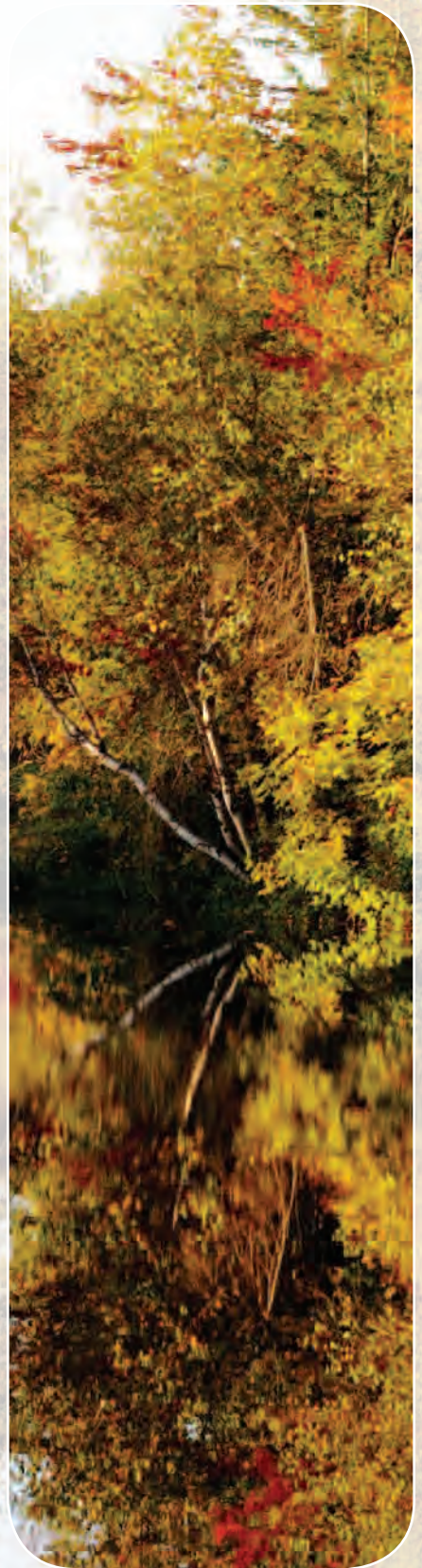


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DEDICATION

CARLETON (IKE) & RENEE FOURNIER

This year's annual town report is dedicated to **Carleton (Ike) and Renee Fournier**.

Carleton, or Ike as he was locally known, was born (April 22, 1920) and raised in North Vassalboro, graduating from grammar school in the building that now houses Drs. Smith and Burke / Internal Medicine. He joined the Army and was stationed in England and that is where he met his future wife, Renee. Renee was born in Sheffield, England (April 8, 1923) and was in the Women's Land Army when she and Ike met. They were married in 1944 in Sheffield, England. Ike returned from the Army in 1945, but Renee and first born child Wayne (the only one of the five children to be born in England), were not able to join him here in the States until December of 1946. It was in North Vassalboro that they chose to raise their five children. They continued to reside in North Vassalboro until their passing; Ike in May of 1989 and Renee in February of 2010.

When Ike returned from the Army he worked at the American Woolen Mill while attending Thomas College. He played baseball for the Mill Town Team until the Mill closed. In the late 1950's he helped resurrect the Town baseball field, off Main Street, and formed a youth baseball team that played teams from the Winslow league. He also umpired games at this same field. Renee also worked at the Woolen Mill. Her family shares the story of her working the night shift – getting home and seeing the kids off to school, getting a few hours of sleep and being ready to go again when the kids got home from school.

Ike was a member of the Ronco-Goodale American Legion Post, and Renee was a member of the Auxiliary. He was a volunteer fireman, and she was also a member of that Auxiliary. The Fourniers were part of the first group to have the fire phone and alarm installed in their home. The “red” phone and whistle became part of the décor in the family den for many years and was used up until the day the department



no longer used that type of system. Ike was also very active in the Lion's Club in town.

In the fall of 1960, Ike helped start up the Credit Union in town, which was then called St. Bridget's Parish Credit Union. It is believed Father Grondin was the Priest at that time. Ike ran the Credit Union out of the family's den and Renee worked it during the day while he was away at his full-time job. The exact year the Credit Union moved to its first little building down the street to become the Vassalboro Federal Credit is unknown,

but daughter Cindy Smith remembers the Credit Union as being a normal part of her day in her childhood. She also doesn't remember there being any “regular hours” – as long as there were lights on, members were welcomed to stop in to conduct their business. The Credit Union continued to expand, accepting a merge with LaVerdiere's Credit Union and moving across the street to the larger current location it occupies today. Renee retired from the Credit Union after 25 years, and Ike continued as Manager and Treasurer until his retirement in 1989.

Renee was a cantor at St. Bridget's Church for many, many years and just loved to sing. She delivered Meals on Wheels for the Muskie Center out of Waterville. For 30 years she delivered meals throughout the Vassalboro area, taking her grandchildren along for the ride and to visit with the elderly. The kids loved it as much as the people receiving the meals, and it was a special time for the grandchildren with their “Nana”. Renee also worked as a ballot clerk for the Town for many years.

For the current residents of the Town of Vassalboro, it would be difficult to imagine what it would be like without the Credit Union in town. We recognize the many contributions to the Town of Vassalboro that Ike and Renee Fournier made, and we are thankful for their accomplishments that continue to affect our lives daily.



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TOWN MANAGER'S STORY

MARY SABINS | Town Manager



This past year has been a productive year and the Selectmen and I have finalized some projects that have been in the works for quite some time. Working together with members of the community have lead to very successful end results such as the settlement with the Coyote Ridge Subdivision landowners, and the cleanup of the abandoned gas station property in the North village area. Many thanks go out to Mike Farrell, Chuck O'Neal, and Ray Breton for their help and cooperation in those project resolutions!

With the help of local volunteers, the Town has applied for several grants, and we have received one for drainage improvements at the recreation fields on the Bog Road. Another grant for sidewalks in the East village area has been submitted, yet no word has been received on the success of the application. The fire department, public works, and transfer station departments have all written successful safety grants to the Maine Municipal Association for needed safety equipment. All of these successful grant applications save tax payer money, and I appreciate the effort of all participants who have worked tirelessly to write, submit, and implement them.

To recognize the volunteer effort of one resident, at the June 2012 Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen awarded the 2012 Spirit of America Award to Holly Weidner of East Vassalboro. In addition to spearheading the sidewalk grant application previously mentioned, Holly has also volunteered on the Town Conservation Commission, the Trails Committee, the Energy Committee, and the Farmer's Market at the Grange Hall, to name a few. Kudos to Holly for a job well done!

The coming fiscal year promises to be a challenge with the uncertainty of the Municipal Revenue Sharing Program as a source of revenue, which we use annually to reduce the amount of funds we must raise through taxes to pay the town's bills. Without the continued receipt of revenue from this State program, the town will likely need to make severe

cuts to staffing levels and services to make up for the proposed loss of the current funding of just under two hundred thousand dollars. We are hopeful that the Legislature will vote soon on this measure so the Town can make a budget plan, and end the uncertainty.

I would like to thank the members of the Board of Selectmen for making my job such a pleasure to come to each day. I enjoy working for and with them on projects that better this community. Without them and the well qualified staff that works for me, my job could be so much more difficult. I appreciate each and every one of them and all that they contribute to the success of the Vassalboro Town Government!

It is my sincere pleasure to serve this community as your Town Manager. I very much appreciate my town staff and the town volunteers who are so invaluable. I encourage residents to call me at 872-2826 or email me at msabins@vassalboro.net with any questions or concerns they may have about Vassalboro Town Government functions.



Holly Weidner, of East Vassalboro, awarded the 2012 Spirit of America Award.

"The Town remains fiscally sound, with surplus funds carefully invested and monitored, resulting in a satisfactory return rate for these poor economic times of about six percent."

DIRECTORY OF OFFICIALS



Selectmen (L to R): Phil Haines, Lauchlin Titus, and Rob Browne.

SELECTMEN

873-2108	2014	Lauchlin Titus	1063 Main Street, Vassalboro
923-3391	2015	Philip Haines	702 Bog Road, Vassalboro
626-0966	2013	Robert Browne	9 Szady Drive, Vassalboro

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

445-5159	2014	Barry Bernier	165 Nelson Road, Vassalboro
872-7062	2013	Phillip Landry	10 St. Bridgetts Way, Vassalboro
872-8596	2013	Kevin Levasseur	209 Bog Road, Vassalboro
622-5341	2014	Lance Cloutier	1085 Riverside Drive, Vassalboro
923-4069	2015	Jolene Clark Gamage	1633 Cross Hill Road, Vassalboro

PLANNING BOARD

873-5226	2014	Virginia Brackett	20 Alpine St., Vassalboro
622-2793	2014	George Gould	232 Cushnoc Rd., Vassalboro
923-3800	2013	Douglas Phillips	738 Bog Road, Vassalboro
923-3400	2013	Sally Butler	49 Taber Hill Road, Vassalboro
873-1601	2014	Marianne Hubert	53 Sherwood Lane, Vassalboro
		alternate - vacant	

BUDGET COMMITTEE

923-3729	2014	John Melrose	636 Bog Road, Vassalboro
873-7399	2013	Donald Breton	174 Cemetery Street, Vassalboro
622-7730	2014	Richard Phippen	492 Webber Pond Rd, Vassalboro
873-9094	2014	Rick Denico, Jr.	237 Oak Grove Rd., Vassalboro
923-3800	2014	Douglas Phillips	738 Bog Road, Vassalboro
923-3511	2014	Elizabeth Reuthe	924 Cross Hill Road, Vassalboro
873-6173	2013	John Burke	196 Oak Grove Road, Vassalboro
622-3096	2013	William Browne	793 Webber Pond Road, Vassalboro
872-5265	2013	William Whitley	67 Gray Road, Vassalboro
872-7268	2013	Lori Fowle	305 Taber Hill Rd., Vassalboro

BOARD OF APPEALS

923-3231	2014	Peggy Cain	358 Hussey Hill Road, Vassalboro
873-3911	2014	Gary Coull	36 Maple Street, Vassalboro
923-3185	2013	Kathy Lees	604 Bog Road, Vassalboro
923-3759	2013	Leon Duff	595 Hussey Hill Road, Vassalboro
923-3803	2013	John Reuthe	924 Cross Hill Road, Vassalboro

DIRECTORY OF OFFICIALS

SANITARY DISTRICT

873-4374	2014	Lee Trahan	374 Crowell Hill Road, Vassalboro
923-3300	2014	David H. Souza	342 Main Street, Vassalboro
872-7263	2013	Elizabeth Bean	Main Street, Vassalboro
	2015	vacant	
	2015	vacant	

RECREATION COMMITTEE

873-5772	2013	Nicole Wasilewski	316 Oak Grove Road, Vassalboro
873-5772	2013	Ed Wasilewski	316 Oak Grove Road, Vassalboro
	2013	Peter Howard	
	2013	Kristofer Target	
	2013	Jessica Lint	
	2013	Lance Cloutier	
	2013	Ryan Redman	
	2013	Ruben Lemelin	
	2013	Jen Fortin, alternate	

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

	2013	Mary-Ellen Johnston	191 Priest Hill Road, Vassalboro
923-3836	2013	Steve Jones	55 Quaker Lane, Vassalboro
923-3397	2014	Holly Weidner	320 Main Street, Vassalboro
	2014	Paul Mitnik	700 Cross Hill Road, Vassalboro
923-3483	2015	David Jenney	844 Cross Hill Road, Vassalboro

TOWN CLERK

872-2826	2013	Catherine St. Pierre	P.O. Box 82, N. Vassalboro
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CEMETERY COMMITTEE

622-8792	2013	Richard Kelly, Chairman	1091 Riverside Drive, Vassalboro
923-3411	2013	Tom Richards	508 Hussey Hill Road, Vassalboro
923-3533	2013	Julie Lyon	360 Main Street, Vassalboro
872-2569	2013	Jim Ashton	859 Main Street, Vassalboro

KENNEBEC WATER DISTRICT TRUSTEE

873-3911	2013	Gary Coull	36 Maple Street, Vassalboro
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STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 24

622-9921- home		Roger Katz	3 State House Station
287-1505 - office			Augusta, Maine 04330
287-1583 - TTY		senroger.katz@legislature.maine.gov	

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 58

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ROGER KATZ | Maine State Senate



Annual Report to the Town of Vassalboro

A Message from Senator Roger Katz

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It is an honor to represent you in the Maine Senate for a second term, and I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me to work for the betterment of Vassalboro and Central Maine.

Looking back at the results of the past two-year session, I am proud of the work we accomplished in an extremely difficult fiscal climate. We increased state funding to local schools, brought solvency to the retiree pension system, created more transparency and accountability at state agencies, and paid back our local hospitals millions of dollars. We worked hard to deliver the changes we promised, and we succeeded.

Lawmakers have a great deal of work on their plates when the session kicks into full swing in January. The most daunting task will be addressing a \$120 million shortfall within the Department of Health and Human Services and its MaineCare program. We must also address a \$35 million revenue shortfall in the budget that ends June 30 and a projected \$880 million gap in the next two-year budget.

Maine continues to be hampered by high energy costs and an aging population. It is a priority of mine to find a way to lower energy costs to help preserve the jobs we have in our state and encourage new job growth. Maine has the oldest state population in the nation. We must work in Augusta to pass legislation that will help grow our economy so that our youth can find opportunities here at home to work and live. Until we address these issues, Maine will continue to lag behind other states.

This session I have been given the honor of serving as the Senate Republican Assistant Leader having been elected to this post by my Republican colleagues. This position brings new responsibilities which include helping to steer the direction of the Maine Senate and better position the state for economic success.

Again, thank you for entrusting me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me if you ever need my help in navigating the state bureaucracy. I would be happy to help in any way that I can. I can be reached in Augusta at 287-1505 or by e-mail at rkatz@lipmankatz.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roger Katz". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Roger Katz
Maine State Senator

LEGISLATIVE CORRESPONDENCE

LORI FOWLE | State Representative



Lori Fowle

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

The 126th Legislature has spent the last several months in Augusta hard at work, and it is an honor and privilege to be representing Vassalboro in the Maine House of Representatives.

The national economy is slowly turning the corner, but here in Maine, we face more stagnant growth and job losses. Our state continues to experience budget and revenue shortfalls as well. Strengthening the state's middle class and rejuvenating our sluggish economy remain our most important focus at the State House.

We have already passed a budget that brings Maine's finances into balance through the end of June. By this summer, we will balance Maine's budget for the next two years. Jobs, education, transportation, energy, fisheries management and health care are all important budget priorities, and I know that lawmakers will find common ground to pass a budget that protects property taxpayers and our local schools.

I am pleased to have been appointed to serve on the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee. There is a lot of work we can do to support veterans of all ages, especially after all they have done for us. My committee also oversees election law and any bills related to liquor sales, tobacco, and gambling.

Whether we're dealing with the above topics or any other policy area, I pledge to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to achieve the best possible results for Maine families.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me with any questions or concerns or if you need assistance navigating state government. I can be reached by email at lorifowlehouse58@gmail.com, by phone at 649-4863 or on the legislative message line at 1-800-423-2900.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads 'Lori Fowle'.

Lori Fowle
State Representative

District 58 Augusta (part), Vassalboro and Windsor

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LEGISLATIVE CORRESPONDENCE

CHELLIE PINGREE | Maine Congresswoman

CONGRESSWOMAN
CHELLIE PINGREE

1ST DISTRICT
MAINE



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AND FORESTRY

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES
SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL
SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER AND
EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 22, 2013

Dear Friend,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. It continues to be an honor to represent you, and I wanted to take a moment to share with you some of the work I've done in Washington and Maine over the last year and look ahead to the rest of this year.

Given the partisan environment and lack of compromise in Washington, I have been looking for ways to help Maine people and the Maine economy that rise above those partisan differences.

One issue I worked hard on last year was local food and local farming. Farming—particularly smaller, sustainable farms—is a growing part of Maine's economy. For too long national farm policy has primarily benefitted giant agribusinesses in other parts of the country. So I introduced the Local Farms, Food and Jobs Act to bring local farmers the resources they need to keep growing.

Every five years, Congress is supposed to pass a farm bill, which sets the nation's farm policy. As we debated a farm bill last year, we were able to get most of the provisions in the Local Farms, Food and Jobs Act included in the legislation. Congress has yet to pass that farm bill, however, but we are working to make sure those important provisions that will help local farms in Maine remain included when they do.

Sometimes the most practical solutions don't even involve legislation or Washington. For example, as the lobster industry struggled with low prices and an oversupply of lobster last summer, I wrote to the heads of all the cruise ship companies that visit Maine. I was surprised to learn that none of them were buying local, fresh lobster for their passengers and I asked the CEO's of each company to consider doing so. I'm happy to say that a number of them agreed to buy lobster locally when their cruise ships made stops in Portland, and ordered thousands of pounds of Maine lobster for their passengers.

I am beginning this year with a new assignment to the House Appropriations Committee. This is a big responsibility, since it is the committee where virtually all the spending decisions are made. These decisions can have a real impact on Maine, from how much funding is available to shipbuilding to things like funding for first responders and schools.

Everyone agrees we need to reduce the deficit, but how we go about that is a matter of great debate. I believe we need to cut unnecessary spending but at the same time keep investing in the things that will grow our economy and provide a bright future for our children. And I'm sure we will debate those issues on the Appropriations Committee.

I want to also take this opportunity to remind you that I am always ready and willing to help you out if are having an issue with a federal agency. My office can make inquiries to a federal agency on your behalf; connect you with resources and more. No question is too small and we are always happy to hear from you. If there is anything I can do, please don't hesitate to contact me at (888) 862-6500 or www.pingree.house.gov.

Hope to see you in Maine soon,

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress

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VOTER REGISTRAR REPORT

JIM SCHAD | Registrar of Voters



During this past year we have had three elections in Vassalboro.

- (1) **June 12, 2012**, was the date of a combination Primary Election, Special Referendum for the State of Maine, and Municipal Election, a continuation of the Annual Town Meeting in Vassalboro. As this was a Primary Election, 88 voters enrolled in a party in order to vote.
- (2) **June 28, 2012**, was the date of our School Ratification Vote. A total of 149 voters cast their ballots.
- (3) **November 6, 2012**, was the date of the Presidential Election, including Referendum Issues. There were 2,337 ballots cast, over 78% voter turnout. Of those, 549 were absentee ballots. Once again the Vassalboro voter participation was well above the state average.

Also, on December 12, 2012, the Town of Vassalboro participated in the AOS discussion and vote at Winslow High School.

As of March 1, 2013, Vassalboro had 3,095 registered voters, enrolled as follows:

Unenrolled (not in any party)	1,105
Democrat	988
Republican	865
Green Independent	137

During the past year we had a total of 111 voter cancellations for these reasons:

Deceased	43
Duplicate Registrations	5
Moved out of State	13
Moved out of Town	47
Registrar Hearing	3

During the past year we had a total of 336 new voter registrations. There were 202 voters who made changes in their registrations (name, address, or party).

The Town Office is equipped to register voters any time during office hours. When you come to register, remember you should provide a photo ID and proof of Vassalboro residency.

All registrations are now kept on the Central Voting Registration (CVR) System, set up through the Secretary of State's Office in Augusta. This makes it easier to track voters when they move from town to town within the State. The CVR System boosts our efficiency, and is a powerful tool against voter fraud.

I would like to thank my co-workers, Cathy St. Pierre and Jean Poulin, without whose expert help this job would be most difficult.



Deputy Clerk Jim Schad (L) swears in Moderator Dick Thompson at the June 2012 Annual Town Meeting.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

CATHERINE ST. PIERRE | Town Clerk



Certified Copies of Death, Birth, and Marriage Certificates can be obtained at a cost of \$15.00. Additional copies are \$6.00 each.

You must have proof of having held a previous hunting licenses or proof of having taken a Hunter Safety Course in order to purchase a hunting license. You do not have to be a resident of Vassalboro in order to obtain a license at the town office.

There are approximately 923 dogs registered in town. All dog licenses expire December 31st. You must have a current rabies certificate in order to license your dog. You will also need to provide proof of Spay or Neutering. A spayed/neutered dog is \$6.00 and the fee for an unaltered dog is \$11.00. There is a \$25.00 late fee after January 31st. For the past

several years we have held a Rabies Clinic at the North Vassalboro Fire Station in November. Dog licensing is available at the clinic. Part of the proceeds goes to the Vassalboro Food Pantry. You can reach the Animal Control Officer, Christopher Martinez at 446-0438.

General Assistance is a program that provides assistance with basic needs for eligible applicants who cannot provide for themselves and their families. General Assistance is administered on each Wednesday by appointment unless there is an emergency. Any person who has been assisted with General Assistance in any municipality in the state of Maine must retain all receipts to keep their eligibility. You can call 872-2826 to set up an appointment.

The following are Marriage Licenses that were recorded from March 1, 2012 – March 1, 2013.

GROOM	BRIDE (maiden name)	DATE MARRIED
Ryan Joseph Lawrence Bolduc	Katelyn Sue Buckmore	March 03, 2012
Samuel Jeffrey Brazier	Crystal Lynn Pelletier	March 23, 2012
Edward Cleveland Drake	Crystal Ann Mitchell	April 20, 2012
Justin Michael Ricker	Ashley Lynn Bachelder	June 02, 2012
Chad Michael Rancourt	Jessica Eleanor Arm	June 23, 2012
Richard Leroy Phippen	Maroulla Stavrinou	July 07, 2012
Matthew Tyler Jones	Stephanie Jeanne Gilbert	July 08, 2012
Lawrence Smith	Aline Labranche	July 12, 2012
Michael James Field	Samantha Marie Black	July 21, 2012
Nicholas Richard Jose	Katie Danielle Hoskins	July 28, 2012
Peter Stuart Murphy	Deborah Suzanne York	July 30, 2012
Patrick James Brann	Kimberly Ann DeMello	August 06, 2012
Donald James Janerico	Jennifer Marie James	August 11, 2012
Ernest Lucca Ortiz	Natajsha Nicole Bourque	August 25, 2012
David Edward Tyrol	Natalie Lynn Patenaude	September 01, 2012
Dustin Swain Bushover	Megan Lea Gallup	September 08, 2012
Mark Steven Morissette	Annette Lorraine Buckle	September 22, 2012
Troy Allen Carter	Evelyn Dora Westman	October 13, 2012
Brett Michael Plossay	Lauren Marie Poulin	October 13, 2012
Nathaniel John Bigelow	Melissa Anne Tremblay	October 24, 2012
Sean Michael Belden	Teresa Ann Hills	October 27, 2012
Nicholas Eric Roy Curtis	Tara Mae Minoty	October 31, 2012
Troy Ovilla Labreck	Valamica Anastasha Grigoriadis	December 8, 2012
Brian Michael Lajoie	Torrie Ann Watson	December 12, 2012
Phillip Allen McHale	Jasmine Ann Nicholson	December 28, 2012
Randolph Arthur Gabourie	Jamie Lynn Boisvert	January 01, 2013
Julius Austin Koenig	Jennifer Anna Lynn Denny	January 12, 2013
Tyron Richard Sullivan	Danielle Marie Dodge	February 16, 2013

There were 17 Female and 22 Male births to Vassalboro residents from March 3, 2012 – March 1, 2013.

The Vital Statistic information listed below pertains to deaths from March 3, 2012 – March 1, 2013.

NAME	DATE OF DEATH	AGE	LOCATION
Georgianna M. Reynolds	March 05, 2012	97	Waterville
Glennis R. Smith	March 07, 2012	70	Augusta
Floyd L. Reynolds	March 13, 2012	86	Dixmont
Elaine R. Smith	March 24, 2012	92	Vassalboro
Lowell R. Underwood	April 05, 2012	75	Vassalboro
Barbara T. Dexter	April 23, 2012	70	Vassalboro
Richard S. Hayward	May 15, 2012	63	Augusta
Jeannette C. Boucher	May 17, 2012	77	Augusta
Kenneth D. Hughes	June 06, 2012	50	Vassalboro
Cynthia J. Wolman	June 30, 2012	59	Waterville
Jeffrey L. Black	July 04, 2012	57	Vassalboro
Lydia M. Gillooly	July 07, 2012	72	Augusta
Joanne C. LaBrecque	July 09, 2012	82	Waterville
Howard M. Ibbitson	July 10, 2012	83	Waterville
Grace M. Merry	July 12, 2012	61	Vassalboro
Madeline I. Beaulieu	July 30, 2012	76	Augusta
Mary A. Michaud	August 14, 2012	79	Ellsworth
Yvonne M. Beaulieu	August 30, 2012	87	Waterville
James H. Heckman Sr.	September 01, 2012	73	Augusta
Bernard O. Boyce	September 09, 2012	85	Vassalboro
Billie May Choate Cadwallader	September 24, 2012	69	Vassalboro
James E. McDowell	September 24, 2012	94	Vassalboro
Robert J. Hubbard Jr.	October 21, 2012	23	Portland
Alexandria Rae Ferland	October 26, 2012	16	Winslow
Robert Carleton Hughes	November 06, 2012	79	Vassalboro
Joyce B. Howard	November 24, 2012	73	Vassalboro
Walter E. Gary	November 26, 2012	76	Vassalboro
Elizabeth Frost	December 05, 2012	80	Waterville
Harold R. Bulger	December 11, 2012	90	Augusta
Douglas M. Starbuck	December 12, 2012	80	Waterville
Ethelyn M. Sawyer	December 17, 2012	96	Waterville
Kathleen M. Lewis	December 23, 2012	62	Waterville
Robert W. Starratt Jr.	December 30, 2012	63	Waterville
Lorraine J. Bragdon	January 06, 2013	80	Waterville
Gladys A. Michaud	January 07, 2013	84	Augusta
Alphonse J. Pare	February 01, 2013	93	Vassalboro
Louise Y. Arnold	February 19, 2013	77	Augusta
Robert L. Jurdak Jr.	February 22, 2013	57	Vassalboro



Vassalboro Town Office Staff: (back l-r) Assessor Ellery Bane, Code Officer/Plumbing Inspector Dan Feeney, Registrar of Voters Jim Schad, (front l-r) Town Clerk Cathy St. Pierre, Town Manager Mary Sabins, Bookkeeper Jean Poulin.

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Unpaid as of 03/29/13

Acct	Name	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
71 L	BAILEY, PAULA	2011	880.50	0.00	880.50
2311 L	BARTLETT, RICHARD & LYNNE	2011	1,979.63	0.00	1,979.63
163 L	BLUMBERG, SARA "HEIRS"	2011	1,258.30	0.00	1,258.30
1869 L	BREARD, RHONDA L & PAUL C	2011	636.94	300.00	336.94
268 L	BROCK, CARL	2011	120.60	0.00	120.60
2520 L	BROCK, CARL	2011	213.30	0.00	213.30
2972 L	BROCK, CARL	2011	139.35	0.00	139.35
273 L	BROCK, CARL & AMY	2011	258.05	0.00	258.05
271 L	BROCK, CARLETON E & AMY L	2011	269.01	0.00	269.01
2581 L	BROCK, CARLETON E & AMY L	2011	179.95	0.00	179.95
2582 L	BROCK, CARLETON E & AMY L	2011	123.73	0.00	123.73
2679 L	BROCK, CARLETON E & AMY L	2011	939.34	0.00	939.34
2680 L	BROCK, CARLETON E & AMY L	2011	140.94	0.00	140.94
2618 L	BROCK, CARLTON	2011	212.81	0.00	212.81
3076 L	BROCK, CURT	2011	224.70	0.00	224.70
2923 L	BROWN, SCOTT E.	2010	241.00	-8.75	249.75
2923 L	BROWN, SCOTT E.	2011	436.01	0.00	436.01
2472 L	CAIN, RICHARD B JR & DEBORAH	2011	2,355.94	0.00	2,355.94
1302 L	CAIN, RICHARD B JR & DEBORAH A	2011	1,095.06	0.00	1,095.06
2619 L	CARTAGENA, BONNIE	2011	312.18	0.00	312.18
447 L	CARTER, MICHAEL O	2010	886.63	-26.00	912.63
447 L	CARTER, MICHAEL O	2011	893.00	0.00	893.00
2286 L	CLAUDIO, RICHARD & DIANE	2011	672.28	0.00	672.28
464 L	COLBATH, ETHEL S	2011	502.18	0.00	502.18
3252 L	CORMIER, CHAD	2011	1,721.14	0.00	1,721.14
487 L	CORSON, LEAL O	2010	272.76	-8.75	281.51
487 L	CORSON, LEAL O	2011	270.50	0.00	270.50
3151 L	CROMMETT, SYLVIA G. & LESLIE H., JR.	2011	726.69	675.01	51.68
533 L	CUMMINGS, CLYDE JR	2010	560.72	525.39	35.33
533 L	CUMMINGS, CLYDE JR	2011	979.93	0.00	979.93
535 L	CUMMINGS, LEON E	2011	1,260.92	0.00	1,260.92
3075 L	DEBLOIS, CARLEE	2011	533.80	0.00	533.80
661 L	DUMAIS, MARLENE	2011	757.73	0.00	757.73
3209 L	DUTTON, TIM	2011	122.30	0.00	122.30
2579 L	DUTTON, TIMOTHY	2011	328.40	0.00	328.40
2684 L	DYER, THOMAS	2011	187.83	0.00	187.83
765 L	FIELD, JOHN P & MARIETTA F	2011	491.72	0.00	491.72
3066 L	FORTIN, GREGORY E. (JR.) & JENNIFER G.	2011	2,303.38	0.00	2,303.38
2777 L	GIDNEY, JOSEPH F & ADAM J	2011	1,003.88	0.00	1,003.88
2099 L	GRAY, PATRICIA C & CHARLES H	2011	674.67	0.00	674.67
1291 L	HAROLD JAMES, INC.	2011	71.68	9.81	61.87
1002 L	HAYWARD, TERRENCE L	2011	1,444.17	0.00	1,444.17
2840 L	HOPPER, MICHELLE C.	2011	615.62	0.00	615.62
1820 L	HOWARD, KEITH W. & LISA A.	2011	893.39	0.00	893.39
1201 L	HOWE, SUSAN L & EDWARD L SR	2011	2,853.52	109.52	2,744.00
1153 L	JOSEPH, FRANCIS E, TRUSTEE	2011	1,109.99	0.00	1,109.99
2429 L	KARTMAN, MICHAEL J SR	2011	620.29	0.00	620.29
111 L	LAPLANT, SUSAN J.	2011	409.00	0.00	409.00
2036 L	LAPLANT, SUSAN J.	2011	104.54	0.00	104.54
1278 L	LEMIEUX, SHEILA	2011	1,175.95	276.20	899.75
1287 L	LETOURNEAU, MICHAEL S	2011	1,027.81	0.00	1,027.81
3018 L	LILLY, RHONDA J.	2011	214.08	0.00	214.08
2312 L	LISTER, EVANS J.	2011	1,514.90	0.00	1,514.90
1337 L	LYONS, ROBERT	2011	1,724.61	0.00	1,724.61
2314 L	MALLOY, MARIE	2011	1,132.40	0.00	1,132.40
337 L	MARTIN, DIANA L	2011	121.65	0.00	121.65
2885 L	MCCAUSLAND, CRAIG	2011	906.52	0.00	906.52

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Unpaid as of 03/29/13

Acct	Name	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
2318 L	MCKEE, DAREN L & MELISA L	2011	671.25	0.00	671.25
1523 L	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2011	180.49	0.00	180.49
1528 L	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2011	1,691.84	0.00	1,691.84
3202 L	MORTON, ROBERT	2011	166.41	66.74	99.67
1593 L	NOLL, ETHAN	2011	1,422.26	0.00	1,422.26
2934 L	NOLL, ETHAN	2011	408.43	0.00	408.43
2211 L	PATERSON, RUSSELL W & THOMPSON	2011	2,524.55	428.45	2,096.10
1667 L	PELLETIER, RANDALL P	2011	1,224.00	0.00	1,224.00
2611 L	PICARD, WAYNE & CATHERYN HUGHES	2011	123.24	0.00	123.24
1708 L	PICHER, ROBERT A & GAIL I	2011	455.64	84.35	371.29
1404 L	PINKHAM, KIRBY L.	2011	1,105.83	69.21	1,036.62
1264 L	POIRIER, CHRISTOPHER	2011	896.67	0.00	896.67
1750 L	POULIN, JAMES & BRENDA	2011	434.46	0.00	434.46
651 L	PULLEN, KEVIN & LISA	2011	50.88	6.43	44.45
652 L	PULLEN, KEVIN B & LISA	2011	162.25	0.00	162.25
1865 L	RICHARDS, PATRICIA A	2011	349.61	0.00	349.61
1866 L	RICHARDS, REBECCA	2011	693.09	0.00	693.09
1955 L	ROY, PAUL	2011	444.32	0.00	444.32
2980 L	SMITH, BERTELLE & KIMBERLY	2011	215.34	0.00	215.34
458 L	SPRAGUE, HAROLD A. & JODI L.	2011	1,201.50	759.67	441.83
3250 L	STONE ROAD CORPORATION	2011	258.61	0.00	258.61
3253 L	STONE ROAD CORPORATION	2011	259.64	0.00	259.64
3255 L	STONE ROAD CORPORATION	2011	251.32	0.00	251.32
3256 L	STONE ROAD CORPORATION	2011	267.97	0.00	267.97
1811 L	SUGA, LINDA	2011	1,036.63	0.00	1,036.63
2128 L	SUGA, LINDA	2011	1,025.19	0.00	1,025.19
1571 L	SUGA, RICHARD J	2011	199.77	0.00	199.77
2576 L	SUGA, RICHARD J	2011	216.37	0.00	216.37
384 L	SUGA, RICHARD J.	2011	2,028.10	0.00	2,028.10
2127 L	SUGA, RICHARD J. & RHONA R.	2011	1,970.86	0.00	1,970.86
2457 L	SUGA, RICHARD JOSEPH	2011	595.85	0.00	595.85
1082 L	SYLVESTER, KEITH	2011	1,848.03	0.00	1,848.03
1698 L	TESS, MARK J & TERESA D	2011	1,556.22	0.00	1,556.22
2172 L	THOMPSON, PETER	2011	1,076.69	0.00	1,076.69
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	1997	175.74	-11.98	187.72
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	1998	323.32	30.50	292.82
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	1999	333.10	-12.25	345.35
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2000	380.14	-12.93	393.07
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2001	396.09	-12.93	409.02
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2002	405.29	-5.00	410.29
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2003	442.38	-12.64	455.02
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2004	401.51	-12.64	414.15
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2005	363.35	0.00	363.35
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2006	382.04	-8.32	390.36
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2007	294.44	0.00	294.44
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2008	305.37	-8.54	313.91
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2008	16,087.40	-8.54	16,095.94
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2009	905.45	0.00	905.45
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2010	894.63	-8.75	903.38
2088 L	TREE FREE FIBER CO.	2011	885.66	0.00	885.66
251 L	WILLIAMS, LINDA JEAN	2011	318.64	0.00	318.64
2451 L	WOOD, SHANE	2011	585.89	0.00	585.89
2487 L	WOOD, SHANE	2011	72.73	0.00	72.73
2488 L	WOOD, SHANE	2011	63.37	0.00	63.37
2386 L	WOOLEY, MARCIA L.	2011	470.40	192.47	277.93
2384 L	WOOLEY, MARSHA	2011	857.61	185.38	672.23
2447 L	YEATON, SANDRA J & JEFFREY A	2011	531.31	0.00	531.31

Total for 114 Accounts:

95,997.09

3,561.11

92,435.98

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Unpaid as of 03/29/13

Acct	Name	Year	Original Tax	Payment / Adjustments	Amount Due
359 P	BRIDGET'S PLACE	2010	146.45	0.00	146.45
359 P	BRIDGET'S PLACE	2011	145.00	0.00	145.00
201 P	CAIN & SONS EQUIPMENT	2011	24.00	0.00	24.00
180 P	CARTER BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION	2011	63.00	0.00	63.00
305 P	GERARD, ROBERT G & ANITA L	2009	149.48	0.00	149.48
305 P	GERARD, ROBERT G & ANITA L	2010	149.48	0.00	149.48
305 P	GERARD, ROBERT G & ANITA L	2011	148.00	0.00	148.00
277 P	GREEN, JOHN PAVING	2011	206.00	0.00	206.00
68 P	HEIKKILA, MIKI W	2011	63.00	0.00	63.00
99 P	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2005	274.35	0.00	274.35
99 P	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2006	292.95	0.00	292.95
99 P	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2007	200.38	0.00	200.38
99 P	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2008	214.36	0.00	214.36
99 P	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2009	235.33	0.00	235.33
99 P	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2010	235.33	0.00	235.33
99 P	MORNEAU, PAUL J	2011	233.00	0.00	233.00
314 P	NOLL, ETHAN E.	2008	69.00	0.00	69.00
314 P	NOLL, ETHAN E.	2009	75.75	0.00	75.75
314 P	NOLL, ETHAN E.	2010	75.75	0.00	75.75
314 P	NOLL, ETHAN E.	2011	75.00	0.00	75.00
261 P	WW PRECISION MACHINERY INC	2010	645.39	21.02	624.37
261 P	WW PRECISION MACHINERY INC	2011	560.00	0.00	560.00
Total for 22 Accounts:			4,281.00	21.02	4,259.98



Photo Courtesy of Dan Feeney

CODE OFFICIAL

DAN FEENEY | Code Enforcement Officer

This year we initiated the Maine Unified Building and Electrical Codes. (MUBEC).

While there have been some contractors aware of these changes in State law there are still many who are not aware of the numerous changes that have taken place. As the rules require certain increases in items such as the amount of insulation required, it also impacts virtually every part of a dwelling when it is being built.

The certification of Sub Surface Waste Disposal installers is ongoing at the State level as well. In the event you are planning to have work done either on an existing dwelling or building a new structure, please make sure your contractor is up to date with the current rules and regulations. It will not be long before all builders and contractors in Maine will need to be certified by participation in the many courses that are available.



All contractors working in the Shoreland Zone now must be certified as well, this change went into effect as of January 2013. If you are an excavator, timber harvester, or builder, you need to be aware of the rule changes. Please contact MDEP directly.

Automobile junkyards must be licensed in Maine. Anyone who has accumulated any amount of junk or scrap materials on their property may also fall under this regulation. It is not just 3 or more non working, non serviceable vehicles. It includes, but is not limited to, scrap metals, parts of vehicle, trash including building materials, and items such as appliances (white-goods) or furniture (brown-goods).

The Code Official is available by contacting the Town Office at 207-872-2826 or by email: dfeeney@vassalboro.net

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

ELLERY G. BANE | Assessor

Once again as always, it has been my distinct pleasure to serve as the Town of Vassalboro Assessor and work with the staff here at the Town office. For 2012/2013 the Town had a total valuation of \$332,679,100 and issued a total of 1,070 Homestead exemptions. There were also 144 veterans exemptions granted this last year. There are also many residents who have applied for and entered into State classified programs such as Tree Growth, Farm Land and Open Space. All of these programs if applicable can be a help to taxpayers in easing the burdens they face in regards to property tax. Any help that I can offer in explaining these programs and exemptions is encouraged so please feel free to contact me at the Town of Vassalboro assessing office at 872-2826 or via email at ebane@vassalboro.net. As always, I look forward to working with you in the future.



APPEALS COMMITTEE

KATHY LEES | Chairman

The Appeals Committee has not had any meetings and did not hear any appeals this past year. We did lose long time committee member Russell Brown as he "retired" from community service. We thank him for his time served.

FOOD PANTRY

CINDY FERLAND | Executive Director

The Vassalboro Food Pantry has had a very busy year. On average the Pantry is serving an additional ten families per week than the previous year. The town is extremely fortunate to have this food pantry, as hunger is an ongoing problem everywhere. There are currently 170 families registered with the program that comes in when in need. We are always in need of hygiene products and nonperishable food items.



The pantry gave out:
Easter Dinners -58
Thanksgiving Dinners-89
Christmas Dinners-82
Families w/Christmas Assistance-gifts -49
Boxes of food distributed this year 2,548

In 2007 we served 30-38 families weekly, now we serve 50-58 weekly.

I would like to thank the pantry garden volunteers with a special thank you to Bill & Pat Sleamaker for offering their property for a garden to support our town's people. We are fortunate to have a few hard working people who have been working for 5 years to bring fresh garden items weekly. They are always looking for helpers; please come & volunteer if you can.

My heartfelt gratitude goes out to Laurel Ferland, an employee of the Goodwill Lifeworks program. Laurel and other Goodwill staff have been bringing Happy Helpers on Thursdays to help with the food distribution.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the Town of Vassalboro employees for their support and help when needed. I especially want to thank my weekly volunteers that dedicate their time & energy to make this organization possible.

If anyone would like more information or could volunteer (need strong backs, energy, computer skills) please contact me at 873-7375. The pantry is open every Thursday from 11am – noon.

My heartfelt THANK YOU to all the generous supporters to the V.F.S.P., without them the pantry would not be possible:

- Mid-State Machine Foundation Grant
- The two Hannaford Stores of Augusta
- Country Kitchen Thrift Store of Waterville
- Maine Savings Credit Union of Vassalboro
- Ray Haskell Ford of Waterville-sponsor pantry van
- Vassalboro Fire Department-Volunteers
- Ray Breton
- David & Cheryl Sherwood
- John & Elizabeth Reuthe
- 104.3 WABK-Love Fund
- Vassalboro Quaker Meeting House
- Vassalboro Riverside Congregational Church
- Vassalboro Community School
- Vassalboro United Methodist Church
- Togus of Augusta-Employees
- New Balance of Skowhegan
- Sappi of Skowhegan
- Edward & Avis Noel



Food Pantry Volunteers

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JULIE LYON | Curator

The Vassalboro Historical Society hosted the first (but not last) East Vassalboro Grammar School reunion with more than 80 former students and teachers in attendance. The May 21, 2012 event started with a potluck luncheon and stories at the Grange and then moved to a tour of the old school house, now home to the Society. We hope to invite all Vassalboro schools alumni to a future reunion.

We recently purchased a 1920's child's homemade pedal car handcrafted by William T. Bussell of Vassalboro. The car will hold a place of honor in our collection.

VHS provided tours of the museum to young and old

this year as we hosted a den of Tiger Cubs and a group from Volmer's Country Living Center. We also provided information to people as far away as Washington State. Oak Grove-Coburn alumni were visited by our curator, Julie Lyon, who had brought along a car full of Oak Grove related items.

Special thanks goes to our team of dedicated volunteers who work so hard to keep the museum maintained, displays updated, programs running, and questions answered. To the residents of Vassalboro - please join us as we bring together people interested in discovering, collecting, and preserving Vassalboro history.



A 1920's pedal car made by William T. Bussell.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

RICHARD KELLY | Chairperson

The Vassalboro Cemetery Committee has completed its third year of oversight of the cemeteries in the Town. We meet at the Town Office on the first Monday of every month at 9:30 a.m. Citizens are welcome to join us at any meeting. (As the first Monday of some months falls on a holiday the committee will then meet the second Monday. Citizens should check with the Town Office to confirm a date.)

We are continuing to develop programs and policies to support the thirty some cemeteries for which the Town has responsibility. The need to make major repairs and cleanup of these lovely burial grounds has accumulated to a point that the Committee will seek funds and donations to bring their condition up to a proper level of excellence. This has included completing the cemetery inventory of issues, needs and problems related to these cemeteries. The committee has worked with Town staff and removed three large older trees which were impinging on the East Vassalboro Methodist

Cemetery. The land owner next to the Nichols Cemetery on the Oak Grove Road has removed much of the woods next to the cemetery which now makes it apparent that several large trees need to be removed. Also in the Nichols Cemetery, two large trees have been already removed to prevent damage to headstones. The Weeks Cemetery near Rt. 201 has been significantly cleared by members of the Weeks family.

The committee is also researching for a unified system of record keeping for the existing cemeteries and future burials. We are currently reviewing existing computer programs to meet this need and will make a recommendation to the Town Manager. Volunteers will be needed to complete this task of data entry.

Committee members: Richard Kelly, Chairperson; Jim Aston; Tom Richards; and Julie Lyon

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

MARY ELLEN JOHNSTON | Chair

The Vassalboro Conservation Commission was re-established by the Board of Selectmen in 2007 as a result of the Vassalboro Strategic Planning process. The same members have been active since the start including David Jenney, Steve Jones, Mary Ellen Johnston, Holly Weidner and Paul Mitnik. The ordinance under which the Commission functions, allows for up to seven members. If any Vassalboro resident would like to serve on this Commission, please contact Chairperson Mary Ellen Johnston at mej@roadrunner.com. All meetings are open to the public, and we hold them on the second Thursday of every month except for July and December. The following is a summary of the past year.

During 2011 and 2012 we began to develop an inventory of the natural resources of Vassalboro. We have continued this effort and will be using this information in a variety of ways. The Beginning With Habitat maps which are prepared by Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife are an excellent source of information about Maine's high value plant and animal habitats, water resources, and undeveloped habitat blocks. The creation of these maps was a collaborative effort among the state agencies that share responsibility for mapping, managing and maintaining the various resources we value. They continue to update these maps so communities can get the latest information about an area of interest, particularly if it is under consideration for new development. These maps include data provided by the following:

- Maine Office of GIS
- Maine Department of Transportation (*roads*)
- Maine Geological Survey and USGS (*hydrology, aquifers*)
- Maine Department of Environmental Protection (*impervious areas and wetlands*)
- Maine Natural Areas Program (*focus areas, riparian buffers, high value plant and animal habitat*)
- Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (*undeveloped habitat blocks, rare and endangered species locations*)

We are pleased to share these maps with anyone interested in learning about the wealth of natural resources found in Vassalboro. Our purpose is to inform the community and

encourage the good stewardship of these resources. We can easily identify the significant wildlife habitat areas, water resources, agricultural lands, and forested areas that have already been mapped for us. We can also assist the town and our citizens in creating a plan to preserve and protect these special places.

The second annual Kennebec River canoe trip was held in August on a perfect late summer day. The kayaks and canoes put in at the Seven Mile Stream carry-in site and ended in Augusta. By all accounts it was a successful trip and we hope more folks will participate in the future. We will try to advertise it well, and post the date and other information on the town web site.

Other business that was addressed this year included the need to update the Town's Forest Management Plan. It is now ten years old and we are eligible to apply for a grant through the Project Canopy Program with the Maine Forest Service. This grant will be written in the fall of 2013. A Certified Forester could be hired with the grant money to assist with the writing.

The Commission has continued to develop the carry-in boat launch site at Seven Mile Stream as an access to the Kennebec River. The slope of the bank and the cost of building the trail still present challenges but we have not given up.

The Commission will continue to research opportunities for raising funds in order to have money for conservation projects and activities. Other towns have used the revenues from timber harvests on town owned lands for this purpose. The Commission will also pursue grants as we have done in the past, such as Project Canopy and the Maine Transportation Enhancement Program.

We welcome and encourage members of the community to join us in this important work. We maintain the walking trails in Vassalboro, work on protecting our lakes from invasive species and partner with other organizations to conserve our natural resources. Your ideas and suggestions, as well as your time as a volunteer, can make a big difference!



China Region Lakes Alliance

PO Box 178, South China, Maine 04358
Tel: (207) 923-3358

A Lake is the Product of its Watershed...And the People who Care for it

February 28, 2013

Ms. Mary S. Sabins
PO Box 129
N. Vassalboro, ME 04962
Re: Town Report

Dear Ms. Sabins:

This letter contains the *China Region Lakes Alliance's* Annual Report, which summarizes the conservation and water quality protection activities undertaken in 2012. The CRLA has been working hard and steadily to protect our precious Lakes and waterways in Vassalboro and neighboring communities since 1995.

One of the highlights of 2012 was an improvement in the water quality of Three Mile Pond. "It was the best in 25 years", remarked one resident! As you know, CRLA has spearheaded the restoration work – involving hand the clearing of invasive plants and debris – from The Seaward Mill Stream at the outlet of Three Mile Pond. The objective is twofold: first, to enable safe passageway for native sea-run alewife to restore their natural habitat and spawning grounds; and second, to evaluate their 'effects on the net export of internal phosphorus' from the Pond after billions of juvenile fish egress in the Fall. The substantial water quality improvement corroborates the good water quality trend seen in Webber Pond over the past decade subsequent to the re-introduction of this fishery to their waters, as well. Going forward, CRLA is developing an intermediate-term plan to sustain the fish passageway in this section of Seaward Mill Stream in a manner that yields the best outcome for the time and money invested. This project has implications for China Lake water quality via the Outlet Stream, too.

The *Courtesy Boat Inspection* program and the *Youth Conservation Corp* enjoyed another very good season with 20 area high school age students providing services for ecological protection of natural resources. A new information kiosk was designed, built, and installed at the Three Mile Pond public boating launch by the YCC with help from the CRLA Directors. Also, the refurbishing of the kiosk at the East Vassalboro boat launch was completed and the new roof was installed. Local businesses, namely *Lakeview Lumber* and *New England Car Imports*, helped support these specific projects with construction materials and services. The *Public Works Department* and the *Code Enforcement Officer* of the Town of Vassalboro provided essential support with heavy equipment and assistance with permits, respectively. CRLA completed numerous other projects too that mitigated soil erosion to protect our Lakes. The CBI staffed all 4 public boat launches in the area and inspected hundreds of boats and trailers for invasive plants (i.e. milfoil) on weekends and holidays prior to their launching.

A series of photographs of the projects in Vassalboro are appended. CRLA wished to extend its sincere appreciation to the Town of Vassalboro for its foresight, fortitude, and support.

Sincerely,

Jim Hart, CRLA President

Our Mission: To protect and improve the water quality in China Lake, Three Cornered Pond, Three Mile Pond and Webber Pond, and

VASSALBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY

DAWN THISTLE | Librarian



FY 11-12 was another engaging and exciting chapter in the history of the Vassalboro Public Library. Over 7,500 patrons visited the library, including over 150 new patrons (110 adults, 47 children) joining the library for the first time. Our collection increased by over 1300 new items (more than 1200 books and nearly 200 audio books, videos, and DVDs) and circulation of materials grew to over 13,500. Remaining ever popular, our three patron computers (PCs) logged over 1000 patron sign-ins. In fact, to better handle patrons' growing online needs (and match the strength of our high-speed internet access), we recently replaced all of our patron computers with new, faster-processing units. And, of course, we continue to offer access to color printing and free Wi-Fi, as well. We continue to provide an ever-growing selection of new literature and bestselling fiction, award-winning and educational children's materials, current and noteworthy non-fiction, local history and genealogical materials, and both new and historic notable Maine works. As ever, many favorite items come from plentiful and much appreciated donations. Though progress is slow, volunteers and interns continue to bring us closer to a usable online catalog and automated circulation. We hope to be able to offer both this year.

The library remained busy and active with various events, including visiting presentations and collaborative community offerings. L.C. Bates Museum Outreach delivered frequent fun and educational children's programs on nature and history – and we have more scheduled already! The Spirit of Christmas community day, in partnership with the East Vassalboro Grange, continues to grow in popularity and enjoyment each December. And our annual Book & Bake Sale remains the cornerstone event of our year; now, with our Silent Auction (already in its 5th year), it is the indisputable hub of activity in East Vassalboro every year on the Saturday following Labor Day – in fact, mark your calendar now for September 7, 2013!

As ever, my steadfast assistant, Russell Smith, and I give great thanks for our outstanding team of volunteers, whose service to the library is indispensable to our success. Logging over 2300 hours, they completed the day-to-day tasks, the behind the scenes necessities, and the whirlwind charges of our larger events. They checked out and shelved books, filed catalog cards, digitized records, read stories, hauled firewood, carted recycling, baked cookies, sorted donations, and enthusiastically

completed myriad other tasks – and each and every effort an invaluable contribution to our library and our community. Space does not allow an exhaustive list of all who contribute their time and energy, but the following deserve special recognition for their incalculable efforts and unflagging dedication: Eleanor Getchell, Betts Kiralis, David Jenney, Jim Ashton, Lore

& Chuck Ferguson, Irene Forster, the Limberger Family, Valerie Sugden, the Welch Family, Claudia Wilcox, Hope Audet, Graham Clark, Jenna Clifford, Joyce Colasacco, Elizabeth Davidson, Myrna & Paul Duplessie, Tim Giroux, Sue & Phil Haines, Dianne Hogendorn, Jennifer Kochaver, Helen Lafleur, Julie Lyon, Art & Linda Kingdon, Sylvia Michaud, Susan Taylor, Dick Behr, Esther Bernhardt, Susan Bouchard, Debra Crump, Victor Esposito & the REACH Kids, Maverick Hilton, Susan Kiralis, Liz McMahon, George O'Connor, Greg Seamans, David Shipman, Pam Shofner, Debby Thompson, Marcia Tyrol, Jacob Vashon, and Ann White. We thank, you one and all!

This year, however, I would like to further highlight two of the library's most valued treasures: Eleanor Getchell and Betts Kiralis. Together, their years of service to the library actually surpass the number of years the library has served the community! Their dedication and devotion are unparalleled, each contributing well over 100 hours to the library each month, year after year, and decade upon decade.

It was with great sadness, however, that we recently marked the passing of a long-treasured volunteer and inveterate patron, Barbara Nowland. Though her visits to the library had become rare over the years, her presence and company remained – and continues to be – fondly recalled by all who had the pleasure of knowing her.



As a vibrant community center that delivers access to information, ideas and entertainment for everyone, we are proud to maintain the services and value upon which the town has relied for over a century. Despite our growing 21st century edge, we continue to provide personalized service and dedication to patrons and projects every day. We are open Mondays & Wednesdays (12:30-8PM) and Saturdays (10AM-6PM) – stop by for a bestseller, discover a new author, research a favorite topic, connect online, print your resume, learn something new, volunteer, meet up with your friends and neighbors, or just say hello!

You are always welcome at the Vassalboro Public Library.

VASSALBORO RECREATION

NICOLE WASILEWSKI | Recreation Director

“The economic benefits of investing in children have been extensively documented. Investing fully in children today will ensure the well-being and productivity of future generations for decades to come...”

– Carol Bellamy

Our town has always invested money, time and energy in our children. Every child is given the opportunity to take part in our recreation programs regardless of ability or financial background. The recreation department has taken pride in providing children with exposure to sports and activities. Many of those children continue on in middle and high school with what had begun in Vassalboro Rec.

“There are many wonderful things that will never be done if you don’t do them.” – Charles D. Gill

The Vassalboro Recreation Department could not be where it is today without the work of many volunteers. Our volunteers not only give their time, but quite often their resources as well. They coach, cook, shop, clean, organize, recruit, pick up, drop off, wait with children until their parents pick them up, put up nets, take down nets, drag fields, sit in gyms, sell pizza kits, make phone calls, drive, go door to door for bottle drives, attend meetings, and most importantly-they do it all for the children of this community. Our children and community are very lucky for their dedication.

“No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor is given by what he gave.” – Calvin Coolidge

The Recreation Department received a grant this year from the US Department of Conservation. This grant allowed us the opportunity to put more drainage in our fields. We could not have done this project without all of the efforts of John Picher and our Town Public Works Department. John is a retiree of the State and is a wealth of knowledge for State Park design. John gave 3-weeks of his time and energy and many hours before of planning. John’s expertise and his desire to make the Vassalboro fields more usable are a perfect example of what can be accomplished by a volunteer in our community.



Don’t ever question the value of volunteers. Noah’s Ark was built by volunteers; the Titanic was built by professionals.

At the beginning of softball/baseball season many families volunteered their time, tractors, and manual labor prepping the fields for a successful season. With the help of Natanis Golf Course, all of the fields were re-edged. Many hours were spent raking and smoothing the fields. The batting cage nets were put up and the season got off to a great start.

At the end of the soccer season, a group of dedicated parents got together and went door to door with their kids and their friends for bottles. All of the money raised is going towards new soccer goals. After the bottle drive, the parents and kids helped get all of our fields ready for winter. They organized and cleaned the snack shack. Many hands make light work.

“The broadest and maybe the most meaningful definition of volunteering: Doing more than you have to because you want to, in a cause you consider good.”

– Ivan Scheier (from *Building Staff/Volunteer Relations*)

We are very fortunate every year that some of the youngest members of our community have already learned the lesson of giving back. This year, four young ladies from Erskine Academy assisted with coaching recreation field hockey. Abby Waceken, Madison Michaud, Kaitlyn Sutter, and Katie Gamage gave their time and knowledge every Sunday afternoon teaching players younger than themselves the skills and fundamentals of field hockey.

“You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give.” – Winston Churchill

I have been very fortunate to participate in mine and other children’s first experience in sports. It is so exciting to see the pure enjoyment on a child’s face as they learn a new activity. I encourage all parents and community members to volunteer in any and all aspects of our community including recreation. Even with the tough economic time that is facing our town and state, by volunteering we can create a better place.



“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, things aren’t going to get better, they’re NOT!” – Dr. Seuss, *The Lorax*



Mill Tower with Smokestack, 2013

VASSALBO

Heartbeat of a Thriving Town

“Ladies and Gentlemen, the gold medal – for manufacturing the finest broadcloth and cassimere in the World – goes to the Vassalboro Manufacturing Company of Vassalboro, Maine, in the United States of America!”

That enthusiastic announcement at the 1851 London World’s Fair faded away more than 160 years ago, but the echoes of the honor bestowed on our small town had a profound and lasting effect.

Incorporated in 1771, Vassalboro began as a farming settlement at Getchell’s Corner. Its earliest families raised both crops and livestock, but within a few short years the East and North Villages formed around reliable mill sites. By 1825 there were nineteen “water powers” in town, and Vassalborough, as it was first called, was an emerging center of farming, manufacturing, and shipping, with a population three times greater than Waterville’s at the time.

By 1836 on Outlet Stream at North Vassalboro, three brothers-in-law (John Damon, Alton Pope, and Peter Stackpole) established a mill on the site of an old tannery owned by the Southwick Brothers. Joined later by a fourth partner with capital (John Lang), they erected a brick mill and incorporated as the Vassalboro Manufacturing Company [VMC]. With Lang’s son Thomas as the mill agent, the company began producing world-class fabrics. When, in 1861, the corporation constructed a new mill, 47 by 200 feet, VMC became the largest woolen mill in New England. The original structure burned in 1863, but the other buildings remain.

Details about the physical plant and the chronology of the mill are perhaps less important than trying to understand the growth of Vassalboro as a mill town. Mainly owned by shareholders from Boston, VMC at first hired local people with their splendid Yankee work ethic. But during the thirty years of greatest prosperity (1850-1880), the central Maine work force was not large enough; and the company advertised for mill workers in newspapers abroad. Compelled by hard times and famine at home, a stream of immigrants flowed into town from Ireland, England, and Canada. The 1880 Census lists O’Rileys and McQuillans and Monahans and



Vassalboro Woolen Mill, Postcard
(Courtesy of Vassalboro Historical Society)

RO WOOLEN MILL

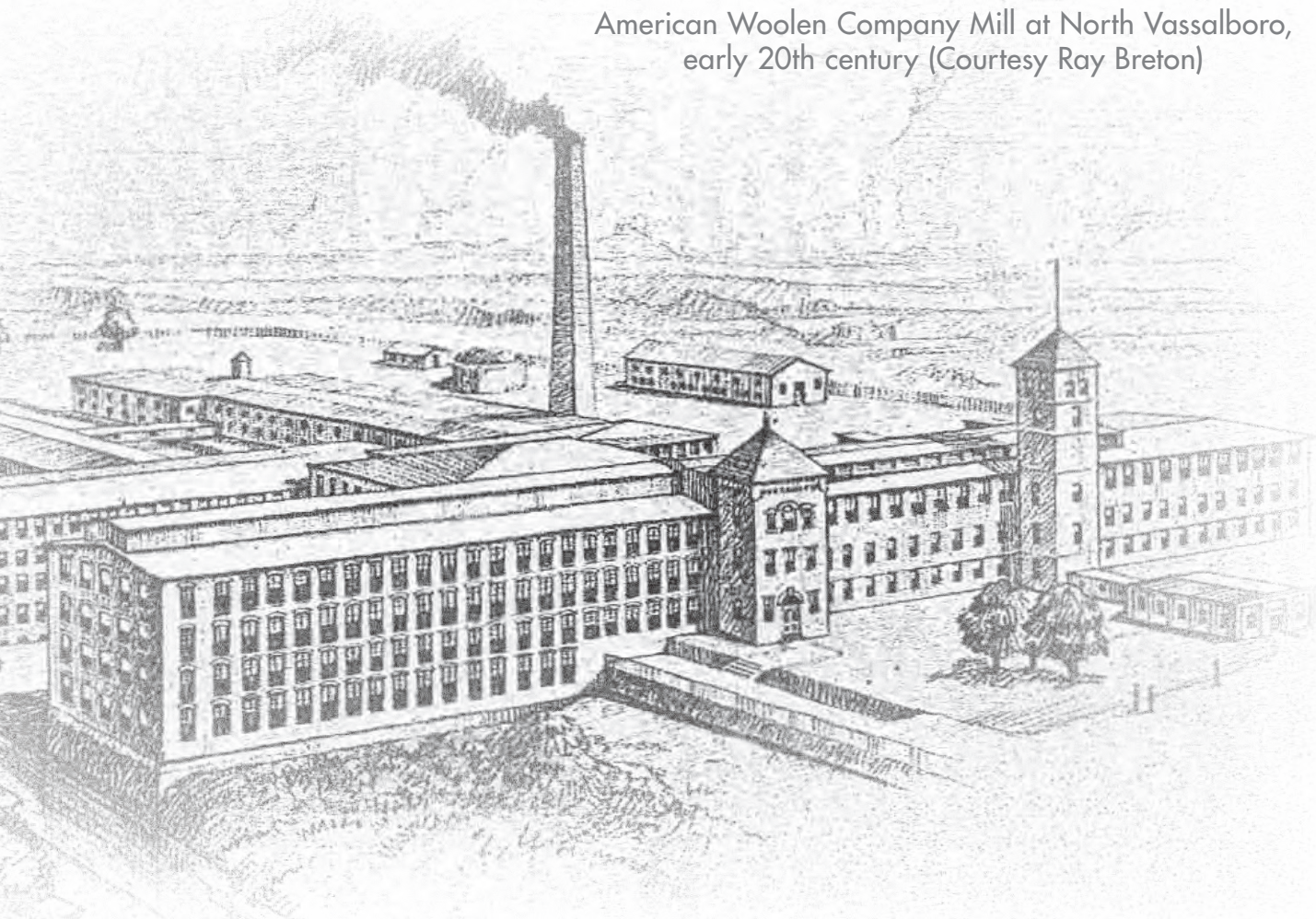
O'Keefes and Daugiers and many others, as the immigrants brought their skills, traditions, and optimism to town. And Vassalboro became richer for it, in so many ways.

Mill housing built for those families still lines the streets of North Vassalboro, in the form of duplex apartments and other multi-family dwellings. The crown jewel of homes, of course, was the mill agent's residence, a 37-room dwelling with outbuildings sprawling over the heart of town. In good weather the agent's family could sit on their front porch looking across the spacious landscaped lawn, watching the comings and goings of their neighbors—a fascinating contrast to the simple homes and tiny yards of those same workers. Once an inn for stagecoach passengers, the main structure was renovated to its elegant Greek revival style in the 1850s, and was entered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1983.

When a mill thrives, its town prospers as well. In the early 1880s a contemporary account of North Vassalboro businesses lists four grocery stores, two dry-goods stores, a blacksmith shop, a barber shop, a hotel, three churches (Baptist, Catholic, and Methodist), a post office, a large grammar school, a printing office, three halls (Masonic, Citizens, and G.A.R.), an apothecary, a milliner's shop, two livery stables, and four physicians.

During the same period, two passenger and freight railroads served the town: the Maine Central RR and the Lewiston, Augusta & Waterville Electric Street Trolley. Plans for the future narrow gauge tracks through town (the Wiscasset & Quebec Railway) were also taking shape. The railroads served

American Woolen Company Mill at North Vassalboro, early 20th century (Courtesy Ray Breton)





Detail from 1856 Wall Map of Kennebec County Woolen Mills of North Vassalboro
(Courtesy of Vassalboro Historical Society)

the shipping needs of the mill, but the locals made full use of them for shopping trips to Waterville and places much farther afield. Things were humming here in town!

In 1888 the mill shut down briefly. At the time the closure may have felt like a mere hiccup in manufacturing, since Samuel Williams, a Bostonian with roots in Vassalboro, purchased and reopened it just two years later. But Williams sold the mill in 1899 to the American Woolen Company and it became one of many AWC holdings throughout the Northeast. On October 19, 1935, AWC held a public auction to liquidate cottages, apartment buildings, and boarding homes—“all the holdings of the company not required for manufacturing purposes.” Mill housing went to the highest bidder, and dozens of townspeople became homeowners for the first time in their lives. The World Wars provided steady work, making woolen uniforms and blankets for American troops. Automotive manufacturers became good customers, needing high quality upholstery fabric for their vehicles.

In the mid-fifties the mill in North Vassalboro employed some 600 workers in the various rooms of the huge mill. The sound of the whistle rang out over the Village and the countryside, calling people to work—in the weaving room, the dye room, the carding room, the spinning room, the picking room, the shipping dock, the finishing rooms... On payday, men and women lined up on the sidewalk outside the window of the small square administration building on Bridge Street to receive their wages... *in cash*. The sight of the towering smokestack and the thrumming of the massive machines felt like security to the townspeople.

But business was not secure.

Ameritron, an affiliate of AWC and a branch of Textron, became administrators of the mill, setting up their central offices in Vassalboro. The development of synthetic fabric—waterproof, elastic,

impervious to insect damage, long-lasting, wrinkle-free, and inexpensive—was changing the face of cloth manufacturing. The demand for the more costly wool was diminishing, especially in the automotive industry, AWC’s biggest customers. In 1955 a series of layoffs reduced the number of mill workers to about 400 over a two-month period. Whispers of concern flew around town. Then in September of that year the newspaper headlines screamed it: “N. Vassalboro Mill To Close About Oct. 15.”

And so it ended.

The auction of machinery and equipment took place at the mill the next July; and while stunned townsfolk watched, trucks carried off the extractors, dye kettles, steamers, and compressors—all of it. The mill stood empty, and the workers gave up all hope of its revival.

Through the half century since then, various companies have rented parts of the buildings — Ladd Paper, Kennebec Bean, Marden’s, York Spiral Stairs, Mid-state Machine, and others. The Vassalboro Historical Society museum was housed in the administration building for a number of years. Most of the former mill workers have passed away, but some recorded their memories and stories about those good years working at the woolen mill.

In 1995 Ray Breton, an enterprising Vassalboro son, purchased the Mill Agent’s residence. Fifteen years later he bought the mill property at an IRS auction. In a modest way he is returning the mill to some usefulness. Breton renovated the administration building for offices, he welcomed a paintball arena on the lower level, he rents out warehouse space to companies and individuals, and—with materials he has collected since boyhood—he hopes someday to establish a museum celebrating the history of the mill.

At the Historical Museum in East Vassalboro, visitors can see samples of fine woolen mill cloth. They can even view the medal awarded to VMC at the London World’s Fair so long ago. And even though the shuttles have been quiet for more than half a century, the legacy of the mill lives on—in the homes and churches on Main Street, in the names and faces of our families, and in our identity and sense of community.

--by Vicki Reynolds Schad © 2013



Mill Agent’s Residence, corner of Main Street and Priest Hill Road
(Courtesy of Vassalboro Historical Society)

Information for this article comes from materials furnished by Julie Lyon of the Vassalboro Historical Society, Jim Schad, Russell Smith, Esther Bernhardt, and Ray Breton.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

EUGENE FIELD | Road Commissioner

As Road Commissioner for the Town of Vassalboro it is a pleasure working with the Town Manager, staff, and citizens of Vassalboro.

In the summer of 2012, Ferraiolo Corporation was awarded the paving bid for a cost of \$76.77 a ton for both shim mix and surface mix. The roads were shimmed with approximately 5/8 inch of mix. The following roads were done:

Riva Ridge, Dollis Avenue, and Danielle Avenue were done for \$57,317.25

Stone Road and the intersection of Mudget Hill Road were done for \$118,690.25

Quaker Lane was done for \$51,683.87

To accomplish this much paving, the Town carried forward a balance of \$32,404.00 from the previous year. By doing so, the Town also did the intersection of the Town Farm Road and the Dow Road. Where these areas were gravel, we used the 19.0 mm mix for the base of two inches, then back to the 9.5 mm for the surface mix. These road intersections were done after Ferraiolo had moved out and the mix was changed, so the price was 82.00 per ton of mix:

Town Farm Road was done for \$16,838.70

Dow Road was done for \$5,872.84

The plan for the summer of 2013 is to do the following, if the budget allows for this amount of work to be completed, if not we will do as much as possible:

- 1) Gray Road – all of it, approximately 1.5 miles
- 2) Legion Park Road - all of it, approximately 1.0 miles

Normally the Town has been trying to pave approximately four miles of roads per year to keep them in good condition. This allows most Town roads to be repaved about every ten years or so. As you can see, we have been falling behind due to budget constraints.

As Road Commissioner, I think the Town should be planning on doing some of the gravel roads that are left to be paved in the near future.



Some of the additional work completed by the public works crew included our annual program of cutting and chipping brush to improve the visibility of signs at intersections and overall visibility. Some of the major brush cutting was done on the Stone Road, Nelson Road, Burleigh Road, Hunt Road and the Mudget Hill Road. Other work completed was preparation

work for paving on the following roads: Riva Ridge, Danielle Avenue, Dollis Avenue, Quaker Lane and the Stone Road, which consisted of cutting the high shoulders down and ditching. We also did the ground work at the Transfer Station in preparation of it being paved around the new Recycling Building and yard. The public works crew along with the prisoners raked up all of the cemeteries in town.

We worked with John Picher doing drainage work at the Town's ball fields for the Recreation Department. We installed approximately six hundred feet of twelve inch drain pipe and three catch basins. That part of the job went so well and the weather was good we continued on installing the under drains they wanted in. We put in three six-inch under drains for a total of approximately six hundred feet which were all tied into the twelve-inch pipe and also when we came across the existing drains they were all tied together so everything drains to the west side of the parking lot.

The prisoners helped out with other projects like cleaning and painting equipment at the Public Works, Transfer Station, and Fire Stations. In the year 2012 we had the use of their services for thirty days. The use of prisoners has saved the town thousands of dollars.

At this time I would like to thank my crew of James Wentworth, Shawn Bragg and Shane Cole for their dedicated work. We had a transition in help this year with Shawn hiring on in April of 2012 and Shane hired on in September of 2012. I would like to say a special thanks to long time worker and retiree Lee Socquet for filling in while we were shorthanded. He was a very big help to this Department. If

you have questions about any road project, please don't hesitate to contact the Public Works Garage at 923-3985 or E-Mail at vasspublicworks@fairpoint.net.



SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING

GEORGE HAMAR | Transfer Station Manager



I appreciate this opportunity to let everyone know what we have been doing around the Transfer Station and Recycling Facility this past year. This past summer, our public works crew worked hard and diligently to get the ground work ready for some long awaited asphalt paving at the Transfer Station. This was done by Ferraiolo Construction. The paving covers most of the existing asphalt that was paved close to 20 years ago. The new paving also extends down around our recycling building and recycling area. This area was always muddy in the spring for all traffic. We are glad to see people don't have to drive or walk through the mud anymore to recycle.

While our volumes of trash and bulky wastes have dropped (a savings!), our recycling rate on some materials has increased from making improvements to the recycling area, as well as continuing to educate everyone on what we recycle. We would like to thank everyone for their dedication to Vassalboro's recycling program and strongly encourage all to recycle for our environment and your tax dollars. For 2012 we recycled a total of 339 tons of the following materials:

- 101,350 lbs. of glass bottles, jars porcelain toilets and sinks, tile etc. went into the inert fill area
- 124,134 lbs. Corrugated cardboard
- 154,000 lbs. magazines, newspapers and mixed paper
- 30,625 lbs. eWaste such as TVs, computers, printers, fluorescent bulbs and other Misc. electronics
- 154,360 lbs. of light iron tin cans and other metals
- 63,810 lbs. of plastics such as # 1-7 and rigid plastics
- 25,000 lbs. of leaf and garden waste which was composted on site
- 18,140 lbs. of tires
- And 8480 lbs. of other miscellaneous materials

This saved Vassalboro taxpayers a total of \$26,000

This year we anticipate plans for improving the retaining walls and ground work outback near the open top Container's labeled #1, 2, and 3. The current walls which were built from railroad ties and cement blocks have been there for quite some time are falling apart and losing their structural integrity, and will make it unsafe for all. The new wall will be constructed of interlocking blocks and cement pads in front of the containers creating an apron for vehicles unloading. This will make it easier to clean up nails and other debris which fall onto the ground creating obstructions that pierce tires. This will also allow safer walking conditions for employees and the general public, without the mud and ruts that

the backhoe and other traffic create.

Also this year we will be implementing a new transfer station vehicle sticker program. The vehicle sticker issued in previous years will no longer be valid to utilize the transfer station. The new program will consist of a permit in sticker form to be placed uniformly noticeable upon

the windshield of current validated Vassalboro residents, renters seasonal/camp, and business or landowners vehicles only and updated periodically. There have been numerous cases of people abusing our out-of-town trash policy. This will not be tolerated. Our transfer station is for trash generated only within the legal boundaries of Vassalboro. We will strictly enforce this and fines will be issued. Local contractors doing jobs out-of-town must inquire within that town where to dispose of trash generated from a job site. Vassalboro landlords that own property or rental units outside of Vassalboro must not haul in out-of-town trash. Please everyone, let's save our tax dollars and not abuse this policy.

I would like to thank the Vassalboro public works and the town office staff for their hard work and services they provide for the transfer station, also our station attendant Thomas O'Rourke for his hard work and dedicated service to the transfer station and for his great public relations.

We look forward continuing to serve the residents of Vassalboro and making it safe, clean, more efficient, and user friendly for everyone. We welcome all to join us at keeping the transfer station a clean, fun, place to recycle and dispose of their non-recyclable household wastes. We appreciate all comments and ideas. You can pick up our current transfer station and recycling brochure either at the town office or the transfer station. Please don't hesitate to see Tom or myself if you have any questions.

We encourage and will continue to educate everyone on what we recycle! We thank you for all your recycling efforts



Photo Courtesy of George Hamar

POLICE REPORT

RICHARD PHIPPEN | Police Chief



After having reviewed the annual police reports for the last ten years, I noted that the same points of interest are reported frequently. They are the following: lock your doors, lock your cars, do not leave keys in your vehicles, do not let strangers in your homes, do not leave property lying around your yard, be observant, record suspicious vehicle registration numbers, identify your residence with your street number, be careful while removing snow from your driveway, drive carefully, especially during inclement weather, do not speed, especially during inclement weather, secure your trash being transported to the transfer station, and call the police should the need arise.

Obviously our roads are used more and more over time for other than motor vehicular traffic. I have asked motorists to drive carefully and be aware of: runners, walkers, bicyclist, skate boarders, roller bladders, and any other activity that attracts people to the roads.

I now would like to remind these users of their responsibilities as well. Pedestrians should always walk facing traffic, bicyclists always should ride with traffic and others must be aware that the roads are primarily for vehicular traffic.

Often drivers mistakenly take for granted that the bicyclist, pedestrian, and others see the vehicle and take precautions to prevent being hit. Bicyclist and pedestrians should take

all precautions available to prevent being struck by a vehicle. Some of those precautions include: wearing a helmet, wearing bright florescent colors, displaying bright LCD type lights, have a mirror and as many other bright shining florescent items as possible.

Drivers, pedestrians, and others should never take for granted that the other is aware that they are present and sharing the road. If one mistakenly assumes the other's action, the result could be deadly.

Remember accidents are preventable and it takes a series of events coming together to cause those accidents.

I'm happy to report that reports of, accidents, burglaries, and thefts seem to have slowed this past year; and that I have been receiving many phone calls about suspicious vehicles and persons. I feel very strongly that it is important to check those reports out. If anyone has information about criminal activity, or concerns that someone is experiencing mental health issues etc., don't hesitate to call me; your identity can be kept confidential.

Remember: call 911 for emergencies, and call me anytime for other suspicious circumstances. If you feel uncomfortable calling 911 for non-emergency police issues, call the regional communication center at 1-800-452-4664, or 624-7076.



SHERIFF'S REPORT

RANDALL A. LIBERTY | Sheriff, Kennebec County



The Kennebec County Sheriff's Office continues to proudly serve the citizens of Kennebec County. The Sheriff's Office has a long history of service, dating back to 1799. Our agency serves many functions in the communities of Kennebec County. In addition to rural patrol, the Law Enforcement Division provides many regional assets to our communities including Drug Investigations, K-9, Dive Team, Accident Reconstruction and the Special Response Team.

In 2012, Deputy Sheriffs responded to a total of 29,029 calls for service. We answered (458) calls for service involving theft; (830) motor vehicle accidents with (10) reconstructions; (436) alarms; (269) domestic violence; (224) 911 hang-ups; (120) assaults; (144) K-9 calls and (731) assisting other agencies. We also managed (83) registered sex offenders within the County and registered (172) at the agency.

During the past year, our Correctional Facility managed 3,226 inmates. The offenses committed by defendants included everything from Burglaries to Homicides. Substance abuse and the proper treatment of citizens with mental illness continue to be two primary concerns at the Correctional Facility. Despite significant fiscal challenges, the CARA program continues to operate, serving as a state-wide substance abuse treatment program.

Inmates at the Kennebec County Correctional Facility are required to work. Inmates that are considered to be a risk to the community work inside the facility cleaning and cooking, while others are supervised on outside projects. For every two days worked, one day is reduced from their sentence, resulting in a \$683,000 bed day savings to the citizens of Kennebec County. Throughout 2012, inmates worked 25,439 community service hours, valued at approximately \$190,793. Our inmates raised 45,738 pounds of produce for the inmate kitchen and area food pantries in 2012.

We are committed to providing innovative programs to reduce crimes, assist victims and to provide enhanced public safety. I acknowledge the ever-growing opiate addiction problem and have committed to partnerships at the Federal, State and Local levels to combat this problem. Our approach is aggressive enforcement, education and treatment for those afflicted.

I will provide the 122,150 citizens of Kennebec County with progressive and professional Law Enforcement and Correctional Services. I welcome any comments or suggestions which improve our service to the citizens of Kennebec County.

ANIMAL CONTROL

CHRIS MARTINEZ | Animal Control Officer | 207.446.0438

I'd first like to introduce myself. My name is Chris Martinez. I've been an Animal Control Officer for ten years. I started my career in Pasadena, California where I worked as an Animal Control Officer for the Pasadena Humane Society. In 2009, my wife and I moved to Maine where I continued my Animal Control career.

When I was hired for Vassalboro in June of 2012, I had a total of 7 other towns as part of my jurisdiction. Today I now cover 9 towns within Kennebec County. Other than Vassalboro, I now serve the towns of Chelsea, Hallowell, Pittston, Randolph, Sidney, Manchester, Mount Vernon and Waterville. I am also a part-time Police Officer for the Town of Hallowell. If you have an issue that requires a response, please keep in mind that I may be in another town handling calls. I will attempt to respond to each call in a reasonable manner. If you feel your call needs an emergency response, dial 911.

If you have any questions regarding animal issues, animal law, or need advice with animal wildlife, please don't hesitate to call me at 446-0438. If any animal, domestic or wild, is

exhibiting signs of rabies, contact me immediately as this is an animal control related issue that needs to be handled right away.

If your dog's license is expired, I will be attempting to notify each dog owner, either by phone, letter or a visit. Remember, it is a Maine state law that all dogs must be licensed, Title 7 section 3921.

Maine state law also requires that both dog and cats are to be vaccinated against rabies, Title 7 section 3916. It not only benefits your pet, but you as well. By doing this, you are in part helping to keep the spread of Rabies and other infections down. Rabies is an issue here in Maine, so lets work together to fight this.

2012 Animal Control Responses (June to December 2012)

0-Dog Bites	6-Wild Animal Calls
4-Farm Animal Calls (Cows)	0-Summonses
13-Stray Dog Calls	4-Stray Cat Calls

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ERIC L. HALEY | Superintendent of AOS #92

Vassalboro Community School has enjoyed another year of tremendous support from the community, parents and students. The successful completion of our mission statement and work with children would not be possible without the thousands of volunteer hours offered by the very talented and thoughtful people of this community. Thank you again for another year of working together for the benefit of our children.

I am pleased to note the school department was able to more fully insulate the roof of our school this year with an immediate payback on savings from our fuel oil account. As a matter of fact we are so confident with next year's savings we have reduced our purchase of fuel oil by 2,000 gallons!

If you have been to the school lately, you may have noticed that we have installed a "buzz-in" system on the front doors monitored by our front office secretaries. Although this does make it a bit more inconvenient to enter the school during school hours, the safety of the children is always of concern and, although sad that schools have had to come to this, we feel it does make it safer.

I am pleased to note that the School Board, with the help of our teachers, town/school administrators, Selectmen and Budget Committee has been able to bring, for your consideration, a budget that includes only a very small increase! You

can well imagine the hard work and long hours put in by everyone in working through the complexities of this budget. My sincere thanks to all of you for the advice and assistance you have given me and my staff during this process.

Lastly, I am very proud to inform you that the Vassalboro Community School was selected to participate in the State of Maine study of high performing/ high proficiency schools as measured by: 1) three-year average composite scores on assessments that are at least 1/3 standard deviation above the State average, and above the predicted scores based on student demographics and prior performance; 2) two-year average percent Meeting Proficiency and percent Partially Meeting Proficiency above the State average and; 3) in the case of high schools, a graduate rate above the State average. Efficient Schools are defined as demonstrating a "return on spending quotient" (defined as the school percentage of students at or above the "Meets" proficiency level divided by the school per-pupil operating expenditure) above the State average and above what would be predicted based on pupil characteristics. This certainly speaks well for the work going on within the walls of the VCS on a daily basis.

Assistant Superintendent, Peter Thiboutot, has highlighted some of the VCS curriculum/assessment work below. As you can see, it has been another busy year providing a quality education for our students.



The Vassalboro Community School has had another outstanding year under the leadership of Principal Dianna Gram and Assistant Principal Aaron McCullough.

Curriculum continues to be a focus for staff, with special attention to math. Teachers K-8 completed the alignment of VCS math curriculum with the Common Core Standards for mathematics. The curriculum was reviewed by the math curriculum committee, under the leadership of Cathy Ladd-Cyrway, and was approved by the Vassalboro School Board. This curriculum is now available online to parents and community members and can be accessed under the Academics tab of the VCS website. Vassalboro Community School is the first of the AOS 92 schools to post curriculum through the Atlas curriculum mapping software. Review of English language arts curriculum has begun and will continue through next year, and teachers are reviewing the newly released science standards as a first step in that subject area. Early release days and in-service days are being put to good use as teachers work to ensure that all students have access to common standards and expectations.

Teachers participated in a wide variety of professional development activities. Four staff members attended the

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference in Hartford, Connecticut. All upper grade math teachers participated in a regional initiative exploring formative assessment through technology. Maine Department of Education consultant George Tucker presented to staff on the topic of formative assessment. Several book study groups, organized and led by staff members, explored a variety of topics.

Another highlight of the year is the after-school programming. Spearheaded by Erin Brosseau, VCS guidance counselor, the after school program included more than half of all students and teachers. Students were able to choose from a wide variety of options, including intramurals, games, crafts and other activities. This program was a huge success, made possible through federal grant funds.

As you can see, VCS continues to attend to the academic and social needs of its students, while emphasizing the value of community. Thanks to all staff for another great year.

Peter Thiboutot

Assistant Superintendent of Schools for AOS #92 – Vassalboro, Waterville and Winslow

ERSKINE ACADEMY

MICHAEL McQUARRIE | Headmaster



Michael J. McQuarrie Headmaster
Jamie L. Soule Associate Headmaster
John W. Clark, Jr. Assistant Headmaster
Susan M. LaGasse Guidance Director
Doran L. Stout Activities Administrator
Melissa G. Romac Alumni / Development
Cheryl A. York Business Manager

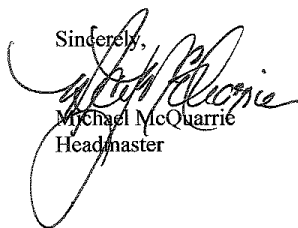
January 2013

To The Residents of Vassalboro, Maine:

Since its founding in 1883, Erskine Academy has been a private school with a public purpose. Ours is a true community school serving a completely voluntary enrollment of approximately 600 students in grades nine through twelve, who come to us primarily from eight communities with choice regarding high schools. This year, our enrollment has grown and is enriched by the inclusion of ten international students who live with local families while preparing for successful college study in the United States. An International Student program along with an open admissions policy for local students fosters even more diversity within a student body that represents a wide range of socio-economic backgrounds, experiences, abilities, needs and aspirations.

Erskine Academy students continue to benefit from the best traditions of small town schools: individualized attention, respect for diversity, a strong cooperative spirit, and numerous opportunities for leadership and service. The wide range of activities pursued by our students and staff is testimony to the vibrancy of the school community. Courses taught here for college credit by our first-class teaching corps, academic assistance and special education services, offerings in the fine and performing arts, athletics, and service programs are all integral to the Erskine Academy experience. Above all, the Academy embraces the best practices of good teaching and learning. Our teachers and administrators are totally committed to becoming ever more effective by continually developing their methods and resources to meet the needs and interests of our students and our changing times.

School choice has been the foundation to our educational excellence; quality service and high levels of student achievement keep our enrollment robust and our school operational. Though private, we were founded to serve the public good, a mission and heritage about which we are proud and mindful. As it has become our heritage, we enthusiastically welcome and educate many of Vassalboro's high schoolers, an important group within our student body who comes to us well prepared for high school study and ready to engage in positive school citizenship and service to others. We greatly appreciate the Vassalboro families who have entrusted us to care for and educate their young people these many years. Despite an economic climate that continues to challenge all of us, a great education that is fit for the times but steeped in traditional values can always be had here at Erskine Academy. Accordingly, we pledge all of our resources—town paid tuition, private and international students' tuition and fees, and gifts from our alumni and friends—to provide high quality educational experiences and the conditions to inspire our students to their highest potential in school, at work, and within their communities.

Sincerely,

Michael McQuarrie
Headmaster

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MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURES

JULY 1, 2011 - JUNE 30, 2012

ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation:	\$351,065
Expenditures:	
Personnel service	\$241,695.00
Insurance	7,155.26
Utilities	8,869.87
Building Maintenance	21,121.59
Printing/Advertising	4,689.71
Audit/Legal/Dues	35,185.80
Office Supplies/Equipment	5,777.23
Technology/Postage/Other	26,376.53
Registry of Deeds	5,034.69
Carry forward Dam repair donations	+ 123.00
Carry forward – energy grant revenue	+ 1,123.00
Carry forward for voting machine	+ <u>6,000.00</u>
Balance	2,405.32

PUBLIC WORKS

Appropriation:	\$381,500
Expenditures:	
Personnel Services	\$174,787.62
Insurance	13,370.84
Sand/Salt/other contracts	59,780.37
Vehicle Expenses/Equip.	76,055.21
Garage Utilities/Supplies	26,325.22
Bridges/Culverts/signs	<u>2,420.03</u>
Balance	28,760.71

SOLID WASTE

Appropriation:	\$285,210
Expenditures:	
Personnel Services	\$ 76,428.43
Insurance	3,184.25
Bldg Maint, Water Monit, Engineering	3,425.36
Utilities/Supplies	4,126.29
Disposal/Hauling/Recycling	168,883.60
Recycle Bldg. construction	46,120.56
Carry Forward – Recycle bldg funds	+ <u>53,069.00</u>
Balance	36,110.51

ROAD PAVING/GRAVEL ROADS

Appropriation:	\$276,050
Expenditures:	
Paving	\$260,500.00
Striping	11,721.60
Gravel Roads/Maintenance	<u>4,269.07</u>
Balance	-440.67

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Appropriation:	\$149,500
Expenditures:	
Plow Truck	\$ 167,521.02
Sidewalk Engineering study	<u>4,500.00</u>
Balance (awaiting proceeds from old truck sale)	\$ -22,521.02

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation:	\$100,442
Expenditures:	
Utilities	\$12,068.15
Insurances	7,257.17
Repairs	8,590.18
Training/Equipment/Supplies	38,171.17
Radios	2,999.72
Bldg Maintenance	5,352.36
Firefighter stipend	7,540.00
Chief Stipend	3,000.00
Dispatching	24,522.00
Carry forward from 2010-11	+ <u>7,205.00</u>
Balance (awaiting \$2,000 safety grant reimb)	- 1,853.75

PUBLIC SAFETY

Appropriation:	\$ 37,750
Expenditures:	
Employee Costs	\$20,830.60
Insurances	2,035.06
Supplies/Vehicle Maintenance	4,258.65
Humane Society	<u>6,784.13</u>
Balance	3,841.56

RECREATION/SUMMER YOUTH

Appropriation:	\$ 15,000
Expenditures:	\$ <u>15,000.00</u>
Balance	.00

MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURES

JULY 1, 2011 - JUNE 30, 2012

RECREATION/ROUTE #3 REST AREA

Appropriation:	\$ 1,000
Expenditures:	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
Balance	.00

LIBRARY

Appropriation:	\$ 31,929
Expenditures:	<u>\$ 31,929.00</u>
Balance	.00

UTILITIES

Appropriation:	\$ 35,045
Expenditures:	
Street Lights	\$ 15,761.94
Hydrant Rental	<u>17,582.83</u>
Balance	1,700.23

CEMETERIES

Appropriation:	\$ 15,500
Expenditures:	
Care of Cemeteries	<u>\$ 14,686.64</u>
Balance	813.36

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation:	\$ 3,500
Expenditures:	
Shelter	<u>\$ 342.96</u>
Balance	3,157.04

ASSESSMENT

Appropriation:	\$ 33,275
Expenditures:	
Contract Assessor Costs:	\$ 25,200.00
Maps/Dues/Supplies	4,090.28
Winsketching	<u>2,075.00</u>
Balance	1,909.72

SOCIAL SERVICES

Appropriation:	\$ 10,600
Expenditures:	
Hospice	\$ 1,600.00
Food Pantry	1,500.00
Family Violence	2,250.00
KV Mental Health	3,500.00
Senior Spectrum	1,000.00
Sexual Assault & Crisis Center	<u>750.00</u>
Balance	.00

MISCELLANEOUS REQUEST

Appropriation:	\$ 15,000
Expenditures:	
Historical Society	\$ 3,000.00
Snowmobile Club	1,500.00
C.R.L.A.	10,000.00
Healthy Heart	<u>500.00</u>
Balance	.00

COUNTY TAX

Appropriation:	\$290,000
Expenditures:	<u>\$282,577.82</u>
Balance	7,422.18

EDUCATION (local funds only)

Appropriation:	\$ 2,345,060
Expenditures:	<u>\$2,345,059.72</u>
Balance	.28

VASSALBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT

ERIC ROWE | Fire Chief

Our Fire Prevention Week continues at the Vassalboro Community School every October. Firefighters Benji Rowe, Bennie Rowe, Mike Vashon, John Moshier, Kevin Luczko, Jerry Mitton and Dan Mayotte spent time this year with over 120 school children at the VCS. Thank you to the Winslow Fire Department for letting us use their smoke trailer. The 3rd and 4th graders went through the smoke trailer and were asked to identify all the potential fire hazards they could identify. We are thankful to have the opportunity to teach the kids about fire safety and fire hazards. Remember to teach your children at a young age how to call 911 for an emergency.

Again this year, we had a very good turnout at our annual hunter's breakfast of which all the proceeds are used exclusively for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets, and toys distributed through the Vassalboro Food Station. Please join us this year to support the Vassalboro Food Station and enjoy a homemade breakfast with your family. Thank you for your support so we in turn can support the Vassalboro Food Station.

Some of the types of calls the Vassalboro Fire Department responded to are noted below:

- 8 Structure Fires
- 2 Wires Down
- 4 Smoke Investigations
- 13 10-55 (Vehicle accidents)
- 4 Down Tree/Power Line Calls
- 3 Vehicle Fires
- 2 Vehicle Extrications
- 8 Medical Assistance
- 6 Grass/Woods Fire
- 8 Mutual Aid Calls
- 2 Carbon Monoxide
- 5 Service Call
- 4 Chimney Fires
- 2 Brush Fires
- 8 Fire Alarms

Unfortunately, there is still a need to remind existing residents and new residents who have either moved or built within Vassalboro to have their E-911 numbers on their mailboxes and on their homes. We have responded to several calls where the physical address is not properly marked. Without proper identification, this causes delays in locating the right residence for the Fire Department, Delta Ambulance, Law Enforcement Agencies, and any other emergency need. We ask that residents clearly mark their homes and both sides of their mailbox, since emergency vehicles could be responding from both ends of town. It is recommended that numbers be at least four inches high and a contrasting color, preferably reflective numbers, which makes it much easier to see in the evening hours.

The Vassalboro Fire Department is in our second year of a three year program to upgrade the SCBA's and firefighting gear for the firefighters. With the support from town's people of the Fire Department's budget, and the recipient of several grants from the Maine Municipal Association, Sukeforth Foundation and the Wal-Mart Foundation, we are close to completing this program. As a result of these grants, we have decreased our financial needs in the upcoming fire department's budget request for this program.

This year, Lieutenant Mike Vashon was selected as Vassalboro's Firefighter of the Year. He along with other firefighters from other local fire departments were recognized at a banquet held last fall in Waterville. It goes without saying, that I would like to thank all the members of the Vassalboro Fire Department for the countless hours they have spent making Vassalboro a safer place to live. Many hours are spent not only fighting fires, but firefighter training, servicing trucks, and keeping up with state regulations. I would also like to thank the firefighter's wives for their support for the times that their spouses are away from home and family. In addition, I would also like to thank the town officials and the Vassalboro residents for their continued support of the fire department. We are fortunate and thankful to enjoy such a supportive community.



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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Selectmen
Town of Vassalboro
Vassalboro, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Vassalboro, Maine, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Town of Vassalboro, Maine's management. 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 includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our 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 and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund of the Town of Vassalboro, Maine, as of June 30, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 2 through 5 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 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.

South Portland, Maine
November 20, 2012

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Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds

June 30, 2012

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,176,721	\$ 19,839	\$ 1,196,560
Investments	546,654	109,138	655,792
Receivables:			
Taxes	227,608		227,608
Liens	75,909		75,909
Accounts and loans	2,338	24,178	26,516
Other governments	10,789	153,702	164,491
Prepaid expenses	29,820		29,820
Inventory - food service		6,508	6,508
Interfund loan receivable		143,536	143,536
Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,069,839</u>	<u>\$ 456,901</u>	<u>\$ 2,526,740</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 23,719	\$ 3,029	\$ 26,748
Accrued wages	285,962		285,962
Accrued vacation	21,377		21,377
Accrued compensated absences	4,981		4,981
Deferred property taxes	180,000		180,000
Interfund loan payable	143,536		143,536
Total Liabilities	<u>659,575</u>	<u>3,029</u>	<u>662,604</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Non-spendable	29,820	89,111	118,931
Restricted - school	24,435	306,392	330,827
Restricted - town		58,369	58,369
Committed	5,000		5,000
Assigned	72,598		72,598
Unassigned	1,278,411		1,278,411
Total Fund Balances	<u>1,410,264</u>	<u>453,872</u>	<u>1,864,136</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 2,069,839</u>	<u>\$ 456,901</u>	<u>\$ 2,526,740</u>

The complete audit report is available for inspection at the town office.

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

June 30, 2012

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 3,970,323		\$ 3,970,323
Intergovernmental	4,341,164	\$ 676,715	5,017,879
Licenses and permits	31,775		31,775
Charges for services	98,314	68,992	167,306
Interest	15,380	2,158	17,538
Miscellaneous	28,397	1,200	29,597
Maine State Retirement - on-behalf payments	349,000		349,000
Total Revenues	<u>8,834,353</u>	<u>749,065</u>	<u>9,583,418</u>
Expenditures			
General government	375,550	4,926	380,476
Public safety	177,735		177,735
Public works	596,644		596,644
Health and sanitation	305,796		305,796
Education	6,355,707	557,411	6,913,118
Social services	10,943		10,943
Special assessments	282,578		282,578
Leisure services	51,502		51,502
Unclassified	219,396	2,500	221,896
Food services		192,665	192,665
Debt service		43,029	43,029
Energy efficiency grant		27,169	27,169
Maine State Retirement - on-behalf payments	349,000		349,000
Total Expenditures	<u>8,724,851</u>	<u>827,700</u>	<u>9,552,551</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	109,502	(78,635)	30,867
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>1,300,762</u>	<u>532,507</u>	<u>1,833,269</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,410,264</u>	<u>\$ 453,872</u>	<u>\$ 1,864,136</u>

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) and Actual - General Fund

June 30, 2012

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Unexpended Fund Balance - July 1, 2011	<u>\$ 344,997</u>	<u>\$ 344,997</u>	<u>\$ 1,592,892</u>	<u>\$ 1,247,895</u>
Revenues				
Taxes	3,927,998	3,927,998	3,970,323	42,325
Intergovernmental	4,387,931	4,387,931	4,341,164	(46,767)
Licenses and permits	34,821	34,821	31,775	(3,046)
Charges for services	211,000	211,000	98,314	(112,686)
Interest	6,000	6,000	15,380	9,380
Miscellaneous	5,000	5,000	28,397	23,397
Total Revenues	<u>8,572,750</u>	<u>8,572,750</u>	<u>8,485,353</u>	<u>(87,397)</u>
Total Funds Available	<u>8,917,747</u>	<u>8,917,747</u>	<u>10,078,245</u>	<u>1,160,498</u>
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government	391,586	391,586	375,550	16,036
Public safety	180,442	180,442	177,735	2,707
Public works	657,550	657,550	596,644	60,906
Health and sanitation	338,279	338,279	305,796	32,483
Education	6,708,850	6,708,850	6,356,895	351,955
Social services	14,100	14,100	10,943	3,157
Special assessments	290,000	290,000	282,578	7,422
Leisure services	51,502	51,502	51,502	
Unclassified	115,938	115,938	29,686	86,252
Capital reserves*	169,500	169,500	189,709	(20,209)
Total Expenditures	<u>8,917,747</u>	<u>8,917,747</u>	<u>8,377,038</u>	<u>540,709</u>
Excess of Funds Available Over Expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,701,207</u>	<u>\$ 1,701,207</u>
Reconciliation to the Fund Financial Statements:				
Less accrued summer salaries - school			285,962	
Less accrued compensated absences - school			4,981	
Fund Balance - End of Year, Fund Financial Statements, as of June 30, 2012			<u>\$ 1,410,264</u>	

* - The deficit in capital reserves is explained in Note 15

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

June 10-11, 2013

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Vassalboro in said Kennebec County, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Vassalboro Community School on Monday, June 10th, 2013, at 6:30 in the evening to elect a moderator to preside at said meeting, then and there to act on Articles 1 through 58, all of said articles being set out below to wit: and further to warn said voters to meet at the Town Office building in said Town on Tuesday, the 11th day of June 2013, then and there to act on Articles numbered 59 to 61. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Article 1: To choose a **Moderator** to preside at said Meeting, and to pay a sum not to exceed \$200.00 for his/her services.

Article 2: To elect from the floor, under the rules of this meeting, five (5) members of the **Budget Committee** to serve two year terms.

Terms Expire in 2013:
**William Browne, John Burke, William Whitley,
Donald Breton, Lori Fowle**

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to fix the **due dates of taxes** as follows, and to set the rate of interest at the prevailing allowable State rate: 7.00%. Interest will begin to accrue 7 days after the due date.

**One-fourth of taxes due on 09-23-13
One-fourth of taxes due on 11-25-13
One-fourth of taxes due on 02-24-14
One-fourth of taxes due on 04-28-14**

Selectmen Recommend: Approval

REVENUES

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to use the following **anticipated revenue** amounts and from the sources named to reduce the 2013-2014 tax commitment:

Excise Tax	\$ 590,000
Agent Fees	13,750
Snowmobile agent fees	3,000
Boat Excise Tax	5,750
Interest/Penalties	34,000
State Revenue Sharing	175,000
State Road Assistance	65,000
Tree Growth Reimbursement	15,000
State Park Sharing	1,000
Veterans Exemption	2,000
Miscellaneous	5,000
Permit Fees	8,500
Solid Waste/Recycling	75,000
Franchise Fee/Cable Fees	14,000
Clerk Fees	6,000
Surplus	150,000
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$1,163,000

Selectmen Recommend: \$1,163,000
Budget Committee recommends: \$1,163,000

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take from the **Undesignated (Surplus) Fund** an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to fill a void in anticipated revenues in the event that all or part of the State Revenue Sharing amount budgeted in Article 4 is not received by the Town in FY2013-14 from the State of Maine.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval
Budget Committee Recommends: Approval

Note: The audited Undesignated (Surplus) Fund balance as of 6/30/12 was \$1,278,411.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$404,406 for **Administration**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$404,406
Budget Committee Recommends: \$404,406

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,500 for **Assessment Costs**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$31,500
Budget Committee Recommends: \$31,500

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for **Capital Improvements/Reserves**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$5,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$5,000

PUBLIC WORKS

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425,730 for the **Public Works Department**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$425,730
Budget Committee Recommends: \$425,730

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,105 for **paving work** to allow the Town to pave the following roads: Gray Road and Legion Park Road; and for **road striping and paved road maintenance** and if any of said sums remain the Selectmen at their discretion could do additional paving.

Selectmen Recommend: \$250,105
Budget Committee Recommends: \$250,105

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$291,700 for the cost of operating the Town's **Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling Facility**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$291,700
Budget Committee Recommends: \$291,700

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

June 10-11, 2013

PUBLIC SAFETY

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,770 for the **Police Department and Animal Control**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$37,770
Budget Committee Recommends: \$37,770

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$108,098 for the **Fire Department**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$108,098
Budget Committee Recommends: \$108,098

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for **Repairs to the North Fire Station Building**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$20,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$20,000

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum not to exceed \$20,000 from SURPLUS to be used as local match dollars for new Fire Department equipment. These funds will be expended only in the event of a **Fire Department grant award**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$20,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$20,000

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,500 for **fire hydrant rental**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$18,500
Budget Committee Recommends: \$18,500

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,500 for **Street Lights**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$16,500
Budget Committee Recommends: \$16,500

SPECIAL ARTICLES AND TOWN POLICY

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town to **dispose of any real estate** acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they may deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to submit **applications for State and/or Federal funding** and if said program is approved, authorize the municipal officers to accept said grant funds, to make such assurances, assume such responsibilities, and exercise such authority as are necessary and reasonable to implement such program, and to disburse such funds for the purpose granted.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the 2005 Ford F550 Public Works Truck and to **purchase a new public works truck** at a cost not to exceed \$93,500 to be funded from the following sources:

\$34,000	from taxation appropriation in FY 2013-14
\$50,000	from Public Works Reserve Account
<u>\$9,500</u>	Proceeds from the sale of the 2005 Ford 550 truck
\$93,500	Total cost of new truck

Selectmen Recommend: Approval
Budget Committee Recommends: Approval

Article 21: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen, for the fiscal year 2013-2014, to **transfer funds** between appropriation accounts so long as the grand total of all appropriations is not exceeded. Any such transfers to be approved only at a properly called public meeting of the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers under Maine statutes, Chapter 12 Section 6131 and amendments thereto, to promulgate such regulations compatible with the General Laws of the State to govern the time and manner in which **river herring (alewives)** shall be taken therein for the calendar year 2014.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval

Article 23: To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Officers to **sell surplus river herring (alewives)** for one or more years, or take any action relative to the same.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to **issue bonds** or other types of indebtedness in the name of the Town under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable to purchase a **tanker fire truck**, the purchase price of which is not to exceed \$280,000; and to use the existing balance in the fire truck reserve account (\$25,000 approx.) toward that purchase, to make any down payments as necessary, and to raise and appropriate the first year payment now estimated to be \$88,542.

Financial Statement – Town of Vassalboro:

1. Total Town Indebtedness	
a. Bonds/Leases outstanding and unpaid:	\$550,662
b. Bonds authorized and unissued:	\$ -0-
c. Bonds to be issued if this question is approved:	\$255,000
TOTAL	\$805,662

2. Costs

At an estimated maximum interest rate of 1.95%, the estimated costs of this bond issue will be:

Three years	
a. Principal	\$255,000.00
b. Interest	\$10,624.59
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$265,624.59

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3. Validity

The validity of the Bonds and of the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

Mary S. Sabins, Treasurer Town of Vassalboro

Selectmen Recommend: Approval
Budget Committee Recommends: Approval

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to accept ownership of the **Cross Hill Cemetery** and its assets and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement and take such action with the Trustees of the Cross Hill Cemetery Association as they deem necessary to make such arrangements.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to **dispose of town owned property** with a value of \$10,000 or less, under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to authorize an amount not to exceed \$15,000 from surplus to serve as a **contingency fund** to be spent by the Selectmen in the event of an emergency and to avoid overdrafts.

Selectmen Recommend: Approval
Budget Committee Recommends: Approval

LIBRARY

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,729 for the Town's share of the Library's budget.

Selectmen Recommend: \$31,729
Budget Committee Recommends: \$31,729

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 for **General Assistance** and to authorize the Selectmen to expend any and all reimbursement funds received from the State.

Selectmen Recommend: \$3,500
Budget Committee Recommends: \$3,500

Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for the **Vassalboro Food Station**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$1,500
Budget Committee Recommends: \$1,500

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,600 for the **Hospice Volunteers of the Waterville Area**. *(This article presented by petition.)*

Selectmen Recommend: \$1,600
Budget Committee Recommends: \$1,600

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,925 for the **Family Violence Project**. *(This article presented by petition.)*

Selectmen Recommend: \$2,250
Budget Committee Recommends: \$2,250

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the **Kennebec Valley Behavioral Health Center**. *(This article presented by petition.)*

Selectmen Recommend: \$3,500
Budget Committee Recommends: \$3,500

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,642 for **Spectrum Generations**. *(This article presented by petition.)*

Selectmen Recommend: \$1,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$1,000

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,417 for the **Sexual Assault Crisis & Support**. *(This article presented by petition.)*

Selectmen Recommend: \$750.00
Budget Committee Recommends: \$750.00

RECREATION

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the **Recreation Department**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$15,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$15,000

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for the **Kennebec Trail Riders Snowmobile Club** for the maintenance of snowmobile trails with the understanding that such trails will be open for the use of snowmobiles during snowmobile season.

Selectmen Recommend: \$1,500
Budget Committee Recommends: \$1,500

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS AND REQUESTS

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 for the support of the **Vassalboro Historical Society** to assist this organization with the maintenance of the former East Vassalboro school building.

Selectmen Recommend: \$3,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$3,000

Article 39: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for the Town's share in the **Maintenance of Cemeteries and Public Grounds** and for Memorial Day expenses.

Selectmen Recommend: \$18,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$18,000

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Article 40: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 for the maintenance of the **Three Mile Pond Recreational Area**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$300
Budget Committee Recommends: \$300

Article 41: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,235 for the estimated assessment from **Kennebec County Government**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$300,235
Budget Committee Recommends: \$300,235

Article 42: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000 for the support of the **China Region Lakes Alliance**.

Selectmen Recommend: \$10,000
Budget Committee Recommends: \$10,000

Article 43: To see if the Town will vote to increase the **property tax levy limit** of \$582,294.35 established for the Town of Vassalboro by State Law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit. (Written ballot)

SCHOOL BUDGET ARTICLES TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ARTICLES PURSUANT TO 20-A M.R.S.A. SECTION 1485

Article 44: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Regular Instruction**.

School Committee Recommends: \$3,875,110.94
Budget Committee Recommends: \$3,875,110.94

Article 45: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Special Education**.

School Committee Recommends: \$974,573.79
Budget Committee Recommends: \$974,573.79

Article 46: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Career and Technical Education**.

School Committee Recommends: \$169,358.46
Budget Committee Recommends: \$169,358.46

Article 47: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Other Instruction**.

School Committee Recommends: \$44,976.15
Budget Committee Recommends: \$44,976.15

Article 48: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Student and Staff Support**.

School Committee Recommends: \$284,227.92
Budget Committee Recommends: \$284,227.92

Article 49: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **System Administration**.

School Committee Recommends: \$157,734.36
Budget Committee Recommends: \$157,734.36

Article 50: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **School Administration**.

School Committee Recommends: \$237,384.71
Budget Committee Recommends: \$237,384.71

Article 51: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Transportation and Buses**.

School Committee Recommends: \$438,328.33
Budget Committee Recommends: \$438,328.33

Article 52: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Facilities Maintenance**.

School Committee Recommends: \$519,976.70
Budget Committee Recommends: \$519,976.70

Article 53: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **Debt Service and Other Commitments**.

School Committee Recommends: \$.00
Budget Committee Recommends: \$.00

Article 54: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend for **All Other Expenditures**.

School Committee Recommends: \$.00
Budget Committee Recommends: \$.00

ARTICLES PURSUANT TO 20-A, M.R.S.A. SECTION 15690

Article 55: To see what sum the municipality will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (Recommend \$6,253,635.00) and to see what sum the municipality will raise as the municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

Statutory Recommendation \$2,607,365.00

School Committee Recommendation: \$2,805,001.36
Budget Committee Recommendation: \$2,805,001.36

"Explanation: The school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that a municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars."

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Note: Per PL2009, Chapter 571, the amount recommended by the school committee as the required local share for the FY 2013-2014 budget may be no less than 82.22% of the Title 20-A, Section 15688 amount, in order to receive the full amount of state subsidy.

Article 56: To see what sum the municipality/district/unit will vote to raise and appropriate in additional local funds for school purposes under Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, §15690.

School Committee Recommends: \$ -0-
Budget Committee Recommends: \$ -0-

The school budget does not exceed the state EPS funding model.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the municipality/district budget for educational programs.

Article 57: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 from the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition

receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Committee Recommends: \$6,701,671.36
Budget Committee Recommends: \$6,701,671.36

Article 58: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated.

The following articles will be decided by secret ballot election. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., June 11th, 2013 at the Town Office.

Article 59: Do you favor approving the Vassalboro Community School's budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the June 10, 2013 Annual Town Meeting?

Article 60: Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process for the Vassalboro Public Schools for an additional three years?

Informational Note:

A "YES" vote will require Vassalboro Public Schools to continue to conduct a referendum to validate its annual school budget for the next three years.

A "NO" vote will discontinue the budget validation referendum for at least three years and provide instead that the annual school budget shall be finally adopted at a meeting of the voters of the Town of Vassalboro.

Article 61: To elect all necessary municipal officers/officials by secret ballot.

Given unto our hands this _____ day of May 2013, AD

Robert C. Browne, Jr.
Selectman, Town of Vassalboro

Lauchlin Titus
Selectman, Town of Vassalboro

Philip W. Haines
Selectman, Town of Vassalboro

A true copy. Attest: _____ of Vassalboro
Town Clerk

VARIANCE IN PROPOSED BUDGET

ACCOUNT	CURRENT YEAR 2012-2013	SELECTMEN'S PROPOSED BUDGET	\$ change	% change
TOWN BUDGET:				
ADMINISTRATION	373,836	404,406	30,570	8.18%
PUBLIC WORKS	395,505	425,730	30,225	7.64%
SOLID WASTE	338,970	291,700	(47,270)	-13.95%
PAVING/MAINTENANCE PROGRAM	237,520	250,105	12,585	5.30%
FIRE DEPARTMENT	115,672	128,098	12,426	10.74%
PUBLIC SAFETY	36,800	37,770	970	2.64%
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT/RESERVES	80,000	39,000	(41,000)	-51.25%
RECREATION	15,000	15,000	0	0.00%
ROUTE 3 REST AREA	1,000	300	(700)	-70.00%
LIBRARY	31,729	31,729	0	0.00%
UTILITIES	34,045	35,000	955	2.81%
CEMETERIES	16,500	18,000	1,500	9.09%
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
ASSESSMENT COSTS	31,000	31,500	500	1.61%
SOCIAL SERVICES	10,600	10,600	0	0.00%
MISCELLANEOUS REQ.	15,000	14,500	(500)	-3.33%
DEBT SERVICE (Fire Truck Bond)	0	88,542	88,542	
TOTAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET	1,736,677	1,825,480	88,803	5.11%
REVENUE BUDGET:				
GENERAL REVENUES	1,012,750	1,013,000	\$250	0.02%
SURPLUS	150,000	150,000	\$0	0.00%
HOMESTEAD AND BETE REIMB (est.)	59,213	59,213	(\$0)	-0.00%
TOTAL REVENUES	1,221,963	1,222,213	\$250	0.02%
TAX LEVY REQUIREMENT - TOWN BUDGET	514,713	\$603,267	\$88,553	17.20%
MIL RATE MUNICIPAL	1.55	1.81	0.27	17.20%
COUNTY TAX:	296,100	300,235	\$4,135	1.40%
COUNTY TAX MIL RATE	0.89	0.90	0.01	1.40%
SCHOOL BUDGET:				
REGULAR INSTRUCTION	3,816,398.69	3,875,110.94	58,712.25	1.54%
SPECIAL EDUCATION	967,323.28	974,573.79	7,250.51	0.75%
CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION	144,721.44	169,358.46	24,637.02	17.02%
OTHER INSTRUCTION	47,631.02	44,976.15	(2,654.87)	-5.57%
STUDENT & STAFF SUPPORT	293,415.69	284,227.92	(9,187.77)	-3.13%
SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	157,249.65	157,734.36	484.71	0.31%
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	225,238.58	237,384.71	12,146.13	5.39%
TRANSPORTATION & BUSES	397,937.32	438,328.33	40,391.01	10.15%
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	540,995.11	519,976.70	(21,018.41)	-3.89%
DEBT SERVICE & OTHER COMMITMENTS	1,748.60	0.00	(1,748.60)	-100.00%
ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL SCHOOL BUDGET	\$6,592,659.38	\$6,701,671.36	\$109,011.98	1.65%
TAX LEVY REQUIREMENT - SCHOOL BUDGET	\$2,793,923.12	\$2,805,001.36	\$11,078.24	0.40%
SCHOOL MIL RATE	\$8.40	\$8.43	\$0.03	0.40%
OVERLAY (estimated)	\$54,733	\$19,000	(\$35,733)	-65.29%
Overlay mil rate	\$0.16	\$0.06	\$(0.11)	-65.29%
COMBINED TAX LEVY REQUIREMENTS	\$3,659,469	\$3,727,503	\$68,034	1.86%
ESTIMATED COMBINED NET MIL RATE	11.000	11.20	0.20	1.86%
VALUATIONS (estimated as of 3/1/13)	\$332,679,100	\$332,679,100	\$0	0.00%

THREE BUDGET TOTALS GROSS AMOUNTS

				% of Budget	
COUNTY TAX (ESTIMATED)	\$296,100	\$300,235	\$4,135	1.40%	6.07%
MUNICIPAL BUDGET	\$1,736,677	\$1,825,480	\$88,803	5.11%	36.88%
SCHOOL BUDGET - local portion raised	\$2,793,923	\$2,805,001	\$11,078	0.40%	56.67%
OVERLAY	\$54,733	\$19,000	(\$35,733)	-65.29%	0.38%
TOTALS	\$4,881,433	\$4,949,716	\$68,283	1.40%	100%



Emergency	911
Town Office	872-2826
Public Works	923-3985
Transfer Station	923-3051
School	923-3100
Library	923-3233
Animal Control	446-0438
Police Chief - Non Emergency	622-7730

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