

# 2016 Annual Report Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine



# NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

# **IMPORTANT**

# ALL TAXPAYERS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS AND COMPLY WITH THEM

# Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, Title 36, § 706

Before making an assessment, the Assessor shall give reasonable notice in writing to all persons liable to taxation in the municipality to furnish to the assessors true and perfect lists of their estates, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they were possessed on the first day of April of the same year.

The notice to owners may be by mail directed to the last known address of the taxpayer or by any other method that provides reasonable notice to the taxpayer.

If notice is given by mail and the taxpayer does not furnish such list, he or she is thereby barred of his/her right to make application to the assessors for any abatement of their taxes, unless they furnish such list with their application and satisfies them that they were unable to furnish it at the time appointed.

The assessors may require the person furnishing the list to make oath to its truth, which oath any of them may administer, and may require him to answer in writing all proper inquiries as to the nature, situation and value of this property liable to be taxed in the State; and a refusal or neglect to answer such inquiries and subscribe the same bars and appeal but such list and answers shall not be conclusive upon the assessors.

# IMPORTANT PLEASE SAVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Municipalities may, by vote, determine the rate of interest that shall apply to taxes that become delinquent during taxable year 2017 until those taxes are paid in full. The maximum rate of interest that can be charged per Title 36 M.R.S.A. § 504 (4) is:

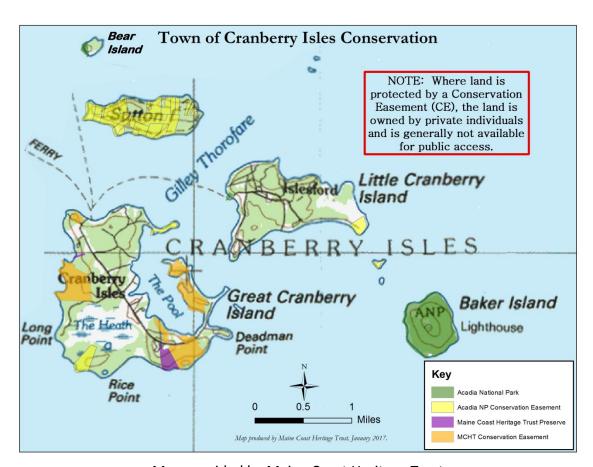
# 7.00 Percent APR

Terry Hayes Treasurer State of Maine 39 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333

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# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES TOWN OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS 2016

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

Richard F. Beal, Chair (2019) 244-7235 <u>rfbeal@wildblue.net</u> Florence Joy Sprague (2017) 244-4309 joy.sprague@gmail.com

Malcolm Fernald (2018) 244-7297 malcolmfernald@hotmail.com

Board of Selectmen's Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, alternating between GCI and Islesford.

Town Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector/General Assistance Administrator

Denise McCormick 244-4475 <u>denise@cranberryisles-me.gov</u>

**Deputy Town Clerk/Assistant Treasurer** 

Ben Sumner 244-4475 <u>ben@cranberryisles-me.gov</u>

Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen

James Fortune 244-4475 james@cranberryisles-me.gov

Tax Assessor

Matt Caldwell, CMA RJD Appraisal, Inc.

Pittsfield, ME 04967 487-3273

Town Office Islesford 244-4475 (for appointments)

**School Committee** 

Kelly Sanborn, (Chair)(2017) 244-3624kellyksancborn@gmail.comCari Alley(2018) 244-9116cischoolboard\_3@yahoo.comAmy Palmer(2019) 244-3836amy.will.adele@gmail.com

**Superintendent of Schools** 

Howard Colter 288-5040/5049 hcolter@mdirss.org

**School Principal** 

Heather Webster hwebster@mdirss.org

Constables

Richard Howland (2017) 460-3016 <u>rfhowland@hotmail.com</u> Richard Beal (2017) 244-7235 <u>rfbeal@wildblue.net</u>

**Code Enforcement Officer** 

Dennis Dever 664-3680 <u>Dyonysys@twc.com</u>

PO Box 1104,

Southwest Harbor, ME 04644

Please send Notification of Intention to Build forms to the C.I. Town Office, P.O. Box 56, Islesford, ME 04646. These will be forwarded promptly to the Code Enforcement Officer.

**Animal Control Officer** 

Cari Alley (2016) 244-9116ci\_aco@yahoo.com

**State Forest Fire Wardens** 

Richard Howland Norman Sanborn, II	460-3016 244-3624	rfhowland@hotmail.com ncsanborn2@gmail.com			
Islesford Volunteer Fire Department Chie Richard Howland	ef 460-3016	rfhowland@hotmail.com			
Cranberry Isles Rescue Service Chief TCI Emergency Preparedness Agent TCI Public Safety Coordinator					
Katelyn Damon	479-8118	katelyn@cranberryisles-me.gov			
Harbor Masters					
Bruce Fernald	(2017) 244-5283	fernaldbruce@gmail.com			
Norman Sanborn, II	(2017) 244-3624	ncsanborn2@gmail.com			
Manset Dockmaster					
Dennis Dever	(2017) 244-4475	Dyonysys@twc.com			
Harbor Committee					
William Dowling, Chair (4 year)		dowling23@gmail.com			
Richard Howland (3 year)	(2019) 460-3016	rfhowland@hotmail.com			
Theodore Spurling, JR (1 year)	(2017) 244-5876	jerited@spurlingdesign.com			
Scott Bracy (2 year)	(2017) 460-5358	crustacean1980@yahoo.com			
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Harbor Committee Alternates					
Roy Hadlock	(2017) 244-3132	fvtwochances@gmail.com			
James Fortune	(2017) 504-0062	james@cranberryisles-me.gov			
Local Health Officer					
Cari Alley	(2018) 244-9116	cranberryisleslho@yahoo.com			
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Health Care Committee					
Cynthia Thomas	244-5876	catislesford@hotmail.com			
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Jen Walls	286-4167	becampowen@gman.com			
Road Commissioners					
Board of Selectmen	244-4475				
Municipal Advisory Commission					
Ingrid Gaither, Chair	(2017) 244-5058	ingridgaither@yahoo.com			
Branden Stubbs	(2019) 450-8857 <u>brande</u>				
Nicholas Barton	(2019) 244-7517	northstarboathouse@gmail.com			

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Jasmine Samuel	(2019)	jasmine.samuel@gmail.com
Planning Board		
Branden Stubbs, Chair	(2018) 450-8857	branden.stubss@gmail.com
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William Dowling	(2017) 244-0106	dowling 23@gmail.com
Sally Rowan	(2019) 244-3619	sabrjet1958@gmail.com
Board of Appeals		
Beverly Sanborn	(2019) 244-3136	
Katelyn Damon	(2019) 479-8118	katelyn@cranberryisles-me.gov
Theodore Spurling, JR	(2017) 244-7408	jerited@spurlingdesign.com
Kelly Sanborn	(2017) 244-3624	kellyksanborn@gmail.com
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Rosalie Kell	801-1062	rosaliekell@gmail.com
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Ralph Stevens	244-3619	rstevens@coppin.edu
Malcolm Fernald	244-7297	malcolmfernald@gmail.com
Maine Islands Coalition Representation	ve	
Tom Powell	244-9698	tompowell@gmail.com
Acadia Disposal District Representation	ve	
James Fortune	244-4475	james@cranberryisles-me.gov
League of Towns Representative  James Fortune	244 4475	iana an Gamanhann iialaa na a aas
James Fortune	244-4475	james@cranberryisles-me.gov
Fairpoint Communications: (telephor	ne)	
Loss of service:	1-866-984-1611	
To order service:	1-866-984-2001	
Redzone Wireless: (internet)	<b></b>	
	596-5700	
Emera: (electric)		
Power outage:	1-800-440-1111	
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Department of Marine Resources		

# Web address for weather station on GCI:

Flat Closure Hotline:

http://www.wunderground.com/personal-weather-station/dashboard?ID=KMECRANB3#history

You can also go to <a href="www.wunderground.com">www.wunderground.com</a> and then enter <a href="Cranberry Isles">Cranberry Isles</a> under search locations.

1-800-232-4733

#### **United States Senate**

Angus S. King

135 Maine Street (888)229-3420

Brunswick, ME 04011 info@angusformaine.com

### **United States Senate**

Susan M. Collins (202)224-2523 Office 413 Dirksen Senate Office Building (202)224-2693 Fax Washington, DC 20510 (207) 945-0417 Bangor

www.collins.senate.gov

# **Congressman-House of Representatives**

Bruce Poliquin (207) 942-0583 Bangor (207)942-7101 Fax 6 State Street, Suite 101 Bangor, ME 04401 http://poliquin.house.gov

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Brian D. Langley (207) 287-1505 Augusta

11 South Street (800) 423-2900 Ellsworth, ME 04605 (207) 667-5077

langley4legislature@myfairpoint.net

### Maine House of Representatives

(800) 423-2900 State House Walter A. Kumiega

36 Cedar Lane (207) 479-5459 Cell

Little Deer Isle, ME 04640 Walter.Kumiega@legislature.maine-gov

# **Maine State Governor**

Paul R. Lepage (207) 287-3531 1 State House Station (207) 287-1034 Augusta, ME 04333-0001 governor@maine.gov

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **TOWN OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

# The TOWN OFFICE IS CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

Labor Day New Year's Day Martin Luther King Day Columbus Day Presidents' Day Veterans' Day Patriot's Day Thanksgiving Day

Day after Thanksgiving Day Memorial Day

Independence Day Christmas Day

<sup>\*</sup> The Town Office will also be closed during the Board of Selectmen's Meetings.

# **TOWN CLERK REPORT 2016**

**VITAL RECORDS**:

BIRTHS: 0

MARRIAGES: 2

**DEATHS: 0** 

**DOG LICENSES SOLD: 57** 

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

**Denise McCormick** 

**Town Clerk** 



Mark Alley next to the new GCI Fire Department Truck, which was named after his father, Harry Alley

# **TREASURER'S REPORT 2016**

Cash Balance January 01, 2016	637,284.00
Taxes Collected	1,905,252.30
Interest	3,636.79
Auto-Excise Tax	26,238.23
Boat-Excise Tax	4,486.06
State Revenue Sharing	2,691.35
Licenses & Agent Fees	452.50
Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	2,881.00
Veterans Exemption Reimbursement	50.00
Solid Waste Performance Credit	1,186.84
Metal Debris Sales	826.75
Local Road Assistance Program	6,936.00
Manset Property Rentals	37,311.54
Parking Fees Collected	76,870.00
Boat Sticker Fees	625.00
Misc. Administration Earning	1,766.50
Federal Land PILT	21,800.00
FTA/ME-DOT Commuter Ferry Subsidy	23,619.06
School Revenue & State Reimbursements	72,711.90
Financial Warrants Drawn 2016	1,803,984.26
Cash Balance as of 12/31/16	727,645.75

# **TAX COLLECTOR'S 2016 YEAR END REPORT**

2016 TAX COMMITMENT (MIL RATE 8.90)		\$1,923,315.45
ABATEMENTS GRANTED		849.30
2% DISCOUNT		22,236.35
2016 TAXES COLLECTED		\$1,788,126.44
2016 OUTSTANDING TAXES AS OF 12/31/16	\$112,103.36	
(* DENOTES PAYMENT WAS REC'D AFTER 12/31	1/16)	
Allen, et al Charlene Louise	234.07	
Alley, Annie R.	1,355.47	
Blue Eagle Limited	1,714.14	
Bowman Family LLC	2,312.98	
Bradow, Marion M.	329.30*	
Carolyn & Averills Cranberry Dreamtime LLC	4,392.15	
Chusid, Nancy	1,157.00	
Dowling, W.F. & Meyers, B	1,814.23	
Field, Daniel E.	949.99*	
Grandgent, Henry	1,211.29*	
Gray, Erin M.F.	1,891.25	
Greenings Island Trust	397.83	
Hawes, Frederick B. & Allison H.	4,019.24	
Keegan, Christine	6,481.87	
Knott, John S.	4,526.54*	
Krasnow, Susan V. & Stephen J.	1,972.24	
McGuinness,W J & Moser, Sonja	2,327.35	
McLendon, Sally P.	2,761.67	
McLendon, Sally P.	744.93	
Moran, et al	1,037.57	

Murch, J dba Cranberry General Store	1,059.99
Nash, Bonnie Sue	10,328.45
Palmer, Heirs of Robert	1,143.80
Porter, Jane M	576.33
E. & J. Properties, LLC	7,547.20*
Ramsey, Donna & Judith	1,606.96*
Red Wanderer, LLC	10,597.23
Rosenthal, Barbara	9,015.70
Rosenthal, Barbara	5,305.29
Rosenthal, Barbara	446.78
Savage, Heirs of Althea D.	44.50
Savage, Heirs of Althea D.	770.74
Valdina, Joan Et Al & Maypole Trust	13,000.23
Valdina, Joan S. & Eric Trustees	1,667.86
Vadina, Joan S. & Eric Trustees	5,641.71
Valdina-Krasnow, Susan Trustee	869.53
Veekay, LLC	849.95
2015 Tax Receivables:	
January 01, 2016	156,027.88
Collections	113,121.42
2015 Outstanding Taxes as of 12/31/16	42,906.46
Allen, et al Charlene Louise	261.68
Alley, Annie R.	1,356.19
Blue Eagle Limited	1,916.37
Chusid, Nancy	1,293.50
Gray, Erin M.F.	2,114.37*

Nash, Bonnie Sue	11,160.92
Rosenthal, Nadia A	175.21
Valdina, Joan Et Al & Maypole Trust	14,533.96
Valdina, Joan S. & Eric Trustees	1,864.63
Vadina, Joan S. & Eric Trustees	6,307.30
Valdina-Krasnow, Susan Trustee	972.11
Veekay, LLC	950.22
2014 Tax Receivables:	
January 01, 2016	21,407.75
Collections	4,004.44
2014 Outstanding Taxes as of 12/31/16	17,403.31
Nash, Bonnie Sue	10,644.39
Valdina Trustees, Joan S. & Eric	6,758.92

The Town of Cranberry Isles has a Tax Payment Policy under State Statute MRSA 36 §906 that all payments for Real and Personal Property Taxes are to be applied to the oldest outstanding tax obligations (principal and interest) of the Taxpayer. Effective 09/08/2009.

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

**Denise McCormick** 

**Tax Collector** 

# **GENERAL ASSISTANCE NOTICE**

The municipality of Cranberry Isles administers a General Assistance Program for the support of the poor. Pursuant to Title 22 M.R.S.A. § 4305, the municipal officers have adopted an ordinance establishing that program. A copy of this ordinance is available for public inspection at the Town Office. Also available for inspection is a copy of the State's General Assistance Statutes, as copies of the State law are made available to the municipality by the Maine Department of Human Services.

Persons who wish to apply for General Assistance may do so at the Town Office, Islesford, during the following times:

Days: Monday – Friday Hours: 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

In an emergency, applicants may dial:

211

The municipality's General Assistance Administrator must issue a written decision within 24 hours of receiving an application.

The Department of Human Services' toll—free telephone number, to call with a question regarding the General Assistance Program, is: 1-800-442-6003.

This notice is posted pursuant to Title 22 M.R.S.A. § 4304-4305.

# **MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMISSION**

The Municipal Advisory Commission (MAC) is a group of volunteers that serve to inform, advise, and assist the Board of Selectmen. The MAC also serves as an informal advisory committee on budget matters and warrant review, meeting twice in November as the selectmen work to create the next year's budget. The group meets once per month, on the Thursday following the Board of Selectmen's Meeting.

The MAC met 13 times in 2016 donating many volunteer hours in meetings and research. Some of the topics the MAC discussed and/or researched in the past year were:

- Ferry/transportation/creation of an RFP for ferry service
- New town office location and satellite office
- LCI dock extension
- Manset holdings
- Roads
- Budget review

Here's a sampling of some of the work of the MAC this year:

- Discussions and research on how to improve ferry access at Sutton Island
- Recommended to the Selectmen to begin and/or increase communication with the Towns of Mt. Desert and Southwest Harbor to help facilitate future negotiations as they relate to ferry service and access.
- Recommended three road repair projects be addressed in the coming year and then
  recommended in the December 2016 meeting to specifically address repairs to portions
  of the shale roads on GCI.
- In summer 2016, members of the MAC began to research various options for a town
  office including renting versus building on both year round islands, the Bruce Komusin
  estate property on GCI, building additions to the old fire house on LCI and also the new
  fire house on LCI, and modular built versus traditional built. In December 2016, the
  MAC recommended the creation of a year round satellite office on the island that does
  not house the town office.
- At the December 2016 meeting, the MAC passed a motion to recommend the widening
  of the walkway into the TCI parking lot in Manset to allow space for one way vehicle
  entry.

The MAC would like to thank the town office staff for its help and guidance throughout the year, especially Jim Fortune for attending each meeting and acting as a link between the MAC and the Board of Selectmen. MAC minutes are posted on the town's website and meetings are open to the public. Public attendance and input is always welcomed and appreciated.

Respectfully submitted, Ingrid Gaither, MAC Chair

Current MAC members are Jasmine Samuel, Joanne Thormann, Chris White, Nick Barton, Branden Stubbs, Ingrid Gaither, and Karin Whitney.

# ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE SELECTMEN MUNICIPAL FACILITIES

2016 was a year of continued effort improving municipal operations. Much of what occurred was due to the combined effort of the Board of Selectmen, Town Staff, and of course the many volunteers who donate their time and efforts. They deserve many thanks. A partial summary of projects and accomplishments from 2016 is presented below.

**Docks & Harbors:** We undertook a number of routine maintenance and repair projects for all Town docks this year as the Town continues making the necessary investments to maintain and improve its dock facilities at Great Cranberry, Islesford, Suttons Island and Manset. Chalmers Enterprises launches and maintains the Town's floats in Manset, while Roy Hadlock takes care of the floats at the Town docks at Great Cranberry, Islesford & Sutton. We thank them for their hard work and assistance with our floats. Extension of the Islesford dock is being considered as part of an effort to improve overall harbor infrastructure and ferry/boat access. This will involve float

and gangway reconfiguration and will involve some reconfiguration of the mooring field in the harbor. Both the Manset and Islesford dock improvements are down the road and will involve substantial investment by the Town.

Parking & Roads: The Town has undertaken several capital roads projects over the past several years. We have completed reconstruction of 2 sections of Main Street and a section of Sand Beach Road on Islesford, and paving on Great Cranberry. Additional maintenance work has been on other Town roads, such as pothole repairs, roadside clearing, and drainage improvements. Paving is scheduled for Maple Avenue, Hadlock Street, and portions of Sand Beach Road and Main Street on Little Cranberry, and two sections of Cranberry Road on Great Cranberry. However, roadwork done over the last 3 years has been at considerable expense and the Selectmen and Municipal Advisory Committee are recommending holding off on any additional road paving at this time. We continue to think of ways to be more efficient in how we organize parking in Manset and at the Joy Road lot. We continually look for ways to keep things working smoothly for residents using that parking facility. The Joy Road lot is for short and long-term seasonal parking May to October, with a valid permit. Anyone parking there must display a valid sticker for each vehicle. Renter and guest parking are fine as long as a valid sticker is displayed in the car. Only one vehicle is permitted to use it at any given time; one Joy sticker does not cover multiple vehicles at the same time. We also have 20 overnight guest parking spots available in Manset and we encourage people to use them whenever possible. Spaces there are \$10.00 per night and can be reserved ahead of time.

**Town Property:** The Town undertook some maintenance projects in Manset this year. These projects are part of a multi-year effort to preserve the buildings and facilities there for long-term viability and protect the Town's investment. The Town has been using Manset reserve funds to accomplish most of this work. We want to thank all of the folks who help in this effort, Dennis Dever in particular for his diligence and good work in Manset. The Town Office continues to operate out of the rented office trailer next to the Islesford Fire Station. The new set up is working well for the Town, but it is intended to be temporary until we find a new more permanent location.

Cranberry Isles Commuter Ferry: The Cranberry Isles Commuter Ferry offers island residents additional ferry options year-round for early morning trips to and from Northeast Harbor and a late trip during the winter months. We are currently in the seventh year of the service, which is partially subsidized by the State of Maine. Downeast Windjammers operates the service on the Sutton during the winter season (October 15 to April 30) using Ms. Lizzy, and Sail Acadia operates the service on the Elizabeth T for the summer season that runs May 1 to October 15. The Cranberry Isles Commuter Ferry provides an additional option for an earlier trip to Cranberry Isles in the morning year-round and latter ferry trips off-island in the evening during the winter. The commuter boat also includes a stop in Manset during the summer season, stopping in Northeast Harbor first before heading to Southwest Harbor.

Solid Waste: BCM has been providing the trash and recycling collection and hauling for the Town since 2012. BCM transports the Trash and recycling to a regional collection facility, Eastern Main Recycling in Southwest Harbor. The trash is transported to PERC in Orrington for incineration. At the 2016 Annual Town Meeting Cranberry Isles voters voted to enter into an agreement to continue its relationship with the Municipal Resource Committee. TCI is a founding member of MRC and this agreement will result in trash from MRC member communities going to a new trash-to-energy facility that will be built in the Town of Hampden. A company called Fiberight will build and operate the facility. The Town also participates in the Acadia Disposal District's annual waste collection for household hazardous waste and universal waste (monitors, computers, t.v.'s, printers, faxes, etc.). Collection of this type of waste is held in late September. Hazardous waste and universal waste collected for Cranberry Isles tends to fluctuate quite a bit from year to year and is difficult to observe any meaningful trends, however, collection was up this year. The Town is not licensed to collect and store this type of waste at its recycling stations on LCI and GCI and participates in the annual one-day household hazardous waste and universal waste collection each year, sponsored by the Acadia Disposal District. Removal of this type of waste helps the Town by providing residents with an organized way of removing potential contaminants and other hazardous waste from the islands on an annual basis. We continue to explore ways to make it easier for Sutton Island residents to also participate in the annual HHW/UW collection as well.

As always we will have a tremendous amount of work to do in the upcoming year with capital improvement projects and additional maintenance and upkeep at Town facilities. We thank our volunteers and once again look forward to working with them to sustain the high levels of cooperation and ensuing productivity we have come to expect as a Town.

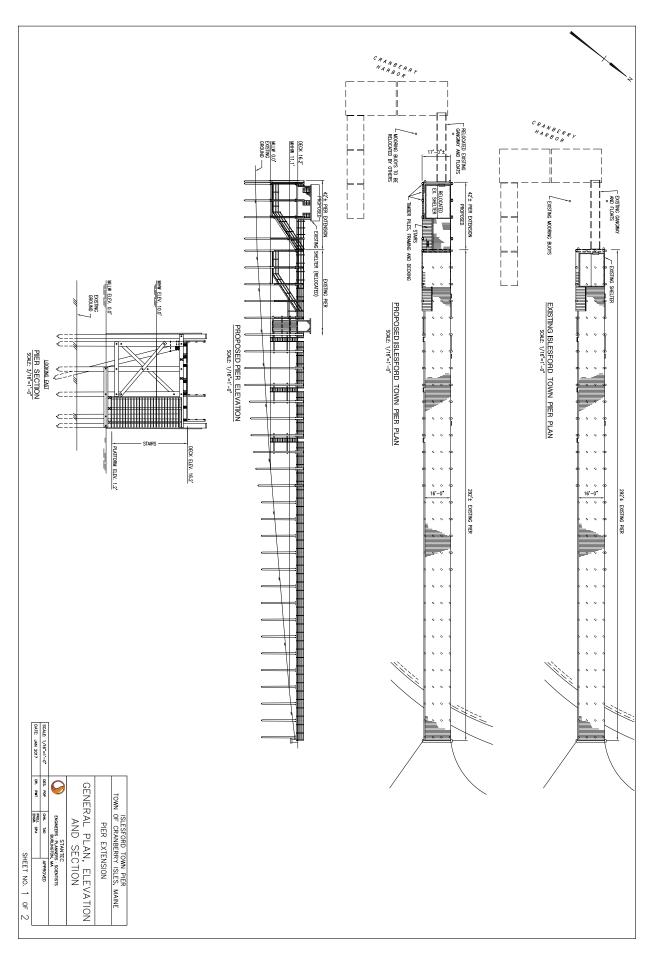
Respectfully Submitted,
James Fortune, Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen

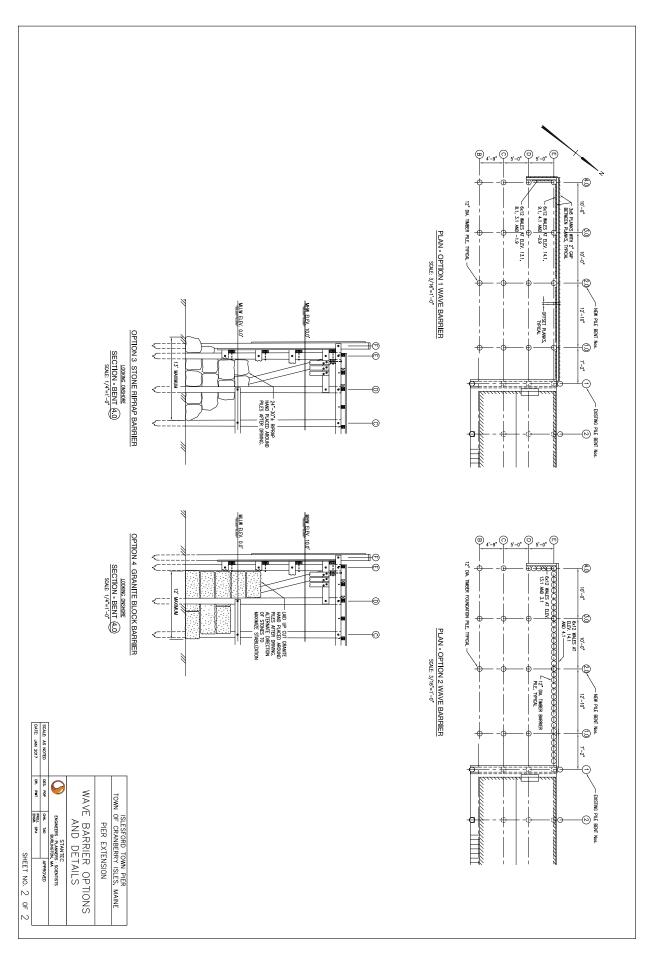
# **ISLESFORD PIER EXTENSION PROPOSAL**

The Town Report has a plan showing construction and cost estimates for the pier extension at Islesford. The plan shows a 42-foot extension with a second set of outer stairs and repositioned gangway. The extension of the pier is to improve safety for ferry/boat access at all tides. The plan includes different options for a wave barrier built into the pier, with one using sheathing only and the other using a combination of piles and sheathing, much like it is today. Neither of these options will bring the fill up to the high water mark, but the laid up granite should be able to get close to mid tide, and the heavy riprap will get to the normal low water or slightly above. Both of the solid wave fence options will give better protection from swells and both will not let waves pass under the wave fence, which can happen during the lower tides.

The base price estimate without the wave barrier costs included is \$428,456. The total cost for the pier extension will vary depending on the wave barrier option selected for the project. The total cost with a wave barrier option range from \$536,522 using timber sheathing on piles and stone rip-rap, and \$671,758 using timber piles and a granite block barrier. The accompanying summary of cost estimates outlines these options. The Harbor Committee prefers the timber piles with the solid granite block behind it. This would provide maximum protection for the dock. However, cost will be a factor in making a final recommendation.

Additional Information and a full set of plans for the LCI dock extension are available in a handout. The handout will be available at the Town Office after February 13<sup>th</sup>.







# Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine Islesford Town Pier

# Summary of Opinion of Construction Cost Estimate **Town Pier Extension**

Date: January 31, 2017

ltem	Description	Quantity	Unit	Cost	Total with Options 1 & 3	Total with Options 1 & 4	Total with Options 2 & 3	Total with Options 2 & 4
Base	Pier Extension without wave barrier	1	\$ 374,456	\$ 374,456	\$ 374,456	\$ 374,456	\$ 374,456	\$ 374,456
Allowance	Rock socket for plumb timber piles (if required)	5	\$ 6,000	30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	000'08 \$	\$ 30,000
Allowance	Rock socket for battered timber piles (if required)	3	\$ 8,000	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000
Wave Fenci	Wave Fencing Options:							
1	Wave Barrier with timber sheathing to individual piles	1	\$ 83,066	\$ 83,066	\$ 83,066	\$ 83,066	NA	NA
2	Wave barrier with timber pile barrier	1	\$ 108,302	\$ 108,302	NA	NA	\$ 108,302	\$ 108,302
Stone Fill Options:	)ptions:							
3	Stone Fill behind wave barrier using rip rap	1	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	NA	\$ 25,000	NA
4	Stone behind wave barrier using stacked cut granite	1	\$ 135,000	\$ 135,000	NA	\$ 135,000	NA	\$ 135,000
	Totals				\$ 536,522	\$ 646,522	\$ 561,758	\$ 671,758

1. Timber pile wave fence provides a more robust, lower maintenance option compared to the sheathing fence. 2. The stacked cut granite will provide better protection than the rip rap option Note:

# **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS REPORT**

My first full year as your Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector was very rewarding. The total number of building and plumbing permits increased 400% over the 2015 totals (28 permits in 2016, 7 permits in 2015). 36 round trip visits to the islands were made for informal pre-construction meetings, board and committee meetings, inspections, and familiarity excursions throughout the area on mountain bike. About 27 of these outings were by personal boat and a few by contractors or other private boats that happened to be headed to the same island. This saved roughly \$1,000 compared to ferry and water taxi transportation charges.

Over the last year, we adopted a revised Flood Plain Management Ordinance and Digital Flood Information Rate maps. We couldn't do much about the rising flood levels, but through working with the state we loosened requirements for small accessory buildings in flood hazard areas, to make constructing them easier and less expensive. We adopted our first holding tank ordinance. This expands options for waste disposal where standard systems won't work.

In 2017 we're hoping to change the Land Use and Shoreland Zoning Ordinance into the standard state format which streamlines some requirements over our current non- standard ordinance which does not exist in a workable electronic format. A standard electronic document is vastly easier to update with changes mandated by DEP every three or four years. When things are faster and easier, we can do more things. The changes are mostly very minor and summarized in the Town Report, but obtaining a copy of the existing and the proposed ordinances and looking at them side by side best illustrates this move forward. A new building permit application is included; this one form could replace three existing forms. And, our 28-year-old Notification of Intention to Build ordinance has been put forth for updating: replacing referenced statutes that have since been repealed, and clarifying an approval requirement.

Working with the Town boards and contractors is very satisfying. The Planning Board is a great resource and their application reviews are solution oriented. Not limiting ourselves to business hours and answering machines, townspeople and contractors tend be proactive and resourceful ironing out the challenges to permits and projects. We've always brought the complexities of logistics and procedures together, often during evenings or week-ends, to complete challenges such as getting new septic systems inspected and covered just ahead of the ground freezing for the winter. The Town Office always provides clarifying background information or the current status of situations too recent to be documented yet. They are on top of things.

Thanks to our Public Safety Coordinator for restarting the initiative to locate a site for a new well and consequently a septic system that would provide future bathroom facilities for the Islesford Volunteer Fire Department and Town Office.

Hopefully this will be a progression towards comfortable, compliant buildings and facilities for those people who sacrifice a lot to respond anytime, anywhere, protecting lives and property. And the Town Office staff that provides a very complicated and dedicated service. May they get the support they need in that endeavor.

Sincerely,

Dennis Dever, CEO, LPI

# **Summary of Building Permits Issued in 2016**

•	Shoreland Zone Construction:		4
•	Notice of Intention to Build:		7
•	Flood Hazard Construction:		2
otal:		12	

# **Summary of Plumbing Permits Issued in 2016**

•	Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Systems: Internal Plumbing:	12 3
Total:		15

# **Notice of Fees**

- ✓ State law requires fees be paid prior to issuing a permit.
- ✓ The Town keeps 75% of the fee(s) for the LPI, and 25% goes to the State DWP.
- ✓ There is a State DEP surcharge of \$15 for complete subsurface systems.
- ✓ Separate checks are required for the Town's 75%, DWP's 25%, and the DEP surcharge.

Disposal System Components	Fee	DWP %	DEP Surcharge
Complete Non Engineered System Primitive System Alternative Toilet Non-engineered treatment tank Holding Tank Non Engineered Disposal Field	\$250 \$100 \$50 \$150 \$100 \$150	\$62.50 \$25 \$12.50 \$37.50 \$25 \$37.50	\$15

Separated Laundry System Complete Engineered System Engineered Treatment Tank (only) Engineered Disposal Field Miscellaneous Components First Time System Variance Seasonal Conversion Permit	\$35 \$200 \$80 \$150 \$30 \$20 \$50	\$8.75 \$50 \$20 \$37.50 \$7.50 \$5 \$12.50	\$15
Internal Plumbing	Fee	DWP%	
Minimum Fee (any permit) (includes up to 4 fixtures) Individual Fixtures, each, over 4 total\$10	\$40 \$2.50	\$10	
Hook up to Public Sewer	\$10	\$2.50	
Hook up to existing Subsurface System	\$10	\$2.50	
Piping relocation, no new fixtures	\$10	\$2.50	
Permit Transfer	\$10	\$2.50	
Manufactured Housing Hook up			
(unless fixtures added on site) per fixture, if not new	\$10	\$2.50	
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# **Code Enforcement Nuggets of Knowledge**

Earth work in the Shoreland Zone: Effective January 1, 2013, excavation contractors conducting excavation activity in a shoreland area must be certified in erosion control practices by the Maine DEP. A certified person is required to be on site the entire time the earthwork is taking place. Excavation activity includes the disturbance of soil, including grading, filling and removal of more than one cubic yard of earth material. Our Land Use and Shoreland Zoning Ordinance (LUZO) currently requires a permit from the Code Enforcement Officer for filling/earth moving less than 10 yards of material in the Shoreland Zone, and a Planning Board permit to work over 10 cubic yards of material. One of our pending proposed changes to the LUZO is to follow state guidelines, remove the Planning Board requirement and allow the CEO to issue all earth work and filling permits with less ordeal.

Island contractors are urged to certify in this program. Training is free, held in Ellsworth from time to time, and carries other benefits. Contact me for more information.

# **Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Systems**

**Permit Required**: Work must not be started until the LPI has issued a disposal system permit for the work. Installing a new, expanded, or replacement subsurface wastewater disposal system, or any individual components, requires a permit.

A disposal system **permit is not required** for minor repairs or replacements made, as needed, for the operation of pumps, siphons, aerobic treatment units, sand filters, or accessory equipment, the clearance of a stoppage in the building sewer which does not require excavation and/or exposure of system components or sealing of a leak in the septic tank, holding tank, pump tank, or building sewer.

## **Septic System Prohibitions:**

The use of system cleaners that contain restricted chemical materials is deemed a discharge of industrial wastes and is prohibited.

Chemicals, other than normal amounts of household cleaners, must not be disposed of in the disposal field. Examples of prohibited chemicals include, but are not limited to, pesticides, oil-based paints or stains, paint remover, paint thinner, acids, gasoline, solvents, glues and adhesives, pool chemicals, paint, paint thinner, commercial grease and oil, darkroom chemicals, and medications.

Roof drains and foundation drains must not be connected to systems.

The use of septic tank cleaners and degreasers prohibited: The DEP does not recognize any additive as being beneficial to the operation of a subsurface wastewater disposal system. The use of septic tank additives containing halogenated hydrocarbon compounds is prohibited.

No portion of a structure may be located on any part of a disposal area.

New rule as of August 2015: All subsurface wastewater applications (HHE-200 forms) that have not yet been permitted, that are more than two years old must be reviewed by the Site Evaluator and updated as required.

## **Internal Plumbing**

**Permits Required**: Its unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to make any installation, alteration, repair, replacement, or remodel any plumbing system or to cause the same to be done without first obtaining a separate plumbing permit for each separate building or structure.

A permit is not required for the stopping of leaks, clearing of stoppages, the removal and reinstallation of water closets provided such repairs do not involve or require the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures. Or installation of domestic heating appliances by licensed Master Oil Burner Technicians or Propane and Natural Gas installers.

### **Subdivision Law**

Title 30-A MRS 4401-4407 defines a subdivision as a division of land into three or more lots in a five-year period. A subdivision requires a Planning Board approval and permit. State law prohibits building permits on lots created contrary to subdivision law. There are exceptions to this rule:

- ✓ Any division created by devise (a will).
- ✓ Condemnation (taken through eminent domain proceedings).
- ✓ Order of a court (divorce settlement, bankruptcy).
- ✓ Gift to a person related to the donor by blood, marriage, or adoption (with stipulations).

# National Fire Protection Association Standard 101, Life Safety Code

This code specifies standards for fire safety and egress throughout the state. It covers specifications for escape windows, doors, stairways, etc. and is enforceable by Code Enforcement Officers and Fire Chiefs.

# HARBOR COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee held five meetings in 2016: February 27<sup>th</sup>, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>, June 16<sup>th</sup> and December 14<sup>th</sup>.

The February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting was a joint conference with the TCI Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) to discuss options for improving Ferry Service to the Cranberry Isles.

The March meeting was centered around a review of the plans for the Islesford pier extension. The Committee approved plans providing a minimal (10') intrusion of the float into the mooring field. We agreed to proceed to the permitting phase of the project, including solid fill under the extension. We again discussed the necessity of reorganizing the mooring field, given the growing number of vessels and their increasing size.

At the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Committee reviewed changes to the Harbor Ordinance proposed by the MAC. We found that no substantive changes were needed. We made numerous small changes to punctuation, and recommended language for clarification. The Committee recommended creating an inventory of the moorings and their locations in the Town's harbors and at Manset.

The June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting continued the Committee's review of the proposed Harbor Ordinance changes. We recommended that the Town not adopt the proposed new Section 5.8.3, as its contents are covered elsewhere in the Ordinance.

At the December meeting, the Committee revisited the plans for the Islesford pier extension. A Google Earth view persuaded us that the previously chosen plan is unworkable, given the narrower clearance between the Co-Op floats and the Town landing ramp. The Committee recommends asking the engineering firm, Santec, to review the plans and provide an option sending the gangway straight off the extended pier. This plan will require reorganization the mooring field. I repeated my opinion that any pier extension should include a winter float attached to pilings on the SE side of the pier to provide easier and safer access for all, Winter and Summer.

Respectfully submitted, William F. Dowling, Chairman

### ISLESFORD HARBOR MASTER REPORT

I had two moorings shifted away from the town float and the Co-Op. Seemed to free up a bit more space for easier maneuvering when the wind was from the SW. Turned down several requests for placing new moorings from nonresidents/Taxpayers. Continued to work on new dock extension plans and mooring field adjustments. I placed small green markers between abutments and the inner green can off of Eagle point. I think that works pretty well.

Skiff floats in the peak summer months are always over crowded, too many boats and not enough space. Just a fact of life but a little consideration would help. Put your boat on a mooring instead of taking up space.

All in all it was not too bad of a year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Fernald, Harbormaster

# GREAT CRANBERRY HARBORMASTER REPORT

**MAY:** The float was put in early May which kicked off the season. After the float appeared boats started popping up all over the place. There were three requests for moorings, all of which were approved. However, only one followed through and was actually set. On the 24<sup>th</sup> I fixed a cleat on the float. On the 27<sup>th</sup> there was a report of a missing mooring. Matt Knox had spent two days looking for it prior to it being reported. On the 28<sup>th</sup> the missing mooring was found on the beach. Rome's mooring was mistaken for Eva's. This was straightened out and put back. There was also discussion that day about work needing to be done to the building on the dock.

**JUNE:** On June 1<sup>st</sup> eleven moorings were inspected. Five needed new top chain and was fixed. On the 2<sup>nd</sup>, Micky MacFarlan's two moorings were fixed with new chain, as Bill Dowling had requested a new mooring for Sofie. On the 3<sup>rd</sup>, Matt Knox put new top chain on six moorings by long ledge. On June 21<sup>st</sup>, Sam Donald's new mooring was set. The Watson's mooring was fixed and reset back in position. On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, I spoke to a boat owner about abusing the tie-up limit. Crustacean's mooring was too close. Jr. believed it had moved over the winter, so replaced the rock with a bigger one and that should solve the problem. On the 28<sup>th</sup>, Eva's mooring was put back. On the 29<sup>th</sup>, I received a complaint from Eva that she was not happy about the spot her mooring was put in. I tried to work with her and Jr. to make it right. I called the town about the float having moved out of position due to the ferry springing off of it. The mooring rock is not big enough to accommodate this.

**JULY:** I had a talk with a boat owner about the way their boat was tied to the mooring. There was way too much scope interfering with surrounding boats. Throughout July there were many conversations regarding mooring space and abuse of tie-up limits. Things for the most particularly went smoothly.

**AUGUST:** August was also a busy month. The Ward's moorings were checked, as well as, the Bancroft's moorings. There were many discussions about putting a lift on the dock. On the 9<sup>th</sup>, there were complaints of music too loud on the dock. Kids were having fun. When I spoke to them they were fine and turned it down. The town moorings were used every day. I cannot recall one day that at least one transient vessel was not using one of them. On the 30<sup>th</sup>, I had more than one complaint about old bait on the float and the stench. It was there a few days, but then disappeared.

**SEPTEMBER:** September was surprisingly active. Although many boats were gone, there seemed to be many still using the floats.

**OCTOBER:** On the 10<sup>th</sup>, the dinghy float came apart. On the 12<sup>th</sup>, there was an inspection of a new mooring for Rodney. On the 13<sup>th</sup>, the dinghy floats were hauled.

The floats remained in until November 17<sup>th</sup> and were used every day until then.

It was an overall busy season for the boating world. There were many questions and conversations that were not recorded in the report. Many of them were in passing on the dock

and were easily handled. There has been a recent request for a large mooring for at least a 120-foot boat. Work to accommodate this request is ongoing and a suitable spot will be determined. There were two people that applied for oyster farm permits. Each has four sites all approved through local, state, and federal rule.

I would like to thank everyone for their cooperation and respect on the docks and in the harbor. Looking forward to the 2017 season.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman C. Sanborn, II, Harbormaster



Great Cranberry Dock & View of Harbor

# CRANBERRY ISLES MANSET DOCKMASTER REPORT

Opening the Manset facility on Memorial Day weekend is always a good indicator as to how vicious the previous winter was. The seawall had about three cubic yards of material washed out from behind it in several sink holes behind its length. One more good swell would probably start displacing the granite blocks. The asphalt pavement at the loading area had sunk down a couple inches along the sides, a big loft door blew off the south gable of the boat building while its counterpart door hung by one hinge and slammed back and forth in the spring breeze. A couple panels had disappeared from the big overhead door of the boat shop never to be found, the handrail at the bottom of the ramp was still broke off from last year when the ramp fell in, and boulders along the edge of the parking area were plowed into the surrounding swales where they remain.

However, the waiting room building's chimney top and bluestone cap were still intact. That blew apart two winters ago; David Sordyl and I stacked it all temporarily back in place, dry, but I didn't get a chance to reconstruct it with mortar until this summer.

Most mysterious was the hole beside the road at the dock entrance, right about where a parked car's tire would normally be. The dug hole, a considerable hazard for several reasons, was six feet long, three feet wide, and about a foot deep. The contents of the hole, a mix of gravel, stones, and general crud was spread over the asphalt entrance area and had since washed down the boardwalk, and under everything else.

I worked an annual 325.5 hours and there were 57 parking issues that required some degree of investigation, continuing the declining numbers from 81 in 2015, and 84 in 2014. No vehicles needed towing. Parking problems are usually resolved with a phone call now, much better than a few years ago.

I got word that a fifth boat float is constructed to be inserted between the four existing floats hopefully next year. This is great as the number of dinghies has doubled since last year, and now requires a whole side of the innermost float. We had a few times when all the float space was occupied, and many times when a larger boat did not have a space to tie up.

The south boathouse open loft doors were replaced back into position and screw blocked shut from inside, as were the doors on the north gable that were about to blow out. I fabricated new overhead door panels and replaced the missing ones in the huge overhead door.

We procured a couple cubic yards of blown ledge to fill the seawall washouts. As evidence by how obstinate it is to shovel, this stuff should stay put a lot better. Bucket by bucket along the seawall, this got done and it will be interesting to see how it holds up by next spring.

Jesse from Chalmers Enterprises welded a new section of handrail to the bottom of the ramp and replaced a broken preventer tab that keeps the bottom flopper from sliding sideways and out when it's rocking and rolling. We did not have much of that this summer.

The roof leak at the Marsh Insurance house was fixed and I replaced the water damaged ceiling tiles in the back room there. There's a dead apple tree near the Marsh parking area that I plan to remove in October along with some tree work along the municipal parking where the foliage is consuming parking spaces.

We discovered a potential dangerous situation with the wooden waiting bench at the road loading area. The back of the bench had no lower cross plank, which could allow a child to fall through and drop off the pier to the shore or water below, depending on the tide. It has been solved and now there is a plank there.

I recommend we keep an eye on winter boat placement in the parking area so that we maintain access around the building and keep the big bay door available for fire access. There is already a good sized boat placed there while spaces in front of the waiting room are temporarily being used by people displaced from their assigned spot for tree service.

The Manset facility again provided its versatility this summer as a resource multiplier. The office/studio, now cleaned up and partially furnished, is a fine meeting place and mail drop for Code Enforcement Officer and plumbing inspector business. Residents with project plans, contractors and realtors are coming by. The warehouse bay came in handy as Ric Gaither, Scott Bracy and I staged three truckloads of donated commercial grade physical fitness machines to go to the Great Cranberry Church gym.

The roof of the waiting room area, over the office where it joins the wall of the boat shop is not waterproofed properly. Huge amounts of water run off the roof and valley above this juncture and are causing the wall to rot and shingles to buckle up. We'll probably also find the roof sheathing rotting under the shingles. This should be addressed very soon.

It was the best summer weather-wise that I ever remember, albeit too dry. It goes by faster every year. Hope to see everyone again there next year, and determine again how vicious the coming winter really was.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Dever, Manset Dockmaster

# **LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER REPORT**

Like a broken record player I would love to remind residents of the Cranberry Isles that I have 5 primary job roles as the Local Health Officer:

- 1. Offer health information and resources to the community.
- 2. Offer mediation and problem-solving in the resolutions of complaints.
- 3. Investigator and enforcer of complaints that cannot be resolved.
- 4. Report to and inform the Board of Selectmen on the community's profile.
- 5. Work closely with the DHHS Public Health District Liaisons.

I would like folks to have this information from the Division of Public Health System's website:

# **Local Health Officer Services**

"Maine LHOs role began in 1885 and have had a long and proud tradition of serving their communities. The "Local Health Officer" (LHO) is a term established by Maine Statute. The local health officer work force has a unique knowledge about how to assist and protect Maine citizens and communities. They are "on the ground", working along with public health nurses, other local health officers, environmental health officials, and other professionals who share the common goal of improving and caring for the health of their communities. The LHO monitors his or her community through identifying and/or responding to immediate and trends in health risks to individuals or the community through town resident queries and/or the sharp eye of the LHO. We recommend that you first contact your town's Local Health Officer if you have a complaint, question or concern about health risks, environmental risks, or landlord tenant concerns."

As a town we have an amazing community health system in place. I am proud to be a part of that team.

So here is to a healthy, happy 2017 in our community!

Respectfully submitted,

Cari Alley, LHO

# **CRANBERRY ISLES HEALTH COMMITTEE (CIHC) REPORT**

The Cranberry Isles Health Committee (CHIC) is committed to meeting the health needs of the Cranberry Isles community.

The Tel-e-med clinic is open for appointments upon request. Our Staff is happy to help you set up an appointment with the clinic in Southwest Harbor, or another clinic if they are unavailable. They can also help set up appointments with counselors at MDI Behavioral Health and Acadia Family Center. This service is located in the Ladies Parlor of the Islesford Neighborhood House. A ticket is available for residents from Great Cranberry on the Beal and Bunker ferry, should they wish to use the Tel-e-med clinic. All appointments are confidential.

We have hosted talks via the Tel-e-med unit on balance and safety, and communication. We plan to have talks on heart health and cancer. We would still like to connect the islands for the health talks over the Tel-e-med unit.

The Dentist came to Islesford to see patients from both islands. We also coordinated flu clinics on both islands. Our major accomplishment was a health fair held on Islesford. We had multiple health vendors such as an Audiologist, Chiropractor, Pharmacologist brown bag, Massage, Yoga, Bone Density and Blood Pressure Screenings just to name a few. We had two people attend the Eldercare Care Conference on Islesboro this year.

Great Cranberry is doing its Island Cooks program again this year. Volunteers make meals once every other week during the winter for people who have a hard time making it out and around during the winter months. It is appreciated not only for the wonderful meals, but for the companionship offered by the cooks themselves.

The CIHC hopes to assist the community with any health concerns. Please contact any member of the committee to share ideas for future talks, clinics, or services.

We are very grateful to the Maine Sea Coast Mission, Sharon Daley (The Maine Sea Coast Mission nurse), the INHA, and the Town of Cranberry Isles for their ongoing support.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Thomas, Stefanie Alley ,Jasmine Samuel, Karin Whitney, Ingrid Gaither, Jen Walls, Thomas Powell, Rebecca Powell, Serena Spurling, Joy Sprague, Sally Rowan, and Anna Fernald

## ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Greetings folks! Today I am going to try to keep this short and sweet. As far as ACO issues in the Town of CI, I would love to say that there really have not been any. Of course there have been animal complaints but they have been of farm animals and/or wild animals. It is frustrating as ACO to get the calls and to want to help, but to really have my hands tied. The primary role of the ACO is field calls that have to do with domestic animals, such as dogs. When it comes to farm animals, I can respond to calls of neglect and abuse. Most often I will have to hand the call over to a Humane Agent. Any wild animal call I get I must hand off to Fish and Wildlife. The system in place is a good one and one that seems to work. Though sometimes it is frustrating and leaves folks feeling like their voices are not heard. I always hear you and if I have said it once, I have said it a hundred times; I never want animals to annoy folks. I would rather talk to someone who is frustrated then to have them have their frustrations unheard!

I would like to thank and applaud all of you dog owners in this here report this year! As a town we had every dog registered that lives here! WOW! How exciting. Of course I have to launch into my speech about the importance of dog registration. In the State of Maine when you register you dog in a town you are not "locking" your dog into that town. It is incredibly important to register your dog in the town(s) that you spend a good amount of time. If for some reason your dog gets away from you that dog registration is what is going to get him/her home! Your dog can have dual, triple and/or single registration. They do not void each other out! An example is if you live on MDI for the winter months and out on the CI for the summer, you can register your pooch at your local town office on MDI and you can call Denise at our Town Office and register your pooch out here. Dual Citizenship. If pooch is fixed then you are going to spend a total of \$12 to do this. \$6 for MDI and \$6 for our town. Now pooch breaks free one day and runs free on MDI. The local ACO finds him and brings him home to you. When you come back out for summer and that wily pooch breaks free from you, I find him. Well good luck.... I get to bring him home to you! If your dog is **NOT** registered in the town(s) that you spend a good amount of time, then your pooch does not get returned to you! Your pooch has to go to a shelter. Not only is this a stressful outcome for you but it is also a pain for your dog. Being captured, transported to a shelter, possibly in a cage near other loud dogs all the while not knowing where you are to help them can really stress a dog out. You will also have fees associated with your dog being taken to a shelter once you finally find out that your dog has been taken to one and ferry costs. When I think about all that I think that the \$6/\$11 fee to register my dog is well worth it! I am hopeful that this year I can announce proudly again that all dog citizens of the CI are registered! It really is bragging rights at the yearly ACO training!

Thank you for your dedication to your 4-legged family members!

Respectfully submitted,

Cari Alley, Animal Control Officer

# **ISLESFORD CONSTABLE REPORT**

2016 was another relatively quiet year on the constable front. Even during the summer, which is typically when most of my action occurs, my phone rang considerably less at 1 AM. That definitely did not hurt my feelings.

One complaint that I did field on several occasions stemmed from a town ordinance that was established in the early 1940s. It is none other than the bicycle night light ordinance, the ordinance basically states that any bicycle operating at night should have a proper light affixed to the front and either a reflector or a red light affixed to the rear of the bicycle. It is obviously something that people don't think about very often and has gone unenforced for quite some time. I myself was vaguely aware of the ordinance but hadn't given much thought to it until a number of people voiced some concerns about it this past summer. The complaints were legitimate public safety concerns that stem from some close encounters between bicyclists and pedestrians on dark foggy nights last summer. It is a town ordinance and unless it is overturned I will do my best to enforce it when I consider it a public safety issue.

As I typically do in my annual report, I would like to talk about the island speed limits. I usually field several complaints year-round about people driving well above the island speed limit of 15 mph. I have always said there should never be a reason to drive faster than 15 miles per hour on Islesford. There are too many kids playing close to the road, the vehicles have rusty brake lines that could fail at any minute it's simply too dangerous and the island is too small. That being said, this year I really feel like people respected the speed limits and did a much better job of driving at a safe speed so I want to thank everybody for that. It makes the island a much safer place to live.

I look forward to serving the town in 2017. Respectfully submitted, Richard Howland, Constable



Elliott Hadlock, Luciana Pickering & Bode Duggan out for a wagon ride

# **GREAT CRANBERRY/SUTTON ISLAND CONSTABLE REPORT**

For the most part this has been a very quiet year. The major problem of breaking and entering for a number of homes on Sutton Island was solved with the arrest of several individuals who were from Mount Desert Island and unrelated to hunting. These individuals were subsequently brought before the County Court for their actions. Sutton Island did have some electric power issues during the year and Emera was able to resolve them quickly.

On Great Cranberry Island the principal issue is not forgetting that we have a number of children riding two and three wheel bikes. Safety first with reduced driving speeds is mandatory! 15 MPH is the posted speed and don't forget that these children are on both sides of the road. Registering of automobiles is a state law and requires obtaining insurance in order to do so. Last year we had a vehicle/bike incident and fortunately the youngster was not injured badly. Nevertheless don't forget that the kids are riding up and down on these roads and that caution is required.

Minor accidents on the island included a gunshot wound, leaving the road through inattention to ditches and failure to have auto brakes checked. Everyone came out of their accidents without serious injury but still, pay attentions to what you are doing.

While the Cranberry Isles does not have an organized Police Department for law enforcement, I believe the Constables have continued to work successfully with the public in ensuring registration of automobiles and keeping dogs on a leash, both of which are mandated by State law. Leaving unregistered automobiles at the Town landing, however, has again been a problem and I remind all that leaving a vehicle for more than two weeks on a public way or parking lot can initiate its removal by action of the Board of Selectmen.

Thank you for respecting your neighbors, private property and driving speeds.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Beal, Constable

# **Public Safety 5 Year Plan**

# **Public Safety**

Here is an updated 5-year plan based on completed activities over the past few years. We are behind in some areas- but we are slowly making progress in updating equipment so that Cranberry and Islesford have duplicate gear and establishing water sources. 2017 will hopefully prove to be a busy and productive year!

<b>□</b> 2015	
Comprehensive training program adopted for both	ı island depts. To
be modeled after ME FF1 standards.	
Equipment replacement schedule (bunker gear)	
☐ 501c3- In progress for both auxiliary depts. (IVFD/	<del>GCIVFD)</del>
GCIVFD facility improvement schedule	
Town Attorney advise on possibility of modi	fying existing
station based on deeds.	
Ambulance was relocated to furthest small I	pay that had been
unused.	
Heat Pump Installed using private fun	<del>ds</del>
Insulation upgrades using private fund	<del>ls. (Early 2016)</del>
☐ IVFD Cistern installed	
<b>□</b> 2016	
Dry Hydrant installed in fire pond on GCI	
PPC 9 Rating- Community Survey Re-Evaluation (LC	য়)- (Requested,
one ISO Rep for the entire state. Waiting for a regr	ading date.)
Roster revisions to include core members.	
Policies in place to require members to atte	nd trainings to
remain on the dept. (In Progress)	
Town Attorney advise on logistics of combining FD	's./ Town Attorney
advise on repayment policy for training.	
Accountability & FF/ CIRS #'s sorted (In Progress)	
Job descriptions (In Progress)	
☐ GCI-Town funded truck replacement	
NFPA standards on replacement	
2016 International chassis to match Islesfore	<del>‡</del>
Pumper 970 gallon tank	

# **Public Safety 5 Year Plan**

		☐ 1972 Green Chevy to be replaced first
		NIMS compliance by end of year to allow for more federal grants.
		Repeater installed for all public safety depts in TCI.
		Basic Pump operators course on Islesford (most likely)
<b></b> 2	2017	
		4 Interior FF's by July 1, 2017 (FOR TCI) (6 as of 1/3/17)
		Air supply trailer/ Cascade for the town. Budgeted for 2017.
	<b>—</b>	Air Pack Upgrades for GCI to match LCI/ LCI new bottles
		PPC 9 Rating- Community Survey Re-Evaluation (GCI)
		Sutton Island:
		Gator type vehicle on island to allow for transportation of
		pumps/ equipment/ personnel.
		Private Fundraising?
		IVFD Cistern Flume Finished
		SOG review/ adoption for fire departments (In Progress)
		Community Emergency Operations Plan Revisions completed (In
		Progress)
<b></b> 2	2018	
		LCI- Wildland/ Brush Truck (F350 w/ skid unit)
<b>□</b> 2	2019	
		Water Tanker for GCI
		GCI Cistern
<b></b> 2	2020	
		Duplicate LCI Wildland/ Brush Truck for GCI
	Ongoi	ng
		Constant recruitment (liquid funds for training)
		Continued private fund raising for both islands.
		Continued grant search for both islands.
always,	, please	e feel free to contact me, Katelyn Damon, if you have questions about this or any other public

Respectfully Submitted,

Katelyn Damon Town of Cranberry Isles Public Safety Coordinator kateyn@cranberryisles-me.gov 207-479-8118

safety related items.

### TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES ANNUAL TOWN MEETING THE WARRANT 2017

State of Maine County of Hancock, §

To: A Constable of the Town Of Cranberry Isles, in said County

### **Greetings:**

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town Of Cranberry Isles, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Longfellow School, Great Cranberry Island, in said town, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day (Second Saturday) of March AD 2017 at 9:00 A.M. to act on the following articles, to wit:

#### Article:

- 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- 2. To elect by ballot a Town Clerk for the ensuing year and to vote compensation.

Recommended: \$7,000

- 3. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will approve the use of the Maine Municipal Association's recommended Maine Moderator's Manual "Rules of Procedures" for the conduct of this Town Meeting.
- 4. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will approve opening the floor of this Town Meeting to all non-registered persons for the purpose of discussion only on each of the following articles of this 2017 warrant.
- To elect by ballot a Selectman for the term of three years. (Term expiring: Florence J. Sprague)
  Ballot: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (term expiring 2020)
  To vote compensation for all the Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Recommended: \$8,000 for the chairperson, \$7,500 for others.

7. To elect by ballot a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year and to vote compensation.

Recommended: \$10,000

8. To elect by ballot a Collector of Taxes and Collector of Excise Taxes for the ensuing year and to vote compensation.

Recommended: \$28,000

9. To elect by ballot a member of the Superintending School Committee for a term of three years. (Term expiring: Kelly Sanborn).

For information of the voters, the elected membership of this committee is:

Name	<u>Island</u>	<u>Term expires</u>
Kelly Sanborn, Chairman	Great Cranberry	2017
Cari Alley	Little Cranberry	2018
Amy Palmer	Little Cranberry	2019

10. To elect by ballot a member of the Municipal Advisory Commission, which consists of seven elected volunteer property owners or registered voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles, who shall serve a period of three years each. (Term expiring: Ingrid Gaither).

For information of the voters: The elected membership of this Committee is:

Island	Term expires
Great Cranberry	2017
Great Cranberry	2017
Great Cranberry	2018
Little Cranberry	2018
Little Cranberry	2019
Great Cranberry	2019
Great Cranberry	2019
	Great Cranberry Great Cranberry Great Cranberry Little Cranberry Little Cranberry Great Cranberry

Ballot: \_\_\_\_\_ (term expiring 2020)

11. To elect by ballot a member of the Municipal Advisory Commission, which consists of seven elected volunteer property owners or registered voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles, who shall serve a period of three years each. (Term expiring: Chris White).

Ballot:	(term	expiring	2020)
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12. To vote the hourly rate of pay for Town Officials and Employees

Recommended: \$12 to \$25, at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen, based on the type of work performed.

- 13. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to collect interest at the rate of seven percent (7%) APR on all 2017 taxes not paid by December 01, 2017. Municipalities may, by vote, determine the rate of interest that shall apply to taxes that become delinquent during taxable year 2017 until those taxes are paid in full. The maximum rate of interest that can be charged per Title 36, MRSA §505.4 is seven percent (7%) APR.
- 14. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to allow a two percent (2%) discount on all taxes which are paid in full within thirty (30) days of the date shown on the original bill as submitted by the Tax Collector.
- 15. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Treasurer to expend funds in January 2018, February 2018, and March 2018 equal in aggregate to three twelfths (3/12ths) of the Operator's Budget approved for the Year 2017. This authorization will permit the Treasurer to prepare Financial Warrants for approval by the Board of Selectmen, prepare checks, and legally pay bills pending approval of the entire Operations Budget by the Voters in March 2018.

### CRANBERRY ISLES SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

### **Articles**

Note: Articles 16A through 16K authorize expenditures in cost center categories

Article 16A To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for Regular Instruction for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$329,448

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 273,728

Article 16B To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Special Education** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 52,465

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 53,427

Article 16C To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education for the fiscal year beginning July 1,

2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ -0-

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ -0-

Article 16D To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for Other Instruction for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 14,705

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$10,505

Article 16E To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for Student & Staff Support for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 24,838

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$ 24,469

Article 16F To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for System Administration for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 17,131

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$16,084

Article 16G To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for School Administration for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 34,027

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$34.383

Article 16H To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for Transportation & Buses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 52,000

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$47,600

Article 16I To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 54,274

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$51,919

Article 16J

To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for **Debt Service and Other Commitments** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 71,031

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$71,031

Article 16K

To see what sum the School Committee is authorized to expend for All

Other Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending
June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ -0-

Note: 2016-17 Amount was \$-0-

Note: Articles 16A – 16K authorize a total budget of \$ 649,919

Note: 2016-17 Total Budget was \$ 583,146

### **Hand Count Required**

Note: Articles 16L, 16M & 16N raise funds for the Proposed School Budget

Article 16L

To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (Recommend \$195,542) and to see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688 for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 174,627

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

### **Hand Count Required**

Article 16M

To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Town of Cranberry Isles' contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

School Committee recommends \$ 71,031

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the Town of Cranberry Isles' long-term debt for major capital school construction projects and minor capital renovation projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The borrowing of this long-term debt was approved by the voters on March 15, 2014.

### Written Ballot Vote Required

### Article 16N

To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will raise and appropriate in additional local funds for school purposes (Recommend: \$294,317) for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (Recommend: \$289,956) as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee.

The School Committee recommends **\$ 294,317** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by **\$ 289,956**: The State funding model underestimates the actual costs to fully fund the 2017-2018 budget.

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

Note: Articles 16L, 16M & 16N raise a total town appropriation of **\$539,975** 

Note: 2016-17 Total Town Appropriation was \$ 507,988

### **Hand Count Required**

Note: Article 16O summarizes the proposed school budget and does not authorize any additional expenditures

### Article 160

To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Committee recommends **\$ 649,919** 

Note: 2016-17 Total Budget was \$583,146

Article 16P

In addition to the amount in Articles 16A – 16O, shall the School Committee be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year 2017-2018 for school purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Current Year Totals: \$ 24,941 School Committee recommends

passage.

Article 16Q

To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will authorize the school committee to have the Ashley Bryan School remain open for the 2017-18 school year with an unknown projected enrollment.

School Committee recommends passage.

Article 16R

To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will authorize the school committee to have the Longfellow School remain open for the 2017-2018 school year with a projected enrollment of approximately ten students.

School Committee recommends passage.

17. Shall an ordinance entitled "Land Use and Shoreland Zoning Ordinance March 11, 2017" be enacted?

Note: Passage of this Ordinance would repeal the "Land Use Ordinance for the Shorelands of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Hancock County, Maine" enacted on March 10, 2012.

- 18. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to appropriate and expend up to forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) for the construction of a septic system and bathroom on Town property on Islesford for the municipal garage that houses the Islesford Volunteer Fire Dept. and to further authorize the Municipal Officers to do any and all things necessary to award and enter into necessary design and construction contracts on behalf of the Town, expend the funds, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.
- 19. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will appropriate and authorize the Municipal Officers to expend up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) toward the cost of restoring and renovating the Spurling Point Cemetery on Great Cranberry Island.
- 20. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to borrow funds in the original principal amount of up to six hundred and seventy-two thousand dollars (\$672,000.00) for the extension of the

Islesford Town Dock, and to further authorize the Municipal Officers to do any and all things necessary to award and enter into necessary construction contracts on behalf of the Town, expend the borrowed funds, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.

- 21. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to appropriate twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) for the purchase and installation of hoists for the Islesford and Great Cranberry Town Docks, and to further authorize the Municipal Officers to do any and all things necessary to award and enter into necessary construction contracts on behalf of the Town, expend the funds, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.
- 22. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to borrow funds in the original principal amount of up to One-hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) for the construction of a town office addition to the Islesford Fire Station, Maple Avenue and to further authorize the Municipal Officers to do any and all things necessary to award and enter into necessary design and construction contracts on behalf of the Town, expend the funds, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.
- 24. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to appropriate and expend up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for capital expenditure to pave Dog Point Road on Great Cranberry Island, and to further authorize the Municipal Officers to do any and all things necessary to award and enter into necessary design and construction contracts on behalf of the Town, expend the funds, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.
- 25. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to enter into a purchase and sales agreement for the purpose of selling the building and land (0.65 ac) at 15 Mansell lane, Southwest Harbor (SWH Tax Map 17 Lot 112) and do all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.

Note: Prior to offering the property for sale, The Town will seek any necessary approvals from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank to sell the property pursuant to all applicable rules and conditions related to the municipal bond that the Town used to purchase this property with the Manset property.

26. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to borrow funds in the original principal amount of up to one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000.00) to build a fiber network for Little Cranberry, Great Cranberry and Suttons Island in order to provide long-term internet broadband services, and to further authorize the Municipal Officers

to do any and all things necessary to award and enter into agreements, necessary design and construction contracts on behalf of the Town, expend the funds, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.

Note: This project would be done in 2 phases over 2 years (2017 & 2018). The initial phase would be fiber build-out and a microwave backhaul on Islesford that would be completed by October 2017. The second phase of fiber build-out would be Great Cranberry and Suttons Island in 2018. Borrowing would take place over 2 years to cover costs for each phase. It is anticipated that a substantial portion of both phases would be paid for with grants from federal, state and private non-profits sources, such as USDA, Norther Boarders and ConnectME. Due to the poor level of existing service, or lack of it, the Town is in very good shape for getting grants. Any internet service provider we partner with would be asked to also pay for some of the upgrades. For the 2017 Islesford project, the Town would likely have to initially borrow funds to start the project this summer. Some grant funding (USDA grant for example) could be used to offset or reimburse for those costs. The more grant funding we receive, the less borrowing the Town will have to do.

27. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to partner with an internet service provider in order to build a fiber network for Little Cranberry, Great Cranberry and Sutton Island that would provide long-term internet broadband services for the whole community, and to further authorize the Municipal Officers to award and enter into agreements, necessary design and construction contracts on behalf of the town, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.

Note: This article will show community support for partnering with an internet service provider to develop broadband internet infrastructure for the Town that would provide the whole community with improved internet services using the next generation of technology such as fiber connections.

- 28. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to make application for and execute any documents related to grant funding for the development of a municipal broadband services network for Cranberry Isles, and to accept said funds if awarded and authorize their expenditure for the purposes specified in the grants.
- 29. To see if the voters of the Town Of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to enter into a six (6) month lease agreement in 2017 with the Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland, Maine for use of the church land on Joy Road in Northeast Harbor, Maine, for parking of residents of, and visitors to, the Cranberry Isles.
- 30. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to appropriate and expend up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to hire a consultant to assess and evaluate the electrical power and

telephone lines and poles on Great Cranberry Island, Little Cranberry Island and Sutton Island, and to further authorize the Municipal Officers to do any and all things necessary to award and enter into necessary contracts on behalf of the Town, expend the funds, and all other things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose of this article.

Note: The results of the survey will be given to the Maine Public Utilities

Commission, Emera Maine and Fairpoint in order to begin a process of getting old and outdated infrastructure upgraded for the Town.

### 31. Future Town Meeting

To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to hold the next annual Town Meeting in 2018, on 10, March 2018 at the Islesford Neighborhood House, Islesford, Maine and to open the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

- 32. To see if the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to increase the property tax levy limit of one million, seven hundred and seven thousand, five hundred and ninety-six dollars (\$1,707,596.) established for the Town of Cranberry Isles by State law in the event the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.
- 33. To see what sum the voters of the Town of Cranberry Isles will vote to raise and appropriate for each function of Town operations as shown in Operations Budget. Each department shall be voted on separately:

### 2017 TOWN OPERATIONS BUDGET RECOMMENDED DEPT. TOTAL

Dept. 51 – General Government		327,140.00
Town Office: Rent & Utilities	16,540	(2016 328,685)
Office Supplies & Postage	5,500	
Administrative Expenses	10,000	
Insurance	7,000	
Legal	25,000	
Accounting	10,000	
Web Site	2,000	
Selectmen Compensation	23,000	
Contingency Fund	20,000	
Printing	3,500	
Treasurer / Tax Collector / Clerk	45,000	
Elections	1,000	
HCPC Dues	650	
HCPC LUZO Assistance	3,000	

Tax Assessor	28,000
Administrative Assistant	47,850
Deputy Clerk / Treasurer	18,000
Public Safety Coordinator	28,100
Payroll Taxes	16,000
Employee Health Benefits	20,000

# Dept. 52 – Public Safety

# 194,025

(2016 354,300)

Fire Dept. Zone 1 (GCI)	
Utilities	2,700
Heating Oil	5,000
Gasoline	400
Insurance	7,000
Community Safety Program	1,000
Training	1,000
Equipment	5,000
Tests	4,000
Maintenance	3,500
Cascade Air	20,000
Travel	1,000
Ambulance Bay Upgrade	6,000
Fire Dept. Zone 2 (Islesford)	
Utilities	1,200
Equipment	10,000
Maintenance	3,500
Tests	4,275
Heating Oil	5,000
Gasoline	400
Insurance	8,000
Training	1,000
Cascade Air	10,000
Septic	40,000
Travel	1,000
Fire Dept. Zone 3 (Sutton)	
Equipment	2,000
C.I. Barrera Carriera	
C.I. Rescue Service	
Little Cranberry Island	1 000
Ambulance	1,000
Supplies	2,200
Stipend	2,500
Training	500
Insurance	1,000

EMS Conference	4,500	
Great Cranberry Island		
Ambulance	500	
Supplies	2,200	
Stipend	2,000	
Training	500	
Insurance	1,000	
EMS Conference	2,300	
911 Services	1,100	
Streetlights	5,500	
Utilities Assessment	10,000	
Animal Control Officer	1,000	
Equipment	500	
Training	500	
Constable		
Compensation	5,000	
Admin. Expense	500	
Harbormaster	2,000	
Fire Warden Training	750	
Insurance	4,000	
Dept. 53 – Health & Sanitation		129,010
Solid Waste		
Sutton	6,500	(2016 110,150)
Contracts	85,000	
Contracts Metal	85,000 1,200	
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Metal	1,200	
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements	1,200 14,000	
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste	1,200 14,000 4,000	
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Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850	
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800	
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750	
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000	
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750	155,618
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800	,
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750	<b>155,618</b> (2016 190,300)
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance Snow Removal	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800	,
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance Snow Removal Compensation	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800 50,000	,
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance Snow Removal Compensation Salt / Sand	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800 50,000 5,000 8,000	,
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance Snow Removal Compensation	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800 50,000	,
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance Snow Removal Compensation Salt / Sand	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800 50,000 5,000 8,000	,
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance Snow Removal Compensation Salt / Sand GCI Contract	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800 50,000 5,000 8,000	,
Metal Tipping Fees Hazardous Waste Capital Improvements Permits Electricity CEO / Plumbing Inspector General Assistance Supplies Health Officer  Dept. 54 – Public Transportation Town Roads Maintenance Snow Removal Compensation Salt / Sand GCI Contract Town Truck	1,200 14,000 4,000 500 850 800 12,750 2,000 750 800  50,000 5,000 8,000 17,000	,

Garage Heating Oil	1,800	
Garage Maintenance	4,200	
Commuter Service		
Winter	54,818	
Summer	13,000	
Dept. 55 – Schools		<b>649,919</b> (2016 583,146)
<b>Dept. 56 – Donations</b>		22,800
GCI Library	4,000	(2016 22,800)
Islesford Library	4,000	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
GCI Community Center	3,000	
Islesford Neighborhood House	3,000	
Cranberry House	3,000	
Island Explorer	500	
NEH Library	300	
NEH Ambulance	1,000	
Life Flight	2,000	
<b>Human Service Donations</b>	500	
C.I. Education Fund (scholarship)	1,000	
Dept. 57 – Debt Service		369,375
SWH Parking – Taxable Bond	45,705	(2016 355,211)
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SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460	(2016 355,211)
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535	(2016 355,211) 2,280,510
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck County Tax	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535	
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck County Tax  Dept. 58 - Municipal Facilities	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535 81,500	
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SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck County Tax  Dept. 58 - Municipal Facilities Teleconference NEH Parking Lot Snow Removal Lease Joy Road Parking Lot	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535 81,500 400 3,800 40,850	2,280,510
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck County Tax  Dept. 58 - Municipal Facilities Teleconference NEH Parking Lot Snow Removal Lease Joy Road Parking Lot Insurance	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535 81,500 400 3,800 40,850 750	2,280,510
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck County Tax  Dept. 58 - Municipal Facilities Teleconference NEH Parking Lot Snow Removal Lease Joy Road Parking Lot Insurance Lease	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535 81,500 400 3,800 40,850	2,280,510
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck County Tax  Dept. 58 - Municipal Facilities Teleconference NEH Parking Lot Snow Removal Lease Joy Road Parking Lot Insurance Lease Manset Parking Lot	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535 81,500 400 3,800 40,850 750 4,000	2,280,510
SWH Parking – Tax Exempt Bond LCI Municipal Garage LCI Roads Capital LCI Pumper Truck LCI Attacker Truck GCI Fire Truck County Tax  Dept. 58 - Municipal Facilities Teleconference NEH Parking Lot Snow Removal Lease Joy Road Parking Lot Insurance Lease Manset Parking Lot Grounds	130,580 22,610 13,000 10,985 25,460 39,535 81,500 400 3,800 40,850 750 4,000 4,000	2,280,510
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Insurance	3,200
SWH Property Tax	22,000
Enforcement	6,500
Warehouse / Apartment	
Utilities	2,700
Insurance	2,000
Mansell Road Building	
Insurance	1,000
Grounds	1,200
Snow Removal	1,000
SWH Property Tax	5,200
Restrooms	
Maint. & Improvements	1,500
Cleaning	10,810
Supplies	800
Wharves / Floats / Ramps	
Electricity	2,000
Maintenance - Sutton	50,000
Moorings	9,000
Insurance	6,400
Contracts	36,600
LCI Dock Extension	672,000
Hoists	24,000
Manset Supplies	500
Town Land	
Cemeteries	5,500
Town Office	150,000
LCI Town Field	3,000
Internet	1,200,000

# TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR TOWN OPERATIONS= \$ 4,128,397

# TOWN OPERATIONS BUDGET

**APPLIED RESOURCES** 

Loans: 2,022,000

Estimated General Fund Receipts: 188,946

School Dept. (State Subsidies and Misc.): 109,944

Commuter Service Subsidy: 22,000

Property Taxes (2017): 1,785,507

TOTAL= \$4,128,397

Given under our hand and Town seal this 7th day of February, 2017.

	**ORIGINAL DOCUMENT IS SIGNED BY:
	Richard F. Beal, Chairman
	Florence Joy Sprague
	Malcolm Fernald
hereby attest and certify this docum	k of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine do nent to be a true copy of the Warrant 2017 to be n of Cranberry Isles on 11 March 2017.
	Denise McCormick

### **NOTICE**

The Registrar of Voters, Denise McCormick, gives notice that she will be in the Cranberry Isles Town Office, 16 Maple Avenue, Islesford, Maine on the 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2017 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., and at the Longfellow School on the day of the meeting, March 11, at 8:45 A.M. for the purpose of correcting the list of voters for said Town.

\*All new voter registrations must provide proof of identification and proof of residency.

# **RICHARD ALLEY JR. DUCK STAMP PAINTINGS**









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### ISLESFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

2016 was another positive and successful year for the Islesford Volunteer Fire Department. We were able to train alongside the Great Cranberry Island Volunteer Fire Department on several occasions as well as some wild land fire training on Sutton Island, which was very well attended.

The biggest news for our department was the completion of our cistern which gives us access to 20,000 gallons of fresh water that is easily accessible year-round right off the side of the road in the town field. Freshwater has always been our biggest Achilles' heel fighting fires on these outer islands, so the cistern gives us a tremendous advantage. We trained on it successfully and will continue to train on it on an annual basis.

One of my biggest goals looking forward is going to be working as closely as possible with the Great Cranberry Island Department so we are basically one big cohesive unit. Now that Great Cranberry has the sister truck to our pumper truck it will streamline our firefighting operations. We will be able to jump from island to island and members of each department will have knowledge on how to operate each truck. My other goal is to recruit more volunteers to join our department, over the past few years we have unfortunately lost some of our top members who have had to move off the island for a number of different reasons. As everybody knows, living on an island can be difficult and housing is a major issue out here, but in order to keep our department viable to safely protect lives and property we need as many volunteers as possible. I understand that everybody is busy, I am just as busy as everybody else. Some things are worth making time for. Please consider volunteering, it is a very positive group of people to be involved with and we have a lot of fun. I would like to thank everybody that has supported this department over the years and I look forward to serving this department for the years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Howland, Chief

### GREAT CRANBERRY ISLAND VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

2016 was a very positive year for the Great Cranberry Island Volunteer Fire Department. We had several very successful trainings that were well attended. In April, we had what we like to call mock call training. Basically we simulate what it would be like if we had an actual house fire. We start out at the station and go through every step from changing into our gear, staging the trucks at the fire scene and sending firefighters into the house to search for victims. We were able to set up a successful water shuttle, meaning we had one truck at the scene pumping water while the other truck was shuttling water back-and-forth from a well. It was very encouraging to have both of our island's fire departments working together side-by-side. This type of training is vital to prepare ourselves for a major event.

We also had our entire new dry hydrant successfully installed at the Fire pond on Great Cranberry. We were able to test it out in November and drafted water successfully. That provides us with a very viable resource and gives us access to a lot more freshwater that we so desperately need. The department held its first fireman supper in over 8 years, it was standing room only and we raised a considerable amount of money. Support from the community was overwhelming and people are already talking about next year's event. I would like to thank Mark Alley for making it all happen!

But of course the biggest and most exciting news for the Great Cranberry Island Volunteer Fire Department is the arrival of Harry, the brand-new pumper truck that we took delivery of on December 19<sup>th</sup>. The truck is identical to the pumper truck that the Islesford Fire Department purchased in 2013. This will help us work back-and-forth between both departments as we will be able to jump from one truck to the other seamlessly.

The new truck gives us a huge advantage in helping to fight a structured fire safely and effectively, but please remember that the best way to fight a fire is prevention. Let's hope we never have to use the truck except for training. I would like to thank all the members who donated their time and energy and I would also like to encourage anybody that is interested to volunteer. It's a fun and positive way to give back to the island. Let's hope 2017 is another productive year.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Howland, Chief

### **CRANBERRY ISLES RESCUE SERVICE**

Current Cranberry Isles Rescue Service members include: Luke Abell, Katelyn Damon, Cory Duggan, Peyton Eggleston, Paul Fernald, Margaret Houghton, Tom Powell, Rebecca Powell, David Rackliff, Kelly Sanborn, Mary Schuch, Hugh Smallwood and Emily Wright.

In May, the service sent five EMTs to a Wilderness EMT course on Hurricane Island for five days. Luke Abell, Katelyn Damon, Cory Duggan, Mary Schuch and Hugh Smallwood expanded their scope of practice to include wilderness protocols. Northeast Harbor Ambulance also sent responders to the training, including dual NEHA/CIRS members Margaret Houghton and Paul Fernald. We spent time in the classroom, but the majority of our days were spent doing hands on training in scene management, patient assessment, treatment, packaging and transporting. The class was a great refresher and expanded our skills tremendously. Much of the material in the wilderness course relates to similar challenges we face as islanders. The scenario-based learning helped reinforce the teamwork and problem solving skills necessary for success.

In November, eleven responders attended the Atlantic Partners EMS conference held at the Samoset Resort in Rockport. This conference gives us a chance to interact with and learn from other EMS providers from around Maine and the rest of New England. While at Samoset, we attended a wide variety of continuing education courses necessary to maintain our certifications.

In 2016, the service responded to twenty requests for assistance. August was our busiest month.

Respectfully Submitted, Katelyn Damon, CIRS Chief Mary Schuch, CIRS Assistant Chief



# Annual Report for the MDIRSS/AO91 Board December 2016

During the 2015-2016 school year, MDI educators focused on quality implementation of standards based teaching and learning, the programmatic implications of proficiency-based diplomas, and the piloting of our revised Supervision and Evaluation System. Student Performance Data revealed improvements in writing and growth in reading and science but pointed to the need to improve math teaching and learning. Student enrollment across MDI schools has remained steady for the third year in a row. While we recognize there is always more to be done to address the needs of all of our learners, we feel the combined efforts of MDIRSS educators are contributing to continuous improvement in our educational program at all levels.

### **Big Picture**

Looking Back	Looking Ahead
(September 2015 to August 2016)	(September 2016 to August 2017)
<ul> <li>Completed revisions to the teacher/principal supervision and evaluation system; received approval from local boards, submitted plan for pilot to the state.</li> <li>Developed 11 budgets which were soundly approved by the boards that oversee them as well as town councils; successful annual audit process</li> <li>Submitted and gained approval of state, federal and local grants.</li> <li>Continued to explore and implement revisions to the AOS structure, cooperative initiatives among towns, and opportunities to improve efficiency and effectiveness.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue to strengthen standards-based curriculum, assessment, instruction and reporting initiatives leading to a Proficiency-based Diploma.</li> <li>Encourage and support physical and mental wellness across the school community.</li> <li>Improve building safety and security across the district and complete identified capital improvement projects.</li> <li>Explore, and consider, AOS-wide Pre-K programming.</li> <li>Continue to strengthen integrated Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programming K-12.</li> <li>Implement Long-Range Planning Process with community visioning and input from stakeholders.</li> <li>Complete Department of Education Special Education Program Audit.</li> </ul>

### Goal 1: Improve Student Achievement and Engagement in School

Rationale: Success in the 21st century requires students to leave their K-12 educational experience with high levels of literacy and numeracy. As a district, we need to be engaged in a cycle of continuous improvement to best serve all of our students each year. Programming [curriculum, course of study, pathways, RTI (Response to Intervention), etc.], therefore, must be specifically targeted to improving reading, writing, mathematics, critical thinking and student engagement. New and existing programs of study must be measured by how well they contribute to improvement in these five areas. Parents need to be informed and actively involved as partners with the school system in supporting their children's education.

ooking Back	Looking Ahead
September 2015 to August 2016)	(September 2016 to August 2017)
<ul> <li>MDIHS freshmen and sophomores experienced a team approach to teaching to increase student success in demonstrating proficiencies necessary to earn a high school diploma.</li> <li>Students were assessed in grades 3 through 8 and 11 through a new state exam in Math and Reading. The SAT was reinstated as the high school assessment.</li> <li>Improved student achievement in writing and growth in the areas of reading and science.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ensure all K-12 classes are standards-based.</li> <li>All high school teachers will utilize the Mastery Connect system for tracking and reporting student achievement related to standards.</li> <li>Eighth graders will transition to the high school in a standards-based reporting system.</li> <li>Focus on improving math and reading instruction.</li> <li>Implement a robust Response-to-Intervention (RTI program in all MDIRSS schools, K-12.</li> <li>Expand and support hands-on science, place-based and service learning throughout the district.</li> <li>Obtain approval for Marine Service Technologies satellite CTE program at the high school.</li> <li>Improve Multiple Pathways. Add AP courses in Environmental Science and Humanities.</li> </ul>

### **Goal 2: Improve Teaching and Learning**

**Rationale:** Research shows that quality teaching is the most important variable in student achievement. Skilled teachers who are supported by administrators, have quality teaching materials, have access to, and utilize timely data about student learning, and who actively participate in ongoing professional development make a positive difference for students. Therefore, it is important that the district prioritize teacher professional development, support, supervision and evaluation.

Looking Back	Looking Ahead
(September 2015 to August 2016)	(September 2016 to August 2017)
<ul> <li>Provided mentoring for more than 20 high quality new teachers across the district.</li> <li>Implemented new standards-based curriculum, assessment, instruction and reporting initiatives leading to Proficiency-based Diplomas.</li> <li>Increased amount of local and in-state professional development provided by the district and community and state partnerships.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete comprehensive pilot of new teacher and principal evaluation system, including increased peer-to-peer classroom observations.</li> <li>Strengthen use of data to inform instruction.</li> <li>Continue ongoing efforts to strengthen standards-based curriculum, assessment, instruction and reporting.</li> <li>Continue work towards revising and standardizing MDIRSS reporting.</li> <li>Provide responsive teacher professional development and time for teacher collaboration district-wide.</li> <li>Increase amount of instructional coaching and emphasize focus on effective instruction district-wide.</li> </ul>

#### Goal 3: Strategic Allocation of Resources, Use of Personnel and Financial Planning

Rationale: The Mount Desert Island Regional School System (MDIRSS) is committed to providing students with an excellent education. However, resources are not unlimited and must be used strategically. Maintenance and utility costs, health insurance and employee benefits must be considerations in seeking efficiencies so as to maximize available resources. Advances in technology enables us to think differently about course delivery, communication, professional development, resource sharing and infrastructure upgrades. Our communities offer significant resources that MDIRSS schools can effectively utilize to further collaborate for collective impact. Preparing students for careers, college and citizenship in the 21st century requires strategic planning, coordinated resource management and accountability.

ooking Back	Looking Ahead
September 2015 to August 2016)	(September 2016 to August 2017)
<ul> <li>Successfully conducted the search for a new Superintendent, district administrators and four building principals resulting in an exemplary team to lead the district forward.</li> <li>Provided information regarding accumulated sick leave, personal leave and vacation to employees on a monthly basis.</li> <li>Strengthened community partnerships; students at all MDI schools actively participated in the Acadia Centennial Celebration.</li> <li>Improved technology infrastructure.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Streamlined approval process to facilitate consistency in all AOS policies.</li> <li>Continue with cooperative initiatives among towns and opportunities to improve efficiency and effectiveness.</li> <li>Implement single Community-Based Health Insurance Rating in lieu of local pools.</li> <li>Streamline and implement consistent administrative procedures and protocols across the MDIRSS.</li> <li>Develop and implement MDIRSS financial and hiring procedure manuals.</li> <li>Provide each MDIRSS employee with a personalized annual total compensation report.</li> <li>Continue to make data-informed decisions and alignessource allocation as appropriate.</li> </ul>

Marc Edward Gousse, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
Julie Meltzer, Ph.D., Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction
Melissa Beckwith, Director of Special Services
Nancy Thurlow, Business Manager

CRANBERRY ISLES								SC Approved
		15-16	16-17	16-17	17-18			1/4/2017
		Actual	Current	Anticipated	Proposed	\$	%	
	Fund Balance	Receipts	Budget	Receipts	Budget	Difference	Difference	
0000-0000-450000	Carryover	111,348	66,558	83,612	79,094	12,536	18.84%	
	Revenues					1		
0000-0000-419908	Miscellaneous(Rent)	3,601	3,600	3,600	7,200	3,600	100.00%	\$600/mo.
0000-0000-412010	Transfer from Tuition Reserve	-	1	-	16,150	16,150	%00'0	Using all of Tuition Reserve
0000-0000-431110	State Subsidy	13,477	5,000	20,915	7,500	2,500	20.00%	Estimate
0000 0000 412110	Property Taxes	571 777	507 000	507 000	279 675	- 20700	70707	
0000-0000	10WII APPIOPIIAUOII	321,222	007,700	006,100	270,070	70,007	4.07.70	
	Articles 18L, 18M & 18N	EPS &			\$528,675			Increase per \$100,000 valuation
	Total Revenues	649,648	583,146	616,115	638,619	55,473	9.51%	\$10.78
	Town Appropr. W Addtl Items				539,975	31,987	6.30%	\$16.67
	•	15-16	16-17	16-17	17-18			w Addtl Items
Regular Instruction		Actual	Current	Anticipated	Proposed	\$	%	
	Regular Instruction	Expend.	Budget	Expend.	Budget	Difference	Difference	Explanation
1100-1000-510100	Teacher Salaries 3-8	59,242	62,824	62,747	65,630	2,806	4.47%	Incl. Music/Art/Phys. Ed./French
1100-1000-510200	Ed. Tech. Salary 3-8	200	-	1	1	-	%00:0	
1100-1000-512300	Substitutes	2,897	3,000	3,000	3,000	-	%00:0	\$80/day (37.5 Days)
1100-1000-520100	Benefits - Tchrs 3-8	2,548	3,022	3,019	3,157	135	4.47%	Incl. 3.36% Retirement cost
1100-1000-520200	Benefits - Ed. Tech. 3-8	15	-	1	1	-	%00:0	
1100-1000-520300	Benefits - Subs/Tutors	222	230	230	230	1	%00:0	
റ [1100-1000-521100	BC/BS: Teachers 3-8	19,592	21,729	20,061	21,801	72	0.33%	10% Rate
_	Tuition Reimb.: Taxable	-	3,000	3,000	1,500	(1,500)	-20.00%	1 - 3 credit course
1100-1000-525110	Tuition Reimb.: Non-Tax.	-	-	1	1	1	%00:0	
1100-1000-526300	Unemployment	-	-	1	1	1	%00:0	
1100-1000-527100	Worker's Comp. Insurance	-	-	1	1	ı	%00:0	
1100-1000-534000	Other Prof. Svcs.: Counsel, etc	-	-	1	ı	ı	%00.0	
1100-1000-543000	Repairs & Maint: Equipment	-	100	-	100	-	%00:0	
1100-1000-558000	Staff Travel	8,352	9,500	9,200	0,800	300	3.16%	Incl Specials/Princ/Boat Mon/SpEd
1100-1000-561000	Teaching Supplies	3,071	800	800	800	ı	%00.0	
1100-1000-564000	Books & Periodicals	961	500	500	500	1	%00.0	
1100-1000-573000	Equipment	1,983	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	0.00%	
1100-1000-581000	Dues, Fees, Conf.	337	400	400	400	_	0.00%	3
1100-1000-589000	Miscellaneous	- 0	200	1	200	_	%00.0	ञ
1100-1000-589005	Special Academic Programs	2,200	2,000	2,000	2,000	- 121	0.00%	1LC - 1/2 Budget 1/2 KEAP
1120-1000-310100	reacher Salary N-2	01,330	02,037	02,037	02,704	1 700	1.17%	
1120-1000-510200	Boat Monitor/School Care	22,970	26,500	27,648	28,000	1,500	5.66%	
1120-1000-520100	Benefits - Ichrs K-2	5,4/4	2,985	2,985	3,020	35	1.17%	Incl. 5.36% Ketirement cost
1120-1000-520200	Deneills - Boat Monitor/Scni	333	070	1,330	1,34/	/7/	117.20%	
1120-1000-521100	BC/BS: leachers K-2	15,8/3	17,461	16,121	615,71	28	0.33%	
1120-1000-561000	leaching Supplies - K-2	520	800	500	800	_	0.00%	
1120-1000-564000	Books & Periodicals - K-2	237	250	250	250	-	0.00%	
1120-1000-581000	Dues, Fees, Conf K-2	1	250	250	250	1	%00.0	
1100-1000-589001	Safety Factor Contingency	1	8,000	8,000	8,000	ı	%00.0	
1200-1000-556000	Tuition: Regular Secondary	55,721	46,500	35,103	97,360	50,860	109.38%	16-17 (3) & 17-18 (7) & 1 Extra
	Total Regular Instruction	262,079	273,728	260,201	329,448	55,720	20.36%	4% Tuit. rate incr. proj.
	Article 18A	Kegular			\$529,448			

CRANBERRY ISLES								
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		15-16	16-17	16-17	17-18			
		Actual	Proposed	Anticipated	Proposed	\$	%	
Special Education		Expend.	Budget	Expend.	Budget	Difference	Difference	Explanation
	Special Education							
2200-1000-510100	Salaries - Tchr Res. Rm.	11,056	12,098	10,353	10,752	(1,346)	-11.13%	25% Position
2200-1000-510200	Salaries - Ed. Tech Res. R	4,632	11,683	-	11,683	-		Ed. Tech 4 hrs./day
2200-1000-520100	Benefits - Tchr Res. Rm.	362	582	498	518	(64)	-11.00%	
2200-1000-520200	Benefits - Ed. Tech Res Rm	354	562	-	562	-	%00:0	
2100-1000-556000	Tuition: Spec. Ed. / Reserve	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	%000	
2100-1000-556001	Tuition Surcharge - Spec Ed	216	750	200	750	1	%00'0	
2100-1000-561000	Teaching Supplies	317	150	150	150	-	%00.0	
2100-1000-564000	Books & Periodicals	562	100	100	100	-	%00.0	
2100-1000-573000	Equipment	1	100	100	100	<u>,</u>	%00.0	
2200-1000-581000	Dues, Fees, Conf.	1	100	100	100	<u>, </u>	%00.0	
2500-2330-534400	Spec Svcs Assessment/AOS	9,195	11,202	11,202	11,650	448	4.00%	Estimate
2800-2140-534400	Prof. Svcs.: Therapy/Counsel.	029	1,000	750	1,000	-	%00'0	
2800-2150-534400	Other Prof. Svcs Speech	9,229	000'9	5,500	000'9	-	%00'0	
2800-2160-534400	Other Prof. Svcs OT	1,859	2,000	1,000	2,000	-	0.00%	
2800-2180-534400	Other Prof. Svcs PT	2,485	2,000	1,000	2,000	-	0.00%	
2500-2330-581200	Dues & Fees - Medicaid Bill.	18	100	75	100	-	%00'0	
	Total Special Education	45,936	53,427	36,328	52,465	(965)	-1.80%	
	Article 18B	Special Edu-			\$52,465			
	Article 18C	Career &			-\$			
Other Instruction								
	Co-Curricular							
9100-1000-515000	Co-Curricular: Stipends	2,085	3,600	3,300	3,600	-	%00.0	Overnight Chaperones
9100-1000-520000	Co-Curricular: Benefits	66	275	250	275	-	%00.0	
9100-1000-534000	Fine Arts Perform/Enrichment	1	200	200	200	1	%00.0	
9100-1000-560000	Supplies	1	200	200	200	1	%00.0	
9200-1000-589000	Special Boats - E/C	25	800	3,500	5,000	4,200	525.00%	
9200-1000-515000	Athletic Stipends	2,750	3,000	3,000	3,000	-	%00.0	
9200-1000-520000	Athletic Benefits (Med./SS)	196	230	230	230	-	%00.0	
9200-1000-534000	Athl: Prof Svcs.Swim/Sports	903	1,200	1,200	1,200	-	%00.0	Swim Lessons & Sports
9200-1000-589000	Athletic: Misc. Exp.	1,869	1,000	1,000	1,000	1	%00.0	
	Total Co-Curricular	7,927	10,505	12,880	14,705	4,200	39.98%	
8	Article 18D	Other In-			\$14,705			
Student & Staff Support								
0000	Guidairce	L .	7	-0-	1010		\o \o	
0000-2120-534000	Salaries: Guidance	6,855	3,181	3,181	3,181	-	0.00%	2 - 5 hr. days / mo.
0000-2120-520100	Benefits: Guidance Counsel.	524	244	244	244	ı	%00.0	
0000-2120-561000	Supplies	164	100	100	100	-	%00.0	
	Total Guidance	7,544	3,525	3,525	3,525	-	%00:0	
	Health Services							
0000-2130-534000	Other Prof. Svcs.: Nurse	1,242	1,500	1,500	1,500	1	%00.0	Contract w MDI Hospital
0000-2130-560000	Supplies	0	200	200	200	-	%00.0	
0000-2130-581000	Dues, Fees, Conf.	1	1 7	- 1	1 1	-	%00.0	
	Total Health Services	1,242	1,700	1,700	1,700	ı	%00.0	

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SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		15-16	16-17	16-17	17-18			
		Actual	Current	Anticipated	Proposed	99	%	
Student & Staff Support		Expend.	Budget	Expend.	Budget	Difference	Difference	Explanation
	Improvement of Instruction							
0000-2200-534000	Curric & Tech Assessm/AOS	6,275	9,224	9,224	9,593	369	4.00%	Part of Supt's. Office Assessment
0000-2210-515000	Mentor Stipend	ı	ı	1	1	-	%00.0	
0000-2210-520000	Benefits - Mentor Stipend	-	-	-	-	-	%00.0	
0000-2212-533000	Curriculum Dev & Certif.	[119	120	100	120	-	%00:0	\$12/student
0000-2212-533001	Instr. & Curric Dev - NWEA	224	-	-	-	-	%00:0	Moved to Technology Section
	Total Improve. Of Instruction	6,618	9,344	9,324	9,713	369	3.95%	
Student & Staff Support	,							
	Library & Audio Visual							
0000-2220-560000	Supplies	ı	ı	1	1	-		,
0000-2220-564000	Books & Periodicals	-	200	150	200	_	%00.0	Trade Books incl.
	Total Library & AV	1	200	150	200	-	%00:0	
	Technology							
0000-2230-510100	Salaries: Technology	ı	0	1	1	ı	%00.0	
0000-2230-520100	Benefits: Technology	1	0	,	1	1	%00.0	
0000-2230-515000	Stipend - Techn.	1	1		1	1	%00.0	
0000-2230-534000	Professional Svcs.	5,048	6,500	6,500	6,500		%00.0	Contracted w district for addtl svcs
0000-2230-534200	Svc. Agreem./Maint./Repairs		1,000	1,000	1,000	_	%00.0	
9 0000-2230-565000	Software	595	009	009	009	_	%00.0	
0000-2230-565001	AOS Software/Site Licenses	246	800	800	800	,	%00.0	Site Licenses
0000-2230-573400	Equipment - Tech. Related	2,242	800	800	800	_	%00.0	Laptop Lease
1200-1000-556130	Equip Second Laptops	-	ı	1	1	ı	%00.0	Not Charging anymore
0000-2230-5810000	Dues/Fees	30	1	-	-	_	%00.0	
	Total Technology	8,161	9,700	9,700	9,700	1	,	
	Article 18E	Student &			\$24,838			
System Administration								
	Office of Superintendent							Estimate
0000-2320-534100	Assessment: Administration	8,862	10,015	10,015	10,416	401	4.00%	Cranb's Share of AOS $#91 = 1.92\%$
	Total Office of Supt.	8,862	10,015	10,015	10,416	401	4.00%	Decr. of .05% from 1.97% in 16-17
Gretom Administration								
	School Committee							
0000-2310-515000	Stinends: School Committee	006	006	006	1.500	009	%29 99	Superintendent Recommendation
0000 2210 23000	Donofter Cohool Committee	202	09	09	115	77	7029 99	
0000-2310-320000	Prof Sycs : Legal & Andit	6 170	4 000	4 000	4 000	40	0.07.70	
0000 2310 554000	Advoctions	0,17.0	4,000	4,000	4,000		0.00.0	
0000-2310-334000	- I^	270	000	350	000	_	0.00%	
0000-2310-381000	Dues / Fees / Conferences	212	200	250	500	- (40	0.00%	
	Total School Committee	7,57	6,009	9,919	6,/15	040	10.64%	
	Article 18F	System Ad-			\$17,131			
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		15-16	16-17	16-17	17-18			
		Actual	Current	Anticipated	Proposed	<u>&amp;</u>	%	
School Administration		Expend.	Budget	Expend.	Budget	Difference	Difference	Explanation

	Office of Principal							
0000-2410-510400	Principal's Salary	22,723	23,323	23,323	23,941	618	2.65%	60 Day Contract
0000-2410-520400	Benefits - Principal	1,093	1,122	1,122	1,152	30	2.67%	Incl. 3.36% Retirement cost
0000-2410-521400	BC/BS: Principal	5,211	6,376	009	6,397	21	0.33%	
0000-2410-525100	Tuition Reimb.	-	1,500	-	200	(1,000)	%/9.99-	1 - 3 credit course (Pro-rated)
0000-2410-543000	Svc. Agreem - Copier	-	250	200	250	-	%00'0	
0000-2410-544450	Rental - Copier Lease	244	187	187	187	-	%00:0	Payment 2 of 5
0000-2410-558000	Staff Travel	359	275	350	350	75	27.27%	Travel
0000-2410-560000	Office Supplies / Postage	118	350	250	250	(100)	-28.57%	
0000-2410-581000	Dues / Fees / Conferences	162	250	250	250	ı	%00'0	
0000-2410-589000	Miscellaneous	765	750	700	750	-	%00'0	
	Total Office of Principal	30,675	34,383	26,982	34,027	(356)	-1.04%	
	Article 18G	School Ad-			\$34,027			
Transportation and								
Buses	Student Transportation							
0000-2700-543005	Repairs & Maint - Schl Car	1,098	800	500	800	ı	%00.0	
0000-2700-551300	Room & Board - Secondary	8,250	21,600	13,500	27,000	5,400	25.00%	\$150/Week
0000-2700-551400	Student Transp Purch - Elem.	14,672	19,000	14,000	18,000	(1,000)	-5.26%	Transp fr ABS to GCI
0000-2700-551400	Student Transp Purch - Sec.	1,131	00009	4,000	00009	1	%00'0	
0000-2700-562600	Fuel	51	200	100	200	1	%00'0	
	Total Transportation	25,201	47,600	32,100	52,000	4,400	9.24%	
	Article 18H	Transporta-			\$52,000			
Facilities Maintenance								
	Operation & Maint. Of Plant							
0000-2600-511800	Salaries: Custodians	5,015	8,164	8,266	8,494	330	4.04%	9 hrs./wk x 45 weeks
0000-2600-520800	Benefits - Custodians	552	625	633	650	25	4.00%	
0000-2600-534000	Purchased Prof. Svcs.(Caretaker)	2,200	2,400	2,400	2,400	-	%00.0	
0000-2600-552000	Insurance: Building/Equip.	1,981	2,500	1,967	2,500	-	%00.0	
0000-2600-553200	Telephone	1,869	1,600	2,000	2,000	400	25.00%	
0000-2600-560000	Supplies	1,199	200	800	800	300	%00.09	
0000-2600-562200	Electricity	1,242	2,500	2,500	2,500	ı	%00.0	
0000-2600-562400	Heating Oil/ Propane	2,727	10,000	8,000	10,000	-	%00.0	
0000-2600-573000	Equipment	608	200	500	200	_	%00:0	
0000-2600-581000	Dues / Fees / Conferences	1	130	100	130	-	%00.0	
0000-2600-589000	Miscellaneous	3,959	2,000	2,000	2,000	-	%00:0	
0000-2620-543000	Repairs & Maint - Bldgs.	12,259	6,000	10,000	000'9	-	%00:0	
0000-2630-543000	Repairs & Maint - Grounds	4,060	5,000	8,000	2,000	1	%00'0	
	Total Oper. & Maint.	37,871	41,919	47,166	42,974	1,055	2.52%	
Facilities Maintenance								
	Capital Outlay							
0000-2690-545002	Land & Improvements	1	-	-	1	-	%00'0	
0000-2690-545001	Building - Longfellow	45,000	-	-	1	1	%00'0	
0000-2690-545003	Equipment - Longfellow	-	10,000	10,000	1	(10,000)		
	Total Capital Outlay	45,000	10,000	10,000	1	(10,000)		
	Article 18I	Facilities			\$42,974			
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Debt Service								

	Debt Service							
0000-5100-583200	Interest	16,925	15,475	15,475	15,475	ı	%00'0	Payment Year 4 of 10
0000-5100-583200	Principal	54,402	55,556	55,556	55,556	1	%00'0	
	Total Debt Service	71,326	71,031	71,031	71,031	1	%00'0	
	Article 18J	Debt Service			\$71,031			
	Article 18K	All Other			<del>-</del> \$			
	Grand Totals:	566,036	583,146	537,021	638,619	55,473	9.51%	
	Article 18O	Total Expen-			\$638,619			
Addt'l. Items:								
	Pre-School Program (Step 10B -				<del>-</del> \$-	<del>-</del> \$		Supt. Rec. using existing staff
	Land Survey - ABS				\$2,000	\$2,000		
	Generator - Longfellow				000'9\$	\$6,000		
	Additional Propane Tank &				\$3,300	\$3,300		
	Total Addtl Items:				\$11,300	\$11,300	1.94%	
							Addtl Amt.	
	Total Budget Incr w Addtl Items				\$649,919	\$66,773	11.45%	
	Total Town Appropr. W Addtl				\$539,975	\$31,987	6.30%	

### **CRANBERRY ISLES SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT**

### **Enrollment**

The Cranberry Isles School has 11 students enrolled in grades K-8

Kindergarten: 0	3rd Grade: 2	6th Grade: 1
1st Grade: 1	4th Grade: 1	7th Grade: 2
2nd Grade: 0	5th Grade: 2	8th Grade: 2

There are three Cranberry Isles students enrolled at Mount Desert Island High School: two Sophomores and one Junior.

### **Faculty and Staff**

The Cranberry Isles School is lucky to have a team of talented and dedicated teachers and staff working for our students. Audrey Noether and Lauren Simmons returned for their fourth year teaching for the Cranberry Isles. Audrey teaches all students math and social studies while Lauren teaches all students writing and science. Both Audrey and Lauren share the teaching of reading and spelling. Gail Grandgent serves as the boat monitor for our commuting students and as the educational technician during the school day on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Serena Spurling is the boat monitor and educational technician on Wednesdays.

In addition to our regular education program, our students receive instruction in music, art, French, physical education, and guidance. We are so lucky to have a team of excellent professionals teaching our special classes. Our specials teachers are:

Beau Lisy--music
Mary Lyman--art
Katrina Linscott--French
Alex Johnson--physical education
Ursula Hanson--guidance

Our special education services are provided by Mariah Baker and speech language services are provided by Susan Bishop.

We are all greatly appreciative of Ingrid and Ric Gaither for keeping the school clean and maintained.

### **Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment**

The Cranberry Isles School is part of the Mount Desert Island Regional School System, and our curriculum is adapted from the MDIRSS curriculum. Our teachers use the MDIRSS standards to guide their instruction and to measure their students' growth. Our teachers participate in

district-wide professional development to improve their instruction, and work with teachers from Frenchboro and Swans Island to figure out how to best adapt instructional programs and materials to work in the multi-age classroom.

We also participate in the annual assessments administered by the district. These assessments include the NWEA, a computer-based program that provides feedback about students' progress in math and reading, a district writing prompt, which gives information about how students' writing skills have developed, and the MEA, a state test measuring students' math, reading, and writing. The MEA and NWEA are administered to students in grades 3-8 and the writing prompt is given to all students, K-8. Teachers use the information gained from the assessments to help them make instructional decisions. Results from the NWEA, MEA and district writing prompt show that our students are performing very well as compared to their MDI and statewide peers. The 2015-2016 data from these assessments show that the vast majority of our students met or exceeded their growth targets in reading, writing and math last year.

We continue to participate in the Island Institute's Teaching and Learning Collaborative. This is a collective of six unbridged island schools that work together through technology on a weekly basis and meet several times during the year for field trips and special events. This fall, the TLC started the year with the annual Inter-Island Event on Frenchboro. Students, teachers and family members met on Frenchboro for three days of friends, food and learning. Inter-Island Event is a decades-long tradition, and we were happy to continue the fun! Highlights included a drumming workshop with Beau Lisy and scientific drawing with Karen Talbot in collaboration with Island Readers and Writers. In October, the TLC went on a three day field trip to the Outward Bound Center in Newry, Maine. The TLC is planning a spring field trip, too. Throughout the year students meet with their island peers online for books groups, science and social studies activities and social events, such as parties and student council. TLC teachers meet regularly in-person and online to plan curriculum and field trips and to provide professional support to each other.

### **Extra-Curricular Activities and Special Programming**

Ingrid and Ric Gaither and Cliff Smith coached the Cranberry Isles cross country team during the fall. Four students participated on the team. The team met after school three days a week and raced in meets hosted around the region once a week. All four athletes worked hard during the season.

This season, as in recent years, the Cranberry Isles students and the home school students from Islesford competed with the Mount Desert Elementary School (MDES) team on race days. In the future, in accordance with league rules, the Cranberry athletes will continue to ride the bus to and from meets and enjoy the camaraderie and spirit of the MDES team on meet days, but will race for the Cranberry Isles School instead of MDES. Thank you to MDES, Gary Allen and Bunky Dow for your support of our cross country team.

Our partnership with the MDES chorus program continued during the fall. Students in grades 5-8 went to MDES every Tuesday during the fall to participate in the chorus program. They learned several pieces of choral music and performed in the MDES Winter Concert on December 20. This opportunity enhances the general music program offered by the Cranberry Isles School by giving the students an avenue to experience creating music and performing with a large ensemble and by providing an opportunity to learn and apply musical notation. Additionally, this special program provides our middle schoolers with an opportunity to meet other middle schoolers on MDI and to develop relationships that will help them with their transition to high school. We are greatly appreciative to Heather Graves, the MDES music teacher, for allowing our students to join the MDES chorus!

### **Physical Plants**

The Longfellow School on Great Cranberry Island welcomed students for the first time in 17 years this fall! The building is beautiful. There are many spaces that offer lots of options for different kinds of learning. There are two large classrooms, a conference room and a small office space. A special thank you to Ingrid and Ric Gaither and Ed Gray for all of your help setting up the space and helping us troubleshoot as we ran into glitches! Students will attend school at the Longfellow School for the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years.

While school is in session at the Longfellow School, the Ashley Bryan School will be used for "wind days" when it is unsafe for Islesford students to commute to Great Cranberry for school. It is also available for use for educational purposes. A weekly yoga class is being held there on Monday nights. It is free and open to the public. Thank you to Jim and Melissa Amuso for maintaining and cleaning the Ashley Bryan School.

### Closing

Thank you to Kelly Sanborn, Cari Alley and Amy Palmer for serving on the Cranberry Isles School Committee. Your thoughtful participation and dedication to the Cranberry Isles School is greatly appreciated and does not go unnoticed!

As always, thank you to the Town of Cranberry Isles for your continued support of our school. Our students are lucky to attend school is such a unique setting and equally lucky to have the support and care of the larger community.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Eysnogle, Principal







Cross Country Team

### <u>CRANBERRY ISLES EDUCATION FUND (CIEF) REPORT</u>

The Cranberry Isles Education Fund supports the educational efforts of full time residents of the Cranberry Isles. The CIEF is a fund of the Maine Community Foundation (MCF), a 501c3 charitable organization, with offices locally in Ellsworth, Maine. A volunteer board of Cranberry Isles residents handles the day to day operations including grant award decisions, fundraising and other local initiatives, whereas the funds, accounting, and reporting are handled by the MCF.

The mission statement of the CIEF is as follows:

The mission of the Cranberry Isles Education Fund is to support the personal or vocational educational goals of the residents of the Cranberry Isles.

The CIEF recognizes that the need for funds for educational opportunities occurs throughout the lives of every resident. The CIEF welcomes applications from, or on behalf of, any resident regardless of age, and for a wide variety of educational programs including courses, seminars, secondary schools, college, post-graduate studies, summer school classes, technical or job related training. The board strongly encourages any and all applications which are felt to meet the criteria above. Applications may be requested by mail at: CIEF, PO Box 15, Islesford, Maine 04646, they also available at the GCI Public Library and the Islesford INHA Library. Please feel free to contact any of the board members listed below with whatever questions you may have.

Funds awarded will be made directly to the providing institution, school, or other entity that provides the opportunity funded.

The CIEF board unanimously established the following eligibility criteria: (Applicants must meet two of the three given)

- 1. Registered voter in the Town of Cranberry Isles (for a minor this requirement would be met by having at least one parent registered as a voter in the town of Cranberry Isles)
  - 1. To have graduated from an elementary school located within the Town of Cranberry Isles within the last twelve years.
  - 2. To physically reside within the Town of Cranberry Isles for at least two months of the current year (or most recent year) when not in school.

The board would like to present a summary of awards given over the past three years.

 2014 .....
 2 awards each being \$400 total 800

 2015 .....
 4 awards of \$1000 total 4000

 2016 .....
 1 award 0f \$1000 total 1000

We thank you for your ongoing support. Donations continue to be most welcome and should be sent to

Maine Community Foundation ATTN: CIEF

245 Main Street

Ellsworth, ME. 04605

(Please write "CIEF" in the memo line) Your gift will be tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Rowan, Amy Palmer, Nan Hadlock, Ingrid Gaither, Dan Field

### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL COMMITTEE**

The Request for Proposal Committee is currently comprised of four people, with a fifth empty position. Following the special town meeting we met several times and made slow progress. In September, a three-year commitment was given for the commuter service and the group decided to take time off and reconvene later. In 2017 the group will meet again to write an RFP that will explain to prospective operators of our transportation system the needs of The Cranberry Isles. With information already gathered through surveys and a comprehensive study of our system we will accomplish this goal.

As of this date our ferry system is running well. The important thing is for there to be a dialogue between the private ferry operators and the town. This will help to ensure that the needs of the islanders will be met.

Respectfully submitted, Cory Duggan



Cranberry Cove Ferry at Manset Dock

# ASSOCIATION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF SUTTON ISLAND (APSI) REPORT

The Association for the Preservation of Sutton Island ("APSI") is a not-for-profit entity established in the 1970s. APSI's stated purpose is:

To preserve and protect the scenic beauty and tranquility of Sutton Island for the benefit of (current and) future property owners on the Island and the public good.

APSI works closely with the Town of Cranberry Isles and, in recent years, has focused on the provision of administrative information, and facilitating infrastructure maintenance and improvements, emergency and fire response, and waste-management services for Island residents. Unfortunately, partly because Sutton Islanders are not full-time residents and cannot attend most meetings, our concerns are not always effectively represented, despite our contributions to the Town's tax base

This year, break-ins and vandalism has again been a significant problem, despite the sign posted at the Town Dock and the prosecution of several individuals from Ellsworth. Several initiatives are underway to address this issue, including closer coordination with local and state authorities and potentially registering legitimate hunters. Indiscriminate hunting remains an issue, particularly as Sutton residents extend their stays to include May, October and other periods of time.

In addition, regular, reliable and reasonably-priced ferry service continues to be a big issue for Sutton and the other Cranberry Isles as many island residents rely almost exclusively on Mail Boat service. APSI has been kept in the dark as to where these matters stand.

In this vein, last year's updated tax assessment was a source of further concern, including because there are very few comparative sales, and those that do exist for Sutton alone, did not seem to be properly taken into account. The result: several specific challenges as well as significant tax increases on often remote properties with limited resale potential. Nonetheless, I think I speak for all Island residents in acknowledging our good fortune and expressing how much we cherish our association with Sutton Island and all of the Cranberry Isles.

APSI Committees are engaged in various activities, including wildlife preservation and documentation, managing the deer population, coordinating with the Town over the maintenance of the Sutton Town Dock and certain walkways, etc. and in tracking and documenting the history of the Island and its historic inhabitants. Suffice to say that APSI and its members are committed to maintaining the beauty and wild nature of the Island eco-system, to maintaining harmony between and among Island residents and to preserving the unique appeal of the Island experience, which includes the right to a certain solitude.

APSI meets annually. Our 2017 meeting will (reverting to normal) be at 4:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of August (the 3<sup>rd</sup>) at a place on the Island to be determined. In the meantime, I can be reached at: (212) 278-1508 or by e-mail: <a href="mailto:jnevius@andersonkill.com">jnevius@andersonkill.com</a>.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or Island business you would like to discuss or add to the Annual Meeting agenda.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Nevius

# **CRANBERRY ISLES LADIES AID SOCIETY REPORT**

Jam was made in the kitchen, boxes were packed for Operation Christmas Child in the dining room, turkeys were roasted in the oven, quilts were sewn in the barn, community members gathered to enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving meal, teenagers played soccer on the ball field, a large family rented the facilities for a barbeque, church members enjoyed cozy winter services in the kitchen, GCI marathon runners and their families tented overnight on the ball field, Santa brought presents to excited children – just a small sampling of the many events that took place on Ladies Aid properties during the past year.

Officers and members of the Ladies Aid Society are committed to maintaining our facilities and providing them as sites where island residents and guests alike can gather for a variety of events and activities. One of this year's projects will be addressing a mold issue in our dining room; we are also discussing storage plans for our large tent. A new freezer will soon be purchased to replace the one that recently succumbed to old age.

Our charitable contributions over the past year included donations to the Michael J. Fox Foundation, the Wounded Warrior Project and Operation Christmas Child. Boat tickets were purchased and given to Cranberry Isles residents for mainland medical appointments. Soon we will discuss and identify our 2017 donations.

Please consider joining us – our members range in age from 9 to 87 and everyone is welcome! We work hard while enjoying each other's company and sharing many laughs; we are always up for new ideas.

Much appreciation goes to all who support us in so many ways. Each pie baked, raffle ticket purchased, box carried from building to building, floor swept, potholder sewed, and so many more contributions of labor and products, along with the generous financial donations made by individuals and the Town of Cranberry Isles, combine to make each year another success for the Ladies Aid Society. Thank you one and all!!

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary A. Wallace, Ladies Aid Society Secretary

# **ISLESFORD NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE ASSOCIATION (INHA)**

2016 was a topsy-turvy year in many regards, but it was exciting to see the completion of the insulation of the Great Hall, and the entire Neighborhood House being utilized so frequently. Once again, we hosted the annual Fourth of July picnic in the town field, the Islesford Fair, Literary Evening, Wits and Nitwits and the Harvest Supper.

Another fun event was the cocktail party with live and silent auctions, held at the end of July. The hall was full and everyone had a great time visiting and bidding. Gary Allen was our auctioneer who gave a very personal, island flair to the bidding process. Our thanks go to Hugh and Karen Smallwood and all those who had a part in making this event happen. We also want to thank all those who contributed items to the auctions. Your generosity and willingness to help made this our best fundraiser (over \$7000)!

In addition, the last weekend in July the INH hosted some special workshops. Sue Trotter and Kate Fernald led a rug-hooking workshop and Katrina Van Dusen led a block-printing workshop. Both were very successful. A couple of weeks later, Mark Howard taught a watercolor workshop and that too was fun for all who attended.

We are also grateful that Jack Miller and Skip Stevens hosted the "Upstairs-Downstairs" Monday night movies again this summer. The movies were well attended and enjoyed. Then there is the library – the hub of activity thanks to Cindy Thomas' welcoming spirit and her dedication to making the Islesford Library viable for the whole community. For those plagued by internet problems this past year, it was great to have the INH available for internet backup!

Our Board is very excited that the Great Hall was utilized so much, particularly this past summer. Kids especially enjoyed spending time in the hall playing various games. Even though the Ashley Bryan School is not being utilized this school year, the home school kids are using the building on Fridays for physical education. We express our thanks to Hugh Smallwood, Peyton Eggleston and Paul Fernald who used their woodworking skills to finish off the area around the stage. The whole room is warm and inviting.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who continues to support the Islesford Neighborhood House financially. Keeping a big building like the INH functioning is no easy task, but the board is grateful that we can count on our island community, both year-round and seasonal.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellie Miller, President; Peyton Eggleston, Vice-President; Eleanor Bright, Treasurer; Skip Stevens, Secretary; Alden Hathaway, Sally McLendon and Cheryl Sholl (The INHA Board of Trustees)

# ISLESFORD NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE LIBRARY REPORT

Our biggest change this year is the closing of the Ashley Bryan School, so we have had fewer children using the library this year. The school plans to open again in a year and a half. I will be glad to see everyone return once again to the library. We do have a preschool group coming for story time and crafts Thursday mornings. We also have the home school children come Thursday afternoons. We have been reading the Swiss Family Robinson.

We have had a total of 1533 books and things checked out so far this year. We have had 2345 visits from patrons and 906 people using the internet and computers. 286 hours have been completed by volunteers. Year to date we have purchased 98 new books for our patrons.

January will bring the return of Tuesday morning coffee hour. Winter hours are Tuesday and Thursday 9 am to 2 pm. Summer hours are Monday through Friday 9 am to 2 pm, and Saturday 10 am to 2 pm. We also have movie night in the summer for children and adults. We plan to have two movies during Christmas vacation for the children.

You can come to the library and research your family history with Ancestry.com. You can check to see if we have the book you want to read on our online catalog, www.librarything.com/catalog/islesfordlibrary

We serve as the waiting room for the tele-e-med, dentist, flu shots and the hearing clinic during the health fair. We are also used for meeting by various groups. We always try to make the library available to all those who wish to use the space.

Thank you to all of those who volunteer and donate in many ways. Thank you to the Town of Cranberry Isles, community and patrons. This library would not be the library it is without your support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia A Thomas, Islesford Library Director

Islesford Neighborhood House Improvements





Elliott Hadlock, Bode Duggan & Luciana Pickering at the Islesford Library

# **GREAT CRANBERRY ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY (GCIHS)**

2016 was another fun and productive year at the Great Cranberry Island Historical Society (GCIHS) thanks to the Town of Cranberry Isles for their annual support and our wonderful volunteers. In 2016 GCIHS welcomed roughly 3,500 visitors to our historical museum. Visitors enjoyed new exhibits in the Longfellow School, a poster about our conservation efforts for our 19<sup>th</sup> century nautical charts, and hearing about the Spurling Revolutionary War Cemetery project. A team of volunteers continued to run the Cranberry Explorer shuttle, carrying nearly 5,300 passengers--including both visitors and year-round residents-- making 2016 the shuttle's biggest year yet! Chef Cezar Ferreira brought his talent and charm to another popular and successful season at Hitty's Café.

Cranberry House, home of GCIHS, hosted 578 events this year. During the colder and winter seasons the upstairs arts center hosted movies, yoga, aerobics, and music classes as well as meetings for both non-profit and municipal groups. During the summer volunteers organized art exhibits, poetry workshops, kids' art classes, historical and cultural lectures, nature trail walks, a Farm Day Fair, "Meet the Artist" events hosted by the Heliker-LaHotan Foundation, karaoke and bingo nights, and much more. This year GCIHS was proud to honor one of the island's oldest and most beloved residents Polly Bunker through a special Polly Bunker Day event, which included a light lunch, slideshow, and fashion show.

GCIHS welcomed four new members to the Board of Trustees: Darlene Sumner, Ingrid Gaither, Rosalie Kell, and Jim Gertmenian. Island Institute Fellow Jessi Duma wrapped up her fellowship term in August, producing a documentary film on current and historical agricultural practices on Great Cranberry Island which will premiere in summer 2017. In September Jessi transitioned into her new role as GCIHS's first General Manager.

2016 was another busy year for archival and historical preservation work. Read the separate article about the Spurling Revolutionary War Cemetery preservation project and visit stanleycemetery.com. Judi and Chong Lim donated a beautiful turn-of-the-20<sup>th</sup> century Davis buckboard made in Bar Harbor that had been kept in their barn for many years. One of the ten astounding 1855-1877 nautical charts donated by Jeannie Schmidt and Kathe McDonald last year was conserved, digitized, printed and mounted by the Northeast Document Conservation Center in Andover, MA. It will be the centerpiece of next summer's exhibition of our remarkable maritime history.

The inheritance of Bruce Komusin's two cabins and workshop at 300 Cranberry Road along with the two-acre woodlot located in front of the Preble Cove Cemetery was finalized this year. Per Bruce's wishes, GCIHS has made an effort to rent these buildings to individuals who work closely with GCIHS. The workshop has been rented to Jesse Jameson for his carpenter contracting business, and the cabins have been rented to year-round tenants Willoughby and Josh Hastings, and Cezar Ferreira. Many thanks to those who made 2016 a great year at GCIHS!

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessi Duma, GCIHS General Manager

# **CRANBERRY ISLES REALTY TRUST REPORT**

2016 was a steady and productive year for the Cranberry Isles Realty Trust (CIRT). All five of the CIRT rental houses were occupied year-round. The residents of these homes have served this town in a variety of roles such as CNAs, carpenters, librarians, house cleaners, and dedicated volunteers, and we are so grateful for their presence in our community! Minor repairs were completed on all the properties throughout the year to keep the houses in comfortable condition. Two major projects were undertaken on the Rice House—replacing the septic tank and replacing an area of rotten wood on the southeast side of the house. Thanks to Blair Colby and Jesse Jameson and his team for their professional and efficient completion of these projects.

JC Camelio of Islesford and Bar Harbor joined our Board of Directors this year. Ric Gaither continued to serve as Property Manager, and Melissa Amuso continued her duties as Bookkeeper. Jessi Duma took on the role of General Manager in September.

The inheritance of the Preble Cove property from Bruce Komusin was finalized this past spring. This inheritance includes fourteen acres of woodland along with a house and garage. CIRT worked with the Genesis Community Loan Fund of Brunswick, Maine, and Maine Coast Heritage Trust to learn more about our options for proceeding with this property. CIRT is continuing to research alternatives for uses of this property to meet our mission and serve the needs of our town and community.

This year CIRT was glad to assist the Islesford Congregational Church in renovations to their parsonage. CIRT supports the Islesford Congregational Church's effort to provide an option for affordable, year-round housing on Islesford.

Thank you to the many Cranberry Isles community members who supported CIRT in 2016!

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessi Duma, CIRT General Manager



Jessi Duma

# **SPURLING REVOLUTIONARY WAR CEMETERY**

Thanks to the generous support of Cranberry Isles residents and the skill of Fred Wieninger, the Great Cranberry Island Historical Society undertook major preservation work on the Spurling Revolutionary War cemetery on the bluff overlooking the Town dock in July 2016. There are 27 known burials in this cemetery dating from 1785-1848, but only 11 headstones are visible today. Two Revolutionary War veterans rest alongside a Loyalist on this hillside. A ground penetrating radar survey by Northeast Geophysical Services of Bangor helped us locate Robert Spurling's broken 1844 marble headstone 8" below ground; the buried, broken remains of another headstone; and a buried quizzical brick feature. An important burial marker for Andrew Herrick (d. 1812) remains missing. A mother and her young son's fragile, red slate headstones that had lain partially buried, face down for years were raised.

In the 2014 Stanley cemetery preservation project, headstones fell over or sank where they stood. In 2016, the Spurling cemetery stones suggest a different story. None of the headstones are located where Leslie Victor Stanley's 1972 research indicates they should be. Legend has it they may have been intentionally laid flat, broken, or moved around on the hillside decades ago. Researchers and concerned descendants tell us that by 1971 only Joseph L'Grow's 1833 headstone was standing, and the Benjamin Spurling, Sr. 1836 headstone was flat on the ground. By 1991, the cemetery was reported to be in shambles. By 2003, the L'Grow stone was standing and the few visible prostrate stones were overgrown with matted grass and weeds. We propose to honor these 27 forebears whose names and stories we know but whose tombstones have disappeared with a memorial headstone listing their names in 1¼" letters on a granite headstone 30" wide X 6" thick X 48" tall on 10" thick base. Cost: \$5,850. View our slideshow at http://www.stanleycemetery.com/spurling-cemetery-photos1/ to get a real appreciation of this historic cemetery.

Respectfully submitted, Anne Grulich, GCIHS Archivist

# **SPURLING WAR REVOLUTIONARY WAR CEMETARY**

# **BEFORE & AFTER PHOTOS**



# SUSAN M. COLLINS

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## 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 6,236<sup>th</sup> 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 Hancock County and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Bangor state office at (207) 945-0417 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2017 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Collins

**United States Senator** 

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# United States Senate

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ARMED SERVICES
BUDGET
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INTELLIGENCE
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Dear Friends of Cranberry Isles,

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 cofounded 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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Senate-passed bill that addresses mothers struggling with addiction and the alarming effect it has on newborns; cosponsoring the TREAT Act, which expands the ability of medical specialists to provide life-saving medication-assisted therapies for patients battling heroin and prescription drug addiction; and calling on the Commander of U.S. Southern Command to increase efforts to stop the flow of heroin at our southern border.

I like to think of Maine as a big small town – and in a small town, the leaders are accessible and eager to listen. In that spirit, I've made it a priority to stay connected with people from all over Maine who e-mail, write, and call with suggestions or questions. If I can ever assist in your interaction with a federal agency, or you have thoughts, concerns, or personal input on a matter that is currently before Congress I hope you will contact me, let me know where you stand, and engage in this critical part of democracy. Please call my toll-free line at **1-800-432-1599** or one of my offices: Augusta (207) 622-8292, 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 <a href="https://www.king.senate.gov/contact">www.king.senate.gov/contact</a>.

As always, I am honored to represent the people of Maine and look forward to working with you for the betterment of our great state.

Sincerely,

Angus S. King, Jr. United States Senator

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# **Annual Report to the Town of Cranberry Isle**

A Message from Senator Brian D. Langley

# 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. Please let me provide you with a recap of the 127th Legislature, as well as my hopes for the upcoming 128th Legislature.

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 begin addressing the drug crisis affecting our state. We approved putting 10 new drug enforcement agents on the street, as well as provided funding for treatment programs and drug use prevention efforts. I believe such a comprehensive approach is essential to tackle this awful epidemic.

In the upcoming session, it is clear that we must continue to do all we can to attract more jobs to our state to 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 <a href="mailto:senatorbrianlangley@gmail.com">senatorbrianlangley@gmail.com</a> if you have comments, questions, or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

Senator Brian D. Langley, District 7

BRUCE POLIQUIN
2ND DISTRICT, MAINE

# Congress of the United States

# House of Representatives Washington, **BC** 20515—1902

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Dear Friends,

One of the greatest honors of my life is serving as your representative in Congress. This past year, we won some major victories for Maine families, communities, Veterans and local job creators, but there is still more work to be done. Since day one in Congress, I've worked with everyone regardless of party—Republicans, Democrats and Independents—to get the job done for Maine.

My number one priority is creating and protecting jobs. One of my main focuses this last Congress has been on helping secure 900 shoe manufacturing jobs in Maine at New Balance. For years, Maine politicians have worked unsuccessfully to get legislation through in Congress to require the Department of Defense (DOD) to adhere to the Berry Amendment, a provision which requires the DOD to use American-made products for new recruits whenever possible. New Balance is one of the few companies that continues to hire American workers and produce footwear here in the U.S.

I am absolutely thrilled that, after a months-long and hard fought effort, we finally had this monumental language officially signed into law this past year. This is a huge accomplishment, and I'm not going to let up an inch until it is fully implemented to secure the 900 Maine jobs at Skowhegan, Norway and Norridgewock.

In Congress, I have also been a steadfast opponent of bad and unfair trade deals, namely the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), which have the potential to hurt jobs and local businesses in Maine. That's why I voted, twice, against "fast track" trade authority, or trade promotion authority, despite pressure from powerful Washington special interest groups and leaders of my own party. I don't work for any one party—I work for you, the people of Maine.

I am also extremely proud of the services that our Congressional office has been able to provide to help hundreds of Mainers in the past two years. Whether it is a Veteran experiencing issues at the VA or a citizen needing assistance with a case at the IRS, my staff is available to help. I encourage anyone who is experiencing problems with a government agency, including our Veterans when dealing with the VA, to contact one of my Congressional offices in Maine—Bangor (942-0583), Lewiston (784-0768), Presque Isle (764-1968)—or visit my website at Poliquin.House.Gov.

There is much more work to be done. Our Great State of Maine and our Nation face many critical challenges. Please know that I am working hard, every day, to serve you and that I will continue to work here at home and in Washington for our families, local businesses and communities. It is an honor to represent you and our fellow Mainers in Congress.

Best wishes,

**Bruce Poliquin** 

Member of Congress

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Dear Cranberry Isles Residents,

It is an honor to serve once again as your State Representative. I hope to retain your trust and build upon the work I've done representing island communities over the past six years.

This year the Legislature will be taking up roughly 2000 bills, but our chief focus will be on passing a balanced budget for the next two fiscal years, addressing rising property taxes, fighting the heroin crisis and implementing the four citizen initiatives passed by voters in November of 2016.

This year I will once again co-chair the Legislature's Marine Resources Committee. As someone who represents many of Maine's island communities, I want to make sure Maine manages its resources in a way that balances harvesting and sustainability and also puts more emphasis on maximizing the economic impact for coastal communities. Many people depend on marine life to make a living, and it's important not to let them down. The committee clerk maintains a list of interested parties that get email notification of the committee schedule. Please let me know if you would like to be added to that list.

I will also continue fighting to make sure island communities have affordable access to ferry transportation and the same basic services as their neighbors on the mainland. Having been assigned a seat on the Transportation Committee puts me in a good position to advocate for those services.

Whether we are dealing with the above issues or any other topic, I will continue to work with all of my colleagues, regardless of party affiliation, to make sure we're doing the best work we can for the people of our district and all the people of Maine.

Please contact me if I can be of any help or if you want to discuss or testify on any legislation. My email is <a href="wkumiega36@gmail.com">wkumiega36@gmail.com</a>. My cellphone is <a href="wkumiega36@gmail.com">207-479-5459</a> for voice or text message. I also send out enewsletters from time to time. Let me know if you would like to receive them.

Respectfully,

Walter Kumiega

State Representative

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PAUL R. LEPAGE

Dear Citizens of Cranberry Isles:

Maine has a long tradition of civil participation in both state and local government, and I thank you for being informed and involved citizens.

My vision for Maine is prosperity, not poverty. For this reason, one of my top priorities continues to be the reduction and eventual elimination of the income tax. Raising the minimum wage is not the path out of poverty; I want Mainers to earn a career wage. Reducing the income tax is the biggest and most immediate pay raise for all hard-working Mainers.

Not only does an income tax cut put more money back in your pockets, but it will also attract businesses that can offer good-paying careers to keep our young people here. It shows the nation that we are serious about wanting people and businesses to come—and stay—in Maine.

Unfortunately, voters approved a referendum question to raise the income tax to 10.15% on successful Maine households and small businesses. Enacting the second highest income tax rate in the country shows the nation we are eager to punish people for being successful. It will drive them out of our state and make it even more difficult to attract much-needed doctors, dentists, scientists, engineers and other professionals to Maine. They can live in neighboring New Hampshire, which takes no income tax from their paychecks. Even worse, there is no guarantee the extra revenue from this tax will go to fund education, as proponents promised.

As successful people leave Maine, state and municipal government will lose the significant amount they pay in property, sales and incomes taxes. This will put even more upward pressure on local property taxes. Municipalities will have to get more creative to provide local services without increasing property taxes. Reforming the tree growth program, collecting property taxes on land in conservation or preservation programs, charging a payment in lieu of taxes on state land that is taken off the property tax rolls and having non-profit organizations pay a two-percent tax on their net revenues are all ways for municipalities to increase revenues.

Such bold measures would take strong leadership and commitment from local officials and residents. If ever I can be of assistance to you or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor.

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage Governor

# **Great Cranberry Post Office**



Christmas dinner at the Ladies Aid on Great Cranberry

# NOTES

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE

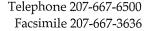
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES DECEMBER 31, 2016

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board of Selectmen Town of Cranberry Isles Cranberry Isles, Maine 04625

# Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine (the Town) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, including the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

# Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

# **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine as of December 31, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information and pension disclosure schedules on pages 3 through 6 and 21 through 23 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

# Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Cranberry Isles' financial statements as a whole. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and supplementary information are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements.

The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Respectfully Submitted,

James W. Wadman, C.P.A.

James W. Wadman, C.P.A. March 1, 2017

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

The management of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine (the Town) offers readers of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the year ended December 31, 2016. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the financial statements and accompanying notes that follow.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS - PRIMARY GOVERNMENT

# Government-wide Highlights:

Net Position – The assets of the Town exceeded its liabilities at the year ending December 31, 2016 by \$5,964,411 (presented as "net position"). Of this amount, \$892,246 was reported as "unrestricted net position". Unrestricted net position represents the amount available to be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Changes in Net Position – The Town's total net position increased by \$234,590 (a 4.1% increase) for the year ended December 31, 2016.

# Fund Highlights:

Governmental Funds – Fund Balances – As of the close of the year ended December 31, 2016; the Town's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$1,047,509, an increase of \$85,853 in comparison with the prior year. Of this total fund balance, \$84,888 represents general unassigned fund balance. This unassigned fund balance represents approximately 4.1% of the total general fund expenditures for the year.

## Long-term Debt:

The Town's total long-term debt obligations had a net decrease of \$10,696 (0.5%) during the current fiscal year. There was a new debt obligation issued during the year of \$247,333 for a new fire truck. Existing debt obligations were retired according to schedule.

# **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

# Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements present the financial picture of the Town from the economic resources measurement focus using the accrual basis of accounting and are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. They distinguish functions of the Town that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The statement of net position includes all assets of the Town (including infrastructure) as well as all liabilities (including long-term debt), with the difference between the two reported as net position. The statement of activities shows how the Town's net position changed during the year, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 7 - 8 of this report.

The government-wide financial statements include not only the Town itself (known as the primary government), but also a legally separate entity - The Cranberry Isles Volunteer Fire Club - for which the Town is financially accountable. Financial information for this component unit is reported separately from the financial information for the primary government itself.

# **Fund Financial Statements**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The fund financial statements include statements for one category of activity – governmental funds.

The governmental activities are prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting and are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the

government-wide financial statements. However, the governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance provide a reconciliation to explain the differences between the governmental funds and governmental activities. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 9 - 10 of this report.

# Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and the fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 11 - 20 of this report.

# Required Supplementary Information

This section includes pension disclosure schedules as well as a budgetary comparison schedule, which includes a reconciliation between the statutory fund balance for budgetary purposes and the fund balance for the general fund as presented in the governmental fund financial statements (if necessary). Required supplementary information can be found on pages 21 - 23 of this report.

# GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS Net Position

The largest portion of the Town's net position (80.2%) reflects its investment in capital assets such as land, buildings, equipment and infrastructure (roads, bridges and other immovable assets); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although, the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

	Governmental Activities	ess-like vities	Total 2016	Total 2015
Current Assets	\$ 1,241,510	\$ 0	\$ 1,241,510	\$ 1,152,508
Capital Assets	\$ 6,985,873	\$ 0	\$ 6,985,873	\$ 6,855,761
Deferred Outflows	\$ 5,977		\$ 5,977	\$ 2,324
Total Assets and	\$ 8,233,360	\$ 0	\$ 8,233,360	\$ 8,010,593
Deferred Outflows				
Current Liabilities	\$ 363,893	\$ 0	\$ 363,893	\$ 347,400
Other Liabilities	\$ 1,902,991	\$ 0	\$ 1,902,991	\$ 1,932,604
Deferred Inflows	\$ 2,065	\$ 0	\$ 2,065	\$ 767
Net Position;				
Invested in Capital				
Assets	\$ 4,781,369	\$ 0	\$ 4,781,369	\$ 4,640,561
Restricted	\$ 290,796	\$ 0	\$ 290,796	\$ 314,076
Unrestricted	\$ 892,246	\$ 0	\$ 892,246	\$ 775,185
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 8,233,360	\$ 0	\$ 8,233,360	\$ 8,010,593

An additional portion of the Town's net position (4.9%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on their use. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position (14.9%) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

# Changes in Net Position

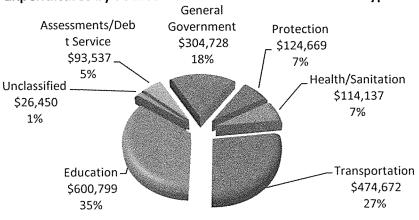
Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$234,590. This increase was primarily due to conservative budgeting and controlled costs.

	Governmental Activities	l .	ess-like vities	Total 2016	Total 2015
Revenues;					
Tax Revenues	\$ 1,718,966	\$	0	\$ 1,718,966	\$ 1,928,546
Program Revenues	\$ 219,723	\$	0	\$ 219,723	\$ 212,997
Interest	\$ 4,164	\$	0	\$ 4,164	\$ 9,407
Revenue Sharing	\$ 2,691	\$	0	\$ 2,691	\$ 2,551
Other	\$ 28,038	\$	0	\$ 28,038	\$ 26,639
Total Revenues	\$ 1,973,582	\$	0	\$ 1,973,582	\$ 2,180,140
Expenses;					
General	\$ 304,728	\$	0	\$ 304,728	\$ 347,102
Government					
Protection	\$ 124,669	\$	0	\$ 124,669	\$ 100,786
Health/Sanitation	\$ 114,137	\$	0	\$ 114,137	\$ 107,554
Transportation	\$ 474,672	\$	0	\$ 474,672	\$ 566,274
Unclassified	\$ 26,450	\$	0	\$ 26,450	\$ 23,928
Education	\$ 600,799	\$	0	\$ 600,799	\$ 508,099
Assessments and	\$ 93,537	\$	0	\$ 93,537	\$ 104,476
Debt Service					
Total Expenses	\$ 1,738,992	\$	0	\$ 1,738,992	\$ 1,758,219
Changes in Net					
Position	\$ 234,590	\$	0	\$ 234,590	\$ 421,921

# Revenues by Source - Governmental and Business-Type



# **Expenditures by Source - Governmental and Business-Type**



# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN'S INDIVIDUAL FUNDS

### Governmental Funds

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

At the end of the fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported ending fund balances of \$1,047,509, an increase of \$85,853 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 8.1 percent of this total amount constitutes unassigned fund balance. The remainder is reserved to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has been committed to liquidate contracts and commitments of the prior fiscal year or for a variety of other purposes.

# GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

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

- \$25,737 negative variance in real estate and personal property tax revenues. Actual collections were 92.1% of the levy as compared to 90.3% in the prior year. The unavailable property tax revenue adjustment plus discounts given for early payment are the primary reasons for the negative variance.
- \* \$5,502 positive variance in all other revenues. This is primarily due to conservative budgeting of revenues and most revenues coming in around or over budget.
- \* \$59,082 negative variance in education expenditures. This is primarily due to capital projects and operational costs being funded by prior year reserve funds.
- \$35,889 negative variance in protection expenditures. This is primarily due to improvements in Zone 1 that were funded by reserves.
- \$106,536 positive variance in transportation expenditures. This is primarily due to controlled costs and conservative budgeting as well as the planned increase in reserves for future projects.
- \$23,975 positive variance in general government expenditures. This is primarily due to controlled administration costs and conservative budgeting.
- \$70,524 positive variance in all other expenditures. This is mainly due to overlay.

# CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

### Capital Assets

The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities amounts to \$9,639,541; net of accumulated depreciation of \$2,653,668, leaving a net book value of \$6,985,873. There were current year net additions of \$8,778 of School Department building improvements, \$247,333 for a new fire truck, \$17,500 for a new float, \$16,252 of Fire Department building improvements and \$16,992 of a new Fire Department equipment. There were no current year retirements or impairments. Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 4 of the notes to the financial statements on page 16 of this report.

### Debt

The Town has total bonded debt outstanding of \$1,025,266 and \$1,179,238 total outstanding loans that is backed by the full faith and credit of the Town. The outstanding debt had a net decrease of \$10,696 during the current fiscal year. Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 of the notes to the financial statements on pages 16 - 17 of this report.

# REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors. This financial report seeks to demonstrate the Town's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to: Town of Cranberry Isles, P.O. Box 56, Islesford, ME 04646.

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2016

		Component Unit
	Governmental Activities	Cranberry Isles Fire Club
Assets & Deferred Outflows		
Assets Cook and Cook Foreignlants	0000 101	017.000
Cash and Cash Equivalents Accounts Receivable	\$928,101	\$15,208
Taxes Due	\$135,583 \$177,826	
Capital Assets	\$177,820	
Land	\$1,449,485	
Other Capital Assets, net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$5,536,388	\$55,104
Total Capital Assets	\$6,985,873	\$55,104
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<u>Total Assets</u>	\$8,227,383	\$70,311
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Related to Pensions	\$5,977	\$0
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$5,977	\$0
Total Assets & Deferred Outflows	\$8,233,360	\$70,311
<u>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows &amp; Net Position</u>		
<u>Liabilities</u>	062.200	
Accounts Payable	\$62,380	
<u>General Obligation Bonds Payable</u> Due within one year	e201 512	
Due in more than one year	\$301,513	
Due in more than one year	\$1,902,991	
<u>Total Liabilities</u>	\$2,266,884	\$0
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Prepaid Property Taxes	\$513	
Related to Pensions	\$1,552	
		**************************************
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$2,065	\$0
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$4,781,369	\$55,104
Restricted	\$290,796	,
Unrestricted	\$892,246	\$15,208
Total Net Position	\$5,964,411	\$70,311
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Net Position		
Total Elabatics, Deferred inflows and iver i Ostiton	\$8,233,360	\$70,311

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of this Statement.

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changed in Net Position

				Changed in N	let Position
		Program .	Revenues	Primary Government	Component Unit
Functions/Programs		Charges for	Operating	Governmental	Cranberry Isles
Primary Government	Expenses	Services	Grants	Activities	Fire Club
Governmental Activities					
General Government	\$304,728			(\$304,728)	
Public Safety	\$124,669			(\$124,669)	
Health & Sanitation	\$114,137			(\$114,137)	
Public Transportation	\$474,672	\$127,472	\$52,112	(\$295,088)	
Education	\$600,799		\$40,140	(\$560,659)	
Unclassified	\$26,450			(\$26,450)	
Assessments & Debt Service	\$93,537	***************************************		(\$93,537)	
Total Governmental Activities	\$1,738,992	\$127,472	\$92,252	(\$1,519,269)	\$0
Total Primary Government	\$1,738,992	\$127,472	\$92,252	(\$1,519,269)	\$0
Component Unit					
Operating Expenses	\$18,675				(\$18,675)
Administrative	\$1,170				(\$1,170)
Total Component Unit	\$19,846	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$19,846)
General Revenues;					
Tax Revenues				\$1,688,241	
Excise Taxes				\$30,724	
State Revenue Sharing				\$2,691	
Local Sources				\$28,038	\$5,679
Interest Earned				\$4,164	\$8
Donations					\$5,257
Fundraising				***************************************	\$2,361
Total Revenues				\$1,753,858	\$13,305
Changes in Net Position				\$234,590	(\$6,540)
Net Position - Beginning				\$5,729,821	\$76,852
Net Position - Ending				\$5,964,411	\$70,311

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of this Statement.

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2016

<u>DECEMBER 31, 2016</u>				
	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Permanent Funds	Totals Governmental Funds
<u>Assets</u>	0000.07	0.4.0.00	005.055	0000 101
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$900,857	\$1,269	\$25,975	\$928,101
Taxes Due - Current Year	\$111,824			\$111,824
Taxes Due - Prior Years	\$66,002			\$66,002
Accounts Receivable	\$135,583	<b>#27.027</b>		\$135,583
Due from Other Funds	\$4,270	\$37,037		\$41,307
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$1,218,536	\$38,306	\$25,975	\$1,282,817
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows & Fund Balances				
Liabilities: Accounts Payable	\$62,380			\$62,380
Due to Other Funds	\$37,037		\$4,270	\$41,307
Total Liabilities	\$99,417	\$0	\$4,270	\$103,687
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<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>				
Prepaid Property Taxes	\$513			\$513
Unavailable Property Tax Revenue	\$131,108	***************************************		\$131,108
Total Deferred Inflows	\$131,621	\$0	\$0	\$131,621
Fund Balances;				
Nonspendable			\$18,100	\$18,100
Restricted	\$235,660	\$37,037		\$272,696
Committed	\$541,826			\$541,826
Assigned	\$125,125	\$1,269	\$3,605	\$129,999
Unassigned	\$84,888	***************************************		\$84,888
<u>Total Fund Balances</u>	\$987,498	\$38,306	\$21,705	\$1,047,509
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	\$1,218,536	\$38,306	\$25,975	\$1,282,817
Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds				\$1,047,509
Net position reported for governmental activities in the	statement of net pos	ition is different		
because:  Capital assets used in governmental activities are not fin	ancial recourses and	therefore are		
not reported in the funds	anciai resources and	a therefore are		\$6,985,873
Deferred outflows of resources related to pension plans				\$5,977
Deferred inflows of resources related to pension plans				(\$1,552)
Delinquent taxes are recognized as revenue in the period	for which levied in	the government-		(Φ1,002)
wide financial statements, but are reported as unavailable			nmental	
funds				\$131,108
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current po	eriod and therefore.	are not reported		
in the funds, including:				
Bonds Payable				(\$2,204,504)
Net Pension Liability				\$0
Net Position of Governmental Activities				\$5,964,411

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES & CHANGES

# IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
Revenues;					
Tax Revenues	\$1,684,863			\$1,684,863	
State Road Assistance		\$6,936		\$6,936	
Auto Excise Taxes	\$26,238			\$26,238	
Boat Excise Taxes	\$4,486			\$4,486	
State Revenue Sharing	\$2,691			\$2,691	
Miscellaneous Earnings	\$28,038			\$28,038	
Interest Earned	\$4,121	\$1	\$42	\$4,164	
Rent and Parking Fees	\$127,472			\$127,472	
<u>Total Revenues</u>	\$1,877,909	\$6,937	\$42	\$1,884,888	
Expenditures(Net of Departmental Revenues); Current;					
General Government	\$304,708	\$2	\$18	\$304,728	
Protection	\$97,083			\$97,083	
Health & Sanitation	\$111,803			\$111,803	
Public Transportation	\$279,489			\$279,489	
Education	\$568,395			\$568,395	
Unclassified	\$26,450			\$26,450	
Assessments and Debt Service	\$351,566			\$351,566	
Capital Outlay;	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			•	
Capital Outlay	\$306,855			\$306,855	
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	\$2,046,349	\$2	\$18	\$2,046,369	
Excess Revenues Over Expenditures	(\$168,439)	\$6,935	\$24	(\$161,480)	
Other Sources (Uses)					
Bond Proceeds	\$247,333			\$247,333	
Excess Revenues and Other Sources Over					
Expenditures and Other Uses	\$78,894	\$6,935	\$24	\$85,853	
Beginning Fund Balances	\$908,605	\$31,371	\$21,680	\$961,656	
Ending Fund Balances	\$987,498	\$38,306	\$21,705	\$1,047,509	
Reconciliation to Statement of Activities, Change in Net Positi Net Change in Fund Balances - Above	<u>on</u>			\$85,853	
	t require the use of au	rant financial recourse	ond.	\$65,655	
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do no		Tent imanciai resource:	s anu		
therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmenta				\$4.550	
Pension Plans (Deferred Outflows, Net Pension Liability		anamment wide		\$4,552	
Delinquent taxes are recognized as revenue in the period fo				\$3,378	
financial statements, but are recorded as unavailable rever Bond proceeds provide current financial resources to Govern				\$3,316	
in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position. Repa	ument of band princir	sumg ucot mercases ion	Governmental Funds		
but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Gov			Governmentar r unus,		
	enniem- wade Statem	ent of Net i osmon		(\$247,333)	
This amount represents long-term debt proceeds					
This amount represents long-term debt payments  Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures, while in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is					
allocated over the useful lives as depreciation expense.					
	warmmant_Wida State	ment of Activities and	Thanges in Net	\$306,855	
Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position, but they do not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, depreciation expense is not reported as					
	arresources. Thereton	ie, depreciation expense	is not reported as	(\$176,744)	
expenditures in Governmental Funds.			•	\$234,590	
Changes in Net Position of Governmental Activities			:	94,370	

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016

# Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine (the Town) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applied to governmental units (hereinafter referred to as generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP)). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for the governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Town's accounting principles are described below.

## A. Financial Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements present the government of the Town of Cranberry Isles, Maine, which is identified based upon the criteria identified in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 14, as amended, *The Financial Reporting* Entity. The Town is governed under a Selectmen form of government. The Town engages in a comprehensive range of municipal services, including administrative services, public safety, health and sanitation, transportation, education and cultural services. The financial statements include all operations of the Town. Control or dependence is determined on the basis of budget adoption, taxing authority, funding and appointment of the respective governing board.

The accompanying financial statements present the government and its component unit, an entity for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. The component unit, although a legally separate entity, is, in substance, part of the government's operations. The Town's discretely presented component unit is reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the government.

Discretely presented component unit: The Cranberry Isles Volunteer Fire Club operates as a volunteer fire department and is responsible public safety of the residents of Cranberry Isles. The Cranberry Isles Volunteer Fire Club is fiscally dependent on the government to pay for some of its operational costs and the government has funded some of the capital assets.

# B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Town. The material effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Functional expenses may also include an element of indirect cost, designed to recover administrative (overhead) costs. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

# C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *total economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when transactions occur and expenses and deductions are recognized when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied (i.e. intended to finance). Grants are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements have been met.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, including interest on long-term debt, are recognized only when payment is due.

Property taxes, charges for services and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and are recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Town.

The Town reports unearned revenue on its governmental fund financial statements. Unearned revenues arise when a potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Unearned revenues also arise when resources are received by the Town before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the Town has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for unearned revenue is removed from the balance sheet and the revenue is recognized.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

The general fund is the Town's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action.

Permanent funds are used to account for assets held in perpetuity and therefore cannot be used to support the Town's own programs, but the investment earnings may be used for designated purposes.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, fines and forfeitures, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

# D. Assets, Liabilities and Net Position or Fund Balances

# **Deposits**

The Town's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-tem investments with original maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition. These investments are not specifically identifies with any other fund.

The Town may invest in certificates of deposit, in time deposits, and in any securities in which State of Maine Statutes authorize them to invest in.

# Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable

All material receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types excludes amounts represented by noncurrent liabilities. Since they do not affect current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities.

# Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure (e.g. roads, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the asset constructed. Property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives;

Assets	Years
Buildings and Improvements	20-50
Infrastructure	10-50
Equipment	5-20

### Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (System) and additions to / deductions from the Systems' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the System. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable pursuant to formal commitments or statutory requirements. Investments are reported at fair value. Investment income is recognized when earned and investment expenses are recognized when incurred.

## Interfund Activities

During the course of normal operations, the Town has various activities between funds, including transfers of revenues and expenditures. The accompanying governmental fund financial statements reflect such activities as operating transfers.

# **Long-Term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize the face amount of debt issued as other financing sources.

# **Governmental Fund Balances**

The Town has identified December 31, 2016 fund balances on the balance sheet as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
Nonspendable	T WIW	1 titta	1 11114	TORUL
Cemetery Trust Principal			\$18,100	\$18,100
Restricted			φ.το,τοο	4,0,1,00
School Department	\$226,945			\$226,945
Shore Harbor Grant	\$4,699			\$4,699
Commuter Service	\$4,016			\$4,016
Highway Reserve	Ψ1,010	\$37,037		\$37,037
Committed		407,4007		411,121
Public Safety Coordinator	\$5,264			\$5,264
Fire Department Zone 1	\$54,171			\$54,171
Fire Department Zone 2	\$28,532			\$28,532
Fire Department Zone 3	\$3,283			\$3,283
EMS Reserve	\$20,201			\$20,201
Tuition Designated Fund	\$16,386			\$16,386
Special Education Reserve	\$112,406			\$112,406
School Capital Project	\$95			\$95
Garage Building Fund	\$15,346			\$15,346
Vehicle Disposal	\$848			\$848
Ramp Fees Reserve	\$8,840			\$8,840
Telemed Health Clinic	\$2,261			\$2,261
Plow Truck	\$40,000			\$40,000

LCI Dock Ext Reserve	\$37,485			\$37,485
Wharves	\$82,718			\$82,718
Intermodal Facility	\$107,385			\$107,385
Manset Dock Study	\$6,604			\$6,604
<u>Assigned</u>				
Fireproof Safe Reserve	\$1,538			\$1,538
Town Office	\$840			\$840
Town Roads	\$68,917			\$68,917
Snow Removal	\$25,244			\$25,244
Town Trucks	\$28,586			\$28,586
Truck Account		\$1,269		\$1,269
Cemetery Trust Income			\$3,605	\$3,605
<u>Unassigned</u>	\$84,888			\$84,888
<u>Total Fund Balances</u>	\$987,498	\$38,306	\$21,705	\$1,047,509

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board 54, fund balance reporting and governmental fund type definitions, the Town classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u> - includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.

<u>Restricted</u> - includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors, or amounts are constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Committed</u> - includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through town meeting voting and does not lapse at year-end.

<u>Assigned</u> - includes fund balance amount that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund balances may be assigned by the Board of Selectmen.

<u>Unassigned</u> - includes positive fund balance within the general fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories and negative fund balance in other governmental funds.

The Town considers restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned amounts to be spent in that order when expenditures are incurred for which any of those amounts are available.

The Board of Selectmen are authorized to make assignments pursuant to their appointment. Committed fund balances are determined based on the need of town meeting votes.

# Net Position

Net position is required to be classified into three components - net investment in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

Net investment in capital assets - This component of net position consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.

Restricted - This component of net position consists of restrictions placed on net position use through external constraints imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or law or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The government-wide statement of net position reports \$290,796 of restricted net position, of which enabling legislation restricts \$0.

Unrestricted - This component consists of net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

### E. Budgetary Accounting

Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control for the general fund only. Annual operating budgets are adopted each fiscal year by the registered voters of the Town at their annual Town meeting. Budgets are established in accordance with GAAP. Budgetary control is exercised at the selectman level, since individual department heads do not exist. All unencumbered budget appropriations lapse at the end of the year unless specifically designated by the Board of Selectmen or required by law.

## F. Endowments

In the permanent funds, there are established endowment funds of \$18,100 for the Cemetery Trust Fund. The investment earnings of these funds are used for the specific purposes that the funds were established for and shall be paid out by order of those persons responsible for administering the funds. State law directs that, subject to the intent of a donor expressed in the gift instrument, an institution may appropriate for expenditure or accumulate so much of an endowment fund as the institution determines is prudent for the uses, benefits, purposes, and duration for which the endowment is established. The current amount available for expenditure is \$3,605 from the Cemetery Trust Fund, which is reported as unrestricted net position in the statement of net position. The initial endowment principal is reported as restricted net position in the statement of net position.

# G. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# Note 2 - Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, a government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Town's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions authorized by Maine State Statutes. The Town requires that, at the time funds are deposited, there is collateral in place to cover the deposits in excess of the FDIC insurance limits.

State Statutes require banks either to give bond or to pledge government securities (types of which are specifically identified in the Statutes) to the Town in the amount of the Town's deposits. The Statutes allow pledged securities to be reduced by the amount of the deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

The financial institution holding the Town's cash accounts is participating in the FDIC Program. For interest bearing cash accounts, the Town's cash deposits, including non-interest bearing accounts, are aggregated and are insured up to \$250,000 in total by the FDIC. Any cash deposits, including certificates of deposit, in excess of the \$250,000 FDIC limits are covered by collateral held in a Federal Reserve pledge account and thus no custodial credit risk exists.

At year end, the carrying value of the Town's deposits was \$928,101 and the bank balance was \$991,507. The Town has no uninsured and uncollateralized deposits as of December 31, 2016.

# Note 3 - Property Taxes

Property taxes were assessed on April 1, 2016 and committed on July 5, 2016. Interest of 7% per annum is charged on delinquent taxes. Tax liens are recorded on property taxes remaining unpaid nine to ten months after the commitment date. Tax liens unpaid for a period of eighteen months expire and the property becomes tax acquired by the Town. For governmental funds, only property taxes which are intended to finance the current fiscal year and collected within 60 days subsequent to year end are recorded as revenue. Accordingly, \$131,108 of the property taxes receivable have been classified as unavailable property tax revenue on the general fund balance sheet.

# Note 4 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2016 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	
Governmental Activities;	***************************************	-			
Capital assets not being depreciated					
Land	\$1,449,485			\$1,449,485	
Capital assets being depreciated					
Buildings and Improvements	\$3,425,171	\$83,603	\$58,573	\$3,450,202	
Equipment	\$1,140,096	\$281,825		\$1,421,921	
Infrastructure	\$3,317,934			\$3,317,934	
Total capital assets being depreciated	\$7,883,201	\$365,428	\$58,573	\$8,190,056	
Less accumulated depreciation for Buildings and Improvements Equipment Infrastructure	\$661,439 \$242,663 \$1,572,823	\$55,561 \$46,784 \$81,808	\$7,408	\$709,591 \$289,447 \$1,654,630	
Total accumulated depreciation	\$2,476,925	\$184,152	\$7,408	\$2,653,668	
Net capital assets being depreciated	\$5,406,276	\$181,276	\$51,165	\$5,536,388	
Governmental Activities, Capital Assets, net	\$6,855,761	\$181,276	\$51,165	\$6,985,873	
Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows;  Governmental Activities  Solid Waste \$2,335  Public Safety \$27,586  Education \$4,225  Public Transportation, including depreciation of general infrastructure assets \$150,007  Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities \$184,152					

# Note 5 - Interfund Transactions

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds. On the Governmental Fund financial statements, the payables are classified as Due to Other Funds with offsetting receivables on the Governmental Fund financial statements classified as Due from Other Funds. At December 31, 2016, the offsetting receivable and payable balances were \$41,307. The change in the balance of the accounts during the current year represent appropriation transfers between special revenue fund truck reserve, the cemetery trust fund and the general fund. The majority of the interfund balance represents appropriations to the highway reserve for future capital road improvements. There is also an interfund balance for cemetery care costs payable to the general fund from the cemetery trust. The balances are expected to be repaid upon need of the funds.

# Note 6 - Long-Term Debt

The Town issues general obligation bonds and notes to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital assets. General obligation bonds and notes are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the Town. The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the Town of Cranberry Isles for the year ended December 31, 2016:

Debt Outstanding at January 1, 2016	\$2,215,200
Long-Term Debt Issued	\$247,333
Long-Term Debt Retired	(\$258,029)
Debt Outstanding at December 31, 2016	\$2,204,504

Permanent financing for the Town's Intermodal Transportation Facility was secured in 2003. Bonds are issued separately based on the use of the proceeds. The bonds are for twenty years with interest ranging from 2.078% to 5.078%. The bonds are held by the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. The balance at December 31, 2016 was \$1,025,266.

In 2008, a general obligation bond was secured with The First for the construction of a town garage for \$245,000. Interest is paid at an annual rate of 4.51 percent. The bond is for fifteen years. The balance at December 31, 2016 is \$133,659.

In 2008, a general obligation bond was secured with The First for the purchase of a fire truck for \$90,000. Interest is paid at an annual rate of 4.097 percent. The bond is for ten years. The balance at December 31, 2016 is \$21,927.

In 2012, a general obligation bond was secured with The First for the capital road construction for \$175,000. Interest is paid at an annual rate of 2.66 percent. The bond is for five years. The balance at December 31, 2016 is \$12,365.

In 2013, a general obligation bond was secured with Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp for the purchase of a fire truck for \$218,366. Interest is paid at an annual rate of 2.89 percent. The bond is for ten years. The balance at December 31, 2016 is \$159,256.

In 2014, a general obligation bond was secured with The First for School capital improvements for \$610,000. Interest is paid at an annual rate of 3.10 percent. The bond is for ten years. The balance at December 31, 2016 is \$474,699.

In 2016, a general obligation bond was secured with Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp for the purchase of a fire truck for \$247,333. Interest is paid at an annual rate of 2.89 percent. The bond is for seven years. The balance at December 31, 2016 is \$247,333.

As part of the 2010 town meeting, the Town was approved to secure \$130,000 debt financing for capital road improvements. As of the end of the year, the Town had not secured the financing for those funds. The Town anticipates writing off the debt financing in a future year. The debt proceeds for this anticipated loan have been recorded on the general fund with an offset to accounts receivable. Based on initial discussions with a financial institution regarding this funding, the pay back of this loan was estimated to be over five years at 4.0% interest. This estimated pay back is included in the debt service requirements below and the outstanding debt balance as of year end above.

All bonds are to be repaid through tax revenues.

Annual debt service requirements to maturity of the general obligation bonds including estimated interest are as follows:

		Estimated	
<u>Year</u>	Principal	Interest	Total
2017	\$301,513	\$88,023	\$389,536
2018	\$301,975	\$76,988	\$378,964
2019	\$300,184	\$65,681	\$365,864
2020	\$311,852	\$36,839	\$348,691
2021-2024	\$988,980	\$98,305	\$1,087,286
	\$2,204,504	\$365,837	\$2,570,341

### Note 7 - Defined Benefit Employee Pension Plan

### A. Plan Description

Qualifying personnel of the School Department participate in the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (System) State Employee and Teacher (SET) Plan. The Plan is a multiple-employer, cost-sharing pension plan with a special funding situation. The State of Maine is the a non-employer contributing entity in that the State pays the initial unfunded actuarial liability on behalf of teachers, while school systems contribute the normal cost, calculated actuarially, for their teacher members.

### B. Pension Benefits

Benefit terms are established in Maine Statute. The System's retirement programs provide defined retirement benefits based on member's average final compensation and service credit earned as of retirement. Vesting (i.e., eligibility for benefits upon reaching qualification) occurs upon the earning of five years of service credit for State employees and teachers. In some cases, vesting occurs on the earning of one year of service credit immediately preceding retirement at or after normal retirement age. Normal retirement age for State employees and teachers is age 60, 62 or 65. The normal retirement age is determined by whether a member had met certain creditable service requirements on specific dates, as established by statute. The monthly benefit of members who retire before normal retirement age by virtue of having at least 25 years of service credit is reduced by a statutorily prescribed factor for each year of age that a member is below her/his normal retirement age at retirement. The System also provides disability and death benefits which are established by statute for State employee and teacher members.

Upon termination of membership, members' accumulated employee contributions are refundable with interest, credited in accordance with statute. Withdrawal of accumulated contributions results in forfeiture of all benefits and membership rights. The annual interest credited to members' accounts is set by the System's Board of Trustees.

### C. Member and Employer Contributions

Retirement benefits are funded by contributions from members, employers, the State and by earnings on investments. Disability and death benefits are funded by employer normal cost contributions and by investment earnings. Member and employer contribution rates are each a percentage of applicable member compensation. Member contribution rates are defined by law or Board rule and depend on the terms of the Plan under which a member is covered. Employer contribution rates are determined through actuarial valuations. For the year ended June 30, 2016, the member contribution rate was 7.65% and the employer contribution rate was 3.36% of applicable member compensation. The employer is also responsible for contributing 10.57% of all federally funded member compensation. The State of Maine, as a non-employer contributing entity, pays 11.94% of the applicable member compensation into the System.

The required contributions paid into the System for the year ended June 30, 2016 and the previous two years are as follows:

For the year ended June 30,	Employee Contributions	Employer Contributions	State of Maine Contributions	Applicable Member Compensation	Applicable Member Federal Compensation
2016	\$11,097	\$4,874	\$14,145	\$145,058	\$3,888
2015	\$10,610	\$3,676	\$18,072	\$138,698	\$0
2014	\$9,713	\$3,608	\$16,310	\$126,970	\$1,800

### D. Revenue Recognition

Employer contributions to the System are recognized as additions in the period when they become due pursuant to formal commitments or statutory requirements. Investment income is recognized when earned and investment expenses are recognized when incurred. For the teacher group, total employer and non-employer contributions were the basis for the allocation, adjusted to remove the normal cost contributions paid by local school systems on behalf of their employees. This leaves contributions toward the net pension liability of the Plan as the basis of allocation. This method of allocation properly distributes the collective net pension liability between the State of Maine as the non-employer contributing entity and those School Systems contributing towards the net pension liability of the Plan using grant funding.

### E. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2016, the School Department reported a net pension liability of \$0. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by actuarial valuation as of that date. The School Department's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the School Department's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2016 the School Department's proportion was 0.000000%, which was a change of (0.000157%) from its proportion measured at June 30, 2015.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the School Department recognized pension expense of \$4,336. At June 30, 2016, the School Department reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$0
Changes in Assumptions	\$0	\$0
Net Difference between projected between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$0	\$0
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	\$1,103	\$1,552
Employer contributions made subsequent to measurement date	\$4,874	\$0
	\$5,977	\$1,552

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30,	
2017	\$5,196
2018	(\$771)

### F. Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.50%
Salary Increases	3.50% - 13.50% at selected years of service
Investment Rate of Return	7.125%, net of administrative and pension plan investment expense

For the School Department employees, the mortality rate is based on the RP2000 Combined Mortality Tables for males and females using Scale AA with a two year set back.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study performed in 2011 and covered the period July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2010.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments were determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major class of assets. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2015 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
US Equities	20%	5.2%
Non-US Equities	20%	5.5%
Private Equity	10%	7.6%
Real Assets:		
Real Estate	10%	3.7%
Infrastructure	10%	4.0%
Hard Assets	5%	4.8%
Fixed Income	25%	0.0%
	100%	- -

### G. Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.125%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made the current contribution rate and that employer and non-employer entity contributions will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

### H. Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the School Department's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.125%, as well as what the School Department's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.125%) or 1 percentage point higher (8.125%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
	(6.125%)	Rate (7.125%)	(8.125%)
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0

### I. Pension Plan Financial and Actuarial Information

Additional financial information and actuarial information can be found in the Systems' 2015 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report available online at www.mainepers.org or by contacting the System at (207) 512-3100.

### Note 8 - Restricted Net Position

The Town reports restricted net position totaling \$290,796 on its statement of net position. These restricted net position represent the nonspendable and restricted fund balances detailed in the governmental fund balance note above.

### Note 9 - Commitment and Contingencies

The School Department participates in a number of federal and state assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to financial and compliance audits. The amount of expenditures, if any, which may be disallowed by the granting agencies is not determinable at this time, however, the School Department does not believe such amounts would be significant.

### Note 10 - Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters for which it carries municipal and commercial insurance. The Town is not aware of any material actual or potential claim liabilities which should be recognized at December 31, 2016.

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

TOR THE TEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues;	#1 710 COO	Ø1 710 COO	\$1.704.072	(#3 <i>5 7</i> 37)
Tax Revenues	\$1,710,600	\$1,710,600	\$1,684,863	(\$25,737)
Auto Excise Taxes	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$26,238	\$1,238
Boat Excise Taxes	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,486	\$286
State Revenue Sharing	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$2,691	(\$809)
Miscellaneous Administrative Earnings	\$26,156	\$26,156	\$28,038	\$1,882
Interest Earned	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$4,121	\$621
Rent and Parking Fees	\$132,125	\$132,125	\$127,472	(\$4,653)
Total Revenues	\$1,905,081	\$1,905,081	\$1,877,909	(\$27,172)
Expenditures(Net of Departmental Revenues);				
General Government	\$325,624	\$325,624	\$304,708	\$20,916
Protection	\$97,500	\$97,500	\$377,661	(\$280,161)
Health & Sanitation	\$110,150	\$110,150	\$111,803	(\$1,653)
Highways & Bridges	\$403,525	\$403,525	\$296,989	\$106,536
Education	\$518,091	\$518,091	\$577,173	(\$59,082)
Unclassified	\$28,300	\$28,300	\$26,450	\$1,851
Assessments and Debt Service	\$421,892	\$421,892	\$351,566	\$70,326
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	\$1,905,081	\$1,905,081	\$2,046,349	(\$141,268)
Excess Revenues Over Expenditures	\$0	\$0	(\$168,439)	(\$168,439)
Other Sources (Uses) Bond Proceeds	\$0	\$0	\$247,333	\$247,333
Excess Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$0	\$0	\$78,894	\$78,894
Beginning Fund Balance	\$908,605	\$908,605	\$908,605	\$0_
Ending Fund Balance	\$908,605	\$908,605	\$987,498	\$78,894

### TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

### SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY

MAINE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Last 10 Fiscal Years *	For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016	For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015
Proportion of Net Pension Liability	0.000000%	0.000157%
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$0	\$1,696
Covered Employee Payroll	\$145,058	\$138,698
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a % Of Its Covered Employee Payroll	0.000%	1.223%
Plan Total Pension Liability	\$12,616,287,054	\$12,320,158,783
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	\$10,242,097,022	\$10,337,615,927
Plan Net Pension Liability	\$2,374,190,032	\$1,982,542,856
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a % Of the Total Pension Liability	81.18%	83.91%
Plan Covered Employee Payroll	\$1,699,190,889	\$1,676,857,294
Plan Net Pension Liability as a % Of the Covered Employee Payroll	139.72%	118.23%

<sup>\*</sup> Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30 of the previous fiscal year end. Retroactive information is not required to be presented. A full 10 year schedule will be displayed as it becomes available.

# TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS MAINE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Last 10 Fiscal Years *	For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2016	For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015
Contractually required contribution	\$4,874	\$3,676
Actual Contribution	(\$4,874)	(\$3,676)
Contribution Deficiency	\$0	\$0_
Covered Employee Payroll	\$145,058	\$138,698
Contributions as a % of Covered Employee Payroll	3.360%	2.650%

<sup>\*</sup> Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30 of the previous fiscal year end. Retroactive information is not required to be presented. A full 10 year schedule will be displayed as it becomes available.

TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Beginning	Approp-	Cash	Other	Total	Warrants	Other	Lapsed Unexpended	Ending
Department	Balance	riations	Receipts	Credits	Available	Drawn	Charges	(Overdraft)	Balance
General Government;									
Administration	80	\$179,655	80	\$4,122	\$183,777	\$168,102	\$2,439	\$13,236	80
Tax Collector/Treasurer/Clerk	80	\$45,000	\$0	80	\$45,000	\$45,000	80	80	80
Deputy Treasurer/Clerk	80	\$23,000	80	\$0	\$23,000	\$21,348	80	\$1,652	80
Town Office	\$0	80	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$160	\$0	\$0	\$840
Public Safety Coordinator	\$4,993	\$25,039	80	\$720	\$30,752	\$25,489	80	80	\$5,264
Elections	80	\$1,800	0\$	80	\$1,800	\$1,920	\$0	(\$120)	\$0
Planning Board	80	\$3,630	80	80	\$3,630	\$1,539	\$0	\$2,091	\$0
Assessors	80	\$27,500	80	80	\$27,500	\$27,500	\$0	80	80
Revaluation Reserve	20	08	80	\$0	80	80	\$0	\$0	80
Contingencies	80	\$20,000	80	\$756	\$20,756	\$17,810	\$0	\$2,946	\$0
9	\$4,993	\$325,624	\$1,000	\$5,598	\$337,215	\$308,867	\$2,439	\$19,806	\$6,104
Protection									
Public Safety - Zone 1	\$86,498	\$26,900	\$247,333	\$1,399	\$362,129	\$307,569	\$389	80	\$54,171
Public Safety - Zone 2	\$27,013	\$36,000	80	\$523	\$63,536	\$34,910	\$94	80	\$28,532
Public Safety - Zone 3	\$2,283	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,283	0\$	\$0	0\$	\$3,283
EMS	\$27,466	\$13,500	80	\$625	\$41,591	\$21,390	\$0	\$0	\$20,201
911 Dispatch Services	80	\$1,100	80	80	\$1,100	\$771	80	\$329	80
Fire Proof Safe	\$1,538	0\$	80	80	\$1,538	0\$	\$0	80	\$1,538
Animal Control	80	\$2,000	80	80	\$2,000	\$1,359	\$0	\$641	80
Constable	20	\$5,500	0\$	80	\$5,500	\$5,000	80	\$500	80
Harbor Master	80	\$2,000	0\$	80	\$2,000	\$1,924	80	876	80
Street Lights	80	\$5,500	80	968\$	\$6,396	\$5,874	\$468	\$55	80
Insurance	80	\$4,000	80	\$0	\$4,000	\$1,356	80	\$2,644	\$0
	\$144,798	\$97,500	\$247,333	\$3,443	\$493,074	\$380,152	\$952	\$4,245	\$107,725
Health & Sanitation;									
Solid Waste	20	\$97,350	0 <b>\$</b>	\$9,402	\$106,752	\$60,680	\$7,955	(\$884)	0\$
CEO & Plumbing Inspector	80	\$9,500	80	80	\$9,500	\$12,031	80	(\$2,531)	80
Health & General Assistance	80	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	\$2,500	\$738	80	\$1,762	\$0
Health Officer	80	\$800	80	80	\$800	\$800	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$0	\$110,150	80	\$9,402	\$119,552	\$113,249	\$7,955	(\$1,653)	80
Education;									
Education	\$261,177	\$518,091	\$40,140	\$35,200	\$854,607	\$607,380	\$20,281	\$0	\$226,945
Tuition Designated Fund	\$16,220	80	80	\$166	\$16,386	80	80	\$0	\$16,386
Special Education Reserve	\$108,642	80	\$3,500	\$263	\$112,406	80	80	80	\$112,406
School Capital Project	\$28,446	80	80	\$0	\$28,446	\$28,351	\$0	\$0	\$95
	\$414,485	\$518,091	\$43,640	\$35,629	\$1,011,845	\$635,731	\$20,281	\$0	\$355,832

(Exhibit A-1) (continued)

TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

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	Beginning	Approp-	Cash	Other	Total	Warrants	Other ?;	Unexpended	Ending
Department	ВаІапсе	riations	Receipts	Credits	Available	Drawn	Charges	(Overaraji)	balance
Public Transportation;				;	,	•		é	6/00/13
Town Roads	\$50,121	\$60,000	\$1,020	\$0	\$111,141	\$16,619	\$25,605	0\$	308,917
Plow Truck	20	\$20,000	80	\$20,000	\$40,000	0\$	20	20	\$40,000
Snow Removal	\$18.365	\$30,000	80	80	\$48,365	\$23,121	80	\$0	\$25,244
Town Trucks	\$24.935	\$4,300	80	\$0	\$29,235	\$649	20	80	\$28,586
I CI Dock Ext Reserve	\$44,747	0\$	\$21,557	80	\$66,303	\$28,818	\$0	\$0	\$37,485
Wharves	\$60.313	\$80.500	0\$	\$4,950	\$145,762	\$59,909	\$3,136	80	\$82,718
Shore & Harbor Grant	84,699	0\$	\$0	\$0	\$4,699	80	20	80	\$4,699
Garaor Building Fund	\$10,825	\$8.300	\$134	80	\$19,259	\$3,568	\$345	80	\$15,346
Vehicle Disnosal	\$848	0\$	20	80	\$848	\$0	80	80	\$848
Rann Fees Reserve	\$10.255	\$0	\$0	80	\$10,255	\$1,414	80	80	\$8,840
Committee Service	80	\$45.700	\$23,619	\$13,899	\$83,218	\$76,869	\$2,333	80	\$4,016
Enoineering-Manset Dock	\$7.804	\$20,000	80	80	\$27,804	80	\$21,200	80	\$6,604
GCI Public Bathroom Facility	(\$5.716)	80	80	80	(\$5,716)	\$0	\$0	(\$5,716)	\$0
Intermodal Facility	\$95.761	\$134,725	\$114,807	\$14,681	\$359,974	\$117,600	\$134,988	\$0	\$107,385
	\$322,956	\$403,525	\$161,137	\$53,530	\$941,147	\$328,567	\$187,608	(\$5,716)	\$430,688
Unclassified;							į	ę	ě
Libraries	0\$	\$8,300	80	\$0	\$8,300	\$8,300	\$0	O.≯	0\$
Human Service Organizations	80	\$4,000	80	80	\$4,000	\$3,870	20	\$130	80
Scholarship	08	\$1,000	0\$	80	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	80	20
Island Explorer	0\$	\$500	80	80	\$500	\$500	80	80	\$0
Telemed Health Clinic	\$2,411	80	80	\$0	\$2,411	\$150	80	80	\$2,261
Cemeteries	80	\$5,500	80	\$0	\$5,500	\$3,630	\$0	\$1,871	80
Community Centers	0\$	89,000	80	\$0	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>1</b>	\$2,411	\$28,300	80	0\$	\$30,711	\$26,450	\$0	\$2,001	\$2,261
Assessments and Debt Service	- 6	200 014	Ş	O.S	\$10.085	\$10.084	0\$	<del>-</del>	0\$
Zone Z Fire Truck Debt	06	506,016	00	2	2015019	906 300	0.5	, Y	. 03
Zone 2 Fire Truck Debt	20	\$25,460	08	20	325,460	\$25,430	04	† <del>•</del>	000
Manset Property Debt	20	\$175,736	\$0	20	\$175,736	\$175,735	0x :	7	00
Town Garage Debt	80	\$22,610	20	80	\$22,610	\$22,602	0\$	∞ 99 (	0\$
Town Roads Debt Service	80	\$37,420	80	20	\$37,420	\$37,420	0\$	0\$	0\$
County Tax	\$0	\$83,000	20	\$0	\$83,000	\$79,369	20	\$3,631	0.5
Overlay	0\$	\$66,681	\$0	\$0	\$66,681	\$0	\$0	\$66,681	80
	80	\$421,892	80	\$0	\$421,892	\$351,566	\$0	\$70,326	80
TOTALS	\$889,643	\$1,905,081	\$453,110	\$107,601	\$3,355,435	\$2,144,581	\$219,235	\$89,008	\$902,611

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Beginning Unassigned Fund Balance		\$18,962
Additions;		
Lapsed Accounts	\$89,008	
Auto and Boat Excise (Net of Appropriation)	\$1,524	
Other Revenues (Net of Appropriation)	\$1,621	
<u>Total Additions</u>		\$92,153
Reductions;		
Increase in Unavailable Tax Revenues	\$3,378	
Tax Discounts	\$22,236	
Solid Waste (Net of Appropriation)	\$413	
Tree Growth (Net of Appropriation)	\$200	
<u>Total Reductions</u>		\$26,227
Ending Unassigned Fund Balance		\$84,888

## TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE VALUATION, COMMITMENT AND COLLECTIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

(Exhibit A-3)

Taxable Valuation;		
Land and Buildings	\$191,819,556	
Personal Property	\$45,200	
<u>Total Taxable Valuation</u>		\$191,864,756
Tax Rate per \$1,000 Valuation	-	\$8.90
Tax Commitment		1,707,596
Collections and Adjustments;		
Cash Collections	\$1,573,536	
Discounts Allowed	\$22,236	
Total Collections and Adjustments	-	\$1,595,772
Unpaid Taxes December 31		\$111,824

## TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through			Program	
Grantor/Program Title		Grantor Pass-	Award	
	_ <i>CFDA #_</i>	Through Number	Amount	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Education;				
Passed through State of Maine				
Department of Education				
Rural Education Achievement Program	84.358		\$18,500	\$18,500
Total State of Maine Department of Education			\$18,500	\$18,500
Total U.S. Department of Education			\$18,500	\$18,500
<u>Totals</u>			\$18,500	\$18,500

## TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Truck Account	Highway Reserve	Total Other Governmental
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$1,269		\$1,269
Due From Other Funds	***	\$37,037	\$37,037
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$1,269	\$37,037	\$38,306
Fund Balances			
Fund Balances;		#27.027	027.027
Restricted		\$37,037	\$37,037
Assigned	\$1,269		\$1,269
Total Fund Balances	\$1,269	\$37,037	\$38,306

## TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

			Total
	Truck	Highway	Other
	Account	Reserve	Governmental
Revenues;			
State Subsidies		\$6,936	\$6,936
Interest Earned	<u> </u>		\$1
<u>Total Revenues</u>	\$1	\$6,936	\$6,937
Expenditures: Administrative Fees	\$2	\$0	\$2
Total Expenditures	\$2	\$0	\$2
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Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	(\$1)	\$6,936	\$6,935
Beginning Fund Balance	\$1,270	\$30,101	\$31,371
Ending Fund Balance	\$1,269	\$37,037	\$38,306

## TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE COMBINING BÄLANCE SHEET - PERMANENT FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Cemetery Trusts
Assets  Cook and Cook Equivalents	\$25,975
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$23,973
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$25,975
Liabilities and Fund Balances	
Liabilities:  Due to Other Funds	\$4,270
Total Liabilities	\$4,270
Fund Balance:  Reserve for Endowments	\$18,100
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$3,605
<u>Total Fund Balance</u>	\$21,705
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$25,975
The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of this Statement.	
Cash Balances Consists of:	
Nathan Stanley \$1,250	
Mann, McSor, McFarland, Beal \$4,610	
Julia Spurling \$1,492	
Gary Spurling \$1,130 M.S. Spurling \$5,936	
M.S. Spurling \$5,936 Bunker Trust \$1,057	
Cora Spurling \$2,417	
Christopher Swenson \$549	
Hazel Stanley Peterson \$731	
Hadlock, Stanley \$6,803	
\$25,975	

### TOWN OF CRANBERRY ISLES, MAINE

(Exhibit C-2)

## COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - PERMANENT FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Cemetery Trusts
Revenues Interest Earned	\$42
<u>Total Revenues</u>	\$42
Expenditures Administrative Fees	\$18
Total Expenditures	\$18
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$24
Fund Balances - Beginning	\$21,680
Fund Balances - Ending	\$21,705