

**Town of
Effingham
New Hampshire**



**Annual Report
2023**

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2023 Town Officers and Officials

Selectmen

Leonard Espie	Lenny.Espie@effinghamnh.net	Term Expires 2024
Leo Racine	Leo.racine@effinghamnh.net	Term Expires 2024
Chris Seamans	Chris.seamans@effinghamnh.net	Term Expires 2026

Town Office

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8:00 am –2:00 pm

Administrative Assistant	Caitlyn Pitts	603-539-7770	admin@effinghamnh.net
Finance Administrator	Michelle Couris	603-539-7770	townofeffingham@effinghamnh.net
Assessing Technician	David Hynes	603-539-2706	Assessing@effinghamnh.net

Zoning Enforcement Hours: Tuesday 4:00 – 6:00

Zoning Enforcement Officer	Rebecca Boyden	603-539-7147	ZoningOfficer@effinghamnh.net
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Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8:00 am-2:00 pm (603) 539-7551

Town Clerk / Tax Collector	Allen Curtis	TownClerk@effinghamnh.net	Term Expires 2024
Deputy	Andrea Hood	tcassist@effinhamnh.net	

Treasurer

Treasurer	Elaine Chick	Treasurer@effinghamnh.net	Term Expires 2024
Deputy	David Strauss		

Transfer Station

Mark Bussiere, Supervisor	Joseph Boyd, Attendant
Bradley Stuart, Attendant	William Wrabel, Attendant

Moderator

Jim Pitman Term Expires 2024

Trustee of Trust Funds

Karen Payne, Chair Term Expires 2026

Theresa Swanick Term Expires 2024

Carol Pfister Term Expires 2025

Library Trustees

Grace Fuller, Chair Term Expires 2025

Steve Regal Term Expires 2025

Joe Kington Term Expires 2026

Jennifer Van Cor Term Expires 2026

Erik Jones Term Expires 2024

Nichole Perrault Term Expires 2024

Budget Committee

David Strauss, Chair Term Expires 2024

Steve Regal, Vice Chair Term Expires 2025

James Giguere Term Expires 2024

Victoria Kirkwood Term Expires 2026

Rosemarie Wissenbach Term Expires 2025

Scott Hilsman Term Expires 2024

Leo Racine, Select Board Rep.

Planning Board

George Bull, Chair Term Expires 2024

Elaine Chick, Vice Chair Term Expires 2026

Grace Fuller, Signing Secretary Term Expires 2025

Paul Potter Term Expires 2024

Gary Jewell Term Expires 2024

Nate Williams Term Expires 2024

Planning Board (cont.)

Mike Cahalane, alternate Term Expires 2025

Linda Edwards, alternate	Term Expires 2025
Bridget Perry, alternate	Term Expires 2026
Chris Seamans, Select Board Rep	

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Lawrence Edwards, Chair	Term Expires 2025
Aaron Lavoie Jr.	Term Expires 2026
Victoria Kirkwood	Term Expires 2024
Alan Taylor	Term Expires 2025
Goran Romanovic	Term Expires 2024

Supervisor of The Checklist

Carol Pfister, Chair	Term Expires 2028
Cheryle Feirick	Term Expires 2024
Leo Quirk	Term Expires 2024

Conservation Commission (appointed)

Emelyn Albert, Chair	Term Expires 2025
Jack Williams, Vice Chair	Term Expires 2026
Diane Jarecki	Term Expires 2027
Steve Jarecki	Term Expires 2027
Harry Libby	Term Expires 2025
Timothy White , Recording Secretary	Term Expires 2026
Kamal Nath	Term Expires 2027

Historic District Commission (appointed)

Susan Slack, Chair	Term Expires 2024
Mike Conti, Secretary	Term Expires 2025
Maria Crockett	Term Expires 2026
Erik Jones	Term Expires 2025
Chris Garcia, Alternate	Term Expires 2024
Faith Martel, Alternate	Term Expires 2026
Lenny Espie, Select Board Rep.	

Town Of Effingham

Selectman Report 2023

Chris Seamans was elected to the Board of Selectmen (BoS) for a 3-year term at the Town meeting in March. Chuck Fuller resigned from the BoS in April with approximately 2 years of his term remaining. The BoS appointed Leo Racine to fill in his term until the March 2024 vote. The Board elected Lenny Espie as Chairman of the Board of Selectman. We would like to thank Victoria Kirkwood and Chuck Fuller for your service to the Town of Effingham.

In the Town Office, the past Assistant Town Administrator resigned in August, and the new Town Administrator Assistant was hired, Caitlyn Pitts. In addition, a new Town Bookkeeper was also hired, Michelle Couris. Congratulations to both on the new positions with the Town of Effingham.

The Board of Selectman worked on new contracts for the Town.

- Updating the Winter Road Contract for a 3-year period, contract awarded to Edwards Evacuation
- Updating the Summer Road Contract for 3-year period; contract awarded to Evans Brothers
- Public Works Projects: Repaving of Elm Street and replacing numerous culverts
- The next public works project for 2024 is repaving Ryefield Road, if approved at March 2024, Town Meeting.

The 2023 year brought unforeseen challenges; it was a very destructive year due to the amount of rain in a short period of time. We had numerous roads, culverts wash out, and substantial destruction. A significant amount of money was required to reconstruct these roads. The BoS worked diligently on reducing and/or canceling spending on several projects to ensure we stayed within the Town budget at year end. The Fire Department Chief is providing all the documentation of expenses to FEMA for reimbursements.

It is an honor to serve the residents of the Town of Effingham as your Selectmen. We thank the administrators, volunteers, and residents for the dedicated commitment to enhancing the Town of Effingham.

Effingham Budget Committee 2024 Annual Report

Members: Chairman David Strauss, Vice Chairman Steve Regal, Rosemarie Wissenbach, Jim Giguere, Vicki Kirkwood, Scott Hilsman and Leo Racine (Selectmen's Representative)

As Budget Chair my goal was to guide and direct the Select Board through the budget process to ensure the townspeople were getting a fair return on their tax dollars.

The duties and authority of the Budget Committee are found in NH RSA 32:16.

Each year the Budget Committee prepares the budget sheets and schedules joint meetings with the Board of Selectmen(BoS) and the Committee. The joint meetings with the BoS allow the Committee members to anticipate the overall increase in the budget and understand the impacts of increases/decreases on the various budgets under their review.

The Committee has worked hard to provide the citizens a budget that not only supports the budgets for the Departments/Boards and Committees of our town, but also supports the maintenance and upgrading of our infrastructure. The Committee was able to offset the increases as much as possible using budget reductions and a portion of the Unassigned Fund Balance.

What is in store for your next December tax bill? We are projecting the town budget impact will be approximately a 4% increase from last year which is an additional \$0.50/k (Not including Town Meeting additions). The County tax estimated increase (6.63%) from last year is \$0.09/k. The school estimated increase (4%) from last year is \$0.43/k. Total Estimated Dec 2024 property tax increase is \$1.02/k.

Conclusion

Running a town costs money and taxation is how that money is raised. The Committee worked diligently during the past year to prepare what it believes is a responsible town budget. You are welcome to attend Budget Committee meetings and we appreciate your ideas, comments and questions.

Thank you to the BOS: Chair Lenny Espie, Budget Committee Representative Leo Racine and Chris Seamans for providing the Committee the support needed for this budget year.

To the Budget Committee members: Thank you all for your commitment and hard work creating a budget for our town. It's an especially difficult task during these unique times of high inflation but we got the job done.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Strauss
Chair

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SEPTEMBER 2023

CARROLL COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT

Incoming Executive Committee (08/23-10/25)

Chair: Linda Mailhot, Freedom

Vice Chair: Pam Hearne, Tamworth

Treasurer: Sherryl Hitte, Tamworth

Secretary: Marshall Goldberg, Brookfield

Outgoing Interim Executive Committee (06/23-08/23)

Chair: Linda Mailhot, Freedom

Vice Chair: Chuck Fuller, Effingham

Treasurer: Stephen Berry, Brookfield

Secretary: Rick Hiland, Albany

Meeting Location

10 Town Farm Rd., Ossipee, NH 03836

Website: <https://cccdnh.org/>

Email: info@cccdnh.org

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1. Chairman's Letter

It gives me great pleasure to report that the Carroll County Communications District (CCCD) has been formed as the first-ever communications district in the State of New Hampshire. All 16 towns in Carroll County that participated in the planning process voted successfully to be part of this historic Communications District. This would not have been possible without the hard work and efforts of all the Representatives of those 16 towns.

I would like to identify a few individuals, without whom this Communications District would not have happened. First, I would like to recognize the late Steve Knox of Albany. It was his idea to make affordable high speed internet available to all in rural Carroll County. A few others include Rick Hiland of Albany as a key organizer of the Planning Committee (also former Clerk of the CCCDPC); Diane Jarecki of Effingham (former Chair of the CCCDPC); Chuck Fuller of Effingham (former Vice Chair of the CCCDPC); and Stephen Berry of Brookfield (former Treasurer of the CCCDPC). It is my honor to have worked alongside the entire team of dedicated Representatives to the Planning Committee, most of whom are now Representatives to the CCCD. And, of course, a big thank you to NH State Senator Jeb Bradley for his invaluable help in submitting and moving needed broadband legislation through the NH Legislature and on for the Governor's signature.

As the District Agreement states, the CCCD shall encourage, facilitate, and promote the establishment of state-of-the-art symmetrical high speed broadband internet connectivity and service to every residence and business within Carroll County NH, working cooperatively with or in partnership with existing internet service providers through formal or informal agreement when possible.

High speed broadband internet has been demonstrated to be a necessity in today's world, and it certainly is a non-partisan issue. Legislation has been passed to start closing the gap of those residences and businesses that qualify as unserved and underserved. Tens of millions of dollars in grants have been awarded in NH to internet service providers over the past year, and efforts are currently underway in Carroll County by both CCI/Fidium as well as the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative. More grants are on the way, including funds for digital equity & training. Much has been done, but there is a lot more to do!

Regards,

Linda Mailhot

Linda Mailhot, Chair

2. Organization Overview

The CCCD was organized in 2023 as provided by NH RSA 53-G. Our first meeting was June 7, 2023. The District members are the 16 Towns of Albany, Bartlett, Brookfield, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hale’s Location, Hart’s Location, Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough, Ossipee, Tamworth, and Tuftonboro. The CCCD Governing Board is composed of unpaid Representatives appointed by the Select Boards of the Member Towns. The Governing Board elects an Executive Committee comprised of a Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary on a bi-annual basis. The current Representatives to the District are:

Rick Hiland	ALBANY
Jason Garber	BARTLETT
Vicki Garland - Alt.	BARTLETT
Marshall Goldberg	BROOKFIELD
Stephen Berry - Alt.	BROOKFIELD
Bert Weiss	CHATHAM
TBD	CONWAY
John Border	EATON
Stanley Dudrick - Alt.	EATON
Chuck Fuller	EFFINGHAM
Rich Comer - Alt.	EFFINGHAM
Linda Mailhot	FREEDOM
Melissa Florio - Alt.	FREEDOM
Ben Klaus	HALES LOC
William Houk - Alt.	HALES LOC
John Gallagher	HARTS LOC
David Walker - Alt.	HARTS LOC
Frank DiFruscio	JACKSON
William Terry - Alt.	JACKSON
Bill Lord	MADISON
Mary Cronin - Alt.	MADISON
Bill Gassman	MOULTONBORO
Jean Beadle - Alt.	MOULTONBORO
Matt Sawyer	OSSIPEE
Matt Trahan - Alt.	OSSIPEE
Sherryl Hitte	TAMWORTH
Pam Hearne - Alt	TAMWORTH
Bob Murray	TUFTONBORO
Guy Pike - Alt	TUFTONBORO

3. Fiscal Information

The CCCD fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30. We are required to have an annual audit, per our District Agreement. The checking account was opened on July 25, 2023, with an initial deposit of \$100. That initial deposit was funds left in the Planning Committee’s account. Our first annual audit will take place at the close of our first fiscal year.

The CCCD operates with one bank account. Expenses to date for FY2024 total \$24.28. There are no encumbrances. The unencumbered balance is \$75.72 as reported below in the most current Treasurer’s Report.



Treasurers Report

Dates Covered: August 1, 2023 thru August 31, 2023

Beginning Balance as of 8/1/23		\$100.00
Income: none		
Total Income		\$ 0.00
Expenses:		
8/1/23 Checks	-\$ 24.28	
Total Expenses		-\$ 24.28
Ending Balance 8/31/23		\$ 75.72

Respectfully submitted,

Sherryl Hitte
Treasurer



Carroll County Communications District



Budget

FY2024

Revenues:

Cash on Hand	\$ 75.72
Projected Grants (ARPA)	<u>\$15,558.46</u>
Total Revenues:	\$15,634.18

Expenses:

Bank Service Charges	\$ 50.00
NHMA Membership	\$ 620.00
Internet Hosting & Domain Fees	\$ 115.00
Insurance	\$ 500.00
Legal	\$ 500.00
Advertising	\$ 200.00
Annual Audit	\$ 500.00
PO Box Rental	\$ 70.00
Postage	\$ 10.00
Printing Costs	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$ 2,665.00

4. Historical Outline

- Fall 2018 – Steve Knox & Rick Hiland first discuss high speed fiber optic internet for rural Carroll County
- June 2019 - Carroll County Broadband Committee officially formed
- November 2021 – Carroll County Fiber Broadband feasibility study completed
- March 2022 – Carroll County Communications District Planning Committee formed to explore the possibility of establishing a Communications District per NH RSA 53-G
- March 2023 – Carroll County Communications District officially formed when multiple Towns in Carroll County vote on the warrant article to join the Communications District
- May 2023 – Final Town involved in planning process votes to join the Carroll County Communications District
- June 2023 – Inaugural meeting of the Carroll County Communications District

ECC Annual Report 2023

On March 18, the voters passed Article 20 on the 2023 Town Warrant, so that ECC will now receive 50 percent of any land use change tax collected, with no upper limit. This will help fund conservation efforts in the town.

On Monday, April 17, a small group cleaned up at the Larry Leavitt Preserve on Route 153. A professional crew had cut the more dangerous and challenging blowdowns from the microburst in July, 2022, as well as anything brought down by the heavy snow in December of that year. This was the first of three work sessions to collect and remove debris.

The informative Birds, Bats, and Butterflies presentation by Wendy Scribner of UNH Extension on Friday, April 21, was unfortunately poorly attended, with only two members of the public attending. The program is one of many offered by UNH Extension to increase understanding of wildlife and their needs in the Granite State.

The Earth Day roadside cleanup was held on Saturday, April 29. Attendance was low again this year, possibly because of the weather. Still, for 12 recorded volunteers, the haul was 100 bags as of 3:45 p.m. on that day. Lennie Espie and Grace and Chuck Fuller did outstanding work, and Anya Bartoswicz collected 15 bags by herself, covering at least a mile and a half of Green Mountain Road. Only five people attended the cookout afterward. The final tally of blue bags for the Earth Day roadside cleanup was 107 bags. Meanwhile, litterbugs are rebuilding their art installations along town roads to help keep KELF volunteers trained and ready in preparation for next year's event

Speaking of art, ECC judged the Earth Day poster contest for EES students on May 1, winnowing the efforts of dozens of school children down to a single winner per grade. Book prizes were awarded to those winners on Monday, May 15.

Volunteers met on Monday, May 8 at the LLP to continue cleaning up storm and winter debris. Emelyn Albert, Mike Cahalane, Diane and Steve Jarecki, Jack Williams, and Tim White removed more brush, branches, and logs to piles by the side of Route 153. Jack replaced the damaged railings on the LLP birdwatching platform. In addition, Mrs. Carter, who lives across the street, made attractive plantings of flowers around the sign for the preserve.

New England Milfoil hand harvested eight gallons of milfoil from Leavitt Brook on June 25. The project required walking the length of the infested area of the brook. New England Milfoil returned later in the season to survey and clear Effingham's portion of the Ossipee River. They reported finding several areas of milfoil in Ossipee River. The river had not been done last year because so much time had to be spent on Leavitt Brook. Move over, milfoil, the party just got more crowded. Observers reported that Swollen Bladderwort (*Utricularia inflata*), had been found in Pine River Pond in Wakefield, and escaped into Pine River. Not just a hardy intruder, it is also carnivorous. Large mats of it have been known to skeletonize a small mammal in hours. Keep small children and pets clear of any concentrations. ONLY KIDDING: It really only consumes small insects and invertebrates, and occasional small tadpoles.

The presentation on Animals with Bad Reputations on Aug. 12 in conjunction with the Street Fair was well attended, with an audience of 45. Squam Lakes Science Center brought a porcupine, a skunk, and a big brown bat, and explained why these animals have the reputations that they do. On Aug. 14, Em, Jack, and Tim joined Mike Cahalane (and his dump truck) at the LLP to load up the last brush and debris from the cleanup of storm debris. Mike transported multiple loads and dumped them on his property. Big thanks to Mike as always, as well as our determined ECC volunteers fighting above their weight class time and again.

ECC meets on the first Monday of every month, at the town offices, School Street, at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in joining or just learning more about the commission and its work is welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted by Tim White, Recording Secretary of Effingham Conservation Commission



Effingham Fire Department

1102 Province Lake Road
Effingham, NH 03882
Station: (603) 539-7956
Fax: (603) 539-4505



2023 Annual Report

Jon-Thomas Harmon
Fire Chief

Walter Gayer
Deputy Chief

Daniel Felix
Fire Lieutenant

Brandie Felix
EMS Lieutenant

Tyler Dutile
Sean Riley
Crew Chiefs

Line Staff:

Kyle Allard
Mathieu Brabant
Joel Chick
Chad Dalrymple
Joseph Duchesne
Russell Hawkins
Jonathan Jennings
Florence Silver

Honorary Members:

Randy Burbank
Jonathan Burbank
Richard Thompson

In 2023, Effingham Fire responded to a total of 348 calls for service. This is a decrease in responses from last year, likely due to the major storms experienced in 2022 and the additional call volume each storm brought. The department has 14 members on the roster, and we are always looking for new members.

The members of the Effingham Fire Department are committed to providing the best service possible to the residents and visitors of Effingham. Several members spent countless hours increasing their skills and knowledge. 2 members completed their Firefighter 2 certification, 2 members completed their Fire Inspector 1 certification, 2 members completed their Emergency Vehicle Operator certification, and 2 members completed their Juvenile Firesetting Intervention certification.

2023 brought several large rainstorms, which each created significant travel problems in Town. There were a large number of roads made impassable by the flooding and washouts. Effingham Fire in conjunction with NH HSEM and FEMA secured nearly \$100,000 in grant funding to reimburse the town for road repairs completed throughout the year.

The members of the Effingham Fire Department would like to thank the board of selectmen, budget committee and the taxpayers for their continued support, and we hope that you will continue to support our operating budget as we attempt to move the department forward while remaining fiscally responsible to the taxpayers we serve.

Call Statistics for 2023:

- Building Fires: 12
- Chimney Fires: 3
- Outside Fires: 23
- Vehicle Accidents: 21
- Medical Emergencies: 188
- Tree/Wire Down: 31
- Service Calls: 14
- Road Washout: 18
- Carbon Monoxide Incident: 2
- Fire Alarm Activations: 35
- Propane Incidents: 1
- Total Calls: 348**
- Mutual Aid Given: 21**

Respectfully Submitted,
Jon-Thomas Harmon
Fire Chief

**EFFINGHAM HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
ANNUAL REPORT
JANUARY 2023 – DECEMBER 2023**

The Historic District Commission is made up of five voting members and two Alternates appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Our job is to apply the Historic District Regulations, which are intended to protect the architectural design and the rural atmosphere of the Center Effingham and the Lord's Hill Historic Districts.

During 2023, the Commission met 12 times and held two public hearings, during which we:

- Amended the Historic District Regulations
- Hosted a guest speaker from the NH Division of Historical Resources
- Granted three applications for Certificate of Approval
- Voted to seek Town Meeting authority to add Heritage Commission duties to our HDC duties
- Welcomed Faith Martel as a second Alternate member
- Mailed an annual outreach card to each property owner in the two historic districts.

In August, the HDC held two public hearings on proposed amendments to the Historic District Regulations, one in each of the two districts as required by law. The amended regulations were adopted in September and are available on the town's website (click on the Docs, Forms & Applications page). Perhaps the most noticeable amendment was to separate the Appendix from the actual Regulations. This document is now called Guidelines and contains helpful background information and resources on a variety of building topics.

In October, Brandee Loughlin, Preservation Planning & Development Coordinator at the NH Division of Historical Resources, met with the HDC and answered questions about Heritage Commissions, historic tax credit programs, and requirements for designation as a Certified Local Government (CLG). CLG designation opens opportunities for small grants for historic and cultural surveys and programs. In December, the HDC voted to prepare an application for CLG status.

During 2023, the HDC received three applications for Certificate of Approval required by the historic district regulations. In May, the HDC granted a Certificate of Approval to the Lord's Hill Meeting House to install a double-sided sign on an existing utility pole at 660 Province Lake Road, and a Certificate of Approval to Alan Taylor to make improvements to a garage located just south of 676 Province Lake Road. In July, a Certificate of Approval was granted to Kevin and Bridget Perry to construct a barn at 681 Province Lake Road.

The HDC meets on the second Monday of each month at 6 pm, and the public is welcome and encouraged to attend. Meeting minutes and agendas are posted on the town's website, along with the district Regulations adopted by the Commission, Certificate of Approval applications, maps of the two historic districts, and other relevant information.

The HDC can be reached at hdc@effinghamnh.net or by contacting the town office at 603-539- 7770.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Slack
Historic District Commission Chair



Year 2023. . .

Another BIG Milestone Year for the Historic Town Hall-Library (HTH) Preservation Project

2023 closes out the 5th year and saw the Phase 1 conclusion of this multi-year building preservation project. The Phase 1 total price was \$434,000. And the successful Phase 2 fundraising goal came to fruition in December – total funds for Phase 2 rehabilitation work will exceed \$425,000. This year produced a number of significant Accomplishments . . .

Effingham Public Library re-opened February 1, 2023. The new library Main Room “look” has been met with many “Wow!” comments and brought more project recognition to the local and surrounding communities. Our “community center with books” is being recognized around NH and Maine. Note: Also see the Effingham Public Library Annual Report.

Phase 2A – The building front doors have been removed, restored and reinstalled with money from a 2021 Moose Plate Grant, a Lenny Espie Family Donation and other charitable donations.

2023 Community Development Finance Authority – Clean Energy Fund 25/75% matching grant for \$3,900 provided for a Level II Energy Audit of the building. The resulting report will be used to go after energy-savings related grants from Eversource and others for the building preservation and rehabilitation work.

2023 NH Conservation License Plate Program – Moose Plate Grant was awarded for \$20,000.

2023 NH Land & Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) matching grant for \$172,000 was awarded and presented by Governor Chris Sununu.

2023 Charter Oak Masonic Lodge #58 A&FM made a donation of \$600 along with a matching grant of \$600 from the NH Grand Lodge Charity Fund. The Lodge co-participated with the Effingham Preservation Society in the annual June NHGIVES statewide on-line fundraiser.

Additional monies came from large donors as well as individual donors and a myriad of fundraising events. These events involved many community members to manage, volunteer and fundraise in the different avenues from grant writing to bake sales, plant sales, Regals’

annual Aluminum Can Fundraiser at the Transfer Station, Friends of Effingham Library, Facebook birthdays, Effingham's Annual Street Dance, Annual Effingham/Drakesville Day, grants from governmental and private foundations, on-line fundraisers like NH Gives and PayPal Giving Fund, and many more.

Our Supporters . . . Remaining on a steady and growing course these past few years, we have seen upwards of 200+ people and businesses repeatedly volunteering their time & efforts and/or making charitable donations to fundraising activities. A more complete list of Our Phase 2 Supporters is online at: <https://www.historiceffingham.org/phase-2-2021-2023.html> And a BIG Thank You goes out to the Effingham Taxpayer for their ongoing annual appropriation for maintenance support of this public building.

The Preservation Work . . . Phase 2B preservation work for 2024-2025 begins with exterior building and bell tower preservation in 2024.

- Repair the cupola water leak into the structural part of the bell tower
- Restore the cupola railings – not seen since the 1950's
- Restore the bell cradle and make the bell ring again! – not rung since the 1940's
- Restore the cloverleaf windows in the bell tower – not seen since the early 1900's
- Install live webcam in the cupola tower with live video on the HTH Project and the Effingham Public Library websites
- Update and install electrical wiring

Year 2025 will see interior preservation work with insulation, removal of ceiling tiles with ceiling height restoration, wall & ceiling plastering, LED lighting, wiring and alarm upgrades, more building window restoration, more doors restored, and other work.

Phase 3 fundraising and grant writing efforts are well underway. *Please continue to support these important historic preservation efforts!*

For more information about the Historic Town Hall-Library Preservation Project or to make a charitable donation, please visit: www.HistoricEffingham.org

Thank you

Chuck Fuller, Lead Project Sponsor



**Conservation & Heritage
License Plate Program**



Effingham Public Library

A COMMUNITY CENTER WITH BOOKS

2023 Annual Report

2023 was a year of many changes at the Effingham Public Library. The library re-opened its doors in March after an extended period of restoration of the Main Room. A new Director was hired in August and an Assistant Librarian in October. Throughout the year, programs have started to come back to life after the upheaval of the pandemic and closings.

Offerings we had for our community:

- Rotating displaying artist gallery
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Computer classes
- Weekly Coffee Hour w/ guest speakers
- Monthly Book Club
- Weekly Children's Story Hour
- Museum Passes
- Lego Camp
- Summer Reading Program-All Together Now
- Wildlife Encounters presentation
- New website
- CLIF book giveaway
- New books in Juniors and Adult Fiction and Non-fiction
- Updated Children's Room configuration and organization
- Weekly Yarn Lover's/Sewing gathering
- Social media presence for the library on FB/Instagram
- Holiday Cookie Swap w/ guest Carolers and Bell-ringers from EES
- Children's Halloween party
- A new inviting and comfortable layout of the main room and coffee area



The focus of 2023 was twofold: to re-introduce ourselves to the community with programming that appealed to varied age-groups and audiences, and to do a full cataloguing of all of the collections and make sure that the backend of every item in the library was correct and easily accessible to our patrons through our circulation software.

The goal of 2024 is to keep the forward momentum going through exciting programming and collaboration within our community. The theme of 2024 is **Adventure** so check out our website (<https://effingham.lib.nh.us/>), Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/EPLnh>) and Instagram (@effinghamlibrarynh) pages for information about upcoming events and programming, including monthly Painting events, more Lego fun, Flexibility classes, fun outdoor adventures in the summer, the return of Family Movie showings, and so much more!

As always, we look forward to seeing you at the library. Come enjoy a cup of coffee or tea with us, grab a good book or movie, and help us with our puzzle while you're here. All are welcome~

Sara Newell

Library Director



**Effingham
Public
Library**

A COMMUNITY CENTER WITH BOOKS

**Effingham Public Library
2023 Annual Financial Report**

Income 2023

Town Operating Expenses Appropriation	\$14,325.00
Unexpended Salary	\$15,000.00
Total Lapsing Funds	\$ 120.00
Total Operating Budget	\$29,445.00
 Total Non-Lapsing Funds	 \$2,834.24

Expenses 2023

	Actual
Association Dues/Annual Licenses	\$ 544.64
Books/Publications	\$ 7,213.13
Contracted Services	\$ 2,064.50
Service Fees/Bank Charges	\$ 35.80
Office Equipment/Supplies	\$ 4,369.12
Postage/Shipping	\$ 0
Program Expenses	\$ 2,866.69
Technology	\$ 0
Telephone/Internet	\$ 1,873.80
Workshops/Conferences/Seminars	\$ 375.00
Encumbered Expenses (Shelving)	\$ 9,918.31
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 29,260.99

NOTE: We do not anticipate further unexpended salary monies to be transferred to operating budget due to meeting full staffing and open hours.



Friends of Effingham Library Report

The Friends of the Effingham Library was established in 2002 by a small group of residents interested in supporting the Effingham Public Library. The Friends meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, at 5:30, in the Library. New members are always welcome.

Following the Library's 2022 shutdown for restorative work, February 2023 found volunteers from the Friends working together with others in restoring the Library building space to a beautifully functioning and reimagined community center with books under the direction of the Trustees and Library staff. In many ways, the challenges we encountered helped to strengthen commitments to the Library and has resulted in a cohesive group of volunteers working in a collaborative partnership between the Library Trustees, Library Staff and Friends.

The Friends would like to acknowledge one person who truly stands out among our many outstanding, dedicated and tireless volunteers. Harriett Greystone stepped up to master many of the essential systems when the Library initially re-opened doors. She continues to faithfully volunteer several hours each week, plus additional hours when needed. Harriett was the first to completely tackle the Inter-Library Loan process - to train and work on it for months and train a new director in the details of the system. For months, she has been working closely with Library Director, Sara Newell, in updating all our library holdings into an up-to-date system which will allow for better data collection and identification of Library patrons preferences and needs. We thank Harriett for her service to the community of Effingham, especially in her volunteer contribution of her skill and expertise at the library.

During the 2023 Year, Friends raised funds through several successful fundraisers, including a 2nd Annual Wheelbarrow Raffle, Friends' Bake Sales at Effingham Preservation, Annual Book Sale and 2nd Annual Fall Street Dance to Celebrate the Historic Town Hall/Library. These efforts resulted in \$1000 donated to Library Programs, including scholarships for Lego Camp and the Summer Reading Program. Additionally, \$4075 in funds were raised and donated to support the Historic Town Hall/Library Restoration Project. Our donations to the HTH project are important in supporting the expansion and improvement of the Library to meet the needs of the community now and in the future.

The Friends welcome new members. Join us as we continue in our mission to support quality library services in the community through fundraising, volunteerism and serving as advocates for the Library's programs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie McCarthy, President, Friends of the Effingham Public Library



Effingham Planning Board

68 School Street
Effingham, NH 03882

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The Planning Board met 31 times in 2023. This included 11 regularly scheduled meetings, 7 work sessions, 17 public hearings and 2 site walks. The Planning Board approved 2 Subdivisions, of which one was a Conservation Subdivision; 3 Lot Line Adjustments, and 2 Site Plan applications.

We had significant turn over in Planning Board members, as Victoria Garceau did not take her elected position and Dave Garceau decided to step down from his position on the Board. As a result we had two openings following the elections. There was good public turnout for the open seats. Gary Jewell was appointed to Victoria Garceau's position and Nate Williams was appointed to Dave Garceau's position. In addition, Mike Cahalane, Bridget Perry and Linda Edwards joined the Board as alternates.

The Board has struggled in finding a minutes taker, which has led to delays in getting some of the minutes released in timely manner. We are actively looking for a minutes taker and anyone interested is encouraged to contact the Town. Many thanks to Elaine Chick and Grace Fuller for volunteering their time to keep the minutes as up to date as possible under the circumstances.

The Meena gas station site plan application consumed a considerable amount of the Planning Board's time and resources, primarily due to the multiple challenges to the Planning Board's decisions. To date, all Planning Board decisions have been upheld by the Carrol County Superior Court and/or the Effingham Zoning Board of Adjustment, although challenges are expected to continue into 2024.

Looking to 2024, the Board needs to find a permanent minutes taker. Among our 2024 goals are to streamline applications; and clarify wording in the Zoning Ordinance regarding Major and Minor Site plans, Subdivisions, and the definition of contiguous safe usable land.

I would like to thank all the Planning Board members and alternates, including Dave and Victoria Garceau, for their hard work, patience and time.

Respectfully submitted,
George Bull,
Chair
Effingham Planning Board

EFFINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

2023 proved to be another busy and productive year for the Effingham Police Dept. It was a year of positive transformation and change, that saw a rise in calls for service as well as a dramatic increase in proactive enforcement by the officers.

In 2023, now Sergeant Baker joined the Effingham Police Department and was a welcome addition to our team. Sergeant Baker is a motivated, proactive officer who I am sure you have all seen and will continue to see out on patrol.

Chris Canney was welcomed to the department and is serving as the Administrative Assistant. He is currently available 12 hours per week.

During the summer months we saw the addition of K9 Jessi. K9 Jessi is a 2-year-old female German Shepherd. K9 Jessi and I completed a 480-hour Dual Purpose Patrol K9 school with Noel Coward, a K9 trainer from Florida who spent his entire summer dedicated to training with us and making us the best team possible to serve the community. K9 Jessi is trained in tracking, article search, drug detection, criminal apprehension. K9 Jessi has already proven to be a great asset to the community as she had 22 deployments from the completion of school in September through the end of December. K9 Jessi and I train hard every week to ensure we are the best team we can be to serve this community.

To end the year of 2023 and start of 2024 at the time I am writing this, Chief Duchesne announced his retirement from the Effingham Police Department. During Chief Duchesne's tenure here, the Department has transformed into something that we as a community and a municipality can be very proud of. I want to take this opportunity to thank Chief Duchesne for his service to the Town of Effingham, and thank him for all his guidance and mentorship that he has given to this Department.

I would like to thank The Carroll County Sheriff's Office, The New Hampshire State Police, all neighboring police departments, Effingham Fire and Rescue and Action Ambulance for their assistance and support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Tyler J. Eldridge

Chief of Police



Town of Effingham
EFFINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Yearly Statistics

2023

Effingham Police Dept. /Carroll County Sheriff's Dept.

Calls for service	3,422
Arrests	47
Motor Vehicle Stops	594
Motor Vehicle Accidents	39
K9 Deployments	22

Respectfully submitted,

Tyler J. Eldridge

Chief of Police

Town Clerk's Report
January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

	Total Receipts	State	Town
Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$ 551,486.40	\$ 154,890.02	\$ 396,596.38
Boats	\$ 2,305.82		
Dog Licensing	\$ 3,202.50	\$ 217.50	\$ 2,985.00
TC Services	\$ 1,822.38	\$ 481.00	\$ 1,341.38
TOTAL	<u><u>\$ 558,817.10</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 155,588.52</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 400,922.76</u></u>

Respectfully Submitted,
 Allen Curtis
 Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT
TOWN OF EFFINGHAM - FISCAL YEAR 2023

2023 General Daily Fund, IntraFi Cash Service (ICS) and Credit Card Accounts

Beginning Balance- 01/01/2023	\$	1,861,694.47	\$	1,861,694.47
Cleared Revenue -All Sources			\$	5,493,963.39
Cleared Expenditures			\$	(6,302,557.99)
ICS Acct Interest Earned			\$	23,740.10
Plus minimum account balances			\$	125,500.00
Ending Balance		12/31/2023	\$	1,202,339.97

2023 Revenue as reported

2023 Tax Collector	\$	5,366,117.15		
2023 Town Clerk	\$	558,947.85		
2023 Board of Selectmen	\$	490,170.59		
Total 12/31/2023	\$	6,415,235.59		

2023 Expenditures

2023 Manifests	\$	6,228,983.05		
Outstanding Checks	\$	(282,468.35)		
Total 12/31/2023	\$	5,946,514.70		

Other Account Balances for 2023

2023 Special Revenue Fund Transfer Station

Beginning Balance - 01/01/2023	\$	68,698.55		
Deposits	\$	20,739.68		
Expenditures	\$	-		
Plus Interest	\$	10.79		
Ending Balance 12/31/2023	\$	89,449.02		

2023 Conservation Commission

Beginning Balance- 01/01/2023	\$	15,113.19		
Deposits	\$	1,847.52		
Interest	\$	2.15		
Expenditures	\$	-		
Ending Balance 12/31/2023	\$	16,962.86		

2023 Timber Tax Holding Account

Beginning Balance- 01/01/2023	\$	1,660.69		
Timber Tax Deposits in 2023	\$	-		
2023 Interest	\$	-		
Timber Tax withdrawn	\$	(1,160.00)		
Ending Balance 12/31/2023	\$	500.69		

Treasurer Signature

Daino Chick

REPORT OF THE TOWN OF EFFINGHAM TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR DECEMBER 31, 2023

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Memo	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL			INTEREST INCOME			Grand Total	
					Balance Begin/Year	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance Year End	Balance Begin Year	Income Received		Expended
1963	TOWN VOTE REQUIRED TO EXPEND:											
	Fire Truck & Equip Pur/Ref CRF	Town Vote	Cap. Reserve	TD Bank CAP	\$150,729.69	22,000.00	0.00	\$172,729.69	\$11,576.52	4,944.06	0.00	\$189,250.27
	FUNDS WITH AGENTS TO EXPEND:											
1876	Abigail Drake School Scholarship	Interest Only (IO)	Schooling	TD Bank CAP	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	\$500.00	\$24.18	15.90	0.00	\$540.08
1932	Emma B Leland Silent Poor Fund	Trustees SP Fund I/O	Charitable	TD Bank CAP	\$1,000.00	0.00	0.00	\$1,000.00	\$50.80	31.87	0.00	\$1,082.67
1910	Abbie A Wedgewood Library Fund	Library Trustees I/O	Library	TD Bank CAP	\$400.00	0.00	0.00	\$400.00	\$3.53	12.24	0.00	\$415.77
1932	Emma Browning Leland Library TF	Library Trustees I/O	Library	TD Bank CAP	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	\$500.00	\$4.41	15.30	0.00	\$519.71
1942	Georgia F Parsons Library Fund	Library Trustees I/O	Library	TD Bank CAP	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	\$500.00	\$4.41	15.30	0.00	\$519.71
1977	Edith & Clarissa Taylor Library Fund	Library Trustees I/O	Library	TD Bank CAP	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	\$500.00	\$4.41	15.30	0.00	\$519.71
1990	Police Cruiser & Equip Purchase CRF	BOS per Special Town Meeting 7/20/22	Cap. Reserve	TD Bank CAP	\$4,527.53	15,000.00	0.00	\$19,527.53	\$3,322.47	285.93	0.00	\$23,105.93
1992	Emergency Mgmt/Disaster Fund ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$33,016.32	0.00	0.00	\$33,016.32	\$4,889.22	1,149.69	0.00	\$39,055.23
1998	Muni Bldg Repair & Maintain ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$63,645.57	10,000.00	0.00	\$73,645.57	\$2,504.84	2,016.03	0.00	\$78,166.44
2000	Eff. Dry Hydrant Install & Maintain ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$3,777.45	0.00	0.00	\$3,777.45	\$424.02	127.44	0.00	\$4,328.91
2000	Uninsured Loss ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$3,201.00	0.00	0.00	\$3,201.00	\$763.37	120.24	0.00	\$4,084.61
2003	Transfer Station/Recycling Center CRF	BOS	Cap. Reserve	TD Bank CAP	\$25,752.85	2,000.00	0.00	\$27,752.85	\$1,393.22	825.29	0.00	\$29,971.36
2003	Salt Shed CRF	BOS	Cap. Reserve	TD Bank CAP	\$5,610.51	0.00	0.00	\$5,610.51	\$585.54	187.93	0.00	\$6,383.98
2003	Town-owned Bridges CRF	BOS	Cap. Reserve	TD Bank CAP	\$3,475.66	0.00	0.00	\$3,475.66	\$8,077.12	350.40	0.00	\$11,903.18
2004	Invasive Aquatic Plant Non-Capital RF	Conservation Comm'n	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$13,657.65	2,500.00	0.00	\$16,157.65	\$1,683.39	465.53	0.00	\$18,306.57
2005	Planning and Land Use ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$6,999.95	1,000.00	0.00	\$7,999.95	\$502.93	228.54	0.00	\$8,731.42
2005	Town Hall Repair & Rehabilitation ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	-\$6,825.41	10,000.00	0.00	\$3,174.59	\$7,996.71	46.49	0.00	\$7,843.20
2006	Library Eqpt Purchase & Maintain ETF	Library Trustees	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$5,794.02	0.00	0.00	\$5,794.02	\$307.35	185.06	0.00	\$6,286.43
2013	Voting Machine ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$10,400.00	2,500.00	0.00	\$12,900.00	\$200.63	323.94	0.00	\$13,424.57
2014	Police Safety/Protective Gear ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$13,127.98	2,000.00	0.00	\$15,127.98	\$334.45	410.26	0.00	\$15,872.69
2017	Fire Department Equipment ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$12,993.65	2,000.00	0.00	\$14,993.65	\$397.10	408.09	0.00	\$15,798.84
2017	Bridge Maintenance ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$14,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	\$16,000.00	\$436.82	439.81	0.00	\$16,876.63
2018	Computer and Network Equip ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$7,410.87	2,000.00	0.00	\$9,410.87	\$137.97	230.90	0.00	\$9,779.74
2021	Emergency Mgmt Gen Replc ETF	BOS	Expendable	TD Bank CAP	\$5,000.00	2,500.00	0.00	\$7,500.00	\$31.92	155.04	0.00	\$7,686.96
	CEMETERY FUNDS (Perpetual Care - Int. Only):											
1932	Bryant, William S. - Bryant Farm	Mt. Rd. -opposite Elm St	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$200.00	0.00	0.00	\$200.00	\$385.43	17.76	0.00	\$603.19
1942	Drake Lot. - Parsons, Georgia F. -Bapchurch	Ctr. Eff Baptist Church	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$265.33	0.00	0.00	\$265.33	\$413.95	20.60	0.00	\$699.88
1959	Leavitt, Carrie M. - Bapchurch	Ctr. Eff Baptist Church	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$100.00	0.00	0.00	\$100.00	\$108.64	6.33	0.00	\$214.97
1935	Morse, Milton C. -BapChurch	Ctr. Eff Baptist Church	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$200.00	0.00	0.00	\$200.00	\$330.80	16.10	0.00	\$546.90
1957	Champion, Myrtle G. - Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$100.00	0.00	0.00	\$100.00	\$194.27	8.92	0.00	\$303.19
1935	Downs, David W.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$50.00	0.00	0.00	\$50.00	\$69.50	3.63	0.00	\$123.13
1928	Downs, Evelyn M.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$50.00	0.00	0.00	\$50.00	\$68.99	3.61	0.00	\$122.60
1993	Judkins Lot.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$200.00	0.00	0.00	\$200.00	\$162.02	10.98	0.00	\$373.00
1992	Kinncut, Blanchard & Elsie. - Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$100.00	0.00	0.00	\$100.00	\$84.34	5.59	0.00	\$189.93
1940	Leavitt, Melvin.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$100.00	0.00	0.00	\$100.00	\$218.59	9.67	0.00	\$328.26
1968	Lord, Thomas Bradley.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$400.00	0.00	0.00	\$400.00	\$486.96	25.99	0.00	\$882.95
1984	Nutter, Roger.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$300.00	0.00	0.00	\$300.00	\$371.90	20.37	0.00	\$692.27
1968	Stevens & Davis, Lena & Herbert.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$100.00	0.00	0.00	\$100.00	\$205.16	9.25	0.00	\$314.41
1944	Stevens, Mary.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$50.00	0.00	0.00	\$50.00	\$83.47	4.04	0.00	\$137.51
1964	Taylor, Fields & Knowles Lot. - Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$500.00	0.00	0.00	\$500.00	\$573.33	26.49	0.00	\$699.82
1912	Wedgewood, Abbie A & Stevens, C. - Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$400.00	0.00	0.00	\$400.00	\$798.45	36.35	0.00	\$1,234.80
1996	Wilson, Fred.- Ctr Eff	Ctr. Eff	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$100.00	0.00	0.00	\$100.00	\$59.74	4.85	0.00	\$164.59
1948	Smith., Joseph S.- Drake Lot.- Champ Hill	A. Meloon Farm	Cemetery	TD Bank CAP	\$100.00	0.00	0.00	\$100.00	\$76.96	5.37	0.00	\$182.33

Town of Effingham Zoning Office

The number of Building Permits issued in 2023 was 106, about the same as last year. There were permits for dwellings, additions, accessory structures, driveways, and RVs and campgrounds. I also denied 2 Permit Applications.

I sent 16 warning letters, mostly for small violations, such as additions and outbuildings that had been built without securing a building permit and for RVs being used without an RV permit. 3 of those letters were sent to owners with a Notice of Violation or a Cease and Desist.

Rebecca Boyden
Zoning Enforcement Officer

e-mail: zoningofficer@effinghamnh.net
Tel: 603.539.7147

2023 Permits Issued

Dwelling:	15	
Addition:	16	(13 porch/deck; 2 living space; 1 barn)
Accessory Structure:	20	(3 garages; 15 sheds; 2 barns)
Mobile Home:	1	
Renovation:	5	(all for living space)
Camper/RV:	18	(16 150day; 2 1 year. housing)
Campground structure:	5	(canopies, decks, sheds, 1 camping cabin)
Solar Array:	3	
Demolition:	2	
Driveway:	14	
Change of Use:	2	(Cottage Industry; Convert shed to cabin)
12 Month Extension:	2	
Other:	3	(Basketball court; Rebuild wall after auto accident; Patio Block for bench installation)
TOTAL:	106	

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
68 School Street
Effingham, NH 03882

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ANNUAL REPORT 2023

The ZBA is empowered to act in four separate and distinct categories: appeals from administrative decision: approval of special exceptions: grant of variance: and grants of waivers of dimensional requirements – State of New Hampshire RSA 674:33, I (b).

This year, the ZBA consists of 5 new members: Victoria Kirkwood, Vice Chair; Arron Lavoie, Jr., Secretary; Goran Romanovic; Rosemarie Wissenbach, Alternate and Kyle Perreault, Alternate. Although this has been a learning curve for most of us, it has been a challenge we were proud to accept. The two previous members were: Lawrence Edwards, Chair and Alan Taylor.

This past year, the ZBA worked on filling vacancy positions, making site walks, holding “Public Hearings”, budget review and voting on cases brought before them.

The ZBA acted on the following cases:

Case #	Type	Reference	Activity	Result
103	Variance	Article 4, Sec. 402	Lot line Adjustment	Granted
104	Variance	Article 4, Sec. 402	Lot line Adjustment	Granted
105	Variance	Article 4, Sec. 402	Lot line Adjustment	Granted

Amongst the cases, the ZBA held several meetings discussing: Case 102 - Appeal of Administration Decision - Sec. 2208 – Special Use Permit, that was carried from the previous year of 2022.

Thank you to all the members of the Board for their dedicated commitment and service as volunteers, while making difficult decisions for our town. Also, Nate Fogg, Land Use Clerk, for offering his knowledge.

A special thank you goes to Lawrence Edwards, Chair for supporting the new members and not losing faith in us.

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria Kirkwood, Vice Chair

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Executive Council

JOSEPH D. KENNEY
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR
DISTRICT ONE



STATE HOUSE ROOM 207
107 NORTH MAIN STREET
CONCORD, NH 03301
(603) 271-3632

The year of 2023 saw a rise in inflation both statewide and nationally. The hot topics continue to be housing, workforce, childcare and food security. This year also saw a lot of storm damage in July and December which has required a lot of roads, bridge infrastructure and trail repair around the state.

Many of my priorities have been directed at economic development, outreach to the business community, mental health system improvement, and food security. This Councilor has been an advocate for a northern New Hampshire food warehouse to enable food pantries to replenish in a timely manner and to provide fresh produce and meats.

The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) and the Executive Council provided \$15.4 million to Strafford County to support the building of a new nursing home. Strafford County Commissioners and Legislative Delegation continue to work on the project. The Council approved the transfer of the Old Rochester Courthouse to the City of Rochester in the exchange of land on Rochester Hill Road to build a \$17.5 million Rochester District Courthouse.

The Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) had completed its work in 2023, and the NH Legislature and Governor will approve of its findings in 2024. This Councilor conducted 8 public hearings around the district to hear input from the public and regional planning commissions on transportation and infrastructure concerns.

The Governor and Council approved \$20 million of the American Rescue Plan Act to fund the community center grant program, administered through the Community Development Finance Authority. The two round programs have been completed, dozens of projects around the state have received funding and construction is ongoing.

Between January to December 2023, the Executive Council confirmed 8 judicial candidates to the Circuit, Superior and Supreme Court levels. Additionally, 3 other judicial candidates received public hearings in December and will be up for confirmation in January 2024. The Council confirmed a new Chief Justice of the Superior Court, a new Commissioner of Health and Human Services, a new Insurance Commissioner, and a new Department of Environmental Services Deputy Commissioner.

The total contract items reviewed by the Executive Council were approximately 2,919 to include 5 late items over the course of 22 meetings. Of the 231 confirmations of board and commission positions, 55 were from District 1. On July 19th the District 1 on the road meeting was held at the Rotary Arts Pavilion in Dover, NH in honor of the 400th Celebration.

The sale of the Laconia State Property is scheduled for early 2024. The Council has been an active participant with NH Administrative Services to make sure all aspects of this purchase and sales agreement is completed and thorough. State officials continue to work on retention and recruitment of businesses to our state.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of state boards and commissions. If you are interested, please send your resume to Governor Chris Sununu, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention to Director of Appointments/Liaison or call at (603) 271-2121. A complete list of all state boards and commissions are available at the NH Secretary of State website: www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm

My office is open to requests for state constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically email my weekly schedule and Wrap Up Newsletter. If you would like to be included on this list, contact me at joseph.d.kenney@nh.gov. I also have an internship program for college students. My office number is (603) 271-3632. I am always available to old and new friends. Please stay in touch.

Serving you,

Executive Councilor
Joe Kenney



Lakes Region Planning Commission

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FY23 Annual Report
Town of Effingham

The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is a voluntary association of 30 communities in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton, and Merrimack counties enabled under RSA 36:45. The LRPC plans at the local, regional, and statewide levels and is an essential conduit for federal funding. The LRPC employs a highly trained, professional staff to provide a wide variety of cost-saving local services such as presented below, and coordinates transportation, land use, economic development, and environmental planning at the regional level. A twelve-member Executive Board, together with Commissioners, governs the LRPC. Operations are overseen by an Executive Director.

The LRPC provides a forum for communities to share information and services from model ordinances and joint purchasing to solid waste districts and watershed management plans, and serves as a resource to support and enhance local planning and regional collaboration. The LRPC recognizes that the foundation of regional decision-making lies within local communities. Membership provides access to a wide range of services and resources including:

- Transportation, land use, and watershed management planning
- Economic development assistance
- Technical assistance with Master Plans, Capital Improvement Plans, Hazard Mitigation Plans, Zoning and Site Plan Regulations, Developments of Regional Impact, and Circuit Rider assistance
- Grant writing and administration
- GIS mapping
- Data collection and analysis

The following are highlights of our FY23 activities. For our full FY23 Annual Report, please visit the *About LRPC* page on our website at www.lakesrpc.nh.gov.

Highlighted Local and Regional Planning Services Provided for FY23

General & Technical Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with Town Officials to fill vacancies and/or maintain Commissioner and TAC membership. • As a member of the LRPC, Town Officials are encouraged to contact the LRPC regarding our services or any other regional planning related issues.
GIS Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC is a great resource for community maps. Give us a call if your town needs updated zoning, town roads, or community facility maps for instance.
Grant Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC provides a wide variety of grant writing and administration assistance to towns as needed.
Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated our 37th Annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collections in the Summer & Fall of 2023, and widely promoted this event to reach the maximum number of households. This event provides a safe disposal option for residents in our participating communities. • Effingham Household Participation: 7 • <i>Please go to our website (lakesrpc.nh.gov) if you missed this year's collection for alternative disposal options.</i>
Newsletters & Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC helps coordinate information from many different sources and is a great resource for keeping towns up to date on planning issues and resources through both our website and direct contact.
Planning & Land Use Regulation Books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinated the purchase and delivery of 335 copies of the annual <i>NH Planning and Land Use Regulation</i> books as part of a regional bulk purchase at a savings of \$96.25 for each book and \$88.50 for each book with e-book. • Effingham purchased 18 books. Total saved: \$1,732.50.
Solid Waste Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LRPC provides a wide range of services to solid waste operators throughout the region including information, training, signage, roundtable events, regional purchase opportunities, and much more.

Technical Land Use Planning Assistance (TBG – A)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The LRPC employs a professional land use planner to assist towns with technical land use issues which require a knowledge of land use law, NH RSA's, as well as state and local regulations on either a short or long-term basis.
Transportation Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted traffic counts at 2 locations within Effingham as requested by the NH Department of Transportation. Nine municipal counts were set out at the request of the Board of Selectmen and a report was generated.

Commission Meetings

- Convened 6 regular Commission Meetings with guest speakers covering topics including Regional Housing Needs Assessment/Housing Affordability Trends/InvestNH Funding, Solid Waste Management Grant, Household Hazardous Waste, Transportation Program Overview & Data Collection, Geographic Information System Programs, NH Broadband Planning Update, Electric Vehicle Infrastructure & Asset Management.

Regional Services & Activities of Benefit to Multiple Communities

- 2023 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection**
 BY THE NUMBERS: 37 years of regional collections | 24 participating communities | 7 summer & 1 fall collection sites | 4 HHW Coordinator meetings | 80 workers & volunteers contributing more than 500 hours | a dozen new local HHW Coordinators, including 3 new Site Coordinators | 1,564 households served | approximately 60,000 pounds (30 tons) of household hazardous waste safely removed and disposed, preventing negative effects on human health and mitigating potential illegal dumping and disposal throughout the Lakes Region.
- Bulk ordered and distributed 335 *NH Planning and Land Use Regulation* books for a group discount of \$96.25 per book and \$88.50 per book with e-book. TOTAL SPENT by 27 Member Communities = \$4,028.75 | TOTAL SAVED by 27 Members = \$31,719.25.
- Reviewed 15 Intergovernmental Review Process (IRP) notices from the state planning office as public notification to regional planning commissions of all projects in the region intended to receive federal financial support.
- Updated Regional Housing Needs Assessment: LRPC is contracted with the NH Department of Business and Economic Affairs (BEA) to address the RSA requirement that regional planning commissions complete a housing needs assessment every 5 years. This update was completed for 2023 and a draft was posted to our website together with a downloadable toolbox to assist communities with housing planning. Discussions have begun relative to adoption.

Solid Waste Management Accomplishments

- Worked with solid waste operators around the region to address solid waste issues through grant writing and research.
- Utilized Geographic Informational System (GIS) mapping tools to identify potential solid waste solar sites in the Lakes Region.
- Conducted a plastics disposal and municipal solid waste study for Lakes Region transfer stations with summer intern.
- Ran two roundtables for solid waste operators concerning *Food Waste Composting in NH* and *Glass Management – Efficiencies and Uses*.
- Conducted outreach at various transfer stations, providing information to a number of residents concerning the annual Household Hazardous Waste collection event.

Economic Development

- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).** Drafted update using innovative story map formatting approach which is posted on LRPC's website.
- Community Development Block Grants (CDBG).** Administered CDBG Microenterprise funding for Grafton County which assists businesses and economic development organizations in Grafton, Belknap & Carroll counties.
- Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) Grant Administration.** Provided grant writing and grant administration assistance to several successful NBRC grantees as the designated local development district for our region, including:

NEW:

- Town of Gilford - Foam Recycling Project
- GALA Makers Space – Phase II

ONGOING:

- City of Laconia | WOW – Opechee Loop
- Town of Hebron – Fiber Optic Network

- Granite State Adaptive – Equine Therapeutic Center
- Lakes Region Model Railroad Museum (Wolfeboro)
- Town of Sandwich – Fiber Optic Network

Transportation

- **LRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).** Provided administrative support for meetings and facilitated communications. The TAC met 6 times involving city/town appointed representatives in order to engage community participation and local involvement in regional transportation planning and project development. Topics (some with guest speakers) included Ten Year Plan (TYP) Project Planning for 2025 – 2034, Road Safety Audits, NH Route 11 Alton-Gilford Planning Study Update, Scoring of Proposed TYP Projects, Update on the Regional Plan and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Application Process, Regional Bicycle Group Update, 2022 Traffic Count Summary, Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program, and Processed Glass Aggregate.
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning.** Updated draft of state-wide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.
- **Regional Transportation Plan.** Drafted Regional Transportation Plan. Included additional crash data information so Plan now can be used for more grant opportunities (Safe Streets For All).
- **Ten Year Plan (TYP) Funding and Project Prioritization (TYP 2025 – 2034):** Worked with towns, NH DOT and GACIT to develop project scopes and cost estimates.
 - **Meredith** – NH Route 25 intersection improvements at Laker Lane, True Road, Quarry Road, and Patrician Shores (additional funding).
 - **Laconia** – Union Avenue improvements.
- **Data Collection & Analysis.** Collected traffic count data at 148 assigned locations throughout the region for NHDOT along with 17 municipal requested counts. Worked on updating Road Surface Management System (RSMS) assessment for one community.

The LRPC is a participation-based organization where Commissioners have the final say on the annual budget and can determine what services the organization provides. • Effingham representatives to the LRPC during FY23 were:

Commissioner Mark Hempton	Term Expiration 06/11/23	TAC Member Mark Hempton	Term Expired 06/10/23
Alternate Vacant	Term Expiration	TAC Alternate Vacant	Term Expiration

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey R. Hayes
 Executive Director







Northeast Resource Recovery Association

“Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions”

EFFINGHAM, NH, TOWN OF CONGRATULATIONS FOR BEING SUCH ACTIVE RECYCLERS!

Recycling isn’t just good for your wallet, it’s great for the environment, saving energy and resources.

The Northeast Resource Recovery Association – your recycling nonprofit – helped market the recyclable materials listed below to be processed into raw materials, ready to be remanufactured into new products!

RECYCLABLE MATERIAL	2023 RECYCLED AMOUNTS	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT! Here is just one benefit of recycling materials, rather than manufacturing new products from virgin resources.
ELECTRONICS	7,374 LBS	 You saved enough energy to power 207 homes for 1 day!
GLASS	69,940 LBS	 You saved about 419 trash bags from ending up in a landfill!
SCRAP METAL	59,942 LBS	 You saved 89,314 pounds of iron ore!
TIRES	6,900 LBS	 You saved 164 gallons of oil!

AVOIDED EMISSIONS



Recycling uses much less energy than making products from virgin resources, and using less energy means fewer greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere.

By recycling the materials above, you avoided about **320,671 lbs. of carbon dioxide emissions**. This is equivalent to removing **32 passenger cars** from the road for an entire year!

***The above data was calculated using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Waste Reduction Model (WARM).*

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION**

**RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT
01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023**

-- EFFINGHAM --

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name
MACKENZIE, PAISLEE CAROLYN LORRAINE	01/26/2023	NORTH CONWAY, NH	MACKENZIE, DREW MICHAEL	BARDZIK, VICTORIA SUZANNE KAZMIRA
KING, ADALYNN JEAN	05/12/2023	NORTH CONWAY, NH	KING, DYLAN DANNY	KING, ALYSSA JEEN
JONES, ABIGAIL MYLIE	05/15/2023	NORTH CONWAY, NH	JONES, ROBERT EDWARD	VINCENT, CHRISTINA RYAN
LUKE, EMBER TORRIE	05/21/2023	NORTH CONWAY, NH	LUKE, EMMETT DAVID	BULPETT, NICO SHANNON
FOGG, KENDALL RENEE	06/22/2023	DOVER, NH	FOGG, KODY ROBERT	MARTIN, BRIANNA KAY
VARNEY, NORAH ELISE FRANCES	07/13/2023	DOVER, NH	VARNEY, JACKSON RYAN	VARNEY, MADELINE REID
SAUCIER, LILLIAN EVE	09/18/2023	NORTH CONWAY, NH	SAUCIER, JACOB MAXIME	SAUCIER, SHEALYN RILEY

Total number of records 7

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023

--EFFINGHAM, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
JEWELL, ROBERT CHARLES	01/07/2023	NORTH CONWAY	JEWELL, CURTIS	COX, AUDREY	Y
SHALIAN, HAMPIK	02/26/2023	EFFINGHAM	SHALIAN, ARTIN	HAMBAZIAN, ARAXI	N
PARKER, PATRICIA ELLEN	03/30/2023	WOLFEBORO	PARKER, CHARLES	IRWIN, HARRIET	N
THOMPSON, PERLEY ELLSWORTH	04/18/2023	EFFINGHAM	THOMPSON, RICHARD	EDWARDS, GENEVA	N
THURLOW, TAMMY LYNN	05/19/2023	EFFINGHAM	THURLOW SR, WAYNE	FORTIER, JOAN	N
WOTTON, JOEL TROY	08/07/2023	EFFINGHAM	WOTTON, JOEL	WALLACE, KATHERINE	N
COCHRANE, APRIL MAE	08/09/2023	EFFINGHAM	LIBBY, LESLIE	TAYLOR, LAURA	N
MACKIE, MICHAEL W	09/01/2023	MANCHESTER	MACKIE, MICHAEL	DEVALT, JOAN	N
LARSEN SR, DONALD HERBERT	11/26/2023	EFFINGHAM	LARSEN, HERBERT	PENNY, MARY	Y
MILLER, RYAN PAUL GEORGE	12/14/2023	EFFINGHAM	MILLER, PAUL	HILFERTY, NANCY	N
RIORDAN, IRENE ELIZABETH	12/23/2023	EFFINGHAM	COYNE, THOMAS	TAYLOR, IRENE	N
JONES, ROBERT DENNIS	12/28/2023	EFFINGHAM	JONES JR, ALBERT	LYNCH, HELEN	Y

Total number of records 12

 DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023

-- EFFINGHAM --

Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
HARTLEY, DANIEL WAYNE EFFINGHAM, NH	COLARUSSO, NOELLE MORGAN EFFINGHAM, NH	OSSIPEE	ALTON	02/25/2023
WADE, KARISSA ANNE EFFINGHAM, NH	ZWEARCAN, KENNETH WILLIAM EFFINGHAM, NH	OSSIPEE	EFFINGHAM	09/17/2023
BONA, CRAIG ALAN EFFINGHAM, NH	GAUDETTE, VICTORIA PAGE EFFINGHAM, NH	OSSIPEE	EAST WAKEFIELD	09/23/2023
BEARDEN SR, MICHAEL ALAN EFFINGHAM, NH	WRIGHT, KYSTALE ROSE MARIE EFFINGHAM, NH	EFFINGHAM	EFFINGHAM	09/30/2023
RASO, BRANDON CHARLES EVERETT, MASSACHUSETTS	YACOVELLI, EMILY ROSE EFFINGHAM, NH	SEABROOK	PORTSMOUTH	10/14/2023
LAROSE, SKYLER SCOTT EFFINGHAM, NH	WHITE, KAYLIN RENEE EFFINGHAM, NH	EFFINGHAM	WOLFEBORO	10/28/2023

Total number of records 6

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EFFINGHAM TOWN MEETING RULES OF PROCEDURE

The Town Moderator will use the following general Rules of Procedure to conduct the Town Meeting, keeping in mind that voters at the Meeting always have the right to vote to change the rules. The Moderator will not follow Robert's Rules of Procedure, but will conduct the Meeting according to the following rules so that voters can express their opinions and so that the Meeting keeps moving forward. The goal is to avoid having the Meeting bog down in procedural technicalities and confusion.

1. By majority vote, the voters can overrule any decision that the Moderator makes and any rule that the Moderator establishes. A voter can raise such a request by a Point of Order.
2. The Moderator will take Articles in the order that they appear on the Warrant unless the Moderator announces the intent to take Articles out of order.
3. The Moderator will consider each Article as follows:
 - a. The Moderator will announce the Article number and the text of the Article.
 - b. The Moderator will recognize a member of the Board of Selectmen or Budget Committee, or the petitioner (for a petitioned article), to move the adoption of the Article.
 - c. If the motion is seconded, the Moderator will recognize a member of the Board of Selectmen or the petitioner to explain the Article.
 - d. The Meeting will debate and then vote on the Article.
4. Everyone who speaks must use a microphone so they can be heard. If the voter is unable to reach the stand-up microphone, the voter should raise his/her hand and a hand-held microphone will be provided.
5. No one may speak unless he or she is recognized by the Moderator and has the floor.
 - a. Each speaker must provide his/her name.
 - b. Even if a voter does not have the floor, he/she may speak to raise a Point of Order or to challenge the Moderator's ruling.
6. The Moderator will allow only one motion on the floor at a time. There are two exceptions to this rule:
 - a. A voter may raise a Point of Order at any time;
 - b. If the voter has the floor, the voter may make a motion to:
 - i. Amend the pending motion;
 - ii. Call the Question
7. The Moderator will not accept negative motions, which are motions that require a "no" vote to vote in the affirmative, such as: "I move that we not adopt the budget."
8. Motions to Call the Question limit debate and require a 2/3 vote. If passed, the motion stops debate on a motion. However, the Moderator will recognize all voters who are standing at a microphone or holding a microphone and anyone seated at the Selectmen's or Budget Committee's table who has previously told the Moderator he/she wishes to speak. Also, the Moderator has the right to refuse to recognize a Motion to Call the Question if, in the Moderator's opinion, the voters have not yet had an adequate opportunity to discuss an issue.
9. Non-voters may not speak at the Meeting without the permission of the voters. However, the Moderator will allow non-resident town officials and consultants or experts who are at the Meeting to provide information about an Article to speak.
10. All speakers must be courteous and must speak to the issues, not the individuals raising them. The Moderator will not allow personal attacks or inappropriate language.

11. Any person who behaves in a disorderly manner and, after notice from the Moderator, persists in such behavior, or shall in any way disturb the Meeting, or willfully violates any rule of proceeding may be removed from the Meeting. The Moderator may have a police officer, or any legal voter of the town, remove such person. (RSA 40:8)
12. Speakers will address all questions and comments to the Moderator. The Moderator will choose who responds to the questions.
13. With the exception of initial presentations on Articles, which the Moderator asks to be limited to 10 minutes, all speakers in debate will be limited to 3 minutes.
14. Speakers will be recognized only once on an issue until everyone who wishes to speak on the issue has spoken.
15. The Moderator will determine the method of voting except as determined by law. However, any voter who doubts the accuracy of any non-counted vote may require the Moderator to determine a vote by a counted show of hands or counted standing vote.
16. Any 5 voters may require that a vote on any Article or question be by secret ballot. To do so:
 - a. All 5 voters must be present and identified, and
 - b. The request must be presented in writing to the Moderator prior to the end of debate on the Article or question.
17. Any vote on a bond issue of over \$100,000 by law must be voted on by secret ballot. (RSA 33:8).
18. Motions to reconsider an Article may only be made immediately after the vote on the Article, and may only be made by a voter who voted on the prevailing side of the vote to be reconsidered. However, the following limits may apply to the reconsideration of the Article:
 - a. **Mandatory Restriction:** In accordance with RSA 33:8-a, if a motion to reconsider a ballot vote on a bond issue of more than \$100,000 passes, the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened Meeting that is at least 7 days after the original vote. The restriction on reconsideration automatically applies without the need for the Meeting to vote for it.
 - b. **Optional Restriction:** Voters may postpone reconsideration of any Article at this Meeting by voting to restrict reconsideration of the Article in accordance with RSA 40:10. If the Meeting passes such a motion, the Article cannot be reconsidered until a reconvened Meeting held at least 7 days after the date of the original vote.

Reminder: Since any rule of the Moderator or decision of the Meeting can be reversed or changed at any time prior to the end of the meeting by a majority vote of the Meeting, there is no rule that can be adopted that can absolutely prevent the reconsideration of an Article.

19. The Moderator may vote on all Articles. However, the Moderator plans to vote only in two instances:
 - a. To break a tie
 - b. To make a vote a tie vote if a motion the Moderator opposes would otherwise carry by 1 vote
20. The Moderator will make every effort to recess the Meeting at an appropriate time so that voters may make donations to enjoy food and refreshments provided by the PTO.

Jim Pitman
Effingham Town Moderator



**2024
WARRANT**

Effingham

The inhabitants of the Town of Effingham in the County of Carroll in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 12, 2024
Time: 11:00 am to 7:00 pm
Location: Effingham Elementary School, 6 Partridge Cove, Effingham, NH 03882
Details:

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)

Date: March 16, 2024
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Effingham Elementary School, 6 Partridge Cove
Details:

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before <DATE>, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at <LOCATION> and that an original was delivered to <OFFICIAL>.

Name	Position	Signature
Leonard Espie	Chairman	<i>Leonard Espie</i>
Leo Racine	Selectman	<i>Leo Racine</i>
Christopher Seamans	Selectman	<i>Chris Seamans</i>



Article 01 Elect Officers

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year:

- 1 - Selectman 3 year
- 1 - Selectman 1 year
- 1 - Town Clerk / Tax Collector 3 year
- 1 - Treasurer 3 year
- 1 - Moderator 2 year
- 1 - Trustee of Trust Funds 3 year
- 1 - Library Trustees 3 year
- 1 - Library Trustee 2 year
- 1 - Supervisor of the Checklist 6 year
- 1 - Supervisor of the Checklist 2 year
- 2 - Budget Committee Members 3 year
- 1 - Budget Committee Member 2 year
- 2 - Planning Board Members 3 year
- 1 - Planning Board Member 2 year
- 1 - Planning Board Member 1 year
- 1 - Zoning Board of Adjustment 3 year
- 1 - Zoning Board of Adjustment 1 year

Article 02 Planning Board

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 2023-1 as recommended by the Planning Board for the Town Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 22 section 2208, 2211, and 2212 to clarify the role of the Fire Chief in Spill Prevention Control and Counter Measures Plans. Notification requirements to the Fire Chief and Conservation Commission remains unchanged.

Article 03 Fire Truck and Equipment CRF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Fire Truck and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance (which represents money received from the Town of Parsonsfield for Fire Department Mutual aid). No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 04 Fire Department Equipment ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.



Article 05 Fire Truck and Fire Truck Equipment CRF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000 to be added to the Fire Truck and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The sum of \$20,000 is to be raised from taxation and \$50,000 is to come from the unassigned fund balance. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 06 Police Cruiser and Equipment CRF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Police Cruiser and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 07 Police Safety Gear ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be added to the Police Safety/Protective Gear Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 08 Municipal Buildings ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Municipal Building Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 09 Operating Budget

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended amount of \$2,222,093 for general Municipal Operations. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 10 Transfer Station/Recycling Center CRF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.



Article 11 Bridge Maintenance ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 12 Ryefield Road Paving

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 to pave 0.77 miles of Ryefield road? The sum of \$250,000 is to come from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 13 End 68 Hours of Hunger

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the End 68 Hours of Hunger Wolfeboro Area Chapter for the purpose of supporting them in providing food bags to qualifying children from Effingham. This is a petitioned warrant article. This sum is to come from taxation. The Board of Selectman and Budget Committee recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 14 Computer Network ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Computer Network Equipment Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 15 Invasive Aquatic Plant ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Invasive Aquatic Plant Non-Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 16 Voting Machine ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to be added to the Voting Machine Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Article 17 Town Hall Repair and Rehabilitation ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Town Hall Repair and Rehabilitation Expendable Trust Fund. The sum of \$10,000 is to be raised from taxation and \$5,000 is to come from the unassigned fund balance. This is a special warrant article. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)



Article 18 Emergency Management Generator Replacement ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,500 to be added to the Emergency Management Generator Replacement Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 19 Set up Heritage Commission Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to carry out the purposes of the Heritage Commission as stated in RSA 674:44-d, such funds to be placed in a Heritage Fund so established and allowed to accumulate from year to year, as authorized by RSA 674:44-d. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.

Article 20 This appropriation would allow repair of Engine 2

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 to Refurbish Engine 2 Pumper? The sum of \$250,000 is to come from the Capital Reserve Fund Fire Truck & Equipment. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 21 This appropriation is for the purchase of a repeat

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000.00 for the purchase of an Antenna Repeater. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 22 Town Owned Bridge CRF The previous established fun

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$47,500 to be added to the Town Owned Bridges Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to be raised from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 23 Appointment of Town Treasurer

Shall the Town vote to change the office of Town Treasurer from an elected position to an appointed position in accordance with RSA 41:26-e. Such appointment shall be made in accordance with RSA 669:17- d by the Board of Selectmen. Such appointment shall be made in writing and shall include the compensation to be paid. If approved the person holding the elected office shall continue to hold such office until the next annual town election following the vote. (No Tax Impact) (Majority vote required) The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 24 Set up Heritage Commission

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Historic District Commission, already established, to assume the composition and additional duties of a Heritage Commission as authorized by RSA 675:6, V and RSA 674:44-b; and further to increase its membership from the current five (5) members to seven (7) members, as authorized by RSA 673:4.



Article 25 To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports

To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of its agents and auditors.

Article 26 All Other Business

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.



Proposed Budget
Effingham

For the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024
Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Annual Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
David Strauss	Chairman	<i>[Signature]</i>
Steve Regal	Vice-Chairman	<i>[Signature]</i>
Jim Giguere	Member	<i>[Signature]</i>
Victoria Kirkwood	Member	<i>[Signature]</i>
Rosemarie Wissenbach	Member	<i>[Signature]</i>
Scott Hilsman	Member	<i>[Signature]</i>
Leo Racine	Select Board Representative	<i>[Signature]</i>

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
<https://www.proptax.org/>

For assistance please contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
(603) 230-5090
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Actual Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2023	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	Selectmen's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended)	Selectmen's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Not Recommended)
General Government								
4130	Executive	09	\$140,788	\$167,844	\$168,809	\$0	\$167,875	\$0
4140	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	09	\$31,518	\$45,863	\$52,552	\$0	\$51,454	\$0
4150	Financial Administration	09	\$50,668	\$60,025	\$64,844	\$0	\$63,746	\$0
4152	Property Assessment	09	\$3,571	\$39,250	\$39,250	\$0	\$39,250	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	09	\$70,856	\$44,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
4155	Personnel Administration	09	\$143,400	\$106,550	\$104,501	\$0	\$104,501	\$0
4191	Planning and Zoning	09	\$32,926	\$38,735	\$42,545	\$0	\$42,688	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	09	\$62,900	\$76,600	\$75,600	\$0	\$75,600	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	09	\$500	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0
4196	Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	09	\$84,328	\$89,392	\$103,152	\$0	\$103,152	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	09	\$4,114	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500	\$0
4198	Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$625,569	\$673,759	\$706,753	\$0	\$703,766	\$0
Public Safety								
4210	Police	09	\$212,043	\$234,267	\$236,113	\$0	\$236,113	\$0
4215	Ambulances	09	\$125,440	\$125,450	\$125,636	\$0	\$125,636	\$0
4220	Fire	09	\$155,818	\$181,615	\$180,575	\$0	\$180,575	\$0
4240	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290	Emergency Management	09	\$2,435	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500	\$0
4299	Other Public Safety		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$495,736	\$545,832	\$546,824	\$0	\$546,824	\$0



Appropriations

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Airport/Aviation Center								
4301	Airport Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4302	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4309	Other Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets								
4311	Highway Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	09	\$585,271	\$548,750	\$601,000	\$0	\$601,000	\$0
4313	Bridges	09	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	09	\$3,564	\$4,500	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000	\$0
4319	Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Highways and Streets Subtotal		\$588,835	\$554,250	\$606,000	\$0	\$606,000	\$0
Sanitation								
4321	Sanitation Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	09	\$79,915	\$98,069	\$100,830	\$0	\$100,830	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	09	\$87,829	\$77,090	\$80,507	\$0	\$80,507	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up	09	\$10,499	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$0	\$13,000	\$0
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Sanitation Subtotal		\$178,243	\$188,159	\$194,337	\$0	\$194,337	\$0



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Water Distribution and Treatment								
4331	Water Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338	Water Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4339	Other Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric								
4351	Electric Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4352	Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Electric Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health								
4411	Health Administration	09	\$3,405	\$5,050	\$4,050	\$0	\$4,050	\$0
4414	Pest Control	09	\$9,409	\$10,050	\$11,350	\$0	\$11,025	\$0
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals	09	\$23,271	\$23,271	\$27,621	\$0	\$28,121	\$0
4419	Other Health		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Health Subtotal		\$36,085	\$38,371	\$43,021	\$0	\$43,196	\$0



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Welfare								
4441	Welfare Administration	09	\$13,997	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$0	\$12,600	\$0
4442	Direct Assistance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445	Vendor Payments		\$5,338	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4449	Other Welfare		\$0	\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
			\$19,335	\$16,000	\$12,000	\$0	\$12,600	\$0
Culture and Recreation								
4520	Parks and Recreation	09	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$0
4550	Library	09	\$59,792	\$64,285	\$66,213	\$0	\$66,213	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	09	\$763	\$700	\$750	\$0	\$750	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
			\$95,555	\$99,985	\$106,963	\$0	\$106,963	\$0
Conservation and Development								
4611	Conservation Administration	09	\$1,876	\$4,355	\$4,405	\$0	\$4,405	\$0
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	09	\$3,913	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000	\$0
4631	Redevelopment and Housing Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4632	Other Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651	Economic Development Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4652	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4659	Other Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
			\$5,789	\$8,355	\$8,405	\$0	\$8,405	\$0



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Debt Service								
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes	09	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
4790	Other Debt Service Charges	09	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
	Debt Service Subtotal		\$0	\$2	\$2	\$0	\$2	\$0
Capital Outlay								
4901	Land		\$408,078	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$419,683	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Capital Outlay Subtotal		\$408,078	\$419,683	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out								
4911	To Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4912	To Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		\$0	\$10,001	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Operating Budget Appropriations			\$2,224,305	\$0	\$2,222,093	\$0	\$0



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Selectmen's Appropriations for Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended) (Not Recommended)	Selectmen's Appropriations for Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended) (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended) (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended) (Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4419	Other Health	13	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	\$0
		<i>Purpose: End 68 Hours of Hunger</i>				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	20	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: This appropriation would allow repair of Engine 2</i>				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	21	\$19,000	\$0	\$19,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: This appropriation is for the purchase of a repeat</i>				
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	12	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Ryefield Road Paving</i>				
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	03	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Fire Truck and Equipment CRF</i>				
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	05	\$70,000	\$0	\$70,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Fire Truck and Fire Truck Equipment CRF</i>				
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	06	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Police Cruiser and Equipment CRF</i>				
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	10	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Transfer Station/Recycling Center CRF</i>				
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	22	\$47,500	\$0	\$47,500	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Town Owned Bridge CRF The previous established fun</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	04	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Fire Department Equipment ETF</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	07	\$7,000	\$0	\$7,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Police Safety Gear ETF</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	08	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Municipal Buildings ETF</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	11	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Bridge Maintenance ETF</i>				



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4916	To Expendable Trusts	14		\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0
			<i>Purpose: Computer Network ETF</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	15		\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	\$0
			<i>Purpose: Invasive Aquatic Plant ETF</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	16		\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	\$0
			<i>Purpose: Voting Machine ETF</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	17		\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	\$0
			<i>Purpose: Town Hall Repair and Rehabilitation ETF</i>				
4916	To Expendable Trusts	18		\$22,500	\$0	\$22,500	\$0
			<i>Purpose: Emergency Management Generator Replacement ETF</i>				
Total Proposed Special Articles				\$744,000	\$0	\$744,000	\$0



Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Selectmen's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended)	Selectmen's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 (Not Recommended)
4901	Land	19	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0
<i>Purpose: Set up Heritage Commission Fund</i>						
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0



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Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
Taxes						
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund	09	\$7,890		\$3,610	\$3,610
3180	Resident Taxes		\$0		\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Taxes	09	\$19,669		\$61,529	\$61,529
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0		\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0		\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0		\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	09	\$56,611		\$59,851	\$59,851
			\$84,170		\$124,990	\$124,990
Licenses, Permits, and Fees						
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	09	\$0		\$375	\$375
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	09	\$290,000		\$371,568	\$371,568
3230	Building Permits	09	\$4,853		\$7,815	\$7,815
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	09	\$7,000		\$100	\$100
			\$301,853		\$379,858	\$379,858
From Federal Government						
3311	Housing and Urban Development		\$0		\$0	\$0
3312	Environmental Protection		\$0		\$0	\$0
3313	Federal Emergency		\$0		\$0	\$0
3314	Federal Drug Enforcement		\$0		\$0	\$0
3319	Other Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$0		\$0	\$0
			\$0		\$0	\$0
State Sources						
3351	Shared Revenues - Block Grant		\$0		\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	09	\$161,566		\$149,431	\$149,431
3353	Highway Block Grant	09	\$83,690		\$81,333	\$81,333
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0		\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0		\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	09	\$1,672		\$2,121	\$2,121



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Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
State Sources					
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Railroad Tax Distribution	09	\$0	\$54,500	\$54,500
3360	Water Filtration Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3361	Landfill Closure Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3369	Other Intergovernmental Revenue from State of NH		\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues - Other	09	\$0	\$22,075	\$22,075
	State Sources Subtotal		\$246,928	\$309,460	\$309,460
Charges for Services					
3401	Income from Departments	09	\$0	\$24,956	\$24,956
3402	Water Supply System Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3403	Sewer User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3404	Garbage-Refuse Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3405	Electric User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3406	Airport Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Charges for Services Subtotal		\$0	\$24,956	\$24,956
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3500	Special Assessments		\$0	\$0	\$0
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	09	\$0	\$700	\$700
3502	Interest on Investments	09	\$15,953	\$5,797	\$5,797
3503	Other	09	\$2,196	\$110,923	\$110,923
3504	Fines and Forfeits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
3508	Contributions and Donations		\$0	\$0	\$0
3509	Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$18,149	\$117,420	\$117,420
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3911	From Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	20	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	04, 07, 10, 22, 18, 21, 11, 17, 14, 16, 05, 03, 15	\$190,183	\$186,500	\$186,500
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$190,183	\$186,500	\$186,500
	Total Estimated Revenues and Credits		\$841,283	\$1,393,184	\$1,393,184



Budget Summary

Item	Selectmen's Period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Period ending 12/31/2024 (Recommended)
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$2,224,305	\$2,222,093
Special Warrant Articles	\$744,000	\$744,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$500	\$500
Total Appropriations	\$2,968,805	\$2,966,593
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,393,184	\$1,393,184
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$1,575,621	\$1,573,409



Supplemental Schedule

1. Total Recommended by Budget Committee	\$2,966,593
Less Exclusions:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
4. Capital outlays funded from Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
5. Mandatory Assessments	\$0
6. Total Exclusions (<i>Sum of Lines 2 through 5 above</i>)	\$0
7. Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (Line 1 less Line 6)	\$2,966,593
8. 10% of Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (<i>Line 7 x 10%</i>)	\$296,659
Collective Bargaining Cost Items:	
9. Recommended Cost Items (Prior to Meeting)	\$0
10. Voted Cost Items (Voted at Meeting)	\$0
11. Amount voted over recommended amount (Difference of Lines 9 and 10)	\$0
12. Bond Override (RSA 32:18-a), Amount Voted	\$0
Maximum Allowable Appropriations Voted at Meeting:	
(Line 1 + Line 8 + Line 11 + Line 12)	
	\$3,263,252



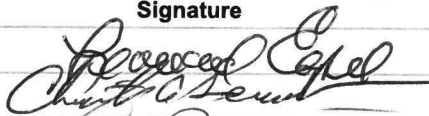
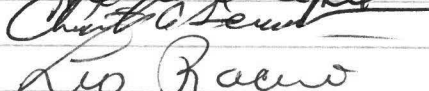

Effingham Summary Inventory of Valuation

Reports Required: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon reports prescribed for that purpose.

Note: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7.

For assistance please contact:
 NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
 (603) 230-5090
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

Assessor	
Chad Roberge (Avitar Associates)	

Municipal Officials		
Name	Position	Signature
Leonard Espie	Chair - BOS	
Christopher Seamans	BOS	
Leo Racine	BOS	

Preparer		
Name	Phone	Email
David Hynes	6035392706	assessing@effinghamnh.net

Preparer's Signature



Land Value Only		Acres	Valuation	
1A	Current Use RSA 79-A	13,380.15	\$666,174	
1B	Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B	0.00	\$0	
1C	Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	0.00	\$0	
1D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0.21	\$200	
1E	Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0.00	\$0	
1F	Residential Land	6,552.71	\$76,986,400	
1G	Commercial/Industrial Land	469.13	\$5,492,900	
1H	Total of Taxable Land	20,402.20	\$83,145,674	
1I	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	3,860.18	\$3,049,700	
Buildings Value Only		Structures	Valuation	
2A	Residential	0	\$102,767,332	
2B	Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31	0	\$7,925,100	
2C	Commercial/Industrial	0	\$19,272,600	
2D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	6	\$11,937	
2E	Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0	\$0	
2F	Total of Taxable Buildings	0	\$129,976,969	
2G	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings	0	\$9,348,931	
Utilities & Timber			Valuation	
3A	Utilities		\$3,395,200	
3B	Other Utilities		\$0	
4	Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5		\$0	
5	Valuation before Exemption		\$216,517,843	
Exemptions		Total Granted	Valuation	
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a	0	\$0	
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V	0	\$0	
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a	0	\$0	
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV	0	\$0	
10A	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12	0	\$0	
10B	Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a	0	\$0	
11	Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$216,517,843	
Optional Exemptions		Amount Per	Total	Valuation
12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$0	0	\$0
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b	\$0	15	\$725,000
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	\$0	0	\$0
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	\$0	0	\$0
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	\$0	4	\$7,000
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62	\$0	10	\$164,000
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	\$0	0	\$0
19	Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23	\$0	0	\$0
19A	Electric Energy Storage Systems RSA 72:85	\$0	0	\$0
19B	Renewable Generation Facilities & Electric Energy Systems	\$0	0	\$0
20	Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$896,000
21A	Net Valuation			\$215,621,843
21B	Less TIF Retained Value			\$0
21C	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value			\$215,621,843
21D	Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption			\$0
21E	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value and Comm/Ind Construction			\$215,621,843
22	Less Utilities			\$3,395,200
23A	Net Valuation without Utilities			\$212,226,643
23B	Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value			\$212,226,643



Utility Value Appraiser

Avitar Associates

The municipality **DOES NOT** use DRA utility values. The municipality **IS NOT** equalized by the ratio.

Electric Company Name	Distr.	Distr. (Other)	Gen.	Trans.	Valuation
NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC COOP	\$151,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$151,400
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	\$3,243,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,243,800
	\$3,395,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,395,200



Veteran's Tax Credits	Limits	Number	Est. Tax Credits
Veterans' Tax Credit RSA 72:28	\$500	69	\$34,250
Surviving Spouse RSA 72:29-a	\$2,000	2	\$4,000
Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability RSA 72:35	\$2,000	8	\$16,000
All Veterans Tax Credit RSA 72:28-b	\$0	0	\$0
Combat Service Tax Credit RSA 72:28-c	\$0	0	\$0
		79	\$54,250

Deaf & Disabled Exemption Report

Deaf Income Limits		Deaf Asset Limits	
Single	\$0	Single	\$0
Married	\$0	Married	\$0

Disabled Income Limits		Disabled Asset Limits	
Single	\$0	Single	\$0
Married	\$0	Married	\$0

Elderly Exemption Report

First-time Filers Granted Elderly Exemption for the Current Tax Year

Age	Number
65-74	1
75-79	0
80+	1

Total Number of Individuals Granted Elderly Exemptions for the Current Tax Year and Total Number of Exemptions Granted

Age	Number	Amount	Maximum	Total
65-74	12	\$45,000	\$540,000	\$540,000
75-79	1	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000
80+	2	\$65,000	\$130,000	\$130,000
	15		\$725,000	\$725,000

Income Limits

Single	\$28,000
Married	\$39,000

Asset Limits

Single	\$60,000
Married	\$60,000

Has the municipality adopted an exemption for Electric Energy Systems? (RSA 72:85)
 Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted an exemption for Renewable Gen. Facility & Electric Energy Storage? (RSA 72:87)
 Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Community Tax Relief Incentive? (RSA 79-E)
 Granted/Adopted? No Structures:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Certain Chartered Public School Facilities? (RSA 79-H)
 Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Qualifying Historic Buildings? (RSA 79-G)
 Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted the optional commercial and industrial construction exemption? (RSA 72:76-78 or RSA 72:80-83)
 Granted/Adopted? No Properties:
 Percent of assessed value attributable to new construction to be exempted:
 Total Exemption Granted:

Has the municipality granted any credits under the low-income housing tax credit tax program? (RSA 75:1-a)
 Granted/Adopted? No Properties:
 Assessed value prior to effective date of RSA 75:1-a:
 Current Assessed Value:



Current Use RSA 79-A	Total Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	392.84	\$85,782
Forest Land	9,371.40	\$485,500
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	2,313.19	\$76,787
Unproductive Land	442.23	\$5,638
Wet Land	860.49	\$12,467
	13,380.15	\$666,174

Other Current Use Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	7,667.08
Total Number of Acres Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	Acres:	2.50
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	Owners:	172
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	Parcels:	301

Land Use Change Tax

Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year		\$1,845
Conservation Allocation	Percentage: 50.00%	Dollar Amount: \$0
Monies to Conservation Fund		\$0
Monies to General Fund		\$1,845

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B

	Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	0.00	\$0
Forest Land	0.00	\$0
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	0.00	\$0
Unproductive Land	0.00	\$0
Wet Land	0.00	\$0
	0.00	\$0

Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	0.00
Total Number of Acres Removed from Conservation Restriction During Current Tax Year	Acres:	0.00
Owners in Conservation Restriction	Owners:	0
Parcels in Conservation Restriction	Parcels:	0



Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	Acres	Owners	Assessed Valuation
	0.00	0	\$0

Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F				
Number Granted	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
0	0	0.00	\$0	\$0

Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D				
Owners	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
1	6	0.21	\$200	\$11,937

Map	Lot	Block	%	Description
000404	000015	000000	75	79-D HISTORIC BARN
000404	000015	000000	75	79-D HISTORIC BARN
000404	000015	000000	75	79-D HISTORIC BARN
000404	000015	000000	75	79-D HISTORIC BARN
000404	000015	000000	75	79-D HISTORIC BARN
000404	000015	000000	75	79-D HISTORIC BARN

Tax Increment Financing District	Date	Original	Unretained	Retained	Current
<i>This municipality has no TIF districts.</i>					

Revenues Received from Payments in Lieu of Tax	Revenue	Acres
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreational and/or land from MS-434, account 3356 and 3357	\$2,134.00	3,008.00
White Mountain National Forest only, account 3186	\$0.00	0.00

Payments in Lieu of Tax from Renewable Generation Facilities (RSA 72:74)	Amount
<i>This municipality has not adopted RSA 72:74 or has no applicable PILT sources.</i>	

Other Sources of Payments in Lieu of Taxes (MS-434 Account 3186)	Amount
<i>This municipality has no additional sources of PILTs.</i>	

Notes



2023
\$24.69

Tax Rate Breakdown Effingham

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$1,912,790	\$215,621,843	\$8.87
County	\$301,585	\$215,621,843	\$1.40
Local Education	\$2,723,257	\$215,621,843	\$12.63
State Education	\$379,995	\$212,226,643	\$1.79
Total	\$5,317,627		\$24.69

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Total	\$0		\$0.00

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$5,317,627
War Service Credits	(\$54,250)
Village District Tax Effort	\$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$5,263,377



Sam Greene
 Director of Municipal and Property Division
 New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

11/9/2023

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$2,619,897	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$651,100)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$190,183)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0
War Service Credits	\$54,250	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$79,926	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$1,912,790	

County Apportionment		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$301,585	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$301,585	

Education		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$4,307,871	
Net Education Grant		(\$1,204,619)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$379,995)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$2,723,257	
State Education Tax	\$379,995	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$379,995	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)		
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$215,621,843	\$214,655,067
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$212,226,643	\$210,438,567
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$215,621,843	\$214,655,067
Village (MS-1V)		
Description	Current Year	

Effingham

Tax Commitment Verification

2023 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II	
Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$5,263,377
1/2% Amount	\$26,317
Acceptable High	\$5,289,694
Acceptable Low	\$5,237,060

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not be correct. The tax rate will need to be recalculated. Contact your assessors immediately and call us at 603.230.5090 before you issue the bills. See RSA 76:10, II

Commitment Amount	
Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)	
Net amount after TIF adjustment	

Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2023 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:	Date:
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Submit this signed verification form with a copy of the completed and signed warrant total page and an actual tax bill to your DRA municipal auditor.

Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times 1/2 of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times 1/2 the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

Effingham	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2023 Tax Rate	\$24.69	\$12.35

Associated Villages

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$0
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$6,024,734
Final Overlay	\$79,926

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality’s unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality’s stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that “...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures.” [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.
 [2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2009), *Best Practice: Determining the Appropriate Level of Unrestricted Fund Balance in the General Fund*.
 [3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance*.

2023 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Effingham	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (22.28%)	\$1,342,481
17% Retained <i>(Maximum Recommended)</i>	\$1,024,205
10% Retained	\$602,473
8% Retained	\$481,979
5% Retained <i>(Minimum Recommended)</i>	\$301,237

NOTICE: The current fund balance retained amount is above the maximum recommended threshold.



Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning JAN 1 2023 and ending DEC. 31 2023

This form is due **March 1st (Calendar Year) or September 1st (Fiscal Year)**

Instructions

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- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
Phone: (603) 230-5090
Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality: EFFINGHAM County: CARROLL Report Year: 2023

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name ALLEN Last Name CURTIS
Street No. 68 Street Name SCHOOL STREET Phone Number 603-539-7551
Email (optional) townclerk@effinghamnh.net



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Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2022	Year: 2021	Year: 2020	
Property Taxes	3110		\$1,323,636.59	\$4236.41	\$0.00	
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120					
Yield Taxes	3185					
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance		\$9925.89				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
			2022		
Property Taxes	3110	\$5,262,081.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$7890.00			
Yield Taxes	3185	\$12,921.13	15,503.27		
Excavation Tax	3187				
Other Taxes	3189				

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
			2022	2021	2020
Property Taxes	3110	\$36,981.72			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187	\$2,753.80	\$28,457.46	\$3.29	\$0.00
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190				
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				

Total Debits \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00
 \$5,312,707.76 \$1,370,598.16 \$4239.70 \$0.00



Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Property Taxes	\$4,549,539.66	\$996,869.98	\$40.41	\$0.00
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$7,899			
Yield Taxes	\$12,921.13	\$16,143.79		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$2,753.80	\$24,022.48		
Penalties		\$4435.00		
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$293,801.89		
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022		
Property Taxes	\$36,456.02	\$31,854.51		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes		\$331.54		
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Current Levy Deeded	2012			



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	
Property Taxes	\$703,111.90	\$3,139.00	\$4196.00	
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance	\$1976.75			
Total Credits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$5,312,707.76	\$1,370,598.16	\$4,239.70	\$0.00

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$0.00
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$0.00



Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2022	Year: 2021	Year: 2020
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year	\$152,274.07	0.00	\$149,182.86	\$90,106.38
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$311,763.70	\$311,763.70		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$158,097.59	\$2969.56	\$10,416.03	\$19,088.42
		\$314,733.26	\$159,598.99	\$109,194.80
Total Debits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2022	2021	2020
Redemptions	\$676,844.03	\$155,182.03	\$64,363.81	\$82,216.92
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$158,097.59	\$2,969.56	\$10,416.03	\$19,088.42
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	\$32,761.52		\$449.47	
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$13,055.96	\$4,307.60	\$3,450.92	\$3,285.44
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	948,243.65	\$152,274.07	\$80,918.66	\$4,604.02
Total Credits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

\$985,280.85 \$314,733.26 \$159,598.99 \$109,194.80

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$0.00
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$0.00



1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name

Preparer's Last Name

Date

ALLEN

CURTIS

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2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

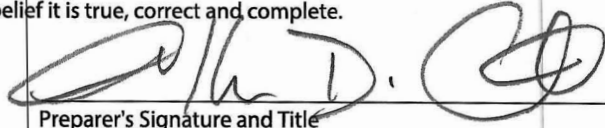
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3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

 SR TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR

Preparer's Signature and Title

Annual Town Meeting

March 18, 2023

The Town Election scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2023 was postponed due to a snow storm.

The rescheduled election was held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023. The checklist reads **1,089** registered voters. **356** ballots were cast including **52** absentee ballots. **9** new voters registered on voting day.

The Town meeting was called to order at 9:00 am on Saturday, March 18, 2023. The Town Meeting had Eighty-Eight (88) registered voters in attendance. Moderator Pitman thanked everyone for coming and went over the rules of conduct and safety measures of the meeting. Moderator Pitman started with the pledge of allegiance. Moderator Pitman acknowledged former Moderator Susan Slack.

Moderator Pitman recognized Town Officials, the school, the check in table, Fire and Police, Library and nonprofits, POT member Janet Bull and former Town Clerk Deanna Amaral. Moderator Pitman announced the food drive at meeting and voting day.

Moderator Pitman asked David Strauss, Chair of Budget Committee to speak about how the budget was put together this year. The budget committee met ten times, for a total of thirty hours this year.

Budget Chairman Strauss explained the budget before the voters will result in an increase of \$.58 cents per thousand for the Town, in December 2023. The school tax portion is projected to be \$1.97 per thousand. Warrant articles using the unassigned fund balance total \$120,500 with \$2,000 returned from Parsonsfield ME for a total of \$118,500. These articles will have no effect on the tax rate. The Elm Street project is the big-ticket item. With that, the unassigned fund balance is just over \$700,000, the Budget Committee and the Selectboard has decided this is a good number moving forward.

Steven Regal gave thanks for the donations to the Freedom Food Pantry. Special recognition was given to Susan Regal, that raised \$3,200 in her memory for work on Historic Town Hall.

Effingham Police Chief Joe Duchesne introduced new Sergeant Tyler Eldridge and Senior Patrol Officer Bryan Baker.

Article 01 Elect Officers

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year:

- 1 – Selectman, 3 year
- 1 – Town Clerk/ Tax Collector, 1 year
- 1 – Trustee of Trust Funds, 3 year
- 2 – Library Trustee, 3 year
- 1 – Library Trustee, 2 year
- 2 – Budget Committee Members,3 year
- 2 – Planning Board Members, 3 year
- 2 – Zoning Board of Adjustment, 3 year
- 1 – Zoning board of Adjustment, 1 year

Due to lack of election on March 14, 2023, Article 1. The election will take place on March 28, 2023.

Article moved by Dan Felix **2nd: Mike Pilkovski**

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Article 02 Abandon Road

Shall the Town vote, pursuant to RSA 231:43, to completely discontinue a portion of public highway known as Stillings Lane, said portion extending approximately 1,190 feet in a southwest direction from Route 25 to Green Mountain Road. If approved, ownership of the discontinued road will revert to the abutting landowners. Majority vote required.

Article moved by Melissa Seamans **2nd by Erik Jones**

Motion carries, Majority yes / 2 no

Article 03 Fire Truck and Equipment CFR

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be added to the Fire Truck and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Chris Seamans **2nd by Jim Giguere**

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 1963. Used for purchase, refurbish or equip fire trucks. Fire Chief Felix explained tanker is nineteen years old, \$600,000 to replace/ \$400,000 refurbish. Grant to cover +/- 50% of cost. \$162,000 in fund.

Article 04 Fire Department Equipment ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund

balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Chris Seamans

2nd Steven Regal

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2017. Used to purchase and refurbish fire department equipment. Fire Chief Felix explained how expensive equipment is and keeping up to date is essential.

Article 05 Fire Truck and Fire Truck Equipment CRF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Fire Truck and Fire Truck Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance (which represents money received from the Town of Parsonsfield for Fire Department Mutual aid). No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Jennifer Maki

2nd Allen Curtis

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 1963. Used for purchasing, refurbishing, or equipping fire trucks. Funds to be added to previously established Fire Truck and Fire Truck Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Melissa Seamans asked if we could make this permanent every year and not have to vote on it. Chuck Fuller said it is a warrant and must be voted on every year.

Article 06 Police Cruiser and Equipment CRF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Police Cruiser and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to come from taxation. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Moderator Pittman explained there was an error in the warrant article and asked for a motion to strike the third sentence "No amount is to be raised from taxation".

Allen Curtis voted to amend the article as stated. The motion was seconded by George Bull. The motion to amend carries.

Article moved by Leo Racine as modified 2nd Elaine Chick

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 1990 for the purpose of purchasing, refurbishing or equip police cruisers for use by officers of Effingham Police Department.

Article 07 Police Safety Gear ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Police Safety/Protective Gear Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote

required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Moved by Erik Jones

2nd Jim Giguere

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2014 for the purpose of purchasing protective gear, equipment, and garments for use by officers of Effingham Police Department. Annual event funding for Kevlar vests and other equipment that must be replaced every five years.

Joanna Bull motion to restrict Articles 2-7

2nd Karen Payne

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Article 08 Municipal Buildings ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Municipal Building Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Moved by Steven Regal

2nd Paul Bartoswicz

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 1998. Will be used to repair municipal building and parking lot. Repair roof of municipal building.

Article 09 Operating Budget

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended amount of \$2,124,713 for general Municipal Operations. This sum is to come from taxation. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Moved by Emelyn Albert

2nd Paul Bartoswicz

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Paul Bartoswicz motion to restrict Articles 8 and 9

2nd Erik Jones

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Article 10 Transfer Station/Recycling Center CRF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Jen Maki

2nd Heidi Foy

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2003 for constructing, reconstructing, repairing buildings and site improvement. Karen Payne thanks town for Steve Regal aluminum recycle program that helps library funds.

Article 11 **Bridge Maintenance ETF**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Bridge Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Gary Dean **2nd Rosemarie Wissenbach**

Article passed by unanimous consent

Description

Fund established in 2017 for maintaining town owned bridges. Yearly contribution used for guardrail, paint, and salt removal. Upkeep, not bridge replacement.

Article 12 **Elm Street Paving**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$419,683 to pave Elm Street from the Ossipee Town Line to the Bridge. The sum of \$250,000 is to come from taxation and \$169,683 is to come from the unassigned fund balance (unanticipated funds of \$69,683 from the State of NH Department of Transportation). This is a non-lapsing warrant article with a lapse date of December 31, 2025. This is a special warrant article. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Article moved by Mike Mazzaschi **2nd Allen Curtis**

Majority consent YES; 1 NO

Description

The Selectmen responded to Town citizens questions about drainage, road shouldering, who will oversee the project and if grant is enough to cover cost.

Cheryl Feirick Motion to restrict Articles 10-12 **2nd Jen Maki**

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Article 13 **Planning and Land Use ETF**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be added to the Planning and Land Use Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Heidi Foy **2nd Brian Hefner**

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2005 for updating master plan, creating Capital Improvement and other land use planning projects.

Article 14 Computer Network ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be added to the Computer Network Equipment Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Steven Regal 2nd Gary Dean

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2018 for purchasing, maintaining, and repairing computer and network related hardware and software. Annual expense for the protection of hacking and ransom.

Article 15 Invasive Aquatic Plant ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to be added to the Invasive Aquatic Plant Non-Capital Reserve Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Emelyn Albert 2nd Carol Pfister

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2004 for preventing and eradicating invasive aquatic plants found in the public water of the Town. Milfoil reduction.

Article 16 Voting Machine ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to be added to the Voting Machine Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Chris Seamans 2nd George Bull

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2013 for purchasing a State approved election voting machine.

Article 17 Town Hall Repair and Rehabilitation ETF

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Town Hall Repair and Rehabilitation Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Article moved by Erik Jones 2nd Allen Curtis

Majority consent YES; 1 NO

Description

Fund established in 2005 to preserve Town Hall building including structural repairs and restorations, interior/ exterior repairs, and restoration. The fund has raised \$532,800 in donations and \$116,000 from Town.

Article 18 Emergency Management Generator Replacement

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to be added to the Emergency Management Generator Replacement Expendable Trust Fund. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance. No amount is to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article. Majority vote required. The Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article moved by Chris Seamans

2nd Mike Cahalane

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Fund established in 2021 to be used to purchase or replace emergency generators for the Elementary School, Fire Station, Town Office, or other Town owned facility. Funds built up will offset the cost of new replacement during any one year.

Erik Jones motion to restrict Articles 13-18

2nd Paul Bartoswicz

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Article 19 Establish Police Detail Revolving Funds

Shall the Town establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of police special details wages, benefits and administrative costs related to details. And to raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar (\$1) to be deposited into the fund. All revenues received for the police special details will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. At the end of the fiscal year, funds in excess of \$2,500 shall be transferred to the Town's General Fund. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Article moved by Christine Curtis

2nd Gary Dean

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

Chuck Fuller states the account is overextended every year, fund developed to not go over police budget. Excess funds at the end of year to be transferred back to Town general fund.

Article 20 Modify Land Use Change Tax

Shall the town vote to modify the current land use change tax placed in the Conservation Fund. The fund would continue to receive fifty (50) percent while removing the present cap of \$2,500, as authorized under RSA 79-A:25, said monies to be deposited into the existing

Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5,III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II, to be used for conservation purposes including the acquisition of land, easements, development rights, and costs associated therewith. (Majority vote required)

Article moved by Emelyn Albert
Majority consent YES; 1 NO

2nd Jack Williams

Description

Effingham is the only town in Carroll County with a cap for the land use change tax which was put in place in 2007. Tax is for subdividing current use land at ten percent of market value. Conservation Commission received \$13,000 with cap and would have received \$26,000 without cap.

Article 21 Modify Elderly Exemption

Shall the town modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Effingham, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$45,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$55,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$65,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person’s spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$28,000 not less than \$13,400 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$39,000 not less than \$20,400; and own net assets not in excess of \$60,000 not less than \$35,000 excluding the value of the person’s residence. (Majority vote required)

Article moved by Allen Curtis

2nd Jim Morris

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

The article will allow elderly to qualify for exemption of property tax while still owning assets such as a car, boat or having a part time income. The bottom cap is realized so individuals would not be able to collect from both Federal and Town Assistance (double dipping).

Article 22 Adopt Animal Control Ordinance

Shall the Town vote to adopt Animal Control Ordinance, regulation of horses, farm animals and poultry as follows: Pursuant to the authority conferred by the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 31:39, I (b) in order to promote the general welfare of the citizens of the Town of Effingham, the following Ordinance is hereby enacted:

SECTION 001. REGULATION

- 1.1 It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any horse, farm animal or poultry to either willfully or negligently allow such animal to run at large in public places. “Run at large” shall be construed to mean off the property of the owner or keeper and not under the control of the owner or keeper by leash, cord, chain, or otherwise.
- 1.2 Any horse, farm animal or poultry found in a public place, and not under the control of its owner or keeper, may be taken into custody by the Effingham Animal Control Officer or a Effingham Police Officer or other designee. The Officer or designee shall make reasonable efforts to notify the owner or keeper of the animal, before seizing it.

1.3 Any horse, farm animal or poultry that is seized by the Effingham Animal Control Officer or a Effingham Police Officer or other designee in a public place, where the owner or keeper cannot be identified or located, shall be held by the Town at a Town approved facility. The owner or keeper of the animals shall be responsible for all damages and expenses incurred in the capturing, transporting and holding of the escaped animal, boarding costs, and any medical care required by the holding facility.

SECTION 002. PENALTIES

2.1 Any owner or keeper of a horse, farm animal or poultry who willfully or negligently permits such animals to run at large in public places, may be subject to a penalty not exceeding \$1,000 for each offense. Any fine or penalty collected under this Ordinance shall be paid to the Town of Effingham.

2.2 In addition to any penalty, in conjunction with any penalty, or as an alternative to any penalty imposed under this Ordinance, the Town of Effingham may request that the Court require the owner or keeper of the horse, farm animal or poultry which has been impounded for running at large, to pay for the boarding and impoundment fees established by the animal shelter or holding facility and any reasonably necessary medical expenses incurred during the impoundment of the animal regardless of whether the owner or keeper retrieves the animal. Majority vote required.

**Article moved by Jen Mackey
Majority consent YES; 3 NO**

2nd Gary Dean

Description

Town has had issues with “animals running at large” and is asking for owners to pay for boarding, medical expenses, and impoundment fees. Asked to amend the bill for property damage, will amend the bill for next year. Horses and animals go to SPCA. Questions asked regarding how long we pay for animals. Dogs are not included because dogs have their own ordinance.

Article 23 Communications District

Shall the Town of Effingham accept the provisions of RSA 53-G:1-RSA 53-G:11 providing for the establishment of a communications district, together with the municipalities of Albany, Bartlett, Brookfield, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hales Location, Harts Location, Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough, Ossipee, Tamworth and Tuftonboro in accordance with the provisions of the proposed agreement filed with Town Office.

Article moved by George Bull

2nd Karen Payne

Article passed by unanimous consent.

Description

The language of this bill was provided by the State, it includes 0% tax liability and covers high speed broadband to every town in Carroll County. Seven towns have agreed to this. Towns can discontinue agreement with a fifteen-day notice.



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Effingham

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PREPARER'S EFILE
CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Tim Greene

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
Leonard Espie CEO Racine	Selectman Selectman	

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
<https://www.proptax.org/>

For assistance please contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
(603) 230-5090
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>



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Account	Purpose	Voted Appropriations	Actual Expenditures
General Government			
4130-4139	Executive	\$162,500	\$156,642
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	\$45,333	\$42,907
4150-4151	Financial Administration	\$59,447	\$58,270
4152	Revaluation of Property	\$38,400	\$28,047
4153	Legal Expense	\$40,000	\$91,550
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	\$97,662	\$96,762
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	\$34,086	\$33,965
4194	General Government Buildings	\$73,000	\$74,094
4195	Cemeteries	\$2,000	\$1,220
4196	Insurance	\$81,902	\$74,565
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	\$3,000	\$4,785
4199	Other General Government	\$0	\$0
General Government Subtotal		\$637,330	\$662,807
Public Safety			
4210-4214	Police	\$234,367	\$236,980
4215-4219	Ambulance	\$120,000	\$111,152
4220-4229	Fire	\$153,847	\$199,798
<i>Explanation: ARPA equipment grant expended</i>			
4240-4249	Building Inspection	\$0	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	\$4,490	\$4,707
4299	Other (Including Communications)	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal		\$512,704	\$552,637
Airport/Aviation Center			
4301-4309	Airport Operations	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets			
4311	Administration	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	\$1,513,750	\$1,638,441
<i>Explanation: Encumbrance from prior year</i>			
4313	Bridges	\$1,000	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	\$4,500	\$5,298
4319	Other	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal		\$1,519,250	\$1,643,739
Sanitation			
4321	Administration	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	\$95,620	\$84,762
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$76,990	\$75,926
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	\$10,000	\$6,215
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal	\$0	\$0



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4329	Other Sanitation	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal		\$182,610	\$166,903
Water Distribution and Treatment			
4331	Administration	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services	\$0	\$0
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation and Other	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		\$0	\$0
Electric			
4351-4352	Administration and Generation	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal		\$0	\$0
Health			
4411	Administration	\$4,500	\$4,615
4414	Pest Control	\$6,700	\$5,483
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	\$22,530	\$22,530
Health Subtotal		\$33,730	\$32,628
Welfare			
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	\$12,000	\$7,677
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	\$4,000	\$3,259
Welfare Subtotal		\$16,000	\$10,936
Culture and Recreation			
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	\$30,000	\$30,000
4550-4559	Library	\$64,285	\$55,673
4583	Patriotic Purposes	\$700	\$729
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	\$0	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal		\$94,985	\$86,402
Conservation and Development			
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	\$3,805	\$3,805
4619	Other Conservation	\$4,000	\$3,792
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal		\$7,805	\$7,597
Debt Service			
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	\$0	\$0

DRA Notes: MC: = LTD Schedule



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4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	\$0	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	\$1	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service	\$1	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal		\$2	\$0
Capital Outlay			
4901	Land	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings	\$0	\$135,910
<i>Explanation: Expenditures related to unanticipated grants</i>			
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	\$0	\$171,915
<i>Explanation: Expenditures from CRF/ETF as agents</i>			
Capital Outlay Subtotal		\$0	\$307,825
Operating Transfers Out			
4912	To Special Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water	\$0	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	\$41,500	\$41,500
<i>DRA Notes: MC: WA#10,12,14,17,28 = MS9</i>			
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	\$84,000	\$84,000
<i>DRA Notes: MC: WA#11,13,15,16,18,22,25,26,27 = MS9</i>			
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		\$125,500	\$125,500
Payments to Other Governments			
4931	Taxes Assessed for County	\$0	\$227,600
4932	Taxes Assessed for Village District	\$0	\$0
4933	Taxes Assessed for Local Education	\$0	\$2,689,580
4934	Taxes Assessed for State Education	\$0	\$253,377
4939	Payments to Other Governments	\$0	\$0
Payments to Other Governments Subtotal			\$3,170,557
Total Before Payments to Other Governments		\$3,129,916	\$3,596,974
Plus Payments to Other Governments			\$3,170,557
Plus Commitments to Other Governments from Tax Rate		\$3,170,557	
Less Proprietary/Special Funds		\$0	\$0
Total General Fund Expenditures		\$6,300,473	\$6,767,531



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Account	Source of Revenues	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues
Taxes			
3110	Property Taxes	\$0	\$5,033,342
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	\$2,960	\$3,610
3121	Land Use Change Taxes (Conservation)	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	\$34,466	\$61,529
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	\$53,198	\$59,851
9991	Inventory Penalties	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal		\$90,624	\$5,158,332
Licenses, Permits, and Fees			
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	\$0	\$375
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$198,537	\$371,568
3230	Building Permits	\$5,000	\$7,815
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	\$8,681	\$100
3311-3319	From Federal Government	\$150,000	\$192,637
<i>Explanation: ARPA equipment grant</i>			
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal		\$362,218	\$572,495
State Sources			
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	\$149,430	\$149,431
3353	Highway Block Grant	\$81,650	\$81,333
3354	Water Pollution Grant	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	\$2,121	\$2,121
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	\$0	\$54,500
<i>Explanation: LCHIP and Moose Plate unanticipated</i>			
3379	From Other Governments	\$0	\$22,075
State Sources Subtotal		\$233,201	\$309,460
Charges for Services			
3401-3406	Income from Departments	\$16,000	\$24,956
3409	Other Charges	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal		\$16,000	\$24,956
Miscellaneous Revenues			
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	\$0	\$700
3502	Interest on Investments	\$0	\$5,797
3503-3509	Other	\$2,951	\$110,923



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Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$2,951	\$117,420
Interfund Operating Transfers In			
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	\$0	\$10,554
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	\$0	\$171,915
<i>Explanation: Expenditures as agents to expend</i>			
3917	From Conservation Funds	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$0	\$182,469
Other Financing Sources			
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$0	\$0
Less Proprietary/Special Funds		\$0	\$0
Plus Property Tax Commitment from Tax Rate		\$5,054,359	
Total General Fund Revenues		\$5,759,353	\$6,365,132



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Account	Description	Starting Balance	Ending Balance
Current Assets			
1010	Cash and Equivalents	\$2,619,150	\$1,615,284
	<i>DRA Notes: MC: Treas Rept pg 18</i>		
1030	Investments	\$0	\$0
1080	Tax Receivable	\$543,637	\$1,305,031
	<i>DRA Notes: MC: <> MS61 \$1,323,637</i>		
1110	Tax Liens Receivable	\$236,034	\$240,132
	<i>DRA Notes: MC: ~ MS61 \$239,289</i>		
1150	Accounts Receivable	\$4	\$280
1260	Due from Other Governments	\$0	\$22,075
1310	Due from Other Funds	\$1,515	\$3,088
1400	Other Current Assets	\$0	\$0
1670	Tax Deeded Property (Subject to Resale)	\$22,505	\$32,926
	Current Assets Subtotal	\$3,422,845	\$3,218,816
Current Liabilities			
2020	Warrants and Accounts Payable	\$62,266	\$72,746
2030	Compensated Absences Payable	\$0	\$0
2050	Contracts Payable	\$0	\$0
2070	Due to Other Governments	\$0	\$0
2075	Due to School Districts	\$1,270,543	\$1,400,142
2080	Due to Other Funds	\$1,437	\$1,848
2220	Deferred Revenue	\$89,660	\$149,738
2230	Notes Payable - Current	\$0	\$0
2270	Other Payable	\$16,679	\$14,481
	Current Liabilities Subtotal	\$1,440,585	\$1,638,955
Fund Equity			
2440	Non-spendable Fund Balance	\$22,505	\$32,926
2450	Restricted Fund Balance	\$0	\$0
2460	Committed Fund Balance	\$158,941	\$2,851
2490	Assigned Fund Balance	\$45,329	\$11,420
2530	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$1,755,485	\$1,532,664
	Fund Equity Subtotal	\$1,982,260	\$1,579,861



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Source	County	Village	Local Education	State Education	Other	Property Tax
MS-535	\$227,600	\$0	\$2,689,580	\$253,377	\$0	\$5,033,342
Commitment	\$227,600	\$0	\$2,689,580	\$253,377		\$5,054,359
Difference	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		(\$21,017)

General Fund Balance Sheet Reconciliation

Total Revenues	\$6,365,132
Total Expenditures	\$6,767,531
Change	(\$402,399)
Ending Fund Equity	\$1,579,861
Beginning Fund Equity	\$1,982,260
Change	(\$402,399)

