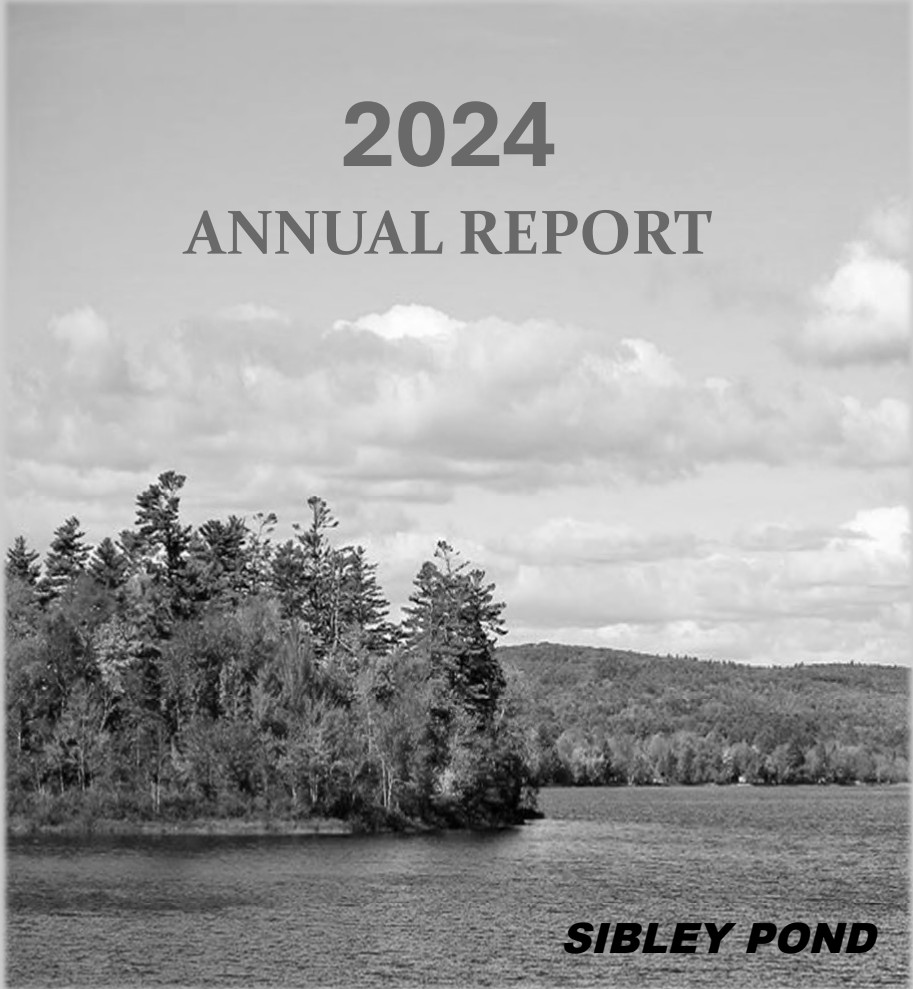


# TOWN OF CANAAN

## 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



***SIBLEY POND***

**ANNUAL MUNICIPAL REPORT  
TOWN OF CANAAN**

**FOR FISCAL YEAR  
FEBRUARY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 - JANUARY 31, 2025**

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**ATTENTION**

**TOWN MEETING SCHEDULE  
SATURDAY, MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025  
9:00 A.M. GENERAL MEETING  
CANAAN FARMERS HALL**

**296 Main Street, Canaan – *extra parking at 299 Main St***

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS  
MONDAY, MARCH 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
8:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.  
AT CANAAN TOWN HALL  
277 Main Street, Canaan**

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*Pursuant to State of Maine Statute 22 M.R.S.A. §1542 Section 1543*

**PUBLIC MEETING**



**NO SMOKING**

**EMERGENCY-FIRE-RESCUE  
DIAL 911**

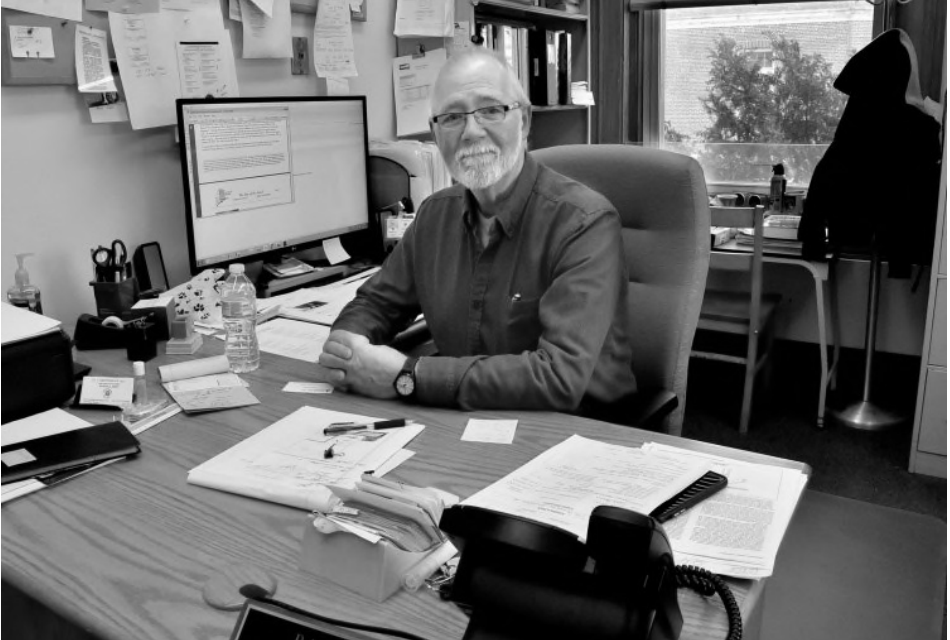
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# 2024 Town Report Dedication

## RANDALL GRAY



Randy Gray served the Town of Canaan for 31 years as Code Enforcement Officer and Plumbing Inspector. Randy attended every Select Board Meeting and Annual Town Meeting over the years to the best of his ability and apologized profusely if he couldn't make it to a meeting. Though he retired last year, he continues to offer advise and guidance to his replacement.

The definition of dedication accurately describes Randy's tenure:

***a feeling of very strong support for or loyalty to someone or something: the quality or state of being dedicated to a person, group, cause, etc.***

**THANK YOU, RANDY FOR YOUR 30 YEARS OF HARD WORK AND STEADFAST LOYALTY TO THE TOWN OF CANAAN!**

TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

**2024**  
**TOWN OFFICERS**

**SELECTMEN/ASSESSORS**

**DANIEL HARRIMAN**  
**MEGAN SMITH**  
**JEFFREY CLARKE**  
OFFICE 474-8976

**SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTORS**

**JANET BURRILL**  
**JEAN FRANKLIN** 474-2279

**TOWN CLERK**

**DENISE B. STETKIS**  
474-8682

**MODERATOR**

**PETER DENBOW**

**STATE SENATOR**

**BRAD FARRIN**  
SENATE DISTRICT 3  
STATE HOUSE STATION 3  
AUGUSTA, ME. 04333  
1-207-634-3074

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**

**DEAN CRAY**  
STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 69  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
AUGUSTA, ME. 478-8279

**PLANNING BOARD**

**PAULA ROBINSON**  
**DONALD DECKER**  
**WILLIAM DAWE**  
**LISA HOLLAND** (*resigned*)  
**WALTER HOLLAND**  
**KAREN CLARK**

**ROAD COMMISSIONER**

**MICHAEL ROBINSON, JR.** 399-9809

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER &  
NUISANCE WILDLIFE OFFICER**

**DONALD DECKER** 399-8135

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

**CHARLES WORCESTER** 431-1922

**EXCISE TAX COLLECTOR**

**DENISE B. STETKIS** 474-8682

**TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER/  
SECRETARY TO THE SELECTMEN**

**RACHEL HUNTLEY** 474-8976

**TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE**

<b>LIBRARY DIRECTOR</b>	<b>DIXIE RING</b> 474-2149
<b>FIRE &amp; RESCUE CHIEF</b>	<b>CHARLES WORCESTER</b> 431-1922
<b>ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF</b>	<b>PETER CLARKE</b> 431-4299
<b>EMS ADMINSTRATOR</b>	<b>BENJAMIN SNOWMAN</b> 416-9914
<b>STATE FIRE WARDEN</b>	<b>PETER CLARKE</b> 431-4299
<b>GENERAL ASSISTANCE DIRECTOR</b>	<b>SAMANTHA NEAL</b> 508-545-3132
<b>DEPUTY WELFARE DIRECTOR</b>	<b>SELECT BOARD</b>
<b>SOLID WASTE &amp; RECYCLE MANAGER</b>	<b>DONALD CHUTE</b> 487-4637 CELL 416-8998
<b>LAKE GEORGE REGIONAL PARK MEMBERS</b>	<b>MAUREEN DELHANTY</b> ( <i>resigned</i> ) <b>MARK PHILBRICK</b> <b>HEATHER KERNER</b> <b>KATHERINE GEE</b> <b>VANESSA BEAN</b>
<b>CEO &amp; PLUMBING INSPECTOR</b>	<b>CHARLES WORCESTER</b> 431-1922
<b>REGISTRAR OF VOTERS</b>	<b>DENISE B. STETKIS</b> 474-8682
<b>SEXTON</b>	<b>DAVID HART</b> 446-4884
<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b>	<b>PENNY DERAPS</b> 474-6990
<b>ROAD COMMITTEE</b>	<b>KIM BROOKS</b> <b>JULIE SANTOS</b> <b>TYLER RING</b> <b>DAVID MADORE</b> <b>JEREMIE TOWLE</b>

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## Taxes Due as of January 31 ,2025

Acct	Name ----	Year	Original Tax	Amount Due
2022				
1497 L	FRAPPIER, MAURICE L	2022	191.25	198.22
1545 L	JOHNSON, BRETT H JR	2022	854.92	867.56
408 L	LEMIEUX, SHARON M	2022	1398.00	125.62
942 L	PERKINS, DARLENE R	2022	556.43	200.00
1511 L	RUGAN, CASEY A	2022	862.59	884.87
124 L	STEWART, JENNIFER M	2022	459.77	482.05
2023				
87 L	ATWOOD, STANLEY L (LE)	2023	1458.40	1458.40
1335 L	BAKER, DONALD	2023	611.15	611.15
1258 L	BAUER, REG	2023	216.72	216.72
1259 L	BAUER, REG	2023	167.77	167.77
470 L	BAYLEY, GERALD A JR	2023	64.88	64.88
142 L	BOWEN, BRUCE A	2023	1017.62	440.62
246 L	CARTER, CYRUS Y	2023	1552.48	1552.48
1712 L	CARTER, MELISSA A	2023	722.47	722.47
1350 L	CASS, LEROY E	2023	971.27	595.53
248 L	CESAN, GLEN P	2023	237.11	237.11
249 L	CESAN, GLEN P	2023	2135.73	2135.73
310 L	CLARK, MATTHEW	2023	908.05	109.92
1794 L	COOK, MIRISHA M	2023	505.75	505.75
520 L	DANFORTH, DAN	2023	720.01	720.01
1540 L	DANFORTH, WENDY	2023	728.59	728.59
1711 L	DANFORTH, WENDY	2023	328.88	328.88
146 L	DOUCETTE, RICHARD E	2023	292.17	292.17
432 L	DOUCETTE, RICHARD E	2023	2962.88	2962.88
1811 L	ENGBERG, BETH A	2023	88.05	88.05
1739 L	FOSTER, CHRISTINE	2023	1694.68	202.19
1497 L	FRAPPIER, MAURICE L	2023	259.54	259.54
453 L	GAGLIARDI, NORMA	2023	1080.84	1080.84
454 L	GAGNE, ARTHUR	2023	1414.41	1414.41
55 L	GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2023	1082.88	1082.88
756 L	GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2023	857.07	857.07
764 L	GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2023	377.83	377.83
865 L	GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2023	120.87	120.87
1035 L	GOULD, WESTON E	2023	1925.68	1925.68
748 L	HANEY, WANDA	2023	1068.05	1068.05
856 L	HARTLEY, STACEY C	2023	1651.85	1651.85
1743 L	HOWE, JESSICA M	2023	803.49	803.49
1478 L	HUNT, SHANE	2023	397.11	397.11
1545 L	JOHNSON, BRETT H JR	2023	1050.81	1050.81
1334 L	JOHNSTON, DENISE	2023	212.64	212.64
1641 L	JOHNSTON, DENISE	2023	220.80	220.80
689 L	KANAVY, JOHN F III & JAMES M	2023	624.59	0.17

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1770 L LEATHERS, TREVOR A	2023	342.97	342.97
1288 L LEBLANC, AMY E	2023	1516.70	1516.70
408 L LEMIEUX, SHARON M	2023	1652.41	1652.41
1408 L LOWNEY, CAROL A	2023	655.72	363.05
544 L LUNT, KYM L	2023	723.96	723.96
766 L LYBARGER, CARLENE L	2023	1172.61	1172.61
123 L MACARTHUR, JAMES W	2023	463.85	463.85
448 L MALLETT, MARY	2023	887.66	887.66
1857 L MAYO, MICHAEL D	2023	838.48	550.54
1154 L MINER, PATRICK F JR	2023	258.21	258.21
1075 L MITCHELL, CHARLES M	2023	2668.92	2668.92
1414 L PAGE, CHAD	2023	929.43	929.43
857 L PEASE, MICHAEL C	2023	1641.66	1641.66
941 L PERKINS, DARLENE R	2023	355.39	355.39
942 L PERKINS, DARLENE R	2023	649.06	649.06
958 L POPLAWSKI, JOHN A JR	2023	114.17	114.17
989 L RAMSDELL, EDWARD J	2023	717.84	534.67
992 L RANDALL, WENDY J	2023	1234.35	1234.35
1544 L RICHARDS, AME L	2023	1152.22	1152.22
1511 L RUGAN, CASEY A	2023	1013.54	1013.54
1065 L SAMUELS, GUY A	2023	1395.45	1395.45
1234 L SIMONEAU, BRENDA LT	2023	2323.35	2323.35
1235 L SIMONEAU, BRENDA LT	2023	1120.14	1120.14
283 L SIMPSON, LESLIE D	2023	822.40	763.06
381 L SMITH, MICHAEL	2023	1275.13	1275.13
532 L SOLL, ALLAN M	2023	618.47	618.47
1124 L SOLL, ALLAN M	2023	1994.92	1994.92
1126 L SOLL, ALLAN M & CANDACE L	2023	748.98	748.98
124 L STEWART, JENNIFER M	2023	579.16	579.16
53 L STOCKMAN, KASEY	2023	428.37	42.12
597 L THOMAS, JOSEPH R	2023	589.50	376.72
686 L VILES, HUGH A	2023	335.00	335.00
1470 L VILES, HUGH A	2023	2105.14	2105.14
386 L WILLIAMS, JEREMY J	2023	764.09	764.09
747 L WOOD, PRISCILLA G	2023	592.52	592.52

2024

2 R ABBOTT, DOROTHY O (Heirs)	2024	481.24	481.24
1367 R ARCHER, EDWARD A	2024	233.20	233.20
1394 R ARCHER, EDWARD A	2024	1692.82	1692.82
1876 R ARMSTRONG, TAMMY	2024	31.80	31.80
87 R ATWOOD, STANLEY L (LE)	2024	1895.28	1895.28
238 R AUSTIN, GORDON K	2024	1220.06	1220.06
419 R BAILEY, CHRISTOPHER J	2024	424.00	424.00
1554 R BAILEY, CHRISTOPHER J	2024	281.96	281.96
1145 R BAILEY, SHENANDOAH RAY II	2024	2072.30	2072.30
1335 R BAKER, DONALD	2024	1234.90	1234.90
91 R BAKER, KIMBERLY L	2024	461.10	443.20
1258 R BAUER, REG	2024	195.04	195.04
1259 R BAUER, REG	2024	152.64	152.64



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470 R BAYLEY, GERALD A JR	2024	996.40	996.40
1 R BEAN, DERRICK	2024	1195.68	1195.68
326 R BENT, TRAVIS D	2024	551.20	551.20
978 R BERRY, JOSEPH R	2024	216.24	216.24
805 R BLEVINS, CHARLES MICHAEL	2024	2077.60	2077.60
1304 R BOISVERT, PAUL R	2024	3042.20	3042.20
1880 R BOUMIL, JIM	2024	31.80	31.80
142 R BOWEN, BRUCE A	2024	886.16	886.16
345 R BREINGAN, TAMMY J	2024	670.98	670.98
437 R BROWN, ELAINE M	2024	616.92	616.92
129 R BROWN, ESTHER A	2024	556.50	556.50
1454 R BROWN, JAMES O & JOLEEN	2024	1056.82	1056.82
1573 R BUZZARD, PETER G	2024	445.20	445.20
36 R CAMPBELL, PETER G	2024	324.36	324.36
1054 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	1156.46	0.04
1418 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	337.08	0.01
1419 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	337.08	0.01
1420 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	337.08	0.01
1421 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	337.08	0.01
1422 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	337.08	0.01
1423 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	319.06	0.01
1660 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	337.08	0.01
1661 R CANAAN SOUTH, LLC	2024	337.08	0.01
1389 R CARL, RANDALL E	2024	996.40	996.40
246 R CARTER, CYRUS Y	2024	1219.00	1219.00
1712 R CARTER, MELISSA A	2024	513.04	513.04
1745 R CARTER, MELISSA A	2024	195.04	195.04
1759 R CARTER, MELISSA A	2024	31.80	31.80
1350 R CASS, LEROY E LE	2024	814.08	814.08
248 R CESAN, GLEN P	2024	161.12	161.12
249 R CESAN, GLEN P	2024	1995.98	1995.98
125 R CESTARO, EDWARD	2024	360.40	360.40
126 R CESTARO, EDWARD	2024	3317.80	3317.80
690 R CHAKOUMAKOS, SARA BETH	2024	111.30	111.30
251 R CHAMBERLAIN, CHRISTIAN P	2024	328.60	3.80
543 R CHASE, CINDY J	2024	625.40	625.40
1646 R CHIN, THOLL	2024	180.20	1.87
919 R CLARK POINT HOMEOWNERS ASSOC	2024	309.52	-55.53
269 R CLARK, BERTRAND A SR	2024	1709.78	0.08
1793 R CLARK, JORDAN S	2024	1371.64	1371.64
310 R CLARK, MATTHEW	2024	810.90	810.90
43 R CLARKE, PETER J	2024	439.90	439.90
794 R CLARKE, PETER J	2024	1735.22	1735.22
855 R CLEMENTE, ANTHONY SR	2024	626.46	3.11
1794 R COOK, MIRISHA M	2024	492.90	492.90
632 R COOLEY, KEVIN J	2024	2280.06	2.69
633 R COOLEY, KEVIN J	2024	171.72	0.20
254 R CORREIA, JOE	2024	2491.00	2491.00
1878 R COUSINS, REILLY	2024	31.80	31.80
1405 R CURTIS, LLOYD	2024	629.64	629.64
319 R DAMRON, ELIZABETH	2024	932.80	932.80

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520 R DANFORTH, DAN	2024	1275.18	1275.18
1540 R DANFORTH, WENDY	2024	761.08	761.08
1711 R DANFORTH, WENDY	2024	266.06	266.06
461 R DARGE, AUGUST J	2024	1055.76	1055.76
1183 R DARGE, AUGUST J	2024	919.02	919.02
1760 R DEMO, CHAD	2024	1020.78	1020.78
178 R DIONNE, ELLEN KARON	2024	338.14	338.14
740 R DODGE, JEROME E III	2024	860.72	860.72
333 R DODGE, JOHN P	2024	1488.24	1488.24
1769 R DODGE, MARIA	2024	2501.60	2501.60
1455 R DODGE, MICHAEL A	2024	455.80	197.52
1277 R DOJNIA, AMANDA R	2024	1558.20	1558.20
1413 R DONOVAN, BEATRICE, HEIRS OF	2024	1942.98	1942.98
1853 R DORE, ERIC N	2024	2087.14	2087.14
1854 R DORE, ERIC N	2024	280.90	280.90
1218 R DORR, JODY C	2024	932.80	932.80
146 R DOUCETTE, RICHARD E HEIRS	2024	209.88	209.88
432 R DOUCETTE, RICHARD E HEIRS	2024	2413.62	2413.62
1391 R DREW, JASON E	2024	385.84	385.84
728 R DUNLAP, TIMOTHY A	2024	296.80	296.80
1811 R ENGBERG, BETH A	2024	29.68	29.68
988 R ENGBERG, BURTON M	2024	398.56	398.56
1203 R FARRIN, BARBARA	2024	1603.78	694.79
1771 R FIELD, MATTHEW C	2024	461.10	460.83
422 R FITZGERALD, EMERY S	2024	2230.24	2230.24
424 R FITZGERALD, SANDRA	2024	135.68	1.12
1739 R FOSTER, CHRISTINE	2024	2118.94	2118.94
1497 R FRAPPIER, MAURICE L	2024	266.06	266.06
1798 R FRATI, CALEB J	2024	224.72	224.72
478 R FREDERICK, MARK	2024	1445.84	1135.15
614 R FREDERICK, RACHEL A	2024	2176.18	1910.67
452 R GAFFETT, SANDRA M	2024	405.98	0.02
1730 R GAGE, DONALD E II	2024	401.74	401.74
453 R GAGLIARDI, NORMA	2024	1408.74	1408.74
454 R GAGNE, ARTHUR	2024	2025.66	2025.66
413 R GAGNE, BILLI JO	2024	2125.30	2125.30
1177 R GIGUERE, SCOTT A	2024	2587.46	2587.46
55 R GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2024	1493.54	1493.54
756 R GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2024	1113.00	1113.00
764 R GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2024	279.84	279.84
865 R GILBERT, MICHAEL S SR	2024	39.22	39.22
1747 R GILMORE, BRITTANY M	2024	114.48	114.48
484 R GOULD, DANIELLE	2024	127.20	127.20
1035 R GOULD, WESTON E HEIRS	2024	1928.14	1928.14
514 R GREENE, RONALD	2024	135.68	1.12
1160 R GUSTAFSON, NAOMI E; SHAW, RACHEL E	2024	429.30	144.53
292 R HANEY, ALBERT A	2024	628.58	628.58
748 R HANEY, WANDA	2024	709.14	709.14
749 R HANEY, WANDA	2024	1181.90	1181.90
547 R HART, CYNTHIA L	2024	2610.78	1406.13

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856 R HARTLEY, STACEY C	2024	1114.06	1114.06
1879 R HAYDEN, SABRA	2024	31.80	31.80
403 R HOCKENBERRY, MARK W	2024	1986.44	1986.44
1282 R HOLLAND, WALTER E	2024	1134.20	1134.20
1170 R HOOK, JOHN	2024	324.36	324.36
1743 R HOWE, JESSICA M	2024	1071.66	1071.66
154 R HOWE, MARIAH	2024	1627.10	1627.10
21 R HOYT, ROBERT	2024	1881.50	1881.50
625 R HUBBARD, EDWARD	2024	1103.46	719.43
1478 R HUNT, SHANE	2024	196.10	196.10
534 R HUTCHISON, PAM	2024	1515.80	1515.80
808 R JAI GANESH HOSPITALITY, INC.	2024	8281.78	-1953.14
1545 R JOHNSON, BRETT H JR	2024	485.48	485.48
1334 R JOHNSTON, DENISE	2024	180.20	180.20
1641 R JOHNSTON, DENISE	2024	184.44	184.44
685 R JOYCE, ROLAND	2024	528.94	528.94
601 R JUDITH A HODGDON TRUSTEE	2024	2290.66	2290.66
600 R JUDITH A HODGDON, TRUSTEE	2024	278.78	278.78
602 R JUDITH A HODGDON, TRUSTEE	2024	756.84	756.84
658 R JUDKINS, RAY B & SANDY M LE	2024	1115.12	964.89
689 R KANAVY, JOHN F III & JAMES M	2024	465.34	465.34
702 R KIERSTEAD, JENNIFER W	2024	243.80	243.80
229 R KLAIBER, HAROLD	2024	1282.60	1282.60
61 R KOVAL, JON D	2024	2239.78	2239.25
1348 R KRENISKY, BELLE A	2024	690.06	690.06
1873 R KUCNER, JOSEPH	2024	31.80	31.80
709 R KUHN, BETTY	2024	561.80	298.76
1706 R LADD, SPENCER, BROOKS & ARTHUR	2024	446.26	446.26
1215 R LAGROSS, LIONE	2024	2063.82	2063.82
1776 R LANCASTER, STEPHEN	2024	207.76	-63.94
1770 R LEATHERS, TREVOR A	2024	162.18	162.18
1288 R LEBLANC, AMY E	2024	1394.96	1394.96
308 R LEE, JOBIE D	2024	938.10	638.10
1643 R LEE, SAMBATH E	2024	189.74	89.74
1645 R LEE, SAMBATH E	2024	186.56	186.56
1649 R LEE, SAMBATH E	2024	193.98	193.98
1782 R LEE, SAMBATH E	2024	711.26	711.26
1844 R LEE, SAMBATH E	2024	427.18	202.28
1848 R LEE, SAMBATH E	2024	205.64	205.64
138 R LEE, SAMBATH EANG	2024	2801.58	2706.54
408 R LEMIEUX, SHARON M	2024	1567.74	1567.74
1791 R LEVY, JOSHUA	2024	314.82	314.82
409 R LITTLE, LATARA D	2024	896.76	418.31
553 R LOISEL, MATTHEW R	2024	1781.86	1781.86
456 R LONGSTREET, JEFF	2024	1123.60	1123.60
1408 R LOWNEY, CAROL A	2024	999.58	999.58
544 R LUNT, KYM L	2024	362.52	362.52
766 R LYBARGER, CARLENE L	2024	1575.16	1575.16
123 R MACARTHUR, JAMES W	2024	484.42	484.42
1783 R MADORE, DAVID J	2024	246.98	246.98
448 R MALLETT, MARY	2024	711.26	711.26

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1002 R MALLEY, PATRICK KEVIN	2024	1727.80	1727.80
103 R MARIN, JEREMY C	2024	290.44	290.44
1152 R MARSHALL, BOBBI-JO M	2024	704.90	704.90
184 R MARSTON, JARED D	2024	749.42	666.75
1781 R MARTIN, TROY	2024	775.92	775.92
1857 R MAYO, MICHAEL D	2024	1264.58	1264.58
635 R McLAUGHLIN, JAY	2024	357.22	357.22
1642 R MCNAMARA, JENNIFER	2024	201.40	2.49
1383 R MECCA, VITO	2024	819.38	819.38
172 R MIDFIRST BANK	2024	1246.56	0.59
1154 R MINER, PATRICK F JR	2024	897.82	897.82
1075 R MITCHELL, CHARLES M	2024	2542.94	2542.94
1713 R MOISANT, MICHAEL J	2024	731.40	731.40
844 R MORTON, SCOTT W	2024	1997.04	1989.41
199 R MOSHIER, MINDY J	2024	510.92	510.92
744 R MUNCK, KENNETH R	2024	702.78	-258.20
1709 R MUNCK, KENNETH R	2024	2019.30	-610.68
98 R MURCHISON, DENISE P	2024	2571.56	2571.56
761 R MURCHISON, DENISE P	2024	466.40	466.40
1592 R MURCHISON, DENISE P	2024	2792.04	2792.04
862 R NEAL, LEE J	2024	602.08	602.08
1377 R NEFF, JOHN R JR	2024	850.12	850.12
874 R NELSON, FORD O	2024	2355.32	2355.32
1571 R NELSON, JAMES R	2024	309.52	309.52
1295 R NEWMAN, FREDERIC M	2024	651.90	651.90
215 R OBERHEIM, SHAWN	2024	728.22	728.22
1787 R OTIS, NANCY L & SCOTT J	2024	319.06	319.06
434 R OUELLETTE, MARK E SR & NORMA J	2024	1932.38	1932.38
LIFE TENANTS			
1414 R PAGE, CHAD	2024	681.58	681.58
1090 R PARKER, LOREN H & REBECCA A	2024	1645.12	1645.12
719 R PEASE, EDWARD C JR	2024	178.08	178.08
1140 R PEASE, MICHAEL	2024	288.32	288.32
857 R PEASE, MICHAEL C	2024	2067.00	2067.00
1662 R PELLETIER, WHITNEY R	2024	199.28	199.28
1764 R PELLETIER, WHITNEY R	2024	238.50	238.50
1026 R PENDLETON, TIMOTHY J	2024	610.56	610.56
941 R PERKINS, DARLENE R	2024	401.74	401.74
942 R PERKINS, DARLENE R	2024	287.26	287.26
1093 R PERRY, PATRICIA A	2024	1454.32	1454.32
1852 R PHILBRICK, MARK W	2024	318.00	318.00
505 R POMEROY, CHELSEA M	2024	3062.34	-211.38
1593 R POOLER, RICHARD A	2024	0.00	-1.00
982 R POOLER, ROBERT A (HEIRS)	2024	165.36	165.36
958 R POPLAWSKI, JOHN A JR	2024	744.12	744.12
300 R PRENTISS, DAVID S	2024	1882.56	1882.56
101 R PRESCOTT, HEIDI	2024	872.38	872.38
554 R PRITCHETT, PATTY (LE)	2024	1187.20	904.34
1162 R QUIMBY, FRANK R	2024	1230.66	853.43
983 R RAMSDELL, BERNARD C	2024	2847.16	2847.16
989 R RAMSDELL, EDWARD J	2024	655.08	655.08

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984 R RAMSDELL, HAROLD C JR	2024	1531.70	1531.70
1549 R RAMSDELL, MATTHEW B	2024	1832.74	1832.74
1585 R RAMSDELL, WENDELL J JR	2024	2093.50	-473.82
992 R RANDALL, WENDY J	2024	1369.52	1369.52
1544 R RICHARDS, AME L	2024	1189.32	1189.32
859 R RICHARDS, LAURIE	2024	505.62	505.62
1600 R RICHARDSON, AMBER	2024	100.70	100.70
1007 R RING, DANNY L	2024	881.92	881.92
20 R RING, DIXIE, AMES, THOMAS	2024	437.78	437.78
1008 R RING, WILLIAM W	2024	2659.54	2659.54
1442 R ROLLINS, THOMAS M, BETTY JEAN D & JASON A	2024	738.82	738.82
1511 R RUGAN, CASEY A	2024	537.42	537.42
1063 R SALSBUARY, DEREK L	2024	3253.14	3125.97
1065 R SAMUELS, GUY A	2024	879.80	879.80
459 R SCOTT, RACHAEL A	2024	314.82	0.08
1874 R SCULLY, TAMMY	2024	31.80	0.59
980 R SERIO, ARMAND C	2024	700.66	700.66
195 R SHEPARD, PAMELA L	2024	1777.62	1777.62
1691 R SHEPARD, PAMELA L	2024	296.80	296.80
1234 R SIMONEAU, BRENDA LT	2024	2404.08	2404.08
1235 R SIMONEAU, BRENDA LT	2024	927.50	927.50
283 R SIMPSON, LESLIE D	2024	1657.84	1549.72
381 R SMITH, MICHAEL	2024	1267.76	1267.76
840 R SMITH, ROGER	2024	499.26	499.26
532 R SOLL, ALLAN M	2024	558.62	558.62
533 R SOLL, ALLAN M	2024	16.96	16.96
1124 R SOLL, ALLAN M	2024	2361.68	2361.68
1125 R SOLL, ALLAN M & CANDACE L	2024	876.62	876.62
1126 R SOLL, ALLAN M & CANDACE L	2024	987.92	987.92
1822 R STARNO, SIERRA L	2024	886.16	886.16
605 R STEARNS, JASON E	2024	2342.60	2342.60
800 R STEARNS, ZACHARY E	2024	306.34	306.34
1142 R STEARNS, ZACHARY E	2024	1445.84	1445.84
395 R STETKIS, GREGORY A	2024	178.08	178.08
660 R STETKIS, GREGORY A	2024	535.30	535.30
124 R STEWART, JENNIFER M	2024	587.24	587.24
53 R STOCKMAN, KASEY	2024	330.72	330.72
1741 R STRICKLAND, RYAN W	2024	455.80	455.80
291 R STRICKLAND, WANDA, DENNIS JR., & AMBER	2024	1831.68	1831.68
1168 R SWAIN, THELMA J	2024	720.80	720.80
1796 R TAYLOR, CHARLENE	2024	156.88	156.88
1179 R TENENBAUM, EVE R	2024	2652.12	2652.12
597 R THOMAS, JOSEPH R	2024	1118.30	1118.30
1842 R THOMAS, SUSAN M	2024	1350.44	1350.44
69 R THOMPSON, MELISSA	2024	1725.68	1725.68
1471 R THOMPSON, MICHAEL	2024	280.90	280.90
1475 R THOMPSON, MICHAEL	2024	306.34	306.34
1476 R THOMPSON, MICHAEL	2024	307.40	307.40
1172 R THYNG, JAMES N	2024	2906.52	2.06

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539 R TIM FLOOD CATTLE COMPANY	2024	3287.06	3287.01
465 R TIM FLOOD CATTLE COMPANY, LLC	2024	1620.74	1620.74
540 R TIM FLOOD CATTLE COMPANY, LLC	2024	2564.14	2564.14
541 R TIM FLOOD CATTLE COMPANY, LLC	2024	3534.04	3534.04
1697 R TIM FLOOD CATTLE COMPANY, LLC	2024	524.70	524.70
309 R TOLL HOUSE PROPERTY RENTALS LLC	2024	1830.62	1386.02
686 R VILES, HUGH A	2024	234.26	234.26
1470 R VILES, HUGH A	2024	1916.48	1916.48
1872 R WARREN, DUAINÉ	2024	31.80	-1.00
834 R WAUGH, JASON A	2024	3752.40	-75.05
1260 R WEESE, KAREN	2024	175.96	175.96
405 R WESTON, BRUCE	2024	68.90	0.16
483 R WHITE, CHRISTOPHER P	2024	1677.98	1677.98
386 R WILLIAMS, JEROMY J	2024	877.68	877.68
1281 R WILLIAMSON, CODY S	2024	326.48	326.48
204 R WOLF TREE PROPERTIES, LLC	2024	293.62	280.50
747 R WOOD, PRISCILLA G	2024	419.76	419.76
1472 R WORTHING, SUSAN J	2024	891.46	891.46

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# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## Important Notice to Taxpayers

### Town of Canaan, Maine

In accordance with Title 36, MRSA Section 706-A, before making an assessment, the assessor shall give reasonable notice in writing to all persons liable to taxation in the same municipality, to furnish to the assessor true and perfect lists of all their estates, not by law exempt from taxation which they possessed on the first day of April the same year. Any person after making such notice does not furnish such lists; he is hereby barred of this right to make application to the assessor or the county commissioners for an abatement of his taxes unless he furnishes such list with his applications and satisfies that he was unable to furnish it at the time appointed.

**The Tax Collector will be in the Town Office March 27, 2025 to receive questions and comments on tax assessments. This form may be turned in to the tax collector at that time also, or at the Town Office before April 1, 2025.**

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Map \_\_\_\_\_ Lot \_\_\_\_\_

**Land and/or buildings** purchased since last April:

Description:

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#### **New Construction:**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Building** (if not completed indicate percent finished) \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any improvements to the land (in ground pool, well or septic system)

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List the number of dogs presently in your household:

\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_ Neutered Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Spayed female

This property list is mandatory from any persons claiming exemptions under the statutes as Veterans, Widows of Veterans, and the Blind. If you are one of these claimants, **you must File**

#### **This List**

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#### **Signature of property owner**

\*\* Please use an additional sheet of paper to list or record other property or comments

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## **2024 TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER REPORT**

Hi there! Let me take a moment to introduce myself as the new Tax Collector and Treasurer of Canaan. I started here in April and hit the ground running, learning and growing every day. Thank You all for your patience with me.

I want to thank Danielle McCormick and Betsy Holt for guiding me through this year, it is so appreciated! I also want to thank Denise and Sam for giving me a warm office welcome here, it has made my transition much easier. Lastly, thank you to the Select Board and my Department Heads, I could not have done this without you.

I look forward to meeting everyone and getting to know you all. Here's to a new year!

*~Rachel Huntley*

### **2024 Abatements**

- Mark & Wanda Curtis
- Jerome Dodge Jr
- John Duggan
- Sarah Gilman
- David Gustafson
- Ezra & Jeanna Ann Holt
- Kyle Johnson
- Julian Martin
- Wendell Ramsdell Jr
- Jeffrey Sanders
- Leslie Simpson
- Melissa Thompson
- Judith Winterling
- Jian Ji Wu
- Mathew York
- Mark & Lucille Young



# 2024 SELECT BOARD REPORT

*Dan Harriman – Jeff Clark – Megan Smith*



This past year the town made great advances in road improvements. As we think ahead to 2025, we have made plans to expand improvements to many roads. **Thanks to the newly established Road Committee volunteers, we have a good plan for the upcoming year.**

With what is left of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery funds we are in the beginning stages of implementing the **renovation of the Town Office**. We are in hopes this will be an easy transition for the town office staff and the towns people.

**This year the Spirit of America Award was awarded to Meta Hart.** Meta is no longer with us, but will always be part of this community in spirit.



# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## 2024 TOWN CLERK REPORT

As the Clerk for 16 years, I have seen the State incrementally mandating more and more tasks and responsibilities over to town offices. As a result, the work load and requirements for training has also increased.

In mid-October the **Animal Welfare department** began to implement a State-wide Dog registration database. This system tracks all dogs, especially dogs designated by court order as Dangerous or Nuisance dogs. The AW department had to back peddle somewhat on this because of the negative responses from Town Clerk's across the State already being tasked with immense responsibilities with the Presidential election.

### NEW TOWN OFFICE HOURS

The Town Office hours change was a bit controversial in the beginning until people realized we are working 40 hours per week (4 ten hours days) and this change **increased the availability for services by 4 hours**. Besides the hours increase, you still have **online services available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week**.

### ELECTIONS

**This was a very busy year** for elections with a Presidential Primary, Municipal Election and Annual Town Meeting all in March; State Primary and School Referendum in June; and a Presidential and State Referendum as well as another School Referendum in November. I'd like to **thank my deputy clerk's Samantha Neal and Rachel Huntley** for their great attitude and offering their assistance when they saw me coming in early, staying late and coming in over weekends to stay on top of all the Secretary of State required paperwork and deadlines. Your both greatly appreciated!

### BRIDGE DEDICATION









**Thank you to Senator Brad Farrin and all those involved in dedicating the bridge on Main Street to WWII veteran, Sgt. Richard G. Salsbury.** It is the least we could do for a Canaan Veteran who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

### SPECIAL MENTION

**Jim Herrin, you were a hoot and I miss you and Anne coming in to harass me with your matching blue fleece jackets. Meta Hart, you had a kind soul and most giving heart. You are sorely missed. Arthur Gagne, it was a privilege to be your "favorite girl" in the office.**

BIRTHS 16  MARRIAGES 19   
DEATHS 28 

## IN MEMORIAM

- Albertson, Everett 75 
- Berube, Paul 79 
- Edgerly, Dana Sr. 86
- Fitzgerald, Shelley 67
- Foss, Stephen 76 
- Fowler, Francine 70
- Gagliardi, Norma 79
- Gagne, Arthur Sr. 81 
- Gervais, Alfred 65
- Gould, Weston 63
- Gullifer, Lisa 56
- Hart, Meta 73
- Herrin, James 89
- Hubbard, Jean 83
- Hunt, Anthony 28
- Padgett, James Sr. 79 
- Paradis, Thomas 77 
- Pinkham, Shelby 33
- Pollard, Inga 63
- Price, Guy Jr. 68
- Raistrick, Janet 81
- Ramirez, Malcolm 2
- Scanlon, Brian 76
- Shaw, William 74 
- Stanley, Renate 83
- White, Steven 71 
- Williams, Ginger 51
- Wilson, Taylor 27

 VETERANS

*Dance before the music is over!*



**Live** before your life is over.

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## 2024 Animal Control Officer - Canaan, ME



It was a very busy year for me as your animal control officer. There were many trips taken, transporting dogs and cats to Waterville Humane Society. In a couple of cases Waterville was closed to drop off and I to seek outsidies alternatives.

What you as residents can do to make a huge difference is have your dogs and cats microchipped; this would make a real difference as I carry a chip reader. Make sure your phone numbers are up to date with the chip company. Also, providing clear photos of your dog or cat and post on Maine Lost Dog or Cat Recovery page on Facebook. I have reunited many pets through this forum. Also leave tags with owner name & number on collars.

The feral cat population is out of control. You as residents **MUST STOP FEEDING THESE CATS**. Your heart may be in the right place to prevent starvation, but unless these cats are spayed or neutered, they will continue to hang around the food source and find a mate which leads to more unwanted cats. There is truly no reason to let your cats outdoors but if you must have them spayed, neutered and chipped. I don't want to pick up house pets to transport. I will not trap feral cats

This was also an extremely busy year for me as your animal damage control agent. This was a huge skunk season. Not so much for woodchucks. In the spring when you see the wildlife emerging and they appear sluggish or drunk-like, they are not rabid, they are coming out of hibernation in search of food. They have babies to feed.

I trapped and transported: skunks, racoons, porcupine, squirrels, opossums and bats all removed to a safer place then your yard. I also took calls on: pigs, goats, cows and horses all returned to their owner after their short escapes.

Unfortunately, I removed many deceased deer vs car off roadways, I was able to donate some to needy families others weren't as lucky.

We had our annual rabies clinic held at the Canaan fire station. Decent turnout but there could be more residents taking advantage of this service. There are of course times when a dog can and will get loose to check out his or her surroundings. This is considered "roaming at large", that will result in court summons. In the event this happens, the first step is verbal warning, the second step is written warning, if it continues a summons to appear in court will be issued. I ask each and every person I come in contact with to not let it come to this. A summons is far from my mind.

If I trap pet cats or dogs they will be transported to Waterville, you will be responsible for all costs and fees of the humane society in order to retrieve your pet from them.

Thank you to The Somerset County office for help with certain animal complaints.

Respectfully yours, Don Decker, ANIMAL CONTROL AGENT & WILDLIFE AGENT 207 399-8135



## Road Commissioner Report

I would like to take the opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to the town of Canaan for your continued support and trust in the work that we do.

Over the past year, we have made strides in maintaining our roads, addressing repairs, and enhancing safety. Your input helps us identify areas in need of attention, prioritize projects, and ensure that our work aligns with the needs of town.

The road maintenance and improvement projects undertaken in the past year have been a great success. The Salisbury Road and Morrill Pond Road have been paved and what a great improvement!

As we look forward to the upcoming year, I am excited to continue working alongside the road committee and Select Board to prioritize work needed and to accomplish as much as budget will allow

Thank you for your support.  
It is an honor to serve as your road commissioner.

Sincerely,  
Michael Robison Jr.  
Road Commissioner, Town of Canaan

TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

**General Assistance Report**

General Assistance: *“a service administered by a municipality for the immediate aid of person who are unable to provide the basic necessities to maintain themselves or their families”*

In 2024: 1 household qualified for the following assistance:

Electricity: \$183.42

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$183.42

The department of Health and Human Services reimburses the town 70% of the expenditures which is returned to the general fund.

As being new to this position, I look forward to serving the residents of the Town of Canaan.

Respectfully submitted,

Samantha Neal  
General Assistance Administrator

TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

2024 SEXTON REPORT

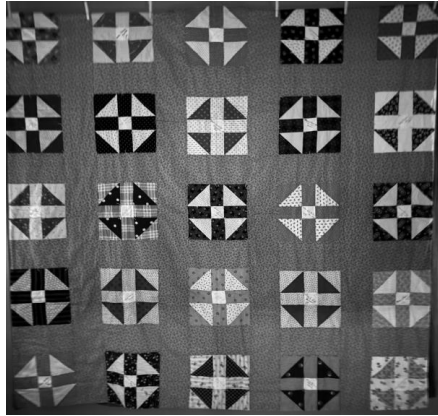
Last year, in **2024**, I worked on headstones in almost every cemetery.

This upcoming year, **2025**:

1. I will be working on more headstones;
2. Some stones need pressure washing;
3. Some work needs to be done to the building in Fairview Cemetery



## TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE



### **Canaan Historical Society 2025**

Thank you for your continued support in helping us preserve the history of Canaan. The above picture is of a Churn Dash quilt completed in 1894 by members of the Goodridge (Goodrich) and Nelson families. The signatures of those who made the quilt are in the center of each square. This quilt was donated to the Historical Society by Lorraine Robert's family in her memory and we want to express our appreciation. Lorraine was a dedicated and respected member of our Society. She was always willing to help in organizing and preserving old records, and also donated a number of Town of Canaan items of memorabilia that she had collected.

This year we are hoping to fix water damage on the porch roof and paint the Historical Society building to preserve the town's last surviving old schoolhouse.

We want to thank those who have given items to the Historical Society. We welcome contributions of anything pertaining to Canaan's history such as tools, furniture, clothing, school memorabilia, newspaper clippings, photos (which can be scanned and returned to owner if requested), etc. Please contact Jeannie Dickey at 399-4401 or Becky Sumner at 474-8941 if you have questions about contributions or someone or something in Canaan's history that you would like more information.

Thank you for your support,

Canaan Historical Society

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE



## 2024 Planning Board Report

Greetings friends and residents of Canaan,

In 2024 the Planning Board members spent the year assisting our residents with electrical hookups, Shoreland Zoning permits, a subdivision amendment, telephone / Cable hookups and other things brought before by the townspeople of Canaan.

Code Enforcement Officer Randy Gray stepped down from his position this year and Charlie Worcester has taken the duties of Canaan Code Enforcement Officer.

As a reminder to everyone, the Planning Board has all the Town of Canaan ordinances, permits, Comprehensive plan, and planning board information on the Town of Canaan website

We welcome questions and comments from the public in the new year.

### Summary of Activities

- Helped form the Property Maintenance Ordinance Mar 23, 2024
- Amended Ordinance Prohibiting Cannabis Retail May 23, 2024
- 17 Applications
- 7 Occupancy
- 2 Violations
- 1 Unsafe Conditions

With regards.

***Walter Holland***

Walter Holland, Canaan Planning Board Secretary

Please note, for the month of March, the Planning Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at the Town Office at 6 pm for the selection of Planning Board Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, First Park Representative, Kennebec Valley Council of Governments Representative and other agenda items.

Regular monthly scheduled Planning Board meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month (except for the month of March, as noted above), starting at 6 pm at the Town Office meeting room.

PLEASE NOTE: the Planning Board does schedule meetings on the fourth Wednesday of the month due to the permitting/approval process of applications as needed. ADA MESSAGE: In order to ensure your complete participation, we would appreciate being informed of any special requirements you may have due to a disability.



# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

Dear Taxpayer,

As we head into the New Year the Library would like to share with you a few of the events we were able to hold thanks to your support.

It was a busy year at the library. The summer reading program was expanded to include adults and teens this summer, with 12 teens and adults joining. We look forward to more joining us in the coming summers. In the children's summer reading program we had 25 participants, with weekly hand-on activities and a special program each month. These special programs include visits from Mr. Drew and His Animals Too, the Frogtown puppets, and Mr. Sean. A notable visitor outside of the summer reading program was the Chewonki Foundation and their owl ambassadors, to teach us more about the owls in Maine. Our notable visiting authors this year included Matt Cost, J.E. McCarthy, Jeanine Deas, and Gerry Boyle.

The Friends of the Library undertook a garden project, placing flower gardens around the front of the Library with the help and expertise of Ron Dorman. Several community members generously donated plants, loam, and other materials for this project, as well as their time. All other costs for the gardens were paid for with funds raised by the Friends group.

Our average number of library visitors most days has almost doubled over the past few years. At Easter last year the Library filled and hid 2500 eggs, with over 50 kids participating in the Easter Egg Hunt. This year we plan to increase our egg hunt to 3500 eggs. We look forward to a fun afternoon for all the kids to come and find them! Our Christmas stocking giveaway was brought to a new level this year. Thanks to donations from community members, local businesses, and other friends a total of 85 children received a gift and/or stocking, helping approximately 40 families. For a library as small as ours we feel grateful that we were able to serve so many.

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the support.

Looking forward into 2025 we are hoping to provide you with some more wonderful programs, all free of charge! These programs are paid for through a special endowment, which is earmarked for programming and other such activities so the Library does not need to utilize tax-payers dollars.

I look forward to serving you and the Town of Canaan at the Library. As always, if there is something that the Library can do to assist you or a program you would like offered please let us know, we would love to hear your suggestions.

Thank you for your support,  
Dixie Ring  
Library Director

## TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

# CANAAN FARMERS HALL CELEBRATING COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Greetings from Canaan Farmers Hall!

Last year was off to a great start in March when we were able to open our doors and hosted the Town Meeting. CFH will host the Town Meeting again this year. A FREE potluck brunch for will follow immediately after the meeting. PLEASE do join us!

We held our annual fundraiser dinner in May. It was a great crowd and a good time. We also rented out the hall for several weddings, parties, reunions and memorials at reduced rates for members. Keep the hall in mind if you need great space for an event.

In June, we hosted two barn quilt workshops with Saskia Reinholt. Saskia will offer a barn quilt workshop on June 28th this year. The workshop is open to all. Sign up early! Also in June CFH secured a \$5000 grant from the Maine Arts Commission, which allowed us to offer workshops for all Canaan Elementary students in September and October. We created a total of 28 Barn Quilt paintings. Six of them will be displayed on the Elementary School, the Fire Department, Library, Town Office, Historical Society building and CFH.

Canaan Farmers Hall also served as the umbrella for Lake George Park season passes. CFH provided 77 family passes to Canaan families at a free or reduced rate. We will offer that again this year. We do need at least 50 families signing up to qualify for the reduced rate. Please be one of those families and take advantage of our beautiful park.

Email [canaanfarmershall@gmail.com](mailto:canaanfarmershall@gmail.com) or [kathyperelka@gmail.com](mailto:kathyperelka@gmail.com) for more information and applications for Lake George Park family passes.

**Bingo will return this summer!** Tune in and watch the sign for upcoming dates.

Our beautiful hall is funded by community membership. **Please consider becoming a member for \$20 until June 20th following our calendar year.** We need community support to keep the building in good shape and to provide an affordable place for community per person per year. Membership runs from July 1 events.

Thank you all.

Respectfully submitted by the Canaan Farmers Hall Board

Kathy Perelka president  
Shannon Carlock treasurer  
Sam Sanborn  
Danny Ring

Randy Grant vice president  
Mary Stuart secretary  
Mike Perkins  
Tim Haiss

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE



**Fire and Rescue Dept.**



In 2024 the Fire & Rescue Department responded to 145 calls as follows:

Rescue	50
Structure/Chimney Fires	14
Mutual Aid to area Depts.	20
Grass/Brush Fires	16
Recreational/Auto Accidents	26
Auto/Equipment Fires	3
Storm Related	10
Misc Investigations (alarms, odor, electrical,etc.)	16

All of our members at this department continue to work and train hard to provide our community with the emergency care we need. The Town of Canaan can be very proud of this team and their efforts.

Canaan Fire and Rescue is always ready at any given moment to serve the citizens of Canaan and our surrounding communities. We would like to thank the town for all of your continued support which allows us to do the work we do.

Over the last year our roster has continued to grow as we've gained 6 members. These young men are willing, able and dependable and are proving to be great assets to our team.

We want to thank our auxiliary with their help throughout the year fundraising efforts which help this department with the equipment and education we need and in turn helps alleviate the financial burden on our taxpayers. Among some of the help the auxiliary has provided, they have helped in purchasing 3 new sets of turnout gear and we will be asking the townspeople for help in purchasing 4 more sets to replace some of our aging and worn gear, to allow our firefighters to do their job safely and effectively.

Sincerely,

Charlie Worcester, Fire & Rescue Chief

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

Code Enforcement Officer

Building Inspector

Plumbing Inspector

2024 Report

As many of you may know, Randy Gray had retired from this position in September of 2024. Randy has served the Town of Canaan as Code Enforcement Officer for 31 years. I would like to thank Randy for his dedication to this position and for doing so with humility, professionalism and firmness when needed. I wish Randy a very happy retirement.

With an incredible amount of phone calls, questions, inquiries and permits just since September, 2025 looks to be a busy year in Canaan. Taking over late in the year has made it hard to come up with exact numbers on permits, inspections, violations and so-forth. I will be sure to maintain accurate numbers for my next report.

It is important for anyone planning on earth moving projects near any body of water or wetlands must install erosion controls such as hay bales and/or silt fencing the law mandates any contractor that moves earth within nay Shoreland Zoning District must be certified in erosion and sedimentation control practices by the State of Maine DEP , they can and will impose fine of up to \$2,500 per day on any projects without proper erosion control in place.

I have worked closely with other officials including our own Selectboard, Animal Control Officer, Health Officer and Planning Board as well as outside entities such as Animal Welfare and Somerset Sheriff's Dept. on complaints and violations, which most have been greatly improved if not completely resolved without much, if any legal action. This town has a great team and together we can do great things, thank you.

I would like to thank the selectboard, planning board and the ladies in the town office for making this transition as smooth as possible and thank you for all of your help, it is greatly appreciated.

I will continue to work hard and I look forward to providing our community with the best possible service in the upcoming year.

Sincerely,

Charlie Worcester,

Code Enforcement Officer

Building and Plumbing Inspector

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## CANAAN COMMUNITY FOOD CUPBOARD Annual Report



Another year has come and gone, leaving us with the knowledge that we can overcome many obstacles. Many are all struggling to cover costs that just keep going up and up. As many try to figure out what they can do without and what they must have known that they are not alone helps.

I want to thank my volunteers for their help Linda B, Linda A, Kathleen, Kurt and Zera. I know our clients appreciate the service you provide, and I could not do this without you.

I am thankful for the donations we received this year. We could not do what we do without them. I want to thank Denise Murchison for providing meals for those who asked for them for Thanksgiving and the meals she brings to the food cupboard that our clients just need to reheat. Those meals are a favorite with many.

Donations of clothing are coming in and many have expressed positive opinions on this service. Any donation is free to those in need, I cannot bring myself to charge for things that are given to us for free as someone suggested.

I want to thank you all as taxpayers for your support of our program as we could not provide this service without your help.

In closing Thank you all again Stay safe and think positively.

Pam Hitchcock 474-5408

## TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

# CANAAN SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

The Town of Canaan sent 996.54 tons of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) to the Crossroads Landfill in Norridgewock Maine in FY 2024. This was a 0.25% increase in the number of tons from the previous year. The demolition debris disposed of, however, has increased to 49.54 tons that were disposed of at the Waterville Transfer Station from our biannual clean-up days, which is a 1.5% increase. The last solid waste category of tires was 9.24 tons disposed of at the landfill, about a 4% overall increase. Current tipping fees are increasing by 12-15% for the disposal of solid waste at all disposal sites across the State of Maine which is becoming a huge expense to you the taxpayer. It is very important to take advantage of our recycling program to help in cost reduction for our program. The Town of Canaan's recycling program saved or reused close to 200 tons of materials which saved \$20,000.00 in tipping fees for disposal at the landfill. By finding other alternatives for materials through reuse and recycling will also preserve precious space in our landfills which are getting close to capacity and may have a 10 year lifespan left. Tipping fees are only going to continue to rise sharply over the next decade. We also recovered over \$34,000 in our fee system to commercial haulers that directly saved taxpayers money. The long-term future of waste disposal is going to be even more expensive as time goes on and we need to have serious discussions now before it becomes a bigger problem. The breakdown by category of recyclables in tons is as follows: Cardboard = 26.0 Mixed Paper = 13.2 Tin Cans = 7.5 Whitepaper = 2.4 Plastics = 4.11 Glass = 9.3 Metal = 72.44 Universal Waste = 2.79 Electronics = 3.67 Composting 31.0 Textiles/Reuse = 1.2 and Wood Chips = 60tons

I would like to thank all the citizens of Canaan for their continued dedication, support, and participation in the recycling program. I will continue to work hard to find new opportunities to save you the Canaan taxpayer money for solid waste disposal.

**\*\* Reminder that our annual Clean-up weekends are April 26th & 27th and September 13th & 14th 2025 from 7am –5pm.**

**\*\*\* Also be advised that on Clean-up Weekends it is your responsibility to unload materials into the dumpsters at the direction of the attendants.**

**\*\*\*\* NEW THIS YEAR EVERYONE MUST HAVE A TICKET FROM THE TOWN OFFICE BEFORE YOU CAN DISPOSE OF ANY ITEMS!! EVERYONE WHO HAS A TICKET MAY DISPOSE OF (2) TRUCK/TRAILER LOADS OF DEBRIS AT BOTH SPRING AND FALL CLEAN-UP WEEKENDS.**

Respectfully submitted,

Don Chute  
Solid Waste/Recycling Manager

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE



Janet T. Mills  
GOVERNOR

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Dear Maine Resident:

I have always been guided by the belief that to strengthen our state, we have to invest in our greatest asset: the people of Maine. With the support of the Legislature, my Administration has been investing in what people need to succeed, like job training, child care, health care, education, broadband, and housing.

We are seeing results — small businesses are expanding their operations; people are moving here to work and raise their families; and graduates are staying in Maine to pursue rewarding, life-long careers. These are all encouraging signs that are reflected in the strength of our economy. In fact, Maine has one of the best rates of economic growth in the nation.

That's good news, but I know that not everyone is feeling the benefits of our strong economy. The cost of living in Maine, as in much of America, is too high. The price of fuel, the cost of supplies, utilities and labor have driven up expenses for families across the country and impacted the budgets of towns, counties and nearly every state, including Maine.

I want everyone to benefit from the availability of good jobs, a good public education, and good health care in our state. That is why I have put forward a balanced budget proposal that proposes some savings and certain targeted revenue increases to maintain things we all support, like the state paying 55 percent of the cost of education and 5 percent municipal revenue sharing, to keep all these costs from being passed along to property taxpayers.

We have made good progress over the past six years to ensure that every person in Maine can find a good-paying job in a rewarding and stable career; go to the doctor when they feel sick because they have health insurance; and have the peace of mind that their children are safe at home and at school.

I look forward to working with communities and citizens across the state to solve problems, manage our finances, and keep our people healthy and safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janet T. Mills".

Janet T. Mills  
Governor



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Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share several key accomplishments for our state from the previous year.

As Vice Chair of the Appropriations Committee, I have secured nearly \$580 million for 230 projects across all of Maine's 16 counties to promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; support law enforcement; improve public education and infrastructure; and protect our environment. As the new Congress begins, I am honored to be taking the helm of the Committee, the first Mainer to do so in nearly a century, and I remain committed to ensuring that federal spending produces real results for our state and nation.

Maine has the oldest average age in the country, which is why I have long prioritized health-focused legislative efforts. There were more than 1,860 health care bills introduced during the 118th Congress. Only 15 health care bills were signed into law, and I was a lead sponsor of five of them. These bills will enhance care for individuals with Alzheimer's, autism, and substance abuse issues through improved research funding, strengthened public health programs, and increased support for rural first responders.

Another important bill that I coauthored was the *Social Security Fairness Act*. Since 2003, when I led the first-ever Senate hearing on the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset, I have sought to end these provisions of the *Social Security Act* that unfairly reduce the Social Security benefits that public employees or their spouses have earned. I am pleased to say that with the passage of my bill, the *Social Security Fairness Act*, in December, public sector retirees will now receive the full Social Security benefits they have earned.

When the Maine way of life was under threat, I was certain to defend the interests of our state. I worked to protect Maine's potato farmers when the Department of Agriculture tried to reclassify the potato from a vegetable to a grain. I thwarted efforts to consolidate USPS mail operations at the Hampden postal facility, which would have disrupted mail delivery throughout our state. I sounded the alarm with leaders at the FBI and Departments of State and Treasury on the spate of illicit marijuana growing operations that are destroying properties and providing refuge to foreign criminals in our state. Following damage to our working waterfronts after last winter's storms, I secured \$15 million to help fishing communities recover. I championed funding to support the Maine Air National Guard base, Bath Iron Works, and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

As of last December, I have cast more than 9,100 consecutive votes, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997. My ranking as the most bipartisan Senator reflects Maine's tradition of working with a spirit of cooperation and respect.

My highest priority as a Senator is to ensure that Maine's needs are met. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact one of my state offices or visit my website at [collins.senate.gov](http://collins.senate.gov).

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator

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Dear Friends,

Each year comes with renewed hope – to celebrate each other’s successes and care for each other in times of need. I am thankful to each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. We always work together to get things done. This past year was no different.

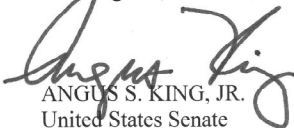
First, it was a true honor to be reelected to the United States Senate for another six-year term. Throughout my travels around the state, I heard many concerns about the cost of living and affordability of housing. Many of you also shared your concerns about access to medical and mental health services. The *Inflation Reduction Act* has been incredible for older people in Maine – Medicare is finally negotiating lower prices for prescription drugs, on top of the \$35 per month cap for insulin that took effect in 2023. We have an opportunity to build on what we have in common and do what Maine people do best; we will continue to help each other and lead through example.

I have also been consistently working to help our veterans. My team has repeatedly been successful in securing long-overdue recognition of military medals for many of Maine’s combat veterans and working to resolve issues with claims, travel pay, and access to healthcare and benefits our veterans earned through their selfless service to our country. I have also worked with my Veterans Affairs and Defense partners in Washington to successfully pass a national defense bill that strengthens our national security, takes care of our service members, and supports Maine businesses from Aroostook to York County.

I am also thankful to have such an incredible team across Maine available to you for hurdles you may face with the federal government. Whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, IRS and more, please never hesitate to reach out to my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow us the chance to be part of your solutions.

Together, over the next six years, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you — it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2025.

Best Regards,



ANGUS S. KING, JR.  
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**Jared Golden**  
Congress of the United States  
2nd District of Maine

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. Thank you for the opportunity to share an update on the work I've been doing for the people of the Second Congressional District.

**Fisheries:** This spring, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) announced a gauge increase for lobsters caught in the Gulf of Maine beginning in January 2025. Maine fishermen warned that this decision is founded on incomplete and inaccurate data. Additionally, this gauge increase could put Mainers at a competitive disadvantage to Canadian fishermen with looser regulations. That's why I sent a [letter](#) to the ASMFC urging them to delay their decision until they can evaluate data with fishermen, whose proactive stewardship provides invaluable insight. I have also submitted an amendment to this year's funding bill that would block federal funding from being used to implement and enforce a gauge increase. Because of these efforts, the ASFMC made the decision to delay the implementation of this new requirement. I'll always stand with Maine lobstermen against unfair, unnecessary regulations that threaten their livelihoods and industry.

**Veterans:** The first meeting I attended as an elected official was with a large group of veterans and the former Director of the Maine Bureau of Veterans Services. We discussed a lot, but one issue rose above the rest: how little was being done for Maine veterans who needed treatment for mental health issues or substance use. At the time, there were no in-patient treatment beds in Maine, so veterans had to wait for a bed to open up at an out-of-state facility. Fast forward 10 years, through unending red tape, and I'm delighted to report we just broke ground on a treatment facility at the Togus VA Medical Center in Augusta. This was the direct result of the tireless advocacy of veterans from across our state — this win is theirs.

**Postal Service:** This spring, the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) announced plans to consolidate and move some processing operations from the Eastern Maine Processing & Distribution Center in Hampden to Scarborough. This would have caused significant mail delivery delays that disproportionately harm rural communities. That's why I introduced the *Timely Mail Delivery and Postal Services Protection Act*, which would have halted this planned consolidation across

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the country. Following these efforts, the USPS announced they have scrapped their plan entirely. While this is a win for Maine, it is also evidence that we cannot become complacent. That's why I recently introduced the bipartisan *Postmaster General Reform Act*, which would establish term limits for the United States Postal Service's (USPS) postmaster general and require nominations to be confirmed by the Senate.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

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I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,



Jared Golden  
Member of Congress

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# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE



Bradlee T. Farrin  
Senator, District 3

THE MAINE SENATE  
132nd Legislature

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I am deeply honored and humbled to continue serving as your State Senator for a fourth term. The trust you have placed in me is something I do not take lightly. I remain committed to being a strong voice for you, your family and our community in Augusta.

As I continue my work on the Transportation Committee, I am also pleased to announce that I have been appointed to the Government Oversight Committee. In this new role I will focus on ensuring accountability in key state programs, with a particular emphasis on the Office of Child and Family Services (OCFS), as well as advocating for policies that support our veterans. Maine's veterans have sacrificed so much. I will continue to work hard to ensure they receive the care, respect and benefits they deserve.

The First Regular Session of the 132nd Maine State Legislature began on December 4, 2024 with our swearing-in ceremony led by Governor Janet Mills. It was a day filled with tradition, attended by family and friends of incoming members, as we set the stage for the work ahead.

Many of you have reached out to me about the challenges you are facing—rising costs of energy, housing, child care, concerns about education, mental health, substance abuse, workforce development and community safety. As your State Senator, I am committed to working with my colleagues to find commonsense solutions to these pressing issues.

In addition, addressing Maine's anticipated budget gap and setting priorities for the next biennium will be a significant focus this session. I am confident that, through collaboration, we can work to balance fiscal responsibility with investments in the well-being of all Mainers.

Once again, I want to thank you for re-electing me to represent you in the State Senate. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, comments or concerns. I am here to help, whether it's navigating state programs or working to address issues important to you and our community.

You can reach me at (207) 287-1505 or by email at [Brad.Farrin@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Brad.Farrin@legislature.maine.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bradlee T. Farrin".

Brad Farrin  
State Senator

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January 2024

Dear Friends & Neighbors,

It is an honor to serve as your state representative for District 69 in the Maine House of Representatives for the 132st Legislature. Representing the citizens of Canaan at the Statehouse on issues important to our region is a great privilege. I look forward to continuing my work and addressing the many public policy challenges that lie ahead.

I encourage you to provide me your thoughts and concerns on the issues that are important to you. Using the legislative homepage: [Legislature.Maine.Gov](http://Legislature.Maine.Gov) you can monitor all legislative proposals being worked on at the State House. From here you can browse bill summaries and roll call votes, view session and public hearing schedules, listen to committee hearings or watch live streaming video of the House and Senate. You can also access committee hearings via Zoom, where you can observe or testify on a bill

During this Session, I continue to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry. This Committee is vital for our region as we engage on a variety of matters including agricultural fairs, animal welfare, the dairy industry, farmland preservation, the Dept. of Conservation, state parks, public lands, Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC), forest management, the Land for Maine's Future Program and Baxter State Park.

If you have an interest in receiving my e-newsletter updates, please send your email address to [Dean.Cray@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:Dean.Cray@legislature.maine.gov) to be added to my distribution list. Also, please never hesitate to call me at 478-8279 to keep me updated on your questions and concerns. It is through your input that I can best represent the interests of our region in the Maine Legislature.

Again, thank you for providing me the honor of serving you in Augusta!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dean A. Cray".

Dean A. Cray

State Representative

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# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## NOTES OF PROCEDURE & TOWN MEETING WARRANT

The MODERATOR presides over Town Meeting in accordance with MRSA Title 30A §2524. The Moderator further facilitates the meeting in accordance with MMA's Maine Moderators Manual

### REGISTERED VOTERS MUST CHECK IN WITH THE REGISTRAR

- **PROCEDURE:** The Moderator will read each article aloud and ask if someone will make a motion on the article; usually someone will respond “so moved” then “second”. The Moderator will then open discussion on the motion.
- **Amendments:** An amendment may be motioned and seconded to propose a change to an article; please note capped articles with specific monetary amount(s) contained in the wording are limited in that **they can only be decreased, not increased**. If an amendment does not pass, then the original motion is voted upon. **Ordinances cannot be amended from the floor. Yes or No written vote.**
- **Voting:** The Moderator will ask for a show of hands, if required – please keep your hand raised until Moderator (and his/her designees) have concluded counting. A vote for “all in favor” means – yes, you want the motion to pass, “all opposed” means – no, you want the motion to fail.  
**Challenges:** A voter who wishes to challenge the Moderator’s determination should immediately seek to be recognized and state “I doubt it”; if at least six other voters agree; the Moderator will make the determination more certain by using a designated other method of voting.
- **Written ballots:** any voter can move an article to be voted on by written ballot any time before the article is voted upon, the motion must be seconded, **no discussion is allowed** before voting on the motion to vote by written ballot.
- **If you wish to speak on an article:** wait until the Moderator has opened the floor to public comment discussion; raise your hand – when the Moderator has recognized you, then you may speak or proceed to a microphone if one is provided
  - State your name for the record & whom you represent if applicable
  - **Direct commentary or questions directly to the Moderator**
  - State your business in a brief & concise manner; relevant to the current article/motion
  - The Moderator has the right to set a time limit for comments, and overall on a motion
- **Order, Prohibitions:**
  - The Moderator will not entertain public comment about specific individuals.
  - Personal or accusatory comments are out of order; comments should be respectful and courteous.
  - **At no time will the public be allowed to argue, debate or introduce a topic that is not on the warrant.**
  - **Voters & attendees may not speak during Town Meeting unless recognized by the Moderator:** the audience shall not disturb the proceedings by whispering, talking or otherwise engaging in other distractions. **Cellular phones must be turned off; with the exception of emergency responders.**
  - If any person, after a command for order by the Moderator, continues to act in a disorderly manner, the Moderator may direct that person to leave the meeting. If the person refuses to leave, the Moderator may have that person removed until the meeting is adjourned.

**Special Note: The following is the “Proposed Warrant”. There are occasions where legally there could be Warrant articles added, edited or deleted from what has been printed in the Town Report. Therefore: in accordance with MRSA Title 30-A§2523, please check the legal posting of the Warrant seven days prior to Town Meeting posted at: Town Office, Canaan Post Office and Canaan Superette.**

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

## SECRET BALLOT ELECTION AND TOWN MEETING WARRANT

**TO:** Diane Caffyn, Resident of the Town of Canaan, County of Somerset

### GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Canaan, in said county, qualified to vote in town affairs to meet and assemble at the **CANAAN FARMERS HALL on Saturday, the 22nd day of March, 2025 at 9:00am** in the morning then and there to act on the following articles:

And, to notify and warn said inhabitants to assemble at the **Canaan Town Hall on Monday, the 24<sup>TH</sup> day of March, from 8:00 am** then and there to act upon **Article 2 by secret ballot** as set out below, the **polling hours therefore to be from 8:00 am until 7:00 pm.**

**ART. 1** : To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

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**ART. 2** : To elect all necessary town officers by secret ballot.

To choose by ballot, the following town officials, namely, one **Select Board/Assessor** for a **one year term**; one **Select Board /Assessor** for a **two year term**; one **Select Board/Assessor** for a **three-year term**; one **Road Commissioner** for a **one year term**; five **Planning Board Members** for a **two year term** and one **MSAD #54 School Board Member** for a **3 year term.**

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**ART. 3** : Shall an ordinance entitled **Town of Canaan Chapter20: Prohibiting Cannabis Retail Establishments and Cannabis Social Clubs**, replace the previously Amended Ordinance **Prohibiting Retail Cannabis Establishments and Retail Cannabis Social Clubs?**

## TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE Chapter 20: Prohibiting Cannabis Retail Establishments and Cannabis Social Clubs

### Article I: Adult Use Cannabis Establishments

#### §20-1 Authority

This article is enacted pursuant to the Adult Use Cannabis Act, M.R.S. Title 28-B, Subchapter 4 and Municipal Home Rule Authority, Me. Const., art. VIII, pt. 2; and 30-A

# TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE

M.R.S.A § 3001.

## **§20-2 Purpose**

The State Legislature, through the adoption of PL 2017 c. 409, the Marijuana Legislation Act and later the Adult Use Cannabis Law, requires municipalities to “opt-in” or vote to allow certain activities and facilities associated with adult use cannabis if the municipality wants to allow such activities to operate in the municipality. The Town of Canaan decided that adult use cannabis facilities (including manufacturing, testing, commercial cultivation, social club, and retail) are not appropriate facilities for Canaan. The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide for and regulate adult use cannabis establishments as defined in this Ordinance and by the State of Maine under the Adult Use Cannabis Act, M. R. S. Title 28-B, Subchapter 4 (definitions are in subchapter 1).

## **§20-3 Definitions**

### **Adult use cannabis establishment**

An adult use cannabis cultivation facility, an adult use cannabis products manufacturing facility, an adult use cannabis store, an adult use cannabis social club or an adult use cannabis testing facility.

### **Cannabis**

The leaves, stems, flowers and seeds of a cannabis plant, whether growing or not. “Cannabis” includes cannabis concentrate but does not include hemp as defined in Title 7, section 2231, subsection, 1-A, paragraph D or a cannabis product.

### **Cannabis Store**

A facility licensed under M.R.S. Title 28-B to purchase and sell adult use cannabis, immature cannabis plants, seedlings from a cultivation facility, and adult use cannabis products from a products manufacturing facility to consumers.

### **Cannabis Testing Facility**

A public or private laboratory that

- A. Is authorized in accordance with M.R.S. Title 22, Ch. 558-C, section 2433-A, subsection 10 to analyze contaminants in and the potency and cannabinoid profile of samples; and
- B. Is accredited pursuant to standard ISO/IEC 17025 of the International Organizations for Standardization by a 3<sup>rd</sup>-party accrediting body or is certified, registered or accredited by an organization approved by the department.



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## **Cultivation facility**

A facility licensed under M.R.S. Title 28-B to purchase cannabis plants and seeds from other cultivation facilities; to cultivate, prepare and package adult use cannabis; to sell adult use cannabis products to manufacturing facilities, to cannabis stores and to other cultivation facilities; and to sell cannabis plants and seeds to other cultivation facilities and immature cannabis plants and seedlings to cannabis stores.

## **Manufacturing or manufacture**

The production, blending, infusing, compounding or other preparation of cannabis and cannabis products, including but not limited to, cannabis extraction or preparation by means of chemical synthesis.

## **Products manufacturing facility**

A facility licensed under M.R.S. Title 28-B to purchase cannabis from a cultivation facility or another products manufacturing facility; to manufacture, label and package cannabis and cannabis products; and to sell cannabis and cannabis products to cannabis stores and to other products manufacturing facilities.

## **§20-4 Prohibition on adult use cannabis establishments**

Adult use cannabis establishments are expressly prohibited in the town of Canaan.

## **§20-5 Effective date; duration.**

This article shall take effect immediately upon enactment by the municipal legislative body unless otherwise provided and shall remain in effect until it is amended or repealed.

## **§20-6 Violations and Penalties**

This article shall be enforced by the municipal officers or their designee. Violations of this article shall be subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. § 4452.

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## TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE Chapter 20: Prohibiting Cannabis Retail Establishments and Cannabis Social Clubs

### Article II: Medical Use Cannabis Establishments

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **§20-7 Authority**

This article is enacted pursuant to the Medical Use of Cannabis Act, M.R.S. Title 22 and Municipal Home Rule Authority, Me. Const., art. VIII, pt. 2; and 30-A M.R.S.A § 3001.

#### **§20-8 Purpose**

This ordinance does not authorize the operation of medical use cannabis manufacturing facilities and medical cannabis testing facilities. In addition, this ordinance does not authorize the operation of any adult use cannabis establishment. The purpose of this article is also to prevent the location of such establishments in close proximity to schools, day care centers, houses of worship, public parks or recreational areas, or other medical cannabis establishment(s).

The operation of a medical cannabis caregiver within their primary residence, or in the primary residence of one or all its officers or managers, is exempt from the licensing requirements of this ordinance. Nothing in this article is intended to prohibit any lawful use, possession, or conduct pursuant to the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Act, 22 M.R.S.A. c. 558-C

#### **§20-9 Definitions**

##### **Cannabis**

The leaves, stems, flowers and seeds of a cannabis plant, whether growing or not. "Cannabis" includes cannabis concentrate but does not include hemp as defined in Title 7, section 2231, subsection, 1-A, paragraph D or a cannabis product.

##### **Caregiver retail store**

A store that has attributes generally associated with retail stores, including but not limited to, a fixed location, a sign, regular business hours, accessibility to the public and sales of goods and services directly to a consumer, and that is used by a registered caregiver to offer cannabis plants or harvested cannabis for sale to qualifying patients.

##### **Manufacturing facility (Medical)**

A registered tier 1 or tier 2 manufacturing facility or a person authorized to engage in cannabis extraction under M.R.S. Title 22, Ch. 558-C, section 2423-F.

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## **Medical use cannabis establishment**

A medical use cannabis caregiver store or a medical use cannabis dispensary that operates in a location that is not the caregiver's primary residence, or in the case of a caregiver that is a registered entity, the primary residence of any of the entity's officers, partners, managers, or members. A medical cannabis establishment does not include a medical marijuana manufacturing facility or a medical marijuana testing facility, neither of which are authorized to operate in the Town of Canaan.

## **Medical use**

The acquisition, possession, cultivation, manufacture, use, delivery, transfer or transportation of cannabis or paraphernalia relating to the administration of cannabis to treat or alleviate a qualifying patient's medical diagnosis or symptoms for which a medical provider has provided the qualifying patient a written certification under M.R.S. Title 22, Ch. 558-C.

## **Registered medical use dispensary**

An entity registered under M.R.S. Title 22, Ch. 558-C, section 2425-A that acquires, possesses, cultivates, manufactures, delivers, transfers, transports, sells, supplies or dispenses cannabis plants or harvested cannabis or related supplies and educational materials to qualifying patients and caregivers of those patients.

## **§20-10 Applicability**

This ordinance applies to medical use cannabis establishments. Home cultivation of adult use or medical marijuana for personal use is exempt from the licensing requirements of this ordinance.

## **§20-11 Permitted Establishments**

Only cannabis establishments specifically authorized by an "opt-in" vote at a legally held Town Meeting shall be permitted. On March 25th, 2024, the town voted to "opt-in" to the retail sales of medical cannabis products. All other cannabis establishments are not permitted.

A maximum of two (2) medical cannabis establishments shall be permitted at any one time in the Town of Canaan. If a medical cannabis establishment license becomes available through revocation, forfeiture or expiration, it shall be awarded on a first-come-first-served basis to the individual or entity having first submitted a complete license application that satisfies all applicable approval standards within this ordinance. Notwithstanding this provision, if the business assets of a medical cannabis establishment are being transferred by sale to another individual or entity through purchase or otherwise, the purchaser shall have sixty (60) days after closing of the transaction to apply for a new license, and one hundred twenty (120) days after closing of the transaction to receive a new license without losing entitlement to a license for the medical cannabis establishment.

## **§20-12 License Required**

- A. A medical use cannabis establishment shall not operate until it is licensed by the state. An applicant may not operate a cannabis establishment without a state license and all other necessary local approvals.

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- B. No person shall establish, operate or maintain a medical use cannabis establishment without first obtaining an annual license from the Select Board.
- C. The Select Board may only issue one (1) total annual medical use cannabis establishment license to a single business, individual or owner. For the purpose of this restriction, a “business” or “owner” shall include a separate business entity where the majority of ownership interests are held by the same individual(s) or entity/entities.
- D. The Select Board is authorized to issue no more than three (3) annual medical cannabis use establishment licenses in accordance with this ordinance.
- E. Licenses issued pursuant to this ordinance are not transferable following a change in ownership of the licensee or a change in location of the licensed activity. Any change in ownership or change in officers of an owner of a medical use establishment shall have priority of review to maintain the issued license, provided that a completed license application is submitted prior to the change of ownership.
- F. Medical use establishment licenses shall be administered on a first-come, first-serve basis based upon the date the application is deemed complete.

### **§20-13 Nonconforming/Grandfathered Uses and Activities**

- A. The standards of Section §180-13 Site Requirements are not applicable to licensing process of grandfathered or non-conforming activities so long as any grandfathered or non-conforming use of this ordinance obtains a license within 6 months of the adoption of this Ordinance.
- B. If a non-conforming use or business is terminated by the owner/operator and is discontinued for twelve consecutive months, such use shall no longer be permitted. Abandonment shall constitute discontinuance. Any conforming use housed in a building or structure destroyed by fire, or other cause to the extent 50% or more of the market value of the structure before such damage or destruction, shall be presumed to be forfeited at the time of the damage, and such use shall not be resumed, unless reconstruction is started within eighteen (18) months

### **§20-14 Site Requirements**

- A. No medical cannabis establishment shall be sited within 1500' of safe zones designated by the Town of Canaan in accordance with state law, 30-A MRSA section 3253.
- B. No medical cannabis establishment governed by this ordinance may be sited in the Shoreland Zone, or in a Floodplain or Wetland or any other area(s) controlled by ordinance restrictions.
- C. All establishments will be designed in such a way to minimize the impact on neighboring properties and public services. New medical cannabis establishments must adhere to the submission requirements outlined in the Canaan Site Plan Review Ordinance (if required).

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## §20-15 Licensing procedures

- A. The initial application for a medical cannabis establishment license shall be processed by the Select Board but reviewed and considered by the Select Board for approval. Applications shall be made on a form prepared by the town and must include all information required by Section §180-12 Application and of the form.
- B. A public hearing on an application for an initial license shall be scheduled within thirty (30) days of receipt of a completed application.
- C. The Code Enforcement Officer (CEO), within fifteen (15) days of application receipt, shall verify that the proposed premises of the establishment will comply with this article and with all other applicable State and local laws and regulations and the report findings in writing to the Select Board.
- D. An annual renewal application shall be subject to the same review standards as applied to the initial issuance of the license application; however, a renewal application may be approved by the Select Board and CEO if there have been no code violations or complaints.
- E. The Select Board shall be responsible for the initial investigation of the application to ensure compliance with the requirements of this article. The Select Board may consult with other departments and any appropriate State Licensing Authority as part of this investigation.
- F. The Select Board shall have the authority to impose any conditions on a license that may be necessary to ensure compliance with the requirements of this article or to address concerns about operations that may be resolved through the conditions. The failure to comply with such conditions shall be considered a violation of the license.
- G. No local license shall be granted until the Select Board and CEO have both made a positive recommendation upon the Applicant's ability to comply with this article. Whenever inspections of the premises used for or in connection with the operation of a licensed business are provided for or required by ordinance or State law, it shall be the duty of the applicant or licensee, or the person in charge of the premises to be inspected, to admit any officer, official, or employee of the Town authorized to make the inspection at any reasonable time that admission is requested.

## §20-16 Application

- A. Each applicant for a medical use cannabis establishment license shall complete and file an application on a form obtained from the Town Office, together with the license fee.
- B. Each application shall include:
  - a. A copy of the applicant's state license application and supporting documents as filed with the State Licensing authority.
  - b. Evidence of all state approvals or conditional approvals required to operate a medical use cannabis establishment.

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- c. If not included in the applicant's state license application, attested copies of the articles of incorporation and bylaws if the applicant is a corporation, operating agreement if the applicant is a limited liability company, evidence of partnership if the applicant is a partnership, or articles of association and bylaws if the applicant is an association.
- d. If not included in the applicant's state license application, an affidavit that identifies all owners, officers, members, managers, or partners of the applicant, their places of residence at the time of the application and for the immediately preceding three (3) years.
- e. Furnish information with the application (i.e. date of birth and social security number) necessary to allow the Town to perform criminal background checks on the application and each officer, owner, manager or partner of the applicant.
- f. Submit evidence of right, title or interest in the premises in which the medical use cannabis establishment will be sited, along with the written consent of the owner of the premises for such use if the applicant is not the owner.
- g. Submit proof of insurance with coverage limits meeting the requirements set forth in the application form.
- h. Evidence of all land use approvals or conditional land use approvals required, as necessary, including but not limited to a building permit and site plan approval.
- i. An operating plan that at minimum address the following:
  - i. Description of nature of all products and services
  - ii. Operating hours
  - iii. Disposal of waste
  - iv. Ventilation and odor
  - v. Parking
  - vi. Landscaping
  - vii. Signage and how it conforms with town and state guidelines for medical cannabis establishments.

### **§20-17 License Expiration and Renewal**

- A. Each local license issued shall be effective for one (1) year from the date of issuance.
- B. Annual renewal applications must be submitted thirty (30) days prior to the date of expiration of the annual local license. An application for renewal of an expired license shall be reviewed by the CEO and Select Board. The renewal may be

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approved by CEO and Select Board if the applicant is deemed in good standing with the articles of this ordinance and all other applicable local and state ordinances and licensing requirements. The applicant for renewal may be elevated to review by the Select Board if either the CEO or the Select Board deems it needs additional review.

## **§20-18 License Fee**

The Select Board shall have the authority to set license fees and set a limit on the number of licenses granted to medical cannabis establishment. Fees for a local license shall be as set forth by the Select Board, added to the Town of Canaan Fee Schedule, and shall be paid annually.

A fee of \$1500.00 would be required for establishments measuring up to 2500 square feet, A fee of \$3000.00 would be required for establishments measuring 2501 square feet up to 5000 square feet. Any establishments measuring 5001 to 10000 square feet would require a fee of \$6000 annually.

## **§20-19 Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of License**

A license may be denied to the following persons:

- A. A person who fails to meet the requirements of this article. Where an applicant is an entity rather than a natural person, all-natural persons with an ownership interest must meet these requirements.
- B. The applicant has submitted an incomplete application, knowingly made an incorrect statement of a material nature, or failed to supply additional information required by the Town that is reasonably necessary to determine whether the license is issuable.
- C. An applicant who is not at least twenty-one (21) years of age.
- D. A person who has had a license for a cannabis establishment revoked by the town or by the State
- E. An applicant who has not acquired all necessary state approvals and other required local approvals prior to the issuance of a local license.
- F. An applicant who has been convicted of a criminal violation arising out of operation of a cannabis establishment.
- G. The town may suspend or revoke a license for any violation of this section or any other applicable building-related and life safety code requirements. The town may suspend or revoke a license if the licensee has a State license for a cannabis establishment suspended or revoked by the State. The licensee shall be entitled to notice and a hearing to any suspension or revocation.

## **§20-20 Right of Access Inspection**

Every medical cannabis use establishment licensee shall allow law enforcement officers and the Canaan CEO to enter the premises at reasonable times for the purpose of checking compliance with all applicable State Laws and this ordinance.

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## §20-21 Operating Requirements

The licensee shall comply with all the following requirements during the term of the license:

- A. Current license shall be always displayed in an open and conspicuous place in the establishment for which the license has been issued.
- B. All licensed premises shall be permanent locations. Licensees shall not be permitted to operate a medical cannabis establishment in a temporary or mobile location.
- C. A medical cannabis establishment shall meet all operating and other requirements of State, local, and federal law and regulation. To the extent the State of Maine has adopted or adopts in the future any stricter law or regulation governing cannabis establishments, the stricter law or regulation shall control.

## §20-22 Enforcement

The owner of the premises on or in which the medical cannabis establishment is located, who is not the licensee of the medical cannabis establishment, is jointly and severally liable with the licensee for any violation of this Ordinance. This Ordinance shall be enforced by the CEO, in conjunction with the Select Board. In any court action, the Town may seek injunctive relief in addition to penalties. If court action is required to enforce this Article, the Town shall be awarded its enforcement costs, including reasonable attorney fees

## §20-23 Violations and Penalties

Any violations of this ordinance, including failure to comply with any conditions, may be enforced in accordance with 30-A M.R.S.A. § 4452. Every day a violation exists constitutes a separate violation. Operation of any medical use cannabis establishment without a town license shall be a violation of this Ordinance. Any party committing such a violation shall immediately cease operations, whether of a construction, renovation, or business nature, upon notification by the CEO. Upon such CEO notification, and failure of the licensee or other individual or business to take the required remedial action in a timely manner, the Town can pursue fines and/or penalties under 30-A M.R.S.A. § 4452.

## §20-24 Severability

If any section, phrase, sentence or portion of this Article is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, district and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

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**ART. 4 :** To see if the Town will adopt for collection of taxes in the year **2025**; all taxes are due and payable upon commitment; advance or partial payments may be made; to allow a **2%** discount on all taxes paid in full within **30 days**; charge interest at the rate of **7.5%** per annum after **30 days** from the date of mailing; all taxes outstanding on **January 31, 2026** will be listed in the Town Report.



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**ART. 5 :** To see if the Town will vote to require the municipal officers to provide the former owner(s) of tax-acquired property, or if deceased his/her/their heirs, personal representative or devisees 30 days to repurchase the property for a price equal to all outstanding taxes, interest, fees and costs; if no repurchase occurs, the municipal officers may sell the property through the sale process required by 36 M.R.S. §943-C. If the board is unable to list or sell the property as required by §943-C(3), the board may sell the property through a competitive sealed bid process in which a notice advertising sale of the property shall be published at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. For sales to someone other than the former owner, excess sale proceeds, as defined in 36 M.R.S. §943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.

**ART. 6 :**

- A. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the tax collector or treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. §506.
- B. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the assessors the use of overlay to pay for abatements.
- C. Shall the Town vote to authorize the treasurer to collect plumbing permit fees from the plumbing inspector and in turn pay the State for such fees.
- D. To see if the Town will approve 2/12 of the budget for the **2026** fiscal year, making expenditure of funds legal during February and March **2026**.
- E. To see if the Town will vote to continue to honor the “Inter-local Agreement” with the State of Maine’s Bureau of Parks and Lands to operate and manage Lake George Regional Park. (Skowhegan-Canaan Inter-Local, twenty-year, Agreement passed at the 2018 Annual Town Meeting).
- F. To see if the inhabitants of the Town of Canaan will vote to turn over to **Lake George Corporation the State of Maine’s payment in lieu of taxes for 2025**, should they be reinstated to the Town of Canaan in the next year (they were rescinded by the State in 2018).
- G. To see if the inhabitants of the Town of Canaan will vote to allocate the snowmobile registration money received from the State of Maine for the upkeep and maintenance of trails, and to allocate any other funds received from grants designated to snowmobiling to the Canaan Bog Bouncers.
- H. To see if the Town will vote to approve a Community Development Block Grant Application and submit said applications to the Department of Economic and Community Development.
- I. To see if the Town will vote to hire equipment at state rates.
- J. To see if the Town will authorize the treasurer to collect fees & fines associated with animal control actions and apply said fees & fines to the animal control expense account.

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**ART. 7 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$524,582.47** for Town Expenses.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows.*

**The following article includes a new position, Life Safety Director, encompassing several positions that were previously included in separate budget articles: Fire Chief/Administrator; EMA Director; E911 Officer; Solid Waste Manager; Code Enforcement/Plumbing Inspector.**

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
(3) SELECTMEN/ASSESSORS	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
TOWN CLERK + Clerk Fees	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,525.00
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,025.00
EXCISE TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 35,370.00	\$ 35,370.00
ELECTIONS	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 8,500.00
TREASURER, TAX COLLECTOR, SECRETARY	\$ 42,640.00	\$ 44,010.00
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (CEO)	\$ 17,000.00	\$ -
LIFE SAFETY DIRECTOR	\$ -	\$ 65,000.00
CODE ENFORCEMENT EDUCATION	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
CEO/SOLID WASTE - SECRETARY (last year \$1700 + \$2500)	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 2,500.00
GENERAL ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 6,200.00
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
G.A. ADMINISTRATION EDUCATION & DUES	\$ 130.00	\$ 620.00
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 8,000.00
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SUPPLIES	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
ANIMAL SHELTER	\$ 4,304.16	\$ 4,846.53
NUISANCE WILDLIFE REMOVAL	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00
TOWN OFFICE-GENERAL SUPPLIES & EXPENSES	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
TOWN OFFICE- ASSISTANT(S) WAGES	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 26,000.00
TOWN OFFICE UTILITIES	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,500.00
TOWN OFFICE EDUCATION	\$ 500.00	\$ 700.00
TOWN OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,900.00
TOWN OFFICE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
INSURANCE	\$ 33,710.00	\$ 41,125.00
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$ 12,719.00	\$ 13,710.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 44,000.00
MAINE PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE	\$ -	\$ 2,600.00
TRIO SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT	\$ 16,165.78	\$ 21,625.94
TAX DISCOUNT	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 38,000.00
ASSESSING	\$ 26,800.00	\$ 27,400.00
LEGAL EXPENSE	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
<b>2025 AUDIT</b>	<b>\$ 8,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,400.00</b>
MMA DUES	\$ 3,158.00	\$ 3,323.00
KVCOG DUES	\$ 2,882.00	\$ 2,940.00
FIRST PARK	\$ 7,445.00	\$ 7,187.00
STREET LIGHTS	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 4,000.00
FOOD CUPBOARD	\$ 11,096.00	\$ 12,325.00
FOOD CUPBOARD SITE BUILDING FUND	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
CHILDRENS SPORTS SKOWHEGAN REC PROGRAM	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,400.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 431,769.94</b>	<b>\$ 524,582.47</b>

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**ART. 8 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$18,100.00** for summer Camp Podooc for Canaan children in grades 1-6 implemented at **LAKE GEORGE REGIONAL PARK** for **Two 2 Week programs** (*placement by grade*) for **up to 85 children**.

**ART. 9 :** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to transfer an amount not to exceed **\$25,000.00** for unexpected and unforeseen expenditures **from surplus into a contingency fund**. Any use of this contingency arrangement must be voted on at a Select Board meeting and the expenditures made will be listed in the subsequent annual town report.

**ART. 10 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,500.00** for **PLANNING BOARD** expenses.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
Chairperson	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Secretary	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Members	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00
General Expense & Hearings	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>

**ART. 11 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the **Road Commissioner \$30.00** per hour, not to exceed **\$64,800.00** per fiscal year. Road crew and miscellaneous labor up to the rate of **\$23.50** per hour. Truck driver-equipment operator up to **\$25.00** per hour.

**ART. 12 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$250,000.00** for continued **Road Improvements projects to include, but not limited to, improvements to Pinnacle Rd, Browns Corner Rd, Henshaw Road (gravel), and Lancaster Rd (one section)**, and other road improvement projects the Select Board and/or Road Commissioner deem in the best interest of the town.

**ART. 13 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$100,000.00** to be placed in a reserve account toward the purchase of **highway department motorized equipment** to be decided on by the Road Commissioner and approved by the Select Board.

*Note: Last years \$100,000.00 raised plus this \$100,000.00 will be used as a down payment for a new 2025 plow truck.*

**ART. 14 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,665.25** to pay a **4-year lease** on a **2025 plow truck**.

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**ART. 15 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$212,200.00** for **Winter Road Maintenance**.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
Labor	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Salt & Sand	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Gas/Diesel/Oil	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00
Hired Equipment & Towing	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Garage Maintenance	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 4,700.00
Garage Supplies	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Utilities	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 212,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 212,200.00</b>

**ART. 16 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$157,700.00** for **Summer Road Maintenance**.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
Labor	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Hired Equipment & Towing	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Gravel/Sand/Geo-Textile	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Culverts	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Pavement Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Dust Control	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Gas/Diesel/Oil *	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Tires	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Education	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Signs/Posts/Mulch Hay	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
911 Road Signs	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Roadside Brush Cutting, Mowing & Removal	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 157,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 157,700.00</b>

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**ART. 17 :** To see if the Town will vote to approve a general obligation **five-year bond** of up to **\$1,000,000.00** for **continued road improvements to begin in 2026** to include, but not limited to, Sand Rd.; Tropical Fish Rd.; Shady Lane; Easy St.; Nelson Hill Rd.; and Strickland Rd.

**Note: If this is approved, there will be no road improvement budget articles required in the upcoming annual warrants for the next five years unless emergency funding requires as such.**

## TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT (30-A MRS§ 5772 (2-A))

1. Total Town Indebtedness:	\$ 0.00
Bonds Outstanding and unpaid:	\$ 0.00
Bonds Authorized/not yet issued:	\$ 0.00
Bonds to be issued if this Question is approved:	\$ 1,000,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,000,000.00
2. Estimated Debt Service Costs: At an estimated interest rate of 3.36 %, the estimated costs to finance this Project over a term of 5 years are:	
Principal:	\$ 1,000,000.00
Interest:	\$ 98,789.00
Total Debt Service to be paid through maturity:	\$ 1,098,789.00

3. Validity: The validity of the bond and the voters' ratification of the bond may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service or 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.

Rachel Huntley,  
Treasurer for Municipality of Canaan

**Note: Select Board recommends passage of this article.**

**ART. 18 :** To see if the Town will accept perpetual care from the following:

**Walter Stinson \$200.00**

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**ART. 19 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$46,300.00** for **CEMETERIES**.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
General Care of Cemeteries	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 43,000.00
Soldier Lots	\$ 500.00	\$ 700.00
Restore Headstones (non-perpetual)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,200.00
Maintain Cemetery Roads	\$ 300.00	\$ -
Utilities	\$ 360.00	\$ 400.00
Fence	\$ -	\$ -
Building	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 28,160.00</b>	<b>\$ 46,300.00</b>

**ART. 20 :** To see if the Town will vote to pay the **Sexton \$26.50** per hour and **helpers \$18.00 - \$20.00**.

**ART. 21 :** To see if the town will raise or appropriate **\$65,030.40** for municipal health insurance for full-time employees (amount based on four full time employees).

**ART. 22 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$72,100.00** for the **LIBRARY**.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
General	\$ 19,160.00	\$ 21,650.00
Librarian Director Salary	\$ 24,700.00	\$ 26,000.00
Personnel	\$ 23,400.00	\$ 24,450.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 67,260.00</b>	<b>\$ 72,100.00</b>

**ART. 23 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,500.00** to be placed in a reserve account for future repairs to the **LIBRARY**.

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**ART. 24 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,780.00** for **CANAAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.**

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
Electricity	\$ 440.00	\$ 700.00
Lawn Mowing	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00
Museum Supplies	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00
Fire Extinguisher Inspection	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 1,520.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,780.00</b>

**ART. 25 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,500.00** for painting and repairs of the historical society building.

**ART. 26 :** To see if the Town will approve the acceptance of **donations for the Canaan Historical Society** to be **placed in a reserve account** for memorabilia and repair expenses for the Historical Society building.

**ART. 27 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$72,100.00** for the **CANAAN FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
Fire Chief	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -
Department Expense - General	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 15,600.00
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Assistant Chief (1)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Captains (2)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
EMS Administrator	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Firefighter Nominal Fee/Stipend	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Firemen/Rescue Equipment & Training, Immunization & Fire Prevention Week	\$ 23,100.00	\$ 23,500.00
Matching Funds	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Equipment/Truck Maintenance	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
Fire Chief Personal Truck Used for Dept. Business	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 84,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 72,100.00</b>

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**ART. 28 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$100,000.00** to be placed in a reserve account toward the purchase of **Fire Department motorized equipment** to be decided on by the Fire Chief and approved by the Select Board.

**ART. 29 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$16,800.00** for the purchase of (4) four full sets of Structural Turnout Gear.

**ART. 30 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$132,000.00** for **SOLID WASTE REDUCTION**.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
Solid Waste Reduction Board Manager	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
SWR Manager Assistant	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
SWR Secretary	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
General Expense	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Waste Collection Weekends	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -
Utilities	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Labor	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal/MSW Tipping Fee	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 85,000.00
Recycling Center Lease	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 15,000.00
Contingency Fund	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Pittsfield Recycling Site User Fee	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Site Building Fund	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
Septic Disposal	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 152,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 132,000.00</b>

**ART. 31 :** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$16,380.00** for **NON-PROFITS**.

*Note: For the information of the voters, if this amount is approved, the Select Board will use the funds as follows:*

	2024 Raised	2025 Request
American Red Cross	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Family Violence Project	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 4,100.00
Hospice Volunteers of Somerset County	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
Kennebec Behavioral Health Center	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
KVCAP Transportation Services	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Maine Public Broadcasting Network	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Maine Chapter of National Alliance on Mental Illness	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Northern Light Home Care & Hospice	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Senior Spectrum Generations	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,102.50
Sexual Assault Crisis & Support Center	\$ 768.00	\$ 768.00
Sweetser Mental Health Recovery Education	\$ -	\$ 500.00
The Children's Center	\$ 1,211.50	\$ 1,211.50
The Lifeflight Foundation	\$ 548.25	\$ 548.00
Winslow Food Cupboard	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 13,327.75</b>	<b>\$ 16,380.00</b>



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**ART. 32 :** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to appropriate \$46,091.07 from Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (aka American Rescue Plan Act or ARPA funds) received by the Town from the federal government for purposes they deem advisable so long as they adhere to the specific terms and conditions that limit the use of the funds.

**ART. 33 :** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate 100% from Local Road Assistance Program (formerly URIP) to reduce the 2025 taxes.

**ART. 34 :** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from an anticipated amount of motor vehicle excise tax to fund the highway expenditures, \$400,000.00.

**ART. 35 :** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate from surplus to reduce the 2025 taxes, \$275,000.00.

*The Selectmen hereby give notice that, in addition to the regular town office hours, the Registrar of Voters will be on duty Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, the day of Town Meeting, from 9:00 a.m. until meeting adjourned and Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the day of election, from 8:00 a.m. until the election of officers, required by law to be by ballot, shall have been completed to hear and decide upon the application of persons claiming a right to vote.*

*Given under our hands the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Five.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Megan Smith

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daniel Harriman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeffrey Clarke

*A True Copy of the Warrant,*

*Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Denise B. Stetkis, Clerk of Canaan*

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<b>SPECIMEN BALLOT</b>  <b>STATE OF MAINE</b> <b>MUNICIPAL ELECTION</b> <b>TOWN OF CANAAN, MAINE</b> <b>MARCH 24, 2025</b>		
<b>Instructions to Voters</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ TO VOTE completely fill in the OVAL to the LEFT of your choice(s) ●</li> <li>◆ Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.</li> <li>◆ To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name and municipality of residence on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL. If you do not fill in the oval, your vote can not be counted</li> <li>◆ To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.</li> <li>◆ If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.</li> </ul>		
<b>SELECT BOARD/ASSESSOR</b> 1 Year VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE	<b>ROAD COMMISSIONER</b> 1 Year VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE	<b>MSAD #54 SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER</b> 3 Years VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE
<input type="radio"/> Clarke, Jeffrey P. <small>Canaan</small>	<input type="radio"/> Robinson Jr., Michael W.	<input type="radio"/> Sironen, Lisa A. <small>Canaan</small>
<input type="radio"/> Delahanty, Maureen A. <small>Canaan</small>	<input type="radio"/> ..... Write-in	<input type="radio"/> ..... Write-in
<input type="radio"/> ..... Write-in	<b>PLANNING BOARD MEMBER</b> 2 Years VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN FIVE	
<b>SELECT BOARD/ASSESSOR</b> 2 Years VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE	<input type="radio"/> Clark, Karen M. <small>Canaan</small>	
<input type="radio"/> Hey, Tammy S. <small>Canaan</small>	<input type="radio"/> Dawe II, William I. <small>Canaan</small>	
<input type="radio"/> ..... Write-in	<input type="radio"/> Decker, Donald S. <small>Canaan</small>	
<b>SELECT BOARD/ASSESSOR</b> 3 Years VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE	<input type="radio"/> Holland, Walter E. <small>Canaan</small>	
<input type="radio"/> Harriman, Daniel E. <small>Canaan</small>	<input type="radio"/> Robinson, Paula J. <small>Canaan</small>	
<input type="radio"/> Smith, Megan Y. <small>Canaan</small>	<input type="radio"/> ..... Write-in	
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**TOWN OF CANAAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**FISCAL YEAR END 01/31/2024**

*The financial report was not available at printing time, it will be made available, pursuant to Title 30A §2801, no later than 3 days prior to Annual Town Meeting and at the Town Office.*

**Auditors:**

**RHR SMITH & COMPANY**

**3 OLD ORCHARD RD**

**BUXTON, ME 04093**

**TOWN OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY**

**7:00AM – 5:00PM**

**WEDNESDAY 10:00 AM -6:00 PM**

**CLOSED FRIDAYS**

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- ❖ **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER DONALD DECKER** 207-399-8135
- ❖ **ASSESSOR BECKY ADAMS** [pointsnorthassessing@gmail.com](mailto:pointsnorthassessing@gmail.com)
- ❖ **BURN PERMITS PETER CLARKE** 431-4299
  - ❖ CHARLES WORCESTER 431-1922
- ❖ **CANAAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** 474-3901
- ❖ **CANAAN FOOD CUPBOARD** (*emergency # only*) 474-5408
  - ❖ *Generally open 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 1pm -3pm*
  - ❖ *Pick up monthly schedule at the Town Office*
- ❖ **CANAAN POST OFFICE** 474-3349
- ❖ **CANAAN PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS** **Tues** 12-5 **Wed** 10-6, **Fri** 10-5, **SAT** 9-12
  - ❖ DIXIE RING, LIBRARIAN DIRECTOR 474-2149 [www.canaan.lib.me.us](http://www.canaan.lib.me.us)
- ❖ **CANAAN RECYCLING** CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
- ❖ **CODE ENFORCEMENT** CHARLES WORCESTER 858-5370
- ❖ **GENERAL ASSISTANCE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**
- ❖ **MAINE WARDEN SERVICE** 941-4440
- ❖ **NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL DONALD DECKER** 207-399-8135
- ❖ **ROAD COMMISSIONER TOWN GARAGE** 474-6174
- ❖ **SELECT BOARD MEETING** Check Towns Website for Monthly Schedule!
- ❖ **CEMETERY SEXTON DAVID HART** 446-4884
- ❖ **SHERIFF SOMERSET COUNTY** 474-9591
- ❖ **STATE POLICE TROOP C, SKOWHEGAN** 474-3350
- ❖ **SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS S.A.D. #54, SKOWHEGAN** 474-9508