

MINUTES

AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024 - 1:00 PM
SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUILDING SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM - HOULTON

Present:

Paul J. Underwood, Chair, County Commissioners' via Zoom
Norman L. Fournier, County Commissioner
William T. Dobbins, County Commissioner
Ryan D. Pelletier, County Administrator
Dana Gendreau, Finance Director
Erica Pelletier, Commander
Tammy Pelletier, Operations Assistant
Steve Pelletier, ARPA Program Administrator via Zoom
Darren Woods, Director EMA via Zoom
Kathleen Tomaselli, Bangor Daily News via Zoom

ART. 1. Commissioner Paul Underwood called the regular meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

MOTION:

Motion to nominate Paul Underwood as Chair made by William Dobbins and seconded by Norman Fournier.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

Commissioner Underwood requested Commissioner Norman Fournier to chair the meeting, and Commissioner Fournier accepted.

ART. 2. Pledge of allegiance.

ART. 3. No public comment.

ART. 4. **MOTION:**

Motion by William Dobbins, seconded by Paul Underwood to approve the agenda.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 5. Commissioner Fournier entertained a motion for approval of the December 12, 2023 & December 20, 2023 County Commissioners' meeting minutes.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul Underwood and seconded by William Dobbins to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023 & December 20, 2023 County Commissioners' meetings.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ART. 6. The County Commissioners approved and signed the following:

- A) Attendance record.
- B) Bills and warrants.
- C) UVEC – Games of Chance License Application – Benedicta

MOTION:

Motion by William Dobbins and seconded by Paul Underwood to approve the UVEC Games of Chance license application.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 7. Ms. Dana Gendreau presented for consideration a request to align the mileage reimbursement rate for 2024 with the 2024 IRS rate of \$0.67/mile.

MOTION:

Motion by William Dobbins and seconded by Paul Underwood to approve the 2024 mileage reimbursement rate of \$0.67/mile.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 8. Mr. Ryan Pelletier presented for ratification a letter of support for NMDC for a regional code officer position.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul Underwood and seconded by William Dobbins to ratify the letter of support for NMDC for a regional code officer.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 9. Ms. Erica Pelletier presented for consideration the hiring recommendation of Sean Montpetit as full-time communications dispatcher.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul Underwood and seconded by William Dobbins to approve the hiring of Sean Montpetit as full-time communications dispatcher.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 10. Ms. Erica Pelletier presented for consideration the hiring recommendation of William Janakis as full-time patrol sergeant.

MOTION:

Motion by Paul Underwood and seconded by William Dobbins to approve the hiring of William Janakis as full-time patrol sergeant.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

- ART. 11. County Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Fournier reported that there has been no update since the December meeting on MCCA/Risk Pool.

Legislatively, there are 300-400 bills in this current session. Hearings are expected to be done by the end of January with the session ending in April.

No motion necessary.

ART. 12. Other business

Several thank you letters were received from several of the organizations who received their annual appropriation. Commissioner Dobbins inquired about the County Programs that request and were awarded funds. The program has been in place for a long time and has been reduced over the years. No new organizations are permitted to request funding and funding has been reduced over the years.

No motion necessary.

ART. 13. At 1:22 pm, the following motion was made by William Dobbins and seconded by Paul Underwood:

“I move that we enter Executive Session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA 405(6)(A) to discuss the process and procedures for County Administrator’s contract review.”

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

Upon return from Executive Session at 1:47 pm, no action was taken.

ART. 14. Adjournment

MOTION:

A motion was made by William Dobbins and seconded by Paul Underwood to adjourn the meeting at 1:48 pm.

VOTE:

Motion voted on and passed.

ATTEST: A True Copy
of Commissioners’ Meeting

Ryan D. Pelletier
County Administrator

AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DATE: February 21th, 2024

4. Indicate the type of license applying for: (choose only one)

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restaurant
(Class I, II, III, IV) | <input type="checkbox"/> Class A Restaurant/Lounge
(Class XI) | <input type="checkbox"/> Class A Lounge
(Class X) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hotel
(Class I, II, III, IV) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hotel – Food Optional
(Class I-A) | <input type="checkbox"/> Bed & Breakfast
(Class V) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Course (included optional licenses, please check if apply)
(Class I, II, III, IV) | <input type="checkbox"/> Auxiliary | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Cart |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tavern
(Class IV) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Qualified Caterer | <input type="checkbox"/> Self-Sponsored Events (Qualified Caterers Only) | |

Refer to Section V for the License Fee Schedule on page 9

5. Business records are located at the following address:

48 Sinclair Rd Sinclair ME 04779

6. Is the licensee/applicant(s) citizens of the United States? Yes No
7. Is the licensee/applicant(s) a resident of the State of Maine? Yes No

NOTE: Applicants that are not citizens of the United States are required to file for the license as a business entity.

8. Is licensee/applicant(s) a business entity like a corporation or limited liability company?
 Yes No If Yes, complete Section VII at the end of this application
9. For a licensee/applicant who is a business entity as noted in Section I, does any officer, director, member, manager, shareholder or partner have in any way an interest, directly or indirectly, in their capacity in any other business entity which is a holder of a wholesaler license granted by the State of Maine?
 Yes No
 Not applicable – licensee/applicant(s) is a sole proprietor

10. Is the licensee or applicant for a license receiving, directly or indirectly, any money, credit, thing of value, endorsement of commercial paper, guarantee of credit or financial assistance of any sort from any person or entity within or without the State, if the person or entity is engaged, directly or indirectly, in the manufacture, distribution, wholesale sale, storage or transportation of liquor.

Yes No

If yes, please provide details: _____

11. Do you own or have any interest in any another Maine Liquor License? Yes No





If yes, please list license number, business name, and complete physical location address: (attach additional pages as needed using the same format)

Name of Business	License Number	Complete Physical Address

12. List name, date of birth, place of birth for all applicants including any manager(s) employed by the licensee/applicant. Provide maiden name, if married. (attach additional pages as needed using the same format)

Full Name	DOB	Place of Birth
NEAL MARK MARTIN		

Residence address on all the above for previous 5 years

Name	Address:	
NEAL MARTIN		
Name	Address:	
Name	Address:	
Name	Address:	

13. Will any law enforcement officer directly benefit financially from this license, if issued?

Yes No

If Yes, provide name of law enforcement officer and department where employed:

14. Has the licensee/applicant(s) ever been convicted of any violation of the liquor laws in Maine or any State of the United States? Yes No

If Yes, please provide the following information and attach additional pages as needed using the same format.

Name: _____ Date of Conviction: _____

Offense: _____ Location: _____

Disposition: _____

15. Has the licensee/applicant(s) ever been convicted of any violation of any law, other than minor traffic violations, in Maine or any State of the United States? Yes No

If Yes, please provide the following information and attach additional pages as needed using the same format.

Name: NEAL Martin Date of Conviction: 2005

Offense: OVI Location: Fort Kent Maine

Disposition: _____

16. Has the licensee/applicant(s) formerly held a Maine liquor license? Yes No

17. Does the licensee/applicant(s) own the premises? Yes No

If No, please provide the name and address of the owner:

Section III: For use by Municipal Officers and County Commissioners only

The undersigned hereby certifies that we have complied with the process outlined in 28-A M.R.S. §653 and approve this on-premises liquor license application.

Dated: _____

Who is approving this application? Municipal Officers of _____

County Commissioners of _____ County

- Please Note:** The Municipal Officers or County Commissioners must confirm that the records of Local Option Votes have been verified that allows this type of establishment to be licensed by the Bureau for the type of alcohol to be sold for the appropriate days of the week. Please check this box to indicate this verification was completed.

Signature of Officials	Printed Name and Title

This Application will Expire 60 Days from the date of Municipal or County Approval unless submitted to the Bureau

Included below is the section of Maine’s liquor laws regarding the approval process by the municipalities or the county commissioners. This is provided as a courtesy only and may not reflect the law in effect at the time of application. Please see <http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/28-A/title28-Asec653.html>

§653. Hearings; bureau review; appeal

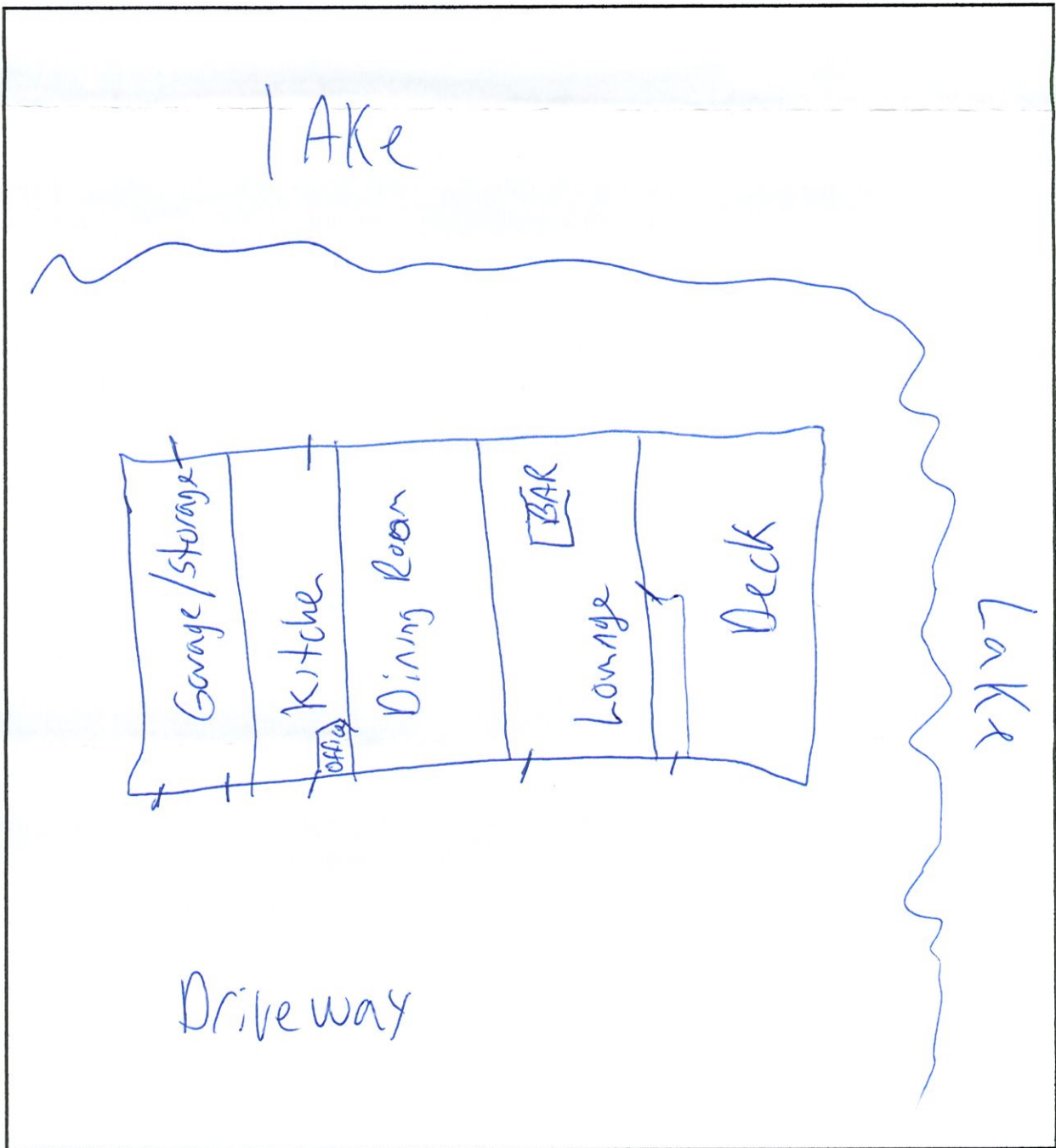
1. Hearings. The municipal officers or, in the case of unincorporated places, the county commissioners of the county in which the unincorporated place is located, may hold a public hearing for the consideration of applications for new on-premises licenses and applications for transfer of location of existing on-premises licenses. The municipal officers or county commissioners may hold a public hearing for the consideration of requests for renewal of licenses, except that when an applicant has held a license for the prior 5 years and a complaint has not been filed against the applicant within that time, the applicant may request a waiver of the hearing.

A. The bureau shall prepare and supply application forms.

Section VI Premises Floor Plan

In an effort to clearly define your license premise and the areas that consumption and storage of liquor authorized by your license type is allowed, the Bureau requires all applications to include a diagram of the premise to be licensed.

Diagrams should be submitted on this form and should be as accurate as possible. Be sure to label the following areas: entrances, office area, coolers, storage areas, display cases, shelves, restroom, point of sale area, area for on-premise consumption, dining rooms, event/function rooms, lounges, outside area/decks or any other areas on the premise that you are requesting approval. Attached an additional page as needed to fully describe the premise.



Proclamation for Pat Good Day in Aroostook County March 17, 2024

WHEREAS, Aroostook County Action Program (ACAP) has served the people of Aroostook County for more than five decades with innovative, effective and impactful services that provide both a safety net for the most vulnerable residents of northern Maine and numerous programs that help advance the economic and social mobility of County residents; and

WHEREAS, ACAP connects more than 14,000 individuals across the cities, towns, plantations and unorganized territories of The County with critical services that create pathways to prosperity and economic independence, enhance housing security and stability, provide energy relief, create greater opportunities for children and families to succeed, and community members to lead more healthy and productive lives; and

WHEREAS, ACAP employs nearly 200 residents of Aroostook County, dedicating themselves daily to the continued fight on the War Against Poverty which was initiated exactly 60 years ago by President Lyndon Baines Johnson and paved the way for the creation of a number of entities, including Community Action; and

WHEREAS, of the nearly 52 years since ACAP was incorporated, and in the six decades since the Community Action movement was first introduced, no resident of Aroostook County has dedicated more years of service to this critically important work than Patricia “Pat” Good of Presque Isle, who is recognized for her dedication and service of 45 years; and

WHEREAS, Pat Good, in her work spanning nearly five decades with ACAP, has held key direct customer service roles in Family Planning, Health First, Child and Family Services, Early Care and Education, the Supplemental Food for Women, Infant and Children’s Program, and general administrative support that has resulted in her connecting community members to all of ACAP’s programs and services, therefore directly impacting tens of thousands of County residents since she first joined ACAP in January of 1978.

WHEREAS, now beginning her 46th year of service to the people of Aroostook County, through her work at ACAP, Pat Good, who has brought support, a lifeline, kind words, a caring heart, great sense of humor and compassionate approach to all she has served; and

WHEREAS, appropriately so, for a woman born on St. Patrick’s Day, Pat has brought so much “good” throughout her career to her fellow residents of The County,

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Commissioners Norman L. Fournier, Paul J. Underwood, and William T. Dobbins, of the County of Aroostook and State of Maine do hereby proclaim March 17, 2024 as

Pat Good Day

*in recognition of Pat Good’s 45 years of work and dedication to
Aroostook County Action Program and the people of The County*

February 21, 2024

TO: County Commissioners
FR: Ryan D. Pelletier, County Administrator
RE: Opioid Settlement Funds

Dear Commissioners:

In June of 2023 during my performance evaluation and goal setting, the Board included the following goal for me to work on in 2023-2024:

“Start the process of putting together a plan for the expenditure of opioid funds received in the settlement agreements.”

This is a very broad goal statement and one that I have kept on my mind for several months. While I haven't formally brought any information to the Board until today, I can tell you that I have spent a great deal of time doing research and meeting with stakeholders on this topic. Some of the work that I have done include:

1. Attending the State Opioid Task Force Meetings via Zoom to learn about their work and their plans for the State of Maine Opioid Settlement Funds.
2. I have met with 4 different local and statewide recovery groups and agencies as well as individuals who are passionate about the proper use and expenditure of these funds.
3. I have received guidance from our Finance Director (see attachment email dated 9/19/23) on the allowable uses of these funds.
4. I have reviewed other Counties work plans and products associated with their own Opioid Settlement Funds (see Franklin County application).

It is my recommendation that it is time for Aroostook County to create an Opioid Advisory Committee (OAC) to be appointed by the Commissioners and serve at your discretion to help make recommendations to the County regarding the use and expenditure of those funds for legitimate opioid settlement expenditures. This is very similar to the committee that Franklin County established last year. It is a 9-member committee that the County Administrator serves on with public members.

In Aroostook County, my thought would be to appoint myself, Sheriff Johnson (or his designee); Dana Gendreau, Finance Director; and 6 members of the general public with interest, knowledge or expertise in the areas of opioid treatment, harm reduction, recovery community, etc.

Ryan D. Pelletier

From: Dana Gendreau
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2023 1:24 PM
To: Ryan D. Pelletier
Subject: FW: Reminder - Non-Opioid Remediation Use Reporting for States and Subdivisions with Backstop Funds
Attachments: Non-Opioid Remediation Use Report - Janssen.pdf; Non-Opioid Remediation Use Report - Distributor.pdf
Importance: High

From: DirectingAdministrator@NationalOpioidOfficialSettlement.com
<DirectingAdministrator@NationalOpioidOfficialSettlement.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 8:34 AM
To: DirectingAdministrator@NationalOpioidOfficialSettlement.com
Subject: Reminder - Non-Opioid Remediation Use Reporting for States and Subdivisions with Backstop Funds
Importance: High

This is an official communication from the Directing Administrator of the National Opioid Settlements.

BrownGreer updated the page on your Subdivision's portal account (<https://www.nationalopioidofficialsettlement.com/>) to allow your Subdivision to comply with its obligation under Section V.B.2 of the Distributor Settlement Agreement, and Section VI.B.2 of the Janssen Settlement Agreement (all capitalized terms herein have the meaning as defined in the agreements), to report any funds not used for Opioid Remediation from January 1, 2023, to June 30, 2023. To access this page, you will need to log into your portal account via the above URL and select Distributor or Janssen from the Report of Non-Opioid Remediation Uses menu. **This report is due by September 30, 2023.** A fillable pdf version of the report is also available through your Subdivision's portal account, which can be returned by email to NonOpioidRemediationUseReporting@nationalopioidofficialsettlement.com.

It is the intent of the Parties that all payments disbursed from the Settlement Fund to the Settling States and Participating Subdivisions be used for Opioid Remediation, subject to certain exceptions, and use of the monies received from the Settlement Fund for purposes other than Opioid Remediation is disfavored. Under the Distributor Settlement, Opioid Remediation is defined as the following: "Care, treatment, and other programs and expenditures (including reimbursement for past such programs or expenditures [including amounts paid to any governmental entities for past expenditures or programs] . . .) designed to (1) address the misuse and abuse of opioid products, (2) treat or mitigate opioid use or related disorders, or (3) mitigate other alleged effects of, including on those injured as a result of, the opioid epidemic. . . . Qualifying expenditures may include reasonable related administrative expenses." Under the Janssen Settlement, Opioid Remediation is defined as the following: "Care, treatment, and other programs and expenditures (including reimbursement for past such programs or expenditures [including amounts paid to any governmental entities for past expenditures or programs] . . .) designed to (1) address the misuse and abuse of opioid products, (2) treat or mitigate opioid use or related disorders, or (3) mitigate other alleged effects of the opioid abuse crisis, including on those injured as a result of the opioid abuse crisis. . . . Qualifying expenditures may include reasonable related administrative expenses." However, Opioid Remediation does **not** include funds used to pay (or reimburse for) attorneys'

fees, investigation costs, litigation costs, or costs related to the operation and enforcement of the settlement agreements.

Your state-subdivision agreement or allocation statute may impose stricter limits on allowable spending and/or require your Subdivision to submit additional spending reports to your State. Regardless, the Opioid Remediation definition discussed above must be used for purposes of this report required by the Distributor Settlement Agreement and Janssen Settlement Agreement.

A report is only required if your Subdivision received funds and used them for purposes other than Opioid Remediation. Accordingly, if your Subdivision does not submit a report by September 30, BrownGreer will treat the absence of a submission as confirmation that no funds paid by the Settlement Fund received by your Subdivision were spent from January 1, 2023, to June 30, 2023, for purposes that do not qualify as Opioid Remediation. Any reports submitted to BrownGreer identifying amounts received by your Subdivision and not used for Opioid Remediation will be publicly available, pursuant to Section V.B.2 of the Distributor Settlement Agreement, and Section VI.B.2 of the Janssen Settlement Agreement.

Reports may be used by defendants to measure compliance with the settlements' requirement that 85% (distributors) or 86.5% (Janssen) of all payments (including Additional Restitution funds and plaintiffs' attorneys' fees and costs payments made pursuant to Exhibits R, S, and T of the Distributor Settlement Agreement and Exhibits R, S, and U of the Janssen Settlement Agreement) be spent on Opioid Remediation. Additionally, under the Distributor Settlement, Non-Litigating Subdivisions are required to spend 100% of their Annual Payments on Opioid Remediation. See Section VII.B. Your state-subdivision agreement or allocation statute may impose stricter limits on allowable spending.

To the extent that your state-subdivision agreement or allocation statute provides for BrownGreer to withhold money from your Subdivision's distributor or Janssen payments to fund an attorneys' fee fund (often called a "backstop fund") such amounts should be reported only after they are paid out to counsel. To avoid the complexity of having each Participating Subdivision in your State report its own share of these attorneys' fee payments, a representative of the State may request that BrownGreer submit reports for all payments made from the Participating Subdivision attorneys' fee fund to Participating Subdivision counsel.

BrownGreer will notify you shortly after September 13, 2023, whether your State has requested that BrownGreer handle reporting payments made from the Participating Subdivision attorneys' fee fund to Participating Subdivision counsel, as discussed above. Absent such a request, it is the responsibility of your State and its Participating Subdivisions to report any payments made from the Participating Subdivision attorneys' fee fund to Participating Subdivision counsel as funds not used for Opioid Remediation. Inaccurate reporting may create settlement compliance issues for both a State and its Participating Subdivisions. Starting September 14, 2023, you may email BrownGreer at NonOpioidRemediationUseReporting@nationalopioidofficialsettlement.com if you have questions about how attorneys' fee fund reporting will be handled for your Subdivision. Regardless of if BrownGreer is handling reporting payments made from the Participating Subdivision attorneys' fee fund to Participating Subdivision counsel, your Subdivision remains obligated to report funds it paid directly to counsel from your Subdivision's settlement payments.

Your Subdivision is only obligated to report the use of Annual Payments and Additional Restitution payments. It has no obligation to report the amount paid by the defendants to the Attorneys' Fees, Expenses and Costs fund, established by Exhibit R of both agreements. In other words, any funds obtained on your Subdivision's behalf from the national Contingency Fee Fund, Common Benefit Fund, Litigating Subdivision Cost Fund, or MDL Expense Fund should not be reported on the form.

Please note these forms will continue to be due on six-month intervals (September 30; March 31) for the remaining term of the settlements, with the reporting covering new spending, if any, during the prior six months (January 1-June 30; and July 1-December 31) that did not qualify for Opioid Remediation. For the reporting deadline on September 30, 2023, your Subdivision is required to report all funds used for non-Opioid Remediation from January 1, 2023, to June 30, 2023. If you obtain new information about a prior reporting period's spending after that period's due date, you can submit an amended form for that reporting period to BrownGreer at NonOpioidRemediationUseReporting@nationalopioidofficialsettlement.com.

After referring to the Distributor Settlement Agreement and Janssen Settlement Agreements, and consulting counsel who represented your Subdivision in opioid litigation (if applicable), any unresolved questions may be directed to BrownGreer at NonOpioidRemediationUseReporting@nationalopioidofficialsettlement.com.

**Directing Administrator
National Opioid Settlements**

BROWN GREER PLC

Telephone: (888) 441-2010

DirectingAdministrator@NationalOpioidOfficialSettlement.com

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Franklin County Opioid Settlement Application for Funding

Franklin County • 140 Main St Suite 3 • Farmington, ME 04938 • 207-778-6614

Date: _____

See Appendix A, Exhibit E

Name of applying individual, business, or organization: _____

Please check which type of organization is applying for funds:

Private enterprise/Person 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization

Community organization Fiscal sponsor: _____

Government entity Please specify: _____

This project is being pursued by:

Single business or organization

A collaboration including: _____

A one-line description of your project:

Dollar amount requested: _____ Total project budget: _____

Please indicate which Opioid Settlement approved categories your project will address:

Prevention

Harm Reduction

Treatment

Recovery

What substance is your project targeting?

Alcohol

Cannabis

Opioids

Prescription Drugs

Application directions:

- Fill out the application form completely, including this page.
- Do not send any materials under separate cover.
- Email in PDF format your application and narrative materials to abernard@franklincountymaine.gov
- Narrative sections typed separately should be in a non-script, non-italic type of no smaller than 11 points.
- Registered nonprofit organizations should include a copy of their IRS determination letter.
- Organizations needing a fiscal sponsor to handle funds should include a letter from that sponsor documenting its identity and willingness to accept Franklin County Opioid Settlement funds for the project.
- Please see the checklist at the end of this application to be sure you have included all required information and attachments.
- All applications should include a cover letter signed by the leader of the business or organization.

Please provide the following information.

I. Applicant Information

Legal name of organization: _____

Mailing address: _____

Physical address: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Website: _____

Number of years business/agency in existence: _____

Number of paid staff (note FT, PT, and/or Seasonal): _____

Number of volunteers: _____

Federal Tax I.D. or EIN: _____

President or Executive Director: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Board president (if applicable): _____

Amount requested from Franklin County Opioid Settlement Funds for this project: _____

Total project budget: _____

A 200-word (maximum) description of your project (you may add a one-page typed description of your project to this application if you wish):

III. Financial Information

Fiscal year start and end dates: From _____ to _____

Revenues and Expenses for Enterprises Currently in Business

Revenue

Income from sale of goods & services	\$
Grants and donations:	
Individuals & businesses	\$
Foundations	\$
Government funding	\$
Personal funds	\$
Interest income	\$
Other (please list):	\$
TOTAL REVENUE	\$

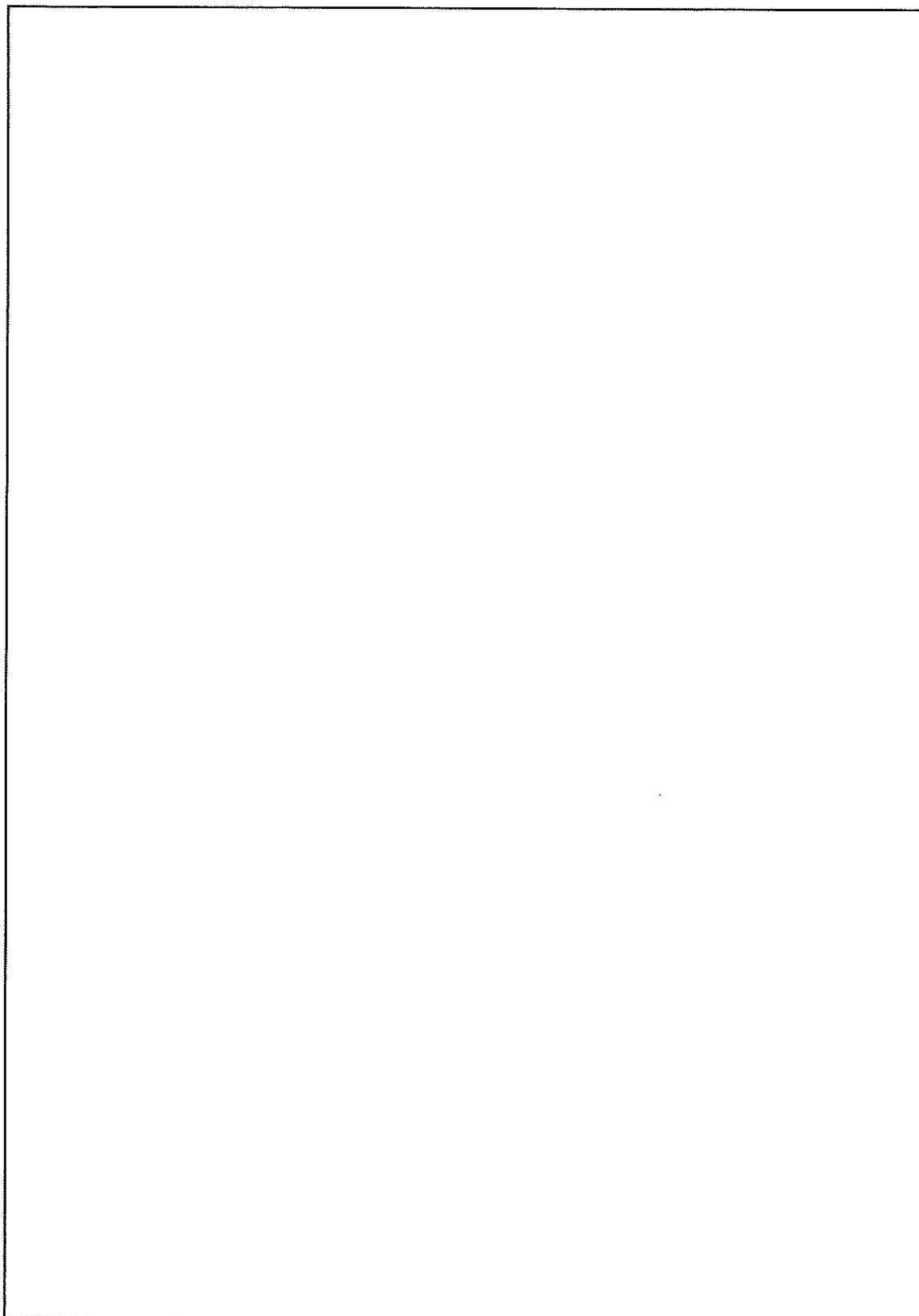
Expenses

Administration	\$
Labor	\$
Supplies	\$
Equipment	\$
Fundraising costs	\$
Other (please specify):	\$
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$

NET (REVENUE - EXPENSES)

\$ _____

If any shortfalls occurred, please explain how they were financed:

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the user to provide an explanation of how any shortfalls were financed. The box occupies the majority of the page's vertical space below the question.

Assets and Liabilities for Last Fiscal Year

From: _____ to: _____

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash		Accounts payable	
Property & equipment		Long-term liabilities	
Accounts receivable			
Investments			
Other (please list):			
Total assets:		Total liabilities:	

Restricted Assets or Revenue (explain):

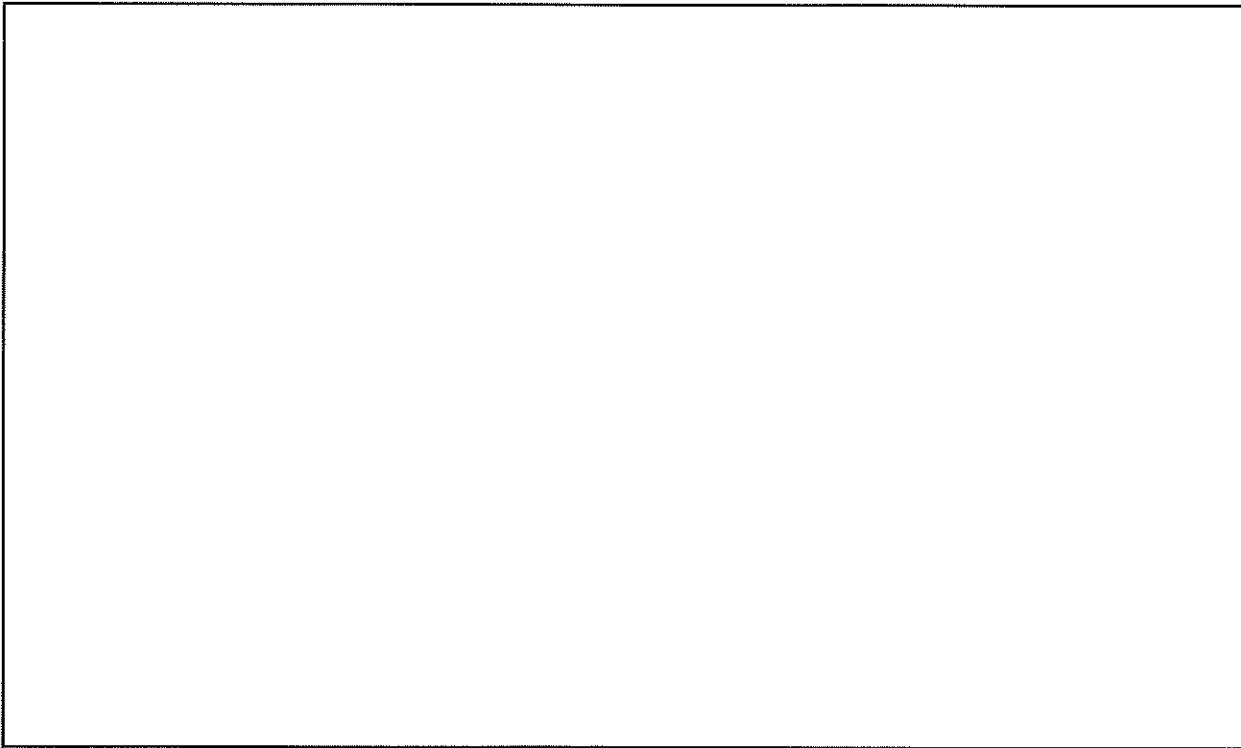
IV. Project budget

Please attach a budget for your proposed or ongoing project, including startup costs, operating costs, estimated payroll, equipment, and supplies, and so on.

Also include anticipated sources of revenue for the project, including donations, earned income, and fees for services.

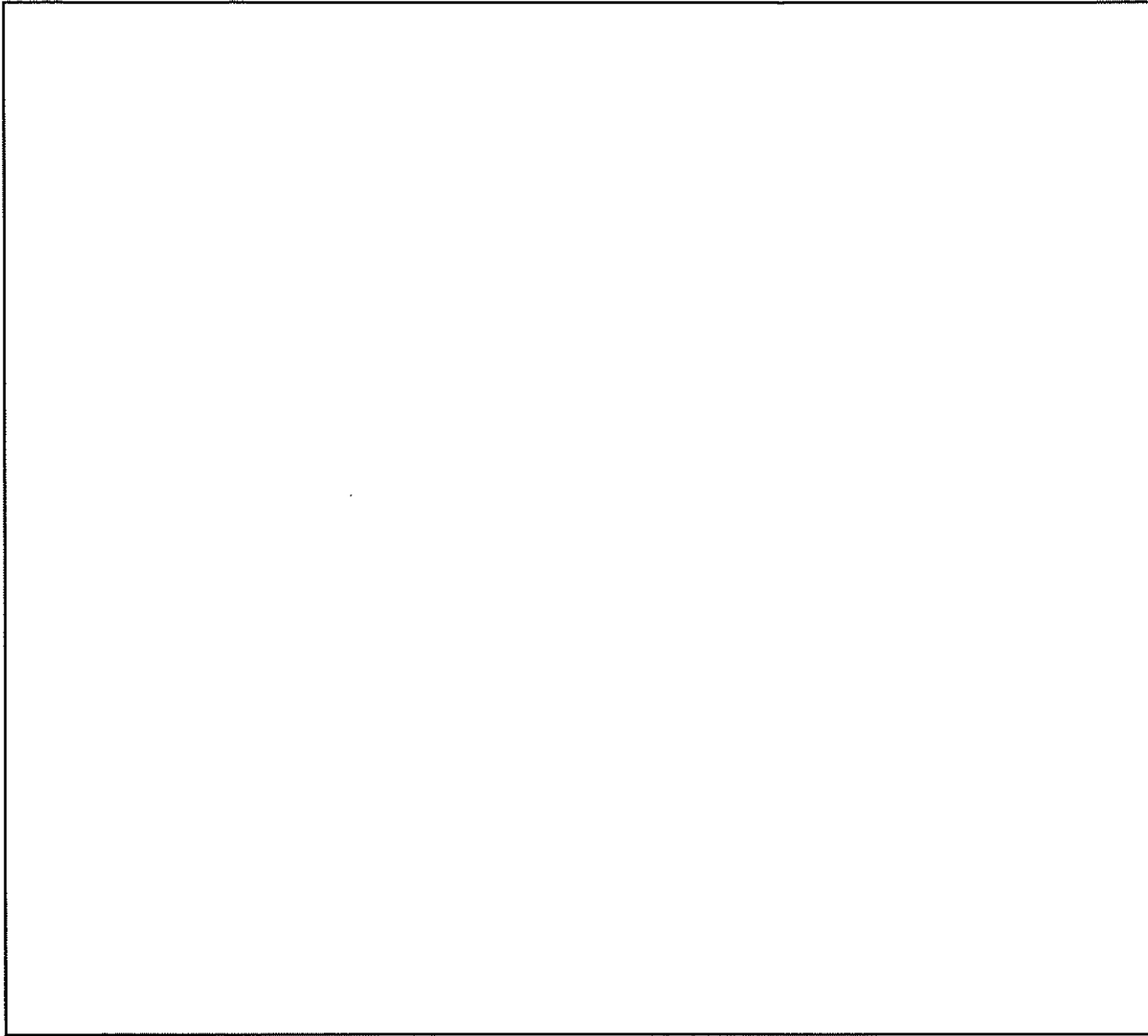
V. Sustainability plan

Franklin County Opioid Settlement funding is intended to provide proven opioid-related treatment programs to include, prevention and recovery services through the Opioid Settlement funds received through the Class Action Lawsuit. See Exhibit E



VI. Barriers to Success

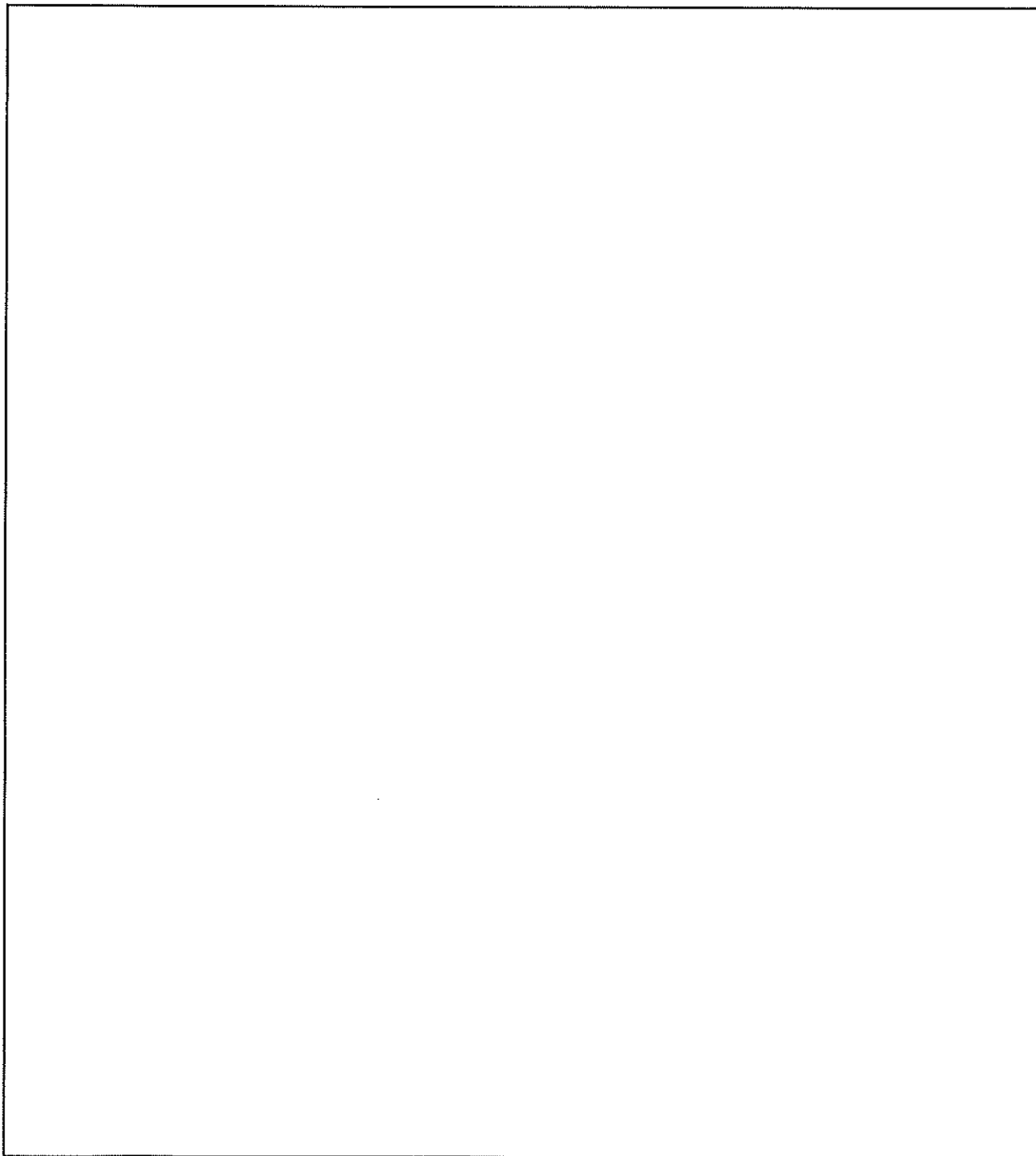
Please indicate the greatest impediments to the success of your proposed project and plans to address them.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the respondent to write their answers to the question about barriers to success.

VII. Project Narrative

You may use the spaces below each major section, or you may include a separate page. Please do not exceed one typed page (minimum 11-point type) for each section.

History of your company or organization (founding date, mission, region, and population served, top products or services, etc.):

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the user to write the history of their company or organization. The box occupies most of the lower half of the page.

Overview of the project for which you seek funding (1. overall goal; 2. how this project will strengthen your organization; 3. up to three measurable outcomes that will help achieve your goal; 4. specific activities required to complete the project):

Who will be served by this project?

Town(s): _____

The age range of those served: _____

Approximate number: _____

Plan for evaluating the success of this project:

VIII. Signatures - Must be original, not photocopied.

Signature of president, chief executive officer, or board president (nonprofits) _____
Date

Print name _____
Title

Fiscal sponsor (if applicable):

Signature of officer of fiscal sponsor organization _____
Date

Print name _____
Title

Application Checklist

Please be sure you have included or completed the following items before submitting your application:

- Complete contact information
- For nonprofits, a copy of your IRS determination letter
- All sections completed on this form or, if typed on a separate sheet, so noted in the correct areas on the form (*"Please see attachment A,"* etc.) and appropriately titled on the separate sheet
- A project budget as noted in Section IV
- A cover letter from the leader of your organization
- If you have a fiscal sponsor, a letter from that sponsor as indicated under "Directions" on the first page of this application.
- Up to three letters of support (optional)
- Original signatures on the application
- Remove and retain the Appendix of this application before submittal.

Appendix A: Guidelines and Considerations for Franklin County Opioid Settlement Funding Applications

Note: *The following appendix is for informational purposes. You do not need to return the appendix with your application.*

-For questions and/or assistance preparing an application, contact the Administrator via email abernard@franklincountymaine.gov.

The Franklin County Opioid Settlement Program has specific limitations regarding who may apply and what projects and costs are eligible for funding assistance. It is important to understand these guidelines prior to applying. See below for details.

Public Program:

The Commissioners of Franklin County are entrusted by its citizens to be responsible stewards of the Opioid Settlement program funds. Accountability and transparency are held in the highest regard. As such:

- Applicants must be willing to make public all matters and materials provided as part of an Opioid grant. Information relating to project design and implementation including perhaps competitive advantages, personal and business financial and tax data, is all subject to public review.
- The county will, under special and limited circumstances, take appropriate steps to protect personal and/or proprietary information relating to Opioid Settlement projects.

Eligibility to Apply:

Key considerations for Opioid Settlement grant award determinations include:

Project Location

- The proposed activity must take place within Franklin County

Opportunity for economic impact

- Projects intended to create and/or retain jobs in the county are more likely to receive support through this program.

Sustainability

- Opioid Settlement grant funds are not intended to be utilized as a long-term subsidy. Applicants need to show a plan and trends towards becoming self-supporting.

Special considerations for large-scale investment and/or job creation:

In keeping with the original intent of this program, project proposals that offer substantial capital investment and/or the strong potential for significant job creation within Franklin County may be eligible for additional support through this program. These exceptional cases may be considered from time to time on an individual basis, but potential applicants must contact the Opioid Administrator to discuss prior to applying. Awards and funding levels will be at the sole discretion of the County Commissioners.

Grantee Obligations:

Successful applicants are not required to accept grant funds awarded to them. The county allows applicants up to three months from the time of notice of award to accept that award. If the award is not accepted within that timeframe, the application and award notice will be considered void. Those who do choose to accept a grant award will be required to first agree to specific terms outlined in a grant contract with the county. Each grant contract is unique to the project funded, but several requirements are inclusive to all grant contracts. Please consider the following:

GRANT PERIOD.

The grant period for all Opioid Settlement grants will be no less than one year from the time of receipt of an award.

REPORTING.

All grantees will be required to maintain regular communication with the county. Grantees are typically required to submit progress reports and verification of expenditures halfway through (6 months) the grant period. The Opioid Administrator will work closely with grantees to ensure this occurs.

VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

Grantees will be required to provide evidence of the creation and/or retention of any jobs proposed in the grant application materials. This should include details about the type of job, the frequency and duration (part-time, full-time, long-term, temporary, seasonal), and wage levels or compensation package.

DEFAULT AND REPAYMENT.

Grantees who do not meet the requirements outlined in the grant contract will be required to repay all or a portion of the funds awarded to them. Each case will be considered on an individual basis, however: Upon the sale, transfer, or dissolution of a grant project prior to the end date of the grant period, the grantee will be held liable for up to the full amount of their initial award amount.

The final determination for distribution of any funds through the Franklin County Opioid Settlement Grant Program will be at the discretion of the County Commissioners.

Principles for the Use of Funds From the Opioid Litigation

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States, cities, counties, and tribes will soon be receiving funds from opioid manufacturers, pharmaceutical distributors, and pharmacies as a result of litigation brought against these companies for their role in the opioid epidemic that has claimed more than half a million lives over the past two decades.

Governors, attorneys general, and legislators will face difficult decisions in determining the best use of these funds. We support the following principles:

1. Spend money to save lives.

Given the economic downturn, many states and localities will be tempted to use the dollars to fill holes in their budgets rather than expand needed programs. Jurisdictions should use the funds to supplement rather than replace existing spending.

2. Use evidence to guide spending.

At this point in the overdose epidemic, researchers and clinicians have built a substantial body of evidence demonstrating what works and what does not. States and localities should use this information to make funding decisions.

3. Invest in youth prevention.

States and localities should support children, youth, and families by making long-term investments in effective programs and strategies for community change.

4. Focus on racial equity.

States and localities should direct significant funds to communities affected by years of discriminatory policies and now experiencing substantial increases in overdoses.

5. Develop a fair and transparent process for deciding where to spend the funding.

This process should be guided by public health leaders with the active engagement of people and families with lived experience, clinicians, as well as other key groups.

This document describes these principles in greater detail.

Background

Addiction is an ongoing public health crisis in the United States; an [estimated 20 million people](#) have a substance use disorder related to alcohol or illicit drugs. Recent attention has understandably focused on the role of opioids—which have killed more than [500,000 people](#) over the past two decades. Driven in large part by increases in overdose deaths and suicides (which are often [associated with substance misuse](#)), life expectancy in the United States [dropped from 2014 to 2017](#), the first three-year decline in nearly a century.

Already dire, the situation has worsened with the COVID-19 pandemic. The economic downturn and social distancing mandates have increased the chance of overdose among people who use drugs. Preliminary data indicate that overdose deaths have [increased in most states](#) compared to a year ago, with some states reporting [an estimated 30% increase](#) in opioid-related deaths so far in 2020. Early evidence also indicates a significant increase in [alcohol consumption, anxiety, and depression](#) during the pandemic. Accordingly, addressing mental health and addiction should be part of any [COVID-19 response](#).

Confronting this new crisis, many localities are already adopting interventions that save lives. Fortunately, new financial resources that can help states and communities fund additional programs are close at hand as a result of lawsuits brought by States, cities, counties, and tribes against opioid manufacturers, pharmaceutical distributors, and pharmacies. This is an unprecedented opportunity to invest in solutions to address the needs of people with substance use disorders.

For this to happen, jurisdictions must avoid what happened with the dollars that states received as part of the litigation against tobacco companies. Those landmark lawsuits were hailed as an opportunity to help current smokers quit and prevent children from starting to smoke. Unfortunately, most states have not used the dollars to fund tobacco prevention and cessation programs. Overall, [less than 3%](#) of revenue from the settlement and tobacco taxes went to tobacco control efforts. Failure to invest these dollars in tobacco prevention and cessation programs has been a [significant missed opportunity](#) to address the greatest cause of preventable death in the United States.

To guide jurisdictions in the use of these funds, we encourage the adoption of five guiding principles through specific actions outlined here. The principles are as follows:

1. **Spend money to save lives.**
2. **Use evidence to guide spending.**
3. **Invest in youth prevention.**
4. **Focus on racial equity.**
5. **Develop a transparent, inclusive decision-making process.**

Principle 1: Spend money to save lives.

Given the economic downturn, many states and localities will be tempted to use the dollars to fill holes in their budgets rather than expand needed programs. Jurisdictions should use the funds to supplement rather than replace existing spending.

In addition to its dramatic health impacts, the COVID-19 pandemic has also harmed the U.S. economy, leaving [gaps in localities' operating budgets](#). Despite the increasing number of overdose deaths, many state and local governments have already made [cuts](#) to substance use and behavioral health programs.

However, at current funding levels, these programs are already [not meeting the needs](#) of people who use drugs. For example, only an estimated [10% to 20% of people](#) with opioid use disorder are receiving any treatment at all. Accordingly, groups like the [American Medical Association](#) and the [American Bar Association](#) have called for all settlement funds to address the substance use epidemic.

How can jurisdictions adopt this principle?

1) *Establish a dedicated fund.*

Ensuring that funds from the opioid lawsuits are being used to help people with substance use disorders is easier if dollars resulting from the various legal actions go into a dedicated fund. When establishing such a fund, jurisdictions should include specific language that the money from the fund cannot be used to replace existing state investments and outline the acceptable uses of the dollars when establishing this fund. (See *Principle 2—Use evidence to guide spending* for examples.)

2) *Supplement rather than supplant existing funding.*

In order to be sure that funds are being used to expand programs, jurisdictions should understand their baseline level of spending on substance use disorders, including prevention efforts. This will help ensure that dollars from any legal actions are additive to existing efforts. Most jurisdictions have already developed comprehensive strategic plans focused on opioids; these plans can be used as a starting point for prioritizing new investments.

3) *Don't spend all the money at once.*

Ameliorating the toll of substance use, and addressing the underlying root causes, will require sustained funding by states and localities. Jurisdictions should avoid the temptation to exchange future payments that result from the opioid litigation for an upfront lump sum payment, as happened in many states with dollars from the tobacco settlements. Should the opioid lawsuits result in a lump sum payment to jurisdictions, they should consider establishing an endowment so that the dollars can be used over time.

4) *Report to the public on where the money is going.*

Jurisdictions should publicly report on how funds from opioid litigation are being spent. The expenditures should be categorized such that it is easy to understand the goals of a particular program and the measures that they are using to determine success, such as, for naloxone distribution programs, the amount of naloxone distributed.

Principle 2: Use evidence to guide spending.

At this point in the overdose epidemic, researchers and clinicians have built a substantial body of evidence demonstrating what works and what does not. States and localities should use this information to make funding decisions.

Jurisdictions run the risk of using new dollars on programs that do not work or are even counterproductive if they do not rely on evidence to guide the spending. As one example, people with opioid use disorder in many residential treatment facilities are prohibited from being treated with methadone or buprenorphine, despite evidence that these medications reduce the chance of overdose death by 50% or more. To address this gap, jurisdictions can use the dollars to help residential programs transition to offering a full range of medication treatment options.

How can jurisdictions adopt this principle?

1) *Direct funds to programs supported by evidence.*

Jurisdictions should fund initiatives demonstrated by research to work and not fund programs shown not to work. Interventions that work, ranging from youth prevention efforts to harm reduction programs to communications campaigns that address stigma, have been compiled by a number of different organizations. See *Appendix 1* for examples of these summaries, which should serve as references as jurisdictions determine which interventions to fund. Additionally, state and local agencies that oversee substance use interventions have significant expertise regarding programs that work.

Should jurisdictions fund programs that have not been studied, they should also allocate sufficient dollars to confirm their effectiveness.

2) *Remove policies that may block adoption of programs that work.*

In many jurisdictions, state and local policy change may need to occur in order for affected communities to implement evidence-based models. For example, state restrictions may cap the number of methadone clinics that may operate in the state, may make it difficult for nurse practitioners to prescribe buprenorphine, or may impede good harm reduction practices by banning syringe service programs. States should ensure that their regulations are not more restrictive than federal guidelines.

3) *Build data collection capacity.*

An important part of determining which programs are working in a given jurisdiction is collecting sufficient data. Jurisdictions should consider using opioid settlement funds to build the capacity of their public health department to collect data and evaluate policies, programs, and strategies designed to address substance use.

In particular, jurisdictions should be sure that they have sufficient data to ensure that they are meeting the needs of minority populations. Localities should make data available to the public in annual reports and on publicly facing data dashboards.

Principle 3: Invest in youth prevention.

States and localities should support children, youth, and families by making long-term investments in effective programs and strategies for community change.

Any comprehensive effort to reduce the toll of substance use generally—and opioids specifically—must invest in youth primary prevention programs.

- Overdoses among children have increased steadily over the past decade; [nearly 8,000 adolescents](#) ages 15–19 died of an opioid overdose between 1999 and 2016.
- Substance use by children often persists into adulthood; [approximately one-half](#) of all people with substance use disorders start their substance use before age 14.

Primary prevention efforts—which are designed to stop use before it starts—can interrupt the pathways to addiction and overdose. Youth primary prevention also reduces the risk of substance use and lessens [other negative outcomes](#), including low educational status, under- and unemployment, unintended parenthood, and an increased risk of death from a variety of causes.

Youth prevention programs also have a very favorable return on investment—\$18 dollars for every dollar spent by [one estimate](#).

How can jurisdictions adopt this principle

Direct funds to evidence-based interventions.

Youth primary prevention programs address individual risk factors (such as a favorable attitude towards substance use) and strengthen protective factors (such as resiliency); they can also address elements at the family and [community levels](#).

Research [demonstrates](#) that not all prevention programs are created equal. While there are many examples of [effective prevention programs](#), investments in ineffective prevention initiatives [persist](#). Jurisdictions should be sure that the programs that they are funding are supported by a solid evidence base.

Numerous compilations of effective youth primary prevention interventions already exist, including the following:

- [Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development](#).
- [Facing Addiction in America, the Surgeon General’s Report on Alcohol, Drugs, and Health, 2016](#).

Jurisdictions should also fund long-term evaluations of youth prevention programs to ensure that they are having their desired effect.

Principle 4: Focus on racial equity.

States and localities should direct significant funds to communities affected by years of discriminatory policies and now experiencing substantial increases in overdoses.

Although minority communities experience substance use disorders at [similar rates](#) as other racial groups, in recent years the rate of opioid [overdose deaths has been increasing](#) more rapidly in Black populations than in white ones. Additionally, historically racist policies and practices have led to a differential impact of the epidemic. In particular, minorities are more likely to face criminal justice involvement for their drug use. Black individuals represent just [5% of people who use drugs](#), but 29% of those arrested for drug offenses and 33% of those in state prison for drug offenses. Minority groups are also more likely to face barriers in accessing high-quality [treatment and recovery support services](#).

These disparities have contributed to ongoing discrimination as well as racial gaps in socioeconomic status, educational attainment, and employment. Without a focus on racial equity when allocating settlement funds, localities run the risk of continuing a cycle of inequity.

How can jurisdictions adopt this principle?

1) *Invest in communities affected by discriminatory policies.*

Historical patterns of discrimination will take sustained focus to overcome. Jurisdictions should fund programs in minority communities that will tackle root causes of health disparities and eliminate policies with a discriminatory effect.

2) *Support diversion from arrest and incarceration.*

Localities should:

- Elevate and expand diversion programs with strong case management and link participants to [community-based services](#) such as housing, employment, and other recovery support services.
- Fund community-based [harm reduction programs](#) that provide support options and referrals to promote health and understanding for people who use drugs
- Increase equitable access to treatments for opioid use disorder including medications for opioid use disorder.

3) *Fund anti-stigma campaigns.*

Stigma against people who use drugs is pervasive and frames drug use as a moral failure. This stigmatization may contribute to the use of discriminatory [punitive](#) approaches to address the epidemic, particularly among racial minority communities, as opposed to more effective ones grounded in public health. In order to address this, jurisdictions should use funds to support [campaigns based in evidence that reduce stigma](#).

4) *Involve community members in solutions.*

Jurisdictions should fund programs in minority communities with diverse leadership and staff, and a track record of hiring from the surrounding neighborhood. Programs with a [diverse workforce](#) of staff, supervisors, and peers are more likely to provide relatable and effective services.

Principle 5: Develop a fair and transparent process for deciding where to spend the funding.

This process should be guided by public health leaders with the active engagement of people and families with lived experience, as well as other key groups.

How can jurisdictions adopt this principle?

1) *Determine areas of need.*

Jurisdictions should use data to identify areas where additional funds could make the biggest difference. For example, data may show that various groups in the state are not reached by current interventions; or that certain geographic areas would benefit from specific programs such as housing assistance or syringe services programs. Existing strategic plans may contain much of this information.

2) *Receive input from groups that touch different parts of the epidemic to develop the plan.*

Jurisdictions should draw upon public health leaders with expertise in addiction and substance use to guide discussions and determinations around the use of the dollars. They should also include groups with firsthand experience working with youth and people who use drugs—including prevention and treatment providers, law enforcement personnel, recovery community organizations, social service organizations, and others—who have insights into strategies that are working, those that need to be revised, and areas where new investments are needed. Once a jurisdiction has conducted an initial assessment of areas where additional resources would be helpful, it should solicit and integrate broad feedback to design a plan that will meet the needs of the local community.

Jurisdictions should be sure to include people with lived experience, including those receiving medications as part of their treatment, as part of the decision-making process. The Ryan White Program, which distributes HIV funds to affected communities, demonstrates one way to do this; at least one-third of the members of the community Planning Councils that allocate funds to treatment providers must receive program services themselves.

In addition to the groups from which a jurisdiction may formally seek input, they should also solicit and use input from the public. This will help raise the profile of the newly developed plan and give those with particular insights—such as families and other members of the recovery community—a chance to weigh in.

3) *Ensure that there is representation that reflects the diversity of affected communities when allocating funds.*

To ensure equitable distribution of funds to communities of color, representation from these communities should be [included in the decision-making process](#). Community representatives, leaders, and residents can help leverage community resources and expertise while giving insights into community needs.

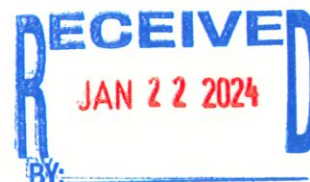
Appendix 1: Compilations of Evidence-Based Interventions

- *[From the War on Drugs to Harm Reduction](#)*, FXB Center for Health and Human Rights at Harvard University, December 2020.
- *[Evidence Based Strategies for Abatement of Harms from the Opioid Epidemic](#)*, Coordinated by Richard Frank, Harvard University, Arnold Ventures, November 2020.
- *[Bringing Science to Bear on Opioids](#)*, Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health, November 2019.
- *[Opioid Settlement Priorities](#)*, Addiction Solutions Campaign, May 2018.
- *[Addressing Access to Care in the Opioid Epidemic and Preventing a Future Recurrence](#)*, American Psychiatric Association, American Society for Addiction Medicine, and other groups, April 2020.
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's [Evidence-Based Practices Resource Center](#).
- [Curated Library about Opioid Use for Decision-makers \(CLOUD\)](#).

For a complete list of resources, visit our website: <http://opioidprinciples.jhsph.edu/>

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January 18, 2024

Ryan D. Pelletier, County Administrator
Aroostook County Commissioner's Office
144 Sweden Street, Suite 1
Caribou, Maine 04736

*Re: Cassidy Holdings, LLC – Completed Notice to Appeal for Property Tax
Abatement – Property Owner*

Dear Mr. Pelletier:

Enclosed please find Cassidy Holdings, LLC's completed Notice to Appeal for Property Tax Abatement – Property Owner. I reached out to the City regarding its interest in mediating this matter, but did not hear back. We remain willing to do so, however.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

FARRELL, ROSENBLATT & RUSSELL



Roger L. Huber

Enclosures

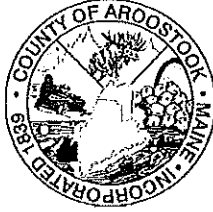
cc: Cassidy Holdings, LLC
Penny Thompson, Caribou City Manager

County of Aroostook

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NOTICE TO APPEAL FOR PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT – PROPERTY OWNER(S)

DATE: January 18, 2024

Property Owner(s): Cassidy Holdings, LLC

Municipality: City of Caribou, Maine

Please provide the following information and requested documentation regarding your Tax Abatement Appeal request.

1. For what tax year(s) (as of April 1st) are you seeking abatement? 2021
2. Please provide a copy of your tax bill for the year(s) for which you are seeking abatement.
3. Did you, prior to April 1st of the year(s) for which you are seeking abatement, receive a written notice by mail from your municipality to furnish true and perfect lists of all your taxable property within the municipality?
 YES NO
If "YES", did you provide such lists?
 YES NO
4. Prior to your appeal to the County Commissioners, did you make written application to the municipal officers or assessors seeking abatement?
 YES NO
If "YES", when did you make such written application? November 22, 2021
(Please provide a copy)
5. Did the municipal officers or assessors give you a written decision on your application?
 YES NO
If "YES", when did you receive the decision? March 18, 2022
(Please provide a copy)

6. On what grounds/basis do you believe you are entitled to an abatement? (Select one)

Error of Assessment: X
Inequity of Assessment: X
Other: X

Reason for seeking abatement: See Attachment A (enclosed)

7. To what valuation do you believe your property should be reduced? \$ 210,000

8. Location of Property: 63 Sweden Street, Caribou, Maine 04736

Please note that should you be dissatisfied with the decision of the County Commissioners you may have a right of further appeal to the Superior Court. In some cases, however, the Superior Court has rejected such appeals because there was no stenographic record of the hearing before the Commissioners. The County Commissioners do not provide such a record; however, they will arrange for an independent recorder to be present at the hearing at a cost to be determined by the recorder. All recorder costs are the sole responsibility of the requestor and due prior to the hearing date. In the event that both parties request a recorder, the costs will be divided evenly among the Property Owner and Municipality.

DO YOU WANT A STENOGRAPHIC RECORDER TO BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS?

YES NO

[Signature] attorney for Cassidy Holdings, LLC
Signature of Property Owner(s)

Roger L. Huber, Esq.
Name(s)

P.O. Box 738 Banger, ME 04402-0738
Mailing Address

(207) 990-3314
Phone

Please return this completed form, along with the documentation requested to:

County Commissioners' Office
144 Sweden St, Ste 1
Caribou, ME 04736

Attachment A

Reasons for seeking abatement:

1. The Subject Property has been substantially overvalued. The Taxpayer believes that the fair market value of the Subject Property is no more than \$210,000.
2. The Assessor did not use proper valuation techniques to value the Subject Property. The applicable valuation techniques do not support the assessment.
3. Assessor failed to consider all relevant factors to determine just value as required under 36 M.R.S.A. § 701-A, including but not limited to occupancy, demand, and current economic trends, all of which have dramatically decreased the fair market value of the Subject Property.
4. The Assessment on the Subject Property is not in conformity with the law, results in unjust discrimination, and results in unequal apportionment of the tax burden in violation of Article 9 Section 8 of the Maine Constitution, for reasons, among others, that the Subject Property is assessed at a higher percentage of just value than other property in Caribou.



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2021 REAL ESTATE TAX BILL

CURRENT BILLING INFORMATION

LAND VALUE	\$19,100.00
BUILDING VALUE	\$1,363,900.00
TOTAL: LAND & BLDG	\$1,383,000.00
TOTAL PER. PROPERTY	\$0.00
HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION	\$0.00
OTHER EXEMPTION	\$0.00
NET ASSESSMENT	\$1,383,000.0
TOTAL TAX	\$32,569.65
LESS PAID TO DATE	\$0.00
TOTAL DUE ⇨	\$32,569.65

**THIS IS THE ONLY BILL
 YOU WILL RECEIVE**

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1228 CASSIDY HOLDINGS LLC
 168 STATE ST
 PRESQUE ISLE, ME 04769-2605

ACCOUNT: 003117 RE
 MIL RATE: 23.55
 LOCATION: 63 SWEDEN STREET
 BOOK/PAGE: B6005P245 04/27/2020

ACREAGE: 0.30
 MAP/LOT: 031-032

AMOUNT DUE: \$32,569.65

TAXPAYER'S NOTICE

INTEREST AT 6% PER ANNUM BEGINS 10/01/2021

As per state law, the ownership and valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation shall be fixed as of April 1st. For this tax bill, that date is April 1, 2021. If you have sold your real estate since April 1, 2021, it is your obligation to forward this bill to the current property owner. FAILURE TO FORWARD THIS BILL MAY RESULT IN A LIEN BEING PLACED AGAINST YOUR NAME. If you have an escrow account, please forward a copy to your mortgage holder prior to the due date.

INFORMATION

This bill is for the current tax year, January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Past due amounts are not included. After eight (8) months and no later than one (1) year from the date of commitment, a lien will be placed on all real estate for which taxes remain unpaid. Effective June 30, 2021, the City of Caribou has no bonded indebtedness.

AS A RESULT OF THE MONEY OUR MUNICIPALITY RECEIVES FROM THE STATE LEGISLATURE THROUGH THE STATE MUNICIPAL REVENUE SHARING PROGRAM, HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION AND BETE REIMBURSEMENT, AND STATE AID TO EDUCATION, YOUR PROPERTY TAX BILL HAS ALREADY BEEN REDUCED BY 62.6%.

CURRENT BILLING DISTRIBUTION

COUNTY	1.65 mil	\$2,279.88	7.0%
SCHOOL	10.83 mil	\$14,982.04	46.0%
MUNICIPAL	11.07 mil	\$15,307.74	47.0%
TOTAL		\$32,569.65	100%

REMITTANCE INSTRUCTIONS

For your convenience, taxes may be paid by mail. Please make checks or money orders payable to **CITY OF CARIBOU** and mail to:
TAX COLLECTOR
CITY OF CARIBOU
 25 HIGH ST
 CARIBOU, ME 04736-2719
 If you would like a receipt, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope



You may pay by credit card at the office, by phone at 1-800-272-9829, or by visiting www.officialpayments.com. Use Jurisdiction Code 2915. There will be a convenience fee charged for this service.



LAST DAY TO PAY BEFORE INTEREST BEGINS IS 9/30/2021

NOTE: The city office will close at 1:00 PM on Thursday, 12-30-2021 and will be closed on Friday, 12-31-2021 for New Years Day, per the State of Maine 2021 holiday schedule.

2021 REAL ESTATE TAX BILL
 ACCOUNT: 003117 RE
 NAME: CASSIDY HOLDINGS LLC
 MAP/LOT: 031-032
 LOCATION: 63 SWEDEN STREET

TAX COLLECTOR, CITY OF CARIBOU, 25 HIGH ST, CARIBOU, ME 04736-2719



INTEREST BEGINS ON 10/01/2021

DUE DATE	AMOUNT DUE	AMOUNT PAID
08/13/2021	\$32,569.65	

PLEASE REMIT THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT



CITY OF CARIBOU, MAINE

Phone: (207) 493-5961
Fax: (207) 498-3954

Office of Tax Assessment & Code Enforcement

Municipal Building
25 High Street
Caribou, Me 04736

March 18, 2022

Cassidy Holdings LLC
Attn: Eric Cassidy
168 State Street
Presque Isle, Maine 04769

Re: Real Estate account # 3117

Dear Mr. Cassidy:

The Caribou Board of Assessors met regarding your request for partial abatement of your 2021 property taxes on Wednesday March 9, 2022, for the property located at 63 Sweden Street, Map 31 Lot 32. The Board of Assessors did not take any additional action on the abatement application which was denied at their meeting held on December 14, 2021. The reason for the no additional action on the abatement is given in the attached "Findings of Facts".

You have the right to appeal this decision to the County Commissioners within 60 days of the notice of decision in accordance with 36 MRSA §844. You may contact the County Commissioners at (207) 493-3318 or 144 Sweden Street, Suite 1, Caribou, ME 04736.

If you have any questions regarding this or any other valuation matter, please contact me at 493-3324 ext. 217 or pthompson@cariboumaine.org.

Sincerely:

Penny Thompson
City of Caribou

"THE MOST NORTHEASTERN CITY IN THE U.S."
Penny Thompson, RES, CMA-4 Assessor's Agent / City Manager
E-Mail: pthompson@cariboumaine.org

Based on the Board's review of the written information submitted by Eric Cassidy of Cassidy Holdings, LLC ("the Taxpayer") and the Board of Assessors determined as follows for the property located at 63 Sweden Street, Map 31 Lot 32, Account # 3117:

1. In accordance with the Maine Constitution and Maine State Law, taxpayers may seek an abatement for the following reasons: Substantial Overvaluation (ME Const. Art IX, §8), Unjust Discrimination (ME Const. Art IX, §8), Illegality, Error or Irregularity (36 MRSA §841(A)), or Poverty or Infirmary (36 MRSA §841(B)).
2. In accordance with 36 MRSA §502, the status of all taxpayers and of such taxable property is fixed as of the first day of each April. For the 2021 tax year, that date was April 1, 2021.
3. The date of commitment for the 2021 tax year was July 30, 2021. 36 MRSA §841 states that taxpayers may request abatement by written application within 185 days after the date that the tax was committed stating the grounds for an abatement. For the 2021 tax year, the deadline for written application for abatement is January 31, 2022.
4. The property identified as City of Caribou Map 31 Lot 32 (Acct # 3117) on April 1, 2021 was owned by Cassidy Holdings LLC.
5. The Application for Abatement of Property Taxes received in the tax assessment office on November 22, 2021 and is considered to be timely filed.
6. Request: City of Caribou Map 31 Lot 32 – that the building value be reduced by \$1,233,000 to \$150,000 for the 2021 tax year.

Grounds presented for requesting abatement:

"The property was purchased for \$50,000. This commercial property is vacant and produces zero income. As it sits currently it is not worth more than \$150,000. We have plans to improve the property and return it to its former value, however we request that the valuation be reduced to something within reason in the interim."
Additionally, a copy of the 2021 tax bill, and the settlement statement from the purchase were included.

7. In an email dated March 6, 2022 at 2:57PM, Mr. Cassidy attached a Broker Opinion of Value by Jane Towle and Leigh Smith of RE/MAX County. The estimated market value for this property, in the professional opinion of the preparers, is \$210,000 along with a statement from Mr. Cassidy:
"I would like to revise my abatement request to a value of \$210,000. I have attached a broker opinion of value as supporting documentation."
8. Penny Thompson presented a copy of the Broker Opinion of Value (see attachment A).
9. Penny Thompson presented a copy of the completed Application For Abatement of Property Taxes (see attachment B).
10. Penny Thompson presented a copy of the current tax information sheet (see attachment C). This was included to show the assessed value, billed amount and the status of the taxes which are currently unpaid.
11. Penny Thompson presented a copy of pages 176, 177, 178, 179, 184 and 185 from the 2019 MMA Municipal Assessment Manual (see attachment D). This was to give information about the abatement procedure. On page 184, the section title "Payment of

Taxes Prerequisite to Filing Appeal" was highlighted. This section details the tax payment requirements during the appeal process.

12. Penny Thompson presented a copy of photos taken during on a visit to the property in October 2019 (see attachment E). This was to give information about the property condition at the time of last inspection.
13. During the meeting, Eric Cassidy and Dana Cassidy were present. Mr. Dana Cassidy spoke about the Broker Opinion of Value and the comparable sales used to develop the opinion of value. Mr. Dana Cassidy spoke about the assessed value of the subject relative to the sales prices of comparable properties. Mr. Dana Cassidy also spoke about the many economic contributions made by him in Caribou.

The members of the Caribou Board of Assessors discussed the new arguments presented at the meeting.

Based on the foregoing, the Board of Assessors found that the taxpayer failed to prove that the assessed valuation of the property was manifestly wrong; additionally the taxpayer failed to provide evidence that the property was substantially overvalued or that the Assessor's methodology necessarily resulted in unjust discrimination of the property at 63 Sweden Street in comparison to similarly situated properties; finally, the taxpayer failed to submit evidence that there "illegality, error or irregularity" in the assessment of the property.

There was no further action taken.

2023 Spirt of America Winner List

District 1 – Commissioner Dobbins

Easton – Cheryl Clark

Littleton – Sandra Wotton

Merrill & Smyrna – John Graham

Weston – Dennis P. Clark

Weston – John H. Ribe

District 2 - Commissioner Underwood

Caribou – Gary Cook

Caribou – Keith Brown

Mapleton, Castle Hill, Chapman – David Dunlavey

Presque Isle – Rotary Club of Presque Isle

Washburn/Wade – Washburn Memorial Library **shared with District 3*

District 3 – Commissioner Fournier

Allagash – Susan Gardner

Allagash – Cheril Turner

Fort Kent – Donald Raymond

Frenchville – Le Club Du Bonheur

Limestone – Elmer Morin

Portage Lake – James Dumond

Stockholm – Susie Anderson

Van Buren – Peter J. Madore

Wallagrass – Thomas Pinette

Washburn/Wade – Washburn Memorial Library **shared with District 2*

County of Aroostook

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BRYAN V. JANDREAU



COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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**WILLIAM T. DOBBINS
HOULTON**

January 18, 2024

TO: Ryan D. Pellitier, County Administrator

FR: Bryan V. Jandreau, Facilities & IT Director

RE: Houlton Superior Court Top Roof

Please consider this a formal request to use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds originally slated for the heating ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) project for the replacement of the top roof at the Houlton Superior Court Building.

Thank you for your consideration.

PC: Steven Pelletier
Dana Gendreau

STATE OF MAINE

AROOSTOOK COUNTY, ss.

Court of County Commissioners

On the 21st day of February the term of this Court, in the year 2024 A.D., it is Ordered that the County

Tax for the Special 6 months year of 2024, amounting to Five Million Six Hundred Fifty Two Thousand One Hundred Forty Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$5,652,140.70), the sum authorized by a resolve of the Aroostook County Finance Committee, and approved November 14, 2023, together with an overlay of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Four Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$111,564.30), being a sum not exceeding two percent of said Five Million Six Hundred Fifty Two Thousand One Hundred Forty Dollars and Seventy Cents, be apportioned on the various Cities, Towns, Plantations and Unorganized Places within Aroostook County, according to the last State Valuation.

And said apportionment is hereby made as follows:

APPORIONMENT ON CITIES, TOWNS AND PLANTATIONS	VALUATION	TAX	APPORIONMENT ON CITIES AND TOWNS AND PLANTATIONS	VALUATION	TAX
Allagash	\$ 35,550,000	\$ 30,431	Hersey	\$ 11,300,000	\$ 9,673
Amity	\$ 17,800,000	\$ 15,237	Hodgdon	\$ 78,500,000	\$ 67,196
Ashland	\$ 91,250,000	\$ 78,110	Houlton	\$ 382,300,000	\$ 327,249
Blaine	\$ 52,000,000	\$ 44,512	Island Falls	\$ 105,550,000	\$ 90,351
Bridgewater	\$ 43,600,000	\$ 37,322	Limestone	\$ 93,300,000	\$ 79,865
Caribou	\$ 485,800,000	\$ 415,845	Linneus	\$ 98,150,000	\$ 84,016
Castle Hill	\$ 34,000,000	\$ 29,104	Littleton	\$ 73,050,000	\$ 62,531
Caswell	\$ 21,700,000	\$ 18,575	Ludlow	\$ 31,200,000	\$ 26,707
Chapman	\$ 38,300,000	\$ 32,785	Macwahoc Plantation	\$ 16,500,000	\$ 14,124
Crystal	\$ 20,800,000	\$ 17,805	Madawaska	\$ 394,500,000	\$ 337,692
Cyr Plantation	\$ 13,900,000	\$ 11,898	Mapleton	\$ 172,800,000	\$ 147,917
Dyer Brook	\$ 22,450,000	\$ 19,217	Mars Hill	\$ 171,650,000	\$ 146,932
Eagle Lake	\$ 117,950,000	\$ 100,966	Masardis	\$ 30,200,000	\$ 25,851
Easton	\$ 316,350,000	\$ 270,796	Merrill	\$ 17,450,000	\$ 14,937
Fort Fairfield	\$ 205,250,000	\$ 175,694	Monticello	\$ 64,350,000	\$ 55,084
Fort Kent	\$ 323,000,000	\$ 276,488	Moro Plantation	\$ 12,900,000	\$ 11,042
Frenchville	\$ 74,250,000	\$ 63,558	Nashville Plantation	\$ 61,400,000	\$ 52,558
Garfield Plantation	\$ 9,950,000	\$ 8,517	New Canada	\$ 32,150,000	\$ 27,520
Glenwood Plantation	\$ 17,300,000	\$ 14,809	New Limerick	\$ 215,050,000	\$ 184,083
Grand Isle	\$ 30,900,000	\$ 26,450	New Sweden	\$ 49,100,000	\$ 42,030
Hamlin	\$ 25,600,000	\$ 21,914	Oakfield	\$ 55,350,000	\$ 47,380
Hammond	\$ 9,800,000	\$ 8,389	Orient	\$ 54,350,000	\$ 46,524
Haynesville	\$ 14,950,000	\$ 12,797	Perham	\$ 30,450,000	\$ 26,065

STATE OF MAINE

APPORTIONMENT ON CITIES, TOWNS AND PLANTATIONS			APPORTIONMENT ON CITIES AND TOWNS AND PLANTATIONS		
	VALUATION	TAX		VALUATION	TAX
Portage Lake	\$ 97,200,000	\$ 83,203	Westfield	\$ 38,850,000	\$ 33,256
Presque Isle	\$ 680,250,000	\$ 582,294	Westmanland	\$ 21,100,000	\$ 18,062
Reed Plantation	\$ 18,800,000	\$ 16,093	Weston	\$ 65,500,000	\$ 56,068
Saint Agatha	\$ 93,150,000	\$ 79,736	Winterville Plantation	\$ 41,050,000	\$ 35,139
Saint Francis	\$ 33,650,000	\$ 28,804	Woodland	\$ 79,750,000	\$ 68,266
Saint John Plantation	\$ 24,000,000	\$ 20,544			
Sherman	\$ 59,500,000	\$ 50,932			
Smyrna	\$ 27,200,000	\$ 23,283			
Stockholm	\$ 19,600,000	\$ 16,778			
Van Buren	\$ 86,400,000	\$ 73,958	Total for Cities, Towns and Plantations	\$ 5,852,850,000	\$ 5,010,040
Wade	\$ 22,550,000	\$ 19,303			
Wallagrass	\$ 55,900,000	\$ 47,850	Total for Unorganized Places	\$ 880,450,000	\$ 753,665
Washburn	\$ 114,400,000	\$ 97,926			

TAX RATE: 0.0008560

SUMMARY	VALUATION	TAX
TOTAL FOR CITIES, TOWNS AND PLANTATIONS	\$ 5,852,850,000	\$ 5,010,040.00
TOTAL FOR UNORGANIZED PLACES	\$ 880,450,000	\$ 753,665.00
TOTAL	\$ 6,733,300,000	\$ 5,763,705.00

We have on this day issued warrants to the assessors of the various cities, towns and plantations within Aroostook County requiring the assessment of the sums apportioned against their respective cities, towns or plantations, and the collection and payment thereof to the treasurers of said cities, towns or plantations, to be paid by them to the County Treasurer, on his warrants to be issued therefore on or before the first day of September 2024.

And the Clerk of this Court is hereby directed to certify a copy of the above apportionment to the County Treasurer of Aroostook County, and the County Treasurer is directed to certify a like copy to the State Tax Assessor as required by statute.

Dated at Caribou, Maine

February 21, 2024

Attest: _____
County Clerk

AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Computation of 2024 Special 6 Month County Tax Mil Rate and Overlay

Amount to be Raised	\$	5,652,140.70	
X 2.00%	\$	0.02	
Maximum Overlay	\$	113,042.81	
Total Tax + 2.0%	\$	5,765,183.51	
Municipal Valuation	\$	5,852,850,000	
Unorganized	\$	880,450,000	
Total	\$	6,733,300,000	
Min Mil Rate		0.000839431	
Max Mil Rate		0.000856220	
Total Valuation	\$	6,733,300,000	
Suggested Mil Rate		0.00085600	
	\$		
		5,763,705.00	
Valuation X Mil Rate	\$	5,763,705.00	
Tax	\$	5,652,140.70	
Overlay Tax	\$	111,564.30	← Does not exceed 2%
Tax	\$	5,652,140.70	
Overlay	\$	111,564.30	
	\$	5,763,705.00	

**COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK
JANUARY 1, 2024 – JUNE 30, 2024
SPECIAL SIX-MONTH COUNTY BUDGET BILL PAYMENT OPTION PLAN ENROLLMENT**

**We, the undersigned municipal officials of the Town/City of _____
hereby select to pay the special six-month county tax bill over the following year(s).**

We select to pay the special six-month county tax bill in one payment year due September 1, 2024.

We select to pay the special six-month county tax bill in two payment years due September 1, 2024 and September 1, 2025.

We select to pay the special six-month county tax bill in three payment years due September 1, 2024; September 1, 2025; and September 1, 2026.

We further understand that the payment amount above will be added to the full 12-month county tax bill when our tax commitment is completed and that the full amount will be due and payable each year as selected above.

Town/City Municipal Officials (Town Council, Board of Selectmen, Board of Assessors)

County of Aroostook

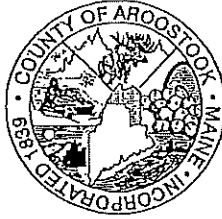
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

RYAN D. PELLETIER

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WILLIAM T. DOBBINS
HOULTON

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 09, 2024
TO: Ryan D. Pelletier, County Administrator
FROM: Paul Bernier, Community Services Director
RE: Fire Protection Services for Cary Township

Attached is the proposed Contractual Services Agreement from the **Town of Houlton** for Fire Protection services in Cary Township.

This agreement is for the one (1) year period of January 01, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

- **Cary Twp. (Fire Protection \$15,084.00)** This proposal represents a 4% increase over the previous years' agreement (\$14,504.00). UT funds budgeted for this agreement is \$14,687.50.

Based on the above information, it is my recommendation that the agreement be reviewed, approved and signed by the County Administrator.

CARY PLANTATION

TOWN OF HOULTON
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT



WITNESS, this Agreement by and between the Town of Houlton, a municipal corporation of Water Street, Houlton, Maine (hereinafter "Houlton") and the undersigned other municipality (hereinafter "Municipality") this 1st day of January 2024.

WHEREAS, Houlton has available certain municipal services which the Municipality wishes to purchase; and

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of the contracting parties have authorized this Agreement and the execution and delivery hereof by proper vote at a meeting duly called and held;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, in consideration of the mutual promises herein contain and other goods and sufficient considerations, agree as follows:

1. Houlton agrees to provide, to the Municipality, the following service or services which have been checked and initialed by the parties thereto, and the Municipality agrees to pay Houlton therefore, as indicated:

 X SERVICE: Houlton shall provide to the Municipality and its inhabitants services of its FIRE DEPARTMENT personnel and equipment when called as available at the time. Number and type of personnel and equipment dispatched shall be at the sole discretion of Houlton. Any additional cost incurred for fighting forest fires shall be the responsibility of the Municipality.

FEE: The Municipality agrees to pay Houlton for this service the sum of **\$15,084** per annum payable by the above due date unless otherwise agreed to in writing signed by both parties.

 SERVICE: Houlton shall provide to the Municipality and its inhabitants services of its AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT personnel and equipment when called as available at the time. Number and type of personnel and equipment shall be at the sole discretion of Houlton.

FEE: The Municipality agrees to pay to Houlton for the service the sum of **\$0** per annum payable by the above date unless otherwise agreed to in writing by both parties. In addition, Houlton shall charge inhabitants and users in accordance with the Medicare Part B National Fee Schedule as updated annually and published by NHIC Corporation.

— SERVICE: Houlton shall provide to the Municipality and its inhabitants a septage sewage disposal site. The use of said site under this contract shall be subject to the rules attached hereto, as amended from time to time, even if amended during the term of this Agreement. All septage pumping operators must be licensed by the Municipality, or must be pre-approved by the Municipality and the Town of Houlton.

FEE: The Municipality agrees to pay Houlton for this service the sum of \$0 per annum payable in advance unless otherwise agreed to in writing signed by both parties. In addition to the above charge, the utilization charges set forth in Schedule B shall be paid.

This contract shall become effective on the date the Town of Houlton receives payment in full for all services. Prior to payment in full, the Town of Houlton shall have no obligation hereunder.

2. The term of this Agreement, unless otherwise noted, is from January 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024. **Payment is due 30 days from the date signed by the Town Manager of Houlton.** Either party may cancel this Agreement on thirty (30) days written notice to the other by certified mail, return receipt. Any fees paid but unearned on cancellation shall be refunded within thirty (30) days thereof. Any fees earned but unpaid shall be paid at the time of cancellation.

3. This contract is subject to all federal, state, and county laws, the ordinances of the Town of Houlton, and the regulations hereunder with which the parties agree to abide.

4. The Municipality shall, in all cases, indemnify Houlton and its officers, employees or agents who are a party or are threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative related to activities under this Agreement, against expenses, including attorney's fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonable incurred in connection with such action, suit or proceeding to have acted in bad faith or without reasonable cause to believe that their conduct was lawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order or conviction adverse to such person or entity, or by settlement, plea nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not of itself create a presumption that such person or entity acted in bad faith or without reasonable cause to believe that their conduct was lawful.

5. This Agreement is subject to the special terms and conditions, if any, attached hereto and initialed by the parties hereto.

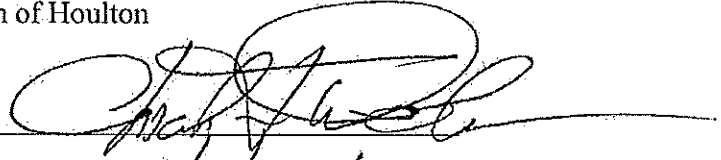
6. The parties hereto and the signatories hereof by execution certify that this Agreement and the execution and delivery thereof have been duly and properly authorized by all necessary and proper authorities.

Witness:

Town of Houlton

Blowland

By:



Dated:

2/8/2024

Town of Cary

By: _____

Dated: _____

FILED WITH FISCAL ADMINISTRATOR _____, 2024

AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Unorganized Territory Fund
FY 2024-2025 Proposed Budget

ACCOUNTS	DESCRIPTION	2021-22 ACTUAL	2022-23 ACTUAL	2022-23 BUDGET	2023-24 BUDGET	2024-25 REQUESTED	\$ CHANGE	% CHANGE
1 Cross Lake								
230201	30302 Snow Contract for T17R5	23,923	25,225	25,400	26,162	26,950	788	3.01%
230401	34002 Fire Suppression	547	0	500	500	500	0	0.00%
230401	34005 Fire Protection Madawaska	1,400	0	1,450	1,450	1,450	0	0.00%
230401	34010 Firefighters Stipend	14,964	16,201	17,000	18,000	38,000	20,000	111.11%
230401	34045 Medical Evaluations	310	62	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
230401	34046 Hepatitis B Shots	0	31	500	500	500	0	0.00%
230401	34105 Mileage/Gas	2,557	2,966	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
230401	34205 Gas/Oil Fire Trks	1,863	2,575	1,300	2,000	2,500	500	25.00%
230401	34210 Repairs, Vehicle	14,338	11,279	10,000	12,000	12,000	0	0.00%
230401	34305 Electricity	3,923	4,564	3,900	4,300	4,800	500	11.63%
230401	34310 Sewer	492	492	490	500	675	175	35.00%
230401	34315 Telephone/Internet	5,587	5,604	5,000	5,500	5,800	300	5.45%
230401	34605 Snow Removal	7,048	7,280	7,350	8,500	8,700	200	2.35%
230401	34610 Building Maint	4,133	4,826	4,800	4,800	5,800	1,000	20.83%
230401	34656 Dispatching	1,241	1,241	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
230401	34657 Radio Repair	1,854	3,344	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
230401	34659 SCBA Maint	1,277	3,119	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
230401	34661 Hose Repair Maint	262	0	150	150	150	0	0.00%
230401	34662 Fire Ext Maint	0	728	350	350	500	150	42.86%
230401	34663 Pump Test	91	59	1,350	1,350	1,350	0	0.00%
230401	34721 Medicare/Fica	1,240	1,295	1,100	1,100	1,300	200	18.18%
230401	34723 Insurance	7,560	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	0	0.00%
230401	34755 Workers Comp	2,698	4,436	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
230401	34820 Dues	807	590	550	810	810	0	0.00%
230401	34940 Training & Educ	1,992	2,032	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	0.00%
230401	35205 Fuel	13,006	10,852	10,000	14,000	14,000	0	0.00%
230401	35335 Office Supplies	739	1,327	700	700	900	200	28.57%
230401	35405 Uniforms	1,086	976	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
230501	30302 Ambulance Services	14,630	15,011	14,190	16,400	16,400	0	0.00%
230601	30302 Street Lights	382	427	325	425	450	25	5.88%
230801	30302 Polling Places T17R5	1,700	900	1,700	1,700	1,800	100	5.88%
231001	34110 Meals	800	700	800	800	800	0	0.00%
231001	34300 Taxes	518	437	525	525	475	(50)	-9.52%
231001	34305 Electricity	491	508	450	500	560	60	12.00%
231001	34315 Telephone	760	748	790	770	790	20	2.60%
231001	34605 Snow Removal	1,845	2,089	2,266	2,200	2,215	15	0.68%
231001	34610 Building Maint	44	121	250	210	210	0	0.00%
231001	35205 Fuel	1,432	1,775	1,420	1,500	1,850	350	23.33%
231001	35315 Maint Supplies	354	381	400	400	400	0	0.00%
231001	35320 Kitchen Supplies	202	45	250	250	200	(50)	-20.00%
231001	35325 Janitorial Service	200	244	275	275	275	0	0.00%
231001	35335 Office Supplies	192	159	225	225	225	0	0.00%
231401	30302 Cemetery Decorations	150	150	150	150	150	0	0.00%
231501	30302 Boat Landing Maintenance	2,458	5,019	3,500	3,800	3,800	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Cross Lake	141,099	147,017	143,206	156,602	181,085	24,483	15.63%
2 Sinclair								
230202	30302 Snow Contract for T17R4	6,940	7,950	7,100	8,450	8,950	500	5.92%
230302	30302 Solid Waste Contract	27,131	26,564	27,000	27,800	29,000	1,200	4.32%
230302	30303 Transfer Station	15,160	19,008	16,500	17,000	18,500	1,500	8.82%
230502	30302 Ambulance Services	17,868	21,429	17,330	20,030	22,000	1,970	9.84%
230602	30302 Street Lights	3,436	3,840	2,800	3,800	4,050	250	6.58%
230802	30302 Polling Places T17R4	2,290	1,250	2,290	2,290	2,290	0	0.00%
230902	31120 Activities	260	0	400	400	400	0	0.00%
231002	34110 Meals	300	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
231002	34305 Electricity	605	782	650	650	900	250	38.46%
231002	34310 Sewer	492	492	490	500	675	175	35.00%
231002	34315 Telephone/Internet	1,221	1,583	640	1,250	1,600	350	28.00%
231002	34605 Snow Removal	2,150	2,240	2,450	2,100	2,100	0	0.00%
231002	34610 Building Maint	436	321	450	450	250	(200)	-44.44%
231002	34723 Insurance	63	60	60	65	65	0	0.00%
231002	35205 Fuel	2,300	1,822	2,780	2,500	2,300	(200)	-8.00%
231002	35325 Janitorial Service	480	0	480	450	200	(250)	-55.56%

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ACCOUNTS	DESCRIPTION	2021-22 ACTUAL	2022-23 ACTUAL	2022-23 BUDGET	2023-24 BUDGET	2024-25 REQUESTED	\$ CHANGE	% CHANGE
231402	30302 Cemetery Decorations	150	150	150	150	150	0	0.00%
232702	30302 N.A.R.S.B.	800	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL	T17R4 (Sinclair)	82,082	89,491	83,570	89,885	95,430	5,545	6.17%
3 Van Buren Cove								
230303	30302 Solid Waste Contract	2,210	2,169	2,170	2,212	2,256	44	1.99%
230403	30302 Fire Protection	9,891	10,188	10,188	10,493	10,493	0	0.00%
230503	30302 Ambulance Services	4,120	7,872	4,715	8,650	8,300	(350)	-4.05%
230703	30302 VB Cove Beach Maintenance	2,081	2,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
230903	30302 Recreation	500	500	500	2,800	500	(2,300)	-82.14%
TOTAL	T17R3	18,802	22,729	20,573	27,155	24,549	(2,606)	-9.60%
4 T16R5 (Square Lake)								
230504	30302 Ambulance Services	3,909	4,011	3,800	4,382	4,300	(82)	-1.87%
TOTAL	T16R5	3,909	4,011	3,800	4,382	4,300	(82)	-1.87%
5 Madawaska Lake								
230205	30302 Snow Contract for T16R4	8,400	9,850	8,600	10,000	10,750	750	7.50%
230305	30302 Solid Waste Contract	6,923	6,763	6,500	7,000	7,200	200	2.86%
230505	30302 Ambulance Services	14,200	14,200	15,290	15,290	15,600	310	2.03%
230605	30302 Street Lights	683	684	600	700	750	50	7.14%
230805	30302 Polling Places T16R4	1,700	850	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0.00%
TOTAL	T16R4 (Madawaska Lake)	31,906	32,347	32,690	34,690	36,000	1,310	3.78%
6 T15R6 (Hedgehog Mtn.)								
230306	30302 Solid Waste Contract	3,805	3,805	3,950	3,950	3,950	0	0.00%
230406	30302 Fire Protection	3,100	3,100	3,150	3,100	3,200	100	3.23%
230506	30302 Ambulance Services	817	839	800	920	920	0	0.00%
TOTAL	T15R6	7,722	7,743	7,900	7,970	8,070	100	1.25%
7 Connor								
230207	30302 Snow Contract for Connor	99,610	103,962	102,000	107,100	111,038	3,938	3.68%
230307	30302 Solid Waste Contract	21,436	20,844	25,000	25,000	24,000	(1,000)	-4.00%
230407	30302 Fire Protection	11,013	11,425	11,100	11,770	12,125	355	3.02%
230507	30302 Ambulance Services	44,050	45,700	44,325	47,070	47,070	0	0.00%
230607	30302 Street Lights	1,143	1,282	1,000	1,270	1,325	55	4.33%
230807	30302 Polling Places Connor	2,360	1,325	2,360	2,360	2,360	0	0.00%
230907	31120 Activities	511	1,324	3,300	3,300	3,300	0	0.00%
230907	31130 Park Maint	2,255	2,345	2,400	2,700	2,700	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Connor	182,378	188,207	191,485	200,570	203,918	3,348	1.67%
8 T12R8/T11R4 (West of Ashland)								
230508	30302 Ambulance Services	44,250	59,813	43,260	48,600	76,425	27,825	57.25%
TOTAL	T12R8/T11R4	44,250	59,813	43,260	48,600	76,425	27,825	57.25%
9 T11R4 (Scapan)								
230309	30302 Solid Waste Contract	365	191	350	365	250	(115)	-31.51%
230409	30302 Fire Protection	12,005	12,365	12,370	12,750	14,450	1,700	13.33%
230809	30302 Polling Places T11R4	200	100	200	200	200	0	0.00%
TOTAL	T11R4	12,570	12,656	12,920	13,315	14,900	1,585	11.90%

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10 T10R6 (NW of Masardis)								
230410	30302 Fire Protection	710	728	728	746	776	30	4.02%
TOTAL	T10R6 (Masardis)	710	728	728	746	776	30	4.02%
11 E Township								
230211	30302 Snow Contract for E Plt	21,903	22,560	22,560	23,237	25,000	1,763	7.59%
230311	30302 Solid Waste Contract	2,700	2,700	2,754	2,809	2,865	56	1.99%
230411	30302 Fire Protection	2,890	3,049	3,049	3,217	3,361	144	4.48%
230511	30302 Ambulance Services	2,976	4,672	2,410	3,900	6,065	2,165	55.51%
232700	30302 Septage Disposal	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750	0	0.00%
230911	31120 Activities	0	0	0	275	275	0	0.00%
TOTAL	E Plantation	32,219	34,731	32,523	35,188	39,316	4,128	11.73%
12 T9R5 (Leading Into Oxbow North)								
230212	30302 Snow Contract for T9R5	21,800	25,708	23,000	27,000	27,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL	T9R5	21,800	25,708	23,000	27,000	27,000	0	0.00%
13 TDR2 (Leading to No. 9 Mtn.)								
230213	30302 Snow Contract for TDR2	4,666	4,806	4,806	4,950	5,175	225	4.55%
230313	30302 Solid Waste Contract	550	567	575	550	602	52	9.45%
230413	30302 Fire Protection	1,647	1,696	1,696	1,747	1,800	53	3.03%
230513	30302 Ambulance Services	6,067	9,250	4,867	7,840	12,000	4,160	53.06%
TOTAL	TDR2	12,930	16,319	11,944	15,087	19,577	4,490	29.76%
14 T8R4 (SE of Masardis)								
230414	30302 Fire Protection	710	728	728	746	776	30	4.02%
TOTAL	T8R4 (Masardis)	710	728	728	746	776	30	4.02%
15 T7R5 (S of Masardis)								
230315	30302 Solid Waste Contract	500	500	500	500	500	0	0.00%
230415	30302 Fire Protection	888	910	910	938	994	56	5.97%
TOTAL	T7R5	1,388	1,410	1,410	1,438	1,494	56	3.89%
16 TCR2 (W of Monticello)								
230416	30302 Fire Protection	926	954	954	983	1,032	49	4.98%
230516	30302 Ambulance Services	0	3,000	3,100	5,000	12,000	7,000	140.00%
TOTAL	TCR2	926	3,954	4,054	5,983	13,032	7,049	117.82%
18 Benedicta								
230218	30302 Snow Contract for T2R5 (Bene)	90,970	105,353	92,000	105,000	105,000	0	0.00%
230318	30302 Solid Waste Contract	19,460	21,406	20,050	22,100	33,305	11,205	50.70%
230418	30302 Fire Protection	9,584	9,770	9,770	9,960	10,260	300	3.01%
230418	30304 Fire Pond	1,070	1,000	1,000	1,100	1,150	50	4.55%
230518	30302 Ambulance Services	4,799	3,758	4,500	4,500	4,300	(200)	-4.44%
230618	30302 Street Lights	509	569	425	575	605	30	5.22%
230818	30302 Polling Places (T2R5) Benedicta	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
231418	30302 Cemetery Decorations	350	350	350	350	350	0	0.00%
232718	30302 S.A.R.S.B.	2,246	2,268	2,268	2,291	2,360	69	3.01%
TOTAL	Benedicta	130,488	145,974	131,863	147,376	158,830	11,454	7.77%
19 Silver Ridge								

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230219	30302 Snow Contract for T2R5 (SR)	15,125	16,603	16,300	17,300	17,000	(300)	-1.73%
230319	30302 Solid Waste Contract	9,430	10,373	9,715	10,710	16,140	5,430	50.70%
230419	30302 Fire Protection	4,698	4,608	4,790	4,885	5,030	145	2.97%
230519	30302 Ambulance Services	2,326	1,825	2,175	2,175	2,000	(175)	-8.05%
230619	30302 Memorial Light	919	1,338	1,200	1,200	1,350	150	12.50%
230819	30302 Polling Places T2R5 (Silver Ridge)	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
231419	30302 Cemetery Decorations	150	150	150	150	150	0	0.00%
231419	30305 Cemetery Maintenance	2,458	2,600	2,575	3,700	4,000	300	8.11%
TOTAL	Silver Ridge	36,606	38,996	38,405	41,620	47,170	5,550	13.33%
20 T1R5 (Aroostook Road)								
230220	30302 Snow Contract for T1R5	38,440	42,198	40,550	43,042	43,042	0	0.00%
TOTAL	T1R5	38,440	42,198	40,550	43,042	43,042	0	0.00%
21 TAR2 (South of Linneus)								
230421	30302 Fire Protection	907	934	935	962	991	29	3.01%
TOTAL	TAR2	907	934	935	962	991	29	3.01%
22 Molunkus								
230222	30302 Snow Contract for TAR5	23,862	26,194	28,860	30,635	30,635	0	0.00%
230322	30302 Solid Waste Contract	11,963	12,322	12,263	12,692	13,073	381	3.00%
230422	30302 Fire Protection	4,637	4,915	4,776	5,210	5,523	313	6.01%
230522	30302 Ambulance Services	2,768	2,837	2,837	2,922	3,010	88	3.01%
TOTAL	TAR5 (Molunkus)	43,230	46,268	48,736	51,459	52,241	782	1.52%
24 Oxbow-North								
230224	30302 Snow Contract for Oxbow North	44,342	52,292	47,000	54,000	54,000	0	0.00%
230324	30302 Solid Waste Contract	7,357	8,121	7,700	8,000	10,012	2,012	25.15%
230424	30302 Fire Protection Contract	4,624	4,763	4,763	4,910	5,225	315	6.42%
230524	30302 Ambulance Services	5,879	8,267	5,810	6,650	10,950	4,300	64.66%
230824	30302 Polling Places for Oxbow	400	200	400	400	400	0	0.00%
230924	31120 Recreation	2,384	1,409	200	2,400	2,400	0	0.00%
231424	30302 Cemeteries Oxbow	831	885	750	800	900	100	12.50%
231524	30302 Boat Landing Maint. Contract	0	0	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Oxbow-North	65,817	75,936	69,623	80,160	86,887	6,727	8.39%
25 Bancroft								
230225	30302 Snow Contract For Bancroft	80,420	84,248	87,000	89,610	89,610	0	0.00%
230325	30302 Solid Waste Contract	12,923	15,606	10,000	13,000	16,075	3,075	23.65%
230425	30302 Fire Protection	3,395	3,480	3,480	3,567	4,000	433	12.14%
230525	30302 Ambulance Services	3,890	3,890	4,400	4,300	4,300	0	0.00%
230625	30302 Street Lights	992	748	1,250	1,000	900	(100)	-10.00%
230825	30302 Polling Places for Bancroft	400	200	400	400	400	0	0.00%
231425	30302 Cemetery Maintenance / Decorations	635	620	550	700	725	25	3.57%
232725	30302 Septage Disposal	100	0	100	100	100	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Bancroft	102,754	108,792	107,180	112,677	116,110	3,433	3.05%
26 Cary Plantation								

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230226	30302 Snow Removal	73,492	76,017	76,500	78,100	76,100	0	0.00%
230426	30302 Fire Protection	12,773	13,639	13,360	13,765	15,610	1,845	13.40%
230526	30302 Ambulance	15,762	17,974	16,478	16,810	18,575	1,765	10.50%
230626	30302 Street Lights	1,497	1,281	1,675	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
230826	30302 Polling Places	2,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
230926	31120 Activities	0	0	100	100	100	0	0.00%
231426	30302 Cemeteries	1,600	1,900	1,650	1,900	1,900	0	0.00%
232726	30302 Septage Disposal	429	31	225	250	250	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Cary Plantation	107,553	111,841	111,988	112,425	116,035	3,610	3.21%
	49 Roads/Bridge Maintenance							
230152	30302 Roads/Bridge Maintenance	145,646	206,042	210,000	210,000	210,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Roads/Bridge Maintenance	145,646	206,042	210,000	210,000	210,000	0	0.00%
	51 Personnel Services							
	2990 Public Safety Coordinator							
229951	33109 Deputy Director EMA	40,031	43,350	42,498	48,765	45,520	(3,245)	-6.65%
229951	34720 Medical Insurance	16,770	16,241	17,608	18,430	20,725	2,295	12.45%
229951	34721 Medicare/Fica	500	551	616	707	660	(47)	-6.66%
229951	34724 Life Insurance	85	85	87	88	88	0	0.28%
229951	34735 MainePERS	4,123	4,422	4,443	5,050	4,643	(407)	-8.06%
229951	34755 Workers Comp	987	1,343	1,340	1,538	1,435	(103)	-6.68%
TOTAL	Public Safety Coordinator	62,496	65,991	66,593	74,578	73,071	(1,507)	-2.02%
	2991 E.M.A. Support Services							
2299151	33132 Support Services	19,569	21,208	20,467	22,801	23,257	456	2.00%
2299151	34720 Medical Insurance	5,496	5,835	5,869	6,143	6,908	765	12.45%
2299151	34721 Medicare/Fica	249	271	305	331	337	6	1.93%
2299151	34724 Life Insurance	70	73	29	29	29	(0)	-0.85%
2299151	34735 MainePERS	2,016	2,163	2,202	2,361	2,372	11	0.46%
2299151	34755 Workers Comp	478	667	664	719	733	14	1.95%
2299151	34756 Performance Bonus	0	0	599	684	698	14	2.04%
TOTAL	E.M.A. Support Service	27,876	30,217	30,137	33,069	34,334	1,265	3.83%
	2992 Deputy Patrol							
2299251	34800 Deputy Patrol County Contract	130,365	134,276	134,276	155,296	163,354	8,058	5.19%
TOTAL	Deputy Patrol Personnel	130,365	134,276	134,276	155,296	163,354	8,058	5.19%
	3000 Public Works							
2300051	33100 UT Services Director	78,276	83,633	80,870	89,451	91,240	1,789	2.00%
2300051	34720 Medical Insurance	22,360	23,707	23,478	24,574	26,959	2,385	9.71%
2300051	34721 Medicare/Fica	1,108	1,177	1,208	1,336	1,363	27	2.02%
2300051	34724 Life Insurance	83	73	116	117	117	0	0.00%
2300051	34735 MainePERS	8,300	8,775	8,829	9,674	9,586	(88)	-0.91%
2300051	34755 Workers Comp	(6)	2,509	2,626	2,905	2,963	58	1.99%
2300051	34756 Performance Bonus	2,304	2,396	2,426	2,684	2,737	53	1.99%
2300051	34755 Vacation/Sick Accrual	(784)	1,440	0	0	0	0	-
TOTAL	Public Works	111,641	123,711	119,554	130,741	134,965	4,224	3.23%
	2993 Community Outreach Planner							
2299351	33173 Planner Services	10,300	10,644	12,662	11,848	12,452	604	5.10%
2299351	34719 Health Insurance Stipend	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
2299351	34720 Medical Insurance	3,249	3,353	5,742	6,010	6,758	748	12.45%
2299351	34721 Medicare/Fica	135	140	184	210	220	10	4.97%
2299351	34724 Life Insurance	0	0	29	29	29	(0)	-0.85%
2299351	34735 MainePERS	1,061	1,086	1,978	2,226	2,294	68	3.04%
2299351	34755 Workers Comp	37	46	25	25	26	1	6.04%
TOTAL	Community Outreach Planner	14,782	15,269	20,619	20,347	21,779	1,432	7.04%
TOTAL	Personnel Services	347,160	369,463	371,178	414,031	427,503	13,472	3.25%
	52 Contractual Services							


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Public Works								
2300052	34110 Meals	432	430	550	550	500	(50)	-9.09%
2300052	34115 Lodging	0	0	500	500	400	(100)	-20.00%
2300052	34205 Gas & Oil, Vehicle	6,369	6,538	5,700	6,500	6,700	200	3.08%
2300052	34210 Repairs, Vehicle	988	866	800	800	800	0	0.00%
2300052	34315 Telephone	518	519	900	600	600	0	0.00%
2300052	34630 Equipment Maint	225	200	200	200	200	0	0.00%
2300052	34633 Vehicle Insurance	868	875	875	885	950	65	7.34%
2300052	34820 Dues	0	0	100	0	0	0	-
2300052	34940 Training & Education	0	500	550	550	500	(50)	-9.09%
Community Outreach Planner								
2299351	34105 Mileage/Gas	0	0	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Contractual Services	9,400	9,927	11,675	12,085	12,150	65	0.54%
53 Commodities								
2300053	35335 Office Equipment	201	20	350	350	350	0	0.00%
2300053	35361 Field Equipment	89	(39)	250	300	350	50	16.67%
2299351	35335 Office Equipment (Com. Planner)	314	0	200	200	150	(50)	-25.00%
2299351	35361 Field Equipment (Com. Planner)	612	0	200	200	150	(50)	-25.00%
TOTAL	Commodities	1,215	(19)	1,000	1,050	1,000	(50)	-4.76%
54 Capital Outlay								
240054	37001 Roads/Bridges	325,000	325,000	325,000	275,000	300,000	25,000	9.09%
240054	37003 Pavement Resurface	31,500	35,000	35,000	65,000	50,000	(15,000)	-23.08%
240054	37005 Dry Hydrants	1,000	500	500	500	0	(500)	-100.00%
240054	37006 E911 Program	500	500	500	500	500	0	0.00%
240054	37007 Cemetery Improvements	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
240054	37008 Cross Lake Fire Bldg Improveme	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
240054	37009 Sinclair Transfer Station	500	500	500	500	500	0	0.00%
240054	37010 Sinclair Fire Bldg Improvement	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	250,000	224,000	861.54%
240054	37011 DECD Administration	250	250	250	250	250	0	0.00%
240054	37016 Vehicle - PW	7,500	7,500	7,500	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
240054	37017 Connor Recreation Park	500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
240054	37018 North Lakes Apparatus Rpl. Acct.	25,000	25,000	25,000	50,000	50,000	0	0.00%
240054	37019 Computer	500	500	500	500	500	0	0.00%
240054	37020 North Lakes Fire Equipment	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	0	0.00%
240054	37021 Community Signs	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	2,000	1,000	100.00%
240054	37022 North Lakes Admin Vehicle Acct	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
240054	37023 Sinclair Senior Center	2,000	1,000	1,000	500	1,000	500	100.00%
240054	37028 Madawaska Lake Bldg Imp.	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
240054	37033 Succession Planning	10,000	10,000	10,000	20,000	0	(20,000)	-100.00%
240054	37034 GIS Mapping Project	7,500	0	0	0	0	0	-
240054	34949 Contingency	0	1,000	1,000	0	0	0	-
TOTAL	Capital Outlay	481,750	477,750	477,750	493,750	708,750	215,000	43.54%
55 Miscellaneous								
231600	30302 Bread of Life Kitchen	850	850	850	850	850	0	0.00%
231700	30302 St. John Valley Soil/Water	350	350	350	350	350	0	0.00%
231800	30302 N.M.D.C.	12,985	12,612	12,612	12,772	11,663	(1,109)	-8.68%
232000	30302 So. Aroostook Soil/Water	200	200	200	200	200	0	0.00%
232100	30302 Acadian Heritage Council	100	0	0	100	100	0	0.00%
232400	30302 Animal Control	13,717	13,198	10,000	14,000	14,000	0	0.00%
232600	30302 Long Lake Library	0	250	250	250	250	0	0.00%
232600	30306 Sherman Public Library	250	250	250	250	250	0	0.00%
232600	30307 Bancroft/Danforth Library	100	100	100	100	100	0	0.00%
232600	30308 Oxbow Library	1,484	1,244	510	510	1,250	740	145.10%
232600	30309 W.T. Hanson Memorial	350	350	350	350	350	0	0.00%
232600	30310 Houlton Public Library	885	1,004	870	870	1,025	155	17.82%
232300	34992 Bancroft Food Pantry	350	350	350	350	350	0	0.00%
233300	34993 Bancroft Broadband Request	0	300	300	0	0	0	-
TOTAL	Miscellaneous	31,621	31,058	26,992	30,952	30,738	(214)	-0.69%
3230 State City Programs								
232300	34960 Aroostook County Action Program	303	327	327	327	327	0	0.00%
232300	34961 Aroostook Mental Health	2,421	2,618	2,618	2,618	2,618	0	0.00%
232300	34965 Green Valley Assoc	338	0	0	0	0	0	-
232300	34967 Charities of Maine	345	373	373	373	373	0	0.00%
232300	34968 Northern Maine General	424	424	424	424	424	0	0.00%
232300	34969 Northern Aroostook Alternative	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
232300	34970 Aroostook Area Agency on Aging	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
232300	34971 Aroostook Council for Healthy Families	69	75	75	75	75	0	0.00%
232300	34972 Hope and Justice Project	289	312	312	312	312	0	0.00%
232300	34973 Shelter for the Homeless	289	312	312	312	312	0	0.00%

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232300	34974 Extension Association	3,750	4,031	4,031	4,031	4,031	0	0.00%
232300	34976 Presque Isle International Airport	1,328	1,435	1,435	1,435	1,435	0	0.00%
232300	34979 Visitor Information Center	165	0	0	0	0	0	-
TOTAL	State City Programs	9,721	10,907	10,907	10,907	10,907	0	0.00%
57 Insurances								
233000	30302 Insurance	3,686	3,962	3,962	4,368	5,023	655	15.00%
233000	34718 Volunteer Firefighters Ins	0	489	931	1,026	1,078	52	5.03%
TOTAL	Insurances	3,686	4,451	4,893	5,394	6,101	707	13.10%
59 Administration Fees								
231200	30302 Administration Fees	108,219	114,148	114,148	122,162	139,055	16,893	13.83%
60 Audit								
231500	30302 Auditing	4,900	4,500	3,500	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
67 Legal Fees								
233200	30302 Legal Fees	0	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL	Administration Fees	113,119	118,648	119,648	128,162	145,055	16,893	13.18%
61 Departmental Revenue								
2061	20201 Excise Taxes	406,776	426,252	360,000	390,000	400,000	10,000	2.56%
2061	20203 Interest Income	9,095	47,184	12,000	10,000	20,000	10,000	100.00%
2061	20205 Miscellaneous Revenue	1,318	1,414	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
2061	20208 Local Road Assistance	98,804	98,264	98,800	98,264	113,500	15,236	15.51%
2061	20209 North Lakes Fire Equipment	0	2,984	0	0	0	0	-
2061	20212 Penobscot County Revenue	17,049	12,026	9,800	12,000	12,200	200	1.67%
TOTAL	Departmental Revenue	533,042	588,123	482,100	511,764	547,200	35,436	6.92%
62 Taxes								
2062	20202 Taxes	1,759,291	1,875,014	1,875,014	2,003,645	2,332,958	329,313	16.44%
TOTAL	Taxes	1,759,291	1,875,014	1,875,014	2,003,645	2,332,958	329,313	16.44%
63 Surplus								
2063	22085 Surplus	0	0	40,000	50,000	40,000	(10,000)	-20.00%
TOTAL	Surplus	0	0	40,000	50,000	40,000	(10,000)	-20.00%
TOTAL	Unorganized Territories Expenses	2,264,512	2,446,759	2,397,114	2,565,409	2,920,158	354,749	13.83%
TOTAL	Unorganized Territories Revenues	2,292,333	2,463,137	2,397,114	2,565,409	2,920,158	354,749	13.83%

AROOSTOOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Unorganized Territory Fund
FY 2024-2025 Proposed Budget


PAUL J. UNDERWOOD


NORMAN J. FOURNIER


WITNESS


WILLIAM T. DOBBINS

From: Cheryl St. Peter <countyee@fairpoint.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 2, 2024 9:48 AM
To: Ryan D. Pelletier <ryan@aroostook.me.us>
Cc: Paul Bernier <paul@aroostook.me.us>
Subject: Applicant/Grantee for 319 Grant Application in 2024

Happy New Year Ryan & Paul,

Andrew Carpenter of Northern Tilth is interested in applying for another 319 grant for agriculture in Cross Lake's watershed. He has made a lot of progress with the conservation practices in the first 319 grant and is on track to use all of the grant funds allocated for agriculture this year.

Although there are three new board members on the St. John Valley Soil & Water Conservation District (District), and they recently hired another employee (all positive signs), it does not appear that they will be ready to take on managing a grant in the near future. [Kirk is also now an associate supervisor, and we have been attending the few meetings they had in 2023.]

I am more than willing to write the grant application with Andrew's and Alex Zetterman's input. Alex is the NRCS District Conservationist and is a great guy. He seems to be doing a very good job since he took over the Fort Kent NRCS office.

My question to you – would the County be agreeable to again be the applicant and grantee for a second 319 grant?

Thanks,
Cheryl

Cheryl St. Peter, Project Manager
Friends of Cross Lake (FOCL)
203 Cyr Road
Cross Lake, Maine 04779
Cell: 207-768-6617
countyee@fairpoint.net
<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofcrosslake>

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Date:

Alex Wong
Nonpoint Source Program Coordinator
Maine Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Re: Cross Lake Watershed Restoration Project, Phase II

Dear Mr. Wong:

The County of Aroostook looks forward to helping to implement the Cross Lake Watershed-Based Management Plan in collaboration with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Friends of Cross Lake (FOCL), and Northern Tilth (agricultural consultant).

We recognize the critical need to implement nonpoint source pollution control projects to improve the water quality of Cross Lake and will commit the following to the Cross Lake Watershed Restoration Project, Phase II:

- We agree to serve as the administrator and the fiscal agent for US EPA Section 319 grants to help Cross Lake meet state water quality standards in the next 10 years.
- The County of Aroostook will also participate on the Steering Committee.
- We are currently the owner of the only public access on the lake at the Cross Lake picnic area, beach, and boat launch. We will continue to provide well-maintained public access to the lake, while also working to improve the water quality.

Our in-kind contribution has the estimated value of \$3,110.

The County of Aroostook welcomes this opportunity to provide ongoing support for Cross Lake's remediation planning, implementation and long-term monitoring.

Sincerely,

Ryan D. Pelletier
County Administrator

Cross Lake Boat Landing Phase II Idea

Below is what Jen emailed about that site. The rubber razors might not be a good idea though, since the lot is plowed in the winter for ice-fisherman and the plow would tear it up. Assuming the County is willing to participate in a Phase II grant (the grant can pay up to 60% of the cost), we can put the cost of a meeting and hiring an engineer to design the project for a Phase II grant application in this Phase I application. Could Paul or Ryan give me a cost estimate for that to put as a match in the budget for this grant application? It would also go in the letter as part of your match contribution.

This would actually be a really great 319 project, but maybe better suited for Phase II to plan for it? From the looks of it they would want to:

- 1) Revegetate the sides of the launch so it is narrower (is some used for parking?) including 25' deep shoreline buffer*
- 2) The width of the ramp lane should not exceed 20 feet*
- 3) Resurface the narrowed access road with suitable material such as crushed rock or screened gravel*
- 4) While resurfacing, build and add rubber razors or water bars that drain to a vegetated area on the side of the launch. The # or runoff diverters will be based on the distance of the access road and the slope. You can order rubber razor (rubber belt) from Maine Industrial though there are other places around the state that probably sell it. The belt should be installed in 2x6 PT lumber (see: https://www.pwd.org/sites/default/files/rubber_razors.pdf or <https://www.pwd.org/sites/default/files/waterbar.pdf>. I would estimate at least \$300 for 2 rubber razors 20 feet long.*

*If I had to guess, materials alone would run several thousand dollars including having to dig and amend the soils in the compacted areas, depending on the length of the road, resurfacing could cost a thousand or more in materials, and the rubber razors a few hundred. This does not include the labor to do the work which would easily match the material costs. So, I think this is at least a \$10,000 - \$20,000 project if done right (including labor and materials). It would be a great 319 project if it were planned well and had an educational component (permanent signage for native plants/buffers, runoff diverters). What about putting in the grant for Phase II to develop a plan for the launch to be installed for Phase II. **Include the cost of meeting with the County and hiring an engineer to design the project for Phase II? -JJ***

County of Aroostook

REGISTRY OF DEEDS OFFICE

REGISTER OF DEEDS (NORTH)

Amy Ouellette



REGISTER OF DEEDS (SOUTH)

Melissa Richardson

February 2, 2024

To: Maine Revenue Services, Director, Meg Hodgkins
Maine Revenue Services, Tax Portal Committee

RE: Maine Revenue Services Tax Portal – Real Estate Transfer Tax
Projected LIVE Date: October 2024

Dear Director Hodgkins and Tax Portal Implementation Team,

The Aroostook County Registry of Deeds North and South are reaching out regarding concerns about the upcoming implementation of the Real Estate Transfer Tax Portal. It is our understanding that the Tax Portal website is going live in October, and we have yet to hear from the Committee offering any instructions and guidance.

As of now we are dealing with a very short time frame to be prepared for potential software updates and/or training that may be needed. The Registry offices deal with the public directly and we need to have the knowledge and ability to answer their questions appropriately.

The County wants to continue to be an asset in this transition of collection of transfer tax.

Respectfully submitted,



Aroostook County
Sheriff's Office

Peter A. Johnson, Sheriff
Erica L. Pelletier, Chief Deputy

Patrol

Transportation

Corrections

Civil Process

To: Ryan Pelletier, County Administrator

From: Sheriff Peter Johnson

Date: February 9, 2024

Reference: 2008 Ford E150 Corrections Van

The Aroostook County Sheriff's Office recently decommissioned a 2008 Ford E150 passenger van with 146,774 miles, that was used by corrections staff to transport individuals to other facilities and to court appearances.

It was the intention of the Sheriff's Office to put this vehicle out to bid. However, since taking the vehicle off the road we have received a request from the Valley Racing Team for the vehicle. I have attached the letter sent by the Valley Racing Team to this memo. Valley Racing Team is a volunteer based non-profit, and is not associated with any school district.

I realize that every year we struggle not to have an increase in the County taxes, and that the monies received from the sale of the van would return to the vehicle capital fund. I would like to respectfully request that we consider donating the van to the Valley Racing Team. As stated above, they are a volunteer based non-profit program, and we are in a unique position, being provided this opportunity to give back to the Community we serve. Young adults that are involved in team sports are less likely to get involved with drugs and alcohol, and provide a healthy outlet. Team sports also foster and develop a sense of community within young men and women. In Aroostook County we pride ourselves on how much we are able to accomplish and how resourceful we can be. The Valley Racing Team appears to be doing just that, mentoring young adults and teaching them what it is like to be part of a team on just volunteerism and donations. This program exemplifies what it is to be from, and live in Aroostook County.

Thank you for time in considering my recommendation on this matter.

FAITHFULLY SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS SINCE 1839

25 School St., Suite 216, Houlton, ME 04730

Tel: 207-532-3471

Fax: 207-532-7319



Valley Racing Team
149 3rd Ave
Fort Kent, ME 04743

Ryan D. Pelletier
County Administrator
144 Sweden Street, Suite 1
Caribou, ME 04736

Attn: Erica Pelletier
County of Aroostook
207 532-3471
2008 Chevy Van

I'm Mike Lavertu, head coach of the Valley Racing Team located in Fort Kent Maine. "VRT" has been a large part of the Fort Kent and surrounding St. John Valley communities since 2013. We are a volunteer based, non-profit alpine ski racing club team that has been developing young alpine ski racers from all over Aroostook county. We are not affiliated with the school system in any way so all of our funding comes from athlete registration, fundraisers, and donations from the community. We operate with volunteer coaches, and our normal expenses are hill fees, team jackets, some travel, and equipment/racing supplies. We develop skiers at Lonesome Pine Trails into talented racers preparing them to compete at the next level in high school. Our program has kids ranging in age from 6-14 years old and our team size starting out averaged around 30 or so athletes and this year our program has grown to 55 athletes! Our team and families travel all over the state and compete at most small mountains and most of the larger mountains as well. Our more advanced racers are competing against Carrabassett Valley Academy and Gould Academy athletes from Sugarloaf and Sunday River. These racers compete to qualify for the Maine Team where only the top 10-15 racers of this division move on to the regional race held annually at Gunstock New Hampshire called "Picher Invitational". Last season we had 4 of our 6 athletes competing qualify for this event and did very well. We also travel to Pleasant Mountain, Camden Snow Bowl, Black Mountain in Rumford, Big Squaw in Greenville, Herman Mountain, and Big Rock.. If you ask anyone from any of these mountains about Valley Racing Team they know who we are!

On behalf of Valley Racing Team, we are asking for your help to support our growing club! We take pride in the fact that we provide kids with a healthy outdoor activity in the winter months in northern Maine. With all our traveling across the state with all our race gear, we are in need of some transportation for our athletes. Many events require car pooling where a larger passenger van would greatly help our travel situation! I've been keeping my eye open for a lower priced passenger van over the last few years but nothing has come up within our budget. With your help we can continue to grow and maintain a high level of success and opportunity with these young alpine ski racers! Thank you in advance for your help and generosity! Please feel free to check out our Facebook Page: Valley Racing Team

Sincerely,

Mike Lavertu
Head Coach/Program Director



Aroostook County
Sheriff's Office

Peter A. Johnson, Sheriff
Erica L. Pelletier, Chief Deputy

Patrol

Transportation

Corrections

Civil Process

To: County Commissioners

From: Sheriff Peter Johnson

Date: January 31, 2024

Reference: Full Time Corrections Officer

The Aroostook County Sheriff's Office recently advertised for fulltime Correction Officer position and Devon Orr submitted an application. Mr. Orr has worked part time as a Corrections Officer for the Aroostook County Sheriff's Office since December 2023.

Mr. Orr has completed his in-house training and passed all applicable testing and background checks. Mr. Orr has taken on any task he has been assigned and completed them with professionalism.

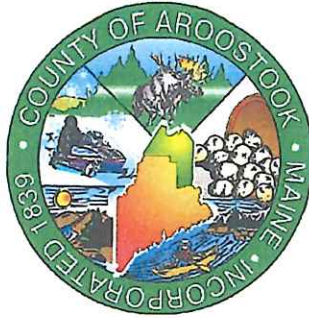
It is my recommendation that Devon Orr be hired as of January 13, 2024 to fill the open full time Corrections Officer position that was recently advertised for.

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25 School St., Suite 216, Houlton, ME 04730

Tel: 207-532-3471

Fax: 207-532-7319



Memorandum

To: Commander Clossey

From: Orr, Devon

cc:

Date: 1/4/2024

Re: Letter of intent for full time.

I would like to become a full-time correctional officer. I am currently listed as part time but still in training. I enjoy the amount of time I work and would like to maintain the same level of work past my training. I believe I would be a good addition to the staff because I enjoy my time here and I am receiving good reviews by training officers.

Respectfully Submitted by

Devon Orr

Devon Orr

Work Experience

Corrections Officer

Aroostook County Sheriff's Office - Houlton, ME
December 2023 to Present

Deli Clerk

RH Foster Energy LLC - Mars Hill, ME
March 2023 to August 2023

My position as a deli clerk at RH Foster consisted of preparing food, organization, and indepth cleaning. While I was there I was trained as a cashier aswell.

Line Cook

Blue Moose - Monticello, ME
August 2020 to September 2022

My position as a Line cook at Blue Moose had me preparing food and indepth cleaning. While I was there I was also trained as a waiter.

Education

High school diploma

Houlton High School - Houlton, ME

Skills

- Martial arts (2 years)
- First aid
- Time management
- Communication skills
- Construction (1 year)

Certifications and Licenses

First Aid Certification

November 2022 to November 2024

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Present

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the town of Bridgewater (hereinafter "Town").

WITNESS,

That the County and the Town, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide the Town with fire department emergency dispatching services. Fire calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the Town's fire department paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the fire.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$1,424.71 per calendar year, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

The Town shall pay the cost of installing and maintaining any and all equipment needed for the performance of this contract, including but not limited to: telephones, telephone lines, telephone line regular monthly and toll charges, pagers, radio receivers or transmitters and radio repeaters.

D. CONTRACT TERM

This contract shall commence on JANUARY 1, 2024, and end DECEMBER 31, 2024. This contract may only be renewed annually by approval of the Board of County Commissioners and the legislative body (selectmen, etc.) of the Town.

E. SUPERVISION

County dispatchers performing this contract are subject only to the authority of the Sheriff's Department, the County Administrator and the Board of County Commissioners, in that order.

F. TITLE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY

Personal property and equipment belonging to the County and used in the performance of this contract remains the property of the County. Personal property and equipment provided by the Town remains the property of the Town.

G. TERMINATION

This Contract expires automatically on December 31, 2024. It may be terminated earlier by mutual agreement of the parties. Should this Contract be terminated and not renewed, each party should return to the other party any personal property or equipment used in the performance of this Contract and owned by the other party.

Should the County contract out its dispatching services, this Contract may be unilaterally terminated by the County. In such an event, the County will retain the pro rata share of the annual contract cost representing the portion of the year for which services are actually provided, and will refund the balance to the Town.

H. APPROVAL

To be effective, this Contract must be approved by an affirmative vote of the Board of County Commissioners and of the legislative body (selectmen, etc.) of the Town, at a publicly announced duly called meeting. Copies of the minutes of the meeting of each body, attested by the legally appointed custodian of those minutes, along with the executed duplicate original copies of this Contract, shall be provided to and filed with the office of the Board of County Commissioners and the Town Clerk.

I. LIABILITY, INDEMNIFICATION

The Town agrees to assume liability, to indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, officials and agents, for any loss caused by any failure to properly dispatch, for any injury caused by a fire or firefighters responding to a fire or for any actions undertaken in their performance of this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this contract on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WITNESS

SHERIFF

WITNESS

SELECTMEN

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the Central Aroostook County Emergency Medical Services Authority hereinafter CACEMSA DBA Central Aroostook Ambulance Service (hereinafter "CAAS").

WITNESS,

That the County and CAAS, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide CAAS with ambulance emergency dispatching services. ambulance calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the CAAS's ambulance paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the emergency.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$2551.35 for 2024, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

CAAS shall pay the cost of installing and maintaining any and all equipment needed for the performance of this contract, including but not limited to: telephones, telephone lines, telephone line regular monthly and toll charges, pagers, radio receivers or transmitters and radio repeaters.

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WITNESS

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WITNESS

SHERIFF

WITNESS

BOARD MEMBERS

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the town of Frenchville (hereinafter "Town").

WITNESS,

That the County and the Town, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide the Town with fire department emergency dispatching services. Fire calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the Town's fire department paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the fire.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$2,538.80 per calendar year, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

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WITNESS

SHERIFF

WITNESS

SELECTMEN

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the town of Grand Isle (hereinafter "Town").

WITNESS,

That the County and the Town, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide the Town with fire department emergency dispatching services. Fire calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the Town's fire department paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the fire.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$1,090.73 per calendar year, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

SHERIFF

WITNESS

SELECTMEN

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the town of Limestone (hereinafter "Town").

WITNESS,

That the County and the Town, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide the Town with police department emergency dispatching services. Police calls will be received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$12,915.56 per calendar year, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

The Town shall pay the cost of installing and maintaining any and all equipment needed for the performance of this contract, including but not limited to: telephones, telephone lines, telephone line regular monthly and toll charges, pagers, radio receivers or transmitters and radio repeaters.

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WITNESS

SHERIFF

WITNESS

SELECTMEN

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the town of Mars Hill (hereinafter "Town").

WITNESS,

That the County and the Town, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide the Town with fire department emergency dispatching services. Fire calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the Town's fire department paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the fire.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$3,487.04 per calendar year, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

The Town shall pay the cost of installing and maintaining any and all equipment needed for the performance of this contract, including but not limited to: telephones, telephone lines, telephone line regular monthly and toll charges, pagers, radio receivers or transmitters and radio repeaters.

D. CONTRACT TERM

This contract shall commence on JANUARY 1, 2024, and end DECEMBER 31, 2024. This contract may only be renewed annually by approval of the Board of County Commissioners and the legislative body (selectmen, etc.) of the Town.

E. SUPERVISION

County dispatchers performing this contract are subject only to the authority of the Sheriff's Department, the County Administrator and the Board of County Commissioners, in that order.

F. TITLE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY

Personal property and equipment belonging to the County and used in the performance of this contract remains the property of the County. Personal property and equipment provided by the Town remains the property of the Town.

G. TERMINATION

This Contract expires automatically on December 31, 2024. It may be terminated earlier by mutual agreement of the parties. Should this Contract be terminated and not renewed, each party should return to the other party any personal property or equipment used in the performance of this Contract and owned by the other party.

Should the County contract out its dispatching services, this Contract may be unilaterally terminated by the County. In such an event, the County will retain the pro rata share of the annual contract cost representing the portion of the year for which services are actually provided, and will refund the balance to the Town.

H. APPROVAL

To be effective, this Contract must be approved by an affirmative vote of the Board of County Commissioners and of the legislative body (selectmen, etc.) of the Town, at a publicly announced duly called meeting. Copies of the minutes of the meeting of each body, attested by the legally appointed custodian of those minutes, along with the executed duplicate original copies of this Contract, shall be provided to and filed with the office of the Board of County Commissioners and the Town Clerk.

I. LIABILITY, INDEMNIFICATION

The Town agrees to assume liability, to indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, officials and agents, for any loss caused by any failure to properly dispatch, for any injury caused by a fire or firefighters responding to a fire or for any actions undertaken in their performance of this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this contract on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WITNESS

SHERIFF

WITNESS

SELECTMEN

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the Southern Aroostook Emergency Medical Services (hereinafter "SAEMS").

WITNESS,

That the County and SAEMS, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide SAEMS with ambulance emergency dispatching services. ambulance calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the SAEMS's ambulance paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the emergency.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$29,291.22 for 2024, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

SAEMS shall pay the cost of installing and maintaining any and all equipment needed for the performance of this contract, including but not limited to: telephones, telephone lines, telephone line regular monthly and toll charges, pagers, radio receivers or transmitters and radio repeaters.

D. CONTRACT TERM

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E. SUPERVISION

County dispatchers performing this contract are subject only to the authority of the Sheriff's Department, the County Administrator and the Board of County Commissioners, in that order.

F. TITLE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY

Personal property and equipment belonging to the County and used in the performance of this contract remains the property of the County. Personal property and equipment provided by SAEMS remains the property of the Town.

G. TERMINATION

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H. APPROVAL

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I. LIABILITY, INDEMNIFICATION

SAEMS agrees to assume liability, to indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, officials and agents, for any loss caused by any failure to properly dispatch, for any injury caused by a fire or firefighters responding to a fire or for any actions undertaken in their performance of this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this contract on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

WITNESS

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WITNESS

SHERIFF

WITNESS

BOARD MEMBERS

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the towns of Sinclair/Cross Lake (hereinafter "Town").

WITNESS,

That the County and the Town, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide the Town with fire department emergency dispatching services. Fire calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the Town's fire department paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the fire.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$1,303.49 per calendar year, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

The Town shall pay the cost of installing and maintaining any and all equipment needed for the performance of this contract, including but not limited to: telephones, telephone lines, telephone line regular monthly and toll charges, pagers, radio receivers or transmitters and radio repeaters.

D. CONTRACT TERM

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WITNESS

SHERIFF

WITNESS

SELECTMEN

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK (hereinafter "County") and the town of Van Buren (hereinafter "Town").

WITNESS,

That the County and the Town, for consideration paid, hereby agree as follows:

A. SERVICES

The County agrees to provide the Town with ambulance, police and fire department emergency dispatching services. Fire calls received at the Sheriff's Department dispatch center in Houlton will cause the dispatcher to activate the Town's fire department paging system and to communicate, by means of the paging system, the location of the fire.

B. COST

The County will be paid for its services the sum of \$16,059.68 per calendar year, to be paid in advance before January 31 of that calendar year. Failure to pay the above sum will result in termination of any obligation by the County.

C. LINE COST, MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT

The Town shall pay the cost of installing and maintaining any and all equipment needed for the performance of this contract, including but not limited to: telephones, telephone lines, telephone line regular monthly and toll charges, pagers, radio receivers or transmitters and radio repeaters.

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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