence and flagpole. He held a flag raising ceremony on Veterans Day and recruited members of the VFW to assist with the flag raising. He donated the excess funds to the town to help cover future maintenance.

Please note there are still openings on both the Planning Board and Board of Appeals that need to be filled. It is critical we fill these vacancies so the important and needful work of the town can continue. Also, Ron and Paulette Borja have informed the Select Board that they will be retiring September of 2022. As we all know, this will leave a tremendous void in our town government as they have played a vital role in the town operations for decades. With that said, we are in need of a Town Clerk and Treasurer sooner than later to facilitate a smooth transition. Contact the town office for more details on these opportunities to serve your community.

In closing, we would like to thank and extend our appreciation to the Town Office Staff, Planning Board, Appeals Board, the members of our on-call Fire Department, the members of the Juniper Ridge Landfill Committee, and Laura Sanborn, our RSU 34 Representative, for their faithful service to the Town.

We, as your Select Board, thank you for the opportunity to serve you and wish you all the best in 2021.

Respectfully,
Alton Board of Selectmen,
John Belding, Chair
Brenda Kennedy-Wade
Jim Braley

ANNUAL CLERK'S REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2020 to DECEMBER 31, 2020

*****VITAL STATISTICS*****

TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS - 13

TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS - 11

TOTAL NUMBER OF MARRIAGES – 3

CENSUS

1990 – 771

2000 – 816

2010 - 890

*****DOG LICENSES*****

INDIVIDUAL DOG LICENSES

Male / Female - 31

Spay / Neuter - 168

KENNEL LICENSES – 0

Number of Dogs in Kennels –0

TOTAL NUMBER OF DOGS LICENSED IN ALTON - 199

If you no longer have your dog or move please notify the Town Office - 394-2601

Licenses for the following year are available October 15th, a late fee of \$25.00 begins on February 1st. If you would like an e-mail reminder, e-mail me at

Altonadmin@midmaine.com.

Dogs that have reached the age of 6 months are required by the State to be licensed.

*****E-911*****

New Addresses Assigned – 1

Total Number of Public Roads in Alton – 5

Total Number of Private ways in Alton - 32

Ronald F. Borja, Clerk/Registrar

Greetings from the Alton Fire Chief

In 2020, the Alton fire department responded to 78 calls and logged in 1430 hours of training and calls.

We responded to calls for fires, car accidents, medical assists, downed power lines and trees. We also provided mutual aid to our neighboring towns. We continued with our training in spite of the pandemic by wearing masks and social distancing ourselves when possible.

As a reminder, the fire department is still looking for new members. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month.

To obtain fire permits from a Town Fire Warden please call:

Brian Ouellette Sr. at 207-944-2088

Rick Doughty at 207-659-8885

Permits can also be obtained on line through the Maine Forest Service website.

Thank you for your continued support of the fire department.

Respectfully submitted

Chief Mark W. Wade

A message from the Former Fire Chief

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Alton Select Board and the Penobscot County Commissioners for nominating me and making it possible for me to receive the Spirit of America Award.

This award was a big surprise for me and I was very honored to receive it.

Thank You

SUSAN M. COLLINS
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ON AGING
CHAIRMAN
APPROPRIATIONS
HEALTH, EDUCATION,
LABOR, AND PENSIONS
SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE

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 reflect on 2020, an incredibly challenging year for Maine families, small businesses, and communities.

When the pandemic struck, our country faced the specter of an overwhelmed health care system and devastation to our small businesses and the millions of people they employ. I immediately worked with Republicans and Democrats to pass multiple laws allocating approximately \$3 trillion to respond to this public health and economic crisis, including more than \$8 billion directed to Maine to support testing, schools, the economy, and other purposes — that is nearly double Maine’s annual state budget.

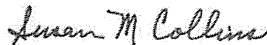
I am especially proud of the bipartisan Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) I co-authored. This program has provided three out of four Maine small businesses with nearly \$2.3 billion in forgivable loans, which has helped sustain more than 250,000 Maine jobs. I have met thousands of Maine small employers and employees in all 16 counties who are surviving because of the PPP. As one small business owner told me, the PPP provided “exactly what we needed at exactly the right time.” The PPP also allowed employers to maintain benefits, such as health care, during this challenging time. Another round of PPP is needed to sustain small businesses and their employees.

While the pandemic continues across Maine, our nation, and the world, I thank the first responders, health care professionals, teachers, grocery store employees, factory workers, farmers, truck drivers, postal employees, and so many others who continue to stay on the job during this difficult time. With the deployment of the first vaccines, better tests, and the incredible speed with which these life-saving responses were developed, I am hopeful we can emerge from this crisis in the next few months.

While providing relief to American families was my focus throughout 2020, other accomplishments include the passage of the Great American Outdoors Act, which provides full funding of the Land and Water Conservation Fund and addresses the maintenance backlog at our national parks, forests, and wildlife refuges. As Chairman of the Transportation Appropriations Subcommittee, in 2020 alone, I secured \$132 million to improve Maine’s roads, bridges, airports, buses, rail, ferries, and seaports. Finally, as Chairman of the Aging Committee, I led the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, which funds programs that improve the well-being, independence, and health of our nation’s seniors and their caregivers, and I authored laws to reduce the cost of prescription drugs and protect individuals with Alzheimer’s disease.

As the end of 2020 is approaching, I have cast more than 7,535 votes, never having missed one. In the New Year, my focus remains to work with colleagues to find common ground on policies to help support the health and safety of Mainers and the safe, responsible opening of our communities. If ever I or my staff can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact one of my state offices. May the coming year be a successful one for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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ENERGY AND
NATURAL RESOURCES
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RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

January 1, 2021

Dear Friends,

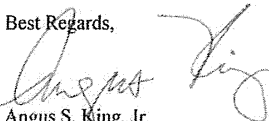
2020 was a year unlike any in our lifetimes. Our state and nation dealt with unprecedented challenges--the coronavirus pandemic, ensuing economic fallout, and a prolonged, heavily divisive campaign season each took a significant toll on all of us. The worst part? In order to protect each other, we had to face these challenges in isolation. But a new year represents new possibilities; a chance to take stock of what we're grateful for and focus on the opportunities in front of us. As we reflect back on 2020, we will remember heartbreak and loss -- but we cannot forget the shining rays of hope that broke through the darkness, reminding us all that better days are ahead.

Throughout the pandemic, my top focus has been on bridging the partisan divide in Washington in order to deliver desperately-needed relief for Maine people. Joined by colleagues last March, we pushed for bipartisan negotiations to produce a strong bill that helped fellow Mainers, businesses, and institutions weather this storm. In the weeks and months after the *CARES Act* passed, our team stayed in close contact with people throughout the state to determine how we should adjust our response to best support our citizens. Unfortunately, the aid provided by the *CARES Act* lapsed without Congressional action, leaving too many families and businesses in limbo. I never stopped pushing for a bipartisan relief bill and, after extensive negotiations, we ended the year on a good note by breaking the gridlock and passing new relief legislation. This new bill isn't perfect; in fact, it should just be the start our renewed response. As we enter 2021 with a new administration and new Congress, we must fight for additional legislation to help restore stability to our working families and rebuild our economy and public health infrastructure.

In the midst of this crisis, Congress did manage to accomplish a few successes that will outlast this awful pandemic. Among these was the *Great American Outdoors Act*, a bipartisan bill which was enacted into law in August 2020 and will help address a \$12 billion backlog at our national parks so future generations of Americans can enjoy these beautiful lands and create lifelong memories. Also, as we learn more about the recent hacks of our nation's networks, there is help on the way: 27 of the cybersecurity recommendations made by the Cyberspace Solarium Commission -- which I co-chair with Republican Congressman Mike Gallagher-- made it into this year's defense bill. While there is no guarantee that these provisions would have prevented the massive hack, they will certainly improve our cyber defenses.

Despite the challenges, I'm hopeful for the future. Vaccines are being distributed across our state -- starting with our healthcare heroes, who have sacrificed so much throughout this unprecedented catastrophe and deserve our eternal gratitude. If there can be a silver lining from these challenges of 2020, maybe it will be this: I hope that, in the not-so distant future, we will be able to come together physically and we will be reminded of our love for each other. We have differences, without a doubt. But as Maine people stepped up to support each other, we saw again and again that our differences pale in comparison to the values we share. We are one state, and one community -- and there is nothing we cannot or will not do for each other. Mary and I wish you a happy and healthy 2021. We can't wait to see you soon.

Best Regards,



Angus S. King, Jr.
United States Senator

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

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. I know that this year has been challenging for many of our communities. In the midst of these challenges, it remains a privilege to represent you, and I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I have been working on in Congress for the people of the Second Congressional District.

The coronavirus pandemic has made this year an especially difficult one. We've seen the struggles of small businesses, workers and families, hospitals, and states and towns. COVID-19 has been a serious threat to public health that requires a comprehensive, ongoing response. In March, Congress passed the largest of three bipartisan pieces of relief legislation, the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act*. The *CARES Act* was a \$2 trillion economic relief package to provide immediate assistance for some of those hit hardest by the pandemic. While an important start, many of the programs and benefits created by the *CARES Act* were set to expire by the end of 2020 at a time when COVID-19 cases were on the rise. That's why in late December, Congress passed another bipartisan bill to provide COVID-19 relief to small businesses and hospitals, the unemployed, and families struggling to put food on the table. However, the action Congress took at the end of 2020 cannot distract from its failure to act sooner. The unwillingness of many members of Congress to accept compromise throughout the fall left many Mainers struggling and led to a rushed process that produced a bill with serious flaws. In 2021, Congress needs to step up, come together, and lead the country through this pandemic and get our economy back on track.

There are a few bright spots that came out of the work done by Congress this year. As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I helped advocate for a national defense bill that would include important priorities for American national security, Maine shipbuilders, and servicemembers and their families. The legislation authorizes a new DDG-51 Arleigh Burke-class destroyer to be constructed at Bath Iron Works and helps BIW compete for new work by encouraging a new multi-year procurement process for the DDG-51 Flight III. This funding bill also makes permanent new federal guidelines proposed by Senator King and me to allow Gold Star Families free admission to national parks and other federal lands.

I've been working to improve mental health services for veterans for years, and I led the Maine delegation's effort to address the need for long-term mental health substance abuse treatment for veterans in our state. This past fall the Veterans Administration announced we were successful. Construction starts next year on a new, 24-bed facility at Togus that will ensure Maine veterans won't be sent out of state to receive residential care for substance use disorder and associated mental health issues. This is one result that I am especially proud to deliver for my fellow Maine veterans.

As I reflect upon what I am most grateful for this year, I am especially glad to be able to share that my wife Izzy and I are expecting a baby in 2021. We are excited about this new addition to our family and look forward to the blessings ahead.

This period is challenging for Mainers as we all take steps to limit the spread of the coronavirus, protect our families and our communities, and lean on each other to withstand this pandemic and economic hardship. My staff and I stand ready to assist Mainers as we work through these challenges together. I look forward to continuing to work on your behalf in 2021.

Respectfully,

Jared Golden
Member of Congress



Paul T. Davis, Sr.
Senator, District 4

130th MAINE SENATE

3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

A message from Senator Paul T. Davis, Sr.

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Let me begin by thanking you for allowing me the honor of serving you in the Maine Senate. I am grateful that you have put your trust in me and can assure you I will continue to work tirelessly on your behalf.

As you are no doubt aware, Maine is in the midst of the one of its greatest difficulties, both in public health and economic downturn. The 130th Maine Legislature faces the challenge posed by a \$1.4 billion budget shortfall, and perhaps more than ever before, state government must learn to live within its means.

As we move through the Legislative session I will be mindful of this and will do my best to hold the line on any new taxes or unneeded borrowing. Like you and your family, state government must tighten its belt in slow economic times and make the difficult, but necessary decisions that will allow us to weather the storm.

At the same time, it is very important that we restore a sense of balance in state government where both the Governor and the Legislature work together on behalf of you, our constituents. This is even more important given the unusual nature of how and where this Legislature will meet, given the safety considerations required by the global pandemic. However the legislative process plays out, it is imperative that the public continue to have access to and play a critical role in the work of the Legislature. These will be a few of my priorities this coming year.

In addition to being before various committees as I present legislation, I will be serving on the Legislature's Appropriations and Financial Affairs committee, which deals directly with the state budget.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. The 130th Legislature certainly has a great deal of work to do, but I believe that if we come together, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or paul.davis@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul T. Davis, Sr.".

Paul T. Davis, Sr.
State Senator



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January 2021

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It has been a pleasure to serve the residents of House District #121 in the Maine Legislature. I am honored that you have entrusted me again with this responsibility. As you aware, these past ten months have brought unprecedented challenges to our country, the State of Maine and our community in Alton.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the second session of the 129th Legislature adjourned *Sine Die* on March 17, 2020. The opening on December 2 of the 130th Legislature was still impacted by the pandemic and to ensure social distancing, the *Swearing In* was held at the Augusta Civic Center instead of the chambers in the State House.

I will be serving on the Joint Committee of Labor and Housing. Both of these areas were severely impacted by the state shutdown leaving too many under served. Hard economic choices will have to be made.

I will support a special minimum wage for teenagers who want to work for the summer making it easier for them to be hired. I've also learned that there is money available to help our senior citizens to continue to stay in their homes. Please give me a call if you or someone you know needs help in winterizing their home. I look forward to being a part of the discussions mentioned to make improvements for our Maine citizens.

I encourage you to actively participate in your state government. Phone calls and letters are always welcome, however, due to the wider use of technology, meetings and hearings are even more accessible. Using the homepage of the Maine Legislature: **Legislature.Maine.Gov**, you will find access to Zoom meetings and YouTube videos. I also send a weekly email with current state news. If you wish to receive these updates, please contact me at Gary.Drinkwater@legislature.maine.gov, and we will gladly add you to our list.

Again, thank you for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta and may you all have a safe and healthy 2021.

Sincerely,

Gary A. Drinkwater
State Representative

TOWN OF ALTON
 COMMITMENT AND MILL RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR
 2020

MUNICIPAL APPROPRIATION FROM TAXES				\$56,800.00
SCHOOL APPROPRIATION FOR REMAINING JAN 1, 2019 TO JUN 30, 2019	\$ 522,493.43	FY 19/20 x6/12		\$261,246.72
SCHOOL APPROPRIATION FOR 6 MONTHS JUL 1, 2019 TO DEC 31, 2019	\$ 519,012.72	FY 20/21 x6/12		\$259,506.36
TOTAL ADJUSTED SCHOOL APPROPRIATION				\$520,753.08
COUNTY TAX				\$68,553.00
SUBTOTAL				\$646,106.08
PLUS OVERLAY				\$12,635.37
TOTAL BEFORE STATE REVENUE SHARING				\$658,741.45
LESS STATE REVENUE SHARING				(\$60,000.00)
LESS STATE HOMESTEAD REIMBURSEMENT				(\$48,981.80)
LESS BETE REIMBURSEMENT				(\$2,446.80)
LESS OTHER REVENUES (JUNIPER RIDGE FUND)				\$0.00
TOTAL TAXES TO BE RAISED				\$547,312.85

VALUATION: APRIL 1, 2020

LAND AND BUILDINGS	\$ 43,331,158.00
PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$ 453,870.00
TOTAL VALUATION	\$43,785,028.00

MILL RATE BASED ON TAXES TO BE RAISED \$12.50 EFFECTIVE RATE
 AFTER STATE HOMESTEAD

ONE MILL GENERATES \$43,785.03 IN TAX REVENUE

INCREASE COMPARISON	LAST YR	THIS YR	INCREASE	%OF INCR PER LINE ITEM
MUNICIPAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$38,000.00	\$56,800.00	\$18,800.00	33.10%
SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS	\$510,546.40	\$520,753.08	\$10,206.68	2.00%
COUNTY TAX	\$63,147.00	\$68,553.00	\$5,406.00	8.56%
OVERLAY	\$6,753.30	\$12,635.37	\$5,882.07	87.10%
STATE REVENUE SHARING	(\$30,000.00)	(\$60,000.00)	(\$30,000.00)	0.00%
HOMESTEAD REIMBURSEMENT	(\$35,284.06)	(\$48,981.80)	(\$13,697.74)	38.82%
BETE REIMBURSEMENT	(\$2,936.95)	(\$2,446.80)	\$490.15	0.00%
OTHER REVENUE (JUNIPER RIDGE FUND)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
TOTAL TAX	\$550,225.69	\$547,312.85	(\$2,912.84)	-0.53%
TOTAL VALUATION	\$44,018,055.00	\$43,785,028.00	(\$233,027.00)	-0.53%
MILL RATE	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$0.00	0.00%

MILL RATE FOR FY 09/10	\$9.75 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR FY 10/11	\$9.75 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR FY 11/12	\$9.75 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR FY 12/13	\$9.75 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR FY 13/14	\$9.75 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR 2014	\$9.75 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR 2015	\$10.00 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR 2016	\$11.00 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR 2017	\$12.00 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR 2018	\$12.50 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR 2019	\$12.50 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE
MILL RATE FOR 2020	\$12.50 PER THOUSAND OF VALUE

2020 APPROVED APPROPRIATION						
FISCAL YEAR 2020				RAISED PROPERTY TAXES	OTHER SOURCES/ RESERVES	TOTAL APPROPRIATION
	SURPLUS	EXCISE TAXES				
AMBULANCE ACCOUNT		\$ 20,000.00				\$20,000.00
ANIMAL CONTROL EXPENSE		\$ 5,000.00				\$5,000.00
ASSESSING-CONTRACTED				\$7,000.00		\$7,000.00
CEMETERY CARE		\$ 5,500.00				\$5,500.00
CEMETERY COMMITTEE					CEM \$ 1,000.00	\$1,000.00
EASTERN AREA ON AGING				\$300.00		\$300.00
FIRE PROTECTION		\$ 50,000.00				\$50,000.00
GENERAL ASSISTANCE		\$ 500.00				\$500.00
MUNICIPAL BLDG EXP				\$16,000.00		\$16,000.00
PENQUIS CAP				\$500.00		\$500.00
REFUSE ACCOUNT		\$ 64,000.00				\$64,000.00
SALT SHED EXPENSE		\$ 1,000.00				\$1,000.00
SALT SHED PROJECT					JRL \$ 15,000.00	\$15,000.00
SNOW REMOVAL	\$50,000.00					\$50,000.00
STRIPING AND SIGNAGE-PARKING LOT					JRL \$ 3,000.00	\$3,000.00
TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE				\$25,000.00		\$25,000.00
TOWN OFFICE SALARY	\$60,000.00					\$60,000.00
TOWN ROADS		\$ 3,000.00				\$3,000.00
TUITION EXPENSE		\$ -		\$8,000.00		\$8,000.00
TOWN ROAD DITCHING/CULVERTS					JRL \$ 25,000.00	\$25,000.00
TRIO ASSESSING PROGRAM					JRL \$ 10,000.00	\$10,000.00
LED MUNICIPAL SIGN					JRL \$ 20,000.00	\$20,000.00
TOTALS	\$110,000.00	\$ 149,000.00		\$56,800.00	\$ 74,000.00	\$389,800.00
ATTEST: I ATTEST THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY OF THE APPROPRIATION FOR 2020 AS APPROVED BY VOTERS IN ATTENDANCE AT THE JUNE 13TH, 2020 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING						
RONALD F BORJA, TOWN CLERK OF ALTON, MAINE						

TOWN OF ALTON

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

For Fiscal Year 2020

	COLLECTED	APPROPRIATED	BALANCE TO SURPLUS
EXCISE TAX VEHICLES	\$ 153,845.69	\$ 149,000.00	\$ 4,845.69
EXCISE TAX WATERCRAFTS	\$ 1,134.00		\$ 1,134.00
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	\$ 8,230.88		\$ 8,230.88
INTEREST & COST ON LIENS	\$ 6,859.00		\$ 6,859.00
SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY	\$ -		\$ -
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 1,775.00		\$ 1,775.00
TOWN FEES	\$ 7,798.82		\$ 7,798.82
COUNTY FIRE COVERAGE	\$ 11,000.00		\$ 11,000.00
STATE-SNOWMOBILE	\$ 16,239.88	\$ 16,239.88	\$ -
STATE- TREE GROWTH	\$ 22,262.65		\$ 22,262.65
STATE - VETERANS EXEMPTIONS	\$ 312.00		\$ 312.00
STATE- GENERAL ASSISTANCE	\$ -		\$ -
STATE- BETR REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 2,449.00	\$ 2,446.80	\$ 2.20
<u>TOTAL SURPLUS</u>			<u>\$ 64,220.24</u>

CONTROLLED ACCOUNTS	BEGINNING BALANCE	ADDITIONS REVENUES	DEDUCTIONS APPROPRIATED	ENDING BALANCE
STATE REVENUE SHARING	\$ 61,907.19	\$ 56,978.57	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 58,885.76
STATE LOCAL ROADS	\$ 6,718.00	\$ 6,668.00	\$ -	\$ 13,386.00
STATE HOMESTEAD REIMBURSED	\$ 712.94	\$ 46,557.00	\$ 48,981.80	\$ (1,711.86)
SCHOOL TUITION	\$ (1,376.93)	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,353.35	\$ 269.72
SPECIAL RESERVES				
VETERANS' PARK		\$ 123.26		\$ 123.26
FIRE TRUCK FUND	\$ 784.80			\$ 784.80
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 708.54			\$ 708.54
JUNIPER RIDGE	\$ 638,337.61	\$ 241,697.92	\$ 73,000.00	\$ 807,035.53
ANIMAL CONTROL	\$ (1,414.34)	\$ 5,836.00	\$ 2,140.13	\$ 2,281.53
CEMETERY COMMITTEE	\$ 2,853.95	\$ 480.00	\$ 407.20	\$ 2,926.75

TOWN OF ALTON
NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

<u>CEMETERY TRUSTS</u>	<u>DESIGNATED PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>BALANCE 1/1/2020</u>	<u>INTEREST EARNED</u>	<u>DEPOSIT</u>	<u>WITH- DRAWALS</u>	<u>BALANCE 12/31/2020</u>
LAURA AVERY	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.26	\$ 0.16			\$ 200.42
HAROLD BARNES SR	\$ 250.00	\$ 744.31	\$ 0.60			\$ 744.91
COTTLE, MCNEAR, & HUNTER	\$ 400.00	\$ 725.29	\$ 0.59			\$ 725.88
GERRY CORSON	\$ 200.00	\$ 666.78	\$ 0.53			\$ 667.31
FREMONT HATCH	\$ 100.00	\$ 342.71	\$ 0.28			\$ 342.99
JOHN & CORA HATCH	\$ 250.00	\$ 543.69	\$ 0.44			\$ 544.13
WILLIAM HORACE HINCKLEY	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 3,112.05	\$ 2.49			\$ 3,114.54
EVELYN LEAVITT	\$ 700.00	\$ 1,190.32	\$ 0.95			\$ 1,191.27
FRANK NOBLE	\$ 100.00	\$ 206.19	\$ 0.16			\$ 206.35
WALLACE STORMANN	\$ 200.00	\$ 698.13	\$ 0.56			\$ 698.69
LILLIAN YOUNG	\$ 300.00	\$ 528.44	\$ 0.42			\$ 528.86
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>\$ 3,800.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,958.17</u>	<u>\$ 7.18</u>			<u>\$ 8,965.35</u>

<u>PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND</u>	<u>\$ 569.86</u>	<u>\$ 0.46</u>	<u>\$ 570.32</u>
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2019 LIEN****Paid in full after 12/31/20**

BARNES, TERRY	\$ 384.74
CABLE, DAVID J.	\$ 1,014.40
CARROLL, CHRISTIAN II	\$ 166.19
CARROLL, LESLEY MERTON	\$ 577.14
CLARK, PEGGY	\$ 1,049.87
CLARK, PEGGY	\$ 461.67
CLARK, PEGGY	\$ 472.24
COTA, RONALD J. & MELODY NICKERSON	\$ 185.28
COUNTRYMAN, WILLIAM S.	\$ 1,473.52
DENNISON, ALBERT & SERENA	\$ 737.91
DEWITT, KURT	\$ 3,249.59
ELLIS, GARY	\$ 252.43
ELLIS, GARY	\$ 771.37
ELLIS, GARY W.	\$ 1,910.51
ELLIS, GARY W.	\$ 351.04
HATCH, ARTHUR, HEIRS OF	\$ 312.46
KNOTTY PINE INVESTMENT, LLC	\$ 112.03
MACCABE, ANNA M. ET ALS	\$ 1,501.41
MACCABE, GARY & DEBORA	\$ 514.54
MARSHALL, DAVID & ERIN	\$ 320.45
OGDEN, LYNETTE & ARIEL HESSELTINE	\$ 587.24
PATTERSHALL, CRAIG	\$ 1,283.71
TUCKER, JEREMY L.	\$ 871.30
WILSON, JEREMY & ELIZABETH	\$ 218.33
ZALOGA, MARK	\$ 290.23
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	\$ 19,069.60

TOWN PROPERTY

SOUICIER, CHRISTINE **

OUTSTANDING 2020 TAXES * Paid in full after 12/31/2020**

NAME	BAL 12/31/2020
ABS TRANSPORT LLC	\$ 291.25
ABS TRANSPORT LLC	\$ 2,546.75
ABS TRANSPORT LLC	\$ 352.50
ABS TRANSPORT LLC	\$ 2,277.88
ABS TRANSPORT LLC	\$ 429.38
ABS TRANSPORT LLC	\$ 382.50
ABS TRANSPORT LLC PP	\$ 3,176.25 ***
ANNIS, DOUGLAS	\$ 628.63
BAKER, PETER	\$ 1.13
BAKER, TIMOTHY	\$ 350.95
BANK OF AMERICA	\$ 538.75
BARNES, CYNTHIA	\$ 1,133.00
BARNES, TERRY	\$ 327.00
BIERWIRTH, JOHANNA	\$ 253.25 ***
BOOBER, MELISSA	\$ 288.73
BURNS, RICHARD	\$ 46.13 ***
CABLE, DAVID J.	\$ 400.88
CABLE, DAVID J.	\$ 853.38
CARROLL, CHRISTIAN	\$ 113.75
CARROLL, LESLEY	\$ 502.38
CLARK, PEGGY	\$ 893.50
CLARK, PEGGY	\$ 399.75
CLARK, PEGGY	\$ 409.75
COTA, RONALD	\$ 138.38
COUNTRYMAN, WILLIAM	\$ 1,356.63
DENNISON, ALBERT	\$ 1,345.00
DENOI, SANDRA	\$ 287.00 ***
DEWITT, KURT	\$ 3,029.63
DIAZ, SAMUEL	\$ 812.25 ***
DODGE, ROBERT	\$ 106.25
DOUCETTE, RICHARD	\$ 323.50
DOWLING, MARY	\$ 348.00
DRP ENTERPRISES LLC	\$ 412.50 ***
ELLIS, GARY, ESTATE OF	\$ 201.88
ELLIS, GARY, ESTATE OF	\$ 692.63
ELLIS, GARY, ESTATE OF	\$ 1,707.38
ELLIS, GARY, ESTATE OF	\$ 295.13
ELLIS, WILLIAM	\$ 309.38
ENGSTROM, AUBREY	\$ 894.13 ***
ENGSTROM, AUBREY	\$ 1,069.75 ***
ENGSTROM, AUBREY	\$ 486.25 ***
ENGSTROM, AUBREY	\$ 1,782.63 ***
ENGSTROM, AUBREY	\$ 575.00 ***
ENGSTROM, MARGARET, ESTATE OF	\$ 865.50
ENGSTROM, MARGARET, ESTATE OF	\$ 294.63
FRASER, RONALD	\$ 1,252.25 ***

HAMM, TYLER L. C/O CANDACE OUELLETTE	\$	2,436.00	
HATCH, ARTHUR HEIRS OF	\$	317.50	
JOHNSTON, MELANIE	\$	283.38	
KNOTTY PINE INVESTMENT, LLC	\$	1,156.19	
KNOTTY PINE INVESTMENT, LLC	\$	370.50	
L'HEUREAUX, DAVID	\$	263.38	
LORING, JUSTIN	\$	708.75	
MACCABE, ANNA M, ET ALS	\$	1,383.00	
MACCABE, GARY	\$	387.25	
MALICKY, EVELYNN	\$	1,391.40	
MARSHALL, ERIN	\$	259.63	
MCLAUGHLIN, SHANA	\$	353.63	
MILLER, CARLENE	\$	173.13	
MOULTON, NICHOLAS	\$	1,432.25	***
NILES, CRYSTAL	\$	1,367.63	
O'BERRY, CHARLES E, KAYTEE A,	\$	953.38	***
OGDEN, LYNETTE	\$	518.50	
PARADY, ROGER	\$	1,003.13	***
PARADY, ROGER	\$	325.00	***
PATTERSHALL, CRAIG	\$	1,177.13	
PELLETIER, KATHRYN	\$	418.89	***
QUIRK, DOROTHY C/O LAWRENCE	\$	248.75	
SENNOTT, FRANCIS	\$	227.50	
STROMING, LISA	\$	110.63	
THORNTON CONSTRUCTION, INC	\$	1,025.00	
TOBY, LIZABETH	\$	551.25	
TRASK, DAVID	\$	859.50	
TRINGALE, CHARLES	\$	691.88	
TUCKER, JEREMY	\$	787.13	
VAMBUTAS LAND COMPANY, LLC	\$	81.21	***
WHITE, BRENDA	\$	552.63	
WILLIAMS, ROBIN	\$	319.96	
WILSON, JEREMY	\$	169.63	
YOUNG, RICKY	\$	414.90	
ZALOGA, MARK	\$	237.63	
Total for 81 Bills:	\$	58,140.40	

TOWN OF ALTON, MAINE
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2020

Expense	Jan - Dec 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget
AMBULANCE ACCOUNT	19,700.20	20,000.00	-299.80
ANIMAL CONTROL			
ACO-INSURANCE	260.50		
MILEAGE	166.20		
SHELTER FEE	1,125.00		
TAXES FICA EXP	15.53		
TRAINING	30.00		
WAGES-AC OFFICER	203.00		
WORK COMP-ACO	188.00		
ANIMAL CONTROL - Other	151.90	5,000.00	-4,848.10
Total ANIMAL CONTROL	2,140.13	5,000.00	-2,859.87
ASSESSORS' AGENT	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
CEMETARY COMMITTEE			
CEMETARY FICA TAX	214.20		
OTHER EXPENSE-	193.00		
CEMETARY COMMITTEE - Other	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Total CEMETARY COMMITTEE	407.20	1,000.00	-592.80
CEMETERY CARE			
CEMETERY EXPENSE	2,700.00		
CEMETERY WAGE	2,800.00		
CEMETERY CARE - Other	0.00	5,500.00	-5,500.00
Total CEMETERY CARE	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00
COUNTY TAX	68,553.00	68,553.00	0.00
EASTERN AREA ON AGING	300.00	300.00	0.00
ELECTION GRANT EXPENSE	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
FIRE PROTECTION			
AIR PAC TESTING & REPAIRS	1,964.22		
EQUIPMENT REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	764.37		
FD EQUIPMENT			
TURNOUT GEAR	8,790.00		
FD EQUIPMENT - Other	437.00		
Total FD EQUIPMENT	9,227.00		
FD TRAINING & SUPPLIES	607.16		
FIRE FIGHTER TESTING	1,205.50		
FUEL & OIL	1,236.73		

TOWN OF ALTON, MAINE
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2020

	<u>Jan - Dec 20</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
INSURANCE	3,686.50		
MISCELLANEOUS	90.60		
PAYROLL			
EXTRA HOURS	3,793.80		
FIRE CHIEF STIPEND	3,200.00		
FIREFIGHTER CALLS	6,031.61		
TRAINING HOURS	7,115.63		
TX FICA EXPENSE	1,555.11		
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	768.28		
W/COMP	2,483.00		
Total PAYROLL	<u>24,947.43</u>		
STATION MAINTANCE	4.09		
VEHICLE REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	1,305.42		
FIRE PROTECTION - Other	-150.00	50,000.00	-50,150.00
Total FIRE PROTECTION	<u>44,889.02</u>	50,000.00	-5,110.98
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	0.00	500.00	-500.00
LA SLEDDERS	16,239.88	16,239.88	0.00
LED MUNICIPAL SIGN	19,058.00	20,000.00	-942.00
MUNICIPAL BUILDING ACCOUNT			
BLDG SUPPLIES	255.28		
BOILER CONTRACT	219.95		
CLEANING SUPPLIES	49.99		
ELECTRIC EXPENSE	1,932.47		
ELECTRIC REPAIR	165.00		
FICA TAX EXPENSE	119.73		
HEAT-PROPANE	4,431.55		
INSURANCE-PROPERTY	1,857.00		
JANITOR WAGES	1,565.13		
MOWING	975.00		
TELEPHONE			
TELEPHONE - Other	950.54		
Total TELEPHONE	<u>950.54</u>		
WORK COMP	242.00		
MUNICIPAL BUILDING ACCOUNT - Other	0.00	16,000.00	-16,000.00
Total MUNICIPAL BUILDING ACCOUNT	<u>12,763.64</u>	16,000.00	-3,236.36
PARKING LOT-STRIPING & SIGNAGE	500.00	3,000.00	-2,500.00
PENQUIS CAP	500.00	500.00	0.00

TOWN OF ALTON, MAINE
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2020

	<u>Jan - Dec 20</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
REFUSE ACCOUNT			
CLEAN-UP	1,250.00		
CURB SIDE PICKUP	37,500.00		
DUES-MRC	205.76		
E-WASTE	39.76		
MUNICIPAL REVIEW COMM. REFUNDS	-1,657.15		
TIPPING FEES	24,489.66		
REFUSE ACCOUNT - Other	0.00	64,000.00	-64,000.00
Total REFUSE ACCOUNT	<u>61,828.03</u>	<u>64,000.00</u>	<u>-2,171.97</u>
SALT SHED			
ELECTRICITY	194.26		
SALT SHED - Other	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Total SALT SHED	<u>194.26</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>-805.74</u>
SALT SHED PROJECT	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00
SCHOOL EXPENSES			
RSU ASSESSMENT TAX	520,753.08		
SCHOOL EXPENSES - Other	0.00	520,753.08	-520,753.08
Total SCHOOL EXPENSES	<u>520,753.08</u>	<u>520,753.08</u>	<u>0.00</u>
SNOW REMOVAL			
INSURANCE-CONTRACTOR'S EQUIP	208.00		
SALT	6,706.07		
SNOWPLOWING	44,877.00		
SNOW REMOVAL - Other	0.00	50,000.00	-50,000.00
Total SNOW REMOVAL	<u>51,791.07</u>	<u>50,000.00</u>	<u>1,791.07</u>
TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE			
AUDIT FEE	5,300.00		
BOND INSURANCE	353.50		
DUES	2,264.94		
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	1,095.90		
OFFICIAL LIABILITY INS	2,407.00		
PHOTOCOPIES	11.10		
POSTAGE	811.47		
SEMINARS	100.00		
SUBSCRIPTIONS	1,971.44		
SUPPLIES	811.29		
T/O FICA EXPENSE	3,853.16		
TOWN REPORTS	788.43		
TRAVEL	276.58		
W/COMP	41.00		

TOWN OF ALTON, MAINE
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2020

	<u>Jan - Dec 20</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE - Other	0.00	25,000.00	-25,000.00
Total TOWN OFFICE EXPENSE	20,085.81	25,000.00	-4,914.19
TOWN OFFICE SALARY			
CLERICAL ADMINISTRATOR.	11,168.75		
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	357.00		
ELECTION OFFICIAL	1,397.32		
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR	14,945.50		
MODERATOR	100.00		
OFFICE ASSISTANTS	12,897.00		
SELECTMEN	11,000.15		
TOWN OFFICE SALARY - Other	0.00	60,000.00	-60,000.00
Total TOWN OFFICE SALARY	51,865.72	60,000.00	-8,134.28
TOWN ROADS			
GRADING	1,200.00		
SIGNS	82.54		
TOWN ROADS - Other	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
Total TOWN ROADS	1,282.54	3,000.00	-1,717.46
TOWN ROADS PROJECT	21,890.94	25,000.00	-3,109.06
TRIO ASSESSING PROGRAM	8,880.00	10,000.00	-1,120.00
TUITION EXPENSE	6,353.35	8,000.00	-1,646.65

TOWN WARRANT

PENOBSCOT ss

STATE OF MAINE

TO: Mark Wade, the fire chief for the **TOWN OF ALTON**, in the County of Penobscot, State of Maine,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Alton in said county and state, qualified by law to vote in the town affairs, to meet at the Municipal Building in said town on Saturday, the **27TH day of MARCH AD 2021 at 10:00** in the morning to act on the following articles, TO WIT:

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

ARTICLE 2. To elect one (1) person to carry out the duties of Selectmen, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor for a term of three (3) years.

ARTICLE 3. To elect one (1) person to carry out the duties as a member of the RSU#34 Board of Directors for a term of three (3) years.

ARTICLE 4. To choose a Sexton for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To choose a five (5) member Budget Committee for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Ambulance Service. (Recommended: \$22,000 from Excise Taxes)

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Assessors Agent (Recommended: \$7,000 from Property Taxes)

ARTICLE 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Cemetery Care: maintenance and repair shall be the responsibility of the Sexton. (Recommended: \$5,500 from Excise Taxes)

ARTICLE 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Cemetery expenses: (Recommended: \$1,000 from Cemetery Committee Acct)

ARTICLE 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Eastern Area on Aging. (Recommended: \$300 from Excise Taxes)

ARTICLE 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Fire Department expenses. (Recommended: \$51,450 from Excise Taxes)

ARTICLE 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for General Assistance. (Recommended: \$500 from Excise Taxes)

ARTICLE 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Municipal Building Expenses. (Recommended: \$16,000 from Surplus)

ARTICLE 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Penquis CAP, Inc. (Recommended: \$500 from Surplus)

ARTICLE 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Refuse Account. (Recommended: \$64,000 from Excise Taxes)

ARTICLE 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for snow removal. (Recommended: \$52,000 from Property Taxes)

ARTICLE 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Town Office Expenses. (Recommended: \$23,000 from Surplus)

ARTICLE 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Town Office salaries. (Recommended: \$60,000 from Surplus)

ARTICLE 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Town Roads. (Recommended: \$5,000 from Excise Taxes)

ARTICLE 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Tuition Expense. (Recommended: \$8,000 from Property Taxes)

ARTICLE 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for Salt Shed Expenses. (Recommended: \$500 from Surplus)

ARTICLE 22. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for Town Roads Improvements. (Recommended: \$35,000.00 from the Juniper Ridge Fund)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to keep the Town owned highways cleared of snow, as provided in Chapter 227, Public Laws 1929.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will authorize the release of Snowmobile Registration money to the L.A. Sledders for the purpose of maintaining trails.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will establish the date when taxes shall be due and payable, the date when interest will begin to accrue, and the rate of interest to be paid on all unpaid taxes and liens. (Recommended: Taxes Due October 1, 2021, Interest to begin on October 2, 2021 at a rate of 6%)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes thereon and execute quitclaim deeds therefore. The person or persons taxed for this property or his or her heirs to be given first chance to redeem this property within 30 days, or Selectmen may put the property up for bid. Except that the Municipal Officers shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S ss943-C for qualifying homestead property if they choose to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s). Selectmen have the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Also, to allow the Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to waive automatic lien foreclosures when it is in the best interest of the town.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will accept State Funds in the following categories:

- Municipal Revenue Sharing
- Local Road Assistance
- Snowmobile Registration Money and Grants
- Veterans Exemption
- Tree Growth
- Homestead Reimbursement
- BETE Reimbursement
- General Assistance
- Fire Department

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will accept any non-matching grants or gifts obtained by all Town Departments.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to donate or sell surplus equipment.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to spend necessary amounts in each budget category for the period January 1, 2022 to the Annual Town Meeting in 2022.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will rescind a prior article that stated that any remaining balance in the Fire Department account be deposited in the Fire Truck Fund account.
(Recommended that any balance be returned to surplus)

ARTICLE 32. Call for a motion to adjourn.

Registrar will be at the Municipal Building at 9:30am on the day of said meeting for the purpose of voter registration.

ALTON SELECT BOARD: DATED: 03 /16/2021

John Belding, Chairman

Brenda Kennedy-Wade

James Braley

Maine Municipal Audit Services, PA

Mindy J. Cyr, CPA

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Alton
Alton, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Alton, Maine, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, 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 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 from 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 the 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 our 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, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Alton, Maine, as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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OTHER MATTERS

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and budgetary comparison schedule, on pages 5-6, and 20 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.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Alton, Maine's basic financial statements. The combining balance sheet, combining statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances, schedule of departmental operations, schedule of property valuation and appropriations, and schedule of taxes receivable are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining balance sheet, combining statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances, schedule of departmental operations, schedule of property valuation and appropriations, and schedule of taxes receivable are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate 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 balance sheet, combining statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances, schedule of departmental operations, schedule of property valuation and appropriations, and schedule of taxes receivable are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Levant, Maine
February 5, 2021

Town of Alton, Maine
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2020

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,098,691	\$ 9,536	\$ 1,108,227
Taxes receivable, net	53,540	-	53,540
Tax liens receivable	19,070	-	19,070
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,171,301	\$ 9,536	\$ 1,180,837
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES			
<i>Liabilities:</i>			
Accounts payable	\$ 17,053	\$ -	\$ 17,053
Due to other governments	1,004	-	1,004
<i>Total liabilities</i>	18,057	-	18,057
<i>Deferred inflows of resources:</i>			
Deferred property tax revenue	61,700	-	61,700
Prepaid property taxes	1,516	-	1,516
<i>Total deferred inflows of resources</i>	63,216	-	63,216
<i>Fund balances: see footnotes</i>			
Non-spendable - endowments	-	4,370	4,370
Restricted	13,386	-	13,386
Committed	813,738	-	813,738
Assigned	72,567	5,165	77,732
Unassigned	190,338	-	190,338
<i>Total fund balances</i>	1,090,028	9,536	1,099,564
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,171,301	\$ 9,536	
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (Stmt. 1) are different because:</i>			
Depreciable and non-depreciable capital assets as reported in Stmt. 1			953,717
Deferred property taxes not reported on Stmt. 1			61,700
NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES			\$ 2,114,981

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Town of Alton, Maine
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
Property taxes	\$ 553,273	\$ -	\$ 553,273
Excise taxes	154,980	-	154,980
Intergovernmental revenue	163,766	-	163,766
Charges for services	258,117	-	258,117
Investment income	8,231	8	8,239
Other revenue	20,915	-	20,915
<i>Total revenues</i>	<u>1,159,281</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1,159,289</u>
EXPENDITURES:			
General government	128,592	-	128,592
Protection	73,451	-	73,451
Sanitation	64,910	-	64,910
Public works	78,970	-	78,970
County tax	68,553	-	68,553
Education	527,106	-	527,106
Cemetery	6,314	-	6,314
Social services	800	-	800
Recreation	16,240	-	16,240
<i>Total expenditures</i>	<u>964,937</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>964,937</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	194,345	8	194,352
<i>Net change in fund balances</i>	194,345	8	194,352
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	895,684	9,528	905,212
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$ 1,090,028</u>	<u>\$ 9,536</u>	<u>\$ 1,099,564</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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Town of Alton, Maine
 Schedule of Departmental Operations
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Balance 1/1/2020	Property Taxes	Other Revenues & credits	Fund Balance	Total Available	Expenditures	Transfers	Balances	
								Lapsed	Carried
GENERAL GOVERNMENT									
Town office salaries	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 54,890	\$ -	\$ 5,110	\$ -
Town office expense	-	25,000	-	-	25,000	20,086	-	4,914	-
Assessor's agent	-	7,000	-	-	7,000	7,000	-	-	-
Trio assessing software	-	-	10,000	-	10,000	8,880	-	1,120	-
Election grant expenditures	-	-	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-	-	-
Municipal sign message board	-	-	20,000	-	20,000	19,058	-	942	-
Municipal building maintenance	-	16,000	-	-	16,000	13,179	-	2,821	-
Municipal building parking lot project	-	-	3,000	-	3,000	500	-	2,500	-
<i>Total</i>	-	48,000	38,000	60,000	146,000	128,592	-	17,408	-
PROTECTION									
Fire protection	-	-	51,450	-	51,450	51,611	-	(161)	-
Ambulance	-	-	20,000	-	20,000	19,700	-	-	300
Fire truck fund	785	-	-	-	785	-	-	-	785
Animal control	(1,414)	-	5,836	-	4,422	2,140	-	-	2,282
<i>Total</i>	(629)	-	77,286	-	76,657	73,451	-	(161)	3,367
SANITATION									
Refuse account	-	-	64,000	-	64,000	64,910	-	(910)	-
<i>Total</i>	-	-	64,000	-	64,000	64,910	-	(910)	-
PUBLIC WORKS									
Town roads	-	-	3,000	-	3,000	3,413	-	(413)	-
Salt/sand shed - new roof and gravel	-	-	15,000	-	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Salt/sand shed	-	-	1,000	-	1,000	194	-	806	-
Snow removal	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	53,472	-	(3,472)	-
Town roads Improvements	-	-	25,000	-	25,000	21,891	-	-	3,109
<i>Total</i>	-	-	44,000	50,000	94,000	78,970	-	(3,079)	18,109
COUNTY TAX									
	-	68,553	-	-	68,553	68,553	-	-	-
EDUCATION									
RSU assessment	-	520,753	-	-	520,753	520,753	-	-	-
School tuition	(1,377)	8,000	-	-	6,623	6,353	-	-	269
<i>Total</i>	(1,377)	528,753	-	-	527,376	527,106	-	-	269

Town of Alton, Maine
 Schedule of Departmental Operations
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Balance 1/1/2020	Property Taxes	Other Revenues & Credits	Fund Balance	Total Available	Expenditures	Transfers	Balances	
								Lapsed	Carried
CEMETERY									
Cemetery care	2,854	-	480	-	3,334	407	-	-	2,927
Veteran's park	123	-	-	-	123	-	-	-	123
Cemetery committee	-	-	6,500	-	6,500	5,907	-	593	-
<i>Total</i>	<u>2,977</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,980</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,957</u>	<u>6,314</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>593</u>	<u>3,050</u>
SOCIAL SERVICES									
General assistance	-	-	500	-	500	-	-	500	-
Donations	-	800	-	-	800	800	-	-	-
<i>Total</i>	<u>-</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,300</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>-</u>
RECREATION									
Snowmobile	-	-	16,240	-	16,240	16,240	-	-	-
<i>Total</i>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,240</u>	<u>16,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
RESERVES									
Juniper Ridge	638,338	-	(73,000)	-	565,338	-	241,698	-	807,036
Capital improvement fund	709	-	-	-	709	-	-	-	709
<i>Total</i>	<u>639,046</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(73,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>566,046</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,698</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>807,744</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 640,017</u>	<u>\$ 646,106</u>	<u>\$ 174,006</u>	<u>\$ 110,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,570,129</u>	<u>\$ 964,937</u>	<u>\$ 241,698</u>	<u>\$ 14,351</u>	<u>\$ 832,539</u>

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