

# Town of Wilton



## Franklin County

*Annual Report for the Year ending June 30, 2015*



*Photo courtesy of Tony Nazar*

The new  
Coubers Brook Wildlife Observation Platform  
Wilton, Maine



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**Town of Wilton Telephone Directory**

**www.wiltonmaine.org**

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Town Office.....	645-4961
Monday and Tuesday - 8:30 PM to 4:30 PM, Thursday and Friday 9 AM to 5 PM, Closed Wednesday	
Transfer Station/Recycling Center.....	645-3731
Tuesday, Saturday, Sunday 8 AM to 2 PM, Wednesday 10 AM to 5 PM	
Water & Sewer Department.....Administration/Billing.....	645-2001
Sewer Department.....Operations and Compost.....	645-3682
Parks and Recreation.....	645-4825
Public Works.....	645-4883
<b>Emergency.....</b>	<b>911</b>
Non emergency.....	Fire Department..... 645-2211
	Police Department..... 645-4222
Wilton Public Library.....	645-4831
	TTY/FAX..... 645-9417
Tuesday, Friday 10 AM to 5 PM	
Wednesday 12 PM to 7 PM	
Thursday 10 AM to 7 PM	
Saturday 10 AM to 1 PM	
Animal Control Officer...Contact Franklin County Comm. Center.....	778-6140
Burning Permits.....Sonny Dunham.....,	645-4598
	Tom Doak..... 645-9334
	Police/Fire Desk (8am-2pm) 645-3876
	Randy Hall 860-8431
	On line @ wiltonmaine.org - fire dept
Health Officer.....	645-4961
Plumbing Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer ...Adam Cote.....	645-4961
Franklin County Animal Shelter.....	778-2638
Franklin Memorial Hospital.....	778-6031
Game Warden.....	1-800-452-4664

**RSU #9 Schools**

Academy Hill School	645-4488
Cushing & Primary School	645-2442
Mt. Blue High School	778-3561
Mt. Blue Middle School	778-3511
Superintendent of Schools	778-6571

## Wilton Town Report Dedication



**Barbara Vining**

The Wilton Selectpersons dedicate the 2016 Town Report to Barbara Vining.

Barbie Vining began working for the Town of Wilton in 1971 - the day after graduating from High School. During her tenure of forty five years, she worked in every position in the Town Office; for many years she held the position of Assistant Town Manager as well as Deputy Treasurer and Deputy Tax Collector. She recently retired from the Town on February 29, 2016.

Barbie was known by residents for her friendliness, laughter, patience, helpfulness and dedication as a public servant to the Town of Wilton. She created a welcoming atmosphere for all those who visited the Wilton Town Office and will be sorely missed. We congratulate her on her well-deserved retirement!

# 2016 Directory of Officials

Name: Term Expires:

### Board of Selectpersons – 3 Years

Tiffany Maiuri, Chair	370-5444	June 2016
D. Scott Taylor	592-4152	June 2016
John Black	645-5371	June 2017
Jeffrey Adams	645-2743	June 2018
Jeff Rowe	491-1430	June 2017

### RSU #9 Directors – 3 Years

Cherieann Harrison	344-5568	June 2016
Keith Swett	778-1347	June 2017
Angela Leclair	645-4949	June 2018

### Planning Board – 5 Years

Michael Sherrod, Chairman	June 2017
Michael Leclair	June 2020
Peter Chamberlain	June 2020
Maxine Collins	June 2016
Angela Werner	June 2017
Charles Lavin	June 2018
Keith Shoaps	June 2019
Lisa Small (effective November 2015)	June 2019
Vacant (Alternate)	June 2016
Vacant (Alternate)	June 2018

### Board of Appeals – 3 Years

Margaret Donahue	June 2018
Jeff Rowe (resigned January 2016)	June 2018
Brandi Manning	June 2017
Richard Bragg	June 2016
Keith Swett	June 2017
Vacant (Alternate)	June 2015

### Parks & Recreation Committee – 3 Years

Mike DeRusha	June 2018
Laurel Walker	June 2018
Dexter Eustis	June 2016
Mike Leclair	June 2016
Katrina Fay	June 2017
Stephanie Smith	June 2017

Board of Assessment Review – 3 Years

Joanne Bradbury	June 2016
Dawn Young	June 2018
Katharine Shoaps	June 2017

Finance Committee – 3 Years

Charles “Dick” Hall	June 2017
Michael Sherrod	June 2017
Katharine Shoaps	June 2017
Norman Gould	June 2018
Barry Hathaway	June 2016
Kyle Ellis	June 2016
Stephen Davis	June 2016
Mark Shibles	June 2018
Irv Faunce	June 2018
Susan Black	June 2017
Ruth Cushman	June 2018

Recycling Committee

Nye Mosher	Barbara Holt
Alison Welch	Chris Bremner
Katherine Shoaps	Jeff Adams, Selectperson
Representative	
Gerald Whitney	Rhonda Irish, Town Manager

Ordinance Committee

Doug Hiltz, Chair	Rhonda Irish, Town Manager
Steven Smith	Betty Shibles
James Black	Kyle Ellis
Joseph Kinsey	Paula Widmer

Downtown Committee

Susan Atwood	Nancy Merrow	Betty Shibles
David Smith	Jeff Chaisson	Charles Ellis
Angela McCleod	Carla Fitch	Byron Staples
Rhonda Irish, Town Manager		

Ballot Clerks

Jean Rand	Carolyn Smith
Donald Hamlin	Claire Fitzpatrick
Angela Werner	
Hazel Flagg	

Road Committee

Peter Chamberlain Representative	Jeff Adams, Selectperson
Jack Mills Representative	D. Scott Taylor, Selectperson
David Tinker	Rhonda Irish, Town Manager
Dale Roberts, Public Works Foreman	

Cemetery Committee

Charles "Dick" Hall Rhonda Irish, Town Manager Kent Wiles, Cemetery Sexton Representative Maxine Brown	John Black, Selectperson
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Conservation Commission

Vacant	June 2018
Sharon Rainey	June 2018
Jeff Chaisson	June 2018
Vacant	June 2016
Michael Hoehne	June 2016
Scott Lindsay	June 2017
Nancy Prince	June 2017

TOWN MANAGER	Rhonda L. Irish
TOWN CLERK	Diane Dunham
POLICE CHIEF	Heidi Wilcox
FIRE CHIEF	Sonny Dunham
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF	Tom Doak
SUP. WATER & SEWER DEPTS. Ret.12/15	Clayton Putnam
SUPERINTENDENT WATER & SEWER DEPTS.	Justin Futia
UTILITIES CLERK	Michelle Howatt
HEALTH OFFICER	Vacant
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	Adam Cote
PLUMBING INSPECTOR	Roger Williams
RECREATION DIRECTOR	Frank Donald
MODERATOR	Ronald Aseltine
PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN	Dale Roberts
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR	Sonny Dunham
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	Wayne Atwood
ASSESSOR, O'Donnell & Assoc.	Hollis Tyler
CEMETERY SEXTON	Paul Binette
	Kent Wiles

To the Citizens of the Town of Wilton:

As the current Chair of the Selectboard, I spent some time reflecting on the Town of Wilton's many accomplishments, challenges and opportunities. Though the focus of this letter is on current Town affairs, my reading of some of past Town Reports has helped me assess where we as a Town stand today in comparison to years gone by.

Thoroughly reading the reports of the previous few years, and browsing through a dozen or so historical copies, I am able to report that (unlike the report ending February 17, 1900) this year the Town of Wilton had no expenses related to "Damage to Sheep." Nor (thankfully) will you likely find a passage, such as one from 1915, which advocates for housekeeping curriculum for girls in schools as "It would be hard to find a girl who does not intend, eventually, to become a housekeeper."

It is fair to say the majority of reports not only highlighted the relevant-day-issues and successes, but oftentimes proposed innovative ideas and solutions to meet current needs in balance with a roadmap towards a more prosperous future. In the same vein, this 2015-2016 Selectboard has diligently worked toward meeting the expectations of our citizens in a fiscally conservative fashion; often finding prudent, innovative solutions without sacrificing services essential to business growth and future prosperity.

Though the Selectboard acts as stewards of the Town, the unsung heroes are each and every employee of the Town of Wilton. The Town Manager and each department head not only supervise, but lead by example -- working tirelessly alongside our valued town employees. In turn, these dedicated employees strive to provide the highest quality services in an affordable, healthy and safe environment. I am humbled and honored to spend time working with each department; the pride and passion each employee brings to her and his job is simply awe inspiring. We all thank you.

Of interest to the Citizens, as it relates to Selectboard consideration and/or action over the past year include, but are not limited to, the following:

➤ **The Forster Manufacturing Mill**

After two years of attempting to compel Wilton Recycling to complete demolition of the Forster Manufacturing Mill, the Town filed a lawsuit in Superior Court in 2013 against the owner, in an attempt to force him to demolish the mill. As required by Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, the town was required to participate in what is known as ADR-mediation with the defendant. Our lawyer, the Town Manager and Selectboard members participated in mediation efforts which unfortunately yielded no progress. Ultimately, the Town was able to foreclose on the property in March of 2014.

Immediately following the foreclosure, the Town applied for hazardous materials assessments and this year applied for \$600,000 in EPA grants -- more detailed

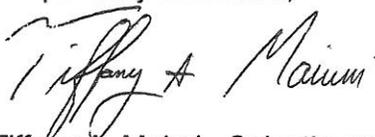
through a variety of community service projects. The Town appreciates the company's support and looks forward to the increasing number of jobs brought to our community.

➤ **Wilson Lake Watershed Survey**

A Watershed Survey for Wilson Lake, Pease Pond and Varnum Pond is planned for this summer. The purpose of this survey is to help identify potential sources of pollution and overall water quality in our major recreational and public water bodies. A previous watershed survey was conducted more than 20 years ago but did not include Varnum or Pease Pond. The Friends of Wilson Lake (FOWL) are overseeing the new survey and, should the voters pass the relevant warrant article, the majority of the funding will be provided by FOWL.

In closing, I thank the Selectboard, Town Manager, department heads, Town employees, dedicated committee members and the citizens of the Town of Wilton for your patience, guidance and input during my first year as Chair of the Wilton Selectboard.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tiffany A. Maiuri". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Tiffany A. Maiuri - Selectboard Chair

# Town Manager's Report

To the Citizens of the Town of Wilton:

I am pleased to share with you the annual report of the Town of Wilton. In this report I would like to give you highlights of town work and services accomplished during the past year, as well as an overview of the town's current infrastructure and potential capital projects for the future.

*Downtown Revitalization and Public Infrastructure* - We were very fortunate to receive a \$400,000 Downtown Revitalization Grant this past year. This grant was a result of a number of years of planning. Actual project work will begin later this summer and will include new lights, streetscape amenities, crosswalk improvements and sidewalk upgrades. In addition, the Public Works Department will be rebuilding some of the sidewalks in the downtown area. A final plan of the proposed upgrades will be posted on the town's website.

*Town Roads* - A capital plan for road maintenance and upgrades was instituted in 2009 and a Road Committee was formed. Short and long term plans for the town's roads have been created, with the ending result being that many of the roads have undergone rehabilitation or maintenance. The Highway Department has now begun an inventory of all town roads through a Maine Local Roads inventory program. This program looks at potholes, cracks in the roads, drainage and rutting of our roads and will help with our future planning for each individual road. We have also begun an inventory of all sidewalks in town and plan to complete sidewalk work every year until the sidewalks are up to an acceptable standard.

*The Forster Mill* - Hazardous assessments were conducted on the site this past year through the EPA Brownfield's Assessment programs and funded by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. In December 2015, we applied for three grants totaling \$600,000 through the EPA Brownfields program. While the results haven't been revealed as of the writing of this report, by June EPA will have announced the grant recipients. If the town does not receive grant funding for the hazardous remediation and demolition of the former mill, we do intend to demolish one section, the free standing wall area, this year. An article is on the town meeting warrant to fund demolition of this area through the town's undesignated fund balance account.

*Town Revaluation* - The town's revaluation/equalization process with the town's assessor's, O'Donnell Associates, is in the final stages. Letters are in the process of being sent to all property owners regarding the new values assigned, with the opportunity to make appointments with the Assessor to discuss the values. The new property values will be the values used beginning with the tax bills sent out in the fall of 2016.

*Wastetreatment Plant* - Beginning in late 2009, plans were begun for the upgrade to the town's pump stations and Wastetreatment Plant. Many public hearings and town votes were held over the past six years, and the pump station portion of the upgrade has been completed. The plant and equipment are nearly forty years old and have come to the end of the engineered life of the plant. The Wastetreatment Plant construction upgrade began in the fall of 2015 and will be completed in 2017. The project is funded with \$3 million in federal grants and \$7 million in federal loans, which will be repaid over 29 years by the ratepayers of the system.

*Kineowatha Park* - The Recreation Park has a Capital Improvement Plan for Park facilities. Most of the building's in Kineowatha Park have had new roofs in the last few years, with the roof on the "Reunion" building to be replaced this spring. For a number of years, we have been researching the best solution to repair or replace the retaining wall at the swim area. In June, we are planning to present to the voters at town meeting the option of a rebuild of the current wall; the current wall would be upgraded, but would still be a stone wall versus a "prefab" wall. The basketball courts, tennis courts and fields are also part of the capital plan, and receive regular maintenance; in 2016 we will be patching the cracks and repainting and lining of the basketball court. In addition, we will have minor cracks repaired, the court painted and new lines put down for the tennis courts. A forest/park management plan has been completed for Kineowatha Park and we look to slowly implement it, following public notice and meetings. Within the next few years, we hope to begin upgrading the park trails.

*Bass Park* - The new parking lot at Bass Park has been completed. We are very grateful for the donation from the Wilton couple that allowed for the land to be purchased and the parking lot to be created. The circular drive in the park has now been removed, the gazebo has been moved and electricity has been brought in to the Park. This will allow for the community to use the Park for various events. The next plans include fund raising for a larger gazebo, with the intent of moving the existing gazebo to East Wilton's Bishop Park.

*Foot of the Lake Retaining Wall* - Repairs are expected to be made to sections of the old retaining wall. Through the years, the water has weakened the soil underneath and behind the wall, causing the wall to lean. The current work would repair critical areas that are needed for safety, but a plan is necessary to be put in place for a more permanent upgrade to the this area.

*Highway Garage* - The town's garage capital improvements in recent years have consisted of replacement of the heating system, . This year work will include replacing of the overhead doors and rebuilding of the fuel pumps (motors and pumps). In the near future, the roof of the building is anticipated to be replaced. Although the building is old, we are working to properly maintain it so that it can be used for years to come.

*Public Safety Building* - Various small maintenance items have been completed and a new heating system was installed eight years ago. We are presently keeping an eye on,

and repairing as necessary, the roof of the building. A small capital expense account has been started to go toward the replacement of the roof in the future.

*Water Department* - The Water Department Plant is now over twenty years old and in good condition. Upcoming maintenance to the Water Department includes new linings for the water tanks. An inventory of all water lines is planned for the future.

*Town Office* - In recent years, a new roof and heating system has been installed at the Town Office, and the parking lot has been repaved. Future needs include paving the back parking lot and updating the lighting.

I'd like to thank all employees once again for their hard work and service; to the Selectboard for their support and commitment; and to Wilton residents for their dedication and concern about their community.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda L. Irish  
Town Manager

SUSAN M. COLLINS  
MAINE

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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate. I am grateful for the trust the people of our State have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments from 2015.

Growing the economy by encouraging job creation was and remains my top priority. The tax-relief bill signed into law at the close of last year contains three key provisions I authored to help foster job creation and provide small businesses with the certainty they need to invest, grow, and, most important, hire new workers. Another provision I authored that became law last year gives a boost to both Maine's economy and traffic safety. This provision permanently changed the federal law that previously had forced the heaviest trucks onto our country roads and downtown streets, rather than allowing them to use Maine's federal Interstates. In addition, I was glad to help secure another significant award for the University of Maine's deepwater offshore wind initiative, which has the potential to advance an emerging industry and create thousands of good jobs in our state.

Maine's historic contributions to our nation's defense must continue. In 2015, I secured funding toward a much-needed additional Navy destroyer, likely to be built at Bath Iron Works. Modernization projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard that I have long advocated for were also completed, as were projects for the Maine National Guard.

I was also deeply involved in crafting the new education reform law to better empower states and communities in setting educational policy for their students. The law also extends a program I co-authored that provides additional assistance to rural schools, which has greatly benefitted our state. A \$250 tax deduction I authored in 2002 for teachers who spend their own money on classroom supplies was also made permanent last year.

As a result of a scientific evaluation of the nutritional value of potatoes required by a law that I wrote, the wholesome fresh potato finally was included in the federal WIC nutrition program. I also worked on other issues important to Maine's farmers and growers, including research on wild blueberries and pollinating bees.

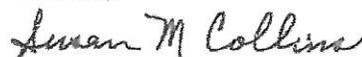
As Chairman of the Housing Appropriations Subcommittee, I have made combating veterans' homelessness a priority. This year's housing funding law includes \$60 million for 8,000 new supportive housing vouchers for homeless veterans. Since this program began in 2008, the number of homeless veterans nationwide has dropped by one third. Maine has received nearly 200 vouchers to support homeless veterans.

Last year, I became Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee. My top three priorities for the committee are retirement security, investing more in biomedical research, and fighting fraud and financial abuses targeting our nation's seniors. I advocated for the \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health to advance research on such diseases as diabetes and Alzheimer's. The Senate also unanimously passed my bill to support family caregivers. The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for senior citizens to report suspected fraud and receive assistance and has already received more than 1,000 calls.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. As 2015 ended, I cast my 6,072<sup>nd</sup> consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Franklin County and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Lewiston state office at 207 784-6969, or visit my website at [www.collins.senate.gov](http://www.collins.senate.gov). May 2016 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins  
United States Senator



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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
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AUGUSTA, MAINE  
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Paul R. LePage  
GOVERNOR

Dear Citizens of Wilton:

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

My vision for Maine is prosperity, not poverty. For this reason, one of my top priorities is the reduction and eventual elimination of the income tax. Some are pushing to raise the minimum wage, but I want Mainers to earn a maximum wage. Reducing the income tax is the biggest and most immediate pay raise for all hard-working Mainers.

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

Another of my priorities is to lower the cost of student debt in Maine. If young people are struggling with too much student debt, they are unable to afford homes or vehicles. We are now offering programs to help them lower their debt, stay in Maine, begin their careers and start families.

To provide good-paying jobs for our young people, we must also work hard to reduce our energy costs. High energy costs are a major factor in driving out manufacturers, mills and other businesses that need low-cost electricity. I am committed to lowering the cost of energy, not only to attract job creators, but also to allow Maine people to heat and power their homes affordably and effectively.

And finally, we are making progress to address the drug pandemic in our state. It is my most important duty to keep the Maine people safe. While education, treatment and prevention efforts are important, we must get the dealers off the streets. I am pleased the Legislature has finally agreed to fund my proposal for more drug agents to stem the supply of deadly opiates flowing into our communities, but our law enforcement agencies are still understaffed. We must do more.

It is a pleasure serving as your Governor. If ever I can be of assistance to you or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at [www.maine.gov/governor](http://www.maine.gov/governor).

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage  
Governor



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*127th Legislature*  
*Senate of*  
*Maine*  
*Senate District 17*

*Senator Thomas B. Saviello*  
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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I am so grateful and thankful that you've selected me to represent you in the Maine Senate. I am honored that you've put your trust in me, and I will continue to work tirelessly for the betterment of you and your neighbors, as well as for the great state of Maine. Please let me provide you with a recap of the first session of the 127<sup>th</sup> Legislature as well as my hopes for the second session, which will begin in January 2016.

The most important item on our to-do list is clear: our state needs more jobs at all levels of the pay scale, so it is our responsibility and my solemn promise to work to expand economic opportunity for all Mainers. To this end, my fellow legislators and I accomplished a great deal during the first session of the 127<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

We passed a biennial budget that ensured that more Maine families received a tax cut than did in the "largest tax cut in Maine history" in 2011. That same budget stopped taxes on military pensions, so those who have given all that a person can give can feel welcomed and at home in our state. We restructured portions of our welfare system, increasing funding for nursing homes, and put far more funding towards eliminating waitlists for services for brain-injured and intellectually disabled Mainers.

I'm really looking forward to watching how the significant changes we've already made will better the everyday lives of Mainers. I wanted to serve in Augusta because I believe that, while I'm here, I can have an impact on the direction of our district and state. Because of this belief, passing vital legislation (and, sometimes, stopping bad legislation) is so gratifying.

As you know, more changes are necessary. Next year, during the second session of the legislature, we need to make progress towards addressing the cost of energy in this state. There are a number of bills that have been proposed that would change the way our state's energy system works, and I look forward to putting my own energy into legislation that would lower your energy costs. I also believe that working to provide support to areas hard-hit by recent mill closings should be a focus of the 2016 session.

You have my humble and sincere thanks for allowing me to represent you in Augusta. Please feel free to contact me at 287-1505 and [drtom16@hotmail.com](mailto:drtom16@hotmail.com) if you have comments or questions, or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy. I continue to be enthusiastically ready to help you.

Sincerely,



Senator Tom Saviello



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## **Russell J. Black**

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April 2016

Town of Wilton  
158 Weld Road  
Wilton, ME 04294

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is an honor to serve you as your State Representative for House District 114. After a challenging first session in 2015, I look forward to working through the second session energized by what we were able to accomplish last year. It is my privilege to be your voice at the Capitol and I can assure you I will continue to work carefully and diligently on your behalf.

I continue to serve on the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry committee where I am the House Republican Lead. This committee is responsible for overseeing the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Conservation. In addition we oversee the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC), the Land for Maine's Future Program and Baxter State Park. This committee appointment continues to be an ideal fit for our district as the subject matter we discuss has a direct impact on our area.

To do my job well, I will continue to send legislative updates e-mailed weekly throughout the year to all who would like to stay informed as to current state news. If you wish to receive these updates, please contact me at [russellblack@juno.com](mailto:russellblack@juno.com).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Russell Black".

Russell J. Black  
State Representative

Town of Wilton

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To The Citizens of Wilton:

Property tax collections for the 2014/15 fiscal year as of June 30, 2015 represent 92.79% of the total tax commitment. Listed below and on the following pages are the valuation and mil rate calculations, collection detail and schedule of taxes and liens receivable.

VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

Real Property		\$274,335,300
Personal Property		<u>9,611,700</u>
	TOTAL VALUATION	\$283,947,000
Tax rate per thousand		<u>17.35</u>
	TAX COMMITMENT	4,926,480

APPROPRIATIONS

Municipal Functions		3,019,184
SAD #9		2,824,787
County Tax		295,866
Overlay		55,190
TIF		<u>99,662</u>
		6,294,689
Less: Estimated Revenues		<u>1,196,533</u>
	TAX COMMITMENT	5,042,966

COLLECTION OF 2013/14 TAXES

Original Commitment		4,926,480
Less: Collections in current year	\$4,497,043	
Abatements	4,731	<u>4,302,800</u>
	TAXES RECEIVABLE 6/30/15	424,706

EXCISE TAXES

Auto Excise Taxes paid as of 6/30/15		564,212
Included in Operating Revenue		525,000

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhonda L. Irish  
Tax Collector

UNPAID REAL ESTATE TAXES

2013

* ADLEY, CLAIR	91.59
* ALLEN, STUART	21.13
BACHELDER, BOYD B	2,604.88
BANVILLE, CHARLES R	786.50
* BARD, LORETTA	1,048.13
* BARKER, RANDAL S, II	1,680.25
BARKER, RANDAL S	1,361.75
**BIG MAC DEVELOPMENT	286.00
* BIG MAC DEVELOPMENT	232.38
* BIG MAC DEVELOPMENT	344.50
* BIG MAC DEVELOPMENT	336.38
* BIG MAC DEVELOPMENT	336.38
BRACONI, STEPHEN J	3,914.63
* BREault, MICHAEL	799.50
* BRIDEAU, LILLIAN	866.13
**BUFFORD, BOWLING G	412.75
* BUZZELL, MARGARET	451.75
* CAMPBELL, DEREK	113.75
* CHOATE, KRISTY	130.00
* CLARK, JOHN D	2,177.50
* CLONEY, PAUL	2,409.88
* COLEMAN, NATHANIEL	344.50
* CROCKETT, CHRIS A	773.50
* DAGGETT, KIMBERLY K	1,355.25
* DALOT, MICHAEL	227.50
* DAY, KAYLA	290.88
* DORMAN, PETER S	2,252.25
* ENMAN, RICKY	1,548.63
* ESCARFULLERY, SANDI J	674.37
FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS	274.63
* FARNUM, HEIRS OF PAUL S	4,683.26
* FARRINGTON, BRUCE A	903.83
* FARRINGTON, KIMBALL L	2,533.38
* FOSS, DEBRA L	672.75
* FREDERIKSEN, CHRISTIAN	4,788.88
* GOULETTE, DAVID R JR	266.50
* GREENLEAF, DUANE L	1,478.75
* GUND PROPERTIES LLC	663.00
* HAND, BARBARA E	1,620.13
* HAND, LAWRENCE G	266.50
* HARNDEN, PAMELA E	684.13
* HENRY, BARRY P	1,961.38
* HERRIN, EDWARD J	1,277.25
* HINKLEY, PAUL	113.75
* HISCOCK, ANN	40.63
* HODGKINS, PAYTON	110.50
* J.T.H. RENTALS LLC	1,491.75
* JONES, PHYLLIS A	1,821.63
* KAISER, J. STEVENS	84.50
* KALKANIS, KOSTAS ESTATE OF	3,118.38
* KARKOS, RICHARD A	689.00
* KAZAROSIAN, PAULA V	1,540.50
* KENNEDY, KEVIN	1,155.38
* KING, MICHAEL R	2,284.75
* KNOWLES, MONA	2,616.25
* LADD, BOYD H., II	518.38
* LANPHER, JOAN	1,080.63
* LECRAW, JAMES E	4,251.01
* LINO, RICHARD D-DOUGLAS S-ERIC S	500.91
* LOVEJOY, DARREN	43.88
**MACDOUGALL, SCOTT	767.81
* MACIEL, TIMOTHY	1,015.63
* MCDONALD, ANDREW	1,014.00
* MINNS, ERNEST E	2,167.76
* MORIN, JOSEPH L	199.88

* NEW ENGLAND PROJECT MGMT	35.75
* NILE, FRANK S	624.00
* OSGOOD, HARLAN	224.25
* PEPIN, KATHERINE T	1,155.38
* POLLIS, DUANE	2,042.63
* PROVEN, DONALD B	2,042.63
* ROBBINS, VICKI D	3,809.01
* ROSE, JEREMY B	3,001.38
* ROSS, JONATHAN M	1,165.13
* ROSS, LINDA K	1,043.25
**ROSS, MARIA	315.25
* SALOTTO, WILLIAM	888.88
* SEAWARD, CARL A	1,737.13
* SIMONEAU, TINA	230.75
* SMITH, DARREN	1,046.51
* SOUZA, THOMAS	2,333.50
* ST PIERRE, BERTRAND	1,673.75
** STEBBINS, DONALD P JR, PR	2,236.82
* STEELE EXECUTIVE SEARCH, LLC	160.06
**STEVENS, KATHLEEN D(PAYDEN)	1,472.25
* SWEENHART, JAMES B	2,190.50
* SWETT, DAVID W TRUST	472.88
* THIBAUT, SAMANTHA	344.50
* THIBAUT, TIMOTHY	280.14
* TILTON, BRUCE E	3,844.76
TRUNDY, MATTHEW	1,070.88
* VOTER, TIMOTHY	586.79
* WARD, GWENDOLYN	22.75
* WEBB, VALARIE	37.38
* WEBSTER, JOHN	736.13
* WEEKS, CRAIG	2,045.88
* WEEKS, GEORGE	1,694.07
* WEEKS, WALLACE	515.94
WHITE, BARBARA R	1,940.25

2014

* ADAMS, PRICE M SR	104.10
ADAMS, RICHARD	27.76
ADLEY, CLAIR	503.15
* ALLEN, PAULA J	1,887.68
* ALLEN, STUART	22.56
* AMBURG, GARY L	1,648.25
* AMERICAN HOMES	46.85
AMIRAULT, JON	643.69
**ANKERS, PETER	1,903.30
* AUSTIN, PAUL E	65.93
AUSTIN, SHANTELE	72.87
**BACHELDER, BOYD B	2,781.21
**BANVILLE, CHARLES R HEIRS	1,852.98
* BARD, LORETTA	1,119.08
**BARKER, JEFFREY A	435.49
BARKER, RANDAL S, II	1,793.99
BARKER, RANDAL S	1,453.93
* BARRY'S ELECTRIC	615.93
* BARTOLINI, LEO F JR ET. AL.	6,383.07
* BASS, WILSON PROPERTIES	21,987.66
* BASS, WILSON PROPERTIES, INC	7,139.53
* BASS, WILSON PROPERTIES, LLC	13,857.45
* BASS, WILSON PROPERTIES, LLC	13,257.14
* BEANE, DONALD R	3,369.37
* BEEDY, JEFFREY P	347.00
* BEISAW, ALAN G	3,081.36
* BENOIT, PETER C	1,018.45
* BIEDINGER, CHARLES H	792.90
BIG MAC DEVELOPMENT	1,998.74
* BLODGETT, SCOTT	2,989.41
BRACONI, STEPHEN J	4,169.21
BRAGDON, CHARLES., JR	303.63
* BREault, MICHAEL	853.62

BRIDEAU, LILLIAN	924.76	* GRIFFIN, SANDRA	2,161.81
* BROWN, JOHN WILLIAM	1,427.91	GUND PROPERTIES LLC	728.70
BUBIER, BRIAN M	950.78	* HAGGAN, JONATHAN	2,932.15
BUBIER, CHAD E	1,906.77	HAND, BARBARA E	1,729.80
BUFFORD, BOWLING G	440.69	HAND, LAWRENCE G	284.54
* BURTON, JOHN G	1,571.91	* HARNDEN, PAMELA E	730.44
BUZZELL, MARGARET	482.33	* HARVELL, CLAYTON E	1,743.68
CAMPBELL, DEREK	121.45	HARVY, WILLIAM L.	1,377.59
* CAPEN, DANNY	754.73	HARVEY, WILLIAM L JR.	1,377.59
CARSON, RICHARD E	761.67	HENRY, BARRY P	2,094.15
CLARK, JOHN D	2,324.90	HERRIN, EDWARD J	1,363.71
* CLONEY, PAUL	2,573.01	* HILL, KENNITH A JR	1,082.64
* COLEMAN, NATHANIEL	385.17	HINDS, HILLARY	3,228.84
COLLARI, STEVEN P	303.63	HINKLEY, PAUL	121.45
* COLLINS, CRAIG A	1,318.60	HISCOCK, ANN	43.38
COLLINS, JANICE - TRUSTEE OF	1,681.22	* HORNBACK, MICHAEL J	7,384.16
* COLLINS, STANTON	1,176.33	* HUANG, HUIXIAO	1,060.09
* COOK, JAMES R	560.14	J.T.H. RENTALS LLC	1,592.73
COUILLARD, MICHAEL Y	2,139.26	JEWELL, FLOYD	232.49
CROCKETT, CHRIS A	825.86	JONES, PHYLLIS A	1,944.94
CUSHMAN, MICHAEL	168.30	* KAISER, J. STEVENS	90.22
* CUSHMAN, RONALD	1,375.86	* KALKANIS, KOSTAS ESTATE OF	3,329.47
DAGGETT, KIMBERLY K	1,446.99	* KANE, GAVIN	1,297.78
DALEY, ERIN	973.34	* KARKOS, RICHARD A	735.64
DALOT, BARBARA	1,400.15	* KAZAROSIAN, PAULA V	1,087.85
DALOT, MICHAEL	242.90	* KELLEHER, GREGORY M	4,255.96
* DAVIS, NOELLA	43.38	KENNEDY, KEVIN	1,233.59
DAY, KAYLA	310.57	* KING, JAMES R SR.	874.44
* DEGONE, ROBERT J	1,684.69	* KING, MICHAEL R	2,439.41
DEVAULT, BRENDA LYNN	702.68	KNOWLES, MONA	2,793.35
DORMAN, PETER S	1,521.60	* KRAUSS, GARY J	6,717.92
* DUBOIS, JOHN,	1,748.88	LADD, BOYD H., II	379.97
* DUNHAM, BIRDELL B III	572.55	* LAMBERT, EUGENE H ESTATE OF	20.82
DUNHAM, JEFFREY L	1,030.59	* LAMOUREUX, JOHN P	1,210.04
* DURRELL, DAVID	1,865.13	* LANCASTER, STEVEN	2,191.31
ENMAN, RICKY	1,653.46	LANPHER, JOAN	1,153.78
ESCARFULLERY, SANDI J	1,016.71	LAPOINTE, JOSHUA	752.99
* EVANS, JEFFREY F	1,309.93	* LEAHY, EDWARD	1,731.54
FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS	293.22	LECRAW, JAMES E	4,538.77
FARNUM, MARTIN	4,814.63	* LEWIS, JESSICA L	2,099.35
**FARNUM, HEIRS OF PAUL S	12.15	* LEWIS, ZANDA C.	258.52
* FARRINGTON, BRUCE A	3,147.29	* LILLEY, MICHAEL R	1,401.88
* FARRINGTON, KIMBALL L	2,704.87	* LINO, RICHARD D-DOUGLAS S-ERIC S	674.92
* FARRINGTON, LAWRENCE	3,050.14	* LORD, CHARLES A	360.88
FEDERAL NATIONAL MTG ASSOC	1,755.82	* LOVE, JEFFREY D.	347.00
* FERRY, PAMELA R	379.97	* LOVEJOY, DARREN	46.85
FERRY, ROBERT	1,273.49	* LUFKIN, MELISSA	562.14
* FISCHER, JUDITH	135.34	MACDOUGALL, SCOTT	1,639.58
* FITCH, TIMOTHY	910.88	* MACIEL, TIMOTHY	1,084.38
FOSS, DEBRA L	718.29	* MACKAY, DONALD R	388.64
* FREEMAN, DOUGLAS	2,267.65	* MAGRATH, RONALD	992.42
FROST, BRUCE	2,302.35	**MAINE STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY	1,018.45
* FROST, THELMA	813.72	* MASTERMAN, KATHLEEN S	832.80
* GARDNER, RICHARD L.	29.50	**MCCRILLIS, WILLIAM E	430.28
* GILL, GREGORY E.	1,372.39	MCDONALD, ANDREW	1,082.64
* GILMORE, JUDITH M	418.14	**MERCHANT, TIMOTHY P	2,198.25
* GLEASON, RONALD E.	709.62	* MILLER, GILBERT I	6,239.06
* GOODROW, ERIC	888.32	* MINIUTTI, LISA	38.17
* GOODROW, SHAWN F	2,180.90	**MINNS, ERNEST E	2,314.50
GORDON, KURT	4,150.12	* MITCHELL, JEFFREY S	4,101.54
* GORDON, MARK	121.45	* MONTGOMERY, JOELLA	39.91
GORDON, RANDALL D	2,656.29	* MOON, LINDA G	765.14
* GORHAM, PATRICK K	968.13	* MOORE, YVONNE J	562.14
GOULD, JOSEPH	463.25	MORIN, JOSEPH L	39.91
* GOULD, JOSEPH	954.25	**MOSHER, THERESA	770.34
GOULD, JOSEPH	3,848.23	* MULLEN, KEVIN B	1,049.68
GOULD, JOSEPH	544.79	* NEAL, ROBERT E	2,781.21
GOULETTE, DAVID R JR	284.54	* NEW ENGLAND PROJECT MGMT	3.47
* GRAGNOLATI, DENNIS	1,131.22	* NICHOLS DEVELOPMENT, LLC	38,876.15
GREENLEAF, DUANE L	1,578.85	**NIELSEN, ROBERT J	1,327.28

NILE, FRANK S	666.24	THOMAS, PENNY	340.06
* NOIA, MARIA H	1,473.02	* THORNDIKE & SON INC	433.75
NOWAK, KRZYSZTOF MAREK	560.41	* THORNDYKE & SONS, INC	157.89
NOYES, CELAND R	2,328.37	TILTON, BRUCE E	4,113.69
* OAKES, DANIEL T	2,670.17	* TOOTHAKER, DEBRA	988.95
* OHRENBERGER, MARY ESTATE OF	1,880.74	* TOURTELOTTE, ROBERT A	654.10
OLSON, DAVID L	2,149.67	* TOURTELOTTE, ROLAND S	1,028.86
* ORR, DAVID	1,821.75	* TOWNE, ALICE J	2,409.92
OSGOOD, HARLAN	239.43	* TRACY, JUSTIN T JR	1,211.03
* PARADIGM DEVELOPMENT LLC	1,600.62	* TRACY, MICHAEL	1,185.01
* PEPIN, KATHERINE T	1,233.59	TRASK, DUANE T ET AL	2,533.10
* PETERSEN, TERRY R	980.28	* TRASK, DURWARD HEIRS OF	5,069.67
* PHAIR, JOAN	1,308.19	* TRUE, DONALD A.	5,061.00
* PHILLIPS, WAYLAN	281.07	TRUNDY, MATTHEW	1,143.37
* PINGREE, CLYDE L., II	5,919.82	* TURNER, SHERRI	1,981.37
POLLIS, DUANE	1,669.07	* TYLER, RICKY C	411.20
* PRATT, PAUL I	1,086.12	* USA RURAL HOUSING SERVICE	1,665.60
* PROBERT, RUSSELL A	2,153.14	* WALSH, DAVID	2,016.07
PROVEN, DONALD B	2,180.90	WARD, GWENDOLYN	24.29
* PROVOST, MICHELLE J	1,478.22	* WARREN, TERRY L	636.75
* RACKLIFFE, JASON & SHANNA	352.21	WEBB, VALARIE	39.31
* RAMEY, JAMES	1,148.57	WEBSTER, JOHN	785.96
* RECOVERY FINANCE CORP	466.72	**WEEKS, CRAIG	2,184.37
* RICHARD, DAVID L	1,976.17	**WEEKS, GEORGE	2,071.60
* RILEY, LISA M	950.78	* WEEKS, WALLACE	1,101.73
* ROBBINS, VICKI D	4,066.85	WHITE, BARBARA R	2,071.59
* RODZEN, RONALD	1,672.54	* WHITE, LEON - REMAINDERMAN	952.52
* ROSE, FAITH	190.85	* WHITNEY, GERALD A	949.05
ROSE, JEREMY B	3,204.55	WILSON LAKE COUNTRY CLUB	9,833.98
* ROSS, JONATHAN M	1,244.00	* WITHAM, DARLENE	921.29
ROSS, LINDA K	1,113.87	* WORDEN, JOSEPH P	2,017.81
ROSS, MARIA	336.59	* YATES, MARGARET	371.51
* ROYER, LYNDA K	1,658.66	* YEATON, GEORGE A	1,309.93
* RUDLOFF, GLENN W JR	504.89	* YOUNG, CHARLES HEIRS OF	6.94
* SALOTTO, WILLIAM	949.05	* ZADAKIS, JOHN	936.90
* SARGENT, KELLY JO	2,670.17	* ZIEHM, JOHN C	45.11
* SAVAGE, DERREK W.	666.24		
* SAVAGE, KORY L	711.35		
SAVAGE, SARAH	334.86		
* SEAL, ALFRED W JR	982.01		
* SEAWARD, CARL A	1,854.72		
* SHELLY'S HOMETOWN PROP., LLC	2,326.64		
SIMONEAU, TINA	246.37		
**SMITH, CHRISTOPHER	2,187.84		
SMITH, DARREN	1,117.35		
* SMITH, DIANE M	1,651.72		
* SMITH, JAMES S	1,783.58		
* SMITH, ROBERT L	2,734.37		
SOUZA, THOMAS	2,333.50		
* SPILLER, JODI A	5,012.42		
* SPILLER, WILLIAM A	5,406.26		
* SPRAGUE, KENNETH	732.17		
ST PIERRE, BERTRAND	1,787.05		
* STANLEY, ARTHUR	504.89		
* STARBIRD, RICHARD A	399.05		
**STEBBINS, DONALD P JR, PR	3,131.69		
**STEELE EXECUTIVE SEARCH, LLC	341.80		
* STEELE, JOHN A	1,670.81		
* STEVENS, CHARLES	3,844.76		
**STEVENS, KATHLEEN D(PAYDEN)	1,571.91		
* STEVENS, ROBERT B JR	1,497.31		
STEWART, JESSICA	1,486.90		
STINSON-PRYOR, JANIS B	16,616.13		
* STINSON, JARED M	2,243.36		
* STUDLEY, JOHN B	1,499.04		
SWEENHART, JAMES B	2,165.28		
* SWETT, DAVID W TRUST	504.89		
* TEDRICK, STUART	1,188.48		
* THIBAULT, SAMANTHA	367.82		
**THIBAULT, TIMOTHY	695.74		

UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

<u>2006</u>			
WILTON WINE MERCHANTS		101.99	
<u>2007</u>			
NORTHEAST PAVING		406.35	
ROSE, JEREMY		448.92	
WILTON WINE MERCHANTS		45.15	
<u>2008</u>			
NORTHEAST PAVING		414.23	
ROSE, JEREMY		457.62	
WILTON WINE MERCHANTS		48.66	
<u>2009</u>			
NORTHEAST PAVING		414.23	
ROSE, JEREMY		339.27	
WILSON LAKE COUNTRY CLUB		1,008.61	
WILTON WINE MERCHANTS		40.77	
<u>2010</u>			
MILLER, GILBERT		62.62	
NORTHEAST PAVING		420.53	
ROSE, JEREMY		136.17	
VILLAGE HAIR LOUNGE		34.71	
WILDBLUE COMMUNICATIONS		8.01	

2011

FIRE HOUSE VIDEO	39.42
MILLER, GILBERT	138.70
NORTHEAST PAVING	459.90
ROSE, JEREMY	148.92
VILLAGE HAIR LOUNGE	33.58
WILDBLUE COMMUNICATIONS	36.50

2012

FIRE HOUSE VIDEO	82.62
KARKOS, RICK	29.07
MILLER, GILBERT	143.82
NORTHEAST PAVING	481.95
ROSE, JEREMY	156.06
VILLAGE HAIR LOUNGE	32.13
WILDBLUE COMMUNICATIONS	39.78

2013

A TEC	185.25
FIRE HOUSE VIDEO	99.13
KARKOS, RICK	30.88
MILLER, GILBERT	206.38
NORTHEAST PAVING	199.88
ROSE, JEREMY	198.25
SHELLY'S HOMETOWN MARKET	95.88
* TOLMAN, DAWN	60.13
VILLAGE HAIR LOUNGE	37.38

2014

A TEC	197.79
BRADLEY'S PIZZA	72.87
* COUSINEAU, INC	1,049.68
* CUSHMAN, RONALD	58.99
* DIRECTTV, LLC	838.01
DOUBLE D AUTO SALES & CLEANING	86.75
FIRE HOUSE VIDEO	105.84
* FREEMAN, DOUG	60.73
* HAYDEN PLUMBING & HEATING	3.47
INCH BY INCH	27.76
KARKOS, RICK	32.97
MILLER, GILBERT	215.14
ROSE, JEREMY	211.67
SHELLY'S HOMETOWN MARKET	97.16
VILLAGE HAIR LOUNGE	36.44

NOTE: By State Law (1MRSA 30-A §2801)

A delinquent taxpayer list (those delinquent on the date at the close of the last fiscal year, June 30, 2015) must be included in the annual Town Report.

A \* has been added to all those accounts paid in full after June 30, 2015. Two \*\* have been added to those accounts that have made partial payments.

# Town of Wilton Death Statistics

Jan. 1, 2015 – Dec. 31, 2015

Date of Death	Deceased	Age	Town of Death
1/3/2015	Elvin Adams	71	Wilton
1/15/2015	Arthur Melcher	90	Farmington
1/16/2015	Alton C Miller	86	Wilton
1/17/2015	Edna M Mace	87	Farmington
1/17/2015	Sandra Nelson	70	Auburn
1/21/2015	Peggy Stickney	83	Farmington
1/30/2015	George Farnum, Jr	90	Farmington
2/3/2015	Jack Libby	77	Auburn
2/18/2015	Clayton LaPlant	88	Wilton
3/31/2015	Frances Sawtelle	79	Farmington
4/1/2015	Joseph Degone	30	Wilton
4/26/2015	Gordon Flint	68	Boston, MA
4/30/2015	Barbara Dalot	80	Lewiston
5/3/2015	Verna Young	81	Wilton
5/4/2015	Gail Crockett	60	Wilton
5/23/2015	Ericka D Wilbur	42	Farmington
5/25/2015	Cynthia D Osgood	80	Portland
5/31/2015	Ralph Searles	86	Auburn
6/2/2015	Rose Windram	86	Wilton
6/26/2015	John R Nichols	52	Wilton
6/29/2015	Anthony Nazar	77	Auburn
7/28/2015	Helen Colburn	86	Farmington
7/4/2015	Arlene Zabierek	93	Wilton
7/8/2015	Denise Libby	78	Wilton
7/28/2015	Norman Twitchell	76	Wilton
7/15/2015	Lisa Peters	52	Avon
7/31/2015	Doris Pare	75	Farmington
8/2/2015	Caleb Dorr	33	Wilton
8/10/2015	John Hansen	84	Lewiston
8/22/2015	Marie Moreault	59	Lewiston
8/28/2015	Pearl Farren	95	Lewiston
9/14/2015	Denise Breton	61	Wilton
9/18/2015	Charles R Lilja	68	Farmington
9/25/2015	John Roth	76	Bangor
9/28/2015	Janice McKeen	76	Wilton
10/1/2015	Michael L Holland	25	Lost at Sea
10/17/2015	Brian Ranger	58	Auburn
10/19/2015	Julia M Small	91	Wilton
10/29/2015	Caroline Mayo	87	Wilton
11/1/2015	Thelma Frost	94	Farmington
11/7/2015	Emily White	88	Wilton
11/17/2015	Aidan Hand	5 mo.	Portland
11/27/2015	Keith Shoaps	70	Wilton
11/30/2015	Eugene Bailey	54	Wilton
12/6/2015	Sherrri Turner	53	Sidney
12/10/2015	William McCormick, Jr	58	Auburn
12/15/2015	Mary Farnum	88	Farmington

# 2015 Annual Salaries

(Earnings include overtime)

KEY:

A-Administration	A/C- Animal Control	B-Ballot Clerk	C-Crossing Guard
F-Fire Dept.	H-Highway	P-Police	PLBD- Planning Board
R-Recreation	RY-Recycling	S-Sewer	SEL-Selectmen
TM-Town Manager	TS-Transfer Station	W-Water	

A-Dunham, Diane L \$31,308.22	F-Osgood, Brett S \$1,216.00
A-Leavitt, Michelle D \$8,230.00	F-Osgood, Kelly D \$37.50
A-Montague, Paul S \$7,637.28	F-Pullen, Jamin \$808.00
A- Vining, Barbara A \$40,555.79	F-Rowe, Jeffrey A \$1,112.00
A/C Atwood, Wayne B \$2,220.07	F-Smith, Gavin O \$32.00
B- Rand, Jean \$180.00	F-Smith, Matthew W \$210.00
B-Smith, Carolyn R \$195.00	F- Swett, Chance C \$172.50
C/B- Flagg, Hazel M \$3,297.89	F-Swett, Keith R \$150.00
B- Donald Hamlin \$63.75	F-Walker, Lee J \$30.00
B/PLBD- Werner, Angela \$243.75	F-Walker, Thomas J \$1,225.00
B-Shibles, Elizabeth \$45.00	H-Hutchinson, Corey J \$36,694.01
C-Stanley, Patricia \$3,203.01	H-Lee, Brian \$35,983.90
F- Blood, Wendell K \$135.00	H-Masse, John H \$41,834.23
F-Bryant, Warren L \$560.00	H- Roberts, Dale H \$50,928.29
F-Burdick, Robert E \$1,818.00	H-Toothaker, Kenneth \$35,818.87
F- Cote, Andrew \$1,048.00	H-Toothaker, Timothy \$12,045.00
F- Cousins, Issac C \$672.00	H-Tourtelotte, Roland S \$37,712.03
F-Doak, Thomas H \$ 3,584.00	H-Tozier, Robert A \$36,136.01
F-Dunham III, Birdell B \$10,804.00	P-Abbott, Chad \$54,945.00
F-Ellis, Kyle P \$3,516.50	P-Allen, Gary \$25,884.57
F-Ellis, Stephani M \$2,792.00	P-Burke, Sandy \$180.00
F-Frost, Philip L \$760.00	P-Cadrin, Joseph \$7,767.45
F-Guptill, George L \$2,030.00	P-Camferman, Penelopy \$1,028.50
F-Hall, Randall C \$210.00	P-Daley, Derek \$47,730.49
F-Hall, Rodney A \$120.00	P-Farrington, Jennifer G \$7,382.25
F-Hand, Lawrence G \$1,136.00	P-Hardy, Andrew \$3,415.32
F-Harvell, David F \$82.50	P-Krause, Courtney J \$16,173.59
F-Henry, Cody G \$528.00	P- Kyes, Ethan \$23,474.43
F-Lakin, Stephen R \$2,308.00	P-Ladd, Jennifer L \$183.75
F-LaPlant, Thomas H \$60.00	P-Lynch, Brian T \$45,662.78
F-Lemieux, Lance L \$1,280.00	P-Martin, Billie J \$4,573.75
F-Lilley, Michael R \$1,194.00	P-McDonald, Gale E \$6,000.00
F-Lilley-Karkos, Kinda I \$432.00	P-Ryan, Michael S \$2,911.50
F- Lowe, Justin \$648.00	P-Timberlake, Brad K \$88.00
F-Neuschwanger, Robert A \$48.00	P-Wilcox, Heidi M \$54,154.89

P/F-Smith, Stephen L \$120.00

W-Welch, Dale K \$54,327.70

F-Neuschwanger, Sean M \$1,288.00

PLBD- Chamberlain Peter \$120.00

PLBD- Collins, Maxine \$180.00

PLBD-Lavin, Charles W \$104.00

PLBD-LeClair, Michael J \$75.00

PLBD-Mosher, Sheryl L \$150.00

PLBD-Sherrod, Michael J \$180.00

PLBD-Small, Lisa V \$60.00

R- Bridges, Thia \$191.25

R- Burdick, Megan A \$1,190.00

R-Cardona, Brandon D \$551.25

R-Davis, Veronica C \$ 650.00

R-Doiron, Eryn R \$400.00

R-Donald Sr., Frank E \$36,166.01

R-Fay, Savannah H \$1,591.88

R-Franchetti, Anthony T \$1,610.00

R- Hoyt, Devon C \$700.00

R- LeClair, Hannah L \$350.00

R-Minns, Stephen P \$ 470.00

R-Paradis, Amanda \$75.00

R-Pierson, Astra \$650.00

R-Poisson, Tyler J \$350.00

R-Rogers, Robert G \$168.00

R-Schanck, Jamison A \$1,093.80

R-Schanck, Jordan \$3,109.54

R-Schanck, Rhonda B \$958.47

R-Smith, Edmund D \$2,133.75

R-Stephani, Dylan R \$566.25

RY-Lane, Reginald W \$12,248.29

S- Bureau, Linda J \$31,088.32

S-Hawkins, Nels \$48,066.23

SEL- Adams, Jeffrey \$900.00

SEL- Berkey Jr., Paul J \$1,575.00

SEL-Black, John H \$1,800.00

SEL- Maiuri, Tiffany A \$1,800.00

SEL-Saviello, Thomas B \$900.00

SEL-Taylor, Dennis S \$1,800.00

TM- Irish, Rhonda L \$58,293.35

TS-Tyler, Hollis R \$34,685.73

W-Futia, Justin \$4,776.88

W- Lehigh, Clifford \$44,966.0

W-Putnam, Clayton L \$74, 218.96

# Assessors' Report 2016

## **HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS**

Please don't forget to apply for your Homestead Exemption if you have not already. The exempted amount has increased to \$15,000 in assessed valuation this year and is expected to be \$20,000 next year.

## **VETERANS EXEMPTIONS**

The Maine Revenue Service has expanded/reestablished some federally recognized wartime periods to grant exemptions to veterans (or their widows) that served in the Armed Forces. Please contact our Assessors' office for more information.

## **PERSONAL PROPERTY**

We want to make Wilton businesses aware of two programs that offer either a tax reimbursement or tax exemption for qualifying equipment. These programs are called Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement (BETR) and Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE). Both programs require property owners to submit applications and both programs have specific criteria for qualifying owners and property. Information regarding the BETE and BETR programs is available on line at [www.maine.gov](http://www.maine.gov) or at the Wilton Assessors' Office.

## **EQUALIZATION PROGRAM**

Over the past 18 months, representatives of O'Donnell & Associates have been reviewing all Wilton properties as part of the town wide equalization program. Our goal is to have all Wilton assessments reflect fair market for 2016. Fair market value is the price that a typical buyer would pay and that you would accept if the property were to sell at this time. Although most properties are not for sale, valuations are based on an estimate of a sale price. New valuation notices will be sent out to property owners long before taxes will be committed. Taxpayers will be invited to meet with representatives of O'Donnell & Associates to discuss their new assessments.

Sincerely,

Paul L. Binette CMA  
John E. O'Donnell & Associates



# Wilton Police Department

"to Serve and Protect"

To the Wilton Community,

On behalf of the Wilton Police Officers and myself, I would like to thank our community for the continuous displays of support and appreciation for our Agency. In what I believe history will describe as a bleak time for law enforcement, I continue to be amazed by the trust and positive messages sent to me on behalf of the actions of these officers on a weekly basis.

The Wilton Police Department continues to seek proactive measures to serve and protect our Community. In 2015 we were pleased to host the Franklin County Senior Resource Fair bringing multiple service providers and emergency service personnel to the elders attending. We have reduced our cruiser fleet to three Ford Interceptors. The fourth cruiser was a benefit for training and OUI / Seatbelt Grant shifts, but we have found that three emergency ready Police Interceptors meet our needs. We have improved our radio communications by establishing our own radio frequency and replacing an outdated repeater system. This has been a tremendous improvement for the safety of police officers and the public they are responding to assist. Officers continue to seek advance training. We are currently waiting for Officer Ethan Kyes to graduate from the Criminal Justice Academy to get our staff at the full certified level.

The Uniform Crime Reporting System through the Department of Public Safety collects data from all police agencies across the State of Maine. The Wilton Police Department received an excellent rating with a 67.2% clearance rate. The State average for 2014 was 32%. In 2015 our officers responded to:

<b>Murder</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Calls for Service</b>	<b>6,396</b>
<b>Sexual Assault</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Criminal Incidents</b>	<b>266</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Arrests</b>	<b>210</b>
<b>Assault</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Citations &amp; Warnings</b>	<b>908</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Motor Vehicle Accidents</b>	<b>102</b>
<b>Theft</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Vehicle Theft</b>	<b>4</b>

Respectfully,

Chief Heidi Wilcox

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Chief of Police Heidi Wilcox  
[www.wpdme.com](http://www.wpdme.com)

# Wilton Fire and Rescue

The Wilton Fire & Rescue had 215 calls in 2015. Of those calls, there were 30 mutual aid calls.

Wilton Fire & Rescue has 22 firefighters including 4 new firefighters, 2 junior firefighters, and 1 firefighter currently enrolled in the Kenneth Foster Vocational School program.

Wilton Fire & Rescue has 2 firefighters taking Firefighter 1 & 2 training. This training is approximately 140 hours for each firefighter. The department had approximately 70-80 hours of training with the department and mutual aid departments.

Wilton Fire & Rescue participates in the Fire Safety courses with children of the area schools and also at pre-school level.

Wilton Fire & Rescue trucks are running very good. The new Ladder 7 is serving the town very well. Engine 7 was sold during the summer of 2015 to the Etna Fire Department.

As Fire Chief, I would like to thank all department heads and the residents of the Town of Wilton for their support.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Birdell (Sonny) Dunham  
Fire Chief

# Parks and Recreation Department

To the Citizens of Wilton,

During the past year The Wilton Recreation Department offered its usual sports activities which included softball, baseball, t-ball, soccer, field hockey and basketball. Most sports are offered as young as kindergarten through 8th grade and are broken up into different age groups. We also hold summer camps for basketball, soccer, field hockey and tennis. The Kineowatha Park is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> year of offering a free lunch program for low income children. Around 1100 lunches were prepared during the 7 week summer program which goes Monday through Thursday.

New this summer will be the opportunity to rent canoes, kayaks and paddle boards at Kineowatha Park. Hours of availability and pricing are still being established. The Senior Citizen building will have a new steel roof before groups start using it for the summer. A new American flag and pole with solar lights is scheduled to go up at Kineowatha Park as part of an Eagle Scout project by members of our local Boys Scout club. More info will be available as the summer gets closer by contacting the Rec department at 645-4825.

At Kineowatha Park we have the Main Lodge open from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Hours of operation vary depending on the weather and the number of groups or individuals using the park. We host around 60 groups a year for family reunions, birthday parties, company picnics etc. Anyone wanting to find out more about how to book a date can contact the Recreation Department at 645-4825 or by e-mail at [wiltonrec@beeline-online.net](mailto:wiltonrec@beeline-online.net)

A special thanks to Town Manager Rhonda Irish and the Recreation Committee for their help and guidance. We could not offer all that we do without the help of the other town departments and I wish acknowledge their willingness to help as needed. The Public Works Department is especially helpful on a year round basis for a variety of projects which hold down the cost of operation.

Respectfully,  
Frank E. Donald Sr.  
Parks and Recreation Director

# Town of Wilton Public Works Department

To The Citizens of Wilton,

In the past summer we worked on and completed Butterfield Road which was 5875 feet long. This work consisted of ditching and replacing 500 feet of 15 inch pipe, 40 feet of 18 inch pipe and 40 feet of 12 inch pipe. We also had Manzer, Inc., the paving company, reclaim the road, add 2 to 3 inches of reclaim hot-top, graded and sand sealed the road. We are also planning to add a second coat of sand seal this summer.

We then rebuilt 800 feet of McGrath Road. We also dug out 15 inches of gravel and replaced it with new gravel and reclaim with hot-top on top. Then we paved 1500 feet of the road. We finished the Bass Park parking lot. We replaced culverts and did some ditching around town, cleaned catch basins, painted crosswalks and fixed stones in the East Dixfield Cemetery.

Because there was a mild winter this year, a lot of work was accomplished in the cemeteries and we were able to cut brush in East Dixfield, Lake Road, Orchard Drive and McGrath Road.

Over the summer of 2016, we plan on working on Sunset and Sunrise Avenues with new catch basins and 800 feet of pipe with a shim and overlay of pavement. We are also planning on overlay paving of Curve St, Fairview, Morrison, McRoe & School Street, Stockford North and South, Sewall Street, and Wiken Lane. Also to be completed, a second coat of sand seal on Butterfield Road, maintenance fog sealing of half of Orchard Drive, paving of Colby Miller Road and upgrading of some of the sidewalks Downtown.

I would like to thank the Select Board, the Citizens, the Department Head , the Town Manager, our neighboring towns for their continued cooperation and help, and to all the employees of the town.

Respectfully,

Dale Roberts  
Public Works Foreman

# Transfer Station Report

Another productive year has come and gone at the Wilton Transfer Station. I have finally completed painting the exterior of the buildings at the station. This project has taken a lot longer than anticipated. The finish product looks a lot better than the dull brown that the buildings used to have. We also, in the last year, replaced the roofing on the main structure at the station. The old roofing has been on since the buildings were built. We had water leak issues over the past couple of years and decided to replace it before we had structural issues that could not be easily fixed. Now we have a roof that should last the town another 15 to 20 years with proper maintenance. We also replaced all the indoor and outdoor lighting at the transfer station to L.E.D. lighting to save costs with electrical usage.

The compost we create at the station was a huge success again last year with many residents taking advantage and coming to get some. We have another huge pile of compost ready for residents this year; just ask attendants for assistance with loading or directions to the pile.

On March 1, 2016, we started enforcing the transfer stations permit sticker rules. We have caught a few people who are not residents of Wilton and had to turn them away to utilize their own transfer stations. You may own property in Wilton, but to use the station you need to have a residence or business in the town. Contractors will need to go to the town office for a contractors slip if the job is within town limits.

The Share Shack continues to be a huge success. The only thing we ask is that you do not leave a lot of unwanted items in the shack that should not be in the shack. Be sure to ask attendant if you are not sure. Also, we are in hopes of replacing two of our closed top containers this year. They are about 20 years old and are starting to rust through the sides. Soon the haulers will not be able to haul them on the road. They have been utilized for trash and now recyclables.

I am very thankful for the support I receive from the Board of Selectpersons, the Town Manager, Wilton Police Department, and the Highway Department; without their support the station would not have the smooth flow of operation that everyone sees each week when they visit the transfer station. Also, I would like to thank the residents of Wilton for their patience and understanding with the flow and requirements at the station. Especially with the transfer stations permit rules; it is a real help with the operations of the transfer station.

I am looking forward to another great year. As always, I encourage your thoughts and ideas.

Respectfully Submitted  
Hollis Tyler  
Transfer Station Manager

# Water & Waste Treatment Departments

To the Citizens and Ratepayers of Wilton,

Many changes have occurred this year with regard to the Water & Sewer Departments. Clayton Putnam has retired from his Superintendent position after many years of dedicated service.

Phase II of the sewer project which entails the complete upgrade of the wastewater treatment plant is currently underway. Construction began in November of 2015 and is expected to be completed by November of 2017. As discussed at several town meetings, a rate adjustment will be necessary to satisfy the loans that the Town became obligated for to fund the upgrade along with increased operation and maintenance costs.

The Town's NEPDES permit expires in June of 2016 and a renewal application has been submitted to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. As of the date of this report, the permit has been tentatively approved and a draft has been issued for review.

The laboratory was once again certified as part of the DMR QA/QC process as is required annually. Whole effluent toxicity and priority pollutants were also tested by waste treatment staff in conjunction with local laboratories to ensure that we are discharging safe, well treated water.

The Water Department is entering into its thirty third year of existence being a Town owed entity. Financially, the Department is still experiencing decreased revenues and increased expenses. The last increase was in 1993 when the Town built the Water Treatment Plant and the Highland Reservoir. Currently, if you are one of our ratepayers that use the minimum every three months of 1,200 cubic feet or 8,976 gallons you pay slightly over ½ cent per gallon. A rate adjustment will be considered for the next budget year.

A revised total coliform sample site plan was submitted to DHHS and was approved by the Town's compliance officer. These tests are performed with total organic carbon and other potential contaminant testing along with continuous monitoring of turbidity levels, chlorination and pH at the water treatment plant.

Staff members have continued the upgrade process of meters and meter heads to transition to remote read meters. Water line flushing and operations and maintenance continue as well.

We thank the community at large for their understanding and support, both financially and personally. Please feel free to contact us at any time with any questions, comments or concerns.

On behalf of the Water & Wastetreatment Departments  
Dale Welch, Cliff Lehigh – Water Department Operators  
Nels Hawkins – Wastetreatment Department Operators  
Michelle Leavitt – Water & Wastetreatment Clerk 645-2001

Thank you,

Justin Futia, Superintendent, Water & Wastetreatment Departments  
[wiltonwasw@yahoo.com](mailto:wiltonwasw@yahoo.com) Operations & Maintenance 645-3682

# Report of the Code Enforcement Officer Local Plumbing Inspector and Planning Board

To the Town of Wilton,

In 2015 there were 81 building, use, and CEO permits issued for a total of \$2,284.56 in fees collected for these permits. There were three new homes, three mobile homes, several garages and additions permitted. The Town of Wilton Waste Water Treatment plant is doing an upgrade to the facility. There were 28 septic and plumbing permits issued for a total of \$3,740.00 in these permit fees.

Anyone planning to build please check with the Code Officer to find out what permits you will need. Any building will need to conform to the Maine Unified Building and Energy Code requirements.

Thank You,

Roger Williams  
Code Enforcement Officer  
ceo@wiltonmaine.org



Wilton Free Public Library

## Annual Report for 2015-16

To the Citizens of Wilton,

Here are a few things we've done this year: held book and poetry readings by area authors like Robert Lively, Doug Dunlap, Carolyn Frost and Wes McNair. We put on art exhibits by local artists and photographers. We held programs for kids and adults (Fancy Nancy Tea Party, Confection Election, Polar Express train and story-time, Teacher's Lounge Mafia and Silent Auction, the Summer Reading Program). We also provided services like tax forms, computers and printers, fast WiFi, color and black and white laser photocopying, scanning and faxing, public bulletin boards, book deliveries to homebound people and daycare facilities.

The library sponsored a LEGO group for children, a book group for adults, a writer's workshop, craft groups and hosted the meetings for local individuals and groups. We allowed members to check out eBooks and eReaders, State Park passes, magazines, cake pans, and movies; sold our own branded coffee by the cup or ground, sold T-shirts and calendars and lots of used books; scheduled meeting places for practically anything you want; provided coloring books and colored pencils for adults.

The library helped your kids play, read, talk, sing, and learn. We helped you find new recipes, visit Popham Beach with your family and bake a cake. We suggested just the right book for your vacation and we provided a place for you to take an online course. We were there when you just needed a quiet, friendly place.

Libraries are famous for their hospitality: we are child and infant friendly, home school friendly, deaf friendly, senior friendly and fully handicapped-accessible.

It's *your* library. If you haven't been here in a while, stop by and we'll show you around.

David Olsen

Librarian

# Woodland Wanderers Snowmobile Club

To the Citizens of Wilton,

Because of the snow conditions we had this winter we could not get much grooming of the trails done but we were able to get a lot of trail work and bridge repair done before the snow started to fall. We completely rebuilt the Kip and Marie Bridge over Wilson Stream and brushed back many of our 50 miles of trails. Putting out and removing all our trail signs took up many hours of work. Again, as in past years we did all of this work with very few volunteers. I appeal to any of you who enjoy snowmobiling, cross country skiing, walking or running on the trails to think about joining the club or giving a few hours of your time to help maintain the trail system.

If you get a chance, check out our club on Facebook for trail information, meetings and trail work times. We would love to hear from anyone using the trails. Feel free to post pictures and share information about the trail with everyone.

A big thank you to the dedicated volunteers who helped over the year. We would also like to thank the many land owners who granted us permission to use their land that our trail passes over. Without the volunteers and land owners, the trail system would not be what it is today. Because of their dedication and generosity, the businesses and citizens in the area benefit greatly.

The Woodland Wanderers would like to thank the citizens of Wilton for their support over the years by appropriating the portion of registrations to the club and would appreciate the citizens voting to continue this practice so we can keep the trail system open for this area.

Again, thank you all on behalf of the entire club.

Sincerely,

Dick Austin  
President of the Woodland Wanderers Snowmobile Club

# Friends of Wilson Lake (FOWL)

To the Citizens of Wilton,

We are very pleased to report that we have enjoyed a very good year – a year that saw us looking back, as well as looking ahead.

After twelve years as serving as our president, Wynn Muller has stepped down, but will continue to serve as Vice President and editor of our newsletter.

I can't say enough about Wynn. During his twelve years he earned the respect and praise of many people. Jen Jespersen, environmental consultant, said that during Wynn's presidency, "FOWL has served as a role model for other lake associations across the state." Maggie Shannon, LakeSmart Coordinator, Advocacy Director, Maine Lakes Society, sang his praises at the FOWL Annual Meeting in July, while at the same meeting Rhonda Irish, Wilton Town manager, observed that when Wynn identified a problem, he also offered a solution. "That is quite unusual in my experience," she quipped. "Most people just tell me about the problems." During his tenure FOWL membership has grown from 140 to nearly 300, and the budget has grown from \$1,000 to over \$10,000. Thank you, Wynn!

And now, looking ahead—FOWL, in cooperation with the Town of Wilton, is going to help conduct a watershed survey on September 24, 2016. It seeks to identify factors that can contribute to runoff going into Wilson Lake that potentially could have a negative impact on water quality, the most common being nutrients like phosphorus and nitrogen that promote algal growth in the lake. The last survey was conducted in 1994. It is recommended that these surveys be conducted every five or ten years; thus it is time to do it again. We also decided it was time to conduct another survey because we were noticing some disturbing trends – we have been monitoring the water quality of Wilson Lake through Secchi disk clarity readings consistently since 1980 and the most recent trend has shown that the clarity has been declining. This has implications for us all – recreationally, financially, and tax-wise.

Thus it is crucial that we conduct the survey and identify those factors that are contributing to the decline in water quality – and then do something about it. And we need volunteers to help with the survey. Please let me know if you would like to be involved.

We also coordinate the Courtesy Boat Inspection (CBI) program where we work with the town to hire students to inspect boats on weekends and holidays in the summer to assure that invasive plants are kept out of the lake. Plants mostly move from lake to lake by riding on boats and trailers. Part of the cost is covered by a state DEP grant of \$2000, and a \$1,000 grant from Walmart. We inspected 723 boats in 2015 with 5 inspectors: Jamie Schank, Anthony Franchetti, Steven Minns, Veronica Davis and Astra Pierson. No invasive plants were found on any of the boats inspected. That is most satisfying.

Thanks to you all for your continued support of FOWL.

Respectfully  
Rob Lively  
President-FOWL  
lively@maine.edu

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## REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

### **Independent Auditors' Report**

Board of Selectmen and Manager  
TOWN OF WILTON  
Wilton, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the financial statements, of the Town of Wilton, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, as listed in the table of contents, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

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

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements.

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

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

**Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and remaining fund information of the Town of Wilton and changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, of those activities and funds and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statement referred to above include only the primary government of the Town of Wilton, Maine, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that comprise the Town's legal entity. These primary government financial statements do not include the financial data for the Wilton Water Department, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be reported with the financial data of the Town's primary government. As a result, the primary government financial statements do not purport to, and do not present fairly the net financial position of the Wilton Water Department as of June 30, 2015, the statements of revenue, expenses and changes in net fund position and statements of cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the Wilton Water Department as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014 and our report thereon, dated March 13, 2015, expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

**Other Matter***Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Town Pension Contributions be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's response to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because of the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

The Town of Wilton, Maine has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated , 2015 on our consideration of the Town of Wilton, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of law, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial report or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Town of Wilton's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



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Yarmouth, Maine  
December 22, 2015

**TOWN OF WILTON  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2015**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Primary Government Business - Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,900,285	\$ 1,602,689	\$ 3,502,974
Accounts Receivable	105,840	187,242	293,082
Taxes Receivable, Net	355,322	0	355,322
Tax Liens Receivable	199,573	7,844	207,417
Notes Receivable	179,047	0	179,047
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>3,713,797</u>	<u>5,009,221</u>	<u>8,723,018</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>\$ 6,453,864</u>	<u>\$ 6,806,996</u>	<u>\$ 13,260,860</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Related to Pensions	<u>\$ 24,005</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 24,005</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 0	\$ 13,577	\$ 13,577
Accrued Expenses	127,909	99,032	226,941
Non Current Liabilities			
Due Within One Year	201,378	368,105	569,483
Due in More Than One Year	<u>631,525</u>	<u>3,440,481</u>	<u>4,072,006</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>\$ 960,812</u>	<u>\$ 3,921,195</u>	<u>\$ 4,882,007</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Related to Pensions	<u>\$ 215,763</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 215,763</u>
<b>Net Position</b>			
<i>Net Investment in Capital Assets</i>	\$ 2,880,894	\$ 1,200,635	\$ 4,081,529
<i>Restricted</i>			
Community Development Block Grant	228,919	0	228,919
Tax Incremental Financing	228,551	0	228,551
<i>Unrestricted</i>	<u>1,962,930</u>	<u>1,685,166</u>	<u>3,648,096</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u>\$ 5,301,294</u>	<u>\$ 2,885,801</u>	<u>\$ 8,187,095</u>

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

**EXHIBIT II**

**TOWN OF WILTON  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>				<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Primary Government</u>	
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business - Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Primary Government</b>						
<b>Governmental Activities</b>						
General Government	\$ 376,094	\$ 184,742	\$ 0	\$ (191,352)	\$ 0	\$ (191,352)
Public Works and Sanitation	1,207,186	24,341	63,814	(1,119,031)	0	(1,119,031)
Protection	788,268	26,667	0	(761,601)	0	(761,601)
Culture and Recreation	212,712	23,695	0	(189,017)	0	(189,017)
Public Health and Welfare	23,438	0	1,690	(21,748)	0	(21,748)
Education	2,824,787	0	25,220	(2,799,567)	0	(2,799,567)
County Tax and Overlay	363,782	0	0	(363,782)	0	(363,782)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	6,124	0	0	(6,124)	0	(6,124)
Pension – Unallocated	26,065	0	0	(26,065)	0	(26,065)
Depreciation - Unallocated	<u>176,420</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(176,420)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(176,420)</u>
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$ 6,004,876</b>	<b>\$ 259,445</b>	<b>\$ 90,724</b>	<b>\$ (5,654,707)</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ (5,654,707)</b>
<b>Business - Type Activities</b>						
Sewer	<u>541,720</u>	<u>439,520</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(102,200)</u>	<u>(102,200)</u>
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	<b><u>\$6,546,596</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 698,965</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 90,724</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (5,654,707)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (102,200)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (5,756,907)</u></b>
<b>General Revenues</b>						
Property and Other Taxes				\$ 5,538,139	0	\$ 5,538,139
Grants and Contributions not Restricted to Special Programs				372,824	0	372,824
Unrestricted Investment Earnings				2,904	5,855	8,759
Miscellaneous				<u>0</u>	<u>4,247</u>	<u>4,247</u>
<b>Total General Revenues</b>				<b><u>\$ 5,913,867</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 10,102</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,923,969</u></b>
<b>Changes in Net Position</b>				<b><u>\$ 259,160</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (92,098)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 167,062</u></b>
<b>Net Position – July 1, 2014</b>				<b>\$ 5,398,994</b>	<b>\$ 4,374,464</b>	<b>\$ 9,773,458</b>
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>				<b><u>(356,860)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,396,565)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,753,425)</u></b>
<b>Net Position Restated – July 1, 2014</b>				<b><u>\$ 5,042,134</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,977,899</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,020,033</u></b>
<b>Net Position – June 30, 2015</b>				<b><u>\$ 5,301,294</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,885,801</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,187,095</u></b>

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

# BUDGET MESSAGE

The proposed 2016-17 budget contained in the Town Meeting Warrant is summarized on the following pages.

The Selectpersons have recommended a municipal budget of \$3,168,767. With the projected revenue and allocation from the undesignated fund balance, their recommended budget is \$21,020 over the previous year's budget. The following list of recommendations is reflects the amount the Selectboard voted for other than the proposed budget:

American Red Cross	Recommended \$0	(requested \$500)
Work First	Recommended \$0	(requested \$700)
Life Flight	Recommended \$0	(requested \$1,029)
Safe Voices	Recommend \$0	(requested \$3,000)
Library	Recommended \$108,000	(requested \$109,675)
Waste Treatment Debt	Recommended \$15,000	(requested \$45,000)

The Finance Committee has recommended a municipal budget of \$3,178,642. The Finance Committee's final recommendation with the revenues and fund balance allocation is \$30,895 over the previous year's budget. The Finance Committee's report is included on the following page.

The Selectpersons and the Finance Committee have each recommended appropriating funds from the undesignated fund balance for the following articles: Article 32: Kineowatha Park Retaining Wall - \$20,000; Article 33: Wilson Lake Retaining Wall - \$10,000; Building Demolition Capital Account - \$50,000.

This year, the Selectboard and Finance Committee recommend \$0 for town Debt Service. This debt service is to pay the annual payment for the new Ladder Fire Truck (total \$54,450). This year, the debt service will be paid from the proceeds of the sale of Engine 7 and from the Tax Increment Finance District funds.

The budgets and summary are located on the following pages. Please contact me at 645-4961 or email: [manager@wiltonmaine.org](mailto:manager@wiltonmaine.org) if you would like to discuss any aspect of the budget.

Respectfully given,

Rhonda L. Irish  
Town Manager

# WILTON FINANCE COMMITTEE

## SUMMARY REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

To the Citizens of Wilton,

1. Meetings were held on March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.
2. Attendance: Barry Hathaway, chair; Irving Faunce, Kathryn Shoaps, Richard Hall, Norman Gould, Stephen Davis, Susan Black, Ruth Cushman, Mike Sherrod, Mark Shibles
3. Recommendations

Attached is the list of our recommendations along with the vote on each category. Those that were voted other than the recommended amount are as follows:

American Red Cross	Recommended \$0	(requested \$500)
Work First	Recommended \$0	(requested \$700)
Life Flight	Recommended \$0	(requested \$1,029)
Wilton Food Pantry	Recommended \$2,500	(requested \$2,300)
Waste Treatment Debt	Recommended \$15,000	(requested \$45,000)

The impact on the proposed budget recommendation by the committee was a \$32,646 reduction.

The budget discussion was cordial and inclusive. There were some split votes on the above items. On the whole the committee did not think this was the time to add more agencies to the list of donations. The other issue that brought forth a lot of discussion was the Waste Treatment Debt. The committee majority felt that it was not the time to increase the burden on the tax payers with the school and county budgets not being resolved and the change in valuation for the county budget an unknown at this time.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Budget Committee,

Ruth Cushman

**WILTON SELECTMEN & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

**2016-2017 BUDGET**

ARTICLE	OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE	ADOPTED	SELECTMEN	VOTE	FINANCE COMM.	VOTE
		2015-16	RECOMMEND		RECOMMENDS	
6	Elected Officials	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	5-0	\$ 9,000	10-0
7	Planning Board & CEO	\$ 13,800	\$ 24,800	5-0	\$ 24,800	10-0
8	Administration	\$ 256,360	\$ 280,400	5-0	\$ 280,400	10-0
9	General Government Buildi	\$ 9,000	\$ 8,200	5-0	\$ 8,200	10-0
10	Assessing	\$ 33,325	\$ 33,325	5-0	\$ 33,325	10-0
11	Revaluation Capital Plan	\$ 56,250	\$ 56,250	5-0	\$ 56,250	10-0
12	Contingency & Legal	\$ 15,000	\$ 10,000	5-0	\$ 10,000	10-0
13	Insurance	\$ 71,600	\$ 70,500	5-0	\$ 70,500	10-0
14	Police Department	\$ 475,485	\$ 484,240	5-0	\$ 484,240	10-0
15	Fire Department	\$ 113,146	\$ 121,740	3-1-1	\$ 121,740	10-0
16	Public Safety Building	\$ 31,280	\$ 31,280	5-0	\$ 31,280	10-0
17	Ambulance Service	\$ 30,492	\$ 30,577	5-0	\$ 30,577	10-0
18	Street Lights	\$ 36,700	\$ 37,600	3-2	\$ 37,600	10-0
19	Hydrants (Public Fire Protec	\$ 144,468	\$ 144,468	5-0	\$ 144,468	10-0
20	Highway Department	\$ 817,350	\$ 849,850	5-0	\$ 854,850	10-0
21	Public Works Building	\$ 13,750	\$ 14,000	5-0	\$ 14,000	10-0
22	Capital Paving	\$ 307,000	\$ 300,000	5-0	\$ 300,000	10-0
23	Transfer Station & Recyclin	\$ 273,300	\$ 278,150	5-0	\$ 278,150	10-0
24	Cemetery Operation & Deve	\$ 30,045	\$ 33,800	5-0	\$ 33,800	10-0
25	General Assistance	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	5-0	\$ 6,000	10-0
26	Animal Control	\$ 15,532	\$ 15,532	5-0	\$ 15,532	10-0
27	Health Officer	\$ 300	\$ 300	5-0	\$ 300	10-0
28	Food Pantry	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,300	3-2	\$ 2,500	6-4
29	Safe Voices	\$ 3,000	0	3-2	\$ 3,000	6-4
30	Recreation Program	\$ 80,774	\$ 80,765	5-0	\$ 80,765	8-0
31	Parks & Facilities	\$ 30,725	\$ 34,025	5-0	\$ 34,025	8-0-1
32	Kin. Park Retaining Wall	\$ 1,500	\$ 20,000	5-0	\$ 20,000	10-0
33	Wilson Lake Retaining Wall	\$ -	\$ 10,000	5-0	\$ 10,000	10-0
34	Building Demolition Cap.	\$ 25,000	\$ 50,000	5-0	\$ 50,000	10-0
35	Wilton Conservation Com.	\$ 365	\$ 365	5-0	\$ 365	10-0
36	Watershed Survey	\$ -	\$ 2,000	5-0	\$ 2,000	10-0
37	Library	\$ 106,300	\$ 108,000	3-2	\$ 109,675	9-0
38	WasteTreatment Debt Servi	\$ -	\$ 15,000	4-1	\$ 15,000	8-0
39	Veteran's Flags-cemeteries	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	5-0	\$ 1,000	10-0
40	Blueberry Festival	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800	5-0	\$ 2,800	10-0
41	Chamber of Commerce	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	5-0	\$ 2,500	10-0
Less Cemetery Trust						
Total Budget Expenses		<u>3,015,547</u>	<u>\$ 3,168,767</u>		<u>\$ 3,178,642</u>	
42	Operating Revenues	\$ 890,250	\$ 992,450	5-0	\$ 992,450	10-0
	Fund Balance (surplus)	\$ 50,000	\$ 80,000	5-0	\$ 80,000	10-0
Total Revenues		<u>\$ 940,250</u>	<u>1,072,450</u>		<u>\$ 1,072,450</u>	
Net Total		<u>\$ 2,075,297</u>	<u>2,096,317</u>		<u>\$ 2,106,192</u>	

# Recommended Town Budgets 2016-17

## General Administration

### Article 6

<u>Elected Officials</u>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016- 2017
Selectperson's Compensation	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000

Selectpersons Recommends: \$9,000      Vote: 5-0  
 Finance Committee Recommends: \$9,000      Vote: 10-0

Explanation:  
 Five Select Board members x \$1800.00 per year = \$9,000

### Article 7

<u>Planning &amp; Code Enforcement</u>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Code Enforcement compensation	\$10,400	\$10,800	\$20,800
Mileage expenses			\$ 1,000
Planning Board Compensation	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Supplies, Materials, Training	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
 Total	 \$ 13,400	 \$ 13,800	 \$ 24,800

Explanation:  
 Code Enforcement Compensation - Anticipate hiring new Code Enforcement Officer (due to retirement) for 20 hours per week average. Contracted position - no benefits  
 Mileage for Code Enforcement Officer use of vehicle  
 Planning Board Compensation - \$15.00 per meeting per Planning Board member  
 Supplies, training etc – as required for planning board; training for CEO or Planning Board members

Selectpersons Recommends: \$24,800      Vote: 5-0  
 Finance Committee Recommends: \$24,800      Vote: 10-0

**Article 8**

**General Government**

**Administration**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Schools & Dues	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 600
Managers Expenses	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ 700
MMA & AVCOG dues	\$ 9,045	\$ 9,360	\$ 9,400
Lien Administration & Elections	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,000
Employee Compensation	\$147,000	\$148,500	\$148,500
Telephone	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
Employer Contributions	\$ 45,000	\$ 47,000	\$ 69,500
Supplies & Materials	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,500
Printing & Postage	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Computer Software Fees/Maint.	\$ 10,700	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Town Audit	\$ 4,850	\$ 5,500	\$ 6,000
Computer Use & Payroll Service	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	\$ 8,000
Capital Account	\$ 7,500	\$ 0	\$
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$255,095</u></b>	<b><u>\$256,360</u></b>	<b><u>\$280,400</u></b>

**Explanation:**

Some Administration items are offset by the following revenues: Interest on taxes, lien interest, lien costs, agent fees, clerk fees, general rents (\$58,000)

Schools & Dues – training classes or dues (Treasurer, Town Clerk Associations) for town office employees

Manager's expenses – training classes or dues (Maine Manager's Association) and limited mileage

MMA & AVCOG dues – 2016/17 AVCOG dues - 4507.64; MMA dues – will not know until January 2017; 2016 dues are \$4,650 (anticipating 5% increase - budgeted \$4,885)

Lien Administration & Elections – covers cost of placing liens and certified mailings on unpaid taxes (approx. \$40 per lien) and releasing liens (\$19.00 per lien). Lien costs for those who pay are recovered and included in revenue budget. Elections costs and payment for ballot clerks – two state elections in 2014/15 plus one school election. Also covers any costs for Special Elections

Employee compensation – annual wages for three full time employees and one part time employee

Telephone – To cover miscellaneous phone charges or phone repairs.

Employer contributions – Town's share of health insurance, dental insurance, payroll taxes, retirement.

**Increase is due to one employee changing from single coverage to family insurance coverage, and new employee at an "employee/spouse" rate. The previous rate was at single coverage. The third employee remains at single coverage.**

Printing & Postage – tax bill printing and postage, town report printing (\$1,800), certified mailing fees for tax liens and foreclosure notices, postage for billing, state reports and general mail.

Supplies & materials – paper, office supplies, deed transfers from Registry of Deeds, miscellaneous items, forms (purchase orders, etc), envelopes, printer cartridges for six printers,

Computer Software fees/maintenance – Annual software fees (\$8,500), computer maintenance, photocopier annual maintenance fee, photocopier lease fee (3rd year of 5 year payments), replace one computer, website and email maintenance and costs.

Town Audit – town's share of annual audit and follow-up meetings

Computer Use & Bank Service – payroll service for all town employees

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$280,400**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$280,400**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 9****Town Office Building**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Utilities	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,200
Supplies, Equipment, & Fixtures	\$ 500	\$ 600	\$ 600
Contracted Services	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,400
Repairs/Maint./Building & Site Improvement	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 8,900</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 9,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,200</u></b>

## Explanation:

Utilities – CMP estimated at \$1,700; oil estimated at \$1,800; sewer/water at \$700. Decrease due to price of heating oil.

Supplies – cleaning supplies, trash bags, floor waxing supplies, miscellaneous building supplies

Contracted Services – cleaning contractor for town office

Repairs/Maintenance – miscellaneous maintenance or repairs & annual furnace cleaning

Improvement - carpet needs replacing (installed in 1993).

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$8,200**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$8,200**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 10****Assessing Services**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Assessor Compensation	\$29,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
Abatement Appeals	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,125
Tax Map Work	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,200
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$32,325</u></b>	<b><u>\$33,325</u></b>	<b><u>\$33,325</u></b>

## Explanation:

Assessor – O'Donnell Associates; Assessing fee - \$30,000 (on site person bi-weekly, plus additional workers at various times of year.

Tax Map work completed by O'Donnell Associates – annual tax maps required

Abatement Appeals – to cover extra fee for time commitment of Assessor in the event of appeals on property taxes.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$33,325**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$33,325**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 11**

<b>Revaluation/Equalization</b>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Revaluation	<u>\$ 56,250</u>	<u>\$ 56,250</u>	<u>\$ 56,250</u>

Explanation:

This is the final year of four years for setting aside money for a Revaluation/Equalization. Field work for the revaluation began in the fall of 2014. The revaluation will be effective for this tax year of 2016/17. Total cost of the revaluation is \$225,000. \$168,750 is presently set aside for the revaluation and scheduled payments have been made to O'Donnell Associates for completed work.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$56,250**                      **Vote: 5-0**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$56,250**                      **Vote: 10-0**

**Article 12**

<b><u>Contingent &amp; Legal</u></b>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Contingent & Legal	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>

Explanation:

Includes legal services, all advertising for all departments, miscellaneous expenses such as surveying, etc.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$10,000**                      **Vote: 5-0**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$10,000**                      **Vote: 10-0**

**Article 13**

<b><u>Insurance</u></b>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Liability Insurance	\$ 31,100	\$ 31,100	\$ 30,000
Workers Compensation	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000
Unemployment Compensation	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,500
Total	<u>\$ 71,600</u>	<u>\$ 71,600</u>	<u>\$ 70,500</u>

Explanation:

Insurances for all town departments (Sewer & Water pay separately)

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$70,500**                      **Vote: 5-0**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$70,500**                      **Vote: 10-0**

**Public Safety**

**Article 14**

**Police Department**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Training, Education	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Uniforms & Gear	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700	\$ 3,255
Clothing Allowance	\$ 1,800	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Crossing Guards	\$ 6,180	\$ 6,335	\$ 6,335
Employee Compensation	\$287,220	\$294,400	\$307,600
Radio & Telephone	\$ 4,450	\$ 4,450	\$ 4,450
Employer Contributions	\$103,000	\$103,000	\$100,000
Supplies/Materials, Printing/Postage	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800
Computer Use Maintenance	\$ 3,800	\$ 3,800	\$ 3,800
Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	\$ 29,000	\$ 29,000	\$ 27,000
Equipment Purchase Cap. Acct.	\$ 60,000	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000
Misc. Expenses	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$510,950</u></b>	<b><u>\$475,485</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 484,240</u></b>

Explanation:

- Training, Education – administrative training for Patrol Sergeant, on-going training for officers, Chief
- Uniforms & Gear – purchase as needed of uniforms and gear
- Crossing Guards – wages of two crossing guards
- Employee Compensation - payroll – All Officers, Chief, Sergeant, Administrative Assistant (1/2 with Fire Deptl) including coverage of Blueberry Festival; **Increase due to change in pay of one officer due to full time status; one extra week of payroll; wage increase per contract (1%).**
- Radio & Telephone – Includes internet access for cruiser computers to access IMC.
- Employer Contributions – payroll taxes, health & dental insurance
- Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel – maintenance and repair of vehicles, fuel for vehicles
- Equipment Purchase Capital Account –; money to capital improvement for vehicle purchase (bi-annually - not vehicle purchases in 2015/16.

Revenues for the Police Department are anticipated to be \$1,500

Selectpersons Recommends: \$484,240  
 Finance Committee Recommends: \$484,240

Vote: 5-0  
 Vote: 10-0

**Article 15**

<u>Fire Department</u>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Training, Education	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Immunizations/PFTs/Fit Tests	\$ 750	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Employee Compensation	\$ 45,099	\$ 45,400	\$ 45,400
Administrative Support	\$ 6,800	\$ 6,950	\$ 6,950
Chief & Assistants Stipends	\$ 5,300	\$ 5,300	\$ 5,300
Radio & Telephone	\$ 4,300	\$ 4,300	\$ 4,300
Employer Contributions	\$ 4,600	\$ 4,650	\$ 4,650
Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Computer Support & Upgrade	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400
Equipment	\$ 14,157	\$ 15,146	\$ 14,740
East Dixfield Support	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Vehicle O & M/Fuel	\$ 14,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,000
Fire Apparatus Capital Improv.	\$ 20,000	\$	\$ 10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$130,406</u></b>	<b><u>\$113,146</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 121,740</u></b>

**Explanation:**

Training, Education – covers training of firefighters, education for school children

Immunizations/PFTs/Fit Tests – also covers Hepatitis B shots for new firefighters

Employee Compensation – Wages for firefighters attending fires. Also includes E. Dixfield wages when attending Wilton fires & accidents. No increase in wage amounts.

Administrative Support – 30 hours per week – shared ½ with Police Dept.

Chief & Assistant Stipends – Same stipends as previous two years

Radio & Telephone – communications, maintenance

Employer Contributions – Payroll taxes

Supplies & Materials – paper products, vehicle cleaning supplies, batteries

Computer Support & Upgrade – Software support for county wide IMC \$1200; computer repairs, upgrades as needed

Equipment – See attached list.

Vehicle O&M/Fuel – Fuel, including E. Dixfield, testing, repairs as needed, additional items on attached list

East Dixfield Support – contracted amount for E. Dixfield Fire Dept. Itemized list from E. Dixfield is attached

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$121,740**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$121,740**

**Vote: 3-1-1**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 16****Public Safety Building**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Employee Compensation	\$ 2,080	\$ 2,080	\$ 2,080
Utilities	\$ 16,300	\$ 16,300	\$ 14,800
Equipment	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Building Supplies	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,600	\$ 2,600
Building & Site Improvement	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,800
Capital Improvement – Building	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Parking Lot Sealing			
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 31,280</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 31,280</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 31,280</u></b>

## Explanation:

Employee Compensation – cleaning of public safety buildingUtilities – CMP- \$5,000; Water & Sewer - \$2,000; Propane – 4000 gallons \$7,800 - Decrease due to decrease in PropaneEquipment- Door openers and motors for 2 doors, work on heaters in police area, overhead door seals for all doors.Building Supplies – building & office suppliesRepairs & Maintenance – Propane furnace maintenance/repair, overhead door repair.Building & Site Improvement – grounds work, door, building updates, 2nd seal coating of drivewayCapital Improvement – Building – to be used for new roof or toward major roof repairs, \$15,000 presently in account**Selectpersons Recommends: \$31,280****Vote: 5-0****Finance Committee Recommends: \$31,280****Vote: 10-0****Article 17****Ambulance**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Ambulance Subsidy	<u>\$ 30,145</u>	<u>\$ 30,492</u>	<u>\$ 30,577</u>

## Explanation:

Attached letter from Ambulance Service. The total budgeted amount goes directly to Northstar Ambulance.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$30,577****Vote: 5-0****Finance Committee Recommends: \$30,577****Vote: 10-0**

**Article 18**

**Street & Traffic Lighting**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Street Lighting	\$ 30,000	\$ 33,000	\$ 34,000
Downtown Lighting	\$ 3,200	\$ 3,200	\$ 3,000
Traffic Lighting	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 600
 Total	 <u>\$ 33,700</u>	 <u>\$ 36,700</u>	 <u>\$ 37,600</u>

Explanation:

Street Lighting – street lights through out town.

Downtown lighting – town owns lights – CMP & repairs to light bulbs, globes, and poles as needed.

Traffic Lighting – flashing beacons at Depot/Main St.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$37,600**

**Vote: 3-2**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$37,600**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 19**

**Public Fire Protection**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Public Fire Protection	<u>\$144,468</u>	<u>\$144,468</u>	<u>\$144,468</u>

Note: Public Utilities Commission regulations require a portion of water utility revenue to come from public fire protection payments. In utilities the size of Wilton, this figure is 30%. The rate tariff under which the town operates requires funds equaling 30% of total water revenue come from so-called “hydrant rental”. See attached sheet for further explanation.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$144,468**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$144,468**

**Vote: 10-0**

## Public Works

### Article 20

#### Highway Department

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Training, Education	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
Employee Compensation	\$255,017	\$260,000	\$298,000
Employer Contributions	\$127,603	\$142,000	\$191,000
Drug Testing	\$ 910	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
<u>Summer Operations &amp; Maintenance</u>			
Basins	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600
Ditching (hay, seed, erosion control)	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Mower	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Walk-behind sweeper	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100
Tools/Safety Items	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
Sand/gravel	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Culverts	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Traffic signs/paint	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,000
Cold patch/spring time repairs	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Contracted professional services	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
<u>Winter Operations &amp; Maintenance</u>			
Sand	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000
Salt for sand pile	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000
Salt for road use	\$ 73,500	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
<u>Equipment &amp; Repairs</u>			
Employer Contributions/Mechanic	\$ 14,318	\$ 14,500	\$ 0
Shop supplies	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Equipment Purchase Capital Account	\$113,000	\$113,000	\$110,000
Radio/Pagers	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
Town Mechanic Payroll	\$ 36,668	\$ 37,500	\$ 0
Parts/Repairs/Equipment	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 40,000
Fuel (gas & diesel)	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 70,000
Tires	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500
Batteries	\$ 650	\$ 650	\$ 650
Grease, gear oil, motor, hydraulic oil	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500
Total	<u>\$ 795,366</u>	<u>\$ 817,350</u>	<u>\$ 854,850</u>

#### Explanation:

\*\*\*NOTE - Mechanic Payroll and Mechanic Employer Contributions have been combined with department Payroll and Contributions - it is not budgeted separately. Total payroll is increased by \$500 over previous year. Employer contributions (health insurance, payroll taxes, retirement) increased by \$34,500.

Training, classes – classes for safety, etc for highway dept. employees

Employee compensation includes amounts for all highway winter and summer work, fill in at transfer station. Combine Mechanics salary with all employees.

Employer contributions include health, dental, retirement, payroll taxes, social security, clothing allowance.

Drug testing – hearing tests and drug testing

Fuel – Diesel, gas. Decrease due to lower contracted price for 2016/17

Traffic signs/paint - street signs, crosswalk paint/traffic paint - increase due to number of signs stolen

Equipment Purchase Capital account - Purchase this year will be a Single axle dump truck (Terra Star International)(\$110,000) to replace the 2004 GMC TopKick; replace four garage doors at Highway Garage (16,000), Rebuilding of Fuel Pumps (new motors and pumps)(\$5,000). The Terra Star International (or similar vehicle) is a smaller vehicle than present vehicle, but meets the needs of the department. It is priced approximately \$60,000 below the larger single axle truck.

Parts & Repairs – for Highway Dept. trucks and equipment. Increase due to increase in parts, repairs and cutting edges.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$849,850**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$854,850**

**Vote: 10-0**

## **Article 21**

### **Public Works Building**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Utilities	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,000
Supplies	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ 500
Building Maintenance/Improvements	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500
Building Equipment Repair	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 13,750</b>	<b>\$ 13,750</b>	<b><u>\$14,000</u></b>

#### Explanation:

Utilities – CMP, sewer/water, heating oil

Supplies – building supplies, paint, etc

Building Maintenance – miscellaneous maintenance - repairs for safety

Building Equipment/Repair – fuel tank inspection, furnace repairs, lift inspection, fire system sprinkler inspection, fire extinguisher service, etc.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$14,000**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$14,000**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 22****Capital Paving Budget**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Paving & Reconstruction	\$176,000	\$137,000	\$283,000
Sidewalk Reconstruction	\$	\$ 29,000	\$ 10,000
Hot Top/repairs	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 7,000
Debt Service	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$ 0
Total	<u>\$317,000</u>	<u>\$307,000</u>	<u>\$300,000</u>

## Explanation:

Paving is offset by approximately \$55,000 from State LoRAP funds (in revenue account)

Note: This article provides for all items associated with paving and road reconstruction.

Proposed paving projects this year include: repair and paving of Sunset & Sunrise Avenues, repair and sand sealing of Butterfield Road, asphalt injected paving of Colby Miller Road, overlay paving of Fairview, Curve, School, North & South Stockford, McCrae, Morrison and Wiken Lane, as funds allow, as well as maintenance sealing of one half of Orchard Drive. Sidewalks on upper Main Street and Main Street from Sewall Street to School Street will be rebuilt.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$300,000**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$300,000**

**Vote: 5-0**  
**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 23****Recycling/Transfer Station**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Education & Promotion	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
Clothing Allowance	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
Employee Compensation	\$ 44,550	\$ 45,900	\$ 48,000
Utilities & Telephone	\$ 2,900	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,400
Employer Contributions	\$ 16,520	\$ 26,950	\$ 29,700
Supplies & Materials	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Gas, Diesel, & Lube	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,800
Waste Hauling	\$ 49,000	\$ 49,000	\$ 47,000
Contracted Waste Fees	\$114,000	\$114,000	\$ 113,000
State Fees	\$ 550	\$ 550	\$ 550
Groundwater Monitoring	\$ 9,500	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Equipment Repair & Maintenance	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Building/Site Improvement	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Equipment Purchase Capital Account	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 13,000
Total	<u>\$ 260,520</u>	<u>\$ 273,300</u>	<u>\$ 278,150</u>

Explanation:

Education & Promotion – educational materials for recycling, bulky item recycling, etc

Employee compensation – 1 full time, 1 part time employee

Utilities & Telephone – CMP, heating propane, phone & internet – includes repair costs

Employer contributions – health, dental, retirement, payroll taxes, clothing allowance.

Supplies & materials – miscellaneous supplies for transfer station work. Garbage bags and permits. Revenue from sale of garbage bags to go back to this account to purchase additional bags as needed. 2,000 new transfer station permits will be ordered this year

Waste hauling – hauling fees for trash, single sort recycling, bulky waste/demo.

Contracted Waste Fees – per ton fees for trash, bulky waste/demolition, universal waste items (light bulbs, etc.) household hazardous waste

State fees – DEP fees for transfer station licensing

Groundwater monitoring – monitoring of existing landfill. Environmental engineering fees and lab fees.

Equipment repair & Maintenance – as needed for loader, mower, three compactors and containers, building maintenance.

Building/Site improvement – Buildings and grounds repairs and maintenance, painting, building supplies, etc.

Equip purchase – Capital Account – Replacement of two closed top containers. Current containers are over 30 years old - presently rusted with holes - these have been used for the Recycling materials.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$278,150**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$278,150**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 24**

**Cemetery Operations**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Utilities	\$ 175	\$ 200	\$ 200
Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000
Contracted Services	\$ 27,875	\$ 28,245	\$ 31,000
E. Wilton Cemetery	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 600
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 29,650</b>	<b>\$ 30,045</b>	<b>\$ 33,800</b>

Explanation:

Utilities – CMP

Supplies & Materials – materials for repairs to roads, gravesites, well, drainage materials

Contracted Services – contract for mowing - we will be going out to bid (this fall) for mowing services for April to June 2017 mowing - this amount is presently unknown.

E. Wilton Cemetery – donation to E. Wilton Cemetery Assn. for expenses

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$33,800**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$33,800**

**Vote: 10-0**

## Recreation & Social Services

### Article 25

#### General Assistance

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
General Assistance	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000

#### Explanation:

The town receives a 75% reimbursement of all General Assistance monies spent -\$4,500

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$6,000**                      **Vote: 5-0**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$6,000**                      **Vote: 10-0**

### Article 26

#### Animal Control

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Animal Control Officers	\$ 5,400	\$ 6,600	\$ 6,600
Franklin County Animal Shelter	\$ 7,408	\$ 8,232	\$ 8,232
Misc. Vet bills	\$ 192	\$ 200	\$ 200
Employee Contributions		\$ 500	\$ 500
Total	\$ 13,000	\$ 15,532	\$ 15,532

#### Explanation:

Animal Control Contract with Franklin County Animal Shelter; contract and mileage for town's Animal Control Officer. State law requires town to enter into a contract with an animal shelter that will accept stray animals.

Franklin County Animal Shelter - \$8,232.00; No change from last year

Animal Control Officer – mileage and monthly stipend. \$550 per month - \$6,600 - split between two Animal Control Officers

Employee Contributions - Payroll taxes

Also includes veterinarian bills for stray animals that are not claimed by residents (usually cats)

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$15,532**                      **Vote: 5-0**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$15,532**                      **Vote: 10-0**

### Article 27

#### Health Officer

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$300**                      **Vote: 5-0**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$300**                      **Vote: 10-0**

**Article 28**

<u>Wilton Area Food Pantry</u>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Wilton Area Food Pantry	\$ 2,300	\$ 2,500	<u>\$ 2,300</u>
<b>Selectpersons Recommends:</b>	<b>\$2,300</b>	<b>Vote: 3-2</b>	
<b>Finance Committee Recommends:</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>Vote: 6-4</b>	

**Article 29**

<u>Safe Voices</u>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Wilton Area Food Pantry	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	<u>\$ 3,000</u>

Provides assistance for Domestic Violence Abuse in Wilton.

<b>Selectpersons Recommends:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>Vote: 3-2</b>
<b>Finance Committee Recommends:</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>Vote: 6-4</b>

**Article 30**

<u>Recreation Program</u>	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Training, Education	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
Employee Compensation	\$ 46,909	\$ 48,689	\$ 48,515
Radio, Telephone, Computer	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
Employer Contributions	\$ 23,700	\$ 26,235	\$ 26,400
Supplies and Materials	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Vending Supplies	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Contracted Services	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 400
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 76,459</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 80,774</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 80,765</u></b>

**Explanation:**

Recreation program, including summer and year round recreation program. Includes summer swim program.

Supplies - includes purchase of sports uniforms, sports equipment, team entry fees, etc.

Vending Supplies - concessions in the main lodge in the summer and the skating rink in the winter.

Miscellaneous Expenses - primarily office supplies

Contractor services - Red Cross Training.

Program offset by approximately \$16,500 in revenues, including user fees of various programs.

<b>Selectpersons Recommends:</b>	<b>\$80,765</b>	<b>Vote: 5-0</b>
<b>Finance Committee Recommends:</b>	<b>\$80,765</b>	<b>Vote: 8-0</b>

**Article 31****Parks & Facilities**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Employee Compensation	\$ 3,750	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,200
Utilities	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,900
Building Supplies	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300
Contractor Services	\$ 750	\$ 750	\$ 750
Building Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Vehicle/Equipment O&M	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700
Grounds Care	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,000
Grounds/Fixtures Improvements	\$ 3,600	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,850
Project Account	\$ 3,925	\$ 1,925	\$ 6,950
Maintenance Capital Reserve	\$ 850	\$ 6,900	\$ 6,875
Grounds Equipment Purchases	\$ 200	\$ 300	\$ 200
Equipment Rental	\$ 100	\$ 200	\$ 100
Capital Improvement- Vehicle	\$ 6,750	\$ 4,700	\$ 0
Capital Improvement - Bass Park	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,700
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 30,725</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 30,725</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 34,025</u></b>

**Explanation:**

Care and Maintenance of all town parks, equipment and buildings or structures.

Utilities – CMP, water/sewer, propane for heat.

Contractor Services - electricians or carpenters for building projects.

Building Repairs and maintenance - repairs to various buildings at Kineowatha Park

Vehicle O&M - fuel, repairs.

Grounds & Fixtures - repairs to dock systems, fences, carpentry projects.

Capital Improvement – to go toward building a gazebo at Bass Park/part of Bass Park upgrade plan.

Project account - Resealing basketball court and part of cost of resealing tennis courts

Maintenance Reserve - Remainder of cost of tennis courts and beachfront improvements, balance to be

carried forward - will go toward the Girl Scout Building roof in 2017.

Program offset by approximately \$5,250 in revenue, an increase of \$3,000 from previous year.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$34,025**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$34,025**

**Vote: 8-0-1**

**Article 32****Kineowatha Park Retaining Wall Capital Account**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Kineowatha Park Retaining Wall	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>1,500</u>	\$ <u>20,000</u>

Explanation: To repair and rebuild the existing lake retaining wall at Kineowatha Park, located at the swim area. Funding to be appropriated from the town's existing undesignated fund balance account.

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$20,000**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$20,000**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 33**

**Wilson Lake Retaining Wall Capital Account**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Wilson Lake Retaining Wall Foot of the Lake	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>

Explanation: This article provides funds to repair critical areas of the of the lake retaining wall at the Foot of the Lake. Funding to come from the town's existing undesignated fund balance account.

<b>Selectpersons Recommends:</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>Vote: 5-0</b>
<b>Finance Committee Recommends:</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>Vote: 10-0</b>

**Article 34**

**Building Demolition Capital Account**

Building Demolition Capital Acct.	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>25,000</u>	\$ <u>50,000</u>
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Explanation: To be used toward demolition of town owned buildings as needed, including the Forster Mill or other buildings deemed unsafe. Also would include buildings owned by the town as part of the foreclosure process. \$25,000 presently in Capital Account. Funding to come from the town's existing undesignated fund balance account.

<b>Selectpersons Recommends:</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>Vote: 5-0</b>
<b>Finance Committee Recommends:</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>Vote: 10-0</b>

**Article 35**

**Wilton Conservation Commission**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>365</u>	\$ <u>365</u>

Explanation: To be used toward expenses of the Conservation Commission

<b>Selectpersons Recommends:</b>	<b>\$365</b>	<b>Vote: 5-0</b>
<b>Finance Committee Recommends:</b>	<b>\$365</b>	<b>Vote: 10-0</b>

**Article 36**  
**Watershed Survey**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Watershed Survey	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>2,000</u>

Explanation: To be used toward a Watershed Survey for Wilson Lake, Varnum Pond, Pease Pond. Total Costs approximately \$8,500. \$2,000 from Wilton Water Department. Remaining from FOWL and other sources.

Selectpersons Recommends: \$2,000                      Vote: 5-0  
Finance Committee Recommends: \$2,000                      Vote: 8-0

**Article 37**  
**Library**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Insurance	\$ 6,275	\$ 6,400	\$ 6,200
Licenses, Permits, Contracts	\$ 550	\$ 900	\$ 900
Postage and Delivery	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,700
Printing and Reproduction	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 50
Professional Fees	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Telephone	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,725
Utilities	\$ 8,700	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Office Supplies	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,100
Payroll Expense	\$ 72,500	\$ 72,500	\$ 73,400
Adult - Books, Magazines & Tapes	\$ 7,900	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,500
Catalog/Consortium	\$ 750	\$ 750	\$ 1,500
Computer Software Contracts	\$ 0	\$ 250	\$ 1,750
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 2,700	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,200
Maintenance/Building	\$ 6,220	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
Children's Room	\$ 8,850	\$ 8,850	\$ 8,650
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$123,595</b>	<b>\$124,350</b>	<b>\$125,675</b>
<b>Town Request</b>	<b>\$105,395</b>	<b>\$106,300</b>	<b>\$109,675</b>
Other Income	\$ <u>18,200</u>	\$ <u>18,050</u>	\$ <u>16,000</u>
Total Income	\$ 123,595	\$124,350	\$125,675

Explanation:

Insurance – Property and General Liability, Directors and Officers, Crime (employee dishonesty and theft), Worker’s Compensation.  
Licenses, permits and contracts – Maine Charitable Solicitations Permit, Elevator Permit, Corporate Annual Report Fee



**Article 40**

**Wilton Blueberry Festival**

Adopted  
2014-2015

Adopted  
2015-2016

Proposed  
2016-2017

Wilton Blueberry Festival

\$ 2,800

\$ 2,800

\$ 2,800

Explanation:

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$2,800**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$2,800**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 41**

**Chamber of Commerce**

Adopted  
2014-2015

Adopted  
2015-2016

Proposed  
2016-2017

Chamber of Commerce

\$ 2,500

\$ 2,500

\$ 2,500

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$2,500**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Finance Committee Recommends: \$2,500**

**Vote: 10-0**

**Article 42****Revenues**

	Adopted 2014-2015	Adopted 2015-2016	Proposed 2016-2017
Interest on Taxes	\$ 21,000	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000
Lien Interest	\$ 8,000	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,500
Lien Costs	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Automobile Excise Tax	\$525,000	\$535,000	\$550,000
Boat Excise Tax	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Agent Fees	\$ 10,350	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Clerk Fees	\$ 7,650	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
Building Permits	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000
Veteran's, Tree Growth	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 30,000
CMA Interest	\$ 0	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000
Sale of Assets	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	\$ 500
General Rents	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Plumbing Permits	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,800	\$ 2,000
Chandler Farm Woodlot	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 0
Police Fees	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Fire Department County Revenue	\$ 0	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Landfill/Recycling Revenue	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
Cemetery Account Interest	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
LORAP (State Road funds)	\$ 61,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000
GA Reimbursement	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,500
Recreation Program Revenue	\$ 16,500	\$ 16,500	\$ 16,500
Parks & Facilities Revenue	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,250	\$ 5,250
Maine Comm. Foundation – School	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000
State Revenue Sharing	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$230,000
Total	<u>\$ 942,950</u>	<u>\$940,250</u>	<u>\$992,450</u>

**Selectpersons Recommends: \$992,450**  
**Finance Committee Recommends: \$992,450**

**Vote: 5-0**  
**Vote: 10-0**

# TOWN OF WILTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Tuesday, June 14, 2016  
Monday, June 20, 2016

TO: Heidi Wilcox, a Constable of the Town of Wilton, in the County of Franklin and State of Maine.

## GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Wilton in said County and State qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the **Town Office** in said town on **Tuesday, the 14th day of June AD 2016 at 8 o'clock in the forenoon**, then and there to act upon Article 1 and by secret ballot on Article 2 as set out below, the polling hours therefore to be from **8 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the evening**;

And to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet at **the Academy Hill School Cafeteria in said town on Monday, the 20th day of June 2016, at 6:30 o'clock in the evening**, then and there to act on Articles 3 through 52 as set out below, to wit:

**ARTICLE 1:** To elect a **MODERATOR** to preside at said meeting and to vote by written ballot.

**ARTICLE 2:** To elect all **MUNICIPAL OFFICERS** and **SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS** as are required to be elected.

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall the Town vote to **amend the Wilton Zoning Ordinance** into a clearer written format, as presented?

Note - the Wilton Zoning Ordinance content has not been changed; the Ordinance has been reformatted in order to be more easily followed.

**The Planning Board recommends: Yes.**

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the Town vote to amend the **Wilton Zoning Ordinance TABLE A PERMITTED USES BY CATEGORY AND ZONE, TABLE A1, RESIDENTIAL USES, Mobile Home?**

Note: The Table would change to prohibit Mobile Homes in the Downtown Village Zone. The existing table and proposed table are available at the Wilton Town Office and will be available at the Town Meeting.

**The Planning Board recommends: Yes.**

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall the Town vote to change the **Town of Wilton Zoning Map** to incorporate a change of zone of property located at Map 28-026, 319 US Rt. 2 East, from Residential II to Commercial?

Note: The lot in question is surrounded by Commercial Lots. The request will make the subject lot more conforming. The map and lot identified are available at the Wilton Town Office and will be available at Town Meeting.

**The Planning Board recommends: Yes.**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Selectpersons and Overseers** compensation and expenses.

Adopted 2015-16: \$9,000	Selectpersons Recommend: <u>\$9,000</u> - vote 5-0
<b>Proposed 2016-17: \$9,000</b>	Finance Committee Recommends: <u>\$9,000</u> - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Planning and Code Enforcement** activities.

Adopted 2015-16: \$13,800	Selectpersons Recommend: <u>\$24,800</u> - vote 5-0
<b>Proposed 2016-17: \$24,800</b>	Finance Committee Recommends: <u>\$24,800</u> - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **General Government Administration.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$256,360	Selectpersons Recommend:	<u>\$280,400</u> - vote 5-0
<b>Proposed 2016-17: \$280,400</b>	Finance Committee Recommends:	<u>\$280,400</u> - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds for the overall administration of government. It includes Town Office staff and all related administrative charges and expenses.

**ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **General Government Building Account.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$9,000	Selectpersons Recommend:	<u>\$8,200</u> - vote 5-0
<b>Proposed 2016-17: \$8,200</b>	Finance Committee Recommends:	<u>\$8,200</u> - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds for the operation and maintenance of the Town Office.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Assessing** activities.

Adopted 2015-16: \$33,325	Selectpersons Recommend:	<u>\$33,325</u> - vote 5-0
<b>Proposed 2016-17: \$33,325</b>	Finance Committee Recommends:	<u>\$33,325</u> - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 11:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Account to fund the general **Property Revaluation/Equalization** of all Wilton properties, to be effective in 2016.

Adopted 2015-16: \$56,250	Selectpersons Recommend:	<u>\$56,250</u> - vote 5-0
<b>Proposed 2016-17: \$56,250</b>	Finance Committee Recommends:	<u>\$56,250</u> - vote 10-0

Note: This amount (\$56,250) is the final year of a four year plan to appropriate money to fund a property tax revaluation/equalization. The field work for the revaluation/equalization began in the fall of 2014 and will be completed for the 2016 tax bills.

**ARTICLE 12:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Contingent and Legal Account.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$15,000	Selectpersons Recommend:	<u>\$10,000</u> - vote 5-0
<b>Proposed 2016-17: \$10,000</b>	Finance Committee Recommends:	<u>\$10,000</u> - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 13:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Insurance Account.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$71,600                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$70,500 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$70,500**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$70,500 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides for the Town's Liability Insurance, Workers Compensation Insurance and Unemployment Insurance

**ARTICLE 14:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Police Department.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$475,485                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$484,240 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$484,240**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$484,240 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds for the operation of the Wilton Police Department and also includes a capital account for the Police Department vehicles.

**ARTICLE 15:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Fire Department.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$113,146                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$121,740 - vote 3-1-1  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$121,740**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$121,740 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds for the operation of the Wilton Fire Department and the East Dixfield Fire Department contract. This article also includes a capital account for future Fire Department vehicles.

**ARTICLE 16:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Public Safety Building (Fire/Police Station).**

Adopted 2015-16: \$31,280                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$31,280 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$31,280**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$31,280 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds for maintenance, operation, and repairs at the Wilton Fire/Police Station. This article also includes a capital account for future roof repairs/replacement for the Public Safety building.

**ARTICLE 17:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Northstar Ambulance Subsidy.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$30,492                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$30,577 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$30,577**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$30,577 - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 18:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Street and Traffic Lighting.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$36,700  
Proposed 2016-17: \$37,600

Selectpersons Recommend: \$37,600 - vote 3-2  
Finance Committee Recommends: \$37,600 - vote 10-0

Note: This article includes the Town's street lights, traffic lights and downtown lights.

**ARTICLE 19:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for water rates for **Public Fire Protection.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$144,468  
Proposed 2016-17: \$144,468

Selectpersons Recommend: \$144,468 - vote 5-0  
Finance Committee Recommends: \$144,468 - vote 10-0

Note: Public Utilities Commission regulations require a portion of water utility revenue to come from public fire protection payments. In utilities the size of Wilton, this figure is 30%. The rate tariff under which the town operates requires funds up to 30% of total water revenue come from so-called "hydrant rental". This article appropriates funds to satisfy that requirement.

**ARTICLE 20:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Highway Department.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$817,350  
Proposed 2016-17: \$854,850

Selectpersons Recommend: \$849,850 - vote 5-0  
Finance Committee Recommends: \$854,850 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides for Summer Highway, Winter Highway, and Equipment & Repairs. This article also includes a capital account for Highway Department equipment.

**ARTICLE 21:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Public Works Building** (Town Garage) account.

Adopted 2015-16: \$13,750  
Proposed 2016-17: \$14,000

Selectpersons Recommend: \$14,000 - vote 5-0  
Finance Committee Recommends: \$14,000 - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 22:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Capital Paving.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$307,000  
Proposed 2016-17: \$300,000

Selectpersons Recommend: \$300,000 - vote 5-0  
Finance Committee Recommends: \$300,000 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides for all items associated with paving and road reconstruction. Proposed paving projects this year include: repair and paving of Sunset & Sunrise Avenues, repair and sand sealing of Butterfield Road, asphalt injected paving of Colby Miller Road, overlay paving of Fairview, Curve, School, North & South Stockford, McCrae, Morrison and Wiken Lane, as funds allow, as well as maintenance sealing of one half of Orchard Drive. Sidewalks on upper Main Street and Main Street from Sewall Street to School Street will be rebuilt.

**ARTICLE 23:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Transfer Station and Recycling Department.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$273,300                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$278,150 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$278,150                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$278,150 - vote 10-0

Note: This article also includes a capital account for the Transfer Station & Recycling Department.

**ARTICLE 24:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Cemetery Operations.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$30,045                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$33,800 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$33,800                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$33,800 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds for the operation and maintenance of municipally controlled cemeteries, including a \$600 stipend for the East Wilton Cemetery.

**ARTICLE 25:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **General Assistance.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$6,000                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$6,000 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$6,000                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$6,000 - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 26:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Animal Control.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$15,532                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$15,532 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$15,532                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$15,532 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides for the Town's share of the Franklin County Animal Shelter and Animal Control Officers.

**ARTICLE 27:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Health Officer.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$300                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$300 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$300                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$300 - vote 10-0

Note: This is a State mandated position

**ARTICLE 28:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Wilton Area Food Pantry.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$2,500                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$2,300 - vote 3-2  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$2,300**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$2,500 - vote 6-4

**ARTICLE 29:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Tri-County area **Safe Voices** agency.

Adopted 2015-16: \$3,000                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$ 0 - vote 3-2  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$3,000**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$3,000 - vote 6-4

**ARTICLE 30:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Recreation Program.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$80,774                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$80,765 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$80,765**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$80,765 - vote 8-0

Note: This article provides funds to operate the municipal recreation program.

**ARTICLE 31:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Parks and Facilities.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$30,725                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$34,025 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$34,025**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$34,025 - vote 8-0-1

Note: This article provides funds for the upkeep and maintenance of parks, including grounds care, equipment, structures and utilities. The increase to this department will be offset by an increase in certain park and recreation fees and is reflected in the town's revenue account.

**ARTICLE 32:** To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate for a **Kineowatha Park Lake Retaining Wall Capital Account with the funds to be offset from the undesignated fund balance.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$1,500                      Selectpersons Recommend:                      \$20,000 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: **\$20,000**                      Finance Committee Recommends:                      \$20,000 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds to repair and rebuild the existing lake retaining wall at Kineowatha Park (located at the swim lesson area). Funding to come from the town's existing undesignated fund balance account.

**ARTICLE 33:** To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate for the **Wilson Lake Retaining Wall Capital Account (at the foot of the lake) with the funds to be offset from the undesignated fund balance.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$0                      Selectpersons Recommend:            \$10,000 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$10,000            Finance Committee Recommends:    \$10,000 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds to repair critical areas of the of the lake retaining wall at the foot of the lake. Funding to come from the town's existing undesignated fund balance account.

**ARTICLE 34:** To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate for a **Building Demolition Capital Account with the funds to be offset from the undesignated fund balance.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$25,000              Selectpersons Recommend:            \$50,000 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$50,000            Finance Committee Recommends:    \$50,000 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides funds to add to the demolition capital account for the costs associated with the demolition of town owned buildings, including the former Forster Mill site.

**ARTICLE 35:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town's **Conservation Commission.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$365                      Selectpersons Recommend:            \$ 365 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$365                      Finance Committee Recommends:    \$ 365 - vote 10-0

Note: This article supports the town's Conservation Commission's expenses, including state membership dues, and expenses to support WCC events.

**ARTICLE 36:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a **Watershed Survey** for Wilson Lake, Varnum Pond and Pease Pond.

Adopted 2015-16: N/A                      Selectpersons Recommend:            \$2,000 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$2,000                      Finance Committee Recommends:    \$2,000 - vote 8-0

Note: This article provides for partial funding for an updated Watershed Survey for Wilson Lake, Pease Pond and Varnum Pond. The Friends of Wilson Lake are overseeing the survey and the majority of the funding will be provided for by FOWL.

**ARTICLE 37:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Wilton Free Public Library.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$106,300              Selectpersons Recommend:            \$108,000 - vote 3-2  
Proposed 2016-17: \$109,675              Finance Committee Recommends:    \$109,675- vote 9-0

Note: This article provides for funding support for the Wilton Public Library, made as monthly payments. The Library is not a department of the Town.

**ARTICLE 38:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for **Waste Treatment Debt Service.**

Adopted 2015-16: n/A                      Selectpersons Recommend:            \$15,000 - vote 4-1  
Proposed 2016-17: \$60,000              Finance Committee Recommends:   \$15,000- vote 8-0

Note: This article provides a partial payment for the second payment of a thirty year loan for the Phase I portion of the Waste Treatment Plant Pump Station upgrade. The first year allocation of \$30,000 was approved by voters at the 2014 Town Meeting. Rate payers will cover the remainder of the Phase I repayment loan. The recommendation from the Select board and Finance Committee is to raise and appropriate \$15,000 for the Phase I repayment (and consider \$15,000 from the Tax Increment Financing District) with no additional funding toward the Phase II Waste Treatment Plant upgrade loans.

**ARTICLE 39:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Memorial Day Veterans Cemetery Flags.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$900                      Selectpersons Recommend:            \$1,000 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$1,000                Finance Committee Recommends:   \$1,000 - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 40:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Wilton Blueberry Festival.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$2,800                    Selectpersons Recommend:            \$2,800 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$2,800                Finance Committee Recommends:   \$2,800 - vote 10-0

**ARTICLE 41:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.**

Adopted 2015-16: \$2,500                    Selectpersons Recommend:            \$2,500 - vote 5-0  
Proposed 2016-17: \$2,500                Finance Committee Recommends:   \$2,500 - vote 10-0

Note: This article provides membership dues to support the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce, representing the interests of business, cultural, educational, and historical entities in Franklin County. The Chamber of Commerce also covers the cost of liability insurance for the Blueberry Festival.

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all **REVENUES** received, that are not dedicated or otherwise appropriated for other expenses, to reduce 2015-16 tax commitment.

**Estimated amount: \$992,450**

Selectpersons Recommend: **\$992,450** vote 5-0

Finance Committee Recommends: **\$992,450** vote 10-0

Note: This article authorizes the application of non-property tax revenue received from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017 to the gross budget appropriation set forth in the previous warrant articles, thereby reducing the property tax impact on the citizens. These revenues are estimated.

**ARTICLE 43:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to **\$50,000** from the **Undesignated Fund Balance (surplus)** to respond to unanticipated expenses and/or emergency conditions during fiscal year 2016/17, as the Selectpersons deem advisable.

Note: If no unanticipated expenses or emergencies occur, the money stays in surplus.

**Selectpersons Recommend: Yes**

**ARTICLE 44:** To see if the Town will **VOTE (BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT) TO INCREASE THE PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT** of \$1,954,972 established for the Town of Wilton by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved in the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

Explanation: The tax levy limit is a formula designed to comply with Maine law on the rate of property tax increases. The amount of \$1,954,972 represents a net budget consisting of total expenses (all money warrant articles) less the revenues received. A "yes" vote will allow for this limit to be increased to accommodate the potential that voters may vote for additional monies; a "no" vote means the tax levy limit can not be increased.

**ARTICLE 45:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the full amount of the **2016/17 Beeline Cable Franchise** fees, estimated at **\$20,000**, for the benefit of Beeline Cable subscribers, to be expended or allocated at the direction of the Board of Selectpersons.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectpersons**

Note: Selectpersons have annually allocated this money to Mt. Blue TV, Channel 11. These franchise fees have been paid by the subscribers of Beeline Cable. These fees are not raised through the municipal property taxes.

**ARTICLE 46:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **100% of the refund** of Snowmobile Registrations, received annually from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, to the Woodland Wanderers Snowmobile Club for maintaining trails and bridges.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectpersons**

Note: The amount of the refund for the current year ending June 30, 2016 was \$1,515.98.

**ARTICLE 47:** To see if the Town will vote to set the **interest rate** paid by the Town on abated taxes at **3.5%** for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 pursuant to 36 MRSA, Section 506-A.

Note: If taxes are paid and later abated, the Town must refund the abated taxes and pay interest. The rate set by the Town cannot be less than 3%.

**ARTICLE 48:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the **Selectpersons to overdraft accounts with uncontrollable expenditures** when necessary.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectpersons**

**ARTICLE 49:** To see if the Town, in accordance with 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506, will authorize the Tax Collector and Town Treasurer to accept **prepayment of taxes** not yet committed and to pay no interest thereon.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectpersons**

**ARTICLE 50:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectpersons to accept, on behalf of the Town, **unconditional and conditional gifts of money or property** excluding roads, rights of way, and easements.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectpersons**

**ARTICLE 51:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectpersons, following a public hearing, to **dispose of tax acquired property in any manner the Selectpersons deem to be in the best interest of the town** and to execute quitclaim deeds for such property.

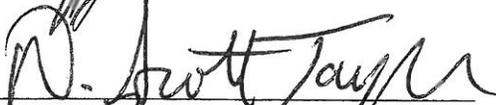
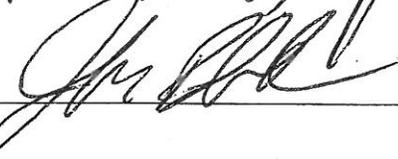
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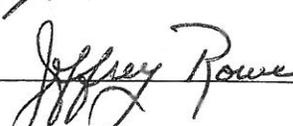
**ARTICLE 52:** To see if the Town will vote that the first half of Real and Personal Property Taxes be due and payable on November 1, 2016, and that the second half of Real and Personal Property Taxes be due and payable on May 1, 2017, and that interest at the rate of 7.0% per annum be charged on the unpaid balance beginning November 2, 2016, and May 2, 2017. (Note; Per Title 36, M.R.S.A. Section 505.4, the maximum rate of interest that can be charged is 7%; the Treasurer of State sets this rate each year.)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectpersons**

Notice is hereby given that the Registrar of Voters is in session at the Wilton Town Office on Monday's and Tuesday's from 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM and Thursday's and Friday's from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM to correct the voting list and accept new registrations.

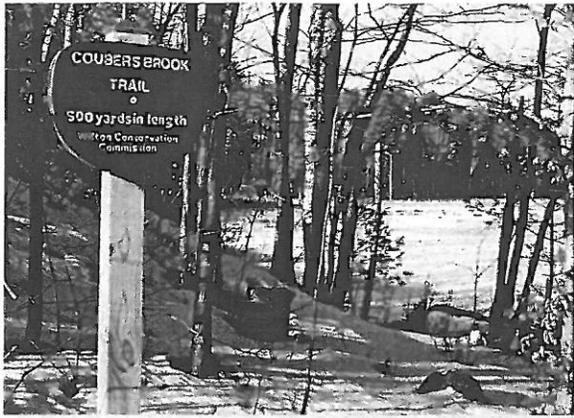
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