

*ANNUAL REPORTS*  
*OF THE*  
**TOWN OFFICERS**



**TOWN OF STODDARD**

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**



**2020**

# THANK YOU TO ALL ESSENTIAL WORKERS!



This Report is dedicated to every Essential Worker in Stoddard and beyond that have worked tirelessly to protect our residents, to keep us healthy and teach our children. Also to those who keep our businesses open, maintain our infrastructure and keep government running, we say THANK YOU.

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIRECTORY

TOWN CLERK: KAREN BELL 446-3326 X-106  
HOURS: Tuesday & Thursday 11:00AM to 6:00PM

TAX COLLECTOR: ELLEN MASON 446-3326 X-101  
HOURS: Thursday 12:30PM to 2:30PM or by appointment

TOWN OFFICE: MICHELLE PONG – Town Administrator 446-3326 X-103  
PATRICIA PUTNAM – Administrative Assistant 446-3326 X-100  
HARRY POWER – Compliance Officer 446-7778  
HOURS: Monday 1:00PM to 6:00PM, Wednesday & Thursday 10:30AM to 4:00PM

STODDARD BOARD OF SELECTMEN:  
Christopher Madden, Chairman 446-7814  
Charles Fosberry 446-7001  
Robert Fee 446-3642  
SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS: 2nd, 4th & 5th Mondays 7:00PM to close of business

STODDARD RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION: 446-3583  
HOURS: Saturday & Sunday 9:00AM to 4:00PM  
June through the Wednesday after Columbus Day - Wednesday Noon to 4:00PM

POLICE: EMERGENCY 911 CHIEF David Vaillancourt  
Cheshire County Dispatch 355-2000 Non-emergency 446-3597

FIRE & RESCUE: EMERGENCY 911 CHIEF Stephen McGerty 446-3848

FIRE WARDEN: BURNING PERMITS  
Randy Weaver, Warden 446-0116  
Wally Weaver - 446-7051 and Jenn Merrill 446-7896

ANIMAL CONTROL: Call Cheshire County Dispatch 355-2000  
Keene Mutual Aid Non-Emergency 352-1291

DAVIS PUBLIC LIBRARY: Lauren Rettig, Librarian 446-6251  
HOURS: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 3:00PM to 7:00PM (summer until 8:00PM)  
Tuesday & Saturday 10:00AM to 2:00PM

STODDARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION:  
Geoffrey Jones, Chairman 446-3439  
Meet 4th Wednesday each mo. 7:30PM at Town Hall, as needed. Call in advance for agenda.

STODDARD PLANNING BOARD:  
Meet 1st Tuesday each mo. 7:00PM at Town Hall  
*Anyone wishing a hearing by the Planning Board should contact Vickie Williams 446-7767*

STODDARD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:  
Meet 3rd Thursday each mo. 7:30PM at the Town Hall, as needed  
*Anyone wishing a hearing by the ZBA should contact Kathy Ellis 446-6273*

JAMES FAULKNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: 446-3348

## TOWN OFFICERS

### **Moderator**

Daniel A. Eaton – Term Expires 2020  
Jason Kovarik - Deputy

### **Selectmen**

Robert Fee – Term Expires 2022  
Christopher Madden – Term Expires 2021  
Charles Fosberry – Term Expires 2020

**Town Administrator** – Michelle L. Pong

### **Town Clerk**

Karen Bell – Term Expires 2022

### **Tax Collector**

Ellen Mason – Term Expires 2021

### **Town Treasurer**

Patricia Putnam – Term Expires 2021

### **Trustee of Trust Funds**

Karen Bell – Term Expires 2021  
James Elliott – Term Expires 2022  
Mary Lou Stymest – Term Expires 2020

### **Trustee of Public Library**

Angela Nicoletti – Term Expires 2021  
Alexia Currie – Term Expires 2020  
Frances Scofield – Term Expires 2022  
Gerianne Bailey (Alt) – Term Expires 2020  
Deborah Kingsbury (Alt)- Term Expires 2020

### **Librarian**

Ingrid Cullen – Library Director  
Martha DeTore-Woods

### **Police Chief**

David Vaillancourt

### **Special Police (Appointed)**

Dominic A. Busto  
Cameron F. Prior  
Andrew Wood

### **Animal Control Officer (Appointed)**

Margo Santoro  
David Santoro, Deputy

### **Fire Chief**

Stephen McGerty

### **Supervisors of the Checklist**

Mary Lou Stymest – Term Expires 2022  
Patricia Marotta – Term Expires 2020  
Jocelyn Summerton – Term Expires 2020

### **Planning Board (Elected)**

Jane McOsker – Chair – Term Expires 2022  
Vickie Williams – Term Expires 2020 (Secretary)  
George Davenport – Term Expires 2021  
Paul Crosby, Vice Chair – Term Expires 2022  
Christopher Madden – Selectmen’s Representative

### **Alternates (Appointed)**

Harry Power, Alternate – Term Expires 2021

### **Cemetery Commission**

Karen Bell– Term Expires 2021  
Amy Rokoszak – Term Expires 2022  
Mary Lou Stymest – Term Expires 2020

### **Zoning Board of Adjustment (Appointed)**

Jason Kovarik, Chairman – Term Expires 2023  
Franz Haase – Term Expires 2023  
Clement (Bud) Record – Term Expires 2022  
Herb Healy – Term Expires 2021  
Douglas Summerton – Term Expires 2023  
Milosh Bukovcan – Alternate – Term Expires 2022  
Kathleen Ellis - Secretary

### **Emergency Management Director (Appointed)**

Daniel A. Eaton – Term Expires 2021  
Jason Kovarik, Deputy – Term Expires 2021  
Health Officer Richard Englund, MD

### **Commissioner to SWRPC (Appointed)**

Vacant

### **Conservation Commission (Appointed)**

R. Scott Semmens - Term Expires 2021  
Paul Crosby – Term Expires 2019  
Geoffrey Jones, Chairman - Term Expires 2020  
Helen Tam-Semmens – Term Expires 2020

**TOWN OFFICERS continued**

**Overseer of the Public Welfare**

Town Administrator

**State Senator – District 8**

Ruth Ward – 386 Route 123 South, Stoddard

Ruth.Ward@leg.state.nh.us

**Contoocook & North Branch River Local Advisory  
Committee**

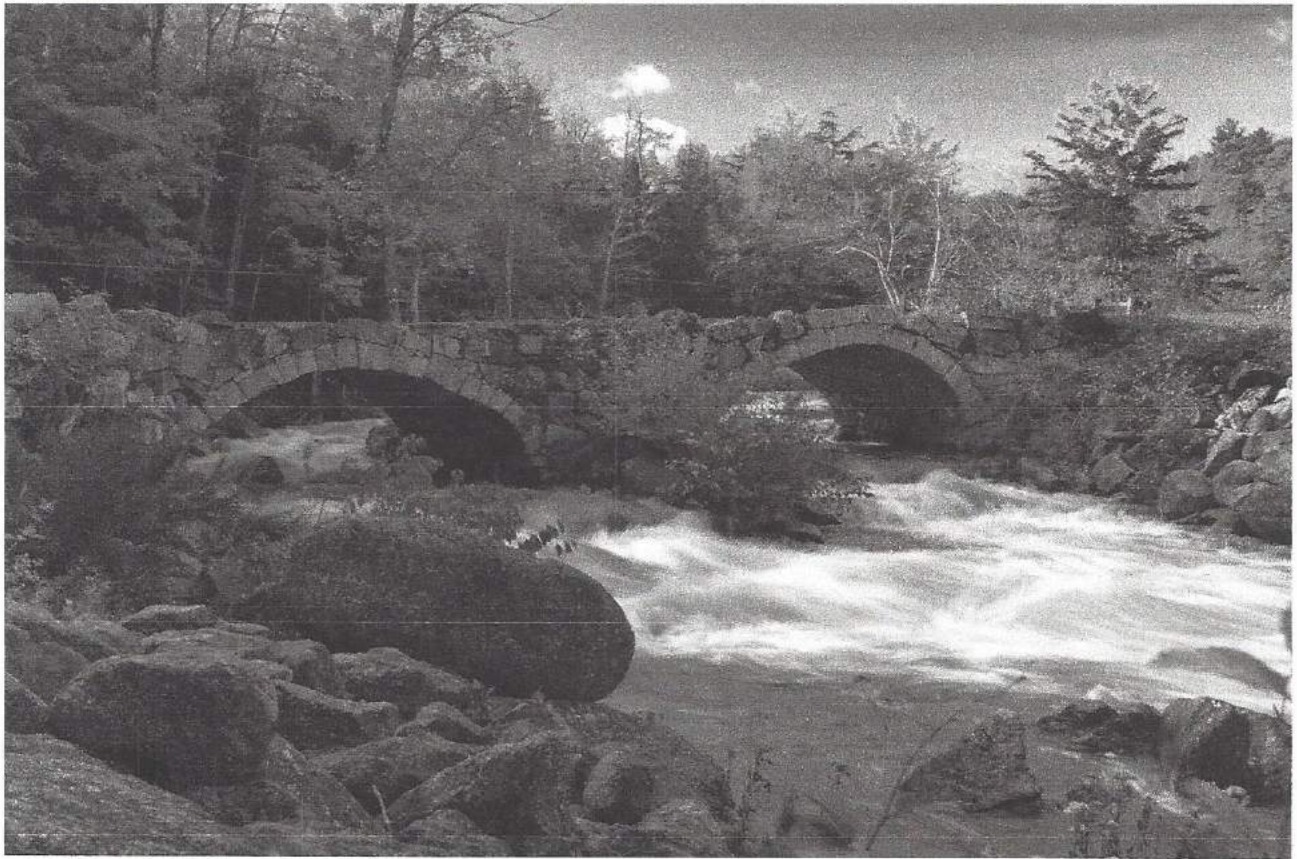
Ruth Ward, Stoddard Representative

**Representative to the General Court District #3**

Daniel A. Eaton – Term Expires 2020

Daniel.Eaton@leg.state.nh.us

# *Town of Stoddard*



## *Boards & Departments*

# Board of Selectmen Report

This has been a unique year for the Town of Stoddard with some major challenges and some great opportunities on the horizon. We are looking forward to the coming months and a return to what may perhaps be a “new” normal. Toward that end, the Selectmen have taken recommendations from the Governor’s Office to limit social and business gatherings, protect our workers and protect our community during this difficult time. Although the changes in operations have been difficult at times, Town Staff and Volunteers are to be commended for their continued diligence and cooperation.

As this pandemic began its march toward Stoddard, we welcomed Michelle Pong as our new Town Administrator. It was a careful and exhaustive search for Jim Coffey’s replacement, and we believe that Michelle brings the experience and positivity that will continue to meet or exceed our expectations for excellence in administrative duties, customer service and new initiatives that will move the town forward. She has been grappling with a unique set of circumstances, however she is excited for the chance to meet more members of our community and focus on long term, as well as short term goals and planning.

A major goal this coming year will be the completion of repairs to the culvert on King’s Highway. We have outlined a number of grant opportunities that may help defray costs, however funding for this project is paramount and completion is expected by the end of the year.

Another priority for the future is to improve access to broadband service in the Town of Stoddard. Never has the need for faster internet and communication service been more apparent than during this time when families are asked to work and learn from home. We will continue to move forward toward solutions that are reliable and economical for our small, but very deserving community.

We have high hopes that our local elections and Town Meeting can take place as planned, however adjustments will be made if needed, in order to protect your health and the health of our staff and volunteers. Please keep abreast of changes on the town website at [www.stoddardnh.org](http://www.stoddardnh.org). Your Selectmen are keeping close watch on recommendations from state health experts and the Governors office. We will continue to act in the best interest of our residents.

The Selectmen thank you for the opportunity to serve this community and for the undying efforts of our essential workers.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Madden, Chair

Charles Fosberry

Bob Fee



## *PLANNING BOARD REPORT*

The Stoddard Planning Board is working on the Master Plan along with our regular responsibilities of lot line adjustments, voluntary mergers and subdivisions. We continue to stay involved with various boards and committees throughout the Town and State as a way to keep informed with what other towns are doing and how we can benefit from the success or failures others have experienced. Our secretary Vickie maintains our website and is working on organizing a master list of all our files created by the Planning Board.

This past year we said good bye to long standing Planning Board member Dian Mathews and wish to thank her for all her hard work and dedication.

As NH continues to follow Gov. Sununu's emergency order during the pandemic we along with many others have found new ways to communicate by holding our meetings via zoom. As we move forward we will do our best to serve the citizens of Stoddard.

Respectfully submitted

Jane McOsker -Chair-Term Expires 2021

Paul Crosby - Vice Chair- Term Expires 2022

Vickie Williams - Term Expires 2020

George Davenport - Term Expires 2021

Christopher Madden - Selectmen's Representative

Harry Powers- Alternate- Term Expires 2021

## STODDARD TOWN CLERK'S REPORT - 2019

Several changes have taken place over the past year in the Town Clerk's Office. Linda Clark, the previous Town Clerk of many years, retired. Linda's years of service to Stoddard are very much appreciated and we wish her much happiness in her retirement.

I, Karen Bell, was elected as the new Town Clerk in May of 2019. I had served as Deputy Town Clerk for several years. Immediately following my election into office, Patricia Marotta, was hired as the new Assistant Town Clerk and Deborah McGerty, was appointed Deputy Town Clerk. We have spent the last year becoming acclimated to our new positions. We have been busy sorting through files and re-organizing the office to best suit our needs and those of the community. We have all attended trainings on Elections and Vital Statistics. I attended the New Hampshire City & Town Clerk's Association (NHCTCA) annual conference in the Fall of 2019 which was a great opportunity to network with other city and town clerks and LEARN! Town clerks have a very diverse set of responsibilities; State laws and regulations are ever-changing and this conference is a great resource for staying up-to-date with the newest information.

A new town clerk computer program called Clerkworks, was implemented last year. We continue to use this program daily. This program has been very instrumental in helping to maintain accurate records and producing easily-generated reports for the Treasurer. Additionally, the office now accepts car registration and dog license renewals on line using a program called "E-Reg". Overall, this program has been very useful and we are glad to be able to offer this convenience to Stoddard residents.

This year, the Town Clerk's position will be combined with Tax Collector. This means that there will be a transition period where the office will have to be reorganized to meet the needs of both jobs. The goal is to try to manage this transition with as little disruption as possible. Patience and understanding throughout this process will be very much appreciated.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you.

Sincerely,

Karen C. Bell  
Town Clerk

**STODDARD COMPLIANCE OFFICER REPORT**  
**May 29, 2020**

Each year I'm amazed with the Building Permit activity that happens in Stoddard. Replacement buildings, new septic, new wells, new homes, sheds, garages, barns, dormers, solar panels, etc. All need Building Permits.

In 2019 there were 60 Building Permits issued along with some letters on various violations that have been satisfied.

So far in 2020, 20 permits have been issued and at this writing there are two more to go to the Selectmen along with a ZBA permit before them and several more on my desk waiting for various approvals.

Junk and junky yards; since 1965 all municipalities have had the responsibility to license junkyards at the local level. RSA 236 111 thru 129 applies statewide whether or not there is a local zoning ordinance, the state ordinances apply. An area exposed to public view; items qualified as junk by state law and encompassing 500 sq ft triggers the licensing obligation.

If you are not sure if a Building Permit is needed, call me at 446 7778 or email me at [hpowersco@lakefrontnh.com](mailto:hpowersco@lakefrontnh.com) . If you build without a permit and it is a zoning violation, a \$275 per day fine can be imposed. I receive a dozen or more emails or phone calls per week and I will always strive to return your call or email within 24 hrs with an answer to your question.

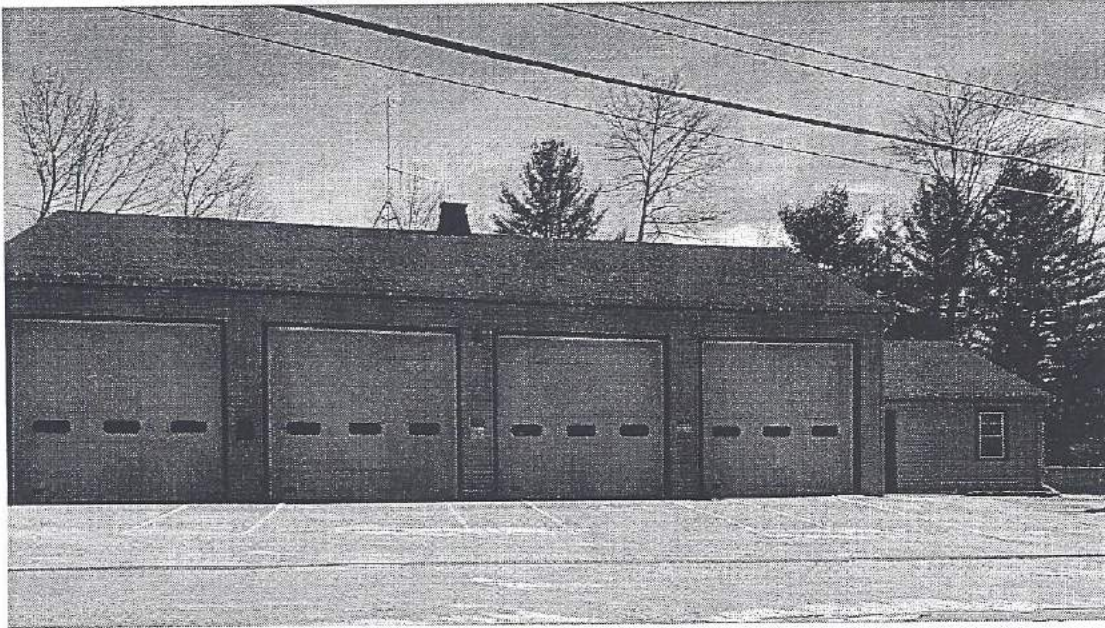
I wish everyone a pleasant summer and a healthy 2020.

Harry R. Power, SCO

## 2020 Stoddard Police Statistics

911 Hang Up	20	Juvenile Offense	1
Animal Complaints	26	Suspicious Incident	17
Assist Motorist	25	Theft	1
Assaults	1	Traffic Accidents	28
Assist Agency	12	Traffic Stops	422
Assist Fire/Rescue	52	Paper Service	25
Burglary Alarm	15	Road Hazard	16
Burglary	1	Other/Misc.	107
Civil Standby	7		
Criminal Mischief	1	<hr/>	
Criminal Threatening	2	Total	810
Criminal Trespassing	2		
Check Welfare	8		
Disturbance	6		
Domestic Violence	3		
DUI	1		
Drug Offenses	1		
Fraud	0		
Follow Ups	10		

## ***STODDARD FIRE & RESCUE ANNUAL REPORT***



The Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department responded to 144 calls for the period beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019. Of these calls, there were 70 Fire/Service calls and 74 medical/EMS calls. Included in this total were 14 motor vehicle accidents, 2 watercraft rescues and 35 fire/electrical calls. We continue to be very appreciative for the mutual aid given from neighboring departments when needed. In return, Stoddard Fire & Rescue also responded to a few mutual aid calls to surrounding departments.

This past year we welcomed Firefighter Owen Huber and Firefighter Brandi Hayes to our department. Liam Edson and Kendra Melamed have completed their EMT certification this year and we applaud their hard work and dedication. Brandi Hayes is in the process of obtaining her EMT Certification. Our in-house training continues with great participation and success. Our EMS Staff has continued their medical education and training. Currently, we have on staff, two paramedics, six EMT's and one EMR. Firefighters have continued their training alone and with the medical personnel.

The Knox Box system continues to be a success and is appreciated by our residents. This system is invaluable in protecting those who need it most. (Residents who have had a Knox Box installed need not worry that the Fire and Rescue Department might not have access to them in case of an emergency). With this system, the Fire Department can gain access to the home and resident by opening a strong box containing a key to the building. These boxes are extremely

secure and are popular with private residences and commercial establishments alike. Initiated by Chief McGerty, with this program, residents can request a Knox Box which will be installed by the Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department with the resident paying only a one-time fee of \$75.00. The balance of the total cost of the box is paid by Stoddard.

We extend many thanks to the residents of Stoddard for your support. It is with your help that the Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department has been able to improve our ability to respond to calls with the best possible equipment for our residents. Our new boat has already proved to be an asset to the department as well as the Automatic CPR Machine. Remodeling on the outside of the Fire Station has been completed.

Lastly, we would like to remind all residents that in case of emergency, please dial 9-1-1 for the quickest response. While calling friends or relatives may be your first instinct, it delays getting you the help you might need. If you are unsure of whether your situation is an emergency, go ahead and call 9-1-1. The 9-1-1 operator can determine if you need emergency assistance and can route the proper agency to your location. Please be sure that your house number is clearly visible from the street to avoid any delays. Posting your 9-1-1 address at the driveway entrance and on your home will alleviate any confusion as to whether emergency responders have the correct location. Try using something reflective or illuminated so that it can be seen in the evening as well as during the day.

On behalf of the officers and employees of the Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department, we would like to thank you for all that you have done for us. We thank the residents, Mike Hayes, the Monadnock Boat Store, Mr. Mike's, Mirle Cross and the Stoddard Selectmen. A special thanks to the Mill Village Store for always being there to help the Fire Department with any of our needs. All of you have been extremely generous with your support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chief Stephen J. McGerty

## 2019 FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

First I would like to thank everyone for a safe year last year with camp fires, cooking fires and brush piles.

Last year the Stoddard Fire Department issued a total of 139 burn permits, compared to the 148 the department issued the year prior. There was one reported illegal burn last year that resulted in the Forest Ranger handing out a fine. Please remember that you are required to have a burn permit for any open fire and, with the exception of a cooking grill, you need to have minimum 25 feet between the fire and any structure. Last year The Town Of Stoddard had a small grass fire due to wires being down. Thus far it is unclear for the fire season due to minimal snow fall the leaf litter is drying up faster than usual and fuels are following suit. This could make for a high fire season and minimal burning. Of course New Hampshire Forest And Lands pays close attention to this and I will keep the residents of Stoddard well informed on any changes that come about this year.

Be on the looking for signs and brochures around town giving the community more information about how to prevent forest fires and acquiring a burn permit. There will be yellow signs, as well as informative brochures at the Town Hall, Town Offices and The Mill Village Store.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call myself or one of the deputies and we would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

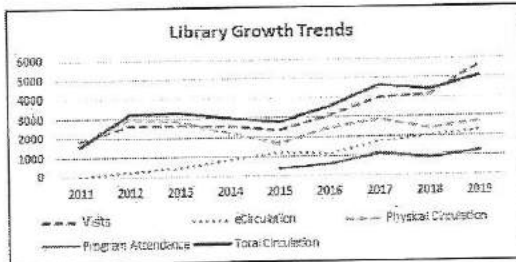
On behalf of myself, the Deputy Wardens and the fire department, have a safe and wonderful summer!

Respectfully submitted,

Randy A. Weaver  
Forest Fire Warden

## DAVIS PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

As many of you have noticed, the Davis Public Library bid farewell to our Library Director of the past 5 years, Lauren Rettig. Lauren had certainly provided the enthusiasm and knowledge to make our library an integral part of the community. We wished her well as she embarked on a full-time library position in Maine. In May of 2019, we welcomed Ingrid (Inga) Cullen as our new Library Director. She has a Master's Degree in Library Science with a focus in Small and Rural Libraries. Inga has enthusiastically and competently hit the ground running in assuming the Library Director role and is eager to meet the Stoddard community and further integrate the library into the life of the community.



Library activities and growth continued from July 2018 through June 2019. Patronage and circulation continued to increase, and multiple programs were offered and well attended such as the Winter Reading Challenge and the Summer Reading Programs. Other programs were Exploring the Rockies, Advanced

Care Directives, Yoga, Gardening for Wildlife, Meditation, and a Candidates Forum. A Lunch and Learn Program and Coffee Hour were introduced, and the library participated in the Town Trick or Treat for Halloween.

The library could not exist in its current form without the financial support of the Friends of the Davis Library. The "Friends" pay for passes to various museums and our subscription to the State Library Downloadable system. The Friends also contribute to increasing our print collection and to various programs.

Volunteers from the Stoddard community are critical to maintaining the library appearance and function. The Barrett Family donated the meditative Barrett Memorial at the back of the library in memory of their father John Barrett. David Lesser donated his labor to make the gravel path to the Memorial site. David also donated his labor landscaping the Children's Garden and the area around the library. The Stymest Family has donated multiple items to the library, the latest being the new flower window boxes. Leigh Fosberry has continued to coordinate the Davis Book Club. We are so grateful for so many volunteers who help in the library when they can.

For the fifth year we have collaborated with the Friends and the James Faulkner Elementary School for the Book Pal Program. This year for the first time all of us involved in the Program went to the Capitol Center for the Arts to see a play of the book we had read which was "Charlotte's Web." The Book Pal Program has continued to be a highlight of the year for the JFES students.



Please check out the library page on the Stoddard website ([stoddardnh.org](http://stoddardnh.org)) and come in to meet Inga when the library re-opens.

## Stoddard Cemetery Commission

### Annual Report

The Stoddard Cemetery Commission has had another busy year.

We wish to thank our caretakers, "Bob" Curnutte and Mike Shawver for their hard work keeping our (5) five cemeteries well mowed and raked.

This is not an easy task.

We have a new worker: Brian Sawyer, who has done an outstanding job cleaning the headstones in the New Town Cemetery – removing 100 years of old dirt, grime and stains to expose the beautiful stone art and writings. Brian should complete this task in the fall of 2020.

Thanks, again, to Frank Stuckey and his tree crew for their outstanding removal of (14) fourteen oak trees from the north wall of the New Town Cemetery. This also eliminated the acorn problem. The Stuckey crew also finished cleaning out the tree line in the Old Dow bordering on Center Pond Road and the multiple trees and brush in the center of the New Dow Cemetery.

We still don't have a permanent grave site preparation person.

The Stoddard Cemetery Commission and Stoddard Historical Society will be jointly hosting The New Hampshire Old Graveyard Association on May 16, 2020 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM at the Stoddard Town Hall. This will include a walk through our cemeteries, a view of the nicely cleaned headstones in the New Town Cemetery and a talk by Alan Rumrill.

We take great pride in our cemeteries and of the people who care for them.

We appreciate any suggestion of constructive criticism.

Mary Lou Stymest, Chairman

Amy Rokoszak

Karen Bell

## ISLAND POND LAKE HOST PROGRAM, 2019

Under the auspices of the New Hampshire Lakes Association the three Stoddard lakes participate in the lake host program. The program is run by a combination of paid hosts and volunteers with the purpose of checking boats coming in and out of the lakes for invasive plants or animals. Both boater, and nonboater, awareness and education about the problem is also a goal of the program.

The 2019 Island Pond lake host program was managed by David Lesser. There is only one public access to our lake, the ramp/beach area on Route 123. Over the late spring/summer we covered weekends, holidays, and fishing derby days, using a paid lake host or volunteer. The number of inspected boats was 616, a decrease from last year. Most of the boats that enter Island Pond at the ramp are registered in New Hampshire and had Highland Lake or Island Pond as their previous boat launch. Since the Island Pond boat ramp is also popular with local swimmers/sun bathers we were able to share information about the Lake Host program with several hundred nonboaters.

We remained invasive plant free as of the end of the season. One Chinese Mystery snail was discovered at the boat ramp, but there were no more reported sightings of invasive animals.

Special thanks to our lake hosts: Anna Hubbard, Dan McCann, and Max Dorman. A big thanks also goes to the 8 local volunteers who assisted the program. Island Pond Association plays a key role in that their membership in the NH Lakes Association allows us to have a lake host program. We are also very appreciative of the financial support allotted to us by the Stoddard voters. Even though we are NH Lakes grant based, we do not get enough money this way to support our complete program. So thanks Stoddard residents—Island Pond can remain an invasive plant free, favorite boating and swimming spot for many in the area because of your financial assistance.

Island Pond is also very fortunate to have an active weed watcher program. These 12 participants, all volunteers, regularly inspect our lake for any signs of invasive plants or animals. The combination of a lake host and weed watching program has proven to be very effective statewide in keeping lakes free of invasive species. Thanks to all of these volunteers and their coordinator, Charlotte Lesser.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Lesser  
Island Pond lake host program coordinator

# *Town of Stoddard*



## *2019 Town Meeting Minutes*

*TOWN OF STODDARD, NH*  
*TOWN MEETING MINUTES*

*MAY 14, 2019*

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stoddard in the County of Cheshire in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Stoddard Town Hall, 1450 Route 123 North in said Stoddard on Tuesday, the Fourteenth (14th) day of May 2019, next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon (11:00 AM) to act upon the following articles:

**The Polls will be open from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM. For Articles 1 and 2.**

**Article 1:** To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2:** Shall the town vote to combine the offices of town clerk and tax collector to be combined into a single position of town clerk-tax collector, with a three year term, as provided for in RSA 41:45-a. **Majority Vote Required Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

[Explanation: If a majority of those persons voting on the question vote in favor of creating the combined office of town clerk-tax collector, at the next annual meeting, occurring after the vote of approval, the town shall choose by ballot one individual as town clerk-tax collector, and such individual shall serve for a term of one year, or a term of 3 years as the petition may set forth. The term of any individual then in office as town clerk or tax collector shall cease and the newly elected town clerk-tax collector shall take office

**FURTHER;** you are hereby notified to meet at the James Faulkner Elementary School, Lucy B. Hill Community Room, in said Stoddard on Tuesday, the Twenty-first (21st) day of May 2019, next at seven of the clock in the evening (7:00 PM) to act upon articles 3 through 30.

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$396,095, for general municipal operations. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Charles Fosberry; seconded by Robert Fee to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,950, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Planning Board. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by George Davenport; seconded by Angela Nicoletti to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,050, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Zoning Board of Adjustment. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Jason Kovarik; seconded by Angela Nicoletti to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$56,050, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Police Department. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by David Vaillancourt; seconded by Cameron Prior to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 7:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,785 for the second year's payment, of three, toward the lease purchase of a police cruiser approved at the 2018 Annual Town Meeting. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. [The town will own the cruiser upon completion of the third payment] **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by David Vaillancourt; seconded by Cameron Prior to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000, for providing ambulance service and other related services. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Donald Holland; seconded by Margo Santoro to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$104,750, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Stephen McGerty; seconded by Randy Weaver to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000 for the purchase an automatic standby power system for the Stoddard Fire Station. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Dean Huber; seconded by Brian Michaud to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 11:** To see if the town will vote to establish a Fire / Rescue Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of providing funding for the replacement and or addition of motor vehicles, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in this fund. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was by by Stephen McGerty; seconded by Trevor Anderson to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Emergency Management. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Daniel Eaton; seconded by Leigh Fosberry to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,200, for the Lay Monitoring, Lake Host Programs and water testing. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Geoffrey Jones; seconded by Jill Fish to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,706 for the operation of the Stoddard Conservation Commission. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by Geoffrey Jones; seconded by Jill Fish to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$253,700, for Winter and Summer maintenance, emergencies and planned repair of Town roads and bridges. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion was made by David Vaillancourt; seconded by Charles Fosberry to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$202,146, for all Recycling, Solid Waste and related expenses for the ensuing year for the Stoddard Transfer Station, use of the Washington Transfer Station by certain residents and for hazardous waste disposal services provided by the City of Keene. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Robert Fee; seconded by Charles Fosberry to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,562, for the operation of the Davis Public Library. [Per RSA 202-A:11, the funds raised and appropriated, other than payroll and utilities, shall be paid over to the Library Trustees pursuant to a payment schedule as agreed upon by the Library Trustees and the Selectmen. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Margo Santoro; seconded by Angel Nicoletti to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,725, for the operating budget of the cemeteries. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Karen Bell; seconded by Mary Lou Stymest to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800, to Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services to support the continuance of visiting nurse and home health services being provided to the residents of Stoddard. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Leigh Fosberry; seconded by Charlotte Lesser to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200, to Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services to support continuance of the Age In Motion program provided to the residents of Stoddard. *[Explanation: This program, for all area Seniors (60+), normally meets in the Town Hall on Tuesday and Thursday for a period of 20 weeks. The funds will cover the cost of a trained physical exercise leader and equipment.]* **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Jean Kelly; seconded by James Kelly to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,540, for Monadnock Family Services, a non-profit agency which provides quality mental health services to residents of Stoddard, which is requesting said amount to help underwrite the cost of services provided to residents. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Sally Ripley; seconded by Harry Power to accept article as written.

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700, for support of The Community Kitchen, Inc., located in Keene, New Hampshire. **Submitted by Petition Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Mary Lou Stymest; seconded by Patricia Marotta to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$470, for support of the New Hampshire Region of the American Red Cross. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Patricia Putnam; seconded by Brian Michaud to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$818, for Southwestern Community Services, a non-profit agency which provides fuel assistance, weatherization and other related services to residents of Stoddard, which is requesting said amount to help underwrite the cost of services provided to residents. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Jill Fish; seconded by Dawn Kovarik to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 25:** To request the Town of Stoddard to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000, to support Hundred Nights, Inc. located in Keene, New Hampshire for services provided to Stoddard residents. **Submitted by Petition Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Deborah McGerty; seconded by Steve Rockwell to accept article as written. After brief discussion, **Motion was passed.**

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000, to be placed in the Building Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2013. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Charles Fosberry; seconded by Robert Fee to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000, to be placed into the Bridge and Roadway Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Motion made by Robert Fee; seconded by Charles Fosberry to accept article as written. **Motion was passed.**

**Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the optional tax credit for combat service, as defined by RSA 72:28-c, in the amount of \$250. [This tax credit shall be in lieu of, and not in addition to the optional tax credit under RSA 72:28-b. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** Some discussion took place. Motion made by George Davenport; seconded by Jason Kovarik to accept article as written. After brief discussion, **Motion was passed.**

**Article 29:** To see if the Town will vote to encourage the Selectmen to explore ways to reduce the net costs of Stoddard's waste facility from tax revenue by implementing fees for certain types of solid waste directly to the user generating that waste. [This article is advisory only and intended to get a sense of the voters present at the Annual Meeting.] **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Motion made by Charles Fosberry; seconded by Robert Fee to accept article as written.  
**Article 29 failed.**

Discussion ensued: Robert Fee explained that the town is experiencing a high volume of solid waste, such as tires and demolition materials. He expressed that there is a need to ensure that town residents are the only customers using the transfer station. Residents asked for a definition of "solid waste". Several residents expressed opposition to charging fees, for various reasons, including Leigh Fosberry, George Davenport and Lisa Davenport. George Davenport suggested that Waste Management Company manage this situation, given the fact that our town is their customer. These residents were concerned that there would be more illegal dumping of this type of waste if fees are implemented.



**Article 30:** To see if the Town will vote to encourage the Stoddard Planning Board to study the feasibility of creating commercial and / or industrial areas along the Route 9 corridor and to include any proposed areas which may result from the study to to be part of the 2020 Town Meeting Warrant. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Motion made by Charles Fosberry; seconded by Robert Fee to accept article as written.  
**Article 30 failed.**

Discussion ensued: some residents questioned why the Selectman are recommending this. Robert Fee explained that this article was written to open up this topic for discussion. The majority of the residents who spoke were opposed to this article, stating that Stoddard should remain rural. Richard McFadden, resident who lives on Route 9, stated he would like to open an antique shop at his location. Margo Santoro told him that he could apply for a special exception with the town ZBA and open his shop.

Notes taken by: Linda E. Clark, Town Clerk, Previous

Compiled by: Karen C. Bell, Town Clerk, Current



U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs

December 23rd, 2019

Dear Veteran,

The White River Junction VA Medical Center is attempting to contact all Veterans in our catchment area of Vermont and New Hampshire who are not enrolled or are enrolled and no longer utilizing our services. If you currently receive our services, please pass this note on to a Veteran who may benefit.

We offer a wide variety of services including assistance to Veterans who are homeless or unemployed to providing primary and specialty care. We have a robust mental health department offering one-on-one counseling, peer support, group sessions, and more. There is a designated treatment area for our women Veterans at the Women's Comprehensive Care Clinic; a safe space.

The White River Junction VA Medical Center has seven community-based outpatient clinics. They are located in Bennington, Rutland, Brattleboro, Newport and Burlington, Vermont; in New Hampshire we offer services in Keene and Littleton. We are here to serve all Veterans, please do not hesitate to contact us, if for no other reason than to register/enroll with us in case of future need.

Our eligibility office in White River Junction can be reached at 802-295-9363 extension 5118. A single form - VA form 10-10EZ - and a copy of the DD214 is all that is needed.

The American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and the Veterans of Foreign Wars have full time service officers that are knowledgeable about our programs. These independent organizations serve all Veterans including nonmembers in processing disability and pension claims. They can be reached in White River Junction at:

American Legion	802-296-5166
Disabled American Veterans	802-296-5167
Veterans of Foreign Wars	802-296-5168

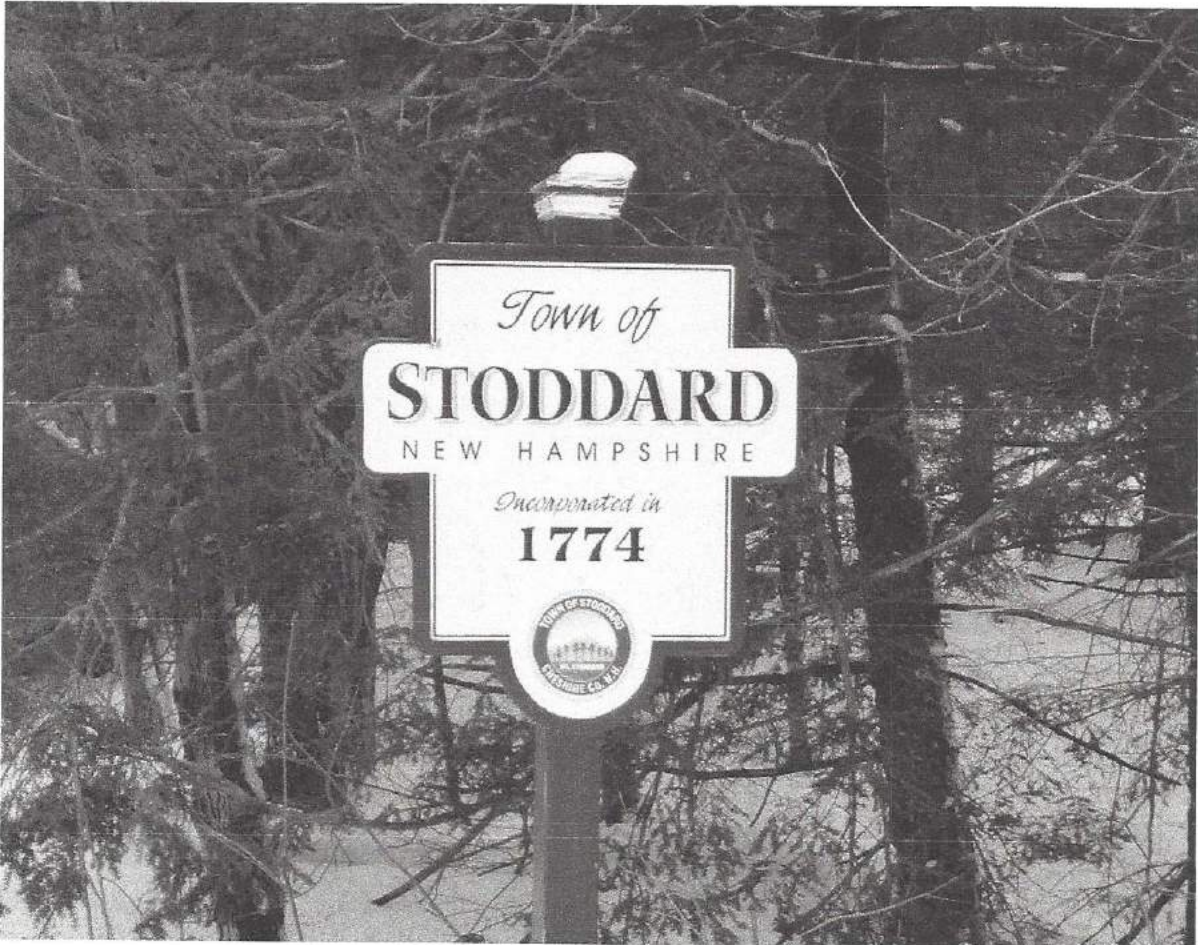
Thank you for your service to our nation. On behalf of the White River Junction VA Medical Center team, we look forward to serving you.

Respectfully;

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Becky Rhoads".

Becky Rhoads, Au.D.  
Associate Medical Center Director

# *Town of Stoddard*



## *Town Warrant & FY 2020-21 Budget*

**TOWN OF STODDARD, NH**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**2020**

***Polls open 11 AM – 7 PM on JUNE 9, 2020***

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stoddard in the County of Cheshire in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Stoddard Town Hall, 1450 Route 123 North in said Stoddard on Tuesday, the ninth (9<sup>th</sup>) day of June 2020 next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon (11:00 AM) to act upon the following article:

**Article 1:** To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

***BUSINESS MEETING***

***JUNE 16, 2020***

**FURTHER;** you are hereby notified to meet at the James Faulkner Elementary School, Lucy B. Hill Community Room, in said Stoddard on Tuesday, the sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) day of June 2020, next at seven of the clock in the evening (7:00 PM) to act upon articles 2 through 30.

**Article 2:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$262,000 (gross budget) for the design, construction, replacement, and installation of a culvert to be located on King's Highway in the Town (the "Project"); to authorize \$150,000 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Ch. 33); to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the date, maturities, interest rate, and other details of such bonds or notes; to raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$35,000 to pay debt service of such bonds or notes in the 2020-2021 fiscal year; and to authorize the Select Board to apply for and accept any federal, state, or private funds that may become available in respect of the Project to reduce the amount that must be bonded or to pay debt service on such bonds or notes; and further to authorize the use of up to \$117,000 from the Town's undesignated fund balance and \$30,000 from the Bridges and Roads Expendable Trust Fund for the Project.

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. Two-thirds ballot vote required.**

**Article 3:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 (gross budget) for the purchase of a new Fire Vehicle and upgrade of an existing Fire Vehicle, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$125,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and raise and appropriate \$29,000 first year down payment on the vehicle with \$25,000 to come from the Fire/Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve fund and the remaining \$4,000 to come from general taxation. **Recommended by a majority of the Board of Selectmen. 2/3 ballot vote required.**

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425,763.00, for general municipal operations. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 5:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$261,300 for winter and summer maintenance, emergencies, and planned repairs of Town roads and bridges. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 6:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$208,769 for all recycling, solid waste and related expenses for the ensuing year for the Stoddard Transfer Station, use of the Washington Transfer Station by certain residents and for hazardous waste disposal services provided by the City of Keene. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 7:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$117,500 for the operating budget of the Stoddard & Rescue Department. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 8:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$67,475 for the operating budget of the Stoddard Police Department. **Recommended by Selectmen. Majority vote required.**

**Article 9:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$44,150 for the operation of the Davis Public Library. [Per RSA 202-A:11, the funds raised and appropriated, other than payroll and utilities, shall be paid over to the Library Trustees pursuant to a payment schedule as agreed upon by the Library Trustees and the Selectmen.] **Majority vote required.**

**Article 10:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$17,000 for the Lay Monitoring, Lake Host Programs and water testing. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 11:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$9,150 for the operating budget of the cemeteries. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 12:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$11,000 for providing ambulance services and other related services. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 13:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$8,450 for the operating budget of the Stoddard Zoning Board of Adjustments. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 14:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$7,350 for the operating budget of the Stoddard Planning Board. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 15:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$1,706 for the operating budget of the Conservation Commission. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 16:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended amount of \$1,800 for the operating budget of Emergency Management. **Majority vote required.**

**Article 17:** Shall the Town vote to appoint a Fire Chief, per RSA 154 yearly, based on secret ballot from current members of the Fire Department at Town Meeting; candidates for chief having been chosen by a committee composed of the Board of Selectmen, two members of the Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department, who shall be appointed to the selection committee by the Board of Selectmen, and the current Fire Chief? **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. Majority vote required.**

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Fire/Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve fund previously established. **Recommended by a majority of the Board of Selectmen. Majority vote required.**

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800, to Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services to support the continuance of visiting nurse and home health services being provided to the residents of Stoddard. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200, to Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services to support continuance of the Age In Motion program provided to the residents of Stoddard. [Explanation: This program, for all area Seniors (60+), normally meets in the Town Hall on Tuesday and Thursday for a period of 20 weeks. The funds will cover the cost of a trained physical exercise leader and equipment.] **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,540.00, for Monadnock Family Services, a non-profit agency which provides quality mental health services to residents of Stoddard, which is requesting said amount to help underwrite the cost of services provided to residents. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$550, for support of The Community Kitchen, Inc., located in Keene, New Hampshire. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000, for support of the New Hampshire Region of the American Red Cross. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$851, for support of Southwestern Community Services. [Explanation: A non-profit agency which facilitates fuel assistance, weatherization and other related services to residents of Stoddard.] **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 25:** To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000, for the support of Hundred Nights, Inc. located in Keene, New Hampshire for services provided to Stoddard residents. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000, to be placed in the Building Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2013. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000, to be placed into the Bridge and Roadway Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. **Majority vote required. Recommended by a majority of the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 28:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,785 for the third year's payment, of three, toward the lease purchase of a police cruiser approved at the 2018 Annual Town Meeting. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. [The town will own the cruiser upon completion of the third payment] **Majority vote required. This is a special article recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

**Article 29:** To see if the town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of police special details. All revenues received for police special details will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same for the purpose of special detail expenses only upon order of the Selectmen and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. Majority vote required.**

**Article 30:** To see if the Town of Stoddard will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the purpose of funding the Police Detail Revolving Fund created by Article #31 of the 2020 Annual Town Meeting, or take any action thereon. **Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

# PROPOSED FY 2020-21 BUDGET



**New Hampshire**  
Department of  
Revenue Administration

**2020  
MS-636**

## Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 6/30/2019	Appropriations for period ending 6/30/2020	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 6/30/2021	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
<b>General Government</b>						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	04	\$104,669	\$125,355	\$172,308	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	04	\$56,867	\$59,296	\$12,343	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	04	\$44,788	\$34,943	\$34,943	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	04	\$59,542	\$39,100	\$39,100	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	04	\$25,479	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	04	\$23,808	\$28,053	\$28,053	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	13,14	\$8,475	\$15,800	\$15,800	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	04	\$47,129	\$64,988	\$72,488	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	11	\$9,841	\$9,150	\$9,150	\$0
4196	Insurance	04	\$12,781	\$13,549	\$13,549	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	04	\$2,883	\$3,083	\$3,083	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$22,544	\$0	\$0
<b>General Government Subtotal</b>			<b>\$396,262</b>	<b>\$431,861</b>	<b>\$416,817</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Public Safety</b>						
4210-4214	Police	08	\$39,466	\$56,050	\$67,475	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	12	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	07	\$72,885	\$104,750	\$117,500	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	16	\$1,029	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)	04	\$21,930	\$0	\$23,220	\$0
<b>Public Safety Subtotal</b>			<b>\$146,310</b>	<b>\$173,600</b>	<b>\$220,995</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Airport/Aviation Center</b>						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Highways and Streets</b>						
4311	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	05	\$170,941	\$253,700	\$261,300	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting		\$2,390	\$2,900	\$0	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Highways and Streets Subtotal</b>			<b>\$173,331</b>	<b>\$256,600</b>	<b>\$261,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>





Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for	Appropriations	Proposed Appropriations for period		
			period ending	for period ending	ending 6/30/2021		
			6/30/2019	6/30/2020	(Recommended) (Not Recommended)		
<b>Sanitation</b>							
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	06	\$180,864	\$202,146	\$208,769	\$0	
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Sanitation Subtotal</b>			<b>\$180,864</b>	<b>\$202,146</b>	<b>\$208,769</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Water Distribution and Treatment</b>							
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Electric</b>							
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Electric Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Health</b>							
4411	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	04	\$9,411	\$8,378	\$2,400	\$0	
<b>Health Subtotal</b>			<b>\$9,411</b>	<b>\$8,378</b>	<b>\$2,400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Welfare</b>							
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	04	\$942	\$6,325	\$7,575	\$0	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Welfare Subtotal</b>			<b>\$942</b>	<b>\$6,325</b>	<b>\$7,575</b>	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Culture and Recreation</b>							
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	04	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$0	
4550-4559	Library	09	\$36,334	\$39,562	\$44,150	\$0	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	04	\$572	\$400	\$600	\$0	
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Culture and Recreation Subtotal</b>			<b>\$36,906</b>	<b>\$40,062</b>	<b>\$44,850</b>	<b>\$0</b>	



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for	Appropriations	Proposed Appropriations for period	
			period ending	for period ending	ending 6/30/2021	
			6/30/2019	6/30/2020	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
<b>Conservation and Development</b>						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	10,15	\$15,456	\$15,906	\$18,706	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Conservation and Development Subtotal</b>			<b>\$15,456</b>	<b>\$15,906</b>	<b>\$18,706</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Debt Service</b>						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	04	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Debt Service Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1</b>	<b>\$1</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Capital Outlay</b>						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$66,779	\$14,785	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$11,000	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Capital Outlay Subtotal</b>			<b>\$66,779</b>	<b>\$25,785</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Operating Transfers Out</b>						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Operating Transfers Out Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Operating Budget Appropriations</b>					<b>\$1,181,413</b>	<b>\$0</b>



**Special Warrant Articles**

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 6/30/2021	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4299	Other (Including Communications)	30	\$1,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Police Detail Revolving Fund</i>			
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	02	\$35,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: King's Highway Culvert</i>			
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	03	\$29,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Purchase of new Fire Vehicle</i>			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	03	\$125,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Purchase of new Fire Vehicle</i>			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	28	\$14,785	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Cruiser PMT 3</i>			
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	02	\$262,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: King's Highway Culvert</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	18	\$25,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	26	\$10,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Building CRF</i>			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	27	\$5,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Roads and Bridges CRF</i>			
<b>Total Proposed Special Articles</b>			<b>\$506,785</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Individual Warrant Articles**

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 6/30/2021	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	24	\$851	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Southwestern Community Services</i>			
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	25	\$1,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: 100 Hundred Nights Shelter</i>			
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	23	\$1,000	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Red Cross</i>			
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	19	\$800	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Home Healthcare</i>			
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	22	\$550	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Community Kitchen</i>			
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	21	\$1,540	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Monadnock Family Services</i>			
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	20	\$1,200	\$0
	<i>Purpose: Age in Motion</i>			
<b>Total Proposed Individual Articles</b>			<b>\$6,941</b>	<b>\$0</b>



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 6/30/2019	Estimated Revenues for period ending 6/30/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 6/30/2021
<b>Taxes</b>					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	04	\$5,309	\$6,000	\$3,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	04	\$33,375	\$25,500	\$6,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Taxes Subtotal</b>			<b>\$38,684</b>	<b>\$31,500</b>	<b>\$9,500</b>
<b>Licenses, Permits, and Fees</b>					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	04	\$277,293	\$255,623	\$200,000
3230	Building Permits	04	\$8,825	\$7,000	\$7,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	04	\$13,041	\$8,577	\$9,865
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal</b>			<b>\$299,159</b>	<b>\$271,200</b>	<b>\$216,865</b>
<b>State Sources</b>					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	04	\$64,921	\$64,921	\$65,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	04	\$36,917	\$38,973	\$37,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	04	\$477	\$500	\$350
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	02	\$0	\$0	\$17,000
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>State Sources Subtotal</b>			<b>\$102,315</b>	<b>\$102,394</b>	<b>\$119,350</b>
<b>Charges for Services</b>					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	04	\$3,902	\$1,750	\$2,500
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Charges for Services Subtotal</b>			<b>\$3,902</b>	<b>\$1,750</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$90,341	\$100,000	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	04	\$3,987	\$4,500	\$12,000
3503-3509	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal</b>			<b>\$94,328</b>	<b>\$104,500</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>



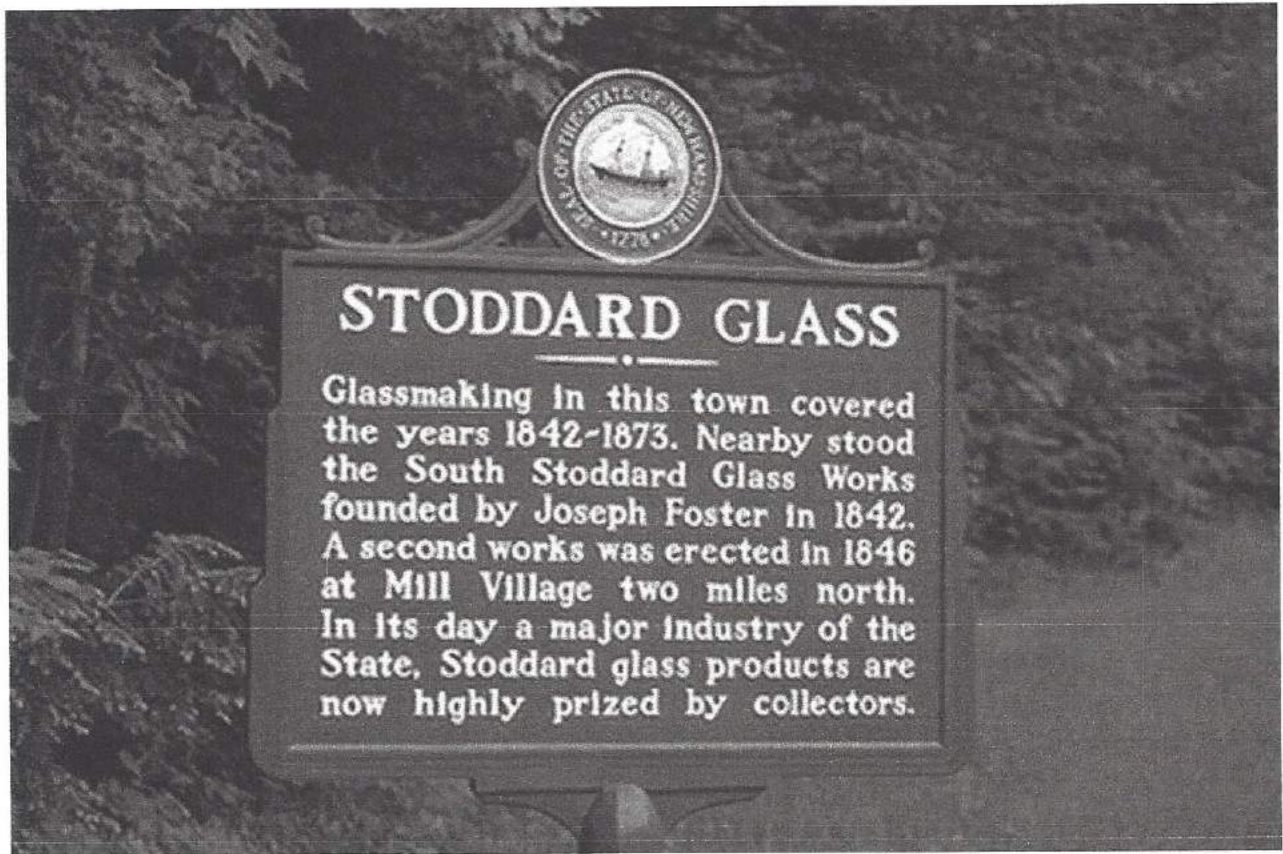
Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 6/30/2019	Estimated Revenues for period ending 6/30/2020	Estimated Revenues for period ending 6/30/2021
<b>Interfund Operating Transfers In</b>					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	03	\$0	\$0	\$25,000
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	02	\$925	\$0	\$30,000
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal</b>			<b>\$925</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$55,000</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	02, 03	\$0	\$0	\$275,000
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	02	\$0	\$0	\$100,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Other Financing Sources Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$375,000</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues and Credits</b>			<b>\$539,313</b>	<b>\$511,344</b>	<b>\$790,215</b>

Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 6/30/2021
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$1,181,413
Special Warrant Articles	\$506,785
Individual Warrant Articles	\$6,941
Total Appropriations	\$1,695,139
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$790,215
<b>Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised</b>	<b>\$904,924</b>

# *Town of Stoddard*



## *Financial Records*

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Stoddard, New Hampshire

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Stoddard, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Town's 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the 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 the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our (1) adverse audit opinion on the governmental activities, and (2) unmodified audit opinions on the major fund and aggregate remaining fund information.

#### **Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities**

Management has not included any of the Town's capital assets acquired, nor the accumulated depreciation and depreciation expense related to those assets in the governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those capital assets be capitalized and depreciated, which would increase the assets, net position, and expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, net position, and expenses of the governmental activities has not been determined.

#### **Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities**

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of Stoddard, New Hampshire, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Opinion on Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Stoddard, New Hampshire, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



## Other Matters

### *Required Supplementary Information*

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

*Melanson Heath*

April 13, 2020

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Stoddard, New Hampshire (the Town), we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Stoddard, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

### A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to basic financial statements. The basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-wide financial statements.** The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all assets, liabilities, and deferred outflows/inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

The government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, health and human service, welfare, culture and recreation, and conservation.

**Fund financial statements.** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

**Fiduciary funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs.

**Notes to financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$684,874 (i.e., net position), a change of \$42,970 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$640,063, a change of \$121,194 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$244,486, a change of \$80,541 in comparison to the prior year.

### C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current fiscal year.

	<u>NET POSITION</u>	
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 2,152,607	\$ 2,116,972
Total assets	2,152,607	2,116,972
Current liabilities	145,368	48,604
Total liabilities	145,368	48,604
Deferred inflows of resources	1,322,365	1,426,464
Restricted	97,083	90,394
Unrestricted	587,791	551,510
Total net position	\$ 684,874	\$ 641,904

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent year, total net position was \$684,874, a change of \$42,970 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position, \$587,791, represents resources that may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. The remaining balance of restricted net position, \$97,083, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

	<u>CHANGES IN NET POSITION</u>	
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 26,823	\$ 23,598
Operating grants and contributions	486.00	5,590
General revenues:		
Property taxes	622,113	698,179
Motor vehicle taxes	277,293	262,232
Penalties and interest on taxes	33,375	30,718
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	102,315	133,005
Investment income	6,296	6,267
Miscellaneous revenue	21,613	3,119
Total revenues	1,090,314	1,162,708

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Expenses:		
General government	428,351	388,056
Public safety	199,250	141,450
Highway and streets	173,331	221,813
Sanitation	180,864	196,653
Health and human services	9,411	8,425
Welfare	942	2,700
Culture and recreation	39,739	36,768
Conservation	15,456	16,960
Total expenses	<u>1,047,344</u>	<u>1,012,825</u>
Change in net position	42,970	149,883
Net position - beginning of year	<u>641,904</u>	<u>492,021</u>
Net position - end of year	<u>\$ 684,874</u>	<u>\$ 641,904</u>

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$42,970. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operating results, as discussed further in Section D	\$ 115,430
Other governmental funds operations	5,764
Change in long-term liabilities	(27,677)
Other	<u>(50,547)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 42,970</u>

**D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF FUNDS**

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$640,063, a change of \$121,194 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operating results	\$	115,430
Non-major funds operating results		<u>5,764</u>
Total	\$	<u>121,194</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$244,486, while total fund balance was \$543,905. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below:

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>6/30/19</u>	<u>6/30/18</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>% of Total General Fund Expenditures</u>
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 244,486	\$ 163,945	\$ 80,541	23.3%
Total fund balance	\$ 543,905	\$ 428,475	\$ 115,430	51.9%

The fund balance of the general fund changed by \$115,430 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Use of fund balance as a funding source	\$	(32,000)
Revenues in excess of budget		21,735
Expenditures less than budget		111,257
Expenditures of current year encumbrance over prior year encumbrance		77,292
Change in capital reserves		(36,974)
Other		<u>(25,880)</u>
Total	\$	<u>115,430</u>

Included in the total general fund balance are the Town's capital reserve account(s) with the following balance(s):

	<u>6/30/19</u>	<u>6/30/18</u>	<u>Change</u>
Capital Reserve	\$ <u>132,263</u>	\$ <u>169,237</u>	\$ <u>(36,974)</u>
Total	\$ <u>132,263</u>	\$ <u>169,237</u>	\$ <u>(36,974)</u>

#### E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

There were no differences between the original budget and final amended budget.

## **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Stoddard's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of Town Administrator  
Town of Stoddard  
1450 Route 123 North  
Stoddard, New Hampshire 03464



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Department of  
Revenue  
Administration

**2019**  
**\$15.10**

## Tax Rate Breakdown Stoddard

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$678,397	\$292,884,310	<b>\$2.32</b>
County	\$1,042,153	\$292,884,310	<b>\$3.56</b>
Local Education	\$2,141,375	\$292,884,310	<b>\$7.31</b>
State Education	\$544,314	\$284,342,810	<b>\$1.91</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,406,239</b>		<b>\$15.10</b>

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Aten Road Village	\$19,537	\$8,174,470	<b>\$2.39</b>
Granite Lake Village	\$13,392	\$39,387,400	<b>\$0.34</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32,929</b>		<b>\$2.73</b>

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$4,406,239
War Service Credits	(\$16,350)
Village District Tax Effort	\$32,929
<b>Total Property Tax Commitment</b>	<b>\$4,422,818</b>

James P. Gerry  
Director of Municipal and Property Division  
New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

11/21/2019



## Appropriations and Revenues

### Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$1,205,047	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$416,608)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		\$0
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$150,000)
War Service Credits	\$16,350	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$23,608	
<b>Net Required Local Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$678,397</b>	

### County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$1,042,153	
<b>Net Required County Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$1,042,153</b>	

### Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$2,825,205	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Education Grant		(\$139,516)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$544,314)
<b>Net Required Local Education Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$2,141,375</b>	
State Education Tax	\$544,314	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
<b>Net Required State Education Tax Effort</b>	<b>\$544,314</b>	

## Valuation

### Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$292,884,310	\$257,620,930
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$284,342,810	\$252,529,430
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$292,884,310	\$257,620,930

### Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
Aten Road Village	\$8,174,470
Granite Lake Village	\$39,387,400

## Stoddard

### Tax Commitment Verification

#### 2019 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$4,422,818
1/2% Amount	\$22,114
Acceptable High	\$4,444,932
Acceptable Low	\$4,400,704

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

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

**Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2019 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.**

**Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:**

**Date:**

### Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

#### Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

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

Stoddard	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2019 Tax Rate	\$15.10	\$7.55
Associated Villages		
Aten Road Village	\$2.39	\$1.20
Granite Lake Village	\$0.34	\$0.17

# ***FINANCIAL REPORT***

*July 1, 2018 to June 30 2019*

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Beginning Year</b>	<b>End Year</b>
Cash and Equivalents	\$1,662,864.00	\$1,772,218.00
Tax Liens Receivable	\$76,752.00	\$73,947.00
Accounts Receivable	\$0.00	\$0.00
Due From Other Funds	\$12,950.00	\$49,106.00
Other Current Assets	\$51,858.00	\$36,429.00
Tax Deeded Property (subject to resale)	\$28,631.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$1,833,055.00</b>	<b>\$1,931,700.00</b>

<b>Liabilities</b>		
Warrants and Accounts Payable	\$12,318.00	\$5,289.00
Due to Other Funds	\$1,614.00	\$636.00
Deferred Revenue	\$1,413,012.00	\$1,301,534.00
Other Payables	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$1,426,944.00</b>	<b>\$1,307,459.00</b>

<b>Fund Balances</b>		
Non-spendable Fund Balance	\$41,858.00	\$73,921.00
Restricted		\$58,666.00
Committed		\$132,263.00
Assigned Fund Balance	\$53,435.00	\$130,727.00
Unassigned Fund Balance	\$310,818.00	\$244,486.00
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>\$406,111.00</b>	<b>\$640,063.00</b>

*SUMMARY INVENTORY OF TOWN VALUATION/MS-1*

<b>Land</b>	<b>Number of Acres</b>	<b>Assessed Value</b>
Current Use	25,724.16	\$924,410
Residential	4,282.99	\$123,793,840
Commercial/Industrial	10.48	\$640,000
<b>Total Taxable Land</b>	<b>30,017.63</b>	<b>\$125,38,250</b>
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	852.28	\$1,845,590
<b>Buildings</b>		
Residential		\$155,710,040
Manufactured Housing		\$1,172,390
Commercial/Industrial		\$2,595,630
<b>Total Taxable Buildings</b>		<b>\$159,478,060</b>
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$2,249,080
<b>Utilities</b>		<b>\$8,541,500*</b>
<b>*Valuation Before Exemptions</b>		<b>\$293,377,810</b>
Total Exemptions Allowed		(\$493,500)
<b>Net Valuation on which Tax Rate for Municipal, Count &amp; Local Tax is Computed</b>		<b>\$292,884,310</b>
Less Utilities		(\$8,541,500)
<b>Net Valuation Without Utilities on which Tax Rate for State Education Tax is Computed</b>		<b>\$284,342,810</b>

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year 07/01/2018 – 06/30/2019

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>\$1,671,476.57</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	
Town Clerk to Treasurer	\$290,339.24
Tax Collector to Treasurer	\$4,067,071.84
Selectmen's Office Receipts	\$33,160.91
Tax Sale	\$85,000.00
Rooms & Meals Tax	\$64,921.31
Highway Grant	\$36,917.01
Trustees of Trust Funds	\$13,965.00
Adjustment	\$10,627.80
Interest Earned	\$19,735.30
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>\$4,621,738.41</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Accounts Payable Expended	\$4,321,189.86
Payroll Expended	\$206,312.46
Move to Conservation Commission Account	\$9,314.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$4,536,816.32</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$1,756,398.66</b>
<b>MONEY MARKET FUND</b>	
<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>\$5,991.85</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	
Balance left FY 2018 Appropriation	\$1,614.00
Land Use Change Fees	\$7,700.00
Interest Earned	\$113.32
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$9,427.32</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>\$15,419.17</b>

## STODDARD TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS OVERVIEW

February 13, 2020

### TOWN OF STODDARD BRIDGES & ROADWAYS CRF

January 20, 2020 – Deposited - Town appropriated \$20,000

CURRENT BALANCE: \$61,024.05

### TOWN OF STODDARD BUILDING CRF

January 20, 2020 – Deposit – Town appropriated \$20,000

September 23, 2019 – Town requested reimbursement of \$48,261.09  
(Previous balance was \$ 87,397.69)

September 24, 2018 I cashed in CD for the amount of \$12,795.46 but inadvertently deposited into “School” building fund instead of this “Town” building fund. This was corrected and these funds were deposited into this account on July 31, 2019.

CURRENT BALANCE: \$46,456.75

### GRANITE LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT CRF

May, 16, 2019 – received check to be deposited for \$10,000 – deposited

December 31, 2019 – received check to be deposited for \$20,000 – deposited on January 16, 2020

January 30, 2020 – Annuity closed – deposit \$15,831.71 on February 4, 2020

CURRENT BALANCE: \$89,994.35

### STODDARD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUILDINGS & GROUNDS CRF

CURRENT BALANCE: \$73,551.53

### STODDARD SCHOOL DISTRICT EXTRAORDINARY TUITION FUND

CURRENT: \$77,640.16

### STODDARD ROCKS

CURRENT BALANCE: \$10,494.52

### ATEN ROAD VILLAGE DISTRICT CRF

August 14, 2019 – Request for \$3,000 – withdrawn August 18, 2019

CURRENT BALANCE: \$72.57

### STODDARD SCHOOL BUILDING DESIGN EXPANSION FUND

CURRENT BALANCE: \$27,481.86

### CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

Account opened June 18, 2019 – combining multiple separate perpetual care accounts in the amount of \$54,402.43 – deposited June 26, 2019.

CURRENT BALANCE: \$55,024.13

PARKS & RECREATION FUND

CURRENT BALANCE: \$11,510.08

STODDARD ROCKS SWEETWATER FUND

Deposit of \$53,589.11 on June 26, 2019

CURRENT BALANCE: \$54,201.52

FIRE RESCUE VEHICLE CRF

New account opened February 4, 2020 with deposit of \$25,000 appropriated by the Town

CURRENT BALANCE: \$25,000.00

TD BANK DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT aka CEMETARY FUND

CURRENT BALANCE: approx. \$676.00 - did not get current statement yet

BANKERS LIFE & CASUALTY ANNUITY

CLOSED ENTIRELY (See Granite Lake VD CRF Notes)

EMERSON MCCOURT FUND

CURRENT BALANCE OF CHARITABLE TRUST: \$58,335.27

CURRENT BALANCE OF DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT (Bank of Walpole): Will give this information via email

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT



**New Hampshire**  
Department of  
Revenue Administration

## MS-61

Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2018	Year: 2017	Year: 2016	
Property Taxes	3110		\$700,678.41	(\$4,645.38)	(\$7,167.54)	
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120					
Yield Taxes	3185			\$1,694.78		
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189			(\$1,694.78)	(\$1,471.97)	
Property Tax Credit Balance						
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies	
			2018	
Property Taxes	3110	\$2,062,286.62	\$2,006,381.28	
Resident Taxes	3180			
Land Use Change Taxes	3120			
Yield Taxes	3185	\$5,462.27		
Excavation Tax	3187			
Other Taxes	3189			

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
			2018	2017	2016
Property Taxes	3110				
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Penalties/Other Taxes	#3190		\$75.00		
Costs Before Lien	#3190			\$1,803.00	
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190		\$111,116.89	\$32.33	(\$261.72)
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
<b>Total Debits</b>		<b>\$2,067,748.89</b>	<b>\$2,818,251.58</b>	<b>(\$2,810.05)</b>	<b>(\$8,901.23)</b>





**New Hampshire**  
 Department of  
 Revenue Administration

**MS-61**

<b>Credits</b>				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2018	2017	2016
Property Taxes	\$1,302,200.01	\$2,674,929.05	(\$1,262.27)	(\$1,322.49)
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$5,308.64			
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)		\$48,426.86	\$1,128.33	(\$261.72)
Penalties		\$75.00		
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)				
Costs Not Liened			\$688.00	\$34.90
Discounts Allowed				
<b>Abatements Made</b>				
Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2018	2017	2016
Property Taxes		\$222.52		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes			\$19.00	
Current Levy Deeded		\$251.82		
<b>Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080</b>				
Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2018	2017	2016
Property Taxes	\$769,965.40	(\$5,401.85)	(\$3,383.11)	(\$5,845.05)
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$153.63		\$1,694.78	
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$251.82)	(\$1,694.78)	(\$1,471.97)
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance	(\$9,878.79)			
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$2,067,748.89</b>	<b>\$2,718,251.58</b>	<b>(\$2,810.05)</b>	<b>(\$8,866.33)</b>



**Lien Summary**

**Summary of Debits**

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2017	Year: 2016	Year: 2015..
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$47,313.65	\$59,868.39
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$41,636.26		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)			\$2,807.49	\$17,708.64
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$41,636.26</b>	<b>\$50,121.14</b>	<b>\$77,577.03</b>

**Summary of Credits**

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2017	2016	2015..
Redemptions			\$19,211.09	\$38,197.70
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190			\$2,807.49	\$17,747.75
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality			\$362.44	\$929.11
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110		\$41,636.26	\$27,740.12	\$20,702.47
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$41,636.26</b>	<b>\$50,121.14</b>	<b>\$77,577.03</b>

# ***SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY***

*As of December 30, 2019*

<b>Tax Map #</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Building Value</b>	<b>Land Value</b>	<b>Total Value</b>
104-11 & 404-02	Dodge Farm Road - Stoddard Rocks		\$28,560.00	\$28,560.00
105-09	Shedd Hill Road @ Marina		\$125,200.00	\$125,200.00
118-014	Bridge Hill Road	\$172,500.00	\$10,090.00	\$182,590.00
126-15	Old Fire Station		\$25,330.00	\$25,330.00
126-22	Route 123 Island Pond	\$491,171.00	\$132,260.00	\$623,431.00
126-23	Route 123 Fire Station	\$250.00	\$45,500.00	\$45,750.00
127-05	Route 123 Transfer Station		\$48,900.00	\$48,900.00
127-53	Route 123 Public Boat Launch		\$67,580.00	\$67,580.00
132-10	Old Antrim Road		\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
128-09	Route 123 Gould House	\$291,815.00	\$30,600.00	\$322,415.00
128-09.1	Town Hall Parking Lot		\$30,780.00	\$30,780.00
128-10	Route 123 Town Hall	\$413,956.00	\$31,800.00	\$445,756.00
129-04	Route 123 Gazebo	\$2,650.00	\$30,150.00	\$32,800.00
129-07	Mountain Stoddard Road		\$22,200.00	\$22,200.00
129-08	Route 123 Stoddard Memorial Garden		\$19,300.00	\$19,300.00
129-09	Route 123 1834 Lot		\$18,400.00	\$18,400.00
129-13	Route 123 Davis Public library	\$188,900.00	\$46,200.00	\$235,100.00
130-06	Old Forest Road Police Station	\$43,800.00	\$38,400.00	\$82,200.00
135-26	Route 123 Island Pond Beach		\$161,800.00	\$161,800.00
410-08	Route 123 Cahill Lot		\$32,160.00	\$32,160.00
125-15	Highland Lake @ Walker Road		\$64,000.00	\$64,000.00
102-99 to 102	East Shore Drive		\$20,180.00	\$20,180.00
131-25.1	Murdough Road		\$42,300.00	\$42,300.00
403-03	Highland Lake		\$10,370.00	\$10,370.00
418-010	Aten Road - Off		\$930.00	\$930.00
418-011	Aten Road - Off		\$820.00	\$820.00
	<b>Total</b>	\$1,605,042.00	\$1,086,310.00	\$2,691,352.00

DAVIS PUBLIC LIBRARY  
P.O. Box 749  
Stoddard, NH 03464

Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Report to the Town

June 30, 2019  
Davis Public Library Funds

Trustees "Donations" Account (not trust funds and not restricted to interest only)  
Balance June 30, 2019, \$17,313.51

Trustees Checking Account  
Balance June 30, 2019, \$534.84

Trustees Savings Account  
Balance June 30, 2019, \$2,366.21

Library Director's Petty Cash balance \$129.38

Lost or damaged books \$0.00

Income from equipment (computer & printer) \$92.75

Income from interest in donations account (\$35.59) and savings account (\$15.96) = \$51.55

Income from donations \$0.00

Total expenditures for year from funds held and paid by Town \$25,147.02

Total expenditures for year from funds held and paid by library \$13,948.57

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$36,095.59

During this unprecedented time, the Board of Selectmen, your local government workers and your election and Town Meeting Officials are working hard to ensure the safety of all residents while maintaining an open and accessible government. Please be sure to check postings at the Town Hall, Gould House Town Offices and the town website at [www.stoddardnh.org](http://www.stoddardnh.org). Guidelines for public safety are changing quickly, and your local leaders are putting public safety and health as the top priority.



**Local Elections are scheduled for June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall.**

**STAY UP TO DATE ON POSSIBLE CHANGES AT**

[WWW.STODDARDNH.ORG](http://WWW.STODDARDNH.ORG)

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING THE TOWN CLERK AT**

**603-446-3326 EXT. 106**

**OR BY EMAIL REQUEST AT**

### **5 ways to stay safe while voting**

1. **Keep your distance:** Stay 6 feet apart from other voters when you're waiting in line or in the voting booth.
2. **Use hand sanitizer:** Use hand sanitizer before and after you vote (remember, it must have at least 60% alcohol to be effective).
3. **Wear your mask:** Before entering the polling location, properly put on your mask and leave it on the entire length of time you are at the polling location.
4. **Consider off-peak hours:** If you can, come to the polling place at an off-time, when fewer voters will be packed into the room with you. Do not bring anyone of non-voting age to the polling location.
5. **Wash your hands:** When you return home or to your workplace, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.