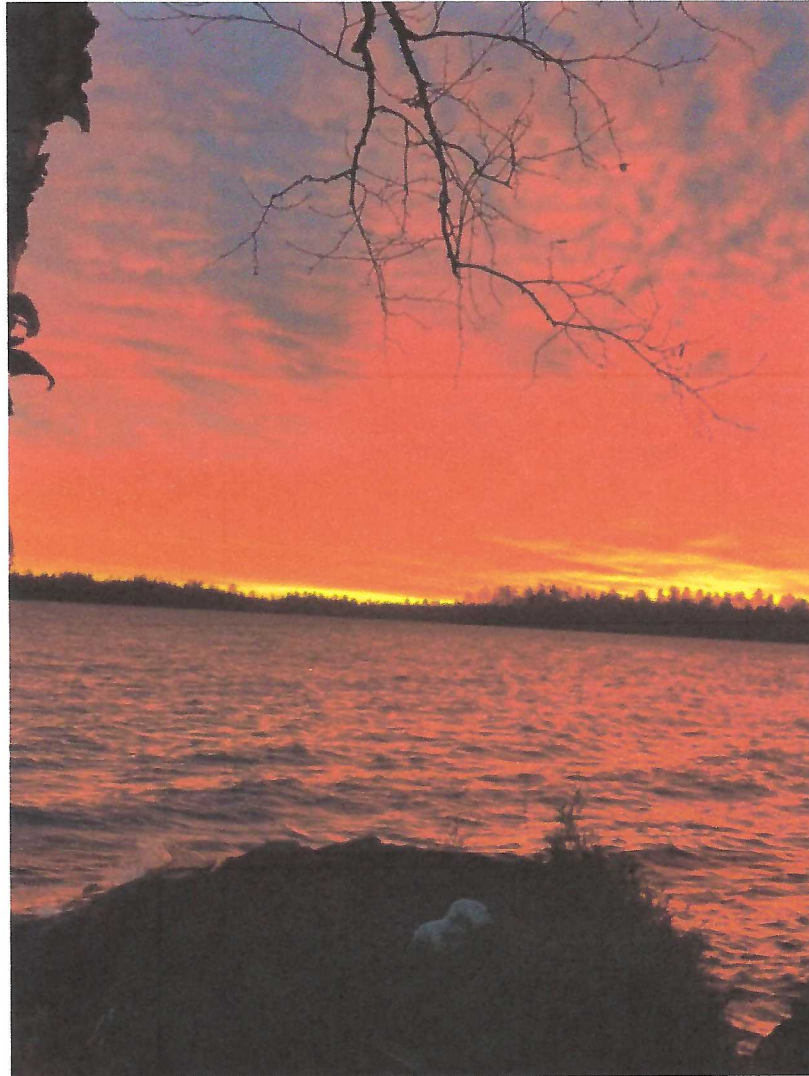


LAKE VIEW PLANTATION ANNUAL REPORT



2023

**At the Lake View Town Office
Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 7:00 PM**

DEDICATION PAGE

CLAUDE WILLIAMS



Thank you for many years of service!

The Town of Lake View Plantation would like to dedicate this issue of the town report to Claude Williams. Claude has been a dedicated servant of the town for many years and has decided to step down as 2nd Assessor for this year. Claude has been a staple of the Plantation for many, many years and has served on many committees during that time. We will miss Claude's knowledge and experience on the Plantation Board as well as his many interesting stories. We all sincerely hope that Claude enjoys this new chapter in his long life and we wish him all the best. I'm sure we will be seeing Claude around.

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Jared Golden
Congress of the United States
2nd District of Maine

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. It's an honor to continue serving as your representative in Congress, and I take the responsibility very seriously. I appreciate the opportunity to update you on what I've been working on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District.

Maine's heritage industries are the backbone of our state's economy. That is why one of the first bills I introduced in this Congress was the *Northeast Fisheries Heritage Protection Act*, which would prohibit commercial offshore wind energy development in Lobster Management Area 1 (LMA 1) in the Gulf of Maine. LMA 1 was identified by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) as a potential commercial offshore wind site. LMA 1 is a critical and highly productive fishing ground for a variety of sea life, including lobster. Prohibiting offshore wind development in LMA 1 would help to avoid conflict with the New England commercial and recreational fishing industries. Additionally, the bill would initiate a federal study on the environmental review processes of any relevant Federal agencies for offshore wind projects in the Gulf of Maine.

I also continue to advocate on behalf of our veterans and those providing care to our former service members. The current pay for VA employees in the Kennebec and Penobscot counties does not reflect the critical services they are providing. As the oldest state in the nation, with the fifth highest veteran population, Mainers rely on the services offered at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities. That's why recently, Senator Collins, Senator King, Representative Pingree, and I called on the Biden Administration to increase locality pay for VA employees in Kennebec and Penobscot counties. The level of care received is impacted by job vacancies, and the high turnover rate among its healthcare workforce is often the result of pay and compensation issues, which is further exacerbated by the increased cost of living.

Lastly, I'm excited that Mainers are continuing to reap the benefits of the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* (BIL). Recently, millions of dollars in grants have been awarded across the state, including \$35 million through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Culvert Aquatic Organism Passage (AOP) program to conserve spawning and migratory habitats for native fish species in Maine, \$460,000 through the Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) program for the Princeton Municipal Airport, Stephen A. Bean Municipal Airport, and Dexter Regional Airport, and nearly \$8 million through the Buses and Bus Facilities Program for Bangor's bus system. These investments are critical to ensuring Maine's infrastructure and will help to ensure Mainers and businesses across Maine are connected.

Regardless of the year, one of my top priorities is ensuring I'm accessible to you. My staff and I can help answer questions about and navigate federal programs; find resources in Maine; and resolve issues with Medicare, Social Security, the VA, and other federal agencies and programs. We are here to help:

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I look forward to building on momentum from recent legislative wins for Mainers and continuing to work on your behalf in 2024. Do not hesitate to reach out and voice an opinion on legislation, let us know about local events, or seek assistance navigating federal agencies or programs. It's an honor to represent you in Congress, and I wish you a healthy and prosperous year to come.

Respectfully,

Jared F. Golden
Member of Congress

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COMMITTEE
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SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to serve the people of Maine in the U.S. Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share an update on issues important to Maine and America.

One of my priorities for 2023 has been to improve the appropriations process in Congress – the way it decides how to spend taxpayer money. I took over as the Vice Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee last year. Along with Chair Patty Murray, we decided the best change we could make was not to do something new. Instead, it was to do something old – that is, go back to the regular and transparent committee process that we used to have.

Part of restoring this process included holding 50 public Committee hearings, which allowed for input from senators on both sides of the aisle. As a result, for the first time in five years, the Senate Appropriations Committee passed all twelve of its funding bills on time. This was done with strong bipartisan support. In fact, seven of them passed unanimously.

Now, we need to work with the House of Representatives to pass these twelve bills and turn them into laws.

These bills contain funding for a wide range of Maine priorities, including support for the workforce at Bath Iron Works and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, our lobster industry, infrastructure improvements, affordable housing, biomedical research, veterans, and heating assistance programs like LIHEAP. These bills also contain nearly \$590 million in Congressionally Directed Spending for 231 projects throughout the State of Maine. These projects would help promote job creation, expand access to health care, and improve public safety, infrastructure, and important resources in communities across all 16 counties of our state. I will continue to work to get these bills signed into law in the new year.

On October 25, the horrific mass shooting in Lewiston claimed the lives of 18 Mainers and injured 13 others. In response, I led Maine's Congressional Delegation in requesting an independent investigation by the U.S. Army Inspector General into the events leading up to the shooting. On December 15, the Under Secretary of the Army wrote to inform me that such an investigation will take place, and the Army Inspector General has instructed her team to immediately begin preparing to conduct this investigation. While nothing can undo the events of October 25, I will continue to work to understand what happened and what could have been done differently, and to find answers for the victims, survivors, and their families.

No one works harder than the people of Maine, and this year I honored that work ethic when I cast my 8,855th consecutive roll call vote.

As we look ahead to 2024, I remain committed to addressing the concerns of Maine families and communities. If you need assistance or wish to share your thoughts, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of my six state offices.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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VETERANS' AFFAIRS

January 1, 2024

Dear Friends,

Thank you for allowing me to add my congratulations and gratitude for the positive differences each town and city in Maine makes for its people and ultimately for Maine as a whole. When I travel around the state and visit the various regions in Maine, I see firsthand the differences you all make, the focus you put on excellence, and the helping hands you extend to neighbors. I have learned valuable lessons watching your collaborations with each other. They got the State motto right – Dirigo – because you all certainly do lead the way and exemplify the best of Maine.

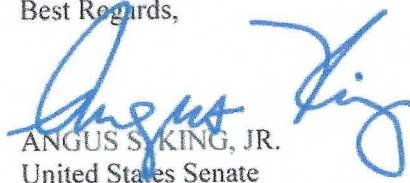
First, it was a true honor to be appointed to the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee this year to help address the challenges facing Maine veterans. We owe our way of life to these brave men and women and share a collective responsibility as a grateful nation to give back to our veterans. That means delivering veterans the benefits they have earned, addressing the veterans' suicide crisis, improving transition-to-civilian-status programs, and ensuring every veteran can access essential services, like affordable housing and behavioral healthcare.

Next, one of the most significant infrastructure projects in Maine history is underway: affordable and universal broadband availability throughout the state. Supported through funding in the bipartisan infrastructure bill, we are now within striking distance of broadband service even in our most rural communities. Additionally, infrastructure improvements in our roads and bridges, water and septic upgrades for our towns and support for our workforce and employers are also in the pipeline. Serious steps are being taken to address the toll from substance abuse and to provide our older neighbors with resources to help them continue to stand strong throughout their golden years. It is my goal here to make sure everyone has access to stable employment opportunities and quality healthcare which is of critical importance to keep our families healthy and happy.

I am thankful for each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. I will do my part to listen to your concerns and work to find useful solutions to the issues you face. My offices throughout Maine remain available to you if you face hurdles with the federal government, whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, tax assistance and more. I hope you will reach out of my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow me the chance to be part of your solutions. Together, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state.

Maine is known for our grit and resiliency and we are making great strides — something others across the country have noticed. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you — it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2024.

Best Regards,



ANGUS S. KING, JR.
United States Senate

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Stacey K. Guerin
Senator, District 4



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THE MAINE SENATE
131st Legislature

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you in the Maine Senate. It has been an honor to work on your behalf to make our state an even better place to live, work, and conduct business. I am grateful you have put your trust in me, and I will continue to work tirelessly on behalf of the people of Senate District 4.

The First Regular and First Special Sessions of the 131st Maine State Legislature were notable as there were over 2,600 legislative bill requests and 2,019 of them were officially printed as Legislative Documents (LDs). No legislature this century has had as many LDs printed during its first year.

One area of success was in the Highway Fund. In the past, the Highway Fund has been supported through gasoline taxes, which have been declining for years due to more fuel-efficient and electric/hybrid vehicles, and bonding. However, we now have created a sustainable source of funding to maintain our transportation infrastructure. This is done by dedicating 40% of the vehicle sales tax and the sales and use taxes collected by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. It is predicted to raise more than \$200 million for infrastructure each biennium.

The Second Regular Session began on January 3rd of this year. I am eager to discuss the issues important to all of you. I have heard from many of you regarding the biggest concerns you are facing, including the protection of Maine's natural resources, increased costs of everyday items, access to health care and child care, education, housing, inflation, child welfare, mental health and substance abuse, workforce development, and crime, among others. I will continue to do all I can to advocate for your priorities in Augusta.

Again, thank you for electing me to serve you in the State Senate. The 131st Legislature has a great deal more work to do. However, I believe that if we work collaboratively, there is nothing we can't accomplish. Please feel free to contact me by calling (207) 287-1505 or emailing me at Stacey.Guerin@Legislature.Maine.Gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Sincerely:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stacey Guerin".

Stacey Guerin
State Senator

Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business Committee
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STATE OF MAINE
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Dear Maine Resident:

In January, I was privileged to take the Oath of Office to begin my second term as your Governor. I am deeply humbled by the trust the people of Maine have placed in me, and I look forward to continuing to work hard over the next four years to improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people.

Over the past four years, we have made real progress. We have expanded health care, leading to the largest decline in the uninsured rate of any state in the nation. We fully funded the State's share of public education. We delivered two-years of free community college. We fully restored municipal revenue sharing to five percent. We delivered substantial tax relief, nation-leading inflation relief, and emergency energy relief to help Maine people through difficult times.

Through the Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan, we are strengthening and diversifying our economy. In 2022, our state's gross domestic product – a key measure of economic growth – grew at the 9th fastest rate in the United States. People are moving to Maine at a rate higher than any other New England state, and at one of the highest rates in the nation. We have enacted balanced budgets, and we have built up Maine's "Rainy Day" fund to a record high, preparing our state to continue meeting its commitments in the event of an economic downturn.

While I am proud of the progress we have made, there is more to do, like addressing the housing crisis, the workforce shortage, and the opioid epidemic and strengthening health care, education, and the economy. I know that by working together to tackle these issues head-on, we can improve the lives and livelihoods of Maine people and make Maine the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Thank you again for the honor to serve you as Governor.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Janet Mills'.

Janet T. Mills
Governor



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January 2024

Lake View Plantation Municipal Office
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Greetings Friends,

As the second Regular Session of the Maine State Legislature convenes, I would again like to thank you for granting me the opportunity to serve Lake View Plantation, and all of House District 31, in the Maine House of Representatives.

The First Regular Session of the Legislature was a busy one, as lawmakers faced many difficult issues and decisions. I hope you will be pleased to know that I was fairly successful in getting multiple bills that I submitted through the Legislature and signed into law with strong bipartisan support; bills that increased your Freedom of Access rights, removed and reduced bureaucratic requirements and costs on our citizens when changing vital records, and ensuring that your Fifth and Eighth Amendment Rights were upheld and Maine laws were brought into compliance with a recent Supreme Court decision regarding property rights. I am extremely pleased that I was able to advance these causes and garner support from both sides of the political aisle and get these laws passed without debate on the chamber floor. While I was not able to get every bill I sponsored passed, I was surprised to learn that I had among the highest success rate among the minority party simply by pursuing the basic Constitutional principles of individual liberty and limited government, goals I will continue to pursue for as long as I am given the honor to serve you.

I am also pleased that the Legislature was finally able to stabilize highway and road funding and I will continue to fight to improve the efficient delivery of your government services by reducing the size of government, for reducing your energy costs by fighting for common sense energy policies, and removing the barriers that make it harder for businesses to prosper in Maine. As a member of the Legislature's Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice & Public Safety, I look forward to continuing my work during the Second Regular Session as we tackle matters that are crucial to our community.

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

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chad R. Perkins'.

Chad R. Perkins
State Representative

House District 31

LAKE VIEW PLANTATION APPOINTMENTS - 2023

Moderator	Walter Oakes
Assessors	Kenneth Jay Claude Williams Donald Martin
Treasurer/Tax Collector	Cheryl Gormley
Deputy Treasurer/Tax Collector	Betty Gormley
Plantation Clerk	Barbara Reed
Registrar of Voters	Barbara Reed
Fire Warden	Robert Coburn
Auditor	Keel Hood, CPA, Fairfield
Animal Control Officer	Joe Guyotte
Plumbing Inspector	Daniel Gilbert
Penquis Solid Waste Corporation	Kenneth Jay Claude Williams* Steve Johnston Donald Martin
Lake View School Department Board Members	Mary Ellen Russell (2024) Cindi Jay (2025) Angelina Hamlin (2026)
Health Officer	Cindi Jay

SALARIES

Kenneth Jay, 1 st Assessor	\$7,600.00
Claude Williams, 2 nd Assessor	7,300.00
Donald Martin, 3 rd Assessor	7,000.00
Cheryl Gormley, Treasurer	6,800.00
Cheryl Gormley, Tax Collector	6,800.00
Barbara Reed, Town Clerk	6,500.00
Barbara Reed, Registrar of Voters	1,200.00
Robert Coburn, Fire Warden	600.00

*Resigned

**LAKEVIEW PLANTATION
LPI REPORT
2023**

PERMIT#	TYPE	APPLICANT	FEE	LPI	STATE	DEP
511	I	BRYAN LAWLOR	\$ 130.00	110.00	20.00	
513	FLD	MICHAEL ROSS	200.00	162.50	37.50	
514	I	DALE STOREY	150.00	125.00	25.00	
515	I	DAVID WILLEY	170.00	140.00	30.00	
516	FLD	ED HOMESTEAD	220.00	182.50	37.50	
517	X	JOSEPH SOUSA	335.00	257.50	62.50	15.00
518	I	MIKE BROWN	90.00	80.00	10.00	
519	I	KEVIN BANTLE	150.00	112.50	37.50	
520	X	JAMES BRADY	580.00	502.50	62.50	15.00
521	X	SHAWN BRALEY	315.00	237.50	62.50	15.00
522	X	TAMMY YORK-LETSON	335.00	257.50	62.50	15.00
523	I	SHAWN BRALEY	240.00	190.00	50.00	
524	I	JOSEPH SOUSA	160.00	120.00	40.00	
525	X	ADAM GALLANT	315.00	237.50	62.50	15.00
526	FLD	TIM FISHER	200.00	162.50	37.50	
527	FLD	GALEN STANLEY	220.00	182.50	37.50	
528	I	JAMES BRADY	200.00	162.50	37.50	
529	X	LEE LAWRENCE	315.00	237.50	62.50	15.00
TOTAL			\$4325.00	3460.00	775.00	90.00

AMOUNT RETAINED BY LPI \$3460.00

SUBMITTED TO TOWN \$775.00 FOR PAYMENT TO DHS

SUBMITTED TO TOWN \$90.00 FOR PAYMENT TO DEP

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED TO LAKEVIEW PLANTATION

DANIEL C GILBERT
LPI #INS-380
JANUARY 15, 2024

Agents Report - 2023

Boat Registrations	191
ATV Registrations	108
Snowmobile Registrations	47
Hunting & Fishing Licenses	23
Sales Tax Processed on RV's	36
Motor Vehicle Transactions	326
Excise Only Collected	1
Sales Tax Processed on MV's	25
Motor Vehicle Titles Processed	15

Cheryl Gormley
Motor Vehicle & Recreational Vehicle Agent

Lake View Plantation Clerk's Report

Vital Statistics Recorded:

Births	0	Deaths	0
Marriages	0	Marriages Intentions	0

Dog Licenses Sold:

Dog Licenses Sold	30	Neuter/Spayed (26)	\$52.00
		Male/Female (4)	\$ 0.00
Late Fee	1	<u>Late Fee Collected</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
		Total Collected	\$77.00

Recorded:

Annual Plantation Meeting and Results

Registrar's Report:

There are presently 162 registered voters in Lake View Plantation enrolled as follows:

Democrats	29	Unenrolled	48
Republicans	82	Green	3

Barbara Reed
Plantation Clerk

Assessor's Report

Property Valuation & Commitment

Period ending December 31, 2023

Assessed Valuation	\$153,833,200	
Total Valuation		
Tax Rate per \$1,000		3.000
Total Tax For Commitment		\$461,499.60

Computation of Assessment

County Tax	\$240,691.00	
Municipal Appropriation	235,152.00	
Educational Appropriation	119,275.00	
Total Assessments		\$595,118.00

Computation of Revenue

Tax Commitment	\$461,499.60	
Estimated Revenue	135,886.00	
Revenue Sharing	1,124.00	
Homestead Reimbursement	2,394.00	
Total Revenue		\$600,903.60

Overlay		\$ 5,785.60
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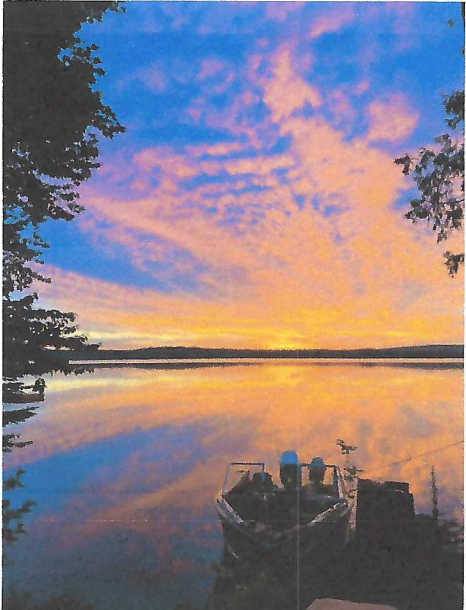
Lake View Tax Collector's Report

2022 Outstanding Taxes

Eastbrook Timber, Inc.	\$	393.60
Eastbrook Timber, Inc.	\$	355.73
Lafreniere, Asti	\$	515.10
Schoodic Forestry, LLC	\$	522.06
Total:		\$ 1,786.49

2023 Outstanding Taxes

Allen, Jeremiah	\$	369.00
Chase, Judith	\$	615.60
Eastbrook Timber, Inc.	\$	368.70
Eastbrook Timber, Inc.	\$	327.00
Eastbrook Timber, Inc.	\$	699.58
Lafreniere, Asti	\$	502.50
Lafreniere, Stephen M	\$	612.51
Lafreniere, Zachary	\$	384.60
Mitchell, Kelly	\$	190.50
Perry, Michael	\$	526.80
Reynolds, William S	\$	39.00
Schoodic Forestry, LLC	\$	510.30
Snow, Dwight	\$	372.60
Snow, Dwight	\$	1,318.80
Thibodeau, Thomas	\$	616.50
Williamsburg Acres, LLC	\$	707.14
Willinski, Douglass A	\$	941.69
Total:		\$ 9,102.82



As of 12/31/2023

Lake View Tax Collector's Report (Cont'd)

2024 Taxes

Prepaid in 2023	\$ 1,597.69	
Carried Forward 2024 taxes		\$ 1,597.69

Abatement

2023 Abated Taxes	\$0.00	
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Supplemental

2023 Supplemental Taxes Collected in 2023	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Tree Growth Penalty

2023 Tree Growth Penalty Collected in 2023	\$0.00	\$39,728.00
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Lake View Tax Collector's Report (Cont'd)

Receipts

2023 Treasurer's Report:

Property Taxes	\$461,431.58	
Supplemental Property Taxes	0.00	
Tree Growth Penalty	39,728.00	
Excise: Motor Vehicles	58,449.55	
Boats	3,746.60	
State of Maine:		
Revenue Sharing	3,104.39	
DOT Local Road Assistance	1,612.00	
Veteran's Exempt Reimbursement	30.00	
Homestead Exempt Reimbursement	2,091.00	
Snowmobile Reimbursement	403.82	
Tree Growth Reimbursement	11,179.36	
Land Reserve Trust	11,552.43	
Educational Subsidy	3,104.39	
Misc. Revenue	208.42	
Interest: Delinquent Tax Fees/Costs/Interest	4,091.00	
Bank Interest	1,721.63	
State Agent Collections	2,067.00	
 Total Available		 \$604,521.17
Less:		
Warrants	(\$642,317.76)	
Service Charges	(0.00)	
		(\$642,317.76)
 Cash in Checking 12-31-23		 \$231,028.47



Appropriations at Plantation Meeting

March 16, 2023

Article 12	Plantation Charges	\$127,002.00
	Distribution:	
	Officers' Salaries	\$43,800.00
	LURC	30,375.00
	Insurances	6,300.00
	Auditor	<u>3,050.00</u>
		\$83,525.00

Remainder:	Misc. Plantation Charges	\$43,477.00
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Article 13	Highway Account	9,800.00
Article 14	Street Lights	2,700.00
Article 15	Community Building (Operations)	5,700.00
Article 16	Community Building (Improvements)	0.00
Article 17	Public Safety	21,400.00
Article 18	Fire Costs	3,000.00
Article 19	Health & Sanitation	46,500.00
Article 20	Tax Service	13,000.00
Article 21	Contingency Fund	5,000.00
Article 43	Nonprofit Organizations	50.00
Article 44	Snowmobile Clubs	<u>1,000.00</u>

Total Town Meeting:		\$235,152.00
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Piscataquis County Tax	240,691.00
Education	<u>119,275.00</u>

Total Assessment		\$595,118.00
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Available Deductions

Article 45	Funds Appropriated from Surplus	\$ 50,000.00
Revenue Sharing		1,124.00
Other Revenue:		<u>85,886.00</u>
Total Deductions		\$137,010.00

Homestead Reimbursement	2,394.00
Overlay	5,785.60

Net Assessment for Commitment	\$461,499.60
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LAKE VIEW PLANTATION ACCOUNTS

JANUARY 1, 2023 – DECEMBER 31, 2023

Plantation Charges	Appropriation	\$127,002.00
	Expenditures	\$123,291.98
	Balance	\$3,710.02
Highway Account	Appropriation	\$9,800.00
	Expenditures	\$9,582.37
	Balance	\$217.63
Street Lights	Appropriation	\$2,700.00
	Expenditures	\$2,744.16
	Balance	-\$44.16
Community Building	Appropriation	\$5,700.00
	Expenditures	\$4,887.08
	Balance	\$812.92
Public Safety	Appropriation	\$21,400.00
Fire Protection	Expenditures	\$21,400.00
	Balance	\$0.00
Fire Cost - Fire Calls	Appropriation	\$3,000.00
	Expenditures	\$1,497.00
	Balance	\$1,503.00
Health & Sanitation	Appropriation	\$46,500.00
	Expenditures	\$46,342.89
	Balance	\$157.11
Tax Service	Appropriation	\$13,000.00
	Expenditures	\$1,680.02
	Balance	\$11,319.98
Contingency Fund	Appropriation	\$5,000.00
	Expenditures	\$3,126.12
	Balance	\$1,873.88

LAKE VIEW PLANTATION ACCOUNTS (Cont'd)

JANUARY 1, 2023 – DECEMBER 31, 2023

Education	Appropriation	\$119,275.00
	Expenditures	\$94,607.57
	Balance	\$24,667.43

Nonprofit Social Service (Hospice)	Appropriation	\$50.00
	Expenditures	\$50.00
	Balance	\$0.00

Devil Sledders Club	Appropriation	\$500.00
	Expenditures	\$500.00
	Balance	\$0.00

Brownville Snowmobile Club	Appropriation	\$500.00
	Expenditures	\$500.00
	Balance	\$0.00

Piscataquis County Tax	Appropriation	\$240,691.00
	Expenditures	\$240,691.00
	Balance	\$0.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES YTD:	\$550,900.19
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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:	\$595,118.00
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YTD BALANCE:	\$44,217.81
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Lake View Plantation Warrant

To Christine Martin, a resident of the Plantation of Lake View in the County of Piscataquis.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Lake View Plantation in said County of Piscataquis, qualified by law to vote in said Plantation affairs, to meet at the Lake View Plantation Town Office in Brownville, Maine on the Third Thursday of March being March 21, 2024 A.D. at 7:00 PM in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1

To choose a **Moderator** to preside at the said meeting.

ARTICLE 2

To fix the **Compensation** of all elected officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3

To choose a **Plantation Clerk** for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4

To choose three **Assessors** for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5

To choose a **Plantation Treasurer** for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6

To choose a **Deputy Plantation Treasurer** for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 7

To choose a **Tax Collector** for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 8

To choose a **Deputy Plantation Tax Collector** for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 9

To choose a **Fire Warden** for the ensuing year.

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ARTICLE 10

To choose a **School Board Member** for a 3 year term.

ARTICLE 11

To choose any **other officers** usually chosen at the annual Town Meeting to fill any vacancy.

ARTICLE 12

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for **Plantation Charges**.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$127,002.00	\$123,291.98	\$145,158.00

ARTICLE 13

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for **Highway Account**.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$9,800.00	\$9,582.37	\$33,700.00

ARTICLE 14

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for **Street Lights**.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$2,700.00	\$2,744.16	\$2,800.00

ARTICLE 15

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Operation** of the **Community Building**. This amount is to include lights, heat and maintenance.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$5,700.00	\$4,887.08	\$3,500.00

ARTICLE 16

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Improvements** of the **Community Building**.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

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ARTICLE 17

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for **Public Safety**. This amount is to include anticipated costs of fire protection service contracts with Towns of Brownville and Milo and Three Rivers Ambulance Service.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$21,400.00	\$21,400.00	\$21,700.00

ARTICLE 18

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate to be used for the costs which would be incurred fighting an actual **Structural and/or Forest Fire**.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$3,000.00	\$1,497.00	\$3,000.00

ARTICLE 19

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for **Health and Sanitation**.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$46,500.00	\$46,342.89	\$51,778.00

ARTICLE 20

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of contracting with a professional **Tax Service** to update values of property.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$13,000.00	\$1,680.02	\$12,000.00

ARTICLE 21

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for the **Contingency Fund**.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$5,000.00	\$3,126.12	\$5,000.00

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ARTICLE 22

To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.
Recommend \$123,050.00

ARTICLE 23

To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Special Education.
Recommend \$7,500.00

ARTICLE 24

To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for System Administration.
Recommend \$5,350.00

ARTICLE 25

To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.
Recommend \$1,000.00

ARTICLE 26

To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education, Other Instruction, Student and Staff Support, School Administration, Debt Service and Other Commitments, Facilities Maintenance, and All Other Expenditures.
Recommend \$ -0-

ARTICLE 27

To see what sum Lake View Plantation will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act. **(Recommend \$136,900)** and to see what sum Lake View Plantation will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688. **(Recommend \$81,992.19)**

Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the Town must raise (\$81,992.19) in order to receive the full amount of state dollars (\$7,000.69).

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ARTICLE 28

To see what sum Lake View Plantation will raise and appropriate in additional local funds **(Recommend \$47,907.12)** which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$47,907.12. The School Committee recommends additional local funds in the amount of \$47,907.12 for the following reasons:

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative unit's required local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act to achieve the Lake View Plantation budget for educational programs. The high property valuation and low student enrollment result in a minimum State subsidy contribution for education.

ARTICLE 29

To see what sum Lake View Plantation will authorize the school committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning **July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024** from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, additional local funds for school purposes under Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. **(Recommend \$136,900.00)**

ARTICLE 30

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to appropriate from the following revenues to reduce 12 months of the 2024 **Tax Commitment**:

<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Estimated Amount</u>
Taxes (other than property)	\$62,196.00
License and Permit Fees	2,067.00
Intergovernmental Revenue	24,777.00
Miscellaneous	208.00
Interest	<u>5,583.00</u>
Total:	\$94,831.00

ARTICLE 31

To see if the Plantation will authorize the Assessors on behalf of the Plantation, to sell or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Plantation for nonpayment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and in the interest of the Plantation, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property, except that the municipal officers shall first use the sale process in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C if they choose to sell property to anyone other than the former owner. For sales to someone other than the former owner, excess sale proceeds, as defined in 36 M.R.S. § 943-C, shall be returned to the former owner.

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ARTICLE 32

To see if the Plantation will vote that taxes be due and payable when committed to the Tax Collector, with interest of 8.5% per annum to be charged on all taxes remaining unpaid after August 31, 2024.

ARTICLE 33

To see if the Plantation will vote to ratify overdrafts as the same occurred in Plantation operations for the year ending December 31, 2023.

ARTICLE 34

To see if the Plantation will vote to authorize the Assessors to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12 of the budget amount in each budget category for the Lake View Plantation annual budget during the period from January 1, 2025 to the 2025 Annual Plantation meeting.

ARTICLE 35

To see if the Plantation will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Plantation on abated taxes at zero percent for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.

ARTICLE 36

To see if the Plantation will vote to authorize the tax collector to accept prepayment of taxes, the amount collected not to exceed the previous year's taxes. Interest on any prepayment will be zero percent.

ARTICLE 37

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for donations to nonprofit organizations as determined by the Assessors.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00

ARTICLE 38

To see what sum of money the Plantation will vote to raise and appropriate for the Devils Sledders Snowmobile Club and the Brownville Snowmobile Club.

Proposed 2023	Actual 2023	Proposed 2024
\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

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ARTICLE 39

To see up to what sum of money the Plantation will vote to use from the Education Surplus and Unassigned Fund Balance to apply against the total sum raised and appropriated for Public Education Expenses for the ensuing year in order to stabilize the current mil rate. Amount not to exceed \$_____.

Proposed 2023
\$80,000.00

Actual 2023
\$50,000.00

Proposed 2024
\$30,000 Unassigned Fund Balance
\$50,000 Education Surplus
Up to \$80,000 Total

ARTICLE 40

To see up to what sum of money the Plantation will vote to use from the unassigned fund balance to pay for all services necessary to withdraw the Plantation out of Land Use Planning Commissions. Amount not to exceed \$_____.

Proposed 2024
\$50,000.00

LAKE VIEW PLANTATION

Notice is hereby given that the Office of Registrar will be open for the purpose of correcting the voting list, Wednesday, March 13, 2023 from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM at the residence of Mrs. Barbara Reed, Registrar of Voters, Lake View Plantation.

Given Under our hands the 14th day of March, 2024

Assessors: Kenneth Jay
Claude Williams
Donald Martin

RESIDENT'S RETURN

County of Piscataquis, ss

I certify that I have notified and warned the voters of Lake View Plantation, Maine of the time and place of the annual Town Meeting by posting an attested copy of the warrant within the Lake View Plantation Office, Lake View Community Building, Milo and Brownville Post Offices, Fire Road 5, and Knights Landing locations being public and conspicuous places within Lake View Plantation, Maine on March 14, 2023 which is a least seven (7) days before the annual meeting.

Dated at Lake View Plantation on the 14th day of March, 2024.

/s/ Christine Martin

Kenneth Jay
Kenneth Jay

03/14/2024
Date

Claude Williams
Claude Williams

03/14/2024
Date

Donald Martin
Donald Martin

03/14/2024
Date

Christine Martin
Christine Martin

3-14-2024
Date

ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF BROWNVILLE, MILO, LAKE VIEW PLANTATION, EBEEMEE TWP, T4 R9, & WILLIAMSBURG TWP

**Penquis Solid Waste Corporation
Hours of Operation
2024-2025**

You MUST have a window sticker to get in!

Summer hours

May 1, 2024 – Nov. 30, 2024
Thursday, Friday & Saturdays
8:00am – 4:00pm

Winter hours

Dec. 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025
Friday & Saturdays
8:00am – 4:00pm

USER FEES Effective immediately

Unstripped Mattress or Box Spring	\$20.00 Each
Stripped Mattress or Box Spring	NO CHARGE
Refrigerators (including gas) and Air Conditioners.....	\$15.00 Each
E-Waste and Universal Waste (Televisions, Computer Monitors, etc.).....	\$5.00 Each
Bulky Waste (Furniture, etc.).....	\$5.00 Each
Wood Waste/Burn Pile (1/2 Ton Truck/Single Axle Trailer).....	\$5.00 Each
Wood Waste/Burn Pile (1 Ton Truck/Double Axle Trailer)	\$10.00 Each

Carpets:

3ft. x 3 ft. or less.....	Free with regular household waste
Less than 9 ft. x 12 ft.	\$10.00 Each
Less than 12 ft. x 15 ft.	\$20.00 Each
More than 12 ft. x 15 ft.....	\$35.00 Each

Tires:

18” or less	\$3.00 Each
19” to 20”	\$5.00 Each

***PLEASE NOTE: TIRES MUST BE REMOVED FROM RIMS.
TIRES LARGER THAN 20” WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.***

Demo (CDD) Debris & Shingle Prices: ½ Ton Truck \$50.00 per load, 1 Ton Truck \$85.00 per load, Single Axle Trailer \$50.00 per load and Dual Axle Trailer \$85.00 per load.
(Updated price as of 12/31/2020)

**(FREE E-WASTE DISPOSAL FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH)
IF THE GATE IS CLOSED, THE FACILITY IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

LAKE VIEW PLANTATION IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 2024

New Town Website: www.lakeviewpltme.org

ASSESSORS – Kenneth Jay 965-8106, Claude Williams - 965-9521 and Donald Martin - 965-8021.

TOWN OFFICE INFO:

**Office hours are Thursday and Friday, 10 AM to 2 PM AND
Last Friday of the Month 10 AM to 6PM.**

The Lake View Plantation Office is located behind the Post Office, at 27 Church Street, Brownville. All excise tax (for Motor Vehicles and Boats) must be paid to Lake View Plantation directly. Lake View Plantation can do all New or Renewal complete Motor Vehicle transactions, Hunting and Fishing Licenses, ATV, Boat, and Snowmobile registrations.

We accept any major debit/credit cards! We use Muncipay so there is a 2.65% convenience fee (\$3 minimum) that will be added on to your purchase total. This is a service where the card holder pays the transaction fee instead of the tax payer. We can accept credit cards over the phone to eliminate the extra wait time of receiving funds through the mail.

TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER – Cheryl M. Gormley at Town Office 965-8119

Taxes go out usually around the first week of July. They are due August 31st of each year. You can pay your taxes in office, through the mail or over the phone with credit card (2.65% credit card convenience fee applies, see above).

TOWN CLERK/REGISTRAR OF VOTERS - Barbara Reed 943-5538

Barbara has an answering machine at home and will get back to you as soon as possible. She processes marriage licenses, vital records, dog licenses as well as voter registrations. She is readily available to assist you.

VOTING: 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM at the Town Office. If you wish to vote by Absentee ballot they are available by directly contacting the Town Clerk, Barbara Reed at 2061 Lake View Road, Lake View Plt or at 943-5538.

FIRE PERMITS:

If you need a burn permit, contact Fire Warden Robert Coburn at 943-8858 or 943-6809.

PLUMBING INSPECTOR:

A plumbing permit is required for 1) installation of septic systems, tank replacements, or septic field repair (this includes gray water cistern/drainage systems and outhouses); 2) installation or replacement of all water distribution and drainage pipes, faucets, valves, plumbing fixtures, and hot water tanks; 3) any building moved from its original location and relocated. Any plumbing done inside or outside either by the owner or a licensed plumber needs a permit before any work is started. It is the responsibility of the property owner to obtain the permit. Penalty fees will be doubled for noncompliance. The plumbing inspector is Dan Gilbert, PO Box 231, Hartland ME 04943 (207-938-3866). If in doubt about any project, please contact him. A LUPC building permit has to be obtained for any changes to land or buildings before a plumbing permit can be issued (see below).

BUILDING PERMIT:

Any construction, additions or new buildings require a building permit from the Maine Land Use Planning Commission. Call Bryan Way at 485-8354 with questions. Applications can be found online at

http://www.maine.gov/dacf/lupc/application_forms/topten_list.shtml

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER: Contact Joe Guyotte 564-2187

* “It is unlawful for any dog, licensed or unlicensed, to be at large, except when used for hunting. The owner or keeper of any dog found at large is subject to the penalties provided in this chapter....”

* “An owner of an animal may not allow that animal to enter onto the property of another after the owner has been warned by a law enforcement officer or animal control officer that the animal was found on the property of another.”

LAKE VIEW ASSESSORS' MEETING:

Lake View Assessors' meetings are scheduled monthly on the 2nd Thursday at 9:00 AM at the Lake View Plantation Office, 27 Church St., Brownville, ME. Meeting times are subject to change. Call (965-8119) for more information.

E-911: THIS IS FOR FIRE PROTECTION, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND AMBULANCE SERVICE

Milo and Brownville provide fire protection depending which side of the lake you are located. The Piscataquis County Sheriff's Office provides all law enforcement; for **non-emergencies call (564-3304)**. The Three Rivers Ambulance Service provides the ambulance service. In an **emergency situation call (911)**, have your lot or road number, your road name and the name of the main artery your driveway or road runs from available to report to the dispatcher.

PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION:

Your tax bills are based on the assessment figures as assigned by our property tax assessor. Should you have any questions regarding the assessed value of your property or to obtain a copy of your property record card, which contains valuation information regarding your property, please call the Lake View Plantation Office at (965-8119) or visit our tax mapping website at

https://www.axisgis.com/Lake_View_PlantationME/

HOUSEHOLD AND SOLID WASTE:

Lake View Plantation is a member of Penquis Solid Waste Corp. A free permit sticker is required to use this facility, which is located on the Lake View Road in Milo. Property owners may obtain a permit sticker and/or price sheet by calling (965-8119) or by stopping by the Lake View Plantation Town Office to get one. The Landfill does NOT take household trash. The Plantation has Curbside Pickup every Tuesday for household waste only. Trash needs to be in tied bags, placed in a covered trash receptacle and placed curbside by 7AM Tuesday morning. Anything not in a bag, including loose cardboard, will not be picked up.

LAKE VIEW PLANTATION SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

As of July 01, 2003 Lake View Plantation is no longer a member of the Maine School Administrative District #41. A School Department has been formed by electing School Board members: Angelina Hamlin, Mary Ellen Russell & Cindi Jay, with David Walker appointed as Superintendent.

EDUCATION:

The school budget is generally based upon available current enrollment +1. In the event additional students move to Lake View, a Special Town Meeting would need to be called to appropriate the additional funding required to pay for the increased tuition cost.

HEALTH OFFICER:

If you need a Health Officer please contact **Cindi Jay at 965-8106.**