

Town of Starks

ANNUAL REPORT 2016



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Cover: Seventy-five Years of Change

Top photo is the winter of 1942-43 taken by Beula Farrand Hebert looking up Chicken Street. Corn Shop is in center background. Bottom photo is winter 2016-17 taken by her cousin Paul Frederic from the spot where Beula stood. House on far left, Leland Grey place, is only structure to remain from the original view. The big cottonwood tree has fared the best over the years.

Dedication



Our annual report is dedicated this year to Bert Clifton (Cliff) Quimby.

Cliff was born January 24th, 1940 and has lived on his farm on the Quimby Road off the River Road his entire life. On December 1st, 1960, he married Florence Chase from Mercer, and together they brought up five children: Jean, Greg, Lisa, Glenda and Clint. He lost his wife Florence in 2007, and only a few months later his son, Greg. Greg's widow Robin still lives in the village.

Cliff worked his farm as a dairy operation much of his early years, while also for a time delivering milk for Ray's Dairy located up on Thurston Hill in Madison. In the 50s and 60s he worked for Monmouth Canning here in Starks- working the fields during the day and working at the local cannery in the evening. He worked for the town on the road crew off and on for many years, as well as jobbing around, and working on county roads further north, grading and improving them. Cliff was a selectman for a time. And also for a number of years he worked for the state DOT and was foreman at the state garage in Mercer until about 1980. In 1988 he and Bob Clark took on maintenance of the town's roads on a year-round basis, which brought a dramatic improvement. Dwain Hewett was a third man for the crew for much of this period. This lasted through the year 2000.

His more enjoyable times were when working with his son Greg cutting wood off the family's extensive woodlots in Starks, and when his road work took him somewhere where he crossed paths with one of his sons. Cliff enjoys cookouts on the riverbank with family and potluck gatherings at the farm, special visits playing cards with his children, rides with his road crew sidekick, Bob Clark, while taking in all the views of the beautiful areas where he spent his life. He also enjoys tinkering and chatting with his cousin Herb and sharing snow-plowing stories with his son, Clint, who is carrying on the family legacy of service, to Industry in his case.

For many years of service to the town and to the public generally.

Thank you, Cliff.

Shown in the photo is Cliff and his family at the Starks Grange in about 1980.
(Information from Bob Clark and the family)

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS TERMS

Selectmen - 3 year

Joseph Hayden	3-2017
Ernest Hilton	3-2018
Paul Frederic	3-2019

Assessors - 3 year

Joseph Hayden	3-2017
Cathleen Horner	3-2018
Kerry Hebert	3-2019

Tax Collector - 3 year

Jenn Zweig Hebert	3-2018
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Town Clerk - 3 year

Jenn Zweig Hebert	3-2019
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Registrar of Voters - 2 year

Jenn Zweig Hebert	1-2019
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Treasurer - 3 year

Erin Norton	3-2017
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Planning Board - 5 year

Kerry Hebert	5-2017
Jeff Welcome	5-2018
Joe Hartigan	4-2019
Gwen Hilton	4-2020
Ken Lust (Alt.)	4-2020
Irene Fenlason	4-2021

CEO/Plumbing Inspector - 1 year

Leo Mayo	3-2017
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Fire Chief - 1 year

William Pressey	3-2017
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Town Fire Warden - 1 year

William Pressey	3-2017
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GA Administrator

Jenn Zweig Hebert	3-2017
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Animal Control Officer - 1 year

Birana Erb	3-2017
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Health Officer - 3 year

Leo Mayo	5-2017
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Building Superintendent - 1 year

William Pressey	3-2017
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Sexton - 1 year

William Pressey	3-2017
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Warrant Officer - 3 year

Jerry Brackett	3-2017
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RSU # 9 School Board Director - 3 year

Jenn Zweig Hebert	7-2018
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Appeals Board - 5 year

Carol Coles	9-2017
Maryanne Gawlinski	9-2017
Linwood Locke	9-2019
Jared Norton	9-2019
George Martikke	9-2020
Sara Brusila	9-2021

Budget Committee – 1 year

Carol Coles	3-2017
Maryanne Gawlinski	3-2017
Dave Johnson	3-2017
Ken Lust	3-2017
Jared Norton	3-2017

Water District - 3 year

Jared Norton	Operator
AnnMarie Simone	11-2017
Robin Melancon-Quimby	11-2017
Jared Norton	11-2017
Ashley Hayden	11-2018
Erin Norton	11-2019

Dear Friends:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. In December 2016, I cast my 6,236th consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Starks and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Augusta state office at (207) 622-8414 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2017 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

Dear Friends of Starks,

Since being sworn into the Senate in 2013, I have made it my mission to address at the federal level the most important issues facing our great state. Working closely with my colleagues in the Maine Congressional Delegation, we've been able to successfully secure a number of legislative victories that support our state's economy, our rich traditions, and the hardworking people I am proud to represent.

In an increasingly polarized Congress, my goal as an Independent is to put partisanship aside, build consensus and further common-sense solutions to address the needs of the American people. To this end, I have co-founded the Former Governors Caucus, a group of former state executives who are frustrated with legislative gridlock and eager to find bipartisan solutions. And as always, I aim to bridge the partisan divide by hosting barbeque dinners in Washington with colleagues ranging from Ted Cruz to Elizabeth Warren. If you know a person's children, then you see them as a mother or father and not a rival vote, and working to further personal dialogue and build relationships can lay the foundation for successful legislation.

One of the accomplishments of which I am most proud is the legislative victory that protects our college students and their families from an expensive hike in student loan interest rates. In 2013, as students faced a significant spike in interest rates that would have taken thousands of dollars out of their pockets, I brought together colleagues from across the political spectrum to broker compromise legislation called the Bipartisan Student Loan Certainty Act. Thanks to this bill, students will save \$50 billion over the next 10 years by lowering their interest rates, which means that a student in Maine will now save between \$3,000 and \$6,000 over the life of their loan.

Being an Independent in the Senate has allowed me to make calls and vote on policies that are best for Maine, but it has also made it possible to play key roles in finding simple solutions and legislative fixes that make good commonsense to both parties. Of course, much of what we do in the Senate doesn't happen on the Senate floor, or even in committee. Instead, it involves working across all levels of government to ensure the State of Maine receives attention and support from the federal government.

Take, for example, the opioid and heroin epidemic devastating communities across our state. While Congress has passed legislative solutions aimed at expanding access to medical treatment, I've also pressed for other changes that can be accomplished more quickly and make a more immediate difference in Maine. For example, I successfully urged the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to increase the number of patients to whom a doctor can provide medication-assisted treatment, and in 2015 brought the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to Brewer to meet directly with Mainers and hear their stories. I've also engaged law enforcement – including the Drug Enforcement Agency – to crack down on the production of opioids and work to limit their diversion. Together, Senator Collins and I helped pass the Northern Border Security Review Act to combat drug and human trafficking along our border with Canada.

While the opioid epidemic is certainly our biggest public health crisis, job loss in Maine is still our number one economic problem and that's why we need to focus on bringing good paying jobs back to Maine and protecting the ones we still have. As a member of the Armed Services Committee, I teamed up with Senator Collins and Representative Poliquin to successfully secure a provision in the defense bill that can help domestic shoe manufacturers like New Balance. The three of us also worked together with the Department of Commerce to establish an Economic Development Assessment Team, known as an EDAT, to assist Maine's forest industry in the wake of several mill closures. We have an incredible spirit of innovation and ingenuity in Maine and I believe finding ways to invest in that spirit will reignite Maine's forest products sector and our economy. Part of our economic path forward must also include expanding access to high-speed broadband, which can help connect our businesses and communities to information and economic opportunities.

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As a member of the Senate Armed Services and Intelligence Committees, I work to keep Maine and our nation safe. Part of that important work means continuing to work for funding for the construction of Navy ships that will be used to protect American interests across the globe. We all know that "Bath Built is Best Built," which is why I've fought to authorize funding for Navy ships built at BIW. The best way to preserve peace is by deterring war through unassailable strength, and to do that we must support our shipbuilders and our brave service members and invest in our military. I strive to meet this solemn responsibility every day as a member of these committees, which is why I hardly ever miss a hearing and take great care in overseeing the agencies sworn to keep us safe. Armed Services Chairman John McCain called me "one of the most serious and hard-working members" of the Committee, and that's a humbling compliment from a true American hero.

As always, please call or write me with thoughts or concerns with matters currently before Congress, or if you need assistance navigating a federal agency. As a public servant, it is critical to me to listen and learn from you, which is why staying connected with people from all over our beautiful state remains a top priority for my work in the Senate. Please call my toll-free line at 1-800-432-1599 or one of my offices: Augusta: (207) 622-8292, Bangor: (207) 945-8000, Presque Isle (207) 764-5124, Scarborough (207) 883-1588, or Washington, D.C. (202) 224-5344. You can also write me on our website at www.king.senate.gov/contact. It is an honor and a privilege serving the people of Maine in the Senate, and I look forward to working with you in our search for a more perfect Union.

Sincerely,



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Annual Report to the Town of Starks

A Message from Senator Rod Whittemore

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Let me begin by thanking you for allowing me the honor of serving you in the Maine Senate. I am humbled that you have put your trust in me for a fourth term and can assure you I will continue to work tirelessly on your behalf. This serves as a brief recap of the 127th Legislature, as well as my hopes for the upcoming 128th Legislature, which convened in December.

Last year we continued the work of reforming our state's welfare system and achieved the long sought-after goal of banning the purchase of alcohol, tobacco and lottery tickets with welfare benefits. While there is more work to be done, I believe these efforts will help to deter such abuse of the system and help ensure that benefits are going to those who truly need them.

The Legislature also worked in a bipartisan fashion to address the drug crisis affecting our state. We approved of 10 new drug enforcement agents, as well as provided funding for treatment programs and drug use prevention efforts. I believe such a comprehensive approach is essential.

As Chair of the Insurance and Financial Affairs Committee, my priority will continue to be addressing the high cost of health care for our state. It is also clear that we must continue to do all we can to attract more jobs to Maine and keep our young people living and working here. To that end, I will work to advocate for proposals which will expand economic opportunity for all Mainers. It is my hope the Legislature can once again work together to find good solutions to the issues facing our state.

You have my humble and sincere thanks for allowing me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 or rodwhittemore@gmail.com if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

Rodney Whittemore
State Senator, District 3



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January 2017

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you for electing me to a second term as Representative for House District 112. It is truly an honor to serve you in Augusta. During the upcoming session we are sure to face some tough issues such as healthcare costs, job creation, and energy policies. I can assure you that I will work diligently to be educated on these issues and make the best decisions for our towns.

I recognize that times are tough and there are people struggling to get by. Whether it is to stay warm through the winter or to fix the family car to get from point A to point B, we are going through some hardships in the community. It is important for you to know that these times will get better and I want you to know that I am here to work for you and help ensure that Maine is a better place, not only for the present, but for the future. As long as we can all work together, I believe these goals can be reached.

To do my job well, I will be seeking your opinion regularly and want to hear from you with your thoughts and comments. Please call me anytime at **585-2638** or email at Thomas.Skolfield@legislature.maine.gov to keep me updated on those concerns. If you would like to be added to my email update list, you can do so by emailing me directly with your request.

Thank you again for giving me the honor of serving you in Augusta!

Sincerely,

Thomas Skolfield
State Representative



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OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

The year started out with a mild winter that resulted in a savings in our winter road account. However, the winter that followed has been more normal and our winter expenses are back up. This pattern has a message in the affairs of town government: Win some, lose some! During the summer, we managed to do a substantial amount of ditching, grading, graveling, brush removal and culvert repair. In years past, most of the roads budget went to labor. We have found ways to use our labor much more efficiently, and purchase more materials.

Town owned resources continued to be acquired and upgraded: Our principal asset, the Community Center has had extensive energy saving related work over the last couple of years, including a new steel roof (2015), exterior paint and sealing job (2014), new windows (2016), removal of miscellaneous vents and interior finishing of them (2016), tightened doors (2016), etc. Much of it was funded with a \$50,000 Stephen & Tabitha King grant. The reminder of the grant will be used for new flooring in parts of the building. Also the Fire Department acquired a 1985 Ford F350 truck in excellent condition and loaded with equipment from a department in New York which is now in use. The department has increased its roster of firefighters for the second year in a row; and has improved gear inventory and expanded training. Finally, a Vietnamese couple living in Boston, Hai Van Lu and Suong Ngoc Tran gifted an 84.4 acre parcel of land on Homestead Road to the Town. The Selectmen took a ramble over it last fall, and a couple of other excursions have been made to get a sense of what it might have for resources for the town. Its primary value may be as a town forest and recreational area given it has nearly a half mile of frontage on Lemon Stream. We thank them again for the gift.

In other developments, Starks was awarded a \$45,000 Department of Environmental Protection grant to replace a couple of undersized culverts with a concrete arch near Watson Corner on Sawyers Mills Road. The project will permit fish passage and reduce the risk of road flooding. Work, to be done by the town's crew, is planned for summer of 2017 during low water flow. Charlene and Bill Pressey have leased the former town office at 10 Locke Hill Road, where Charlene operates a general store "Whips" at the location. Its nice to have the building occupied, especially by someone who is making use of her maiden name (Whipple). That name is highly evocative of a lot of good memories for those of us who have known that family in decades past.

The town enacted ordinances this past year dealing with our appeals process, wireless communications facilities, and a moratorium on marijuana control regulations. A second cell tower (on Mount Hunger) has been constructed this fall, following construction of the first on Abijah Hill in 2014/15. The Planning Board has drafted a marijuana control ordinance to be voted on March 10, 2017.

Town employees remain the same, except the Animal Control Officer, Terrill Leonard, resigned and Brianna Erb is now in that position. Much thanks to Terry for a job well done and welcome aboard Brianna.

Starks is on sound fiscal footing as we were able to meet all our obligations and even reduce the tax rate by half a mil.

The Selectmen serve on a number of out-of-town and regional boards and advisory groups. Ernie is a member of the Somerset County Economic Development Corp., which provides low cost financing and seeks to provide leadership in economic development in Somerset County. It is also the lead group promoting internet expansion in the area; Joe is treasurer of the Kennebec Valley Regional Waste Corp. (KVRWC- Recycling) and on the executive board of the Anson/Madison/Starks (AMS) ambulance service; Paul represents Starks at the Kennebec Valley Council of Governments (KVCOG- as vice-president for part of the year), First Park in Oakland and is a member of the Somerset County Budget Committee. All three selectmen are on the boards of KVRWC and AMS.

We thank everyone who helped make our town a better place during this past year. The Board meets at 7:00 pm on the first, third and fifth Mondays of each month. You are welcome at our meetings.

Board of Selectmen,

Paul Frederic, Ernie Hilton, Joe Hayden

FROM THE DESK OF THE TOWN CLERK

As another busy year wraps up it has once again been a pleasure to serve Starks as Town Clerk!

I'd like to remind you to visit the official Town of Starks website. Check it out at www.starksme.com - it is packed with an amazing amount of information related to our town. Everything from paying your taxes online, tax maps, the annual town report, town adopted ordinances, to upcoming events is at your fingertips. There is also an official Town of Starks Facebook page which I welcome all to "like" as it has current events and happenings.

Another one of my responsibilities is writing and editing the town newsletter, The Voice of Starks. I'd like to thank **Sam Whitmore** and **Tom Lequin** for contributing articles and photos as well as all the other wonderful volunteers who submit articles letting us know of town events and happenings. Much appreciation goes to all volunteers for their hours of production assistance.

The Starks Community Center still thrives as the centerpiece of our town. The town has continued with the maintenance and improvement of this wonderful building. This past year, new energy efficient windows were installed, the leaking skylights were removed, and air circulating fans were added in the gym. The majority of the cost has been covered by the grant we received from the Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation. Our Community Center continues to be the site of many private and public events. As the clerk, my duties include scheduling, ensuring access, collecting fees and serving on the Building Committee. Owning and maintaining a Community Center is a big responsibility for our small town but it has been a successful endeavor! Building Superintendent, **Bill Pressey's** maintenance, care and cleaning of the building has resulted in a true showpiece! **Danielle Pressey** and **John Robbins** often help out with building cleaning and maintenance as well. **THANK YOU BILL, DANIELLE and JOHN** for all your hard work! Even with our limited budget Starks has a Community Center that is the envy of many surrounding communities.

Thank you to the Select Board, **Joe, Paul and Ernie** for their hard work and dedication to running the town successfully. As always, A *SPECIAL THANK YOU* goes to my office mate **Erin Norton**, as my Deputy she has covered for me when I have been out of the office. We share a similar pride in serving customers. Erin's spirit of teamwork, upbeat attitude and friendship means so much to me!

A fabulous team of experienced Election Workers got me through the busy elections in 2016. I want to thank the following election workers: **Valerie Comstock, Maryanne Gawlinski, Cathleen Horner, Billie Jo Krebs, Marcie Martin, Erin Norton, Danielle Pressey, Franklin Russell, Vicki Stevens, and Barbara Vischer.**

I also want to thank **Jerry Brackett**, Warrant Officer and **Denis Culley** for serving as Moderator at the Annual Town Meeting.

Vital records for 2016 were as follows:

<u>Births</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Marriages</u>
8	4	4

The town wide e-mail list continues to be a great way to communicate with citizens quickly and easily. If you haven't given me your e-mail address yet - consider being part of this effective way to be notified of the most current municipal happenings, public events and other important information. Your personal information will not be shared, the messages are sent with the recipient addresses blocked.

Town office hours are **Mondays 10 am-2 pm, Wednesdays 3pm-7pm, and the first Saturday of the month 8 am -11 am.** I understand these limited hours can be frustrating for some - so I am willing to help folks (in a pinch) during off hours. Call me on my home phone (696-3756), cell phone (578-0341) or email me at mthungermaine@gmail.com and I will do my best to accommodate your needs.

I am honored to be working as the Clerk for the Town of Starks. I hope to continue to serve you well. Feel free to be in touch with any suggestions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer A Zweig Hebert

Non Zero Balance on All Accounts

Tax Year: 2016

As of: December 31, 2016

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Status	Acct	Name	Original Tax	Payments/ Adjustments	Amount Due
	1	Abbott, Brandi S.	167.51	0.00	167.51
	18	Ames, Peter E.	355.49	6.01	349.48
	19	Anger Jr., Robert K.	827.91	0.00	827.91
	711	Ashby, Deborah	284.70	0.00	284.70
	26	Atwood, John T.	83.07	0.00	83.07
	14	Ayotte, Pierre	230.69	0.00	230.69
	496	Ayotte,Pierre	181.35	186.00	-4.65
	767	Bellefleur, Brad	40.95	0.00	40.95
	629	Bellefleur, Eileen M.	335.40	0.00	335.40
	324	Bellefleur, Sarah	355.88	0.00	355.88
	46	Belmore, Thomas G.	277.29	1.31	275.98
**	68	Benson,Eric R	1,393.53	0.00	1,393.53
	611	Bessey, Craig J.	999.96	0.00	999.96
	293	Bessey, Laura C.	301.27	0.00	301.27
	56	Bliss, Christine	336.38	0.00	336.38
	60	Boucher, Douglas A.	725.60	0.13	725.47
	331	Boucher, Douglas A.	148.01	0.00	148.01
	471	Brann Jr., David A.	193.44	0.00	193.44
	479	Bucciano Daniel	289.19	0.00	289.19
	644	Carle, Matthew F.	322.92	0.00	322.92
	80	Chambers, James S.	817.05	3.07	813.98
	87	Churchill, Caleb	502.13	0.00	502.13
	89	Churchill, William C.Sr.	1,786.79	0.00	1,786.79
	416	Clark,Kelly D	576.23	0.00	576.23
	337	Coconis, Michael	1,092.16	0.00	1,092.16
	98	Colburn, Gary	1,063.14	0.00	1,063.14
	111	Costigan, Julie L.	546.00	0.00	546.00
	112	Cotton, Dennis L.	788.29	0.00	788.29
*	115	Cowan, Edward	836.36	0.00	836.36
	118	Crockett, Stephen & Diane	576.42	0.00	576.42
	120	Curran, Thomas & Jennifer	254.48	36.49	217.99
	136	Deming, Roi A.	466.44	0.00	466.44
**	138	Denis, Emanuel	265.79	0.00	265.79
**	139	Denis, Emanuel T.	31.20	0.00	31.20
**	141	Denis, Emanuel T.	254.48	0.00	254.48
**	145	Denis, Emanuel T.	259.55	0.00	259.55

** Indicates Paid in Full after December 31, 2016

* Indicates Partial Payment after December 31, 2016

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	146	Denis, Emanuel T.	472.82	0.00	472.82
**	149	Denis, Emanuel T.	250.58	0.00	250.58
**	150	Denis, Emanuel T.	258.18	0.00	258.18
	152	Depetrillo III, Angelo	315.51	0.00	315.51
**	619	Desjardins, Rene L.	360.36	2.71	357.65
	455	Donovan, Gregory J.	389.61	0.00	389.61
**	166	Drane & June Ann Mattos, Sandr	422.96	211.48	211.48
	167	Dube, Brad A	1,435.20	0.00	1,435.20
	171	Duley, Richard	365.63	0.00	365.63
	172	Duley, Richard	212.55	0.00	212.55
	173	Duley, Richard	414.38	0.00	414.38
	176	Dyke et Al, Darrell A.	874.58	0.00	874.58
	180	Elfahel (Waite), Katrina.	148.01	0.00	148.01
	181	Elfahel (Waite), Katrina.	547.76	0.00	547.76
	109	Esposito, Robert M.	2,107.17	0.00	2,107.17
	292	Esposito, Robert M.	646.23	0.00	646.23
*	185	Evans Jr., William A.	792.09	500.00	292.09
	283	Federal National Mortgage Ass.	1,321.91	0.00	1,321.91
*	749	Fields Jr., Bruce W.	273.94	0.00	273.94
**	461	Flaherty, Paul	1,184.23	0.00	1,184.23
	212	Folsom, Richard K.	531.69	0.00	531.69
	157	Forever Green MP Homes	1,067.63	0.00	1,067.63
	201	Frederic, Joseph W.	1,458.21	0.00	1,458.21
	205	Friend, Tara M.	756.60	0.00	756.60
	207	Frith, Monica L.	278.27	0.00	278.27
	209	Gaeta, Lorraine A.	609.38	0.00	609.38
	210	Gaeta, Lorraine Ann	370.50	0.00	370.50
	211	Gaeta, Lorraine Ann	2,111.85	0.00	2,111.85
	156	Glidden, Eric	1,164.66	0.00	1,164.66
**	224	Graef, Adriane H	628.88	0.00	628.88
	231	Greenleaf, Scott	305.02	0.00	305.02
	561	Gulnick, Sandra L.	309.04	0.00	309.04
	238	Hall, Leslie E. & Suzanne T.	737.10	0.00	737.10
	240	Hamilton, Thomas H. & Laura J.	130.46	0.00	130.46
	241	Hand, Roger & Carolee	406.97	0.00	406.97
	245	Harris, Nelson N	216.26	0.00	216.26
	746	Hartigan, David	484.58	0.00	484.58

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	747	Hartigan, David	394.88	0.00	394.88
	748	Hartigan, David	394.88	0.00	394.88
	249	Hartigan, Dennis P.	878.67	0.00	878.67
	32	Hartigan, Joseph W.	390.00	0.00	390.00
	703	Hayden, Joseph P.O.	1,177.12	0.00	1,177.12
	735	Hayden, Joseph P.O.	389.03	0.00	389.03
	262	Henckel, Troy L	451.04	0.00	451.04
**	280	Hogg, Mark E.	689.33	0.00	689.33
	281	Holmes, Eric G	211.19	0.00	211.19
	285	Horelick, Estate of, Walter	531.38	0.00	531.38
	299	Irvine, Carl H Jr.	243.36	0.00	243.36
	651	Johnson, Kyle W	1,607.29	0.00	1,607.29
	386	Johnson, Christopher	426.62	0.00	426.62
*	312	Kahler, John	65.52	0.00	65.52
*	313	Kahler, John	185.25	0.00	185.25
	673	Keach, Marie A.	220.55	0.00	220.55
**	320	Kennedy, Justin M	394.88	28.46	366.42
	739	Kiger, Nathan A	2,008.19	0.00	2,008.19
**	326	Kozielewicz, Edward & Marilyn	326.43	150.00	176.43
	45	Kozielewicz, Marilyn A.	460.01	150.00	310.01
	424	Lagin-Nasse, Julianna &	564.33	0.00	564.33
**	339	Larouche, John G.	1,272.77	1,172.60	100.17
**	688	Leahy, Barry F	675.09	417.04	258.05
	345	Leal, Robert J. & Kathleen	262.08	3.01	259.07
	609	Lemay Jr., George	780.00	120.63	659.37
	350	Lemay, George E. Jr. & Carlene A	219.77	0.00	219.77
	351	Lemay, George E. Jr. & Carlene A	1,318.59	0.00	1,318.59
	760	Lemay, George E. Jr. and Carlene	1,976.70	0.00	1,976.70
	354	Lepage, Gordon D. & Carole M.	217.43	0.00	217.43
	357	Libby, Kevin & Mary	367.38	0.00	367.38
	385	Libby, Timothy D,	281.00	0.00	281.00
**	358	Lickteig, John H.	447.53	0.00	447.53
**	378	Lundwall, Kathryn T.	640.65	579.67	60.98
	637	Lydon, William	1,292.19	0.00	1,292.19
	368	Mansfield, John Michael	565.03	80.99	484.04
	715	Mansfield, Kelly Jayne	46.62	0.00	46.62
	699	Marschall, Martina L.	847.68	0.00	847.68

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	389	Martikke, George & Rosalie	549.51	0.00	549.51
	390	Martikke, George F& Rosalie	1,013.42	0.00	1,013.42
	405	McPherson, Wayne	186.03	0.00	186.03
	407	Meagher, Brian	2,962.25	0.00	2,962.25
	754	Melancon Inter Vivos Family Tru	343.59	0.00	343.59
	505	Melancon-Quimby, Robin M.	755.63	0.00	755.63
	595	Morey ,Shaun	295.62	0.75	294.87
	418	Morris, Wayne R. & Sylvie B.	118.56	0.00	118.56
	429	Newsom, John	363.29	0.00	363.29
	430	Newton, Kirt	1,022.58	0.00	1,022.58
	675	Nichols, Michael A.	717.27	0.00	717.27
	648	Nichols, Sam H.	624.00	0.00	624.00
**	608	Nichols, William L.	336.38	0.00	336.38
	433	Nickerson, Deborah	199.88	0.00	199.88
	435	Noble, Debra J.	319.61	0.00	319.61
	436	Norton, David L.	161.85	0.00	161.85
**	690	Norton, Erin E.	2,646.74	425.00	2,221.74
	252	Norton, Jordon David	413.99	0.00	413.99
	565	Norton,Jared M	285.29	161.00	124.29
**	81	O'Conner, Dennis P.	318.83	0.00	318.83
	439	O'Donald, Gale	180.77	0.21	180.56
	448	Oliver, Carla J.	1,491.91	0.00	1,491.91
	444	Oliver, Herbert E.	244.73	0.00	244.73
	452	Orlowski, Steve & Marilyn	486.53	243.27	243.26
	456	Osgood, Wanda	966.26	0.00	966.26
*	458	Ouellette, Kenneth W	546.00	4.36	541.64
**	459	Ouellette, Kenneth W.	662.81	22.72	640.09
	465	Patenaude, Alan	276.51	0.00	276.51
	466	Patenaude, Alan	187.20	0.00	187.20
	485	Peters, Bruce	336.38	0.00	336.38
	486	Peters, Bruce	443.63	0.00	443.63
**	490	Phillips et All, Laurie J.	402.87	0.00	402.87
	724	Phillips, Steven A. & Teresa B.	142.84	0.00	142.84
**	492	Piche, Bradley M.	647.79	0.00	647.79
	498	Prescott, Daniel E	900.51	0.00	900.51
	763	Prescott, Ellen	284.90	0.00	284.90
	762	Prescott, Gerald S.	284.90	0.00	284.90
	778	Pressey, Heirs of Ruby	385.13	0.00	385.13

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	499	Pressey, Robert M. & Crystal L.	1,129.44	0.00	1,129.44
	500	Pressey, Ruby, Heirs Of	516.55	0.00	516.55
	502	Quimby, Clifton & Florence	1,697.28	0.00	1,697.28
	510	Rackliff, Michael A.	596.90	0.00	596.90
	517	Randall, Barbara J.	612.69	0.00	612.69
	704	Randall, Robert M. Sr.	90.09	0.00	90.09
	529	Robbins, Gary L.	1,092.59	0.00	1,092.59
	70	Rosie, Crystal	306.85	0.00	306.85
*	665	Russo, Diane M.	1,148.86	0.00	1,148.86
	765	Sanville, Andrew	293.48	0.00	293.48
	130	Sanville,Robert Sr	156.00	0.00	156.00
	549	Seamon, Thomas J	230.30	0.00	230.30
	654	Seamon, Thomas J.	215.09	0.00	215.09
	708	Seeley, Donald	187.20	0.00	187.20
	463	Semas Joseph,J	876.14	0.00	876.14
	558	Sherrer, Charles R.	938.93	0.00	938.93
	560	Sherrer, Earskin	225.23	1.15	224.08
	562	Sherrer, John	235.37	0.00	235.37
	563	Sherrer,Lucy Geneva	344.57	36.48	308.09
	521	Sours, Shane L.	654.42	0.00	654.42
	579	Staph, Mike	933.08	0.00	933.08
*	593	Sterry Earl R. Jr.	412.43	0.00	412.43
	691	Stevens, Charles L.	500.68	0.00	500.68
	574	Sweetser, Jeff A.	686.40	0.00	686.40
*	722	Swisher, John R.	187.20	0.00	187.20
	604	Taylor, Darlene A.	1,382.55	0.00	1,382.55
	606	Taylor, Darlene A.	288.60	0.00	288.60
	605	Taylor, David E.	1,172.54	0.00	1,172.54
	615	Thayer, Erika L.	802.43	0.00	802.43
**	616	The 184 Shawmut Ave. Realty Tr	194.81	162.20	32.61
	617	Theberge, Andre & Patricia	2,527.98	0.00	2,527.98
	622	Toothaker, Nona L.	658.91	0.00	658.91
	774	Tracy, Trista A.	321.75	265.72	56.03
	631	Tutt, Dawn	1,257.75	4.02	1,253.73
	635	Urquhart, Pearl J.	530.40	0.00	530.40
	636	Van Tol, Gary	155.42	0.00	155.42
	638	Vessella, David A	1,203.15	0.00	1,203.15
	282	Viant, Jules	420.23	0.00	420.23

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	639	Vincent, Edward B.	159.32	0.73	158.59
	410	Vomorde, Carson C.	1,263.41	0.00	1,263.41
	352	Webber, Archie L.	161.85	0.00	161.85
	467	Whipple, Charles Bruce	1,291.88	0.00	1,291.88
	658	Whipple, Charles Bruce	117.00	0.00	117.00
	659	Whipple, Charles Bruce	1,053.62	0.00	1,053.62
	660	White, Stephen	497.25	0.00	497.25
	580	Whitmore, Robert	401.31	0.00	401.31
	662	Whittemore, Nicholas	263.25	0.00	263.25
	676	Worthley, Melinda	637.20	0.00	637.20
	677	Worthley, Melinda	145.47	0.00	145.47
		Total for 197 Accounts:	\$119,230.15	\$4,977.21	\$114,252.94

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Status	Acct	Name	Original Tax	Payments/ Adjustments	Amount Due
	711	Ashby, Deborah	447.07	0.00	447.07
	87	Churchill, Caleb	591.90	0.00	591.90
*	416	Clark,Kelly D	436.80	0.00	436.80
	111	Costigan, Julie L.	736.86	0.00	736.86
	136	Deming, Roi A.	400.55	247.81	152.74
	455	Donovan, Gregory J.	537.69	0.00	537.69
	171	Duley, Richard	443.90	0.00	443.90
	172	Duley, Richard	277.93	0.00	277.93
	173	Duley, Richard	496.76	0.00	496.76
	180	Elfahel (Waite), Katrina.	207.95	0.00	207.95
	181	Elfahel (Waite), Katrina.	732.29	0.00	732.29
	209	Gaeta, Lorraine A.	721.13	0.00	721.13
	210	Gaeta, Lorraine Ann	462.13	0.00	462.13
	211	Gaeta, Lorraine Ann	2,441.11	0.00	2,441.11
	231	Greenleaf, Scott	461.62	0.00	461.62
	561	Gulnick, Sandra L.	484.73	0.00	484.73
	241	Hand, Roger & Carolee	579.64	0.00	579.64
	746	Hartigan, David	663.79	0.00	663.79
	747	Hartigan, David	475.62	0.00	475.62
	748	Hartigan, David	475.62	0.00	475.62
	285	Horelick, Estate of, Walter	623.62	0.00	623.62
	299	Irvine, Carl H Jr.	402.25	0.00	402.25
	386	Johnson,Christopher	510.04	0.00	510.04
	385	Libby, Timothy D,	443.06	0.00	443.06
	405	McPherson, Wayne	249.17	0.00	249.17
	430	Newton, Kirt	1,247.12	0.00	1,247.12
	675	Nichols, Michael A.	242.14	0.00	242.14
	448	Oliver, Carla J.	1,755.99	0.00	1,755.99
	759	Oliver, Christopher	77.07	0.00	77.07
	444	Oliver, Herbert E.	403.73	0.00	403.73
	456	Osgood, Wanda	1,192.53	0.00	1,192.53
	485	Peters, Bruce	412.19	0.00	412.19
	486	Peters, Bruce	528.47	0.00	528.47
	762	Prescott, Gerald S.	356.37	299.61	56.76
	499	Pressey, Robert M. & Crystal L.	1,272.07	0.00	1,272.07
	500	Pressey, Ruby, Heirs Of	880.29	0.00	880.29

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	502	Quimby, Clifton & Florence	1,459.15	0.00	1,459.15
	517	Randall, Barbara J.	802.70	0.00	802.70
	70	Rosie, Crystal	471.09	0.00	471.09
	558	Sherrer, Charles R.	1,071.98	0.00	1,071.98
	521	Sours, Shane L.	757.03	0.00	757.03
**	593	Sterry Earl R. Jr.	373.83	368.24	5.59
	574	Sweetser, Jeff A.	882.62	0.00	882.62
	605	Taylor, David E.	1,349.50	0.00	1,349.50
	615	Thayer, Erika L.	1,008.42	0.00	1,008.42
	635	Urquhart, Pearl J.	622.56	0.00	622.56
	658	Whipple, Charles Bruce	174.33	0.00	174.33
	659	Whipple, Charles Bruce	1,189.87	0.00	1,189.87
		Total for 48 Accounts:	32,834.28	915.66	31,918.62

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Tax Year: 2014

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Status	Acct	Name	Original Tax	Payments/ Adjustments	Amount Due
	711	Ashby, Deborah	448.63	0.00	448.63
	87	Churchill, Caleb	425.28	0.00	425.28
	455	Donovan, Gregory J.	537.46	2.07	535.39
	171	Duley, Richard	443.48	0.00	443.48
	172	Duley, Richard	281.56	0.00	281.56
	173	Duley, Richard	495.04	218.45	276.59
	180	Elfahel (Waite), Katrina.	213.29	0.00	213.29
	181	Elfahel (Waite), Katrina.	726.86	34.31	692.55
	209	Gaeta, Lorraine A.	714.78	0.00	714.78
	210	Gaeta, Lorraine Ann	462.11	0.00	462.11
	211	Gaeta, Lorraine Ann	2,394.73	0.00	2,394.73
	561	Gulnick, Sandra L.	227.51	227.32	0.19
	241	Hand, Roger & Carolee	579.19	272.47	306.72
	285	Horelick, Estate of, Walter	618.79	533.02	85.77
*	299	Irvine, Carl H Jr.	404.90	0.00	404.90
	386	Johnson, Christopher	466.74	0.00	466.74
	385	Libby, Timothy D,	444.71	0.00	444.71
	405	McPherson, Wayne	253.51	0.00	253.51
	448	Oliver, Carla J.	1,531.33	706.41	824.92
	759	Oliver, Christopher	87.68	38.03	49.65
	444	Oliver, Herbert E.	406.35	0.00	406.35
	456	Osgood, Wanda	1,176.27	175.11	1,001.16
	500	Pressey, Ruby, Heirs Of	871.25	0.00	871.25
	517	Randall, Barbara J.	795.55	549.24	246.31
	70	Rosie, Crystal	472.06	95.03	377.03
*	558	Sherrer, Charles R.	1,056.61	838.09	218.52
	521	Sours, Shane L.	755.68	0.00	755.68
	574	Sweetser, Jeff A.	609.65	292.82	316.83
	605	Taylor, David E.	1,328.97	0.00	1,328.97
	615	Thayer, Erika L.	996.24	0.00	996.24
	658	Whipple, Charles Bruce	180.49	0.00	180.49
	659	Whipple, Charles Bruce	1,177.92	0.00	1,177.92
		Total for 32 Accounts:	21,584.62	3,982.37	17,602.25

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Tax Year: 2013

As of: December 31, 2016

Status	Acct	Name	Original Tax	Payments/ Adjustments	Amount Due
**	299	Irvine, Carl H Jr.	401.60	329.82	71.78
	500	Pressey, Ruby, Heirs Of	874.27	-25.74	900.01
	615	Thayer, Timothy	1,007.45	287.23	720.22
		Total for 3 Accounts:	2,283.32	591.31	1,692.01

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Tax Year: 2012

As of: December 31, 2016

Status	Acct	Name	Original Tax	Payments/ Adjustments	Amount Due
*	500	Pressey, Ruby, Heirs Of	948.10	-25.49	973.59
		Total for 1 Accounts:	948.10	-25.49	973.59

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Tax Year: 2011

As of: December 31, 2016

Status	Acct	Name	Original Tax	Payments/ Adjustments	Amount Due
**	500	Pressey, Ruby, Heirs Of	1,066.08	880.61	185.47
		Total for 1 Account:	1,066.08	880.61	185.47

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Treasurer's Report

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Greetings friends! I've just finished my ninth year as your Treasurer! Can you believe it? Audit is complete and we're excited about the Warrant and this year's budget. We've really begun to build balances in some older and newly established dedicated use accounts. It's important and I'm glad to be a part of planning for the future of Starks. Like past years I've included plenty of information for you to mull over before Town Meeting on my Expense, Revenue and other Reports. They can be found just a few pages down from this one.

Several cost areas have come in under budget this year. These unexpended balances can also be found on the Expense Report and are accounted for in article 62 in this year's Town Meeting Warrant. This article will help to lower our Town's commitment to taxes.

I successfully completed the audit with RHR Smith in January. Our working relationship with their firm continues to grow. This year we are excited to be working with Karen Olivieri as well as Vernice Boyce. They've both made themselves available to me many times throughout the year with various accounting questions and journal posting dilemmas.

I'm delighted to report that we didn't have to take out a Tax Anticipation Note for the fourth year in a row; the progressive financial direction of our little town is impressive and noted by those around us!

The group that I worked with on the Budget Committee was a great one! Thank you to, **Maryanne Gawlinski, Carol Coles, Dave Johnson, Ken Lust & Jared Norton**. Their commitment to this committee and Starks is commendable. We worked late into the night as usual hashing out the budget set before you in the "Articles of Warrant" section of this report. If you're interested in the budget process, and would consider being nominated, please contact me at home or the office.

As always I have to extend a *HUGE* & gracious thank you to **Jenn Zweig Hebert**, our Town Clerk and Tax Collector for working as my deputy in the collection of delinquent taxes. She works hard for the Town at satisfying all our needs and is instrumental in all things related to Starks. I lean on her for more things than most people know and I truly appreciate her so much! **Thank you Jennie for your amazing friendship!**

Each year I note how this position changes with time, and requires more attention from me at different points. I enjoy the work for Starks *very much*! This year I'm up for election and I hope you'll consider voting for me. If elected again I'm looking forward to a few new trainings and any challenges that come my way in 2017!

I hold regular office hours Wednesday evenings from 5pm-7pm. If you ever have questions regarding Town finances, expired tax liens or would like to make special payment arrangements on your taxes, please feel free to reach out. I'm happy to meet by appointment and or answer your questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Norton

Town of Starks Revenue Summary 2016

Town Citizens Contribution

Vendor	Amount
Tax Principal	\$746,802.00
Tax Interest	\$6,206.48
Excise	\$94,181.00
Building Permits	\$275.00
CC Rental Fees	\$580.00
Agent Fees	\$3,370.35
Total	\$851,414.83

Intergovernmental/Outside Contributions

Vendor	Amount
First Park	\$1,346.10
General Assistance	\$1,121.48
Homestead Exemption	\$31,412.00
Revenue Sharing	\$30,977.87
Tree Growth	\$10,469.45
LRAP	\$28,188.00
Veterans Exemption	\$338.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$1,415.95
Former Office/Store Lease	\$750.00
Total	\$106,018.85

Dedicated Use Accounts Interest & Balances

Account	Interest	Balance
Higgins Trust	\$1,680.04	\$177,966.80
LRAP	\$0.00	\$50,067.97
Capital Roads Account	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
Capital Improvements	\$0.00	\$66,267.70
Re-Valuation	\$0.00	\$41,238.13
Building Improvement Fund	\$0.00	\$35,540.65
Total	\$1,680.04	\$391,081.25

Prepared by Erin Norton

EXPENSE REPORT 2016

Article #	Object	Budget	Expended	Balance	% Spent
17	Payroll Taxes	\$9,000.00	\$7,846.69	\$1,153.31	87.19%
17	Workman's Comp	\$800.00	\$939.95	-\$139.95	117.49%
17	Mileage	\$2,000.00	\$1,242.72	\$757.28	62.14%
17	Training Workshops	\$800.00	\$335.00	\$465.00	41.88%
17	Annual Drug Testing Fee	\$350.00	\$700.00	-\$350.00	200.00%
17	Unemployment	\$2,500.00	\$228.30	\$2,271.70	9.13%
17	Postage	\$1,500	\$890.57	\$609.43	59.37%
17	Books & Subscriptions	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	0.00%
17	Dues	\$3,000.00	\$2,765.00	\$235.00	92.17%
17	Miscellaneous	\$5,000.00	\$1,279.35	\$1,586.25	25.59%
17	Audit	\$5,300.00	\$4,900.00	\$400.00	92.45%
17	Trio Renewal/Upgrades	\$6,000.00	\$4,691.00	\$1,309.00	78.18%
17	Legal	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	0.00%
17	Town Report	\$1,000.00	\$966.00	\$34.00	96.60%
17	Ads	\$1,500.00	\$30.68	\$1,469.32	2.05%
17	Xerox Lease	\$1,620.00	\$1,350.00	\$270.00	83.33%
17	Water Rent	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00	\$0.00	100.00%
17	KVRWC	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00	\$0.00	100.00%
17	Large Item Pickup	\$4,100.00	\$3,501.76	\$598.24	85.41%
17	Cemetery Maintenance	\$1,750.00	\$713.98	\$1,036.02	40.80%
17	MMA Insurance PCP	\$19,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
17	TAN Interest	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00	0.00%
17	Voice of Starks	\$700.00	\$300.00	\$400.00	42.86%
18	Former Town Hall	\$3,000.00	\$2,194.35	\$805.65	73.15%
19	CEO	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
20	CEO Legal	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00	0.00%
21	Deputy Clerk	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$550.00	0.00%
22	Elections	\$4,500.00	\$3,505.00	\$995.00	77.89%
23	Assesors	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
24	Selectmen	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
25	Clerk	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
26	Tax Collector	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
27	Treasurer	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
28	Building Superintendent	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%

29	Health Officer	\$1,800.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00	0.00%
30	Sexton	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	100.00%
31	GA overseer	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	100.00%
32	Appeals Board	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
33	Planning Board	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
34	Training of Outgoing Officers	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
35	Road Foreman Stipend	\$7,500.00	\$4,473.75	\$3,026.25	59.65%
36	Community Center	\$20,000.00	\$20,003.00	-\$3.00	100.02%
37	Map Updates & Printing	\$3,963.39	\$0.00	\$3,963.39	0.00%
38	Fire Department	\$38,213.66	\$40,379.03	-\$2,165.37	105.67%
39	Fire Chief Salary	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
40	Animal Control	\$1,000.00	\$1,611.97	-\$611.97	161.20%
41	AMS Ambulance	\$9,600.00	\$9,600.00	\$0.00	100.00%
42	Road Signs	\$500.00	\$100.00	\$400.00	20.00%
43	Street Lights	\$1,400.00	\$1,369.13	\$68.48	97.80%
44	Equipment	\$43,000.00	\$43,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
45	Garage	\$14,000.00	\$7,237.07	\$6,762.93	51.69%
46	Summer Roads Maintenance	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
47	Winter Roads	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
48	Town Dump Maintenance	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	100.00%
49	General Assistance	\$4,000.00	\$1,094.29	\$2,905.71	27.36%
51	Brush Truck	\$12,086.34	\$12,086.34	\$0.00	100.00%
50	Recreation	\$1,000.00	\$879.95	\$120.05	88.00%
52	Salt Shed	\$9,787.00	\$9,786.48	\$0.52	99.99%
53	River Road Bond	\$31,109.00	\$31,108.40	\$0.60	100.00%
54 assessment	First Park	\$4,500.00	\$4,078.00	\$422.00	90.62%
55	Social Organizations	\$5,145.00	\$5,145.00	\$0.00	100.00%
56	Snowmobile Reimbursement	\$364.10	\$364.10	\$0.00	100.00%
57	Capital Improvements	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
59	Capital Roads Account	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	100.00%
Assessment	County Tax	\$108,581.55	\$108,581.55	\$0.00	100.00%
Assessment	RSU #9	\$349,911.46	\$349,911.46	\$0.00	100.00%
	Totals	\$888,447.42	\$806,365.36	\$48,194.84	90.76%

Town of Starks Payroll 2016

Selectmen	Total	\$9,000.00
Joe Hayden	\$3,000.00	
Paul Frederic	\$3,000.00	
Ernest Hilton	\$3,000.00	
Elections	Total	\$3,505.00
Jerry Brackett	\$125.00	
Valerie Comstock	\$355.00	
Denis Culley	\$100.00	
Maryanne Gawlinski	\$150.00	
Jennifer Zweig Hebert	\$595.00	
Erin Norton	\$540.00	
Cathleen Horner	\$370.00	
Billie Jo Krebs	\$325.00	
Marcie Martin	\$40.00	
Danielle Pressey	\$105.00	
Frank Russell	\$50.00	
Vicki Stevens	\$250.00	
Barbara Vischer	\$500.00	
Assessors	Total	\$8,000.00
Cathleen Horner	\$2,500.00	
Joseph Hayden	\$2,500.00	
Kerry Hebert	\$3,000.00	
Town Clerk	Total	\$7,000.00
Jennifer Zweig Hebert	\$7,000.00	
Tax Collector	Total	\$10,000.00
Jennifer Zweig Hebert	\$10,000.00	
Treasurer	Total	\$7,000.00
Erin Norton	\$7,000.00	
Building Superintendent	Total	\$6,000.00
William Pressey	\$6,000.00	
Sexton	Total	\$1,500.00
Codey Casey	\$78.00	
John Atwood	\$47.00	
William Pressey	\$1,375.00	
Fire Department Training	Total	\$2,432.00
Ryan Abbott	\$200.00	
Codey Casey	\$1,232.00	
Sean Doherty	\$248.00	
Joshua Dunham	\$136.00	
Josh Harrington	\$1,104.00	
Ryan Hayden	\$76.00	
Shadrach Higgs	\$464.00	
Carl Irvine	\$200.00	

Paul Kenerson	\$112.00	
Thomas Krebs	\$64.00	
Kyle Luther	\$48.00	
Marcie Martin	\$92.00	
Jared Norton	\$124.00	
Chad Oliver	\$252.00	
Michael Pease	\$824.00	
Danielle Pressey	\$372.00	
Robert Pressey	\$320.00	
William Pressey	\$476.00	
Steve Rackliff	\$64.00	
John Robbins	\$212.00	
Shane Sours	\$76.00	
Peter White	\$148.00	
Heather Willis	\$280.00	
Fire Chief	Total	\$4,000.00
William Pressey	\$4,000.00	
Fire Department	Total	\$5,257.00
Ryan Abbott	\$95.00	
Codey Casey	\$425.00	
Sean Doherty	\$262.00	
Joshua Dunham	\$85.00	
Josh Harrington	\$150.00	
Ryan Hayden	\$20.00	
Shadrach Higgins	\$100.00	
Carl Irvine	\$505.00	
Paul Kenerson	\$40.00	
Thomas Krebs	\$20.00	
Marcie Martin	\$50.00	
Jared Norton	\$10.00	
Chad Oliver	\$155.00	
Michael Pease	\$310.00	
Danielle Pressey	\$837.00	
Robert Pressey	\$440.00	
William Pressey	\$1,218.00	
Steve Rackliff	\$40.00	
John Robbins	\$170.00	
Shane Sours	\$100.00	
Peter White	\$55.00	
Heather Willis	\$170.00	
Animal Control	Total	\$1,074.00
Terry Leonard	\$306.00	
Briana Erb	\$768.00	
Code Enforcement Officer	Total	\$3,000.00
Leo Mayo	\$3,000.00	
Road Foreman Stipend		\$4,473.75
William Lynds	\$2,373.75	
Joe Hayden	\$2,100.00	

Equipment	Total	\$6,950.50
William Pressey	\$3,682.50	
Danielle Pressey	\$344.50	
Codey Casey	\$78.00	
John Robbins	\$78.00	
John Atwood	\$2,767.50	
Summer Roads	Total	\$10,219.00
William Pressey	\$7,410.00	
William Lynds	\$1,575.00	
Danielle Pressey	\$559.00	
John Atwood	\$675.00	
Winter Roads	Total	\$15,690.00
Duane Locke	\$1,776.50	
William Pressey	\$8,534.00	
Joey Hayden	\$425.00	
William Lynds	\$400.00	
Codey Casey	\$169.00	
Danielle Pressey	\$136.50	
John Robbins	\$58.50	
David Hupper	\$654.50	
John Atwood	\$3,536.00	
Garage	Total	\$2,445.00
William Pressey	\$1,927.50	
Danielle Pressey	\$292.50	
John Atwood	\$225.00	
Large Item Drop Off	Total	\$1,024.50
William Pressey	\$607.50	
Codey Casey	\$66.00	
Danielle Pressey	\$351.00	
GA Overseer	Total	\$500.00
Jennifer Zweig Hebert	\$500.00	
Cemetery Maintenance	Total	\$702.00
William Pressey	\$294.00	
Danielle Pressey	\$240.00	
John Atwood	\$168.00	
Community Center Building Maintenance	Total	\$75.00
William Pressey	\$36.00	
Codey Casey	\$39.00	
Former Town Hall Mowing	Total	\$108.00
Danielle Pressey	\$72.00	
John Atwood	\$36.00	

Prepared by Erin Norton

Cemetery Trust Balance December 31st 2016

\$10,020.35

Frederic Cemetery	Total Trust	% of Trust	2016 Interest
John W. Higgins	\$5,000.00	79%	\$10.29
Frederic Cemetery Trust	\$157.10	2%	\$0.26
Alice Frederic Fields Trust Fund	\$180.27	3%	\$0.39
Sawyer and Trask Fund	\$334.74	5%	\$0.65
M.D. Frederic Trust Fund	\$100.00	2%	\$0.26
Bertha Waugh Smith-Georgia & Clifford Brann Lot	\$59.37	1%	\$0.13
Glen Frederic Trust Fund	\$500.00	8%	\$1.04
Total	\$6,331.48	64%	\$13.03
Locke Cemetery			
Bertha Waugh Smith-Sampson & Mary Duley Lot	\$59.38	6%	\$0.15
Clarence Norton	\$100.00	9%	\$0.22
Calvin Bryant Fish & Herietta Fish Lot	\$200.00	17%	\$0.40
Arthur Morse Trust Fund	\$350.00	30%	\$0.73
David J. Taylor-Milia Taylor Trust Fund	\$100.00	9%	\$0.22
Artthur Buffington Fund-William Gillis Lot	\$40.00	4%	\$0.10
Robert R Bichols & George Nichols Lot	\$100.00	9%	\$0.22
Frank Sterry Fund- Williamson Lot	\$200.00	17%	\$0.40
Total	\$1,149.38	12%	\$2.44
Tupper or Williamson Cemetery			
Captian Stevenson & George Williamson Lots	\$95.88	18%	\$0.18
Emma J. Frederic Trust Fund	\$139.81	27%	\$0.27
Betsy Wook Trust Fund	\$59.93	11%	\$0.11
Betsy Smith Cemetery Lot Trust Fund	\$79.17	15%	\$0.15
William P. True Fund Lot	\$150.00	29%	\$0.29
Total	\$524.79	5%	\$1.02
Brake Hill Cemetery			
Arthur and Susie Morse Lot	\$200.00	22%	\$0.40
Brake Hill Cemetery Lot	\$608.02	67%	\$1.23
Maude Rankin & Anne Ederly Fund-Lovell Lot	\$100.00	11%	\$0.20
Total	\$908.02	9%	\$1.83
Churchill Cemetery			
Arlin L. & Lucinda Chapman			
Justin O. & Sarah T. Chapman	\$1,000.00	10.00%	\$2.03
Total Trust	\$10,000.00	100.00%	
Issued to Ferderic Cemetery			\$13.03
Issued to Locke Cemetery			\$2.44
Issued to Town of Starks			\$4.88
Transferred to the General Fund on January 19th 2017			\$20.35
Prepared by Erin Norton			

BOARD OF ASSESSORS ANNUAL REPORT for 2016

The Town of Starks Board of Assessors has been meeting weekly at 7 P.M. on Thursdays at the Starks Municipal Office. Any questions on assessment or incorrect taxation, or problems with the tax maps should be brought before the Board of Assessors.

We did not do any further factoring to the land or building valuations this year, and are still keeping well above the state requirements of at least a 70% certified ratio, however this is something that will probably need to be addressed within a couple of years.

The Mil rate decreased from 20.0 mils in 2015 to 19.5 mils for 2016, but in general has been relatively stable.

Our county and school taxes rose significantly this year due to a combination of factors, but is not expected to continue to rise as fast as in the past, increased revenues from several sources, including the taxes on the cell phone tower helped to offset these increases. Another major factor in our taxes this year was a larger than normal carryover due to the mild winter last year, and the decreased payroll in winter roads and the use of sand and salt. Hopefully our overall taxes can be held to a nearly level rate again next year.

If you had problems with your address, or your valuation, please bring these problems to the attention of the board of assessors.

We would like to remind all residents that the Homestead Exemption is still available, and is expected to rise again this year. Residents who qualified in past years will be automatically carried forwards for this year. The only people who need to apply this year are new residents, or others who didn't participate last year. If you are eligible for a veteran's exemption or are disabled, please talk to us about the appropriate exemption.

The process of cross referencing all property lots with the new tax maps, tax cards and the commitment book is a lengthy undertaking, and is an ongoing project.

Thank you for your co-operation and support in helping us keep taxes in the Town to a minimum.

Respectfully submitted

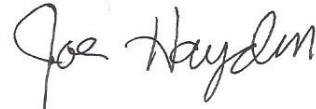
Kerry Hebert Chair



Cathleen Horner



Joe Hayden

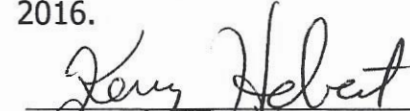
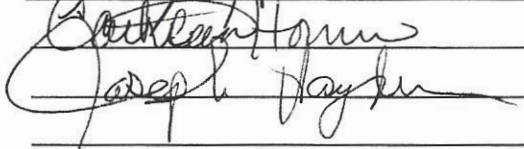


Starks Board of Assessors

ASSESSORS' CERTIFICATION OF ASSESSMENT

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, that the pages herein, numbered from 1 to 107 inclusive, contain a list and valuation of Estates, Real and Personal, liable to be taxed in the Municipality of Starks for State, County, District, and Municipal Taxes for the fiscal year 01/01/2016 to 12/31/2016 as they existed on the first day of April 2016.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands at Starks this 14 day of October, 2016.

Municipal Assessor(s)

MUNICIPAL TAX ASSESSMENT WARRANT

State of Maine Municipality Starks County Somerset
To Jennifer Hebert, Tax Collector

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to collect of each person named in the list herewith committed to you the amount set down on said list as payable by that person.

Assessments:

1. County Tax	108,581.55	
2. Municipal Appropriation	541,107.38	
3. TIF Financing Plan Amount	0.00	
4. Local Educational Appropriation	349,911.96	
5. Overlay (Not to Exceed 5% of "Net To Be Raised" (see tax rate calculation #16)	30,799.09	
6. Total Assessments		1,030,399.98

Deductions:

7. State Municipal Revenue Sharing	34,000.00	
8. Homestead Reimbursement	29,179.80	
9. BETE Reimbursement	0.00	
10. Other Revenue	229,693.68	
11. Total Deductions		292,873.48
12. <u>Net Assessment for Commitment</u>		737,526.50

PLANNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT for 2016

The Starks Planning Board is scheduled to meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 7 PM at the Town Hall, although some meetings have been cancelled if there was no business on the agenda. Meetings are open and the public is encouraged to attend. Any additional meetings, such as work meetings and public hearings are posted as required by law, and notice is placed in one or more local papers.

2016 Subdivisions and Site Review Permits:

A Site Review Permit was granted to Bay Communications in 2016 for the installation of a Telecommunications Tower on the land of Charles Carpenter on Mt. Hunger. This tower was constructed for the primary use by US Cellular, and is currently nearly operational. The tower is completed, the electrical infrastructure is nearly complete and the transmitter will be installed soon.

2016 Shoreland Zoning Permits

No Shoreland Zoning Permits were requested during 2016.

2016 Mass Gathering Permits:

No Mass Gathering Application Permits were requested during 2016

2016 Ordinance Updates:

Two ordinances are being brought to the town for adoption at the 2017 March Town Meeting.

The first ordinance represents a change to the Plumbing and Septic System Permit Fee Ordinance that was established in 1994. At the time that this ordinance was originally adopted the fee schedules were written into the language of the ordinance, and cannot be changed without a vote of the town to amend the ordinance. This has turned out to be an unwieldy process, since the state laws regulating these activities have changed over time, but the town has not addressed an appropriate change in fees to reflect the increased time spent by the Code Enforcement Officer in overseeing these duties. This change will allow the Board of Selectmen to make changes to the fee schedule as appropriate without the need of amending the Ordinance in the future.

The second ordinance is an Ordinance Prohibiting Retail Marijuana Establishments and Retail Marijuana Social Clubs. This ordinance would not take any action to restrict the personal use of recreational marijuana as allowed by statewide referendum in November of 2016, but would prohibit the retail or wholesale sales of marijuana within the Town of Starks.

This ordinance does not affect the lawful use, possession or conduct pursuant to the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act, 22 MRSA c . 558-C.

This ordinance can be compared to the right of a town to vote to prohibit the sales of alcohol at commercial establishments, without banning the personal use of alcohol.

The Planning Board is bringing this issue before the town because of a directive by the townspeople during the vote to adopt a moratorium on marijuana sale and testing facilities that was adopted by the town in 2016. The board has been working on this ordinance, but is currently waiting for clarification on aspects of the state law that legalizes recreational marijuana as the result of the November 2016 Statewide Election.

It should be noted that the town of Starks overwhelmingly voted for the passage of the moratorium, and subsequently voted against the legalization of recreational marijuana in the November 2016 election by a vote of 185 to 167. Given the outcome of these votes, the Planning Board feels that the town should have the right to adopt this ordinance if they so choose. Copies of these ordinances can be obtained from the Town Clerk, and are available on the Town of Starks website at: www.starksme.com.

Respectfully submitted

Kerry Hebert Chairman

Starks Planning Board

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kerry Hebert". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Animal Control Report 2016

Two Thousand Sixteen was an exciting year! In September I was given the opportunity to become the new Animal Control Officer for Starks. I attended a week long training in Bangor hosted by the Maine Department of Animal Welfare from October 24th – 28th 2016.

Since beginning, I've handled a few stray cat and dog calls that warranted trips to the local shelter. Late in the year I discovered a rabid skunk on my farm. It was dispatched and picked up by the Maine Warden's Service who transported it to Augusta where it tested positive. Starks residents are strongly encouraged to vaccinate their pets to prevent exposure.

I'm looking forward to meeting more of you this year as I tackle the work load of ACO in Starks. I've been a resident in town for seven years. I grew up in Chesterville and was a graduate of Mt. Blue High School. I've spent the better part of my life in the area.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any Animal Control related concerns and I'll do my best to help!

Respectfully,
Briana Erb



Town of Starks
Code Enforcement & Plumbing Inspector Report 2016

There were eighteen permits issued in 2016. Seven complete systems, seven internal plumbing, four replacement fields or tanks and compliance inspections.

Site inspections and issuance of eleven permits for construction included residences and additions to existing structures –garages, outbuildings, pole sheds, a mobile home and one cell tower.

Enforcement letters and verbal requests were issued to citizens concerning nuisance yards, trash, required permits and zoning.

Please remember: Before you get started on any construction on your home or property you should contact the Code Enforcement Officer to determine requirements for your project.

Code Enforcement hours are the first and third Wednesdays from 3:00PM – 6:00PM at the Town Office.

Respectfully,

Leo Mayo, CEO/LPI

Town Sexton's Report

Greetings,

Much work is needed to maintain town cemeteries. Over the years many stones have tilted, decayed, and broken. Trees fall into the cemeteries and also cause damage. I believe the Town needs to come up with a long-range plan to address these issues.

The Wreaths Across America ceremony at Break Hill had to be postponed due to inclement weather this year. I will let everyone know as soon as I hear of a new date for the ceremony.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Pressey

Building Superintendent's Report

Greetings,

The Community Center is holding up well. The new windows in it have really added to the efficiency of the heating system.

The planned work on the new walking trail in the woods behind the center will be a great addition.

As in years past, the center has hosted many different events throughout the year. I am sure the Building Committee report will elaborate on this. As for now, it continues to serve our community well and I encourage more folks to take advantage of it and to join in on all the great events.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Pressey

STARKS FIRE DEPARTMENT



2016 CALLS AS RECEIVED THROUGH SOMERSET COMMUNICATIONS

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS – 12

TREES ON LINES/FIRE – 4

TREES IN ROADWAY – 5

ASSIST AMS – 2

GRASS/FOREST FIRE – 4

VEHICLE FIRE – 2

OTHER - 6

ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENTS

HAZMAT INCIDENT – 1

STRUCTURE FIRES – 6

TOTAL 42 CALLS

(Stats gathered by LT Walter Pressey)

The department is now carrying a roster of 18.

Through rigorous training we now have 7 SCBA certified members, 5 of whom are interior structural attack certified. All of the remaining members have reached various levels of training that enable them to be exterior attack firefighters.

With the money raised at last year's town meeting we were able to replace the 1968 International with a 1985 Ford 4 wheel drive mini pumper/brush truck. It has served us well thus far.

We've also mounted the brand new MARK-3 forestry pump that was at the station to the tanker so it now has pump capability and proved valuable at the large forest fire in Starks/Industry this summer.

We want to take a moment to thank the town folks and businesses that helped make our fundraiser such a success. We raised over \$3,200.

In the past year we were able to obtain enough turnout gear so each firefighter's gear meets NFPA standards.

We have various trainings scheduled for this year and are also looking for new members that would be interested in reaching FF1 & FF2 certification.

In closing we would like to thank you all for your support and look forward to serving you in 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Pressey

Chief Starks Fire



Integrity Respect Fairness Dedication
SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2016 Annual Communication



Dale P. Lancaster
Sheriff

As your Sheriff, I would like to provide you with a summary of the responsibilities of the Somerset County Sheriff's Office and some of the highlights from the 2016 calendar year. The Sheriff's Office is responsible for the county jail, law enforcement, court security, civil process, and the Madison Division. Somerset County is approximately 4000 square miles. Presently there are ten rural patrol deputies, one of which is dedicated to patrolling the unorganized territories, and four Madison Division deputies to handle calls for service. The Detective Division has three detectives and a Lieutenant to investigate serious crimes.

Law Enforcement

- This year deputies were trained and carry Narcan in all our patrol vehicles. To date we have saved two lives.
- All Sheriff's Office patrol vehicles are now equipped with in-car cameras.
- The Sheriff's Office was awarded \$90,562 in grant funding during 2016. These funds were used to address traffic safety, to update approximately half of our patrol vehicle mobile data terminals, and to make updates to equipment in need of replacement without effecting the taxpayers.
- We have dedicated significant time updating policies and procedures to stay current with the latest policing standards.
- The Somerset County Sheriff's Office has partnered with the MDEA to enhance our drug enforcement by adding a dedicated MDEA agent.
- The Detective Division executed numerous drug search warrants culminating with the seizure of over 600 grams of heroin / fentanyl and cocaine.

Jail

- To reduce the possibility of contraband being introduced into the jail the county has procured a BSCAN body scanner.
- Substantial steps have been taken toward national accreditation for the jail. Our goal is to complete this process by the spring of 2018.
- At the end of 2016 the Somerset County Jail was awarded a \$169,000 grant. This grant enables us to add a caseworker and resources for the purpose of addressing substance abuse treatment, and to facilitate resources outside the jail in the hopes of reducing recidivism.
- The Somerset County Jail processed 1,680 bookings in 2016.

Civil Process

- The Somerset County Sheriff's Office civil deputies received 2,563 papers to process in 2016.

Calls for Service

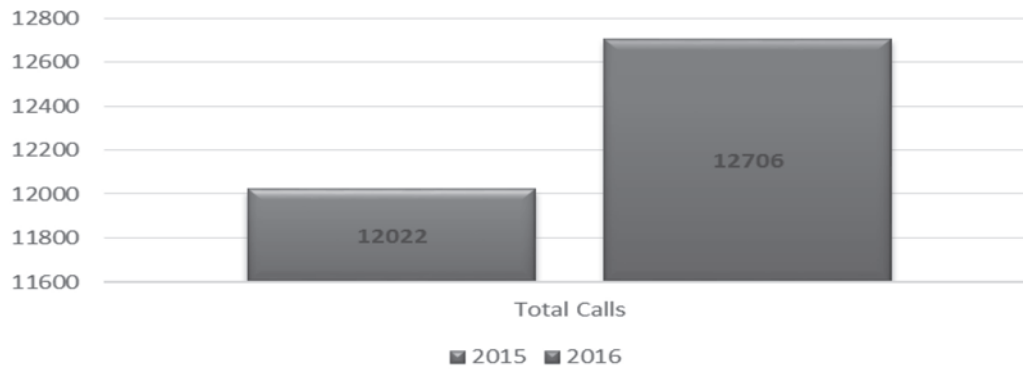
- In 2016 the Sheriff's Office received 12,706 calls for service from our citizens. This represents a 9.4% increase over calls for service in 2015.
- During 2016 the Sheriff's Office responded to 154 calls for service from the Town of Starks. These calls included 25 motor vehicle accidents, 15 animal complaints, 12 unknown or misdial 911 calls, 6 burglary alarms, 6 scam complaints, as well as other requests.

The following graphs represent our calls for service:

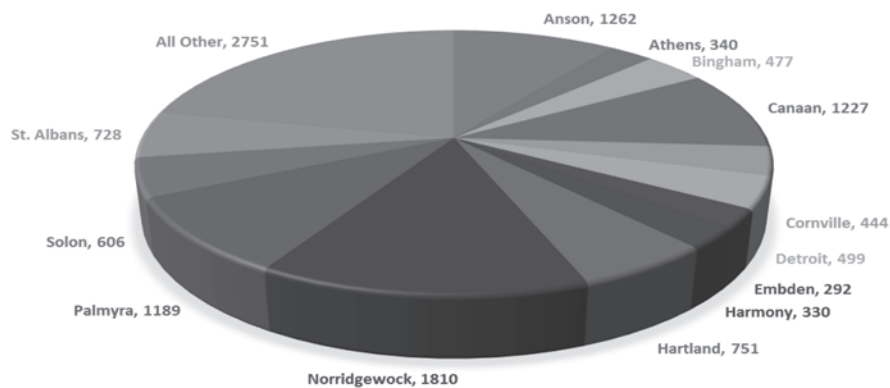


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SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

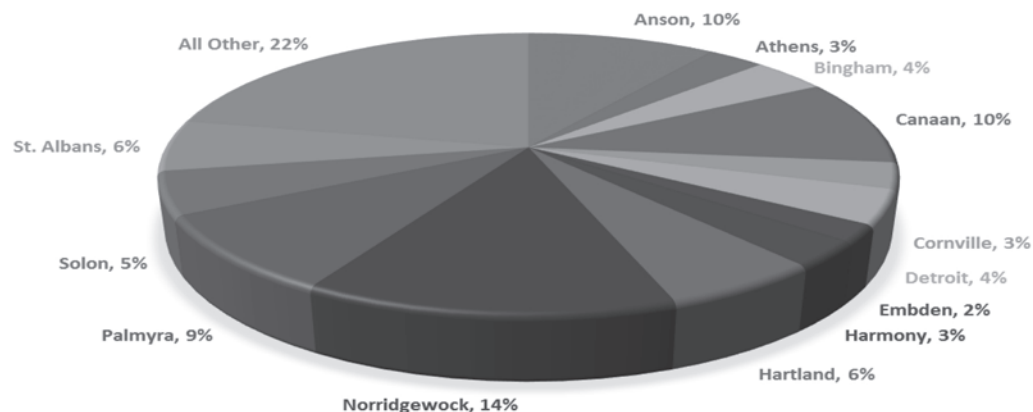
**Somerset County Sheriff's Office
Call Volume 2015 v 2016**



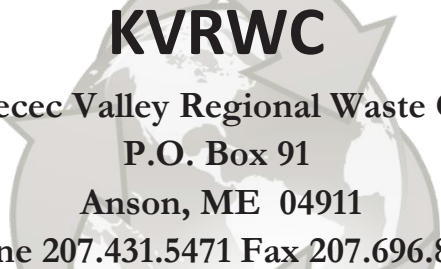
**SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
CALL VOLUME - BY JURISDICTION**



**SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
CALL VOLUME - BY JURISDICTION PERCENTAGE**



The Somerset County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to providing an exceptional level of service to the citizens that we serve.



KVRWC
Kennebec Valley Regional Waste Corp.
P.O. Box 91
Anson, ME 04911
Phone 207.431.5471 Fax 207.696.8201

Kennebec Valley Regional Waste Corporation is the recycling outfit co-owned by Anson and Starks. It's Board and Officers are made up of the Boards of Selectmen in both towns as well as two local citizens.

The recycling plant is located on Route 201 in Bingham where more than one hundred twenty tons of recycled materials generated by Anson and Starks residents, is processed each year. There are just over one hundred participating residents from Anson/North Anson and just under one hundred participating residents from Starks.

If you're interested in recycling a schedule for pick up in your area can be found at the Town Office. If you have any other questions please feel free to call Joe Hayden or Arnold Luce.

Respectfully,

Joe Hayden, Treasurer

ANSON, MADISON, STARKS AMBULANCE SERVICE

To the residents of Starks, the ambulance service responded to a total of 1,677 calls in the last year. 36 of those calls originated in Starks. It is the goal of AMS Ambulance to treat every patient with the best of care every time. It is important to have your house numbers in a highly visible area so they can be seen easily from the road, even at night. The ability to locate a residence as quickly as possible in an emergency situation can make a big difference in the patient's care, so help us help you. The cost of healthcare related supplies and the costs associated with running a business go up every year. We were able to reduce the towns assessments in 2011 by \$4.00 per capita from \$19 to \$15 and have saved the towns we serve \$200,000 in the last 6 years. However due to rising costs and the difficulty in meeting the financial needs of the service, the Board of Directors have voted to increase the assessments back to \$19 starting in July of 2017.

The ambulance service's main goal is to respond, treat and transport sick and injured people to the hospital. But we are also there to help you with such things as blood pressure checks, or help with any questions about where to get information or help pertaining to your health care (696-5332). We also do ambulance tours for kid's groups such as Cub Scouts, Brownies, Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts etc. We cover community events like parades, sporting events and do emergency care presentations for all school ages. In the past year we helped the Madison school system; Library, Fire Department and Somerset Sheriff's Department obtain AEDs through the USDA and did the training for them. We also have a table at the local college fair held yearly at Madison High School for several area schools.

I hope you all have a healthy year, and be assured we are here if you need us!

George Demchak, Paramedic, Director AMS Ambulance

Starks Water District

P.O. Box 599 ♦ Anson, Maine 04911 ♦ 866-696-6491

Starks Water District Annual Report

The Starks Water District hours of operation are 4-7PM on the third Wednesday of every month at the Starks Community Building, we are also available by phone. If you need to make a payment or arrangement outside of office hours, someone is available to do that, just call ahead. If you have a problem with your water service please let us know and we will address it as soon as possible.

We meet at the Starks Community Building on the third Wednesday of every month at 7PM. The Starks Water District Board of Directors remaining meetings for 2017 will be as follows:

March 15	August 16
April 19	September 20
May 17	October 18
June 21	November 15
July 19	December 20

Any changes to Board meeting dates or times will be posted at the Starks Community Building one week in advance except in the case of weather emergency or illness. If schools are canceled and/or the Town Office is closed due to weather conditions, the meeting will also be canceled.

Starks Water District income from water service and fees for 2016 was \$9,928.37 and our total expenses were \$9,239.24. We lost four customers this year, three residences and the church, which accounts for the decrease in revenue for 2016.

We currently have a full Board of Directors/Trustees:

Robin Melancon-Quimby, Chair
Ann Marie Simone, Clerk/Treasurer
Erin Norton
Ashley Steward-Hayden
Jared Norton

A copy of the Terms and Conditions and current rates and fees are available on request.

Report prepared by:
Ann Marie Simone, M.Ed., D.Div.
Clerk/Treasurer

Starks Food Cupboard

A program of East Parish Housing Ministry, Inc.

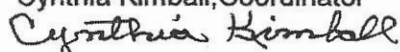
ANNUAL REPORT

2016 was another successful year for our Food Cupboard. We had about 6 new residents added to our families. We were able to make 42 Thanksgiving baskets this year. We would like to thank all of the local gardeners and people that gave us produce, donations and the citizens of Starks at Town Meeting for their continued support and selfless generosity. It really is a help and greatly appreciated. Although the Federal surplus is getting smaller with each quarterly delivery we were still able to meet the needs of the Town's people. We would like to extend a Big Thank You to the volunteers, for their much needed time they spend each month helping to make boxes, stocking shelves after deliveries,

The Starks Food Cupboard is open on the 1st and 3rd Wed. of each month from 10AM to 12 Noon unless school is canceled then we are not opened and in response to emergency requests. Please call Call 696-4337. or cell phone 399-3137.

Thank you for your continued support,
Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Kimball, Coordinator



Income

<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>\$ 496.45</u>
<u>Town of Starks</u>	<u>\$ 900.00</u>
<u>Fema</u>	<u>\$ 000</u>
<u>Miscellaneous donations</u>	<u>\$ 850.00</u>
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>\$ 2,246.45</u>

Expenses

<u>Key Appliance</u>	<u>\$ 699.00</u>
<u>Hannaford</u>	<u>\$ 659.00</u>
<u>Save-A-Lot</u>	<u>\$ 130.00</u>
<u>Balance Ending</u>	<u>\$ 758.45</u>

Budget Committee
Annual Report for 2016

The Budget Committee meets as needed throughout the year upon the request of the Board of Selectmen.

The Budget Committee works with the Board of Selectmen on the various issues related to current town expenses as well as planning for upcoming expenditures.

The five-member committee is elected each year at the Starks Town Meeting and is advisory only and is not charged with final decisions. All decisions are the responsibility of the Board of Selectmen.

Elected members of the 2016 Budget Committee, in alphabetical order, are as follows:

- Carol Coles
- Maryanne Gawlinski
- Dave Johnson
- Ken Lust
- Jared Norton

In our work with the Board of Selectmen we refer often to the Starks Comprehensive Plan and its recommendations as a guide. It is a goal of this committee that decisions recommended and made now are in the best fiscal interest of our town's present status as well as for its future.

The Budget Committee meets with the Selectmen, and the Board of Assessors in the fall to plan/estimate the current revenue sources and likely expenses, including the school costs. In addition, the committee also meets in January of each year to review the town budget and make recommendations for the upcoming year.

Our most recent meeting was held on January 16, 2016 upon the request of our Town Treasurer Erin Norton. The meeting included members Maryanne Gawlinski, Dave Johnson, Ken Lust and me and our Starks Selectmen Paul Frederic, Ernest Hilton and Joe Hayden. We supported the establishment of and support of existing capitol accounts to assure that the Fire Department, Community Center and town roads are all well maintained.

Starks benefits from citizen participation on its boards and we hope that others will consider serving on town boards and committees.

Respectfully submitted by Committee Member Carol Coles on behalf of the Starks Budget Committee

Community Center Building Committee
Annual Report for 2016

Members of this committee are volunteers who are appointed by the Starks Board of Selectmen to make recommendations related to the functioning of the Building.

Current members include:

- Paul Frederic
- Maryanne Gawlinski
- Jenn Zweig Hebert
- Nancy Lagin
- Linda LaRose
- Ken Lust
- Erin Norton
- Jared Norton
- Carol Coles

The financial help that the Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation has provided cannot be overstated. Sam Whitmore's leadership in "pulling together" the successful grant application with the help of many dedicated volunteers has provided for most of the capital improvements made to date.

Town funds were added to the grant funds to assure that all windows, including those in the Town Office, are now extremely energy efficient. Following the installation of the roof and the removal of the skylights, the areas affected where the skylights had been have been insulated and "sheetrocked". Ceiling fans with cages to protect them have been installed in an effort to force hot air down from the heating outlets near the ceiling.

We will continue to maintain and improve our Center. Our next big project will be the downstairs floors where the carpeted area are worn, buckled and despite frequent cleaning appear dingy. We will be addressing this issue as we begin our work in 2017.

We remind everyone that the Library in our Community Building is amazing. There is something for everyone on its shelves; from children's picture books, to do-it-yourself manuals to the latest fiction. Come visit! Events, such as the well-attended annual Christmas Celebration would be impossible without this building.

Bill Pressey, our Building Superintendent, has continued to not just maintain our center but has been proactive in suggesting cost effective solutions to any and all problems. A big thank you is due to Bill from the Committee.

Starks benefits from citizen participation on its boards and we hope that others will consider serving. This committee meets the second Thursday of every other month (odd-numbered months) at 5pm at the Community Building. We welcome anyone who would like to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Riemer Coles, Chairperson
Community Center Building Committee

STARKS LIBRARY

2016 ANNUAL REPORT

The Starks Library Committee and volunteers have been busy with a number of activities throughout the year. These activities included two presentations ("*The World of Reptiles*" and "*Life in the Early 1900's*") by the L. C. Bates Museum; a celebration of Groundhog's Day with a story and activity making clay groundhogs; the Starks SummerKids program which included several afternoons of stories and activities; a spooky Halloween in the library with free books and treats to all the kiddoes that visited; and the Starks Community Christmas Program with participation from the young and young at heart. Throughout the year there were book sales and give-aways.

We are fortunate to have such a plentiful and varied book collection with books for all ages. We have increased our selection of books by Maine authors ~ for both children and adult readers. The library is visited by many people each month with many returning several times during the month to find more books to read. Come in, browse through our collection, and borrow a book.

The library is often used as a meeting place for committees and other groups. On the first Saturday of each month we support "Mug Up" – a time to enjoy coffee, tea or hot chocolate along with a treat and pleasant conversation. Our hours are the same as the Town Office hours.

The Starks Library Committee appreciates and thanks all of the people in the community who have volunteered and supported the library over the years.

Starks Library Committee: Maryanne Gawlinski, Nancy Lagin, and Linda LaRose



2016 SEEdS Report

Greetings from the **Starks Enrichment and Education Society**. Our mission is to provide enrichment through encouragement of the visual and performing arts, environmental awareness, development and operation of the Starks Town Library, support of the Historical Society, and "Friends of Our Fathers" groups. We seek to provide development of health and exercise related programs, and such other means as generally support the education, enrichment and health of the adults and children of Starks and the surrounding areas.

SEEdS members would like to extend their thanks to the generous folks who donate their time, supplies, and money to help us achieve these goals

At the 7th Annual Pumpkin Festival last fall, the 2016 Citizen of the Year award was given to **Danielle Pressey**. A young lifelong citizen of Starks, Danielle contributes a tremendous amount of time ensuring the smooth operation of the Community Center and the Starks Fire Department. Thank you, Danielle.

In 2016, some of the **SEEdS** sponsored activities were; the Pumpkin Festival, SummerKids, a trip to Roy's Water Park, the Community Christmas Party, Free Yoga classes, Paper Planes and Pizza Night, A hike to a glacial erratic in Lemon Stream and we assisted with the cooking at the Fire Department benefit.

We extend a heartfelt welcome to new residents of Starks, many of whom have attended meetings and expressed interest in our organization. Volunteers are the heart of our organization, allowing **SEEdS** to organize these events for our citizens.

Be on the lookout for emails and Facebook post from our Town Clerk for dates and times of meetings and events. **All are welcome.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene S. Taylor

Darlene S. Taylor, 2016 SEEdS. Chair

Kennebec Regional Development Authority
Annual Report: 2015-2016

The Staff, General Assembly, and the 24 member communities of the Kennebec Regional Development Authority are pleased to present this annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

Financial Overview

At fiscal year-end 2015-2016, KRDA's government funds reported a positive fund balance (equity) of \$463,980, an improvement of \$336,332 from the previous fiscal year. This is the second consecutive positive fund balance since 2001. Annual revenue distributions, to member communities totaled \$245,460. We reduced our long term debt principal by \$234,824. We are still on target to pay off our long term debt in fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The total long-term debt for the organization stands at approximately \$987,210. For investments, we have 2 CD's and a money market account at the Maine State Credit Union totaling \$205,186; a savings account with TD Bank totaling \$248,952 and; a CD with Skowhegan National Bank totaling \$218,157. These cash allocations represent designated funds toward a small operating reserve, and a growing infrastructure reserve. These funds could be used for future capital expenditures should the KRDA membership so decide at some point in the future. We project adequate cash flow for operations and debt service through the coming fiscal year without additional borrowing or increases in the municipal assessments which have remain unchanged since 2007.

Operations Overview

During FY 2015-2016, the organization continued executing (on the 2nd year) on a long term operational plan for the development of the existing serviced lots on the park. The first phase – and main effort – of this plan, is to address the demand side of the park. The operating budget sustained the marketing effort in order to “establish credibility with investment attraction.” The intent is to surge the marketing effort, through June 2017 and establish a greater density of leads, through our networking activities. Once this phase is completed, the operational plan will focus on addressing the supply side of the park – to incentivize developers to FirstPark both operationally and financially. Through this process, we hope to develop the remaining serviced lots (which total seven) by the time the debt service is paid off. If we are successful in this effort, this will help with the on-going effort to eventually position the KRDA so that it can operate independently at or about the time the existing long term debt is paid off. The organization will be actively exploring, identifying and securing additional forms of revenue to place the organization in a position to compete with other regions in the US and beyond.

From the Director's Desk...

At the end of the FY we succeeded in securing a 2nd federal grant fund to support our marketing efforts. This activity has leveraged the marketing “surge” currently in place – which is intended to last two funding cycles. The federal funding support initiates the prospect of establishing a self-funded marketing program by the time we complete paying off the existing debt service. These federal funds and municipal support will be substituted by commission and sponsorship activity in time. If we can achieve this goal sooner, it will provide allow us to shift the existing municipal support to developing buildings on the park – and support the 2nd phase of the operational plan.

Respectfully Submitted,

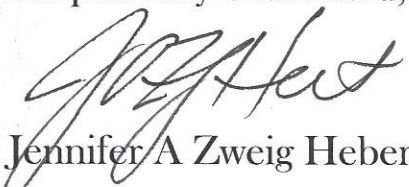
Brad Jackson
Executive Director
KRDA/FirstPark

Mt. Blue Regional School District - (RSU #9)

It has been an honor to once again serve as Starks representative on the Mt. Blue Regional School District Board of Directors. In July, I was once again elected Chair of the Board which has adds many additional duties to my schedule. There are many challenges facing Mt. Blue Regional School District as we go into 2017. Two of our largest concerns are presenting a budget that passes at the polls this coming summer and providing a proper education to all of the students regardless of their needs. Last summer, for the second year, the initial budget presented did not pass district wide. A second budget which contained further cuts passed. Starks voters voted to approve the budget both times. I am proud that our town places a high value on education and understands the hard work and careful planning that the goes into presenting a budget. As we move forward, the focus of the district and board will be trying to reduce costs and providing a quality education. We invested in a Day Treatment Program that meets regulations to qualify for Medicare reimbursement for our students with some of the greatest needs. This has helped offset the high cost as well as provide the proper services needed for our most at risk children. The district has also worked to improve poverty awareness. Dr. Donna Beegle gave a powerful lecture to all RSU #9 staff on the effects poverty has on a community. The time spent on the Board of Directors has proven to be both challenging and rewarding. I am continually impressed with the quality and dedication of the faculty and staff that make up RSU #9.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our town and school district.
Please feel free to contact me with any concerns or ideas.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer A Zweig Hebert

Articles of Warrant

Greetings, in the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Starks; qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Starks Community Center, 57 Anson Road, in the said Town of Starks on Friday, March 10th, 2017, from noon until 8pm. The Annual Town Meeting will be held the following day, Saturday, March 11th, 2017 beginning at 9 am at the Starks Community Center, 57 Anson Road in said Town of Starks.

Article #1

To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article #2

To choose by Australian ballot all Town Officers for the current year.

Article #3

To see if the Town will vote to apply available excise taxes, interest, and lien charges toward the 2017 budget.

Article #4

To elect five budget committee members from the floor.

Article #5

To see if the Town will authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the annual budget in each budget category of the 2018 annual budget during the period from January 1st, 2018 to the 2018 Annual Town Meeting.

Article #6

To see if the Town will vote to make taxes due and payable upon the date of commitment.

Article #7

To set the rate of interest to be charged on unpaid taxes, after the date set in the preceding article. Recommended interest @ 7.00%, to accrue beginning 60 days from the date of commitment.

Article #8

To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of 2017 taxes from January 1st, 2017 to the 2017 date of commitment.

Article #9

To see if the Town, in accordance with T. 36 M.R.S. § 506, will vote that if a taxpayer pays an amount in excess of their final assessment it shall be refunded in the amount of the overpayment.

Article #10

To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real-estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes; to thereon advertise and accept sealed bids only; and to execute the appropriate deeds for such property.

Article #11

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to apply for a tax anticipation note, but only if necessary for operating expenses.

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget committee.

Article #12

To see if the Town will vote to apply lien cost revenue to the lien cost expense account.

Article #13

To see if the Town will vote to apply overlay to cover abatements.

Article #14

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$3,000 to pay for unanticipated expenses and emergencies.

Article #15

To see if the Town will vote to apply all revenues from Community Center donations and any lease revenue from the former Town Office to the Building Improvement Fund.

Article #16

To see if the Town will vote to apply all revenues from the sale of tax acquired property to lower the commitment.

Article #17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$100,015 for General Administration and additional administrative expenses for the current year.

Object	Taxation/Requested
Payroll Taxes	\$9,000
Workman's Compensation	\$10,395
Mileage	\$2,000
Training Workshops	\$800
Annual Drug Testing Fee	\$350
Unemployment	\$350
Postage	\$1,500
Books & Subscriptions	\$200
Dues	\$3,000
Miscellaneous	\$5,000
Audit	\$5,000
Trio Renewal/Upgrades	\$5,500
Trio BMV Package	\$5,700
Legal	\$8,000
Town Report	\$1,000
Ads	\$500
Xerox Lease	\$1,620
Water Rent	\$3,700
KVRWC	\$9,500
Large Item Pickup	\$4,100
Cemetery Maintenance	\$1,750
MMA Insurance	\$20,000
TAN Interest	\$350
Voice of Starks	\$700
Total	\$100,015

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #18

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate from taxation \$3,000 for Town Hall operating expenses at the former Town Hall Building.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Former Town Hall Building	\$3,000	\$3,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #19

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the Code Enforcement Officer, in addition to allowing the LPI to retain his portion of the collected fees for plumbing permits in the Town's name.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
CEO	\$3,000	\$3,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation \$7,000 for the legal expenses of Code Enforcement.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
CEO Legal	\$7,000	\$7,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for Deputies in the instance that the incumbent Clerk is opposed in an election, or there's a need for subs in the Town Office.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Deputy	\$550	\$1,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,500 for Elections for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Elections	\$4,500	\$4,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #23

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Assessor's salaries for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Assessor Chair	\$3,000	\$3,250
Assessor	\$2,500	\$2,750
Assessor	\$2,500	\$2,750

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #24

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Selectmen's salaries for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Selectman Chair	\$3,000	\$3,000
Selectman	\$3,000	\$3,000
Selectman	\$3,000	\$3,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #25

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Clerk's salary for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Town Clerk	\$7,000	\$8,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #26

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Tax Collector's salary for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Tax Collector	\$10,000	\$12,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #27

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Treasurer's salary for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Treasurer	\$7,000	\$8,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #28

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Building Superintendent's salary for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Building Superintendent	\$6,000	\$6,000

Recommended by Selectmen, Budget Committee and Building Committee

Article #29

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Health Officer's stipend and expenses for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Health Officer	\$1,800	\$1,800

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #30

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Sexton's salary for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Sexton	\$1,500	\$2,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #31

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$500 for the position of General Assistance Overseer for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
GA Overseer	\$500	\$500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #32

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$500 for the Appeals Board for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Appeals Board	\$500	\$500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #33

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$500 for the Planning Board for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Planning Board	\$500	\$500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #34

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$500 for the training of an incoming elected official by the outgoing officer. This applies only to Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer's positions.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Training of Officers	\$500	\$500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #35

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$7,500 for a Road Foreman Stipend payable at the discretion of the Selectmen.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Road Foreman Stipend	\$7,500	\$7,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #36

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$20,000 for the Community Center in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Community Center Operating Expenses	\$20,000	20,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #37

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$8,000 for the purchase of a fuel powered generator to protect the Community Center in the event of lengthy power outages.

Object	Taxation/Requested
Fuel Powered Generator	\$8,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #38

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$30,500 for the Fire Department for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Fire Department	\$38,213.66	\$30,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #39

To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Chief's Salary for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Fire Chief	\$4,000	\$4,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #40

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,000 to repair and reinforce the exterior walls at the Fire Station.

Object	Taxation/Requested
Fire Station Repair	\$8,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #41

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$1,000 for the Animal Control Officer and expenses for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Animal Control	\$1,000	\$1,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #42

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$10,800 for the Anson Madison Starks Ambulance Service for the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
AMS Ambulance	\$9,600	\$10,800

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #43

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$500 for road signs in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Road signs	\$500	\$500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #44

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$1,500 for the Town's Street Lights in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Street Lights	\$1,400	\$1,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #45

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$45,500 for Equipment Maintenance in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Equipment	\$43,000	\$45,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #46

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$9,000 for the Town Garage in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Garage	\$14,000	\$9,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #47

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$63,500 for Summer Roads Maintenance in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Summer Roads Maintenance	\$60,000	\$63,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #48

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$55,000 for Winter Roads in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Winter Roads	\$50,000	\$55,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #49

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$300 for the maintenance of the Starks Town Dump in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation Requested
Town Dump	\$300	\$300

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #50

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$3,000 for General Assistance, and to apply all GA reimbursements from the State to the GA account.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
General Assistance	\$4,000	\$3,000
GA Reimbursements 2016	\$1,121.48	

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #51

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$1,700 for rec sports and library membership reimbursements in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Rec Sports/Library Reimbursements	\$1,000	\$1,700

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #52

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$9,787 for the Salt Shed as a Capital Expense in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Salt Shed	\$9,787	\$9,787

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #53

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$31,109 for the River Road Bond in the current year.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
River Road Bond	\$31,109	\$31,109

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #54

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$4,500 for First Park

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
First Park	\$4,500	\$4,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #55

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation for Social Organizations in the current year.

Organization	Requested	Taxation/Recommended
Starks Food Cupboard	\$900	\$900
Franklin County Animal Shelter	\$1,280	\$1,280
Family Violence	\$1,000	\$0
Madison Public Library	\$350	\$350
Kennebec Behavioral Health	\$400	\$400
Memorial Day Fund	\$100	\$100
Maine Public Broadcasting Network	\$0	\$200
KVCAP	\$100	\$500
Hospice Volunteers	\$300	\$300
Community Health and Counseling	\$100	\$100
Crisis and Counseling	\$30	\$100
American Red Cross	\$250	\$250
Total	\$4,810	\$4,480

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #56

To see if the Town will vote to forward the snowmobile reimbursement from the State of Maine, to the Anson-North Anson Snowmobile Club for maintaining the trails in Starks.

Article #57

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$40,000 for the Capital Improvement Fund.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Capital Improvements	\$40,000	\$40,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Capital Improvement Account Balance December 31 st , 2016	\$81,268.25
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Article #58

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Capital Improvement Account, \$29,500 to replace the sanding body on a winter roads plow truck.

Object	Total
New Sanding Body	\$29,500

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #59

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$10,000 to Building Improvement Fund (BIF).

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Building Improvement Fund	\$10,000	\$10,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #60

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$20,000 for the Capital Roads account.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Capital Roads	\$20,000	\$20,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Capital Roads Account Balance December 31 st , 2016	\$20,000
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Article #61

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation, \$10,000 for a Fire Department Capital Reserve Account.

Object	2016 Budget	Taxation/Requested
Fire Dept. Capital Reserve	\$0	\$10,000

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #62

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from undesignated funds \$48,194.64 to lower the tax commitment.

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

The amount requested in this article represents all the remaining balances from Articles 1-66 at the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and can be found in detail on the Treasurers Expense Report toward the front of this book.

(Surplus) Undesignated Fund Balance December 31 st , 2016	\$378,639
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Article #63

To see if the Town will vote to accept the following gifts grants and funds listed below as provided by the Maine State Legislature and any other sources and apply the funds to lower the commitment or benefit the town in such other ways as they deem reasonable.

Maine Municipal Revenue Sharing
State Aid to Education (including federal pass through funds and property tax relief)
Public Library State Aid
Tree Growth Reimbursements
General Assistance Funds
Veterans Exemption Funds
Homestead Exemption Funds
FEMA Reimbursements
Civil Emergency Funds (Emergency Management Assistance)
State and Federal Grants
Any Other Funds or Gifts

Recommended by Selectmen and Budget Committee

Article #64

To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for the Town of Starks by State law to the extent statutorily allowed in the event the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the so-called LD 1 property tax levy limit.

Article #65

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of assets with an estimated value of \$500 or less without having to place legal ads, the details of these assets to be emailed to an available email list and posted inside and outside the Town Office for bids. This does not include tax acquired property.

Article #66

To see if the Town will vote to accept the balance of the Reed and Taylor Scholarship Fund. Helen Reed and Millia Taylor direct the money is to support post-secondary education of Starks residents.

Scholarship Fund Balance is \$4,610.97

Article #67

To see if the Town will vote to enact a Proclamation entitled:
 “A Proclamation Establishing Indigenous Peoples Day in the Town of Starks”.

Article #68

Shall an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Repealing the Town of Starks Ordinance Establishing Plumbing and Septic System Permit Fees (enacted March 12, 1994)" be enacted?

Article #69

To see if the Town will vote to close the books on December 31, 2017.

Article #70

To see if the Town wishes to hold the next Annual Town Meeting on March 9th and 10th 2018.

Given under our hands at the Starks Town Office this 13th day of February 2017

Paul Frederic, Selectman Chair

Joseph Hayden, Selectman

Ernest Hilton, Selectman

A true copy of the warrant

Attest:

Jennifer A Zweig Hebert, Clerk of Starks

Warrant Officer's Return:

By virtue of the herein warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Starks to be assembled at the time and place, and for the purpose therein named by posting attested copies of the warrant in five (5) conspicuous places within said town, the 22nd day of February, 2017. The Starks Town Office inside and out, the Town Garage, the Starks Food Cupboard and Whip's Variety Store.

Jerry Brackett, Warrant Officer



Proven Expertise and Integrity

February 13, 2017

Board of Selectmen
Town of Starks
Starks, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Starks, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Starks, Maine as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. The following schedules have been excerpted from the 2016 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, will be available for inspection at the Town. Included herein are:

Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds	Statement C
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds	Statement E
Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual – General Fund	Schedule 1
Schedule of Departmental Operations – General Fund	Schedule A
Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule B
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule C

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TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2016

	General Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
			2016	2015
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 596,033	\$ -	\$ 596,033	\$ 554,308
Investments	-	10,039	10,039	10,019
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):				
Taxes	109,845	-	109,845	122,202
Liens	44,690	-	44,690	47,358
Tax acquired property	3,320	-	3,320	2,749
Prepaid items	1,320	-	1,320	-
Due from other funds	20	233,688	233,708	173,194
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 755,228</u>	<u>\$ 243,727</u>	<u>\$ 998,955</u>	<u>\$ 909,830</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200
Accrued expenses	6,302	-	6,302	4,915
Due to other governments	861	-	861	861
Due to other funds	233,688	20	233,708	173,194
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>240,851</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>240,871</u>	<u>179,170</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Prepaid taxes	379	-	379	412
Advanced payment of LRAP funding	-	14,158	14,158	14,158
Deferred tax revenues	122,719	-	122,719	131,835
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>123,098</u>	<u>14,158</u>	<u>137,256</u>	<u>146,405</u>
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable - prepaid items and tax acquired property	4,640	-	4,640	2,749
Restricted	-	67,434	67,434	71,216
Committed	8,000	142,115	150,115	105,839
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	378,639	20,000	398,639	404,451
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>391,279</u>	<u>229,549</u>	<u>620,828</u>	<u>584,255</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 755,228</u>	<u>\$ 243,727</u>	<u>\$ 998,955</u>	<u>\$ 909,830</u>

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TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	General Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 746,802	\$ -	\$ 746,802
Excise	94,181	-	94,181
Intergovernmental revenues	76,029	28,188	104,217
Charges for services	10,374	-	10,374
Miscellaneous revenues	9,623	3,263	12,886
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>937,009</u>	<u>31,451</u>	<u>968,460</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	128,992	-	128,992
Public safety	59,794	-	59,794
Public works	165,408	-	165,408
Community service	4,248	-	4,248
Education	349,912	-	349,912
County tax	108,582	-	108,582
Unclassified	15,734	1,642	17,376
Capital outlay	30,315	26,365	56,680
Debt service:			
Principal	36,722	-	36,722
Interest	4,173	-	4,173
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>903,880</u>	<u>28,007</u>	<u>931,887</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>33,129</u>	<u>3,444</u>	<u>36,573</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	12,950	70,000	82,950
Transfers (out)	(70,000)	(12,950)	(82,950)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(57,050)</u>	<u>57,050</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(23,921)	60,494	36,573
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	<u>415,200</u>	<u>169,055</u>	<u>584,255</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 391,279</u>	<u>\$ 229,549</u>	<u>\$ 620,828</u>

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TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS
BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final	Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1	\$ 415,200	\$ 415,200	\$ 415,200	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	737,526	737,526	746,802	9,276
Excise taxes	90,000	90,000	94,181	4,181
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State revenue sharing	34,000	34,000	30,978	(3,022)
Homestead exemption	29,180	29,180	31,412	2,232
Tree growth	10,472	10,472	10,469	(3)
Other Income	1,684	2,048	3,170	1,122
Interest income	5,000	5,000	1,700	(3,300)
Charges for services	-	3,231	10,374	7,143
Miscellaneous revenues	15,988	15,988	7,923	(8,065)
Transfers from other funds	11,017	15,931	12,950	(2,981)
Amounts Available for Appropriation	1,350,067	1,358,576	1,365,159	6,583
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows):				
General government	168,983	168,983	128,992	39,991
Public safety	49,800	54,714	59,794	(5,080)
Public works	167,300	167,300	165,408	1,892
Community service	7,271	7,271	4,248	3,023
Education	349,912	349,912	349,912	-
County tax	108,582	108,582	108,582	-
Unclassified	43,808	47,039	15,734	31,305
Capital outlay	35,229	30,315	30,315	-
Debt service:				
Principal	36,722	36,722	36,722	-
Interest	4,174	4,174	4,173	1
Transfers to other funds	70,000	70,000	70,000	-
Total Charges to Appropriations	1,041,781	1,045,012	973,880	71,132
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	\$ 308,286	\$ 313,564	\$ 391,279	\$ 77,715
Utilization of unassigned fund balance	\$ 106,550	\$ 106,550	\$ -	\$ (106,550)

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SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
General government -					
Administration	\$ 88,220	\$ -	\$ 88,220	\$ 64,381	\$ 23,839
Town hall operating	3,000	-	3,000	2,464	536
Code enforcement officer	10,000	-	10,000	3,000	7,000
Elections	4,500	-	4,500	3,505	995
Plumbing inspector	-	-	-	2,168	(2,168)
Assessors	8,000	-	8,000	8,000	-
Selectmen	9,000	-	9,000	9,000	-
Town clerk	7,000	-	7,000	7,000	-
Tax collector	10,000	-	10,000	10,000	-
Treasurer	7,000	-	7,000	7,500	(500)
Janitor	6,000	-	6,000	6,000	-
Health officer	1,800	-	1,800	-	1,800
Sexton	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Appeals board	500	-	500	-	500
Planning board	500	-	500	-	500
Outgoing officer to train incoming	500	-	500	-	500
Road foreman stipend	7,500	-	7,500	4,474	3,026
Map updates and printing	3,963	-	3,963	-	3,963
	168,983	-	168,983	128,992	39,991
Public safety -					
Fire department	33,300	4,914	38,214	40,379	(2,165)
Fire chief	4,000	-	4,000	4,000	-
Animal control	1,000	-	1,000	1,612	(612)
AMS service	9,600	-	9,600	9,600	-
Road signs	500	-	500	100	400
Street lights	1,400	-	1,400	1,369	31
Workman's compensation	-	-	-	2,734	(2,734)
	49,800	4,914	54,714	59,794	(5,080)

TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Public works -					
Equipment	53,000	(10,000)	43,000	43,000	-
Garage	14,000	-	14,000	7,237	6,763
Summer roads	50,000	10,000	60,000	60,000	-
Winter roads	50,000	-	50,000	50,000	-
Closure of the Starks dump	300	-	300	300	-
Workman's compensation	-	-	-	4,871	(4,871)
	167,300	-	167,300	165,408	1,892
General assistance -					
General assistance overseer	4,500	-	4,500	1,594	2,906
Community center	1,771	-	1,771	1,774	(3)
Madison recreation	1,000	-	1,000	880	120
	7,271	-	7,271	4,248	3,023
Capital outlay	35,229	(4,914)	30,315	30,315	-
Debt service -					
Principal	36,722	-	36,722	36,722	-
Interest	4,174	-	4,174	4,173	1
	40,896	-	40,896	40,895	1
County tax	108,582	-	108,582	108,582	-
Education -					
RSU #9	349,912	-	349,912	349,912	-
	349,912	-	349,912	349,912	-

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual Expenditures	Variance Positive (Negative)
Unclassified -					
First Park	4,500	-	4,500	4,251	249
Social services	5,145	-	5,145	4,745	400
Snowmobile	364	-	364	364	-
Contingency	3,000	-	3,000	-	3,000
Overlay	30,799	-	30,799	3,143	27,656
Lien costs	-	3,231	3,231	3,231	-
	43,808	3,231	47,039	15,734	31,305
Transfers out -					
Capital projects	70,000	-	70,000	70,000	-
	70,000	-	70,000	70,000	-
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 1,041,781	\$ 3,231	\$ 1,045,012	\$ 973,880	\$ 71,132

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SCHEDULE B

TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Investments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,039	\$ 10,039
Due from other funds	48,386	185,302	-	233,688
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 48,386</u>	<u>\$ 185,302</u>	<u>\$ 10,039</u>	<u>\$ 243,727</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to other funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ 20
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 20</u>	<u>\$ 20</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Advance payment of LRAP funding	-	14,158	-	14,158
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>-</u>	<u>14,158</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,158</u>
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-
Restricted	7,145	50,270	10,019	67,434
Committed	41,241	100,874	-	142,115
Assigned	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	20,000	-	20,000
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>48,386</u>	<u>171,144</u>	<u>10,019</u>	<u>229,549</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 48,386</u>	<u>\$ 185,302</u>	<u>\$ 10,039</u>	<u>\$ 243,727</u>

TOWN OF STARKS, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 28,188	\$ -	\$ 28,188
Other	1,933	1,330	-	3,263
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>1,933</u>	<u>29,518</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,451</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Capital outlay	26,365	-	-	26,365
Other	1,642	-	-	1,642
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>28,007</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,007</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(26,074)</u>	<u>29,518</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,444</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	-	70,000	-	70,000
Transfers (out)	(5,896)	(7,054)	-	(12,950)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(5,896)</u>	<u>62,946</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>57,050</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(31,970)	92,464	-	60,494
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	<u>80,356</u>	<u>78,680</u>	<u>10,019</u>	<u>169,055</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 48,386</u>	<u>\$ 171,144</u>	<u>\$ 10,019</u>	<u>\$ 229,549</u>

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Notes

Town Office Hours

Mon. 10 am - 2 pm
Wed. 3 pm - 7 pm
1st Sat. of the Month



Phone: 207-696-8069

Fax: 207-696-8201

Selectmen Meetings

1st, 3rd & 5th Mondays - 7 pm

Board of Assessors

Thursdays - 7 pm

2017 Dates to Remember

- January 1** Fiscal year begins!
- January 24** Last day to submit completed Nomination Papers for the 2018 Town Election.
- January 31** Last day for Dog Licensing without incurring a \$25 late fee. (Bring current rabies and neuter/spay certificate)
- March 10** Annual Town Meeting opens - voting by Australian "Secret" Ballot from 12 pm - 8 pm.
- March 20** Informational School Budget Meeting for RSU #9 at the Starks Community Center 7PM
- April 1** Notifications for Homestead Exemptions, Veterans Exemptions and Tree Growth Applications due to Board of Assessors.
- April 15** Liens for 2014 Taxes will expire and Board of Selectmen will begin foreclosure process.
- May 1** ATV Registrations become available
- Sept. 1** Projected date for 30 day notice to be mailed for 2016 Lien process.
- Sept. 23** Large Item Drop Off at Town Garage. Look for a post card in the mail with more details.
- October** 2017 Tax Bills will be committed and mailed.
- October 4** Projected date for Recording of 2016 Tax Liens.
- Dec. 1** May start purchasing Hunting/Fishing Licenses for the 2018 year. 2018 Snowmobile Registrations available.
- Dec. 15** Nomination Papers will be available for the 2018 Town Election of Officers. 2018 Elections will be for for Selectman, Assessor, and Tax Collector & RSU #9 School Board Director (3 year terms).

Town Office Closed

May 29 - Memorial Day

Sept. 4 - Labor Day

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day

Jan 1, 2018 - New Year's

Pay Online -Fees Apply

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: **Reminder: If you pay** :
: **your tax bill 60 days** :
: **after commitment, in-** :
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: **Call for a payoff** :
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: **your account** :
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Town Office Address:
57 Anson Road
Starks, ME 04911

Don't forget to
include ADDRESS
CHANGES with your
tax payment!

STARKS "MUG-UP"

Join us at the Community Center the first Saturday of each month From 8 - 10:30 AM, hot coffee, hot chocolate and tea will be available for \$1.00 a cup. All proceeds to benefit SEEdS. Donations are always welcomed. Please come....it is informal, unstructured and relaxing. Every one is welcome!

Saturday, October 21, 2017
Pumpkin Fest and Harvest Dinner
12 - 4 PM - Kids come for pumpkins, games, prizes, face painting, food and a haunted maze
5 PM - Everyone come for a yummy potluck supper and great fellowship with friends and neighbors. Bring a chowder to enter in the chowder cook off

Starks Town Library

Have you checked out the town library lately? The book collection has really grown - there is something for every child and adult. The library is open:

Mondays from 10 am - 2 pm

Wednesdays from 3 - 7 pm

1st Saturday - 8 - 11 am